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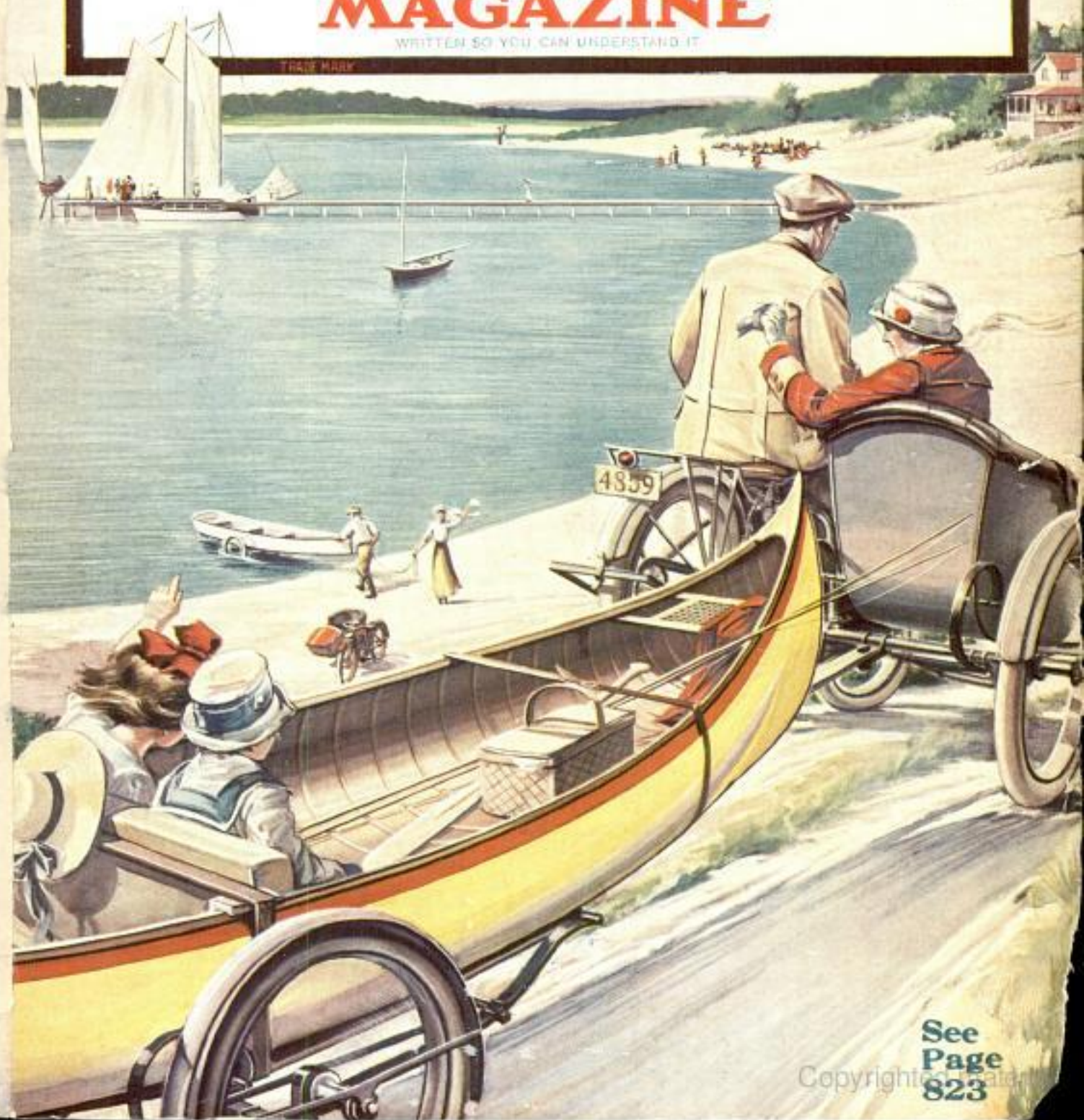
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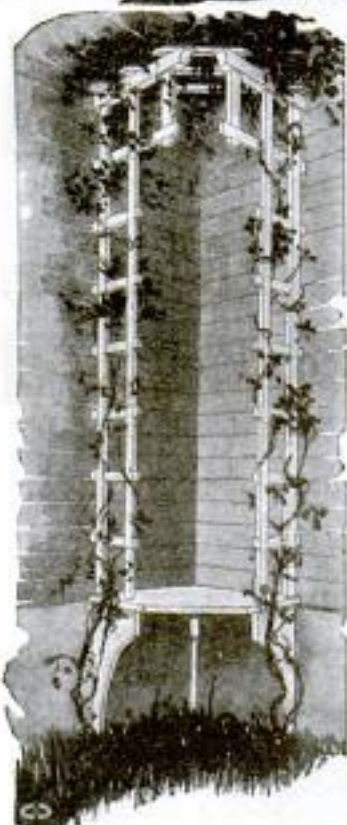
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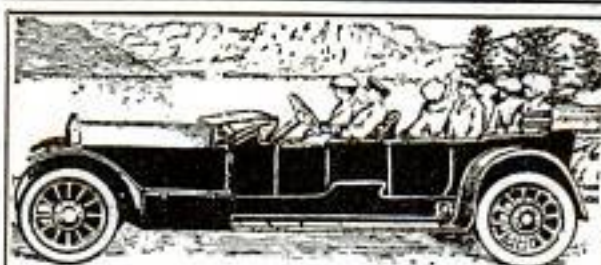
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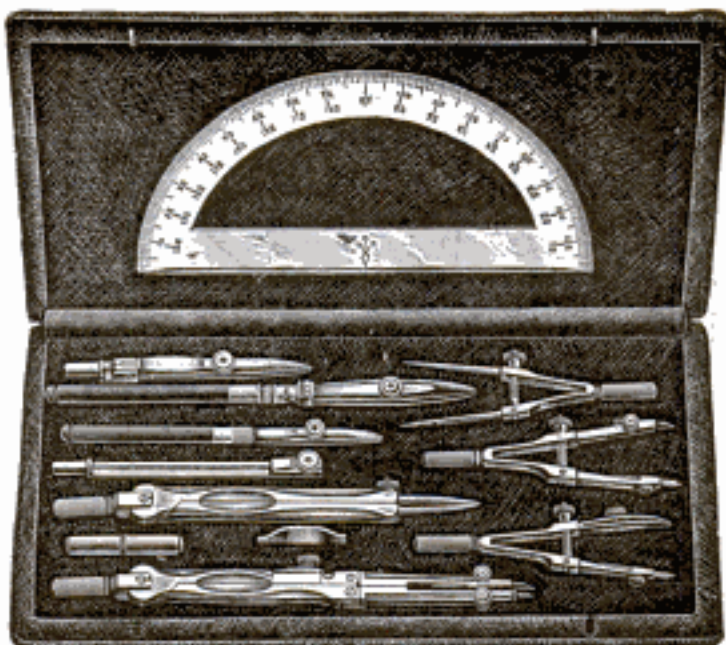
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USE your spare time to build up a mail order business of your own. We help you start for a share in profits. 27 opportunities. Particulars free. Opportunities Exchange, Buffalo, N. Y.

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BE a Detective. Earn \$150 to \$300 monthly. Travel over the world. Write American School of Criminology, Dept. F, Detroit, Michigan.

STOP Here! Let me start you in a home business that will bring you money every day. Experience unnecessary. Spare time. No canvassing. I furnish everything. Send for proofs. Voorhies, Desk C. R., Omaha, Neb.

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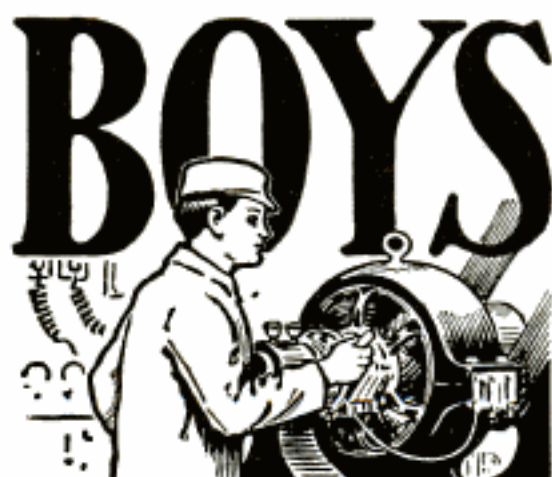
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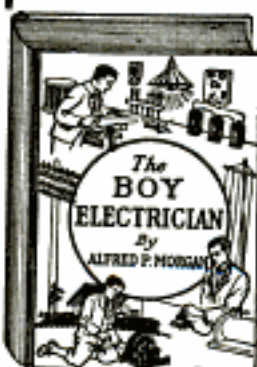
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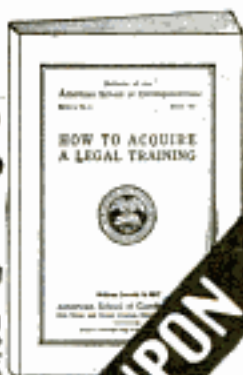
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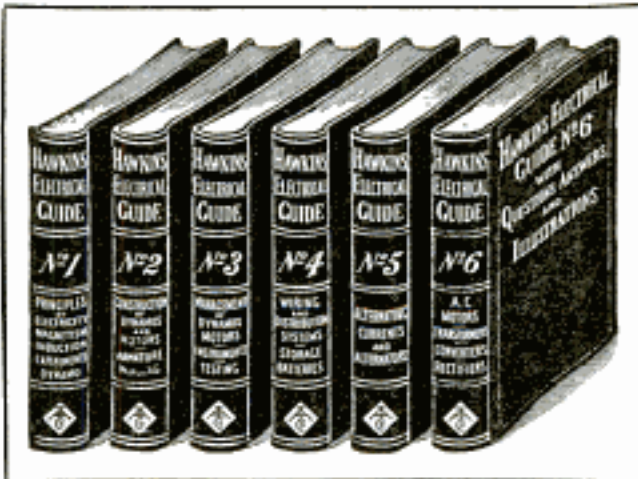
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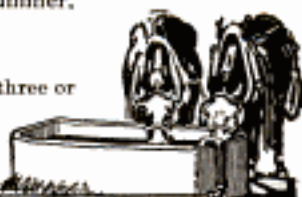
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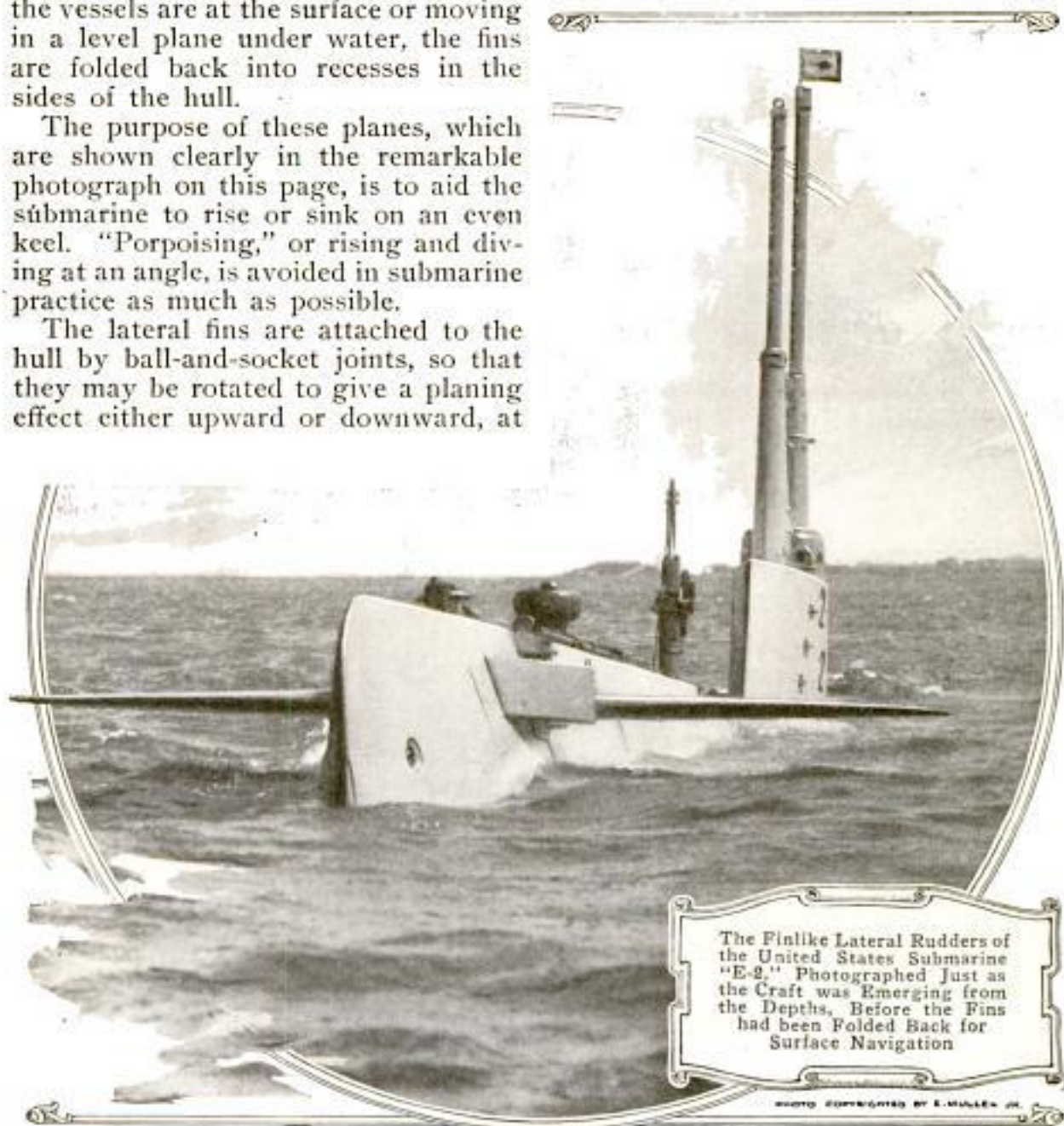
The "Fins" of a Submarine Torpedo Boat

THERE are few persons outside of the navy who have ever seen a submarine's "fins" in action. The modern submersible craft built for the United States Navy are all provided with these lateral rudders, but when the vessels are at the surface or moving in a level plane under water, the fins are folded back into recesses in the sides of the hull.

The purpose of these planes, which are shown clearly in the remarkable photograph on this page, is to aid the submarine to rise or sink on an even keel. "Porpoising," or rising and diving at an angle, is avoided in submarine practice as much as possible.

The lateral fins are attached to the hull by ball-and-socket joints, so that they may be rotated to give a planing effect either upward or downward, at

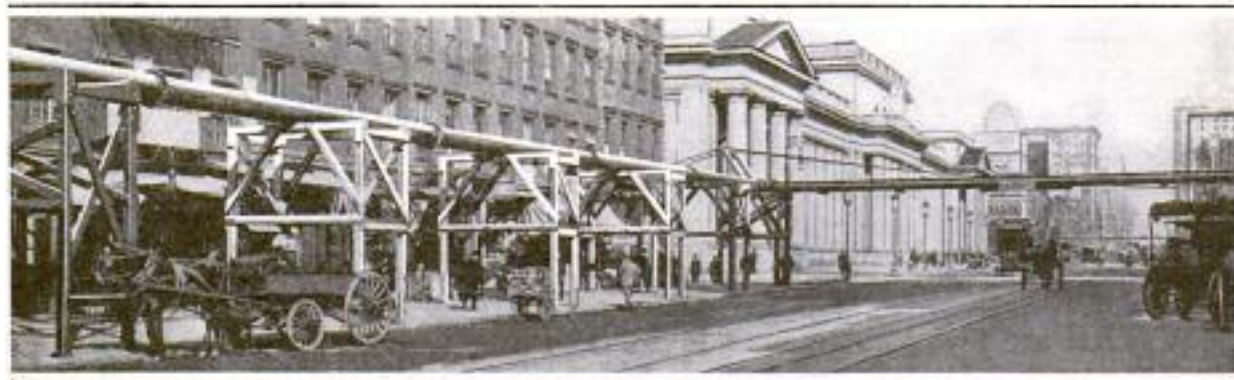
any angle, and folded away when not in use. Fin planes on different types of submarines are of different shapes, some similar to the fins of a fish, some the shape of tennis rackets, and others rectangular.



The Finlike Lateral Rudders of the United States Submarine "E-2." Photographed Just as the Craft was Emerging from the Depths, Before the Fins had been Folded Back for Surface Navigation

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Gas Mains Elevated above a Street in New York during the Construction of a Subway

GAS MAINS ARE ELEVATED 9445 ABOVE CITY STREETS

On streets in New York, where subway-construction work is in progress, the gas mains are elevated on temporary trestles erected above the curb lines at a height sufficient to clear the tops of motor busses and traction cars at the crossings. This is done in order to eliminate the danger of explosions, and in most cases the other utility pipes, such as telephone and other electric conduits, are left beneath the street surface while the excavating is going on. The danger with a gas main in subway work is that there is always a chance for a break to occur and cause a leakage which might easily result in a disastrous explosion.

KNIFE MADE WITH BLADES 9471 THAT MAY BE REPLACED

Broken or worn blades may be readily replaced by new ones in a specially designed pocketknife which has lately been introduced. The blades are fitted with open grooves in their shanks so that they may be removed or inserted quickly, and are so arranged that there is no danger of their falling out accidentally. It is also



possible to have a set of several different styles of blades that may be inserted on occasions when special serv-

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ice is required. Thus, blades suited for office purposes may be removed and heavy clip or spear blades set in if a sportsman's knife is wanted, or a pruning blade employed if there is orchard or garden work to be done.

TO ATTACK ZEPPELINS WITH 9521 EXPLOSIVE DARTS

A new weapon that has just been invented in Ireland for use against Zeppelins consists of an explosive dart intended to be dropped from an aeroplane. The dart is made of steel and is fitted at the rear end with projections much like fishhooks. Inside the dart is an explosive charge which burns with a sharp flame. When the dart is dropped on a Zeppelin, or other gas balloon, the hooks catch in the fabric after the point has penetrated it and pull back a detonator that sets off the charge. As the explosion takes place inside the gas bag the effect can hardly be anything but disastrous.

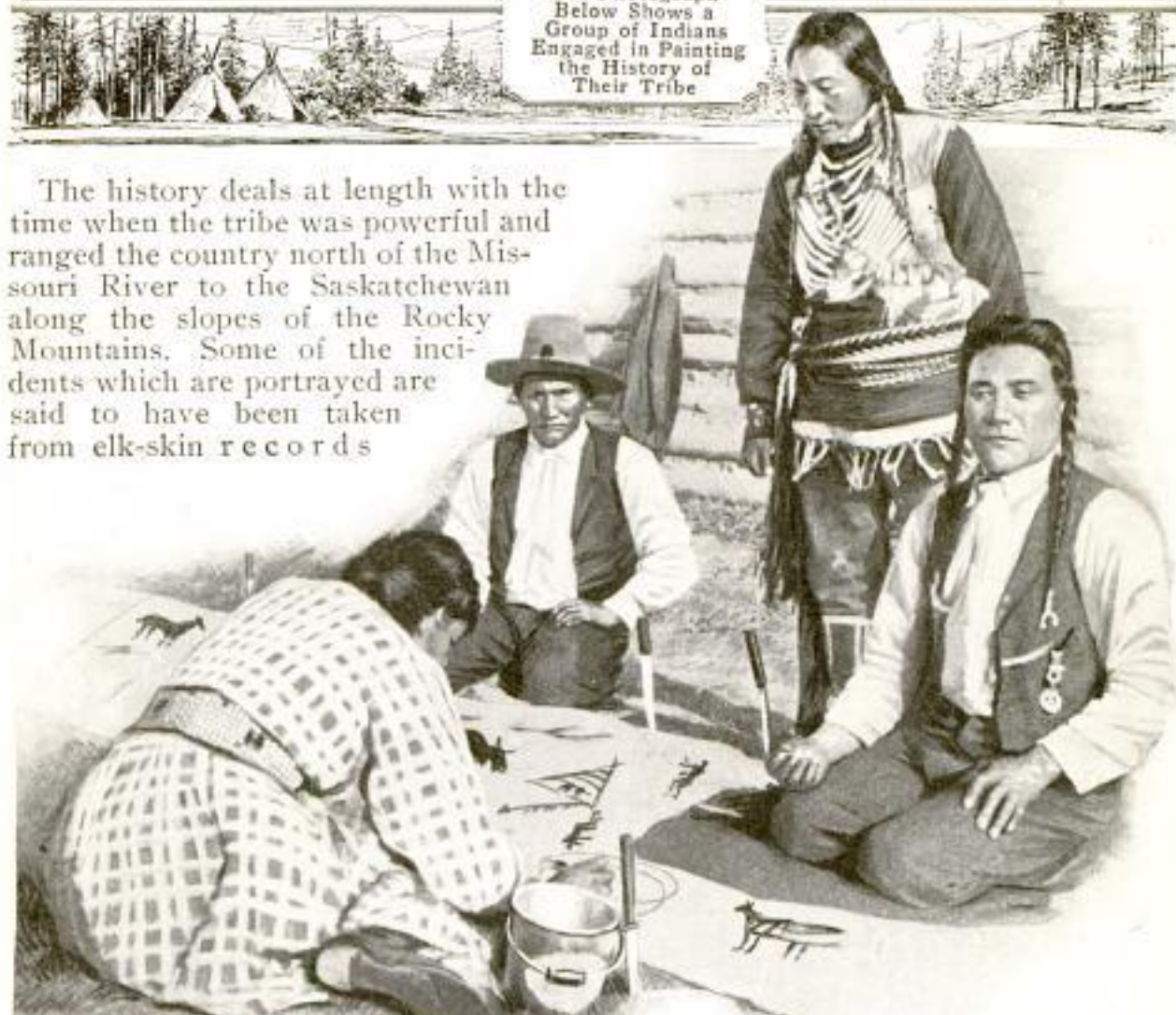
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PICTORIAL HISTORY OF 9360 BLACKFEET INDIANS

After months of work a complete pictorial history of their tribe has been worked out by the Blackfeet Indians in the Glacier National Park Reservation in Montana. The story covers approximately a half mile of canvas on which the curious drawings have been executed with hundreds of pounds of bright-colored paints made from mineral materials taken from a near-by mountain.



The history deals at length with the time when the tribe was powerful and ranged the country north of the Missouri River to the Saskatchewan along the slopes of the Rocky Mountains. Some of the incidents which are portrayed are said to have been taken from elk-skin records

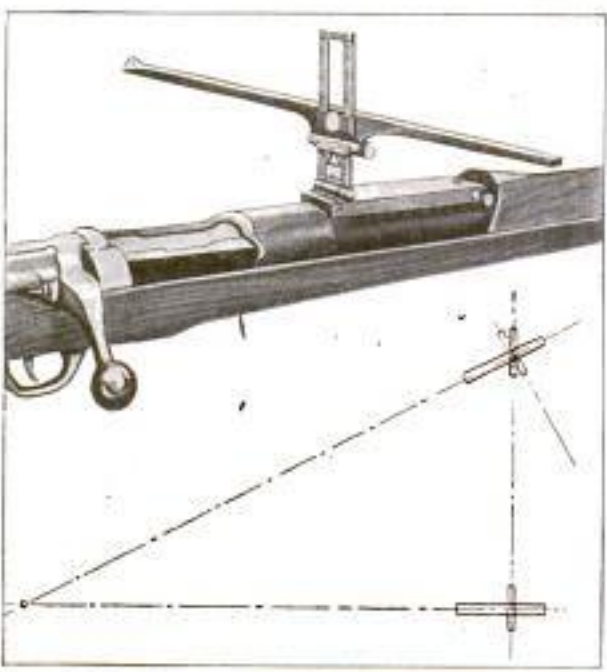


Painted more than 300 years ago. Two hundred and fifty sections make up the complete canvas, which is to be used as a frieze in some of the large log hotels which have been erected for tourists in the national park. These stand on the site of part of the former hunting grounds of the tribe.

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9009 **SIMPLE RANGE FINDER FOR SMALL ARMS**

By using two rifles, each fitted with a sighting bar mounted on the adjustable sight of an army rifle and ope-



Army Rifle with Range Finder Mounted on Adjustable Sight: The Diagram Shows How Two Rifles are Placed for Finding the Range

rated in connection with the vernier used in allowing for windage, it is now possible to get the range quickly and accurately for any object to be fired at. The sighting bar is mounted on the vertical slide of the rifle sight and ordinarily occupies a position at right angles to the barrel, or the line of fire. The bar has a front sight at one end and a rear sight at the other. In using, one rifle on which the sighting bar is set at right angles to the line of fire is aimed at the object. Along a line at a right angle to the barrel of this rifle,

which is determined by sighting through the sights of the bar, a base line of specified length, usually 100 yd., is laid off. A second rifle held at the end of this base line is then aimed at the object and the sighting bar is turned so that it points to the first rifle, the bar being adjusted by the thumb-screw used in allowing for windage. The vernier on the second rifle then gives the angle between the two lines of fire and the distance from the first rifle to the object to be fired at is determined from a table prepared to correspond to the distance between the two rifles.

9608 **USING CHEESECLOTH TENTS AS MOSQUITO SCREENS**

Along most of the rivers and lakes in the Canadian woods the mosquitoes during the summer months grow to exceptional size and are very aggravating to campers and those on fishing expeditions. Tents are seldom carried on trips through the northern wildernesses, for such equipment is cumbersome, and sleeping bags are much more easily packed for long portage. In order to keep out the mosquitoes so that sleep in these devices is possible, cheesecloth made into the form of miniature tents which completely cover the sleeping bags, is employed. This is of no value as protection from rain, but it keeps out the pests, which are much harder to stand than unpleasant weather.

Cheesecloth Tents are Used in the North Woods to Cover Sleeping Bags and Ward Off Mosquitoes



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8607 NEW HYDROPLANE WITH AERIAL PROPELLER

A new hydroplane that is attracting considerable attention is a skimmer driven by an aerial propeller and capable of making more than 60 miles an hour. The principal feature of this craft is its hull, somewhat like that of a sea sled, with which is used an ingenious means for producing an air cushion between the water and the hull when the skimmer is traveling at a high rate of speed. The air is collected by

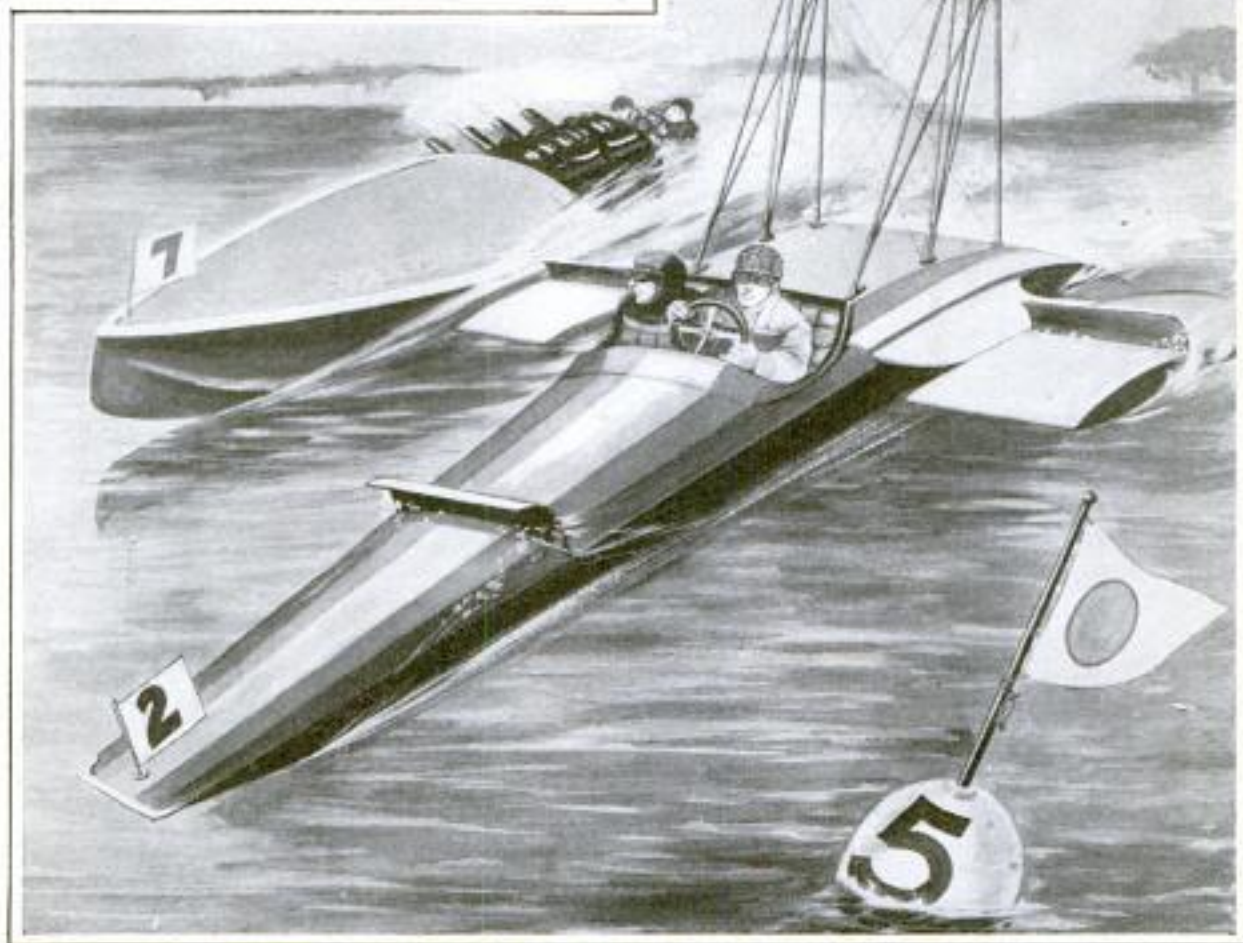
air is prevented from escaping from the sides by runners on each side extending 2 in. below the bottom of the hull. The boat is 20 ft. long and 37 in. wide, and

"Fox-Phillips Skimmer"

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When Going at High Speed This Skimmer Rides on a Cushion of Air and Mist

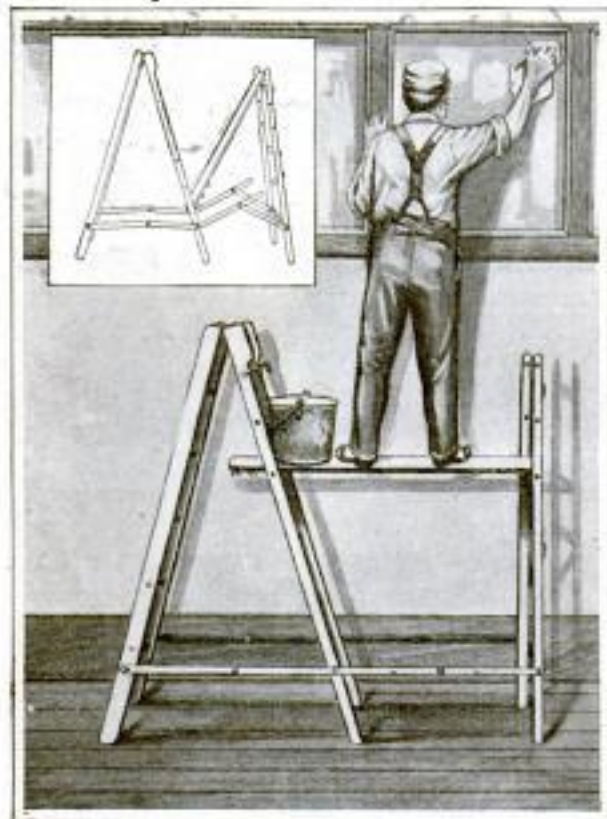
wide funnels which face toward the bow. Connected with each funnel is a pipe that has its outlet under the hull, the pipe outlets being spaced along the hull from bow to stern. At high speeds the air pressure against the funnels, aided by the suction of the water past the mouths of the tubes, causes a large volume of air to be discharged under the hull, with the result that the hull rides on a cushion of air and mist. The

is equipped with pontoons that prevent it from tipping over when making a turn. It has an 80-hp. motor and has an aerial propeller 8 ft. 3 in. in diameter with a pitch of 5 ft. 2 in. and designed to be run at 1,250 revolutions per minute. The entire weight, including motor, is about 650 lb. When running at 60 miles an hour, the hull draws only about 1 in. of water, and the pontoons are clear of the water surface.

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COMBINATION STEPLADDER 9597 AND SCAFFOLD

Suited for either interior or exterior work, a combination ladder and scaffold has been invented which may be



Combination Ladder and Scaffold Which Serves a Practical Purpose in a Household

folded up as compactly as an ordinary stepladder when not in use. While it may be employed by a paper hanger

or painter, it is more particularly designed for various household services. The height of the platform may be adjusted to suit the need, so that it may be used conveniently in washing high easement windows, wiping off the walls of a room, polishing chandeliers, or for similar purposes. When only a stepladder is required the device may be used as such without extending the scaffold.

HEAT-ABSORBING QUALITIES 9607 OF DIFFERENT COLORS

In an attempt to illustrate graphically the relative values for summer wear of different colors in dress materials, an interesting experiment was recently conducted. Four strips of cloth, made of the same material and weight, but of different colors, were placed on a cake of ice and exposed to the sun. The fabrics were white, yellow, red, and black. The result showed in a striking way how white reflects the sun's rays while black absorbs them. The ice covered by the piece of white cloth was not melted to any appreciable degree during the test; that under the yellow strip was slightly depressed; a deep cut was formed beneath the red cloth, and a groove approximately twice as deep as that covered by the latter was melted under the black fabric.



This illustrates, from a point of coolness, comparative values of different colors for summer wear. Above are shown four strips of cloth on a cake of ice presented to the sunlight. Below are to be seen the grooves melted under the red and black fabrics

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9515 THE SUBMARINE FREIGHT TRAIN

America's Newest Contribution to the Art
of Warfare Adds Greatly to the Efficiency
of the Underwater Torpedo Boat as a
Blockading Arm

By FRANK PARKER STOCKBRIDGE

THIS description of the newest of war devices has been prepared from information furnished by its inventor, Mr. Simon Lake, of Bridgeport, Conn., and sketches made especially for this magazine at his shipbuilding yard there. Mr. Lake is a pioneer in the art of submarine-boat construction. His first experimental underwater craft was built in 1894. In 1897, six years before the first naval submarine was commissioned in the United States Navy, he was navigating below the surface of Long Island Sound in the "Argonaut." He has designed and built submarine torpedo boats for the navies of the United States, Russia, Germany, England, and several other powers, and is the originator of many devices now widely used in submarine navigation, including the inclining sideplanes, or fins, to enable a boat to submerge on an even keel instead of diving; the drop keel, which can be instantly detached from within, thus relieving the craft of many tons' weight and enabling it to float after an accident if it has the slightest reserve buoyancy left; the diving compartment and buffer wheels described in this article; the omniscope, an improved periscope giving vision all around the horizon, and many improvements in construction details.



Simon
Lake

—Editor

AN underwater freight train that makes it possible for a submarine torpedo boat to operate in hostile waters for an indefinite period has been devised by Simon Lake, an American inventor, who has designed and constructed submersible fighting craft for the navies of several of the European powers.

Just how many of these novel supply trains are in use, and by what nations, are military secrets. It has been pointed out by naval authorities that the German submarines which have been operating as commerce destroyers in the territorial waters of the British Isles must have some means of replenishing their supplies of fuel oil, fresh water, food, and ammunition without returning to a German naval base. Few, if any, submarines now in existence are known to have a cruising radius of more than 500 miles. German submarines operating in the Irish Sea and off the northwest coast of Scotland are at least 700 miles from the nearest German port.

By means of the submerged supply train, however, it is comparatively easy for a fighting submarine to obtain supplies at regular intervals with almost complete secrecy, for the transfer of stores of all kinds can be made under water. The only way the enemy could

detect what was going on would be by observation from an aeroplane.

Two, three, or more, submersible cars, cigar-shaped, water-tight, and fitted with buoyancy tanks inside and wheels on the lower side, make up a submarine freight train. These cars have no propelling machinery nor quarters for crews, but are towed behind a self-propelling submarine, which may also be equipped for firing torpedoes. Besides the towing line, the trailer cars are connected with the towing vessel by an air tube and an electric cable. The air hose is connected to powerful air pumps on the forward craft and to the water-ballast tanks of the trailers, which are normally filled to a weight that will float the trailers a few feet below the surface. Should the weather be fair and no enemy in sight, the air pumps can expel enough water from the ballast tanks, replacing it with air, to enable the whole tow to rise to the surface and take advantage of the higher speed obtainable in surface cruising, when the towing vessel's oil engines can be used instead of the electric storage batteries that must be depended on for propulsion when submerged. Should an enemy ship be sighted, releasing the air pressure causes all the ballast tanks to fill and the towed cars to sink out of sight,

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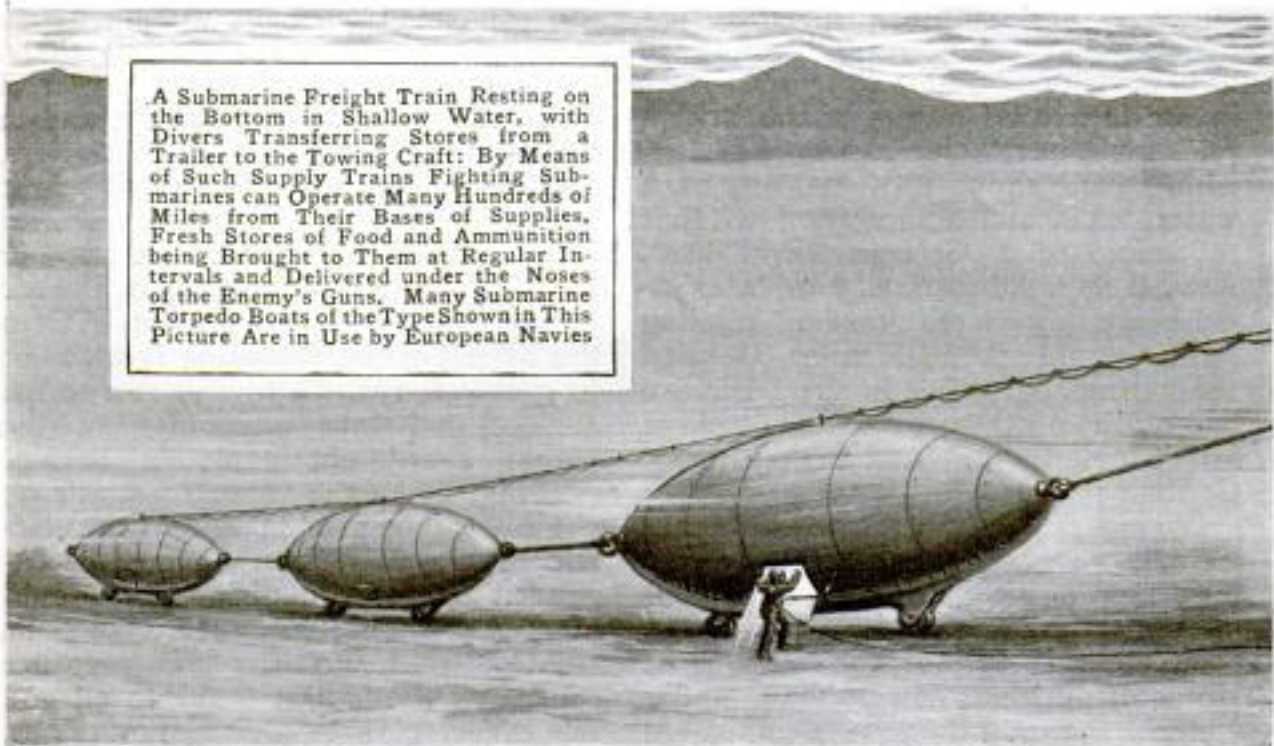
while the towing vessel descends by the aid of its diving planes.

Each of the towed cars contains compartments for fuel oil and fresh water, each with a hose connection on the outside of the hull, and a space for food supplies and ammunition in water-tight cases. This last-named compartment has a door opening outward, on the bottom of the circular hull near the keel.

Transferring supplies from the towed cars to the towing craft or to an independent fighting submarine is done on the bottom of the sea, in shallow water. Here the value is apparent of the wheels with which nearly all of Mr. Lake's submarines are equipped. On a smooth, hard bottom they enable the submerged craft to travel safely with a minimum of buoyancy, and by holding the hull off the bottom prevent any suction or adhesion of mud that might prove serious. The hydro-pneumatic dashpots to which the wheels are connected by pivoted arms make them act as buffers should the craft sink suddenly or strike an obstacle in traveling along the bottom.

Arrived at the rendezvous, which may be almost under the guns of the en-

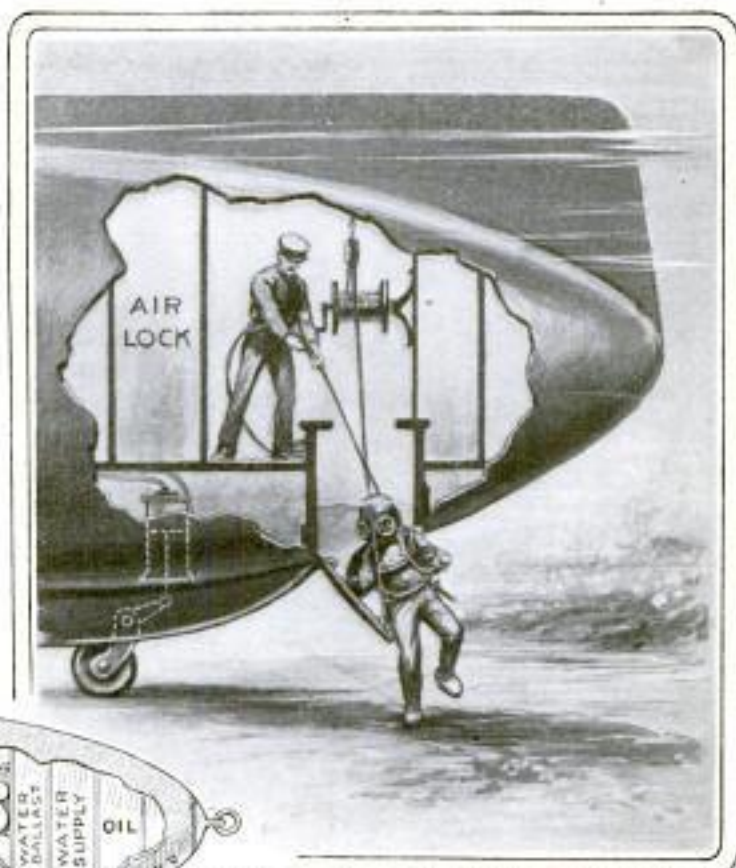
emy's coast fortifications and still be unsuspected, the submerged freight train comes to a halt on the bottom in 15 or 20 ft. of water. Under the bow of the towing vessel is a door, opening downward, leading into the sea from a compartment that is cut off from the rest of the craft's interior by air-tight bulkheads. This diving lock is another feature developed by Mr. Lake and used on nearly all his submarines. In shallow water it is not difficult to maintain, inside of this lock, either from compressed-air tanks or by the direct action of a pump, an air pressure that will balance the external water pressure and keep the inside dry even with the door wide open. The diving compartment, in fact, is practically a traveling diving bell. It is large enough to hold two men, one to aid the diver, the other in diving armor, being free to walk along the sea bottom and unload the towboats. Oil and water are transferred to the waiting submarine through pipes. To get at the stores in the air-tight compartment, the diver opens the door from outside. Air pressure from the pumps of the towing vessel keeps the water out, and the interior is lighted by electricity, con-



A Submarine Freight Train Resting on the Bottom in Shallow Water, with Divers Transferring Stores from a Trailer to the Towing Craft: By Means of Such Supply Trains Fighting Submarines can Operate Many Hundreds of Miles from Their Bases of Supplies, Fresh Stores of Food and Ammunition being Brought to Them at Regular Intervals and Delivered under the Noses of the Enemy's Guns. Many Submarine Torpedo Boats of the Type Shown in This Picture Are in Use by European Navies

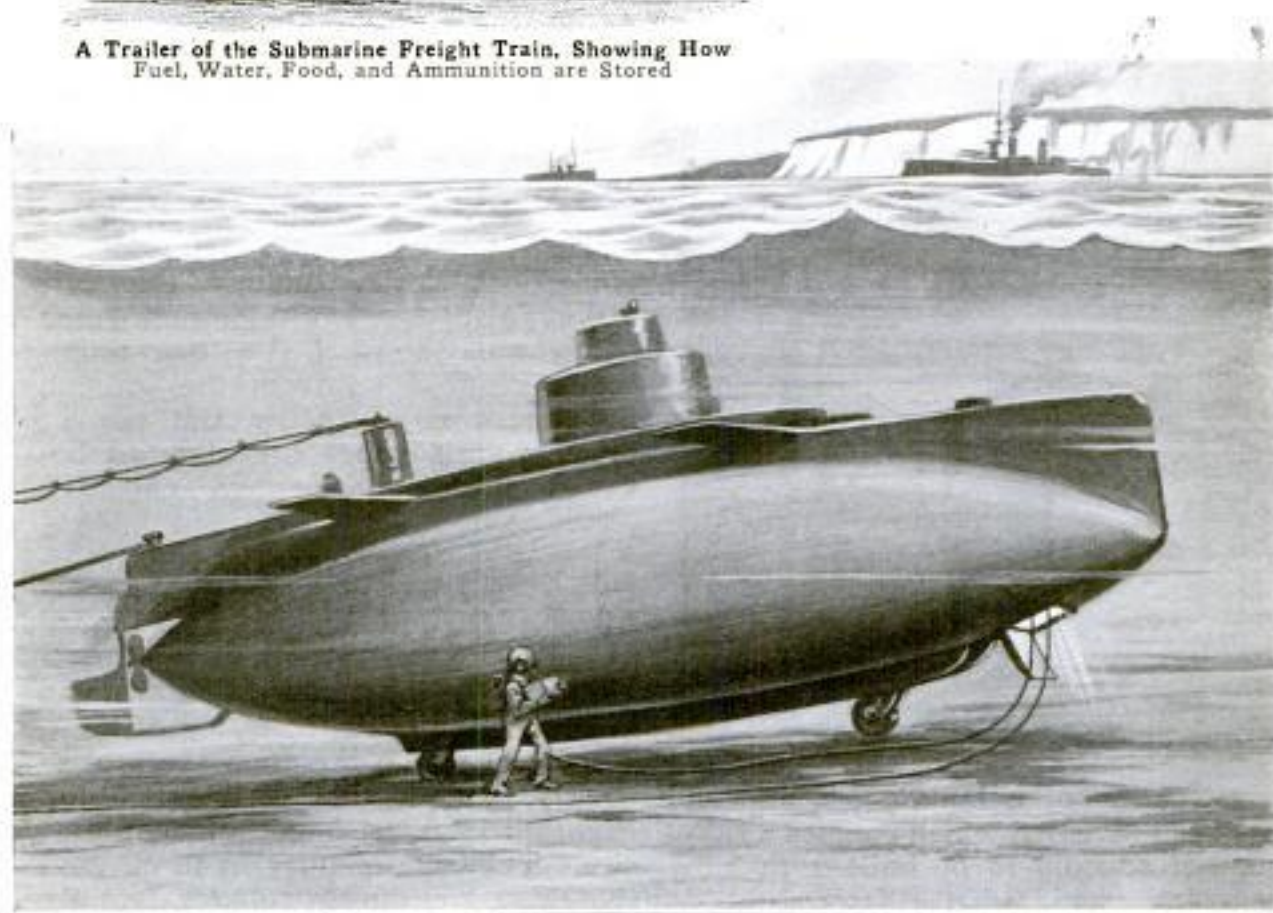
veyed from the storage battery of the main craft. Food in tins, cartridges for rifles and machine guns, even torpedoes, may be transferred in this way from one vessel to another without so much as a ripple on the surface indicating to an observer on shore or on a hostile ship that anything unusual is going on.

When the fighting boat has replenished its stores, the submarine freight train moves on, perhaps to keep a rendezvous with still another underwater craft before returning to the naval base for a fresh cargo.



Air Pressure from Within Keeps the Water Out
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A Trailer of the Submarine Freight Train, Showing How Fuel, Water, Food, and Ammunition are Stored



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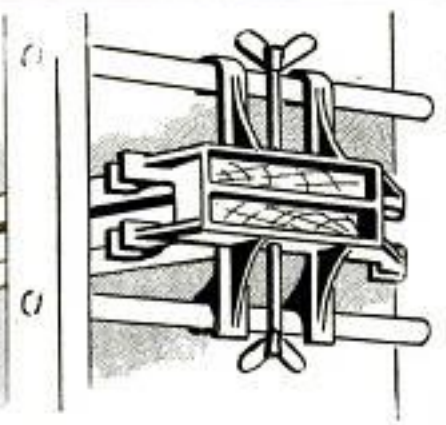
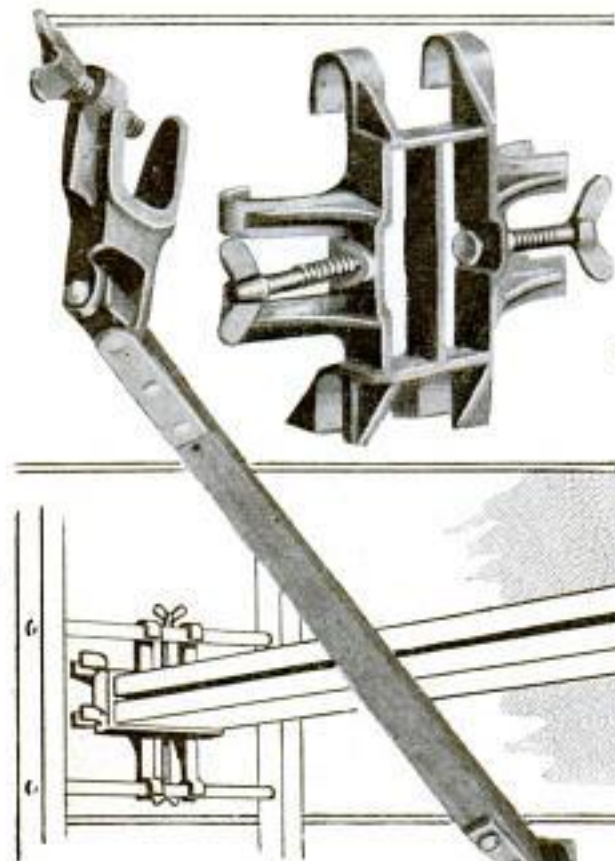
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TEMPORARY STAGING BUILT
WITH LADDER BRACKETS

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To simplify the work of erecting interior and exterior stagings during the

time. It consists of a casting designed to be clamped to the rungs of a ladder so as to hold out plank arms to support the scaffold flooring, or to allow a plank to be extended between two ladders. Each bracket has two slots for receiving boards, so that they may be projected from both sides of a ladder if a long staging is needed. Or, if an especially heavy one is wanted, the planking may be doubled. When staging is needed for the inside decoration of a church or theater, four ladders and brackets may be used and the square formed by them planked over to suit



This Shows the Ladder Brackets and Two of the Ways in Which They may be Employed in Erecting Staging



construction of a building, a bracket has been invented which enables a substantial scaffold to be built with ladders and planking in a few minutes'

C. J. Glasier, Daily World,
Aberdeen, Wash.

the needs. Ladders may also be set inside of a building and plank arms extended out of the windows, thus furnishing a support for staging on which cornices may be reached without building a scaffold up from the ground. Steadiness is given by the use of bracing arms which are clamped between the ladder rungs and the planking.

KITE FIGHTING A POPULAR
9104 JAPANESE SPORT

One of the most interesting customs in connection with the flying of kites, a sport of which the Japanese are intensely fond, is that of kite fighting. Fighting kites are made of enormous size. They are circular in form, with the circle inclosing a square, strongly

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braced diagonally, the woodwork being all of bamboo. The frame is covered with some 1,600 sheets of Japanese paper, which are bound firmly to the frame with hemp strings and on which is painted an emblem for distinguishing the kite when it is in the air. The ropes for handling these kites are made of strong hemp, an inch or more in diameter and more than 2,000 ft. long. Getting one of these enormous kites to take the air is a problem that requires careful preparation and skillful handling. The usual way is to set up a post to which is attached a long chain borne out in the direction that the wind is blowing and carrying 50 or 60 sandbags. To the end of this chain the kite rope is attached. The big kite is set up against timbers driven into the ground, and about 20 men stand by ready to throw it into the air when the word is given. At some distance from the kite the rope is held by about 30 men, and between this group and the chain is a second similar group. These let loose of the rope in succession as the kite ascends, and the final work of controlling the kite falls to a third group stationed at the junction of the rope and chain. The kites are flown in pairs and are played against each other, each party trying to bring the kites into collision in such a way as to destroy the equilibrium of the rival kite and make it fall. The kite that stays up until the wind ceases or until the others are vanquished is victorious. In the vicinity of Muya there are between 20 and 30 kite-flying associations, and each has a fighting kite of its own.

Designed particularly for military purposes in the field, a combination wireless-telephone and telegraph equipment has been developed which is carried in a sidecar compartment attached to a motorcycle. The apparatus is compact, portable, and is claimed to have a telegraphic transmitting radius of ap-



Motorcycle Radio Equipment Which has been Developed for Military Purposes

proximately 100 miles and a telephonic range of about half that distance. Both of the sending instruments are actuated by a high-voltage direct current supplied by a dynamo which is driven by a separate motorcycle engine mounted in the side compartment. Two distinct types of electric waves may be sent out, so that for war purposes, when precautions are needed, a highly damped current may be employed instead of the undamped impulses used for ordinary service. For supporting the antenna a telescopic steel mast is used that may be raised or lowered quickly. For transporting, this mast is strapped securely at one side of the machine.

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NEW EXPLOSIVE KILLS BY
 9716 **ASPHYXIATION**

The rumor in circulation since the beginning of the war to the effect that the French were in possession of a secret explosive capable of destroying life on a scale not heretofore dreamed of, by the production of deadly asphyxiating gases, has been confirmed by the French military authorities. This explosive is called turpinite and is the discovery of M. Eugene Turpin, the inventor of melinite. It has already been used in a limited way and the statement is now made that preparations have been completed for using it on a large scale in the coming operations against the Germans.

Ever since the war began there has been a vague but general belief that the great conflict might eventually be ended by the discovery by one of the belligerents of some explosive so deadly in its effects that no troops could live in the face of it. If the apparently reliable statements given out in connection with turpinite prove well-founded in actual warfare, that discovery has been made and the world will soon be called upon to witness its effects.

At the opening of the war the effects of exploding turpinite were familiar to the experimenters working with it in the laboratory. It could only be exploded by vibration and at that time there seemed no safe way of firing it from a gun, for the reason that the vibration caused by the discharge of the projectile was likely to explode it before it had got clear of the gun.

With a new fieldpiece invented in December it is possible to fire shells charged with turpinite without danger to the firing party, and it is reported that the French and British arsenals have been busy day and night since then making the shells and the guns for firing them.

When the shell explodes the gases caused by the explosion spread over the ground in a circle having a diameter of about 100 yd. The gases produce paralysis of some of the vital

organs of the body, with the result that every living thing within this circle is killed instantly and painlessly, and so far as is now known there is no defense against nor antidote for the action of these gases. If the turpinite does all that is claimed for it, trenches will furnish practically no defense against it. The gases from a shell exploding within 50 yd. of the trench will simply settle into the trench and kill the men sheltered in it. Shrapnel-proof and bomb-proof covers will be of little use, for the gases in their deadly work will find their way through the smallest opening.

The announcement of the discovery of this explosive apparently confirms several newspaper stories that were too fantastic to be believed at the time they were told. One of these was the report that a French charging party had taken possession of a house in which was found a number of dead German officers and sentries bearing no evidence of wounds of any kind, and in such postures as to indicate that they had been stricken dead instantly. It is now stated that the death of these men was caused by a turpinite shell which had crashed through the wall and exploded within the house.

NOVEL RAILROAD EXHIBIT AT
 9562 **SAN FRANCISCO**

Four western railways have coöperated in building an interesting exhibit in the Transportation Building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. It consists of a globe, approximately 50 ft. in diameter, which on one face carries a large relief map of North America. Between the points representing San Francisco and St. Louis, miniature trains, which are produced by an ingenious electrical arrangement, flit across the map at frequent intervals. The trip is made in three minutes, and as a train passes through different cities along the line the names of the places are illuminated electrically. Surrounding the globe, and separated by arches leading to its interior, are figures symbolic of transportation, agriculture,



Railway Exhibit in the Transportation Building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition Which Holds Particular Interest Because of Electrical Effects Which are Produced Ingeniously

recreation, and industries. On the inside of the globe are reproductions of many points of interest in the West, such as the Royal Gorge, Denver, Salt Lake City, and other familiar places along the railroads. Overhead a pleasing starlight effect is produced by an ingenious lighting plan which shows several constellations and gives many of the stars a realistic twinkle. Electricity is also used in obtaining effects such as cloud formations, running water, and various moving objects, nearly all of which have required the construction of special apparatus as well as, in most instances, their invention.

Naval guns have a longer range than land guns of the same size because it is easier to reline them, and so heavier charges can be used.

CURBS ON DARKENED STREETS IN BRITAIN WHITEWASHED

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Since the exigencies of war have made it necessary largely to eliminate street lighting in British cities, it has been found advisable in certain instances to whitewash the curbs on either side of public thoroughfares so as to make it easier to discern the roadways at night. At Norwich a pneumatic painting machine carried on a steam wagon has been successfully employed for doing this work. The lime solution is forced through a hose under air pressure and directed at the curb. A nozzle especially designed so as to prevent the spreading of the wash beyond certain limits is used. With this equipment the work can be done at a rate of about three miles an hour.

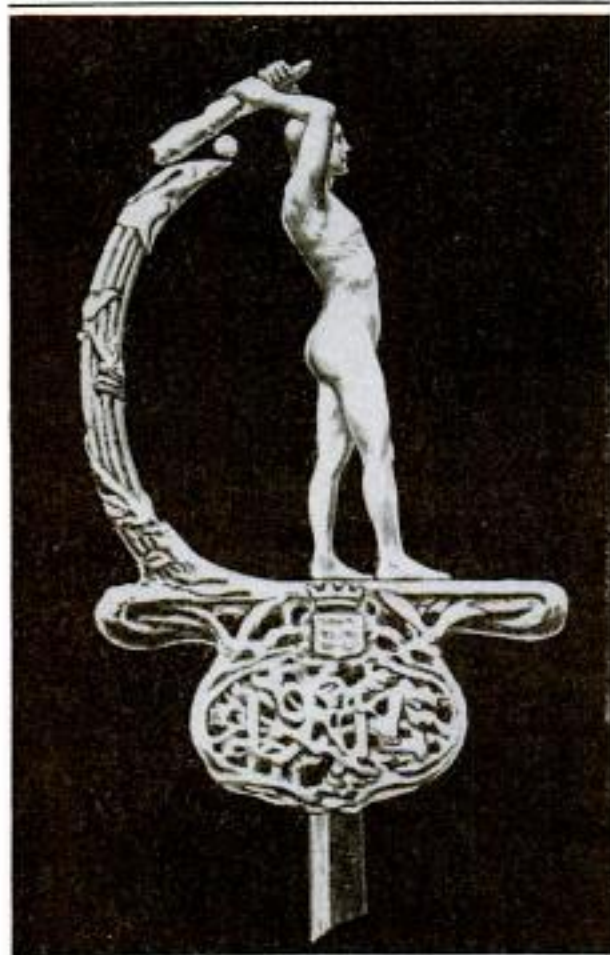
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**9469 SWORD GIVEN KING ALBERT
BY CITIZENS OF PARIS**

As a token of their esteem, the citizens of Paris have presented King Albert of Belgium with a sword which



This Sword has been Given to the King of the Belgians by the Citizens of Paris

is in a way emblematic of the struggle now being waged by the ruler and his people. The hilt is made of carved gold. An athletic figure, symbolical of the Belgians, standing on the cross guard and holding back a club in readiness to strike, forms the grip. The guard, which extends from the end of the club to one of the quillons of the cross guard, represents a wreath.

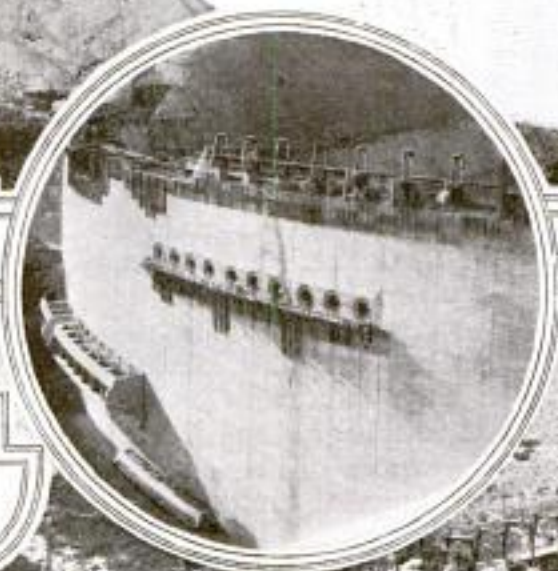
¶To save bandage materials, British and French surgeons at army hospitals on the fields are employing sterilized sawdust as an absorbent for wounds. The particles are finely screened and sewed in bags made of antiseptic gauze.

**9523 ARROWROCK DAM ALMOST
READY FOR USE**

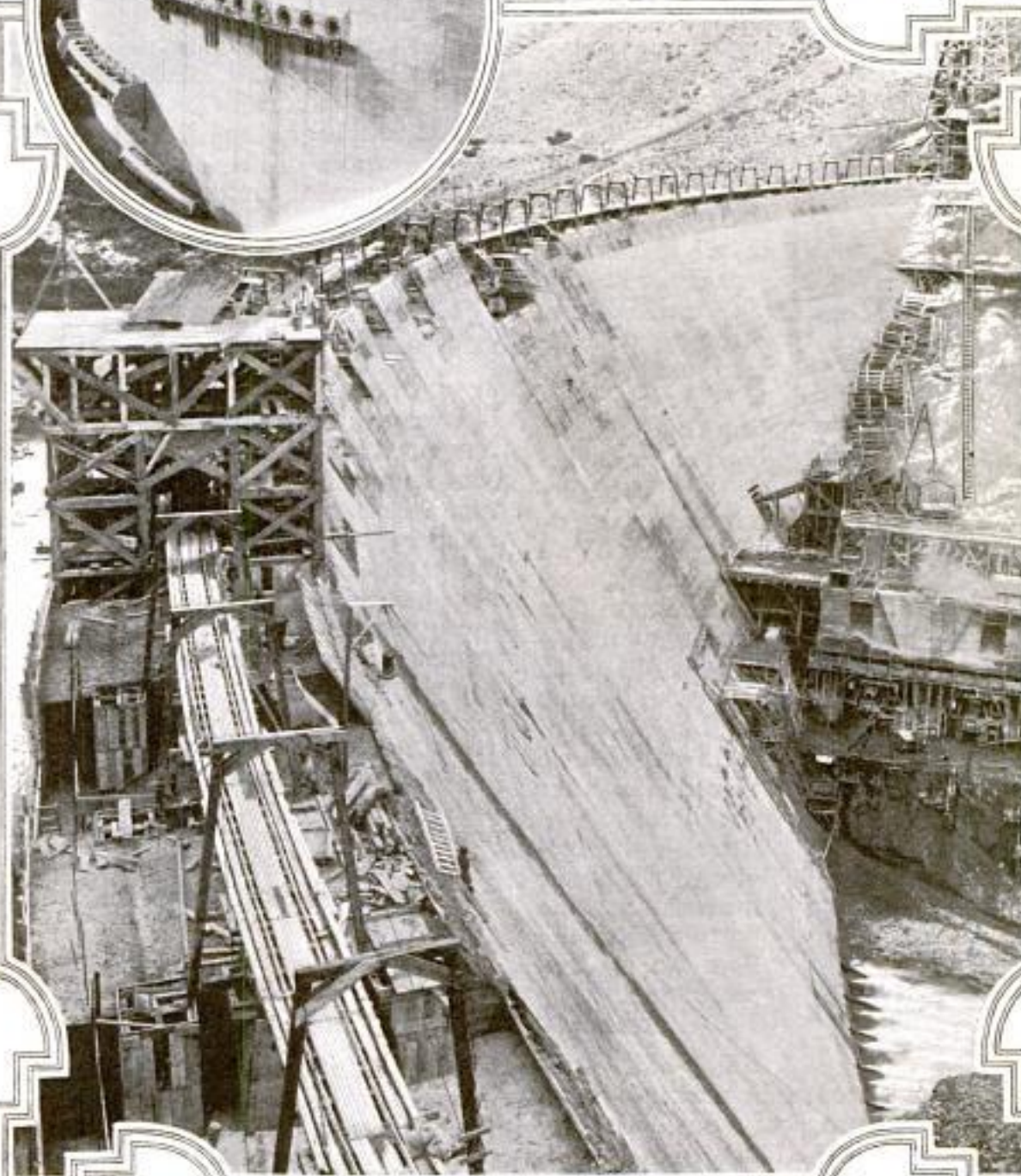
Now that the bulk of the concrete work on the Arrowrock dam in Idaho has been done and the structure needs only the addition of a few minor details to make it ready for service, it is possible to get some adequate appreciation of the magnitude of this, one of the largest dams in the world. The dam is built of reinforced concrete and is nearly 350 ft. high at the highest point. The length of the crest is 1,060 ft.; the thickness at base, 240 ft., and the thickness at the top, 16 ft. As will be seen from the illustration, the face of the dam looks more like the sheer wall of a cañon than a structure raised by human hands.

Something like 600,000 cu. yd. of concrete went into the structure and 250,000 cu. yd. of excavation was necessary to get the foundations down to the solid granite, 80 ft. below the bed of the river. It is built in the form of a curve with the convex side upstream so that the structure does not depend on its own weight alone for stability, but acts as a horizontal arch in resisting the tremendous head of water, transmitting the pressure to abutments that consist of the granite walls of the cañon itself. The gates and accessories alone weigh 1,000 tons, and the spillway, which is capable of discharging 40,000 cu. ft. of water a second, required the excavation of 300,000 cu. yd. of material. The construction of the dam was started in 1911 and it took four years of continuous work to complete it. The reservoir formed by the dam will be about 18 miles long and, when full, will contain enough water to cover an area of 360 square miles to a depth of one foot.

Electricity played an important part in the work of construction. About 15 miles down the river the government built a 3,200-hp. hydroelectric plant, and from this plant power was supplied for operating the crushers, mixing machines, and other equipment used in building the dam. The concrete was mixed in mixing machines placed at the



These Views Show the Arrangement of the Outlets and the Way in Which the Dam is Curved Upstream



The Downstream Face of the Arrowrock Dam in Idaho, as It Appeared When Built to within 50 Feet of the Top

Inventor: *Chas. F. McKeesson,*
Colorado Springs, Colo.
 Mfg: *The Stearns-Roger Mfg. Co.*
1718 California St.,
Denver, Colo.

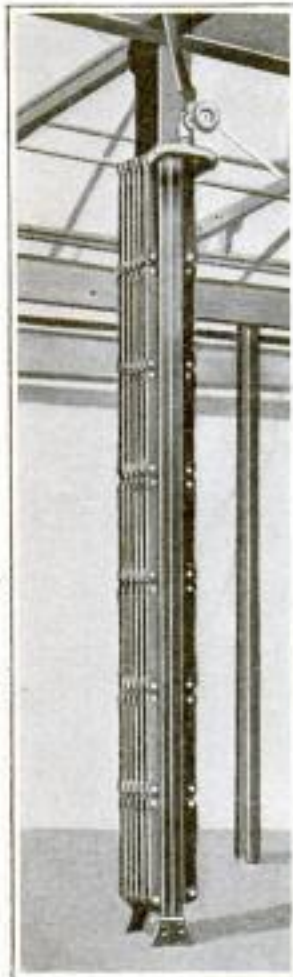
sides of the cañon and was conveyed to the dam by cableways, each of which was operated by a 300-hp. electric motor. The concrete was dumped from the cableway buckets into small electric cars which carried it to the particular point required. Each cableway was capable of handling about 15 tons and was used not only in transporting the concrete but in doing much of the heavy lifting and carrying required about the dam during the period of construction.

Radiators
MAKING HEATING FIXTURES

9080 UTILIZE WASTE SPACE

After completing the erection of a factory building at Springfield, Mass.,

it was found that there was no available wall space for heating fixtures. This brought about the adoption of a scheme of placing the radiators vertically on the sides of the interior supporting pillars, which consist of steel I-columns. The radiators used are made with five pipes to each section, seven of which were placed one after the other on two sides of the columns. A heavy bracket at the bottom near the floor holds each set in place.



Golf-ball makers have adopted a new paint which does not flake or chip off under repeated blows of the clubs. It is a rubber preparation and is vulcanized to the surface of the ball.

8882 SCREENLESS APPARATUS FOR SIZING COAL

Mechanism
 Sizing coal without screens is made possible by a new sizer that consists simply of a succession of corrugated shaker plates over which the coal is passed. The corrugations run lengthwise of the plates and the plates are inclined sidewise. Lumps of coal that are too large to be held in the corrugations roll off the plate at the side, while those held in the corrugations are shaken forward and deposited on the next plate. The corrugations are largest in the first plate, decreasing with each succeeding plate to correspond to the grading of the coal. The main purpose of this sizer is to diminish breakage of the coal.

AUTOMATIC COMPUTATION

8501 OF SHIPS' SPEED

When battleships are maneuvering or steaming ahead in fleet formation, it is essential that each navigator know the speed his vessel is making, in order that it may be kept in its proper position in relation to the others. Quite recently two new automatic methods for establishing the speed of vessels have been perfected, one in Sweden and the other in this country. The latter system has been adopted by the Navy Department and installed in the latest United States men-o'-war and auxiliary vessels.

The plan takes advantage of the uniform slip of propellers at a given speed, and by means of specially designed instruments, the revolutions of the various propulsion shafts are translated into distance traveled through the water. This eliminates all the calculations heretofore required in computing the speed and distance made by a vessel. With every 100 turns of the propulsion shafts the distance is worked out automatically by the instruments and the revolutions per minute given every 200 turns, and the speed also estimated. The revolutions both ahead and astern are counted.

H. R. Gary, Cummings Ship
Instruments Works,
110 High St. Boston, Mass.

In use in plant of the Wender Mfg. Co., Springfield, Mass.
H. B. Smith Co. of Westfield, Mass. Radiators were used.

mfr: Thomas Bemis,
Indianapolis, Ind.
Industrial Bldg. 817

All of these various functions are performed by devices operated by the vacuum produced in condensers by the action of pumps connected with the various shafts. The direction indicators are worked by means of pressure and vacuum produced by pumps connected with each shaft, a rotation in one direction producing a partial vacuum that turns the indicator hand "ahead," and a movement in the opposite direction causing a pressure which throws the hand "astern." The indicators are placed in the chart house, conning tower, and on the bridge, besides also being at the command of the engineers in both the port and starboard engine rooms.

The new Swedish plan is totally different from this and remarkably simple. Two pipes are placed through the bottom of the vessel; one a Pitot tube, which is a pipe bent at right angles and placed in the water with its mouth open in the direction in which the boat is moving, and the other a straight pipe ending flush with the exterior of the hull. Each of these leads to a separate chamber in a vessel which is separated from the other by a sensitive membrane. The difference in the pressure between the two sides affects the membrane and acts on a lever which, by

HOOP CYCLE NEW VEHICLE
9588 FOR CHILDREN

Something distinctly novel in the way of a pleasure vehicle for boys has recently been invented in the form of



Coasting with a Hoop Cycle, a New Vehicle Which has been Invented for Boys

a hoop cycle. It serves to bridge the gap between the tricycle and bicycle, furnishing an endless amount of fun and stimulus for exercise. The device consists of a 1/2-in. pipe welded into a large hoop, suspended within which on sheave rollers is a yoke carrying a seat. Extending to the rear of this is a two-wheeled balancing gear which is raised from the ground when the rider leans forward. The machine is propelled by the feet, the boy running until he gets up sufficient speed to carry him along, or rolling the cycle by an occasional push with his feet. On small hills the device may be used for coasting, although this is not advisable on steep inclines where there is any possibility of the hoop getting beyond control.



One of the Indicators Used in the Speed-Computing System Installed on American Battleships

means of intervening mechanism, conveys the pressure to a tube of glycerin to which a manometer is attached. The indicators may be extended to any part of the vessel.

☛The government radio station at Cavite, P. I., will have 600-ft. towers.

mfr: *Keppeler Glass Construction, Inc.,*
101 Park Ave., N.Y. City.

Berlin
London
Paris
Vienna
Budapest

PROVIDING ADEQUATE LIGHT
9570 IN MODERN BUILDINGS

Heavy glass partitions which are translucent, substantial, and fireproof are being introduced as a means of dis-

tributing sunlight through large business buildings without lessening the privacy of the various offices. The walls are sound-proof and nontransparent, which gives them essentially the advantages of the ordinary wall, but not the disadvantages. They are built of clear-glass units, 2 in. thick and either 6 or 8 in. square, which are reduced to translucency by impressed de-

signs. The blocks are held together by steel-reinforced cement cores which bind the various rows into panels. These strengthening members are partly hidden by painting the concave edges, or grooves, in the glass, white. When a floor in a building is divided by partitions of this kind the picture moldings, chair rails, surbases, doors, and transoms are made of metal. The installation, although requiring careful, clean work, is not difficult and can be done by any good mason.

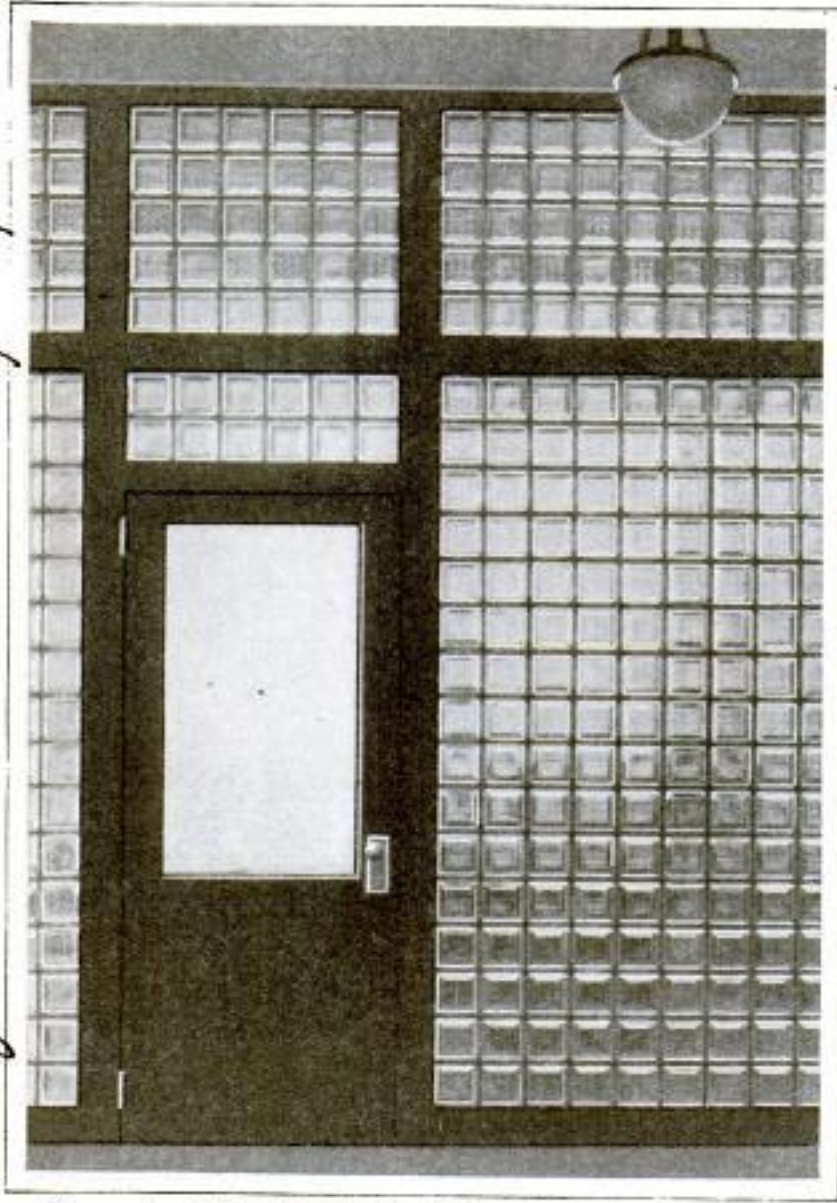
BRIDGE SPANS
RAILROADED
INTO PLACE

9711 An unusual method of bridge erection brought about by unusual conditions was used in renewing the Ponnair bridge on the South Indian Railway. The work was done in the dry season, when, in common with other streams of the country, there was little or no water in the river, and it was therefore possible to lay tracks across the river bed for construction purposes. The spans were assembled in a yard near one end of the bridge and were transported to their positions in the

structure by means of trucks running on tracks laid on the river bed. Each span was carried on four six-wheel trucks, two placed under each end of the span and operating on two parallel tracks. Over each pair of trucks was a framework for supporting the span and built to such a height that the span could be slid to the tops of its piers without the necessity of raising or low-

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John O. Rowers Co., 11 W. 25th St., N. York City



Fireproof and Sound-Deadening Wall Built of Translucent-Glass Blocks So as to Provide Sunlight in Rooms without Windows or Skylights

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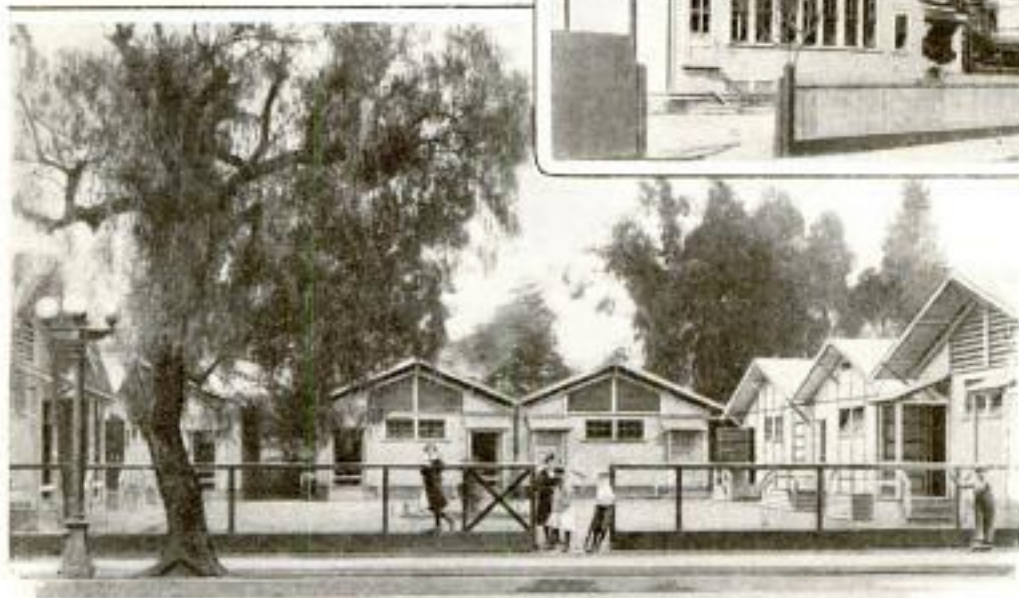
*Invr: C. M. Bowman
The Lebanon Daily Times,
908 Cumberland St.,
Lebanon, Pa. 819*

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ering. A ramp, or inclined track, was used for loading the spans on these timber supports, and the same means was used for lowering the old spans from the piers to trucks running on tracks placed on the opposite side of the bridge, by which they were conveyed to the shore for dismantling.

BUNGALOWS BUILT FOR 9196 SCHOOL USE

Following the burning of a 20-room school building in Los Angeles, emergency quarters for the school children of the district were provided within 30 days by the construction of a group of bungalows of the type characteristic of southern California. The embers of the fire were hardly cold when lumber and workmen were on the ground and the construction of the 12 bungalows had been started, the buildings being grouped around a court, as shown in the illustration. The bungalows are of simple but sound construction. Each is built with a double roof, inclosing an air space which helps in keeping the rooms cool during the hot months. Within the 30 days the buildings were not only completed but were ready for use, with all desks, blackboards, and other accessories, in place.



These 12 Bungalows were Built and Fully Equipped for School Use within 30 Days after the Los Angeles School Building Shown Above had been Destroyed by Fire; Each Bungalow Has a Double Roof with Inclosed Air Space for Protection against the Heat of the Sun

OIL RESERVOIR IN HANDLE 8849 OF COAL SHOVEL

A coal shovel with the handle in the form of a cylindrical reservoir for holding oil is being manufactured for factory use. At the lower end of the handle, convenient to the left hand of the user, is a valve which, when pressed by the thumb, permits oil to flow into the shovel. The oily coal ignites more quickly than it otherwise would, producing better combustion and less smoke.



According to the U. S. Department of Agriculture there is more nourishment in 10 cents' worth of potatoes, when these are 60 cents a bushel, than in 10 cents' worth of bread at five cents the pound loaf.

*J. T. Sturgeon, 620 S. Broad St.,
Los Angeles, Cal.*

Miss Maud E. Welsh
336 W. Eaton Ave.,
Triffle Creek, Colo.
820

The Noncarbene Co.
1765 Broadway,
N. Y. City

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9317 ODD MOTOR-CAR ACCIDENT
WHICH INJURED NO ONE

While being driven across a culvert over a small stream near Rifle, Colo., a light touring car containing four per-



A Nasty Motor-Car Accident Which Ended without Injuring the Occupants

sons ran off the edge of the structure, turned turtle and fell into the water at right angles to the direction in which it was going. The remarkable part of the accident was that although the body of the machine was half submerged in the water and mired in mud, none of the occupants was injured. They escaped in some unaccountable manner and did it so involuntarily that they were unable afterward to give any account of the feat.

8442 STORAGE HOUSE IS BURNED
BY SLAKING OF LIME

Fire destroyed a railroad freight-storage house at Middletown, Conn., some weeks ago when flood water rose in the building and came in contact with a consignment of unslaked lime. Considerable heat is liberated when lime is slaked, and this caused the ignition of surrounding inflammable materials. Fires quite frequently originate from this cause when lump lime is stored in structures with leaky roofs, and for this reason it should always be placed where it will remain dry.

Concrete Cement Age
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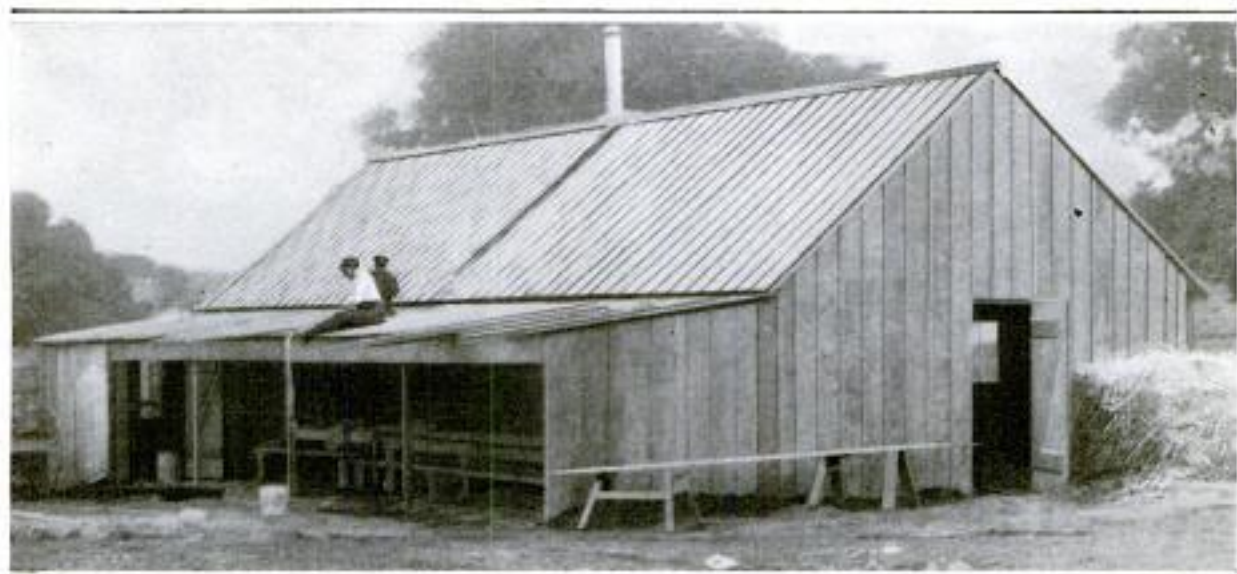
9556 SOLUTION FOR PREVENTING
DEPOSIT OF CARBON

A new mineral-oil product that has just been placed on the market is designed to bring about a more complete combustion of the gases in a gasoline engine and at the same time to prevent the formation of carbon deposits in the engine cylinders. The solution is made up of mineral oils of a solvent and cleansing nature and is mixed with the gasoline, so that it acts at each explosion of the gas. The effect of the solution is to cause the carbon to remain in a finely granulated state so that it will either be burned or be blown out of the cylinder at each exhaust stroke of the piston. It is claimed for this solution that it will not only keep the cylinders clear of carbon, but will quickly clean out any carbon deposits that have already been formed.

9158 CALIFORNIA TOWN HAS
"HOBO" HOTEL

A novel experiment of the greatest interest in a social way is being tried at Palo Alto, Cal., the seat of Leland Stanford University, where a "hobo" hotel has been established and is conducted on such a basis that each "guest" is required to work for his board and lodging. This is said to be the only hotel of the kind in the world. Only a small amount of work is required, the idea being to keep away tramps who are too lazy to do any work, and to prevent the town from being overrun with men of this class, attracted to Palo Alto by its mild winter climate. The hotel is a one-story wooden structure, 50 ft. long and 20 ft. wide. The interior consists of one large room the floor of which is covered with tar paper. Arranged around

Milton Abel Hagen.
Stanford University, Cal.
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The "Hobo" Hotel Recently Built at Palo Alto, California: Each Guest is Required to Work for His Board and Lodging

the walls are 39 rough bunks covered with straw, and in the center of the room is a stove. This room is used only for sleeping quarters. Cooking facilities and dining table are placed in a porch that runs the full length of the main building. In the inclosed end of this porch is the kitchen in which is a French range, while the dining room consists of the open portion and is equipped with long tables and benches.

MACHINE FOR CLEANSING 9425 WHEAT SEED OF SMUT

It is expected that a big increase will be brought about in the wheat yield of Montana and the Dakotas through the use of seed-treating machines now being introduced and designed to prevent the development of smut in the growing grain. Smut is the wheat grower's greatest handicap and sometimes results in the loss of from 50 to 75 per cent of a crop. There is only one known way of preventing damage from this cause, and that is by giving the seeds a bath in formaldehyde before sowing. This was formerly done laboriously by hand, if at all. The new machine does the work rapidly and thoroughly. It consists essentially of a cylindrical screen that hangs in a tank filled with formaldehyde. With

the screen filled with wheat it is rocked back and forth by a handle until every grain has been thoroughly washed in the liquid. This process also results in washing many of the grass and weed seeds through the holes in the screen into the bottom of the tank, so that the wheat is not only freed of smut but of objectionable seeds of other kinds. A



Machine for Washing Wheat Seed in Formaldehyde to Prevent Formation of Smut in the Growing Grain

bagging device mounted on the side of the machine makes it possible to sack the wheat as fast as it is treated.

During 1914 nearly one billion packages were hauled in the U. S. parcel post.

*mfr: F. B. Connelly Co.,
Billings, Mont.
Miss Florence L. Clark, Bozeman, Mont.*

Underwood & U.
417 Fifth Ave.,
822 N. Y. City

MONUMENT TO BISMARCK
ERECTED AT NURNBERG

9527

In memory of the great Prussian statesman and diplomat, Bismarck,

who brought about the unity of Germany and concluded the triple alliance with the Austrian and Italian governments, a large monument has recently been constructed at Nürnberg, in Bavaria. It is a heavy stone structure built in the form of a tower, surmounting which is a figure, approximately 15 feet in height, of the prince dressed in military attire and mounted on a war horse. Set in long niches which extend far up the sides of the monument are statues symbolical of Justice, Truth, Courage, and Might.

Bismarck's influence in Europe was profound and has had a lasting effect upon the German people. Toward the latter part of his life, after he had gained renown in international affairs, he inaugurated a series of economic reforms in the empire, some of which were intended to benefit the condition of the laboring classes, and also became a strong advocate of a vigorous colonial policy. Subsequently he incurred the displeasure of Wilhelm II and retired from public life, at which time the title of Duke of Lauenburg was conferred upon him.

Since the war began the scarcity of steamships has caused the return of many square-rigged sailing vessels to the transatlantic service. Ships which have been out of service for years are now entering ports in this country.



Monument in Memory of Bismarck Recently Completed at Nürnberg in Bavaria

Submitted by Brooks Mfg. Co., Saginaw, Mich - one of their boats
 Owner of boat shown in picture: O. G. Brendler, Springfield, Mass.



Motorcycle Camping
 Outfit with Boat
 Carried on a Trailer

MAKING CAMPING JUNKETS

9292 **WITH A MOTORCYCLE**

An eastern sportsman who is fond of rowing and fishing, but who lives at some distance from the water, has devised a convenient method of transporting a boat with him on his cross-country excursions with a motorcycle. Attached to the machine is a sidecar which enables him to carry a passenger, while a light, two-wheeled trailer is used for carrying a boat. This is attached to the machine by means of a simple coupling which allows it to take the turns easily and also prevents it from ramming the motorcycle when the brakes are applied. All the provisions and equipment necessary for a short camping junket are carried in the boat, leaving the motorcycle unhampered by paraphernalia. In launching, or drawing, the boat onto the trailer, the running gear is pushed into the water and the craft slid off or on, as the case may be. This enables it to be handled readily by one person.

9075 **ROLLER CONVEYOR DESIGNED FOR HANDLING BRICKS**

To facilitate the work of loading and piling bricks as well as that of distributing them to the different parts of a building during the course of its construction, a conveyor has been invented

which minimizes the consumption of time and loss by damage due to rough handling. It consists of a long chute, the bottom of which is fitted with steel rollers. This may be extended from a wagon so that the unloading and orderly piling of bricks may be materially assisted. It may also be used in



Handling Bricks on a Building Site with the New Conveyor

distributing them from one side of a building to another, or from the outside to the interior.

Prometheus 10/24/14
 maker: Edward Hoering, G. m. b. H. A.
 Droyenstrasse 3, Charlottenburg, Berlin. (B 7/47/15)

Geo. M. Clark & Co.

179 N. Michigan Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

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**GLASS FUEL TANK IS USED
ON NEW OIL STOVE**

9148

A departure from the usual form of construction has been introduced in a



new oil stove that has lately been designed. Instead of being fitted with a fixed fuel tank, it has a detachable glass receptacle, of more than a gallon capacity, which is supplied with a bail. This enables a cook to see at a glance exactly how much fuel is at hand, and if necessary, have the container refilled outside of the

kitchen so as to eliminate the odor of kerosene from the room. The stove is also supplied with a removable drip pan, which makes it a simple operation to clean the space beneath the burners.

**MAKING UNCUT CLOTH LOOK
LIKE FINISHED SUIT**

8913

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"INSTANTAILOR"

Making a bolt of cloth look like a finished suit of clothes without cutting or



injuring the cloth is accomplished by a new device invented for the convenience of tailors in showing customers just what effects are produced with different cloths. The device consists of an aluminum, or tin, model about the size of a

man's body, molded in front to the proper shape and made hollow in

E. Leslie Williams, 116 Waverley Place, N. Y. City.

Inventor: S. Lippe, N. York
2011 Morris St. The Bronx, N. Y. C.

the back to receive clamps for holding the cloth in place, with a wire frame that is so mounted that it can be readily pressed over the front of the model. The wire frame carries outlines of the pockets, seams, lapels, collar, and other details, so that a good illusion of a suit of clothes is given when the cloth is in place and the frame pressed back against it. The whole operation requires a minute or less. The model is adjustable for height and girth.

**PHIAL OF IODINE USED BY
SURGEONS IN WAR**

9619

As the war has progressed the use of iodine, for disinfecting the wounds of the soldiers to safeguard against infection,



has come to be one of the chief reliances of the Red Cross surgeons with the French army. Tincture of iodine is now being supplied the field-hospital

corps in small phials containing just enough of the liquid for one average application. The phial is made of glass in the shape of a medicine dropper and is half filled with the antiseptic, the remaining space containing air under pressure of about two atmospheres. It is sealed by a bead at the pointed end, and when this is broken the liquid is sprayed out under sufficient force to penetrate deeply into a wound. One of the first things that is done when a man is hit, providing he is within reach of the surgeons, is to thoroughly coat his wound with iodine.

California has 110 reservoirs for hydroelectric purposes, with storage capacity of 235,780,000,000 gallons.

de nature, June 6, 1915

Laboratoires Dautry
3^{bis} Rue de Dunois
Paris

being supplied the field-hospital

Chas. W. Person, 206 West 105 St., N.Y. City
Lord & Taylors new department store, N.Y. City

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NOVEL SHOW-WINDOW SYSTEM IN NEW YORK STORE

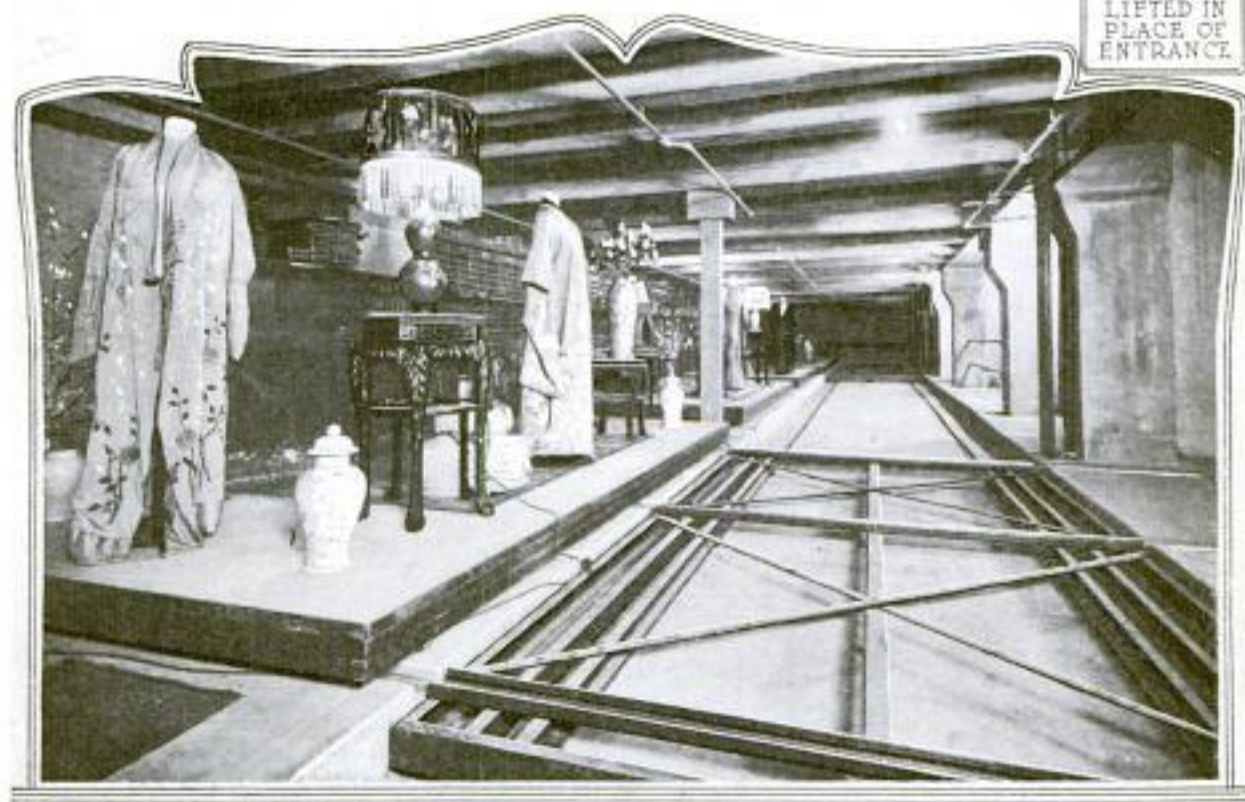
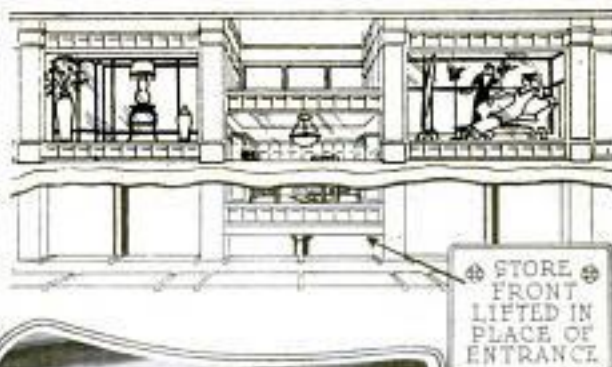
7504 Show windows which are arranged in a distinctly new manner have been installed in one of the Fifth Avenue department stores in New York. They are constructed on hydraulic elevators so that they may be dropped from the street level into the basement, a new display substituted quickly and the windows returned to their normal positions. This enables all the trimming to be done out of sight of the passing shoppers, allows frequent changes, and makes it unnecessary to curtain a window and lose its use during the time it is being redecorated.

This system has made it possible also to utilize the vestibule space during the evenings when the entrance to the building is not needed. When the store is emptied a window is raised to fill the vacant space. This gives an unbroken line of displays along the front of the building. Before opening time in the morning, or after the streets have been cleared at night, the auxiliary window is lowered, its top forming the floor of

the vestibule and giving access to the doors.

The window dressing is all done on specially arranged platforms which may be moved onto, or taken from, the elevators quickly. When it is time to change one of the windows, it is lowered, the platform and its display removed, and another one, on which is a new display, put in its place and the window raised to its proper position.

Two of the windows, one at each side of the entrance, are built on turntables. This enables each of them to be divided into four compartments so that eight distinct displays may be made. The turntables are operated by



This Shows the Basement beneath the Show Windows Where All of the Displays are First Arranged on Platforms and Then Moved onto the Elevators. The Drawing Indicates How the System is Arranged and Shows a Window being Raised to Fill the Vestibule Space

a mechanism which stops and starts them automatically, so that as each display comes into view it is halted briefly.

MILITARY CROSS IS NEW BRITISH DECORATION

As a reward for bravery and distinguished service in the present war, the British government has issued a new decoration to which only commissioned and warrant officers of the British army, Indian and colonial forces are eligible. It is known as the Military Cross, is an entirely new pattern, $1\frac{5}{8}$ in. square, and is worn suspended on a purple and white ribbon woven with three stripes of equal widths. In



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the center the cross bears the letters "G. R. I.," the initials of the Latin words meaning "George. King-Emperor," and at the extremity of

each arm the imperial crown. It is awarded only upon the recommendation of the secretary of state for war. An honorary award is allowable to foreign officers associated with the British in the present operations, providing they are of the proper rank. No individual precedence nor right to an addition to a personal description or title is conferred upon the recipient of the decoration.

INEXPENSIVE GARAGE BUILT OF TANK STAVES

One solution of the private-garage problem for the motor-car owner whose residence is temporary, or who desires an inexpensive, portable structure which is also sightly, has been found by a Spokane man who constructed a tank-shaped housing out of tongued-and-grooved staves and iron hoops. The garage is so built that it may be knocked down in less than an hour's time and reassembled by a workman in a slightly longer period. One of its advantages is that it has little waste space and is practically weather-proof, which in moderately cold weather goes far in taking care of the heating, for after a car has been run for a few hours the heat radiated from it is sufficient to warm the garage adequately to keep water from freezing in it during the night. A heavy foundation is not required, as the structure is light in weight. Were it to be used permanently in one place, it might be provided



This Small Garage, Which may be Knocked Down and Reassembled in a Short Time, Represents Only a Small Investment and Serves Very Well for the Man Who Takes Care of His Own Car



Mfr. Mower Portable Garage Co. 1102 Paulson Bldg. Spokane, Wash.

C. L. Edholm 1353 W. 36th Place Los Angeles, Cal.

Francis P. Mann, 12 Boulevard
Arago, Paris, France

Mrs. J. W. Porter, 408 West
B St., Joplin, Mo.
Inventor - Capt. J. E. Moore, Vancouver,
B. C., Canada. 827

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Tollens
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with a concrete flooring, while for ordinary purposes a board, or dirt, floor suffices. The only openings in the garage are a circular window at the rear and wide, double doors at the front, which are provided with glass so as to allow for the entrance of sunlight during the daytime.

"Poulet" Electric
GAS-ANALYSING APPARATUS

9072 FOR FURNACES

For the purpose of analysing the unburned gases given off by industrial furnaces, a French inventor has developed an electric apparatus which makes the tests and automatically records the results. The device is very simple and readily shows the condition of fuel combustion, so that if a furnace is being operated inefficiently the fact is charted immediately. The analyses are made at intervals of five minutes. A motor actuates a pump which draws the gases into a chamber, from which, after the volume reaches approximately 6.1 cu. in., they are passed over pumice stone and caustic potash into a second container. The carbon dioxide is absorbed during this operation and the gases enter the second cylinder minus this content. By



measuring the remaining volume, the percentage of carbon dioxide is apparent. This is recorded by a magnetically controlled pen, which,

at the moment that the last step of the analysis is completed, is drawn against a moving roll of paper. Should only 80 per cent of the 6.1 cu. in. of gas originally taken in be present in the second chamber, the position of the mark made on the recording drum will indicate the fact, which would mean that the proportion of carbon dioxide had been 20 per cent.

NEW LIFE PRESERVER SAVES
VICTIM FROM EXPOSURE

9030 Designed so as to furnish protection against exposure and hunger, a life-saving suit has been invented which



The Victim of a Shipwreck is Given Protection from Exposure in the Water by Wearing This Waterproof Life-Preserving Suit

offers the victim of a shipwreck a fighting chance against death. The ordinary life belt, when placed about the body, prevents drowning, but in a large number of cases there is little hope for the wearer being saved unless he is rescued from the water quickly. The new device, however, partially overcomes this, for its wearer does not come in contact with the water. It consists of a rubberized-canvas suit which protects the entire body. It is fitted with a pneumatic-belt arrangement beneath the arms and prevents drowning, for should the user become unconscious or fall asleep, his head would be held out of the water.

Pockets on the inside of the suit are provided for the storage of sufficient concentrated food to keep a man alive

for a number of days. Access to these pockets is possible by withdrawing an arm from one of the sleeves.

DRIVEWAY ENTRANCE MADE OF COBBLESTONES

8913

An odd but effective triple arch made of cobblestones spans the driveway in front of a Huntington Park, California, residence, serving as an ornamental carriage entrance. The structure is set



Carriage Entrance Made of Cobblestones

at the intersection of the driveway and street sidewalk and is surmounted by a tall flagpole. The uneven stones are set in a cement binder and form a substantial structure, while a rough, low fence of the same material surrounds the grounds.

FLOATING A BIG STEAMSHIP ON A FILM OF AIR

Floating an 11,000-ton liner on a cushion of air was the remarkable feat performed by a wrecking company recently in extricating the steamship "Zeeland" from a mud bank in the St.

Lawrence River. The "Zeeland," running at high speed up the river in a fog, went aground with such force that the mud was 3 ft. above the usual light-load line. The ship was not damaged, but the suction of the soft mud was so great that even when a channel had been dredged and the mud removed from both sides, the power of a fleet of tugs and the "Zeeland's" own 12,000-hp. engines was insufficient to move the ship an inch. As a last resort the use of air was thought of. Fourteen brass drainage plugs in the ship's bottom, close to the keel, were unscrewed from within, and into each hole was threaded a hose connection. Tubes were led from these to an air compressor designed for diving operations, and while the tugs pulled and the ship's twin screws re-

olved, the air was turned into the hose at the rate of 1,000 cu. ft. a minute. In finding its outlet from under the hull the air effectually broke the seal between the ship and the mud, and the vessel was safely afloat in deep water in less than ten minutes.

Fleet Agency, 152 Fleet St., London, E.C. England
 Invented by an Australian

(Evidently new sort of trees, as not listed in any of the books & letters checked 3/20/18)
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POPULAR MECHANICS

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 "Electric Automatic Gun Light"
 "See page 13-508"

The Bullet will Strike Where the Inverted "T" is Emblazoned on the Shoulder of the Beast. At Close Range, This New Method of Aiming a Rifle Quickly at Night Is of Material Value

RIFLE AIMED WITH SHAFT OF BRILLIANT LIGHT

Intended for point-blank firing at close range, a flash-light equipment has been devised for high-power rifles which simplifies the aiming of a weapon when it is used for shooting wild beasts after dark. Unlike other lighting apparatus heretofore introduced for night hunting, the beam of light has the shape of an inverted letter "T." This character is brilliantly emblazoned upon whatever object the shaft of light strikes, as, for instance, the shoulder of a lioness. The hunter in this way is able to point his rifle almost as one would the nozzle of a hose, for upon firing, his bullet will strike the point indicated by the character. Just enough light is diffused outside of the plane of the "T" shaft to dimly illuminate a small field and show the outline of an animal. It is said that use of the device in Australia has shown that a wild beast appears momentarily paralyzed by fear when blinded by the light.

FLASH-LIGHT SIGNAL DEVICE USED BY BRITISH

For communicating after night, the signal corps of the British army is equipped with an electric flash-light apparatus which is easily portable and very efficient for medium ranges. In size, and to a somewhat less degree in appearance, it is similar to an ordinary camera. It is made substantially with the corners reinforced with metal pieces, and is fitted on the top with a telegraph key. A large lens is provided at the front of the box, inside of which the batteries are carried. The light is flashed by means of the telegraph key, enabling code messages to be transmitted rapidly in much the same manner as by wire.



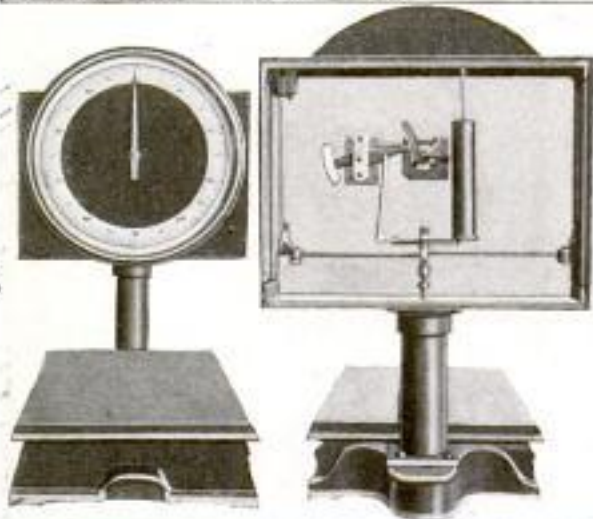
International News Service

Ralph W. Smith, 1463 W. Minnehaha St., St. Paul, Minn.

SCALE REGISTERS WEIGHT

8890 BY BENDING OF BAR

An interesting innovation in scale manufacture is an automatic scale in which the weight is registered by the FLEXURE BAR SCALE



Front and Back View of New Automatic Scale in Which the Weight is Registered by the Bending of a Tempered Steel Bar

bending of a tempered steel bar supported at the ends on knife edges. The middle of the bar is connected by a system of levers with the scale platform and by a rack and pinion with an indicating pointer that works over a dial. When a load is placed on the platform, the bar is bent downward in the middle and the pointer swings to figures on

the dial corresponding to the correct weight. When the load is removed, the bar springs back to its original position and the pointer returns to zero. Excessive vibration of the pointer is checked by a pneumatic dashpot. The principle is being applied to scales of both large and small capacity.

RAILWAY TRACKS COVERED

9518 BY ICE EMBANKMENT

During a spring freshet and ice jam on the Deerfield River in Massachusetts, a solid embankment of ice was formed over the main-line tracks of the Fitchburg division of the Boston and Maine Railway. The barrier was near Buckland where three tracks run parallel along one bank of the stream. The ice covered the roadbed for a distance of more than a quarter of a mile, and in places it was piled to a height of approximately six feet. To clear the road so that trains could pass it was necessary to cut away the embankment with picks. It was formed by large cakes of ice which were pushed out of the river by the high water and frozen together, making an almost rocklike formation. Normally the level of the river is about 12 feet below the tracks at the point where the blockade occurred.

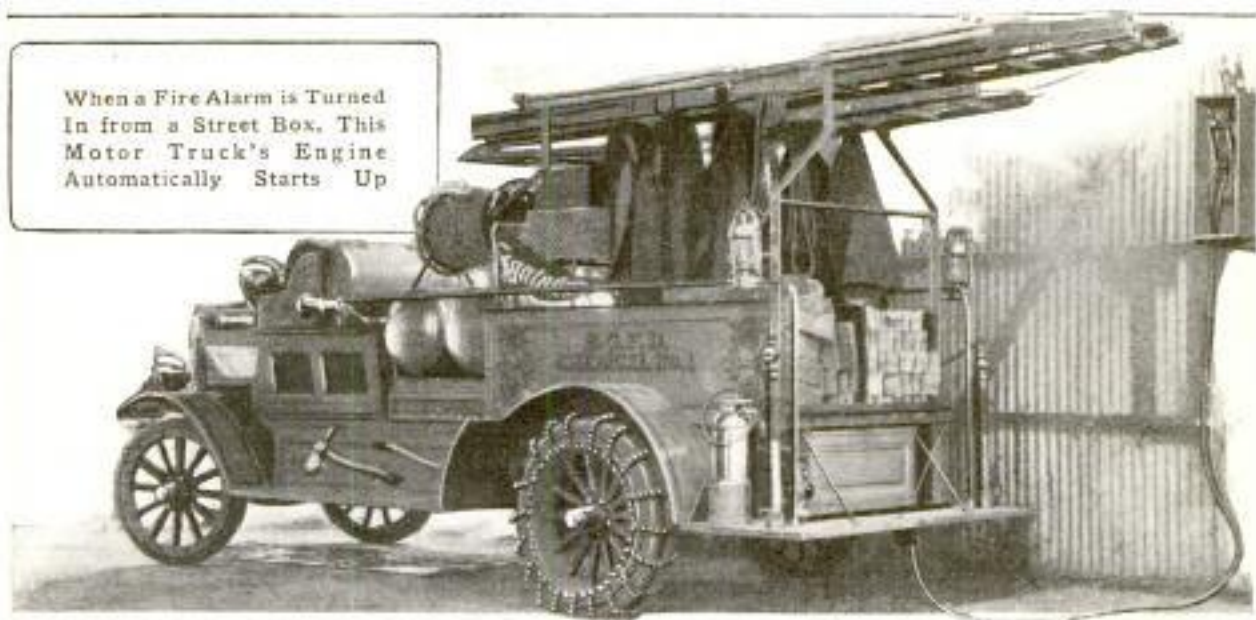


This Shows the East-Bound and Middle Track Cleared of the Ice. The Third Track is Hidden beneath the Ice Embankment

Herbert P. Ashworth
Shelburne Falls, Mass

McFarlane Macfime Co.
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Minneapolis, Minn.

When a Fire Alarm is Turned
In from a Street Box, This
Motor Truck's Engine
Automatically Starts Up



FIRE ALARM STARTS MOTOR- 9007 TRUCK ENGINES

In order to facilitate the quick departure of the equipment from the station when an alarm is turned in, an ingenious electric starting device has been built for the motor trucks of a California fire department. When a call is sent in from one of the fire-alarm boxes, the engines of the motor cars are started automatically, so that there is no delay whatever in leaving after the firemen are once on the machines. A heavy tube carries two wires to a plug connection at the rear of a car, forming a connection between a wall switch and the electric starting mechanism of the motor. When the alarm is turned in this switch is automatically closed, the circuit thus formed actuating the self-starter, which turns over the motor. When the driver jumps into the seat everything is in readiness for him to open up, throw in his clutch and start ahead. The plug is pulled out by the forward movement of the car.

To conserve the supply of rubber, gasoline, and oil in Germany for war purposes, the Federal Council has stopped the use of all motor cars except those employed for commercial purposes.

ELECTRIC ATOMIZER FOR 9241 SCALP TREATMENT

Scalp treatment of an unusual nature is made possible by an electric atomizer recently brought out in which the water, or chemical, is heated by electricity and is delivered through a tube in the form of a vapor instead of being disseminated as a fine spray. Pressure is applied to the vapor by a tube through which the patient blows. The electrical heating device permits a

Electrically Heated
Atomizer for Scalp
Treatment; the
Patient Applies
Pressure by Blowing
through the Tube



quick application of heat to the liquid. The apparatus is designed for applying vapor not only to the scalp but to other parts of the body as well.

*Hinton Gilmore, Battle
Creek, Mich.*

*The Sanitarium Equipment Co.,
Battle Creek, Mich.*

Chimney of the Borough Electric Works,
Wallingford, Conn.
Work done by the Sperry Engineering Co.,
New Haven, Conn.

**REINFORCED CONCRETE USED
TO REPAIR IRON CHIMNEY**

9505

It was found recently that near the base of a 90-ft. iron chimney of a Connecticut electric plant the plates were so seriously corroded that immediate repairs were necessary. Wrinkles had appeared and drill tests showed that the metal, at approximately six feet from the bottom, was only $\frac{1}{32}$ in. thick. The entire load of the plant was being carried at the time by the furnace using this chimney and it was necessary that repairs be made with the pipe in service, in spite of the fact that the gases passing through it showed a temperature of about 600° F. Five-eighths-inch reinforcing steel was placed both vertically and horizontally around the pipe on 8-in. centers. The bars were held about three inches from the chimney and extended up its side for a distance of 25 ft. A very wet mixture of concrete was then poured in the circular forms built around the stack. The repair has proved satisfactory.



**PRODUCING FERTILIZER
FROM PEAT**

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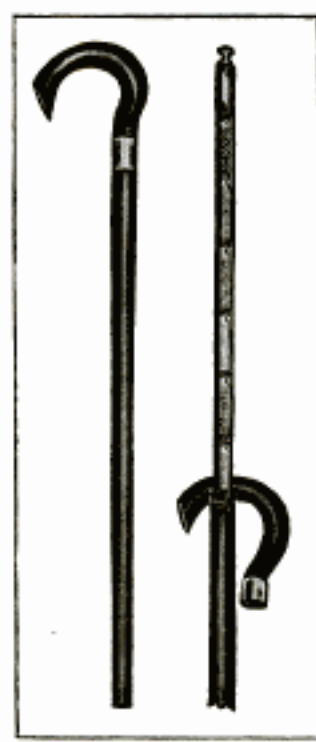
The peat deposits of Italy form one of the valuable natural resources of that country, but much of this product is too low in fuel value to compete with imported coal. Plants are now being installed for utilizing this peat in the production of nitrogen on a commercial basis for fertilizing purposes. The nitrogen is practically in an inert

condition in the raw material and to be used successfully for fertilizing must be transformed into a more active compound, such as salts of ammonia. In treating the peat, it is first dried and broken up and then thrown into a turret-shaped oven, 26 to 33 ft. high, which is fed at intervals from the top. The peat burns only in the lower part of the turret, the combustion being regulated by a jet of hot air and steam. The water vapor decomposes on the incandescent mass and its component hydrogen combines with the nitrogen in the peat to form ammonia gas. This gas is then treated with a spray of sulphuric acid which converts it into sulphate of ammonia, the form in which nitrogen is commonly used in fertilizing.

**HOLLOW WALKING CANE USED
AS MEDICINE CASE**

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In order to escape the necessity of carrying the customary medicine case when making calls on his patients, a



physician, who formerly was United States consul at Vera Cruz, invented a walking stick inside of which he carried whatever bottles of medicine he ordinarily needed on such occasions. The cane is made of a hard-rubber composition and is hollow its full length. Into this space a trough-shaped metal holder for the various bottles is inserted. The handle of the

stick may be detached by unscrewing it, and the holder removed in a moment's time. So far as external appearances are concerned the cane is essentially the same as any other.

Invented by Dr. S. F. Trowbridge, of the U. S. Army & Counsel at Vera Cruz, now deceased.
#D. S. Rockwell, Berkeley, Calif.

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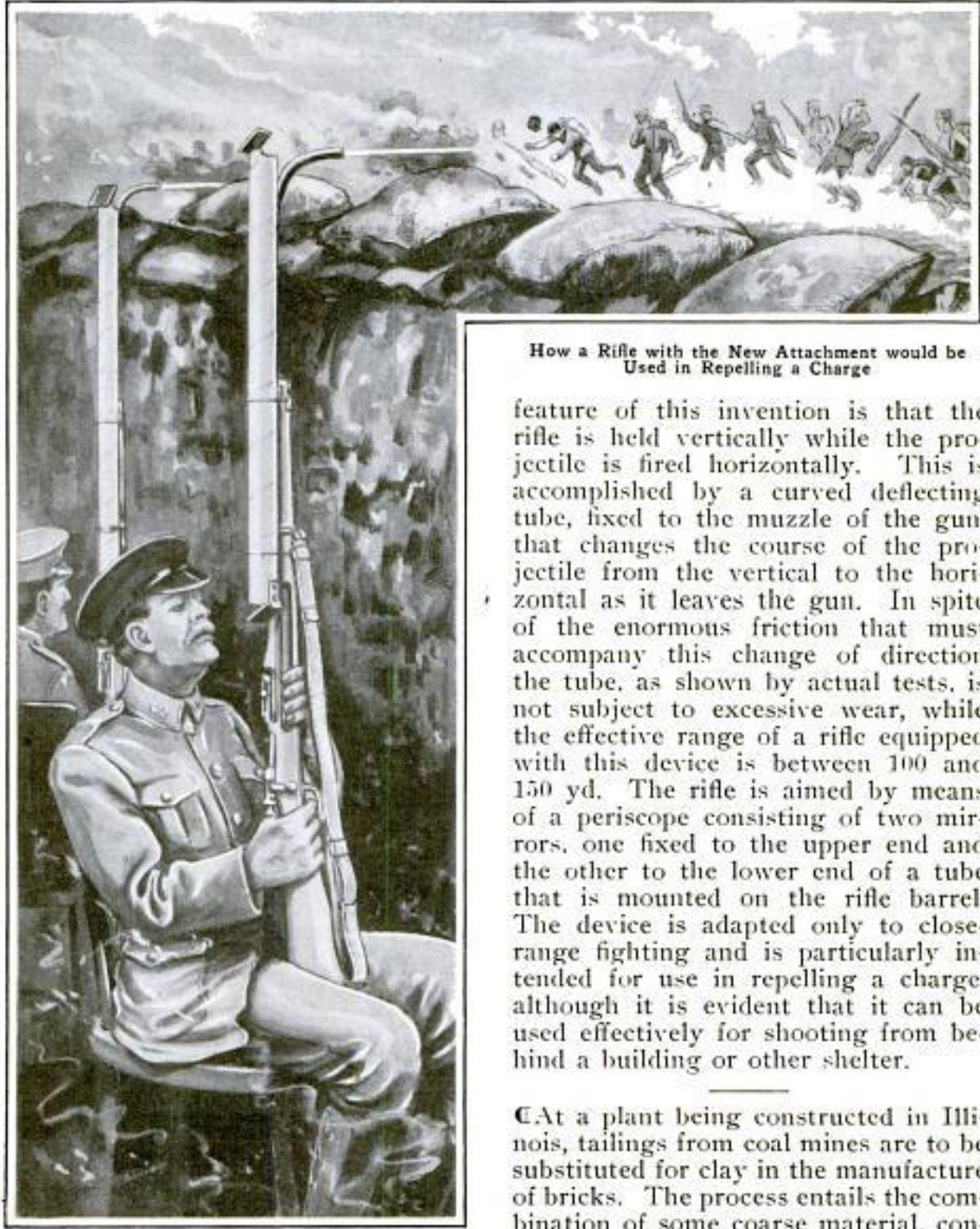
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RIFLE THAT SHOOTS AROUND A CORNER



How a Rifle with the New Attachment would be Used in Repelling a Charge

feature of this invention is that the rifle is held vertically while the projectile is fired horizontally. This is accomplished by a curved deflecting tube, fixed to the muzzle of the gun, that changes the course of the projectile from the vertical to the horizontal as it leaves the gun. In spite of the enormous friction that must accompany this change of direction the tube, as shown by actual tests, is not subject to excessive wear, while the effective range of a rifle equipped with this device is between 100 and 150 yd. The rifle is aimed by means of a periscope consisting of two mirrors, one fixed to the upper end and the other to the lower end of a tube that is mounted on the rifle barrel. The device is adapted only to close-range fighting and is particularly intended for use in repelling a charge, although it is evident that it can be used effectively for shooting from behind a building or other shelter.

A rifle that shoots over the parapet while the user sits in comparative safety in the trench without necessity for exposing himself to the fire of the enemy is a late invention brought out by a well-known sportsman and big-game hunter of this country. The

At a plant being constructed in Illinois, tailings from coal mines are to be substituted for clay in the manufacture of bricks. The process entails the combination of some coarse material, containing silica, with a binder of finely divided particles of silica, alumina, potassium, or sodium, in proper proportions. Bricks already made have withstood a temperature of 2,900° F. and a pressure of 20,000 lb. to the square inch, it is claimed.

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DIVING FOR THE SUBMARINE "F-4"

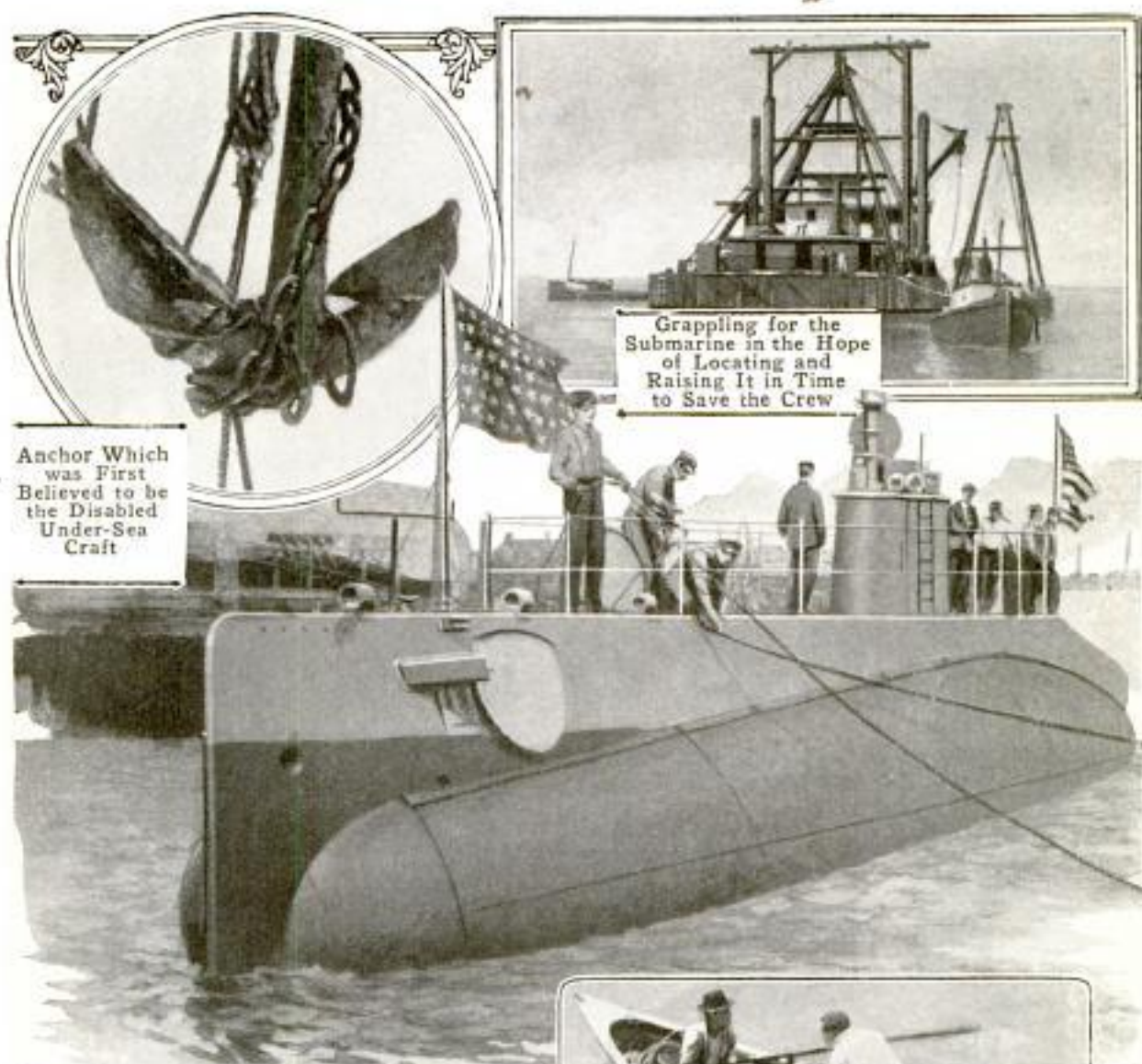
THE sinking of the "F-4" of the Hawaiian submarine flotilla, during maneuvers in Honolulu Harbor on March 25, when it failed to rise after diving with 21 members of its crew, is the first fatal disaster that has occurred to an American under-sea craft. In approximately the last 12 years 20 submarines of various navies have been lost during times of peace. Several of these accidents were caused by explosions, some others by collisions, but the greatest number resulted through some inability of the craft to rise after being submerged. In all, 265 lives have been reported lost in these tragedies, which have happened in the French, German, English, Russian, Japanese, Italian, and American navies.

No material anxiety was felt for the "F-4" until several hours had passed following its submersion. A search for the signal buoy, which is always supposed to be raised in the event of difficulties, proved futile. Boats were then put out to drag the harbor in an attempt to locate the vessel, but because of inadequate equipment and deep water this was rendered most difficult. The operations were hurried in the hope that the craft might be located and raised in time to save those within it. At one time the drag lines engaged with what was at first believed to be the submarine, but which later proved to be an anchor, presumably lost several years ago from a Chinese vessel. After this discouraging discovery, hope of rescuing the crew was abandoned. It was not until April 14 that the wreck was definitely located in about 48 fathoms of water.

After the first unsuccessful attempts to find the "F-4," expert divers, and special equipment, from the New York Navy Yard were sent to Honolulu to superintend the operations. Because of the depth at which the boat lay, the workers were confronted with a most perplexing problem. However, in a remarkable dive, which broke the world's record, one of the party went down to a depth of 288 ft., walked about the disabled submarine for 12

minutes and established its position positively. The vessel was lying on its starboard side, its prow shoreward, on a smooth, sandy bottom where there were no coral formations nor growths of vegetation to interfere with the hoisting. Attached to it, also, were two parted lines. Subsequently dives were made to the top of the hull by other members of the party, and through these inspections it was found that the superstructure of the craft had caved in, while the hull was filled with water. Aside from this the boat appeared to be unharmed. The top plates had not given away under the pressure, and no holes were to be found except in the superstructure, which had been fouled by a line used in the early attempts to locate it.

In making the unprecedented dive to the bottom of Honolulu Harbor, the naval operative wore an ordinary diving suit. Altogether he was under the water for about two hours. The descent was made very rapidly, only five minutes being consumed. After inspecting the hull of the submerged vessel and ascertaining how the lines were lying, he commenced to be raised to the surface. An hour and 45 minutes was spent in doing this so as to accustom him slowly to the decreasing pressure and the final change to the normal atmospheric pressure. This procedure is made necessary by the tremendous pressure a diver is subjected to when under a great depth of water. At 300 ft. this amounts to approximately 130 lb. to the square inch, or for a man of average stature, an aggregate load of possibly 140 tons. A quick descent is possible, since an increase in pressure can be readily withstood by the body, up to a certain point, but on ascending every possible care must be taken to allow the body to become accustomed to the lighter load. This is the reason that seven-eighths of the time the diver was in the water was spent in raising him to the surface. Probably the greatest depth before attained by a diver was that of 274 ft., made by another member of the same party some time ago in Long Island Sound.



Anchor Which
was First
Believed to be
the Disabled
Under-Sea
Craft

Grappling for the
Submarine in the Hope
of Locating and
Raising It in Time
to Save the Crew

The "F-4" as It Looked When at the Surface.
The Boat Was One of Four Submarines Which
were Towed to Honolulu Some Time Ago
to Form the Hawaiian Flotilla and Guard
the Insular Possession

Using a Water
Glass in the Hope
of Finding
the Position of
the Ill-Fated Craft



Placing a Helmet on a
Diver Preparatory to
Lowering Him to the
Bottom of the Harbor.
The Cables Shown Are
Fast to the Submarine

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Manchester, S.W.,
England.

POCKET PERISCOPE FOR USE
IN THE TRENCHES

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With a new pocket periscope that has just been brought out in England it is possible for a soldier to look over the parapet of the trench without exposing himself to the fire of the enemy. The periscope is simple in construction, consisting only of two mirrors connected by a collapsible framework. Both mirrors are fixed to the framework at an angle of 45°. When the framework is extended and the upper mirror is raised above the trench, the view is reflected by the upper mirror down to the lower one, which reflects the light rays horizontally to the eyes of the observer. When collapsed, the instrument can be packed in a case 4½ in. square and 2 in. thick. It is 2 ft. long when fully extended.



Pocket Periscope Brought Out in England for Use in the Trenches

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AMERICA'S POWERFUL RADIO
SYSTEM HAS GREAT SCOPE

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With the completion of the new government wireless station at Panama Canal, the secretary of the navy is now kept constantly in touch with every American naval station and every ship in the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.

The Panama station is equipped with three 600-ft. towers and has a 100-kw. generating plant. Washington is now able to reach Alaska, the Straits of Magellan, all European stations, Honolulu, Manila, China, and Japan. According to the plans of the Navy Department, the Arlington station will be brought up to the standard of the one at Panama, which is of four times its strength, while the same is expected to be done at San Diego, Honolulu, and Manila. If it is found that the plant at Honolulu is able to keep communication open to Manila, only a substation will be maintained at Guam. Otherwise a large plant will be constructed at that point. A system of small stations along the coast lines has been in the course of development for the past year, and before long stations at intervals not greater than 200 miles will be in operation on both sides of the country. The military importance of this powerful system is almost beyond estimation. All official business of the Navy Department will be carried on by radio communication.

"COLOR MUSIC" INTRODUCED
AT NEW YORK CONCERT

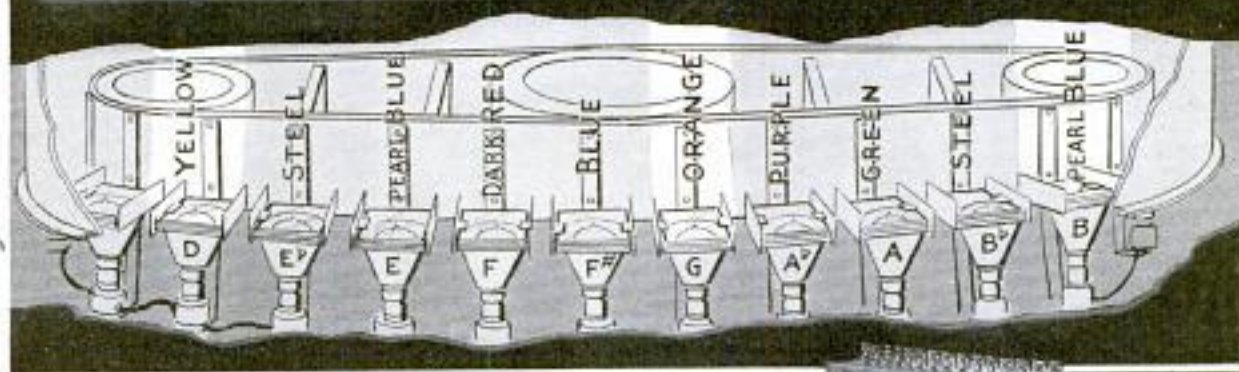
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During a recent rendition of the Russian composer Scriabine's "Prometheus," which is described as a futuristic tonal poem, by an orchestra in Carnegie Hall at New York, a "color organ" was employed to utilize the author's chromatic score with the orchestration. Various color hues and tints merging and blending with each other appeared in a maze of diaphanous gauze, forming a screen on the stage before the audience. These animated colors appeared simultaneously

George F. Wirtz, 627 W. 113th St., N.Y.

Russian by Scriabine. Orchestra
R. 712 N. West. Alt. by Heller. Conductor
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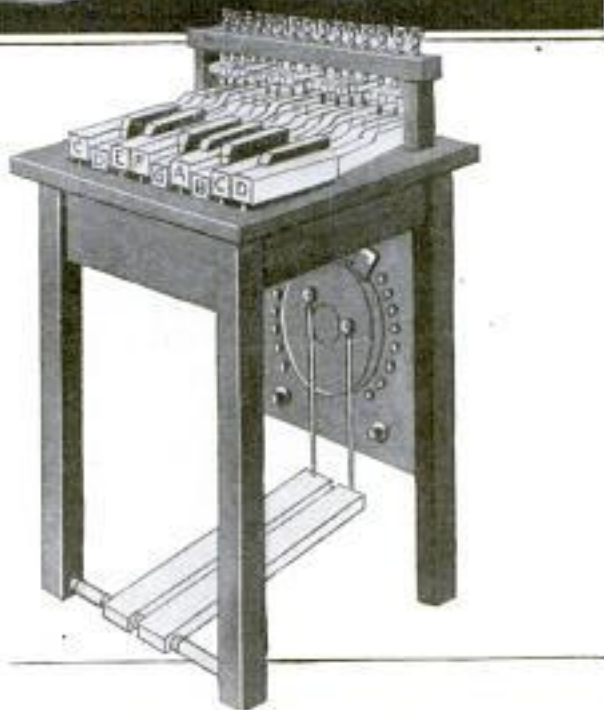


The "Color Organ," Showing the Arrangement of Its Keys, Pedals, the Various Lights, and Their Relation to the Gauze Maze. While from the Front the Screen Appears to Consist of a Single Sheet, Several Strips of Gauze of Different Weights are Placed One Back of the Other

with the orchestral music, varying in intensity, shade and movement in harmony with the combinations and inflections of tones rising from the pit.

The "organ" on which this so-called color music was played was provided with a keyboard like that of a piano, but carrying only 15 keys in addition to pedals, which were used in varying the intensity of the color lamps. The separate light units, which were especially made, high-power tungsten lamps with small globes and fitted with reflectors and color filters, were carried on a horizontal belt arranged in an ellipse. This was moved back and forth by a motor actuating the pulleys on which it was mounted.

Placed above this light source was the screen, which was composed of strips of gauze of different weights, and 8 ft. by 10 ft. in size, mounted vertically. The lightest sheet was placed at the front, each succeeding one back of it being heavier. The rear gauze was sufficiently heavy to reflect the light filtered up against it.



The heavier colors were displayed on the sheets at the back, while the lighter, more delicate ones were thrown on the front gauzes, resulting in delightful combinations of hues, now mellowed and dimmed, now bold, and always moving and changing.

The "color music" was played from a written score using as color equivalents of the tone scale: C, red; D, yellow; E, pearly blue; A, green; B-flat, steely gray, and other "notes" intermediate between these.

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ELECTRIC SEWING MACHINE

NOISE ELIMINATED BY NEW

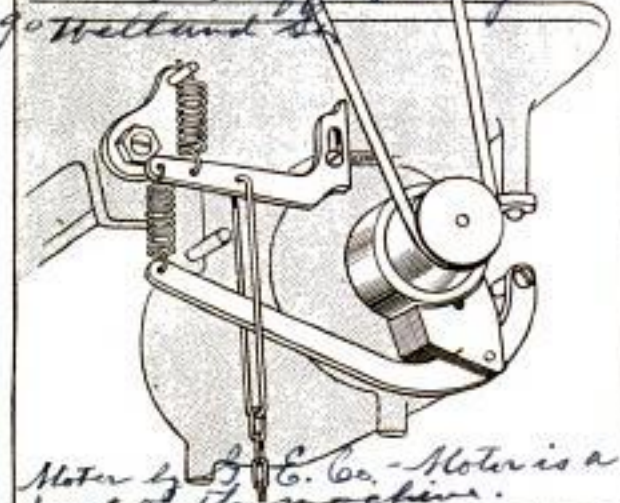
9771 CONTROLLED BY BRAKE

STREET-CAR WHEEL

One of the latest developments in electric sewing machines is one in which the motor is built into the ma-

"The Electric King"

King Sewing Machine Co.
Buffalo, N. Y.

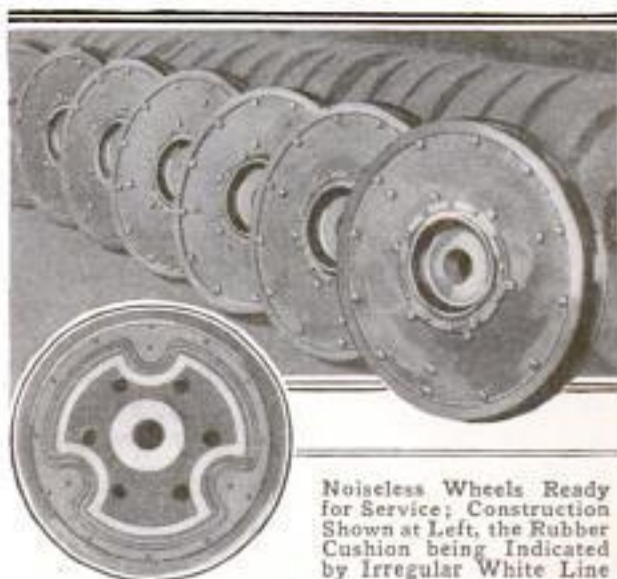


Brake Mechanism with Which the Speed of the Electric Sewing Machine is Controlled

chine and its speed is controlled entirely by a brake working on a drum mounted on the motor shaft. This brake is operated by the pedal. So long as there is no pressure on the pedal the brake prevents the motor from working, even with the current turned on. A slight pressure starts the machine slowly and when the pedal is pushed down as far as it will go, the machine is run at full speed. An additional advantage in this machine is that the needle is placed squarely in front of the operator, eliminating the strained attitude required in running an ordinary machine. Current is supplied through a cord that can be attached to any electric-light socket. In case of failure of electric power, the machine is made ready for operation by foot by disconnecting the motor belt and connecting a belt operated by the pedal.

¶The name of Culebra Cut in Panama Canal has been changed by an order issued by President Wilson, to Gaillard Cut, in honor of Col. D. D. Gaillard, who died of illness contracted in service at the isthmus.

Elimination of the greater part of the noise that now accompanies the operation of street cars and elevated and subway trains is a prospect of the immediate future as the result of a new noiseless wheel that has just been developed to a practical working basis. A street car equipped with wheels of this kind and recently subjected to test runs at Portland, Me., is reported to have run as noiselessly as an automobile. The wheel is made of two sections, and is in effect a wheel within a wheel. The inner section is fixed to the axle while the outer section takes the bearing on the track. Between the two sections is a cushion of rubber of special composition which absorbs the vibrations caused by the grind of the tire on the rail and by irregularities in the track, and it is this that gives the wheel its noiseless qualities. Any possibility of slip between the sections is prevented by the three curved recesses in the inner section into which fit corresponding curved projections on the outer section, there being just enough space left between the two surfaces for the rubber cushion. Two steel



Noiseless Wheels Ready for Service; Construction Shown at Left, the Rubber Cushion being Indicated by Irregular White Line

plates, one on each side of the wheel and forming a part of the outer section, hold the inner section and rubber cushion in place and prevent side slip. A ground wire is used for electrically

Commonwealth Edison Co., Chicago
J. W. Adams, Chicago

Work done by J. L. Cronhardt
11005 N. Payson St.
Baltimore, Md.

connecting the sections. While this type of wheel has only been made so far for street cars, it is believed that the same principle can be successfully used in wheels for the heaviest steam-railroad cars.

HOLE BORED THROUGH HAIR IS THREADED WITH SILK

9790

A Baltimore, Md., watchmaker recently performed the delicate operation of drilling a microscopic hole through a human hair and then threading it with a minute strand of silk. As nearly as it is possible to determine, the hole is approximately $\frac{3}{16}$ inch in diameter. The feat was accomplished in an hour, during which time four hairs were broken in unsuccessful attempts at the work. The hair was stretched taut between two pins and over a white ground covering a working block. It was also pressed to the block with a pair of hairspring tweezers to prevent it from rolling. The point of the finest needle obtainable was ground down until it was a mere nothing and then placed in a jeweler's pin vise to enable its being used. In centering the instrument squarely in the middle of the hair, the man rested his chin on the work-bench, stretched his arms out so that they were practically at rest and then held his breath. This was done to steady the hand holding the instrument sufficiently for the work. After the hole had been cut through the hair the threading operation was performed.

PRIVATE CARS PLACARDED "NOT A JITNEY"

San Francisco has become so thoroughly infested with "jitney busses" that drivers of private cars are continually having to explain to would-be passengers that their machines are not for hire. Hundreds of these cars competing with the traction lines are plying the streets of the city. Several motor-car owners, tiring of being frequently mistaken for "jitney" drivers,

have labeled their machines with signs reading, "NOT a Jitney," the "not" being emphasized by an encircling ring. This placard is placed on



the windshield, or in some other position where it is plainly visible to the jitney-hunting public.

Shoop

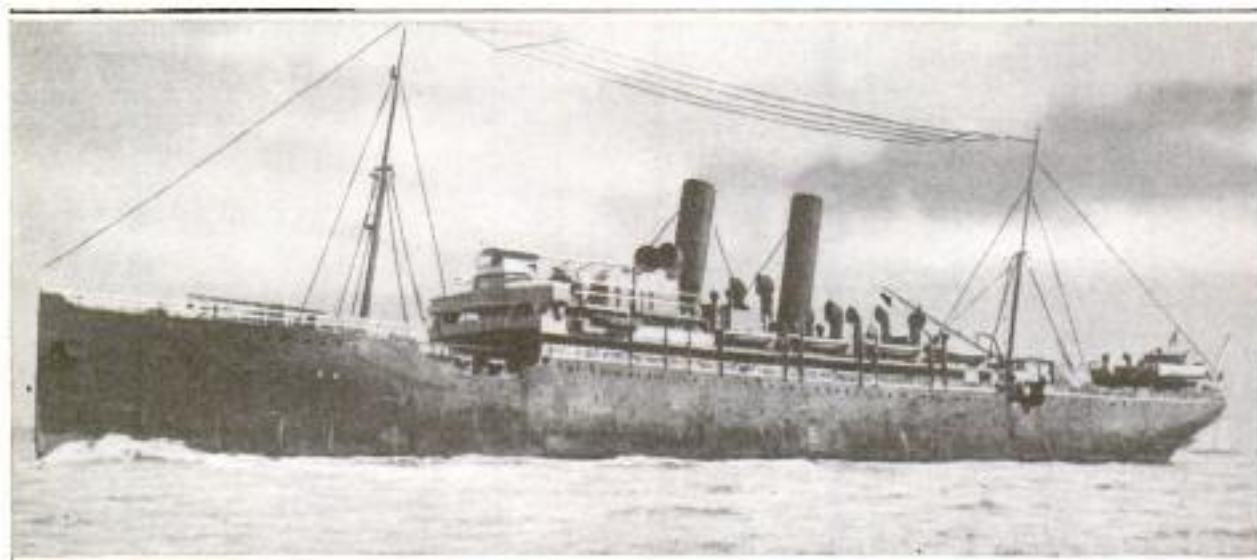
COMMERCE RAIDER INTERNED AT AMERICAN PORT

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The "Prinz Eitel Friedrich," the German commerce raider that sank the American sailing ship "Wm. P. Frye" and was later interned at the Norfolk Navy Yard, is a steamer of 16,000 tons' displacement built for the Asiatic trade by the North German Lloyd company and taken over by the German government for naval use shortly after the outbreak of the war. This vessel sought refuge at Newport News, Va., after a career at sea during which it sank not only the American ship but seven merchant vessels belonging to nations at war with Germany. It is a 7,000-hp. steamer with a length of 505 ft., a beam of 52½ ft., and a draft of about 27 ft., and is capable of making a speed of 17¼ miles an hour. When the captain of the "Prinz Eitel Friedrich" decided to intern rather than attempt a dash past the

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E. J. Herbert, 34 Fullerton Parkway, Chicago, Ill.



"Prinz Eitel Friedrich," German Commerce Raider, Interned at Norfolk Navy Yard

British and French warships that were believed to be waiting outside the Virginia capes, the ship was taken to the Norfolk Navy Yard, the propelling machinery was dismantled and the wireless apparatus rendered inoperative. The captain was required to give a pledge for himself, officers, and crew not to commit any unneutral act and not to leave, without special permission, the district prescribed in the parole, this district including Norfolk, Portsmouth, Newport News, and Old Point Comfort. Officers and crew will be domiciled on the ship. Under the rules governing internment the ship with its officers and crew will be held until the end of the war.

ELECTRICAL PROCESS FOR 9779 DRYING LUMBER

A simple electrical process for drying lumber now being used successfully in France consists in piling the lumber in layers with electrolytic mats placed at the top and bottom of the pile and between the layers, the mats being connected alternately with the positive and negative pole of any source of electric current. Each mat consists of a sheet of galvanized iron placed between heavy layers of jute that has been soaked in water. Lumber of any thickness and even unbarked logs can be treated by this method, but it has been

found that to get satisfactory results the pile should not be greater than 5 ft. in height. The current may be either direct or indirect and a voltage of 100 is ordinarily used. For treating 35 cu. ft. of lumber about 150 ampere-hours are required. One of the big advantages in the process is that it can be used for treating freshly cut lumber in the woods and at any season of the year. The process causes molecular changes in certain substances contained in the wood and kills all detrimental organisms with which it may be affected.

CAVALRY TENT IS ADOPTED FOR ALL ARMY BRANCHES

9782 Because of the additional comfort which will be afforded the soldiers, the War Department has decided to equip all branches of the United States Army with cavalry tents. The decision was reached recently after a personal inspection, by the secretary of war, of 20 different types of shelter tents which were set up in one of the Washington parks and thoroughly tested. While this tent is 2 lb. heavier than the one heretofore used by the infantry, it is so much larger and more comfortable than the old one that it is considered preferable.

Either two sabers or two rifles may be substituted for the ordinary collapsible poles in setting up one of these

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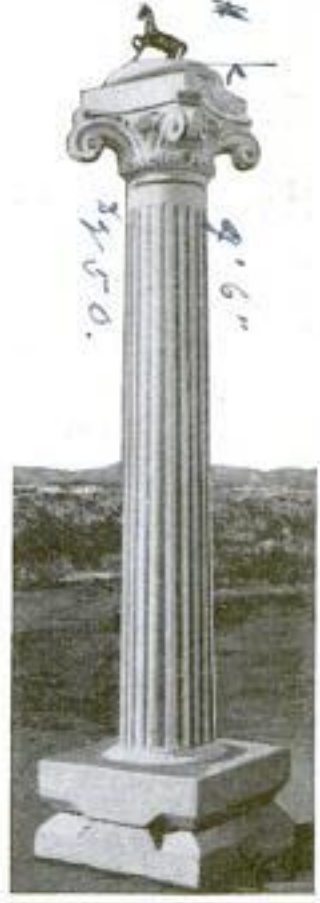
Inventor: Albert Nodon, a Frenchman
Industrietidningen Norden,
Stockholm, Mar. 5, 1915

tents. This is considered a distinct advantage, for it makes it possible to cut down the weight of the haversack load on long marches. When rifles are used for this purpose they are stood on end and brass caps are placed over the muzzles to protect the bores from dirt and water.

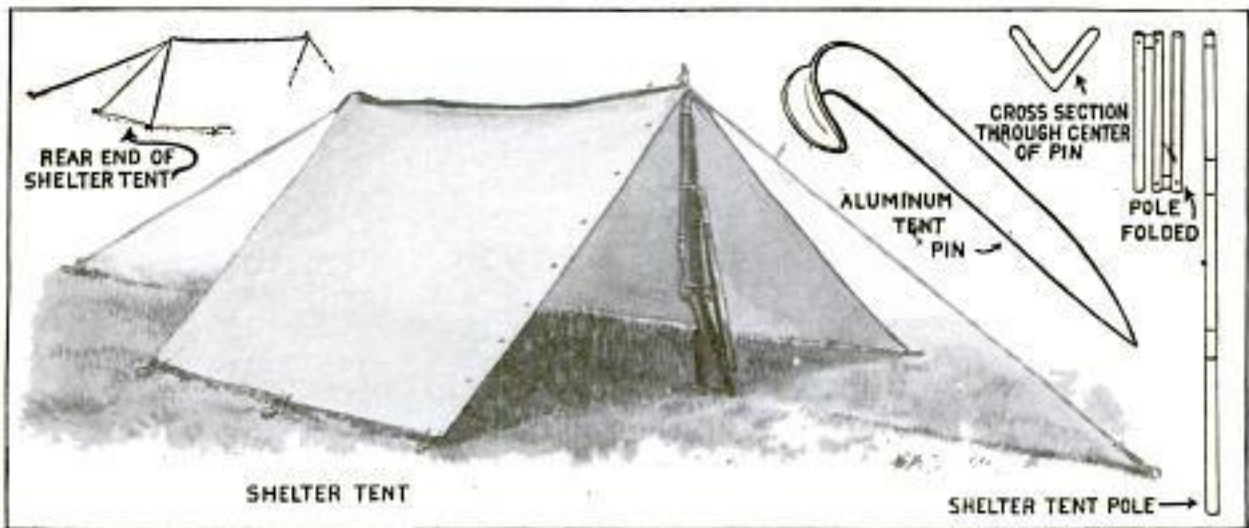
Considerable complaint has been made in the past regarding the small size of the infantry tent. The cavalry tent, however, is 65 in. in length on the ridge, 61 in. wide at the base, and when supported on the collapsible poles, stands about 43 in. from the ground at the ridge. The canvas, which is of an olive-drab color, is divided into two sections which button together at the ridge and along the slanting end. A wide flap covers the buttons and prevents leakage. Each half has a row of buttons and buttonholes, so that any two sections can be used together. At both ends of the ridge are guy ropes, about 7 ft. 6 in. long, and each of the sections is provided with four foot stops, for holding the tent to the ground. Eight tent pins, 5½ in. long, made of aluminum and weighing approximately 1 oz. each, are provided. The collapsible poles are made in three sections. When the tent is not in use one of these poles and four pins are wrapped in each half of the canvas and become a part of the pack equipment of the individual soldier.

MONUMENT MARKS GRAVE 9586 OF RACE HORSE

In memory of a favorite Colorado race horse which died recently, and to mark its grave near Rocky Ford, a white, Ionic column supporting a bronze figure of the animal has been erected. The pillar is made of concrete, is slightly less than 10 ft. in height and weighs approximately 1,600 lb. It is placed on an elevated place which overlooks the city some three miles away, from which it can be seen on clear days. The horse was buried with its harness and sulky in a large concrete vault beneath the monument, which, because of its character, is attracting the attention of many eastern tourists.



*Horse: Beverly Dillon, died Nov 26, 1914.
Owner: W. R. Dyer, Rocky Ford, Colo.*



The Cavalry Tent, Recently Adopted for All Branches of the Army, as It Appears When Supported by Rifles in Lieu of the Jointed Poles Ordinarily Used. Only a Moment's Time is Required to Raise It or Take It Down

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**AN ELECTRICALLY OPERATED
 9692 SWING BRIDGE**

What is said to be the first swing bridge ever built in which the opening and closing of the bridge as well as the entire work of controlling and safeguarding vehicular and water-borne traffic is performed electrically has recently been placed in service over the Forth and Clyde Canal between Glasgow and Clydebank, Scotland. This is a single swing span carrying a double-track street railway with the usual roadway and sidewalks. Every movement in the operation of the bridge is controlled by a master switch located in the operator's cabin, and so thoroughly is the controlling mechanism interlocked that it is impossible to open or close the bridge without following a prescribed sequence of operations and allowing the time for each operation to be completed. The master switch is housed in a compact metal box and is worked by a handle that is moved in one direction to open the bridge and in the opposite direction to close it. With the bridge closed and the handle moved to the first position, the semaphores at the ends of the bridge are placed at danger and a bell is set ringing, and until the bell has rung for 10 seconds nothing more can be done. In the next position of the

handle, switch points are thrown that prevent a street car from approaching the bridge, and the next movement turns the current from the street-railway wires into the machinery that operates the bridge. Successive movements of the handle close the guard gates, unlock the bridge, and swing it parallel to the stream, the mechanism being arranged to stop the swinging movement automatically at the right point. The handle is then moved back to the central position, and when the bridge is to be closed it is simply moved, one position at a time, in the direction opposite to that followed in opening the bridge.

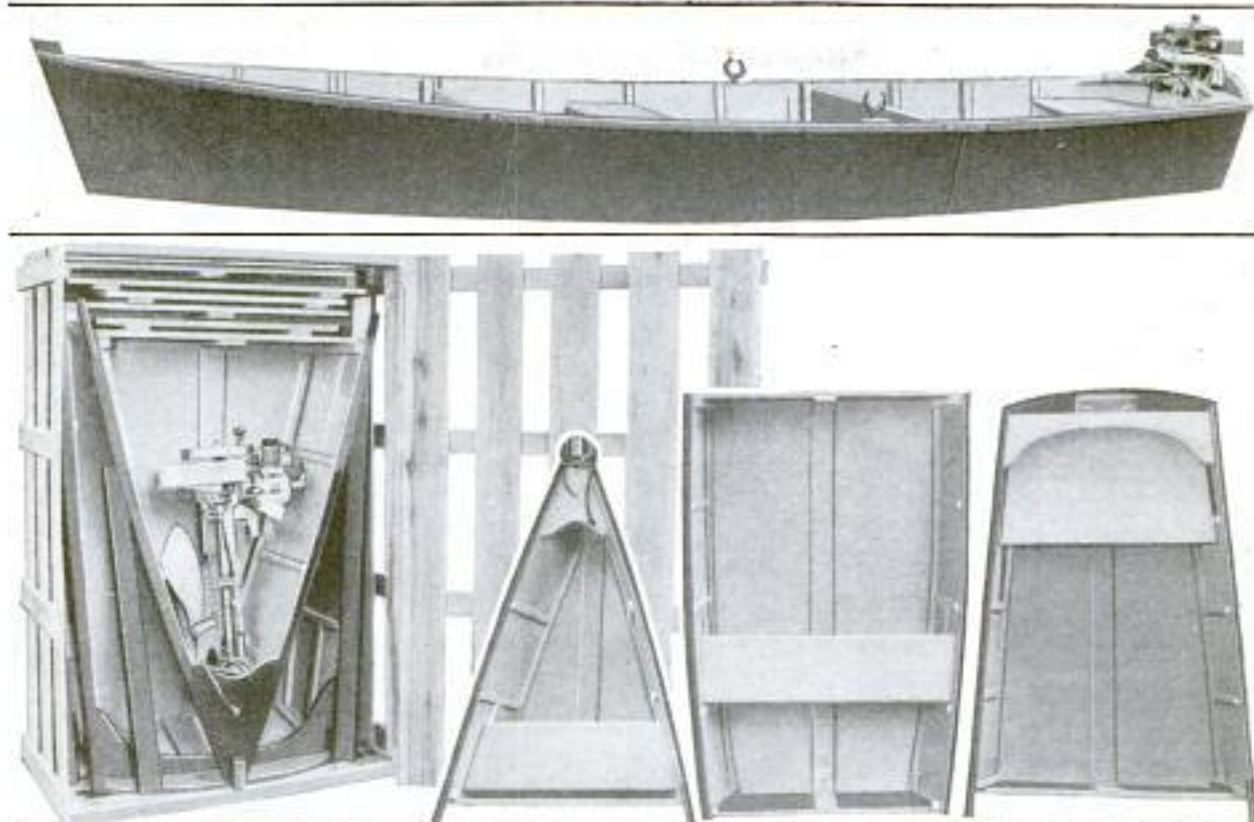
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**ELECTRIC TRACTOR IS USED
 FOR WAREHOUSE TRUCKING 9668**

In one of the warehouses at Chicago where many trains of less-than-carload freight are handled daily, a small electric tractor has been adopted for drawing carrier trucks between the various loading and unloading points. The tractor is a three-wheeled machine with a 38-in. wheel base and carries storage batteries capable of operating it continuously throughout one working day. It weighs 1,900 lb., has four forward and two reverse speeds, and may be easily turned around inside of a box car. Ordinarily it



This Shows the Electric Tractor Alone and in Use. It Ordinarily is Employed in Hauling about 10 Trailer Cars

*Mfr: The Mercury Mfg. Co.
 4110 So. Halsted St.
 Chicago, Ill.*



With the Seats Removed the Three Parts Nest Together Compactly and Fit into a Shipping Crate. Above, the Craft is Shown Assembled and Ready for Use

hauls 10 trailer trucks, although in some instances as many as 15 cars are placed in one train. The coupling system is arranged so that the various cars track well and may be drawn in and out about piles of freight, through doors and around 90° angles without any difficulty. In this specific warehouse, where one tractor is in use, it is said that both the cost of trucking and the trucking force have been reduced approximately 25 per cent.

THREE-PIECE POWER BOAT 9708 FOR SPORTSMEN

For the vacationist or sportsman who wants a comfortable power boat for fishing, hunting, or recreation, and needs to transport it to some out-of-the-way camping place where boats are otherwise unavailable, a three-piece craft which may be packed in a small crate and shipped easily, has recently been introduced. It is 16 ft. in length, has a 46-in. beam, and is made of cypress. When the seats are removed, the three sections nest together, leaving sufficient room in the crate for a

pair of "knocked-down" oars, the seats, an outboard motor, and whatever ropes or anchor chains it is wished to carry. It may be assembled or taken apart in a short time and can be ported anywhere that a pack mule can go, or be carried on the running board of a motor car. The segments are adequately braced when coupled together, so that the boat is able to carry a normal load and is safe for ordinary waters, although not intended for weathering heavy seas. If any accident should occur, breaking the boat apart, each compartment could float with an occupant.

BUILDING HIGHWAY ACROSS STORM KING MOUNTAIN 9730

With all surveys completed and a practical route selected, plans are now being made for the construction during the coming summer of the highway across the face of Storm King Mountain, a promontory that rises sheer from the west shore of the Hudson River a short distance north of West Point, N. Y. This will be one of the most interesting and difficult

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U.S. Military Academy,
West Point, N. Y.

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The View Above, Looking North along the Hudson, Shows the Highway as It will be Built along the Face of the Mountain; West Point in the Foreground



At the Left is Shown the Location of the Highway across the Face of Storm King Mountain, Where It Reaches an Elevation of 390 Feet above the River



Map Showing the Location of the New Highway and the Detour Route Inland Used at Present for Passing around Storm King Mountain. The Picture Above Shows How the Promontory Juts into the Hudson, and the One at the Right Shows the Railroad Located on the Narrow Ledge at the Foot of the Cliff



pieces of highway construction ever attempted in this country. Between the foot of the cliff and the river is barely room for the tracks of the West Shore Railroad. To find additional room for a highway it is necessary to go nearly 400 ft. up the face of the mountain and excavate a ledge in the solid rock. The highway will be about $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles long, with a roadway 24 ft. wide, and is estimated to cost close to \$290,000. Starting at Cornwall, at an elevation of 190 ft. above the river, it follows the contour of the cliff to an apex on the face of the mountain 390 ft. above the river, descending from this point to a connection with a state road near West Point, 213 ft. above the river. Near its southerly end the highway passes through West Point Military Reservation, but lies west of the used portions of the grounds. In spite of the nature of the location, the grades are not excessive, varying from 3.2 ft. to 7 ft. in 100 ft. South of the summit it will be necessary to construct a steel truss bridge, 187.6 ft. long, and a rein-

forced-concrete bridge, 72.9 ft. long. Midway between these structures the cut will vary from 35 ft. of ledge rock at the center of the highway to a cut of 83 ft. at the inside. From the face of Storm King Mountain 35,000 cu. yd. of rock must be removed by quarrying methods while traffic is maintained on the railroad below, and part of the construction equipment will consist of a \$10,000 traveling crane and car that will be kept in readiness at all times to remove instantly from the tracks any rock that may fall from above. While the greater part of the work will consist of rock excavation, there will be heavy fills at some points, and at other points a combination of excavation and fill. In the latter case the filled portion will be held in place by massive retaining walls having their footings on ledges cut in the solid rock. This highway will eliminate a 15-mile detour inland over existing routes, and when completed, will constitute one of the finest scenic highways in the world.

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TORPEDOING OF MERCHANTMAN PHOTOGRAPHED BY PASSENGER

PHOTOGRAPHS taken by a passenger aboard the British steamship "Falaba," which was torpedoed by a submarine off the Welsh coast on March 28, show in detail, stage by stage, just what happens at sea, under the practices of naval warfare now pursued, when an enemy merchantman is overhauled by a German war vessel.

The pictures tell a connected story which might easily be translated without explanatory notes. They were taken in the sequence in which the different events of the episode occurred, illustrating graphically the reason why 119 noncombatants, one an American citizen, lost their lives.

When overhauled by the submarine, the vessel was steaming near Milford Haven. As the order was given by the captain to man the boats, the amateur photographer, an Englishman, walked coolly about the deck of the boat snap-

ping his camera. The first photograph that was taken shows the passengers and some members of the crew wearing life belts and waiting calmly to enter the boats. It is remarkable in that it is an uncommon picture showing how the passengers look and what they do when ready to forsake a liner and take to lifeboats in an open sea. It indicates also that at the time it was made there was no disorder on board.

The second exposure pictures the lowering of the first lifeboat. This resulted in a tragedy. In the haste of letting the boat down with its little party in order that it get safely away before the ship was blown up, something went wrong with the davit ropes and the craft came down, end first. This threw most of the occupants out, only a few managing to cling to the cross boards, while two or three others fortunately fell into the lower end of

D. N. S. Captions,

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the boat. Most of those who fell into the water were drowned. When the craft was finally launched it capsized.

The next snapshot was taken an

instant after the ship was torpedoed. The last lifeboat to be lowered—the fourth—had just touched the water when the explosion occurred beneath and to one side of it. As

might be expected, the terrific force of the detonation blew over the small craft. The struggle of the victims, one of whom was a woman, in their attempt to crawl onto the slippery bottom of the boat is to be seen. By inspecting

the picture carefully it may also be noticed how the water was churned by the explosion. The

quartet of life craft, two of them bottom up, and the water about them spotted with men who

were even then only a few feet away from the sinking vessel, is shown in another exposure. A photograph was then

made of the submarine as it rested some 50 yards

off, a gun mounted in front of its conning

tower and a part of its crew watching the ship go down and the 260 per-



The Camera with Which the Photographs were Taken, Showing Its Condition After Its Owner had been Rescued from the Sea



Passengers Aboard the Doomed Vessel Wearing Life Belts and Waiting to Take to the Boats. The Picture was Made a Moment after the "Falaba" was Overhauled by the Submarine



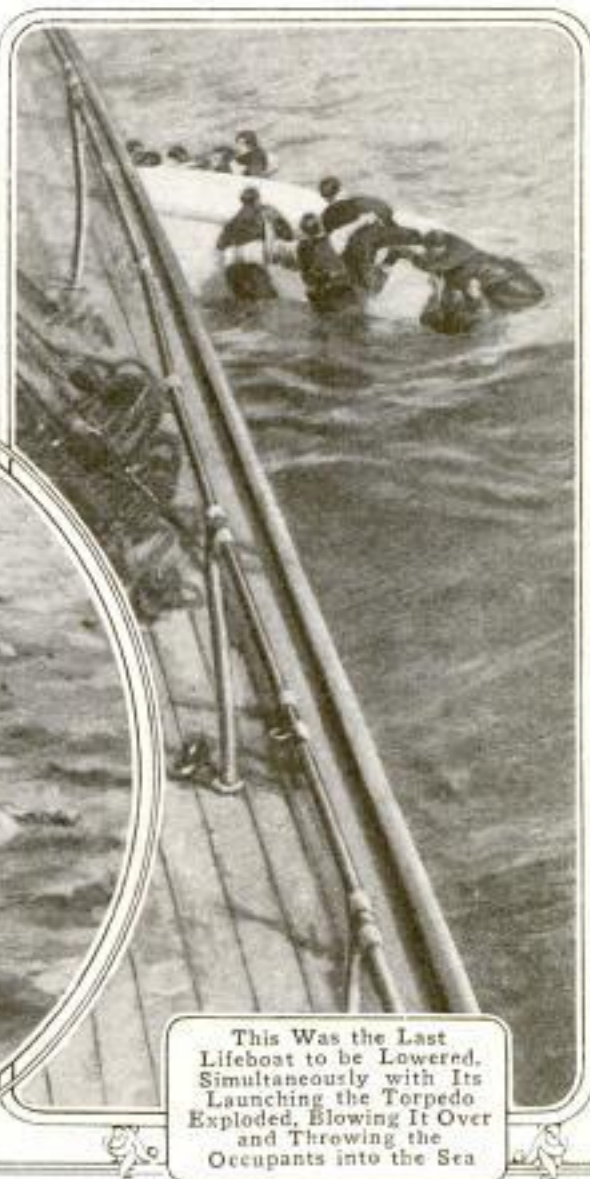
Nearly All Who Crowded the First Lifeboat were Thrown into the Sea Before the Craft Touched the Water. One End Plunged Downward When the Davit Falls Jammed



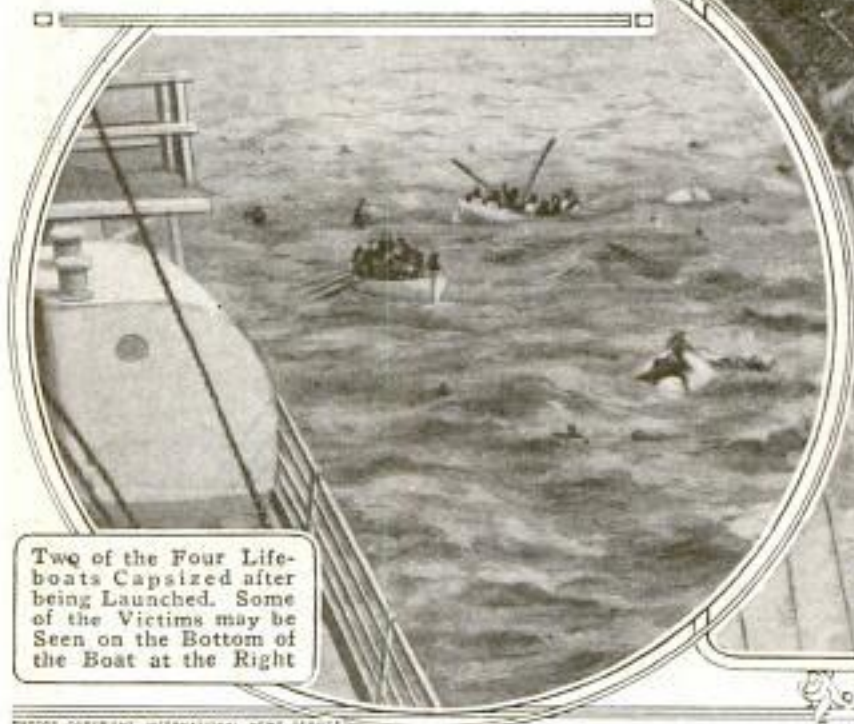
The German Submarine from Which the Torpedo was Fired. The Boat Remained in the Position Shown Here for Several Minutes. Its Crew Watching the Ship Rapidly Sink

sons, who had been aboard it, fight for their lives.

At the last minute, after the submarine had submerged and disappeared and the "Falaba" was keeling over, its funnels almost level with the water, the photographer placed his camera in a pocket of his mackintosh, slipped into the sea and struck out. It was nearly an hour later that he was picked up from a floating plank by the trawler "Eileen Emma" and taken aboard in a semiconscious condition. When he was revived he felt in his pocket and found the camera still safe, although water-soaked so that the leather had peeled off.



This Was the Last Lifeboat to be Lowered. Simultaneously with Its Launching the Torpedo Exploded, Blowing It Over and Throwing the Occupants into the Sea



Two of the Four Lifeboats Capsized after being Launched. Some of the Victims may be Seen on the Bottom of the Boat at the Right

ENEMY PLOWS FIELDS IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM



In Some of the Districts Occupied by the Germans in France and Belgium during the Early Spring, the Army Plowed and Planted the Fields for Peasant Farmers Whose Horses had been Commandeered for War Purposes



Girl Workers in the Belgian Coal Mines: Since the Occupation of This Territory by the Germans, Regulations have been Enforced Prohibiting a Large Number of the Women from Doing This Labor

PHOTOGRAPHS BY AP/WIDEWORLD

HEAVY AUSTRIAN SIEGE HOWITZER IN ACTION



One of the Great Austrian Artillery Pieces, Such as has been Used with Pronounced Effect Both by the Germans against the Belgian Fortifications and by Their Ally Operating against the Russians. This Type of Gun is Made in Several Sizes and the Shell Shown Above is Almost an Inch Larger Than That Used in the Battery Below

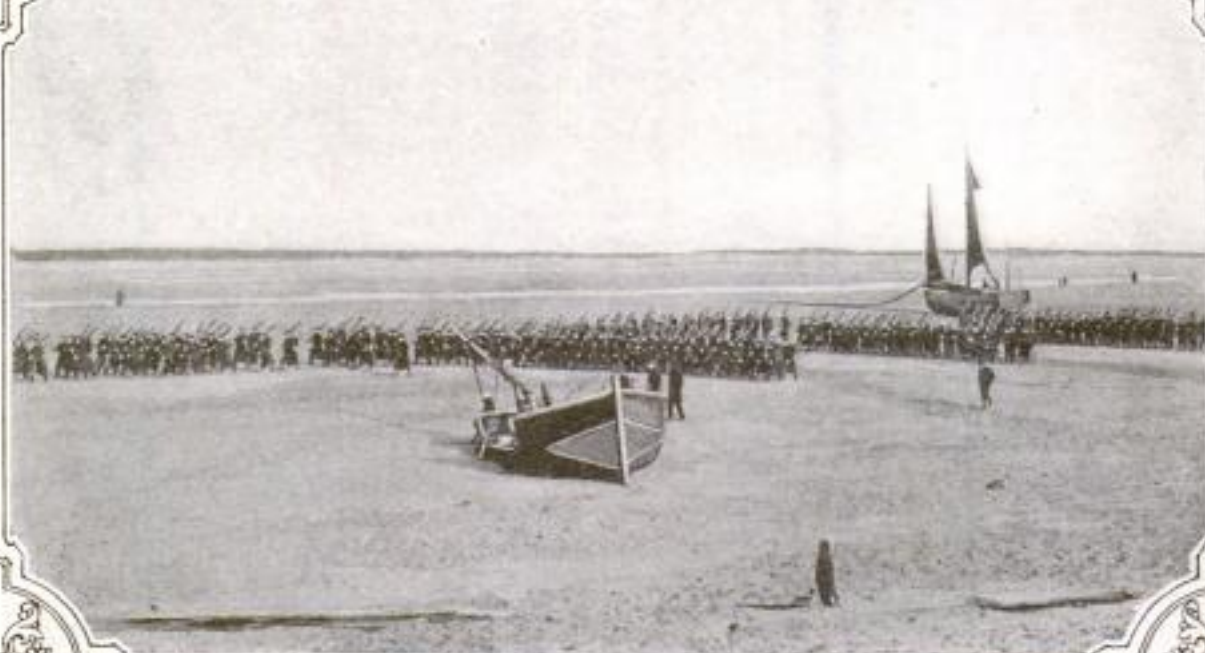


SCENES FROM THE WAR CAMPS OF THE NORTH



This Shows the Type of British Cavalrymen Who are Pitted against the German Uhlans in the Strategic Movements of the English Forces. Although Cavalry was Not Used to a Great Extent during the Winter Operations, Because of the Close-Quarter Warfare Which was Carried on Chiefly in Bombproof Trenches, It has been Assumed by Military Critics That This Arm of the Service will See Heavy Action When the Allies' Offensive Campaign is Fully Launched

Seventh Regiment of the Belgian Line Infantry Marching along the Coast of the North Sea; This Gives a Good Idea of the Long, Wide, Sandy Beaches for Which Belgium is Noted



LIGHTER SIDE OF WAR SEEN IN GERMAN CAMPS



A Big Elephant from the Zoo at Hamburg Doing Work at the Rear of the German Lines Which would Otherwise Require the Services of a Dozen Horses
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Impromptu Orchestra in Camp, Making the Best of Crude Instruments Fashioned during Spare Moments. The Conductor's Baton is a Sword

RIFLEMEN IN THE MAKING AND IN SERVICE



Reservists Going Through Rifle Practice at One of the Military Training Camps in France: Although This Is Only One Phase of the General Course through Which the Men are Put in Drilling and Hardening Them for Active Service, It Is One of Importance

A Method Adopted by Russian Forces of Firing without Exposing Any Part of the Body to View of the Enemy. In This Position There Is Little Danger of being Wounded by Rifle Shot

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MEDIEVAL CHURCH WRECKED BY GERMAN SHELLS

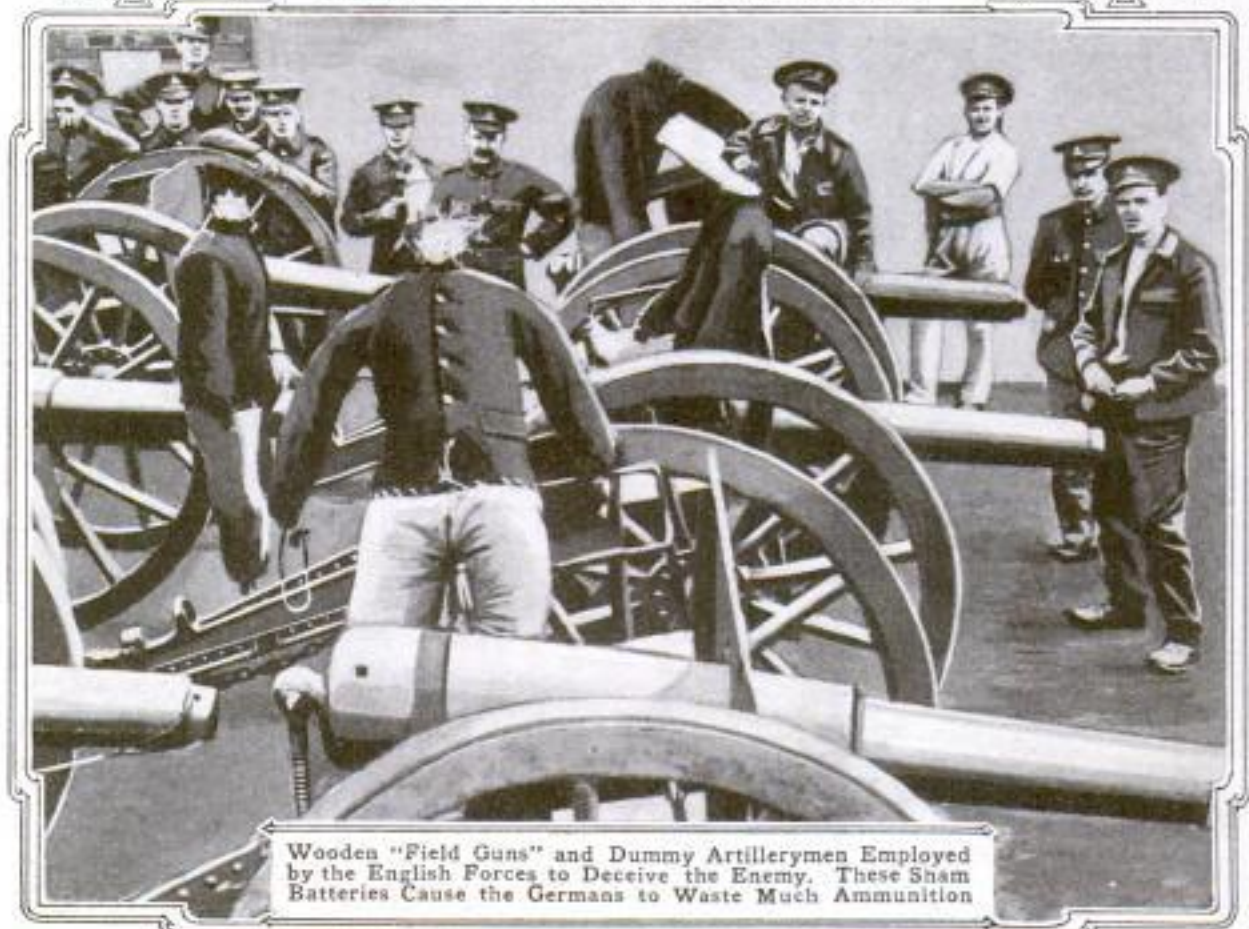
A Shell Striking the Ironwork Supporting a Statue of Notre Dame, Which Formed the Pinnacle of One of the Old French Churches at Albert, Caused the Figure of the Virgin to Fall at Right Angles to the Tower, Where It Remained Suspended in Mid-Air, Producing the Unusual Effect Shown in This Photograph



HOBBYHORSES AND DUMMY CANNON IN THE WAR

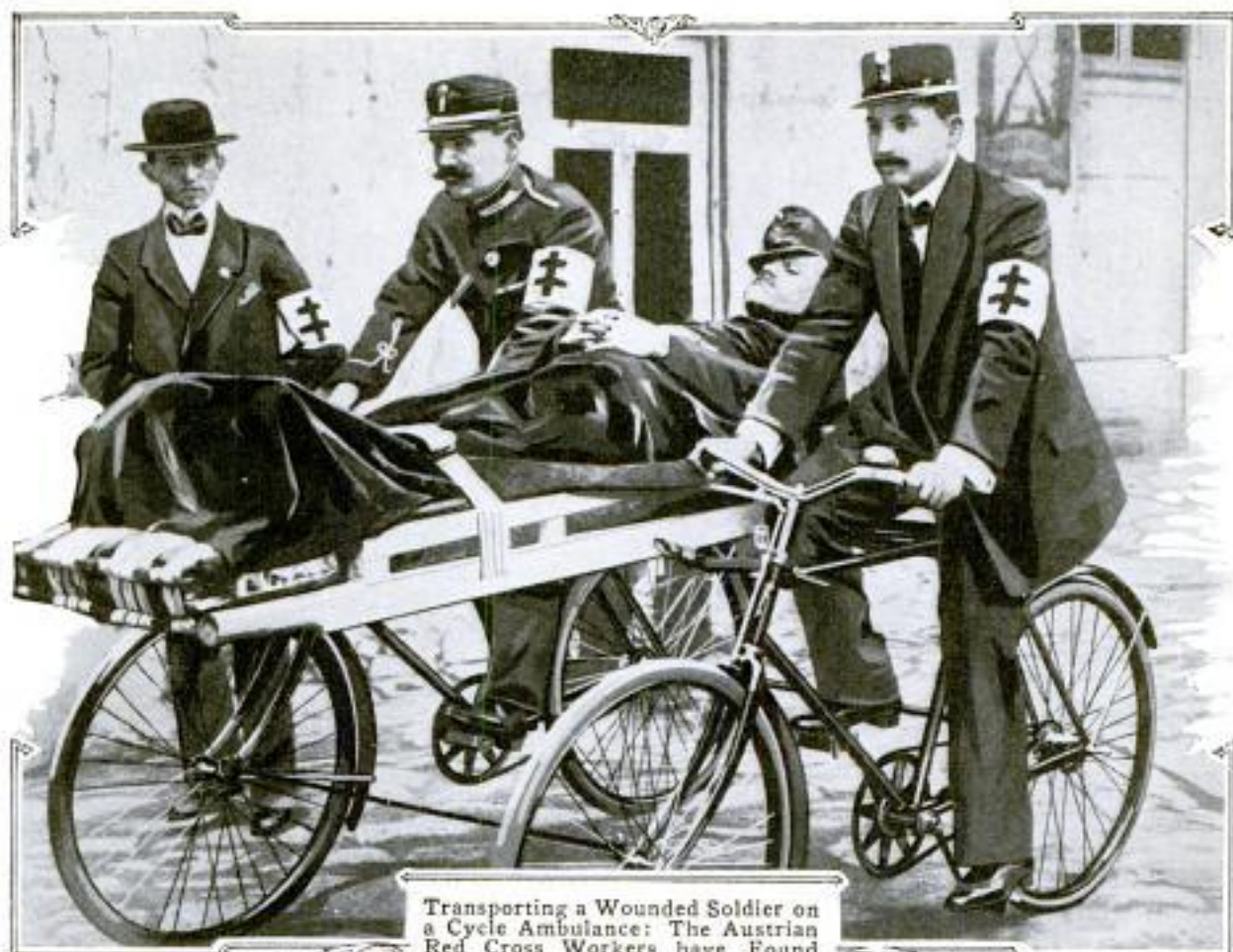


Hobbyhorses Such as This are Used in Lieu of Real Animals to Train Volunteers for Service in the British Cavalry. They Are Life-Size and Full of Mechanical Energy, so a Rider Is as Liable to be Thrown as If He Had a Real Mount



Wooden "Field Guns" and Dummy Artillerymen Employed by the English Forces to Deceive the Enemy. These Sham Batteries Cause the Germans to Waste Much Ammunition

PHASES OF WAR SEEN BY MEN AT THE FRONT



Transporting a Wounded Soldier on a Cycle Ambulance: The Austrian Red Cross Workers have Found These Vehicles Very Serviceable



Glimpse of Barbed-Wire Entanglement before a Russian Position Charged by the German Forces: Often in Night Attacks These Barriers are Not Seen Until Encountered

TOWNS THAT HAVE SERVED AS BATTLE FIELDS



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This Crater, Large as the Cellar of a Small House,
Shows the Explosive Effect of a Projectile
Fired from a German Siege Gun

DURING THE FIGHTING IN NORTHERN FRANCE

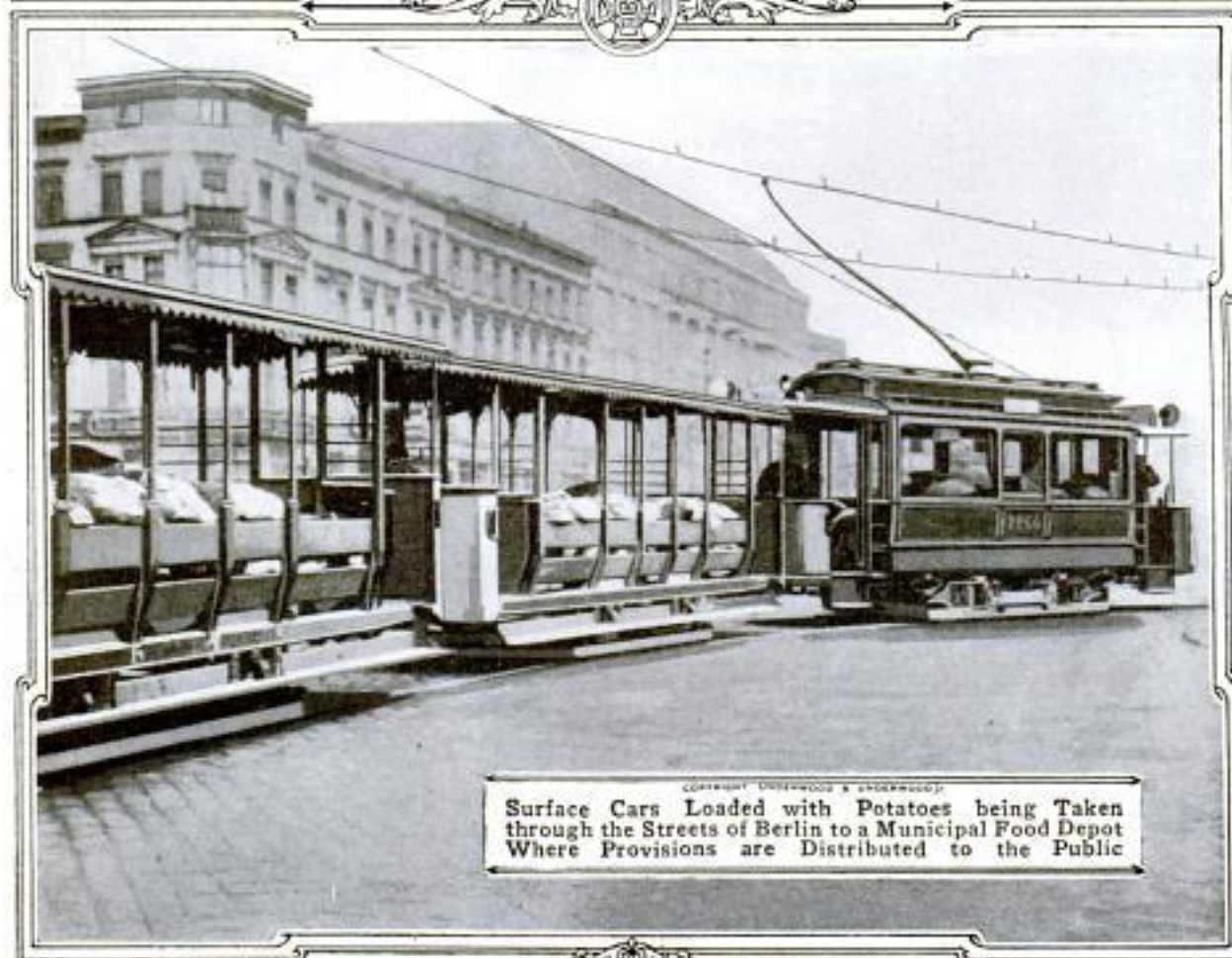
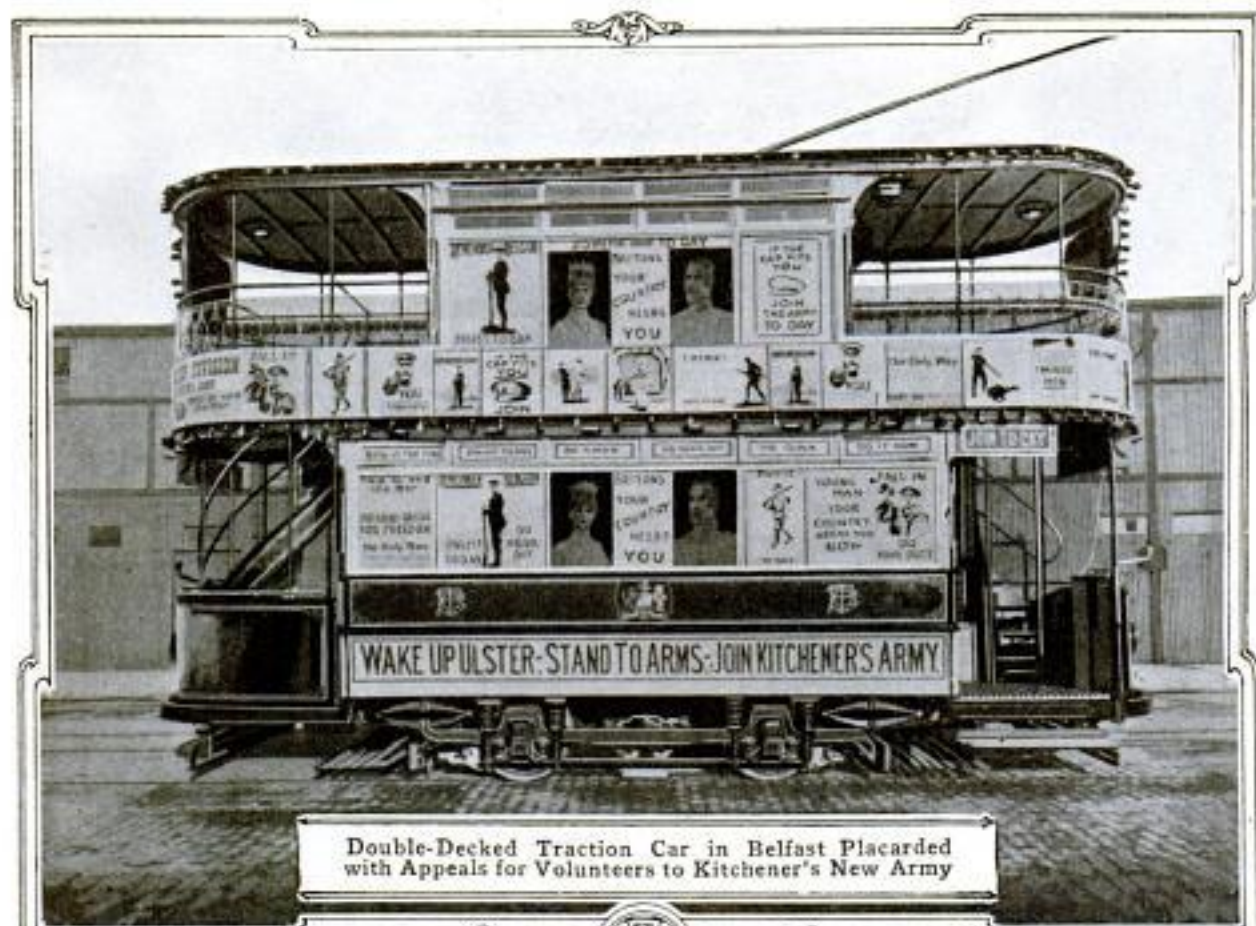


One of the Paths before the Germans in Their Assault on Craonne. The Approaches were Planted with Mines and Interwoven with Barbed-Wire Entanglements, Which had to be Leveled Before the Troops could Enter the Barricaded City



Ruins of Baccarat, a Town in Northern France Which Was in the Path of the Enemy. Only a Damaged Church and Two Other Buildings were Left Standing in This Section

STREET CARS PUT TO NOVEL WAR-TIME USES

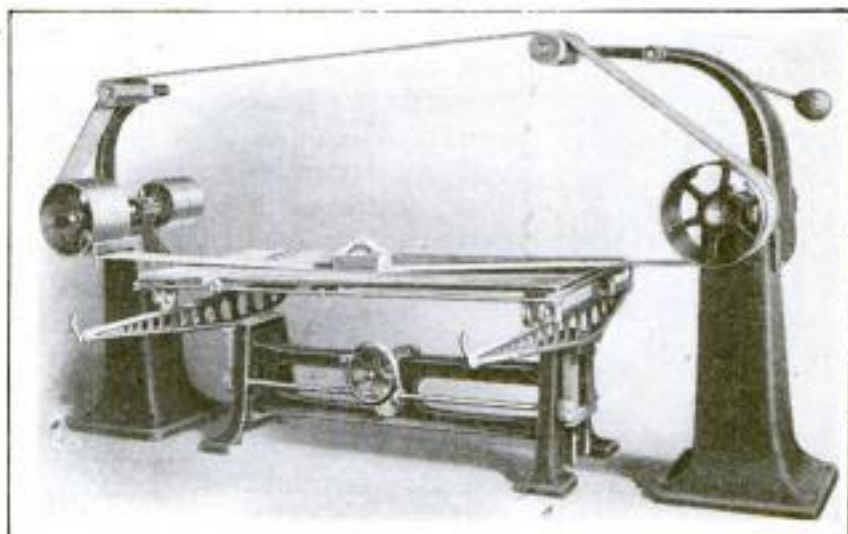


WOOD-FINISHING MACHINE

8904 **LESSENS HANDWORK**

Of late years the demand for better finishing in both interior trimmings and cabinetwork has become general, which from the builder's standpoint means that more time must be spent in sandpapering. To meet this situation, or, in other words, to supply the finish without materially increasing the cost, a machine has been developed which works at high speed while handling almost any kind or shape of material. It is an endless-belt sanding device and, in one form, consists essentially of two uprights carrying pulleys about which the belt passes, its abrasive surface outward. A movable worktable, so arranged that a piece of

material may be held firmly and moved freely as required, fits between the standards and immediately below the lower side of the belt. The sanding is done by the operator applying pressure



This Sanding Machine is Operated by Placing Pressure on a Hand Block against the Smooth Side of the Belt, Bringing the Abrasive Surface in Contact with the Work

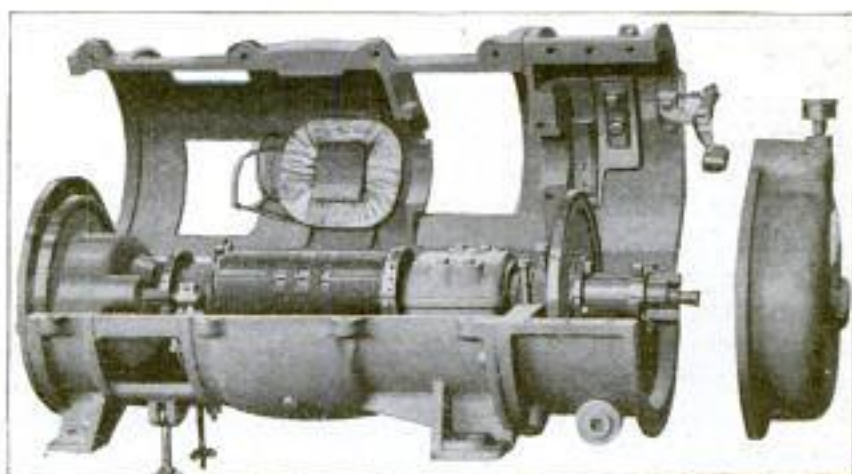
with a block on the smooth side of the belt, pressing the faced side against the work either lightly or heavily as is required.

ELECTRIC GENERATING UNIT

8510 **FOR USE ON YACHT**

Built compactly so that it occupies only a small amount of space when installed, a turbine generator has been designed which is particularly adapted for use on a yacht or tug to supply current for a lighting system. The unit complete is less than a yard in length, approximately 1½ ft. in height, 13 in. broad, weighs 405 lb., and is rated at 1 kw. It is driven at about 4,000 revolutions a minute and is supplied with an automatic valve regulator which controls the intake of steam and prevents the motor from racing. One housing covers the whole

plant and allows easy access to the various parts for inspection or cleaning. The plant may be used wherever there is a boiler to supply a small amount of steam and requires little attention. It



Small Turbine-Generator Unit Which is Particularly Designed for Operating a Lighting System on a Yacht

readily develops sufficient current for about forty 25-watt lamps, which is also adequate for a searchlight.

E. Ellsworth Claspby, Lewistown, Pa.

Built by Westinghouse Machine Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

J. E. Miller, Fisher Bldg., 2009-111 W. Monroe St., Chicago, Ills.

FOUR ELECTRIC FUSE PLUGS

9401. **IN ONE**

A new electric fuse plug is equipped with four fuse wires that can be brought into service in succession so that the fuse plug cannot be put out of commission until each of the four wires has been blown out, making it equivalent to four ordinary fuse plugs. The porcelain part of the plug is made with four cells and in each cell is a fuse wire that is connected to the common bottom and to connectors at the top. Electric connection through any wire is made by means of a removable screw shell.



Atkinson, Hager & Co., 2210 South Park Ave., Chicago

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concentrated food and is in no way intended to replace wheat flour or other cereals, and cannot safely be so used. Because an excess of protein is probably as damaging to the human system as a lack of it, not more than approximately three ounces of the flour should be used by one person a day, according to chemists. It is supposed to be mixed with three or four parts of wheat flour and made into bread.

In its chemical composition the product more closely resembles meat than it does wheat flour and actually holds more than twice as much flesh-building material as meat. A pound of the flour contains about four times the quantity of protein and approximately the same amount of fat as an equivalent weight of eggs, or 48.25 per cent protein and 12.16 per cent fat. As a comparison, beef flank holds 19.60 per cent protein and 21.1 per cent fat, and eggs, 13.2 per cent protein and 12 per cent fat. Bread properly made with the new flour contains a maximum of 16.52 per cent digestible protein. Roughly, this may be said to be practically equivalent to either eggs or beef loin.

A man doing moderate work should consume approximately 125 grams (4.41 oz.) of protein daily, according to certain authorities. Some negroes in the South eat as little as 16 to 24 grams of flesh-building material a day, while among the poorer classes in other parts of the country the consumption of protein is also far below normal. In proportion to its food value cottonseed flour is probably the cheapest food known, and it may prove to be of remarkable economic value.

The necessity of using the flour intelligently, however, is imperative. Cottonseed meal has been used as a stock food for some time, but pigs fed large amounts of it daily for several months have frequently died as a result. That the flour is good as a continuous diet for man has not been established. When used moderately, however, it is apparently a very nutritious and beneficial food.

COTTONSEED FLOUR AS FOOD
9598 **FOR HUMANS**

From the results of tests conducted at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station it has apparently been found that flour made from cotton seed is a valuable food for general consumption. This is a new product which is being manufactured in the South and offered as an inexpensive substitute for meat. It is remarkably high in protein, which is the nutrient, or flesh-producing, substance in meat, and is readily digested by the gastric juices. It is also said to be quite palatable and satisfying.

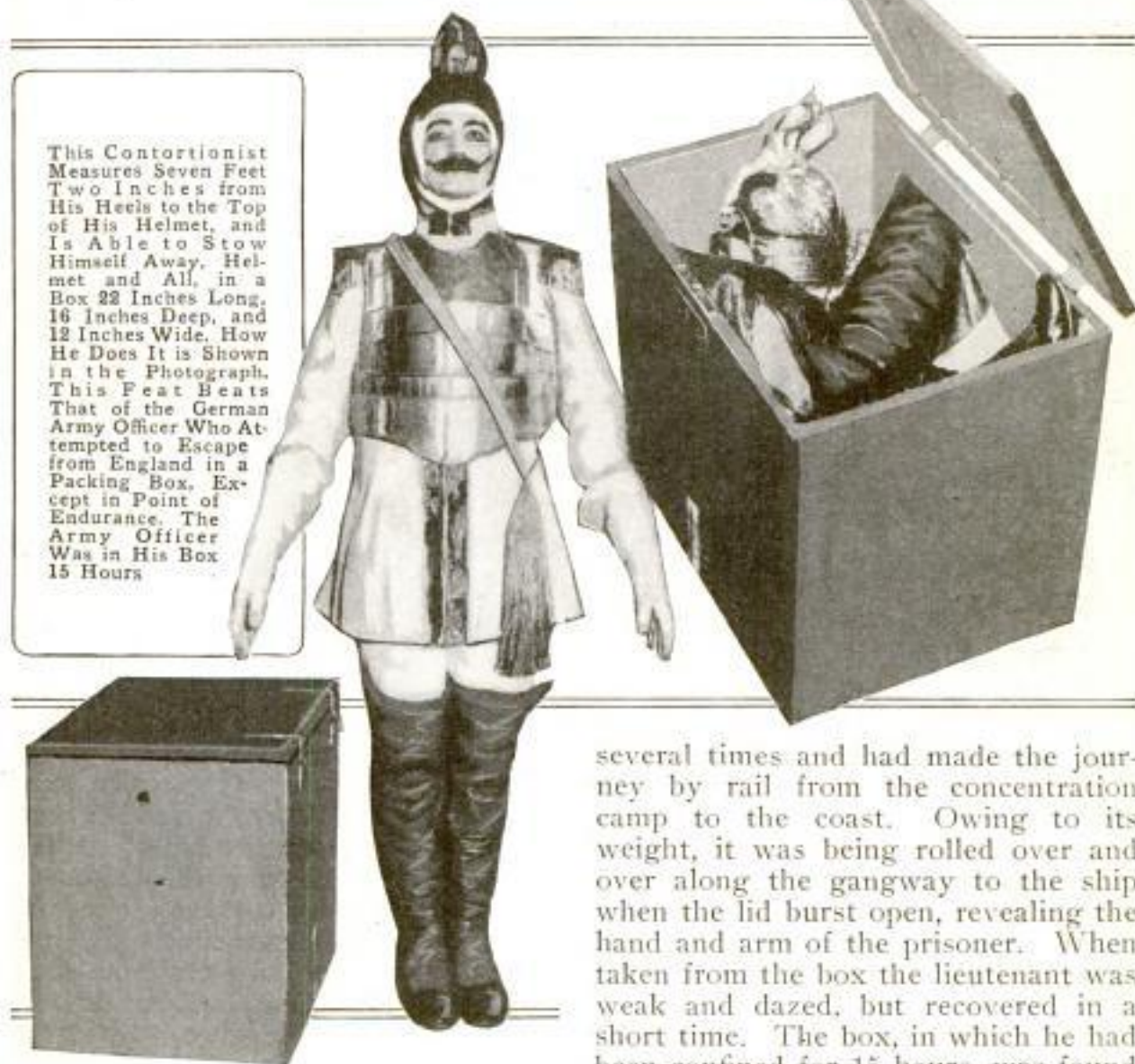
Cottonseed flour is made from the kernel of the seed after the oil has been pressed from it. It is a highly

*Texas Agricultural Experiment Station
Herbert Quick, Carthage Springs, W. Va.
Prof. H. S. Frazer, Texas Experiment Station, College Station, Texas
Schulenburg Burg Oil Mill, Schulenburg, Texas.*

PACKING A MAN READY FOR SHIPMENT

Stowed away in a box that was barely $3\frac{1}{2}$ ft. long, 3 ft. high, and 3 ft. wide, a lieutenant of the German army, who measures 6 ft. 9 in. from his heels to the crown of his head, nearly succeeded in escaping from England to Holland shortly after the outbreak of the war. The box was part of the bag-

gage and the deception was only discovered as the box was being loaded on the steamer that was to take it to Holland, after it had been dropped down a loading chute and transferred



gage that accompanied a party of aliens being sent to Holland from the concentration camp at Dorchester, and had nothing about it to excite suspicion. On the lid were marked the words "Non-Poisonous — Safety Matches," and in addition to this there was a tag giving the destination.

The box was handled like any other

several times and had made the journey by rail from the concentration camp to the coast. Owing to its weight, it was being rolled over and over along the gangway to the ship when the lid burst open, revealing the hand and arm of the prisoner. When taken from the box the lieutenant was weak and dazed, but recovered in a short time. The box, in which he had been confined for 15 hours, was found to contain a blanket, two champagne bottles filled with water, a bottle of meat extract, about a dozen bananas and banana skins, and a rubber pillow filled with oxygen, which was evidently intended to revive the prisoner in case of faintness.

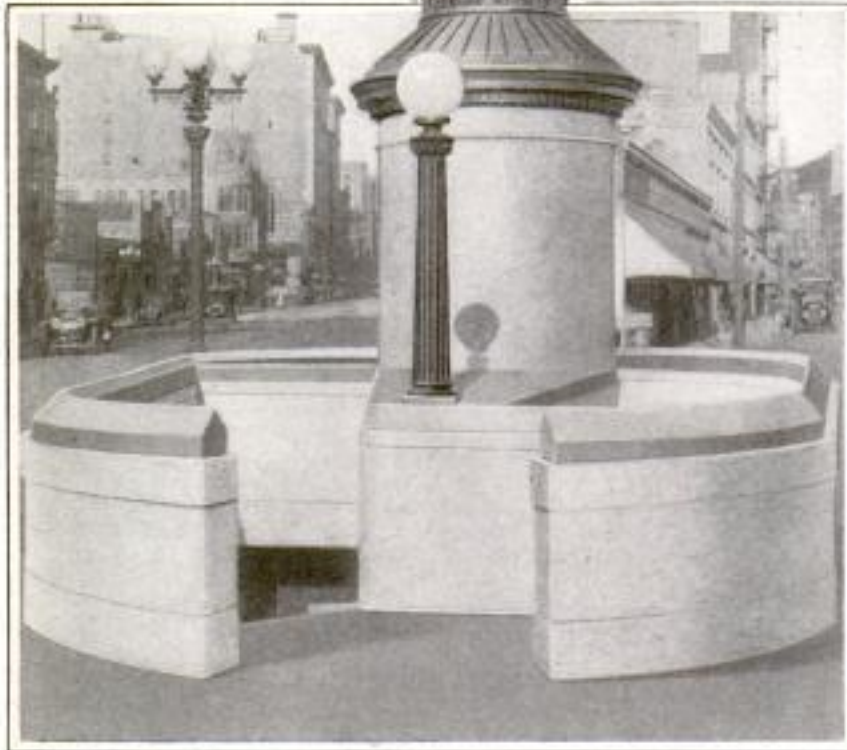
Remarkable as this feat may seem, it is being beaten regularly by the pro-

essional contortionist shown in the illustration. This contortionist measures 7 ft. 2 in. from his heels to the top of his helmet and is able to get into a box 22 in. long, 16 in. deep, and 13 in.

wide. It is to be remembered, however, that the contortionist is not called upon to remain in his cramped position for hours, as was the German lieutenant.

9255 ~~ORNAMENTAL SAFETY ISLAND~~ HAS MULTIPLE USES

At the junction point of two business thoroughfares in Los Angeles, Cal., a safety island has been constructed for pedestrians, beneath which is a public comfort station.



This Safety Island at the Junction of Two Business Streets Forms the Entrance to a Public Comfort Station Built beneath It

placed at a point from which surface traction cars may be entered. At either end of it is a broad, circling stairway leading under the street where there is a vault approximately 30 by 70 ft. in size. This is finished in marble and provided with a ventilating system, the fans for which are placed in the round tower shown in the accompanying photograph. Both hot and cold water are piped to the lavatories.

*J. J. Sturgeon, 620 S. Breed St.,
Los Angeles, Calif.*

9446 ~~SAILOR'S LIFE SAVED BY~~ OXYACETYLENE TORCH

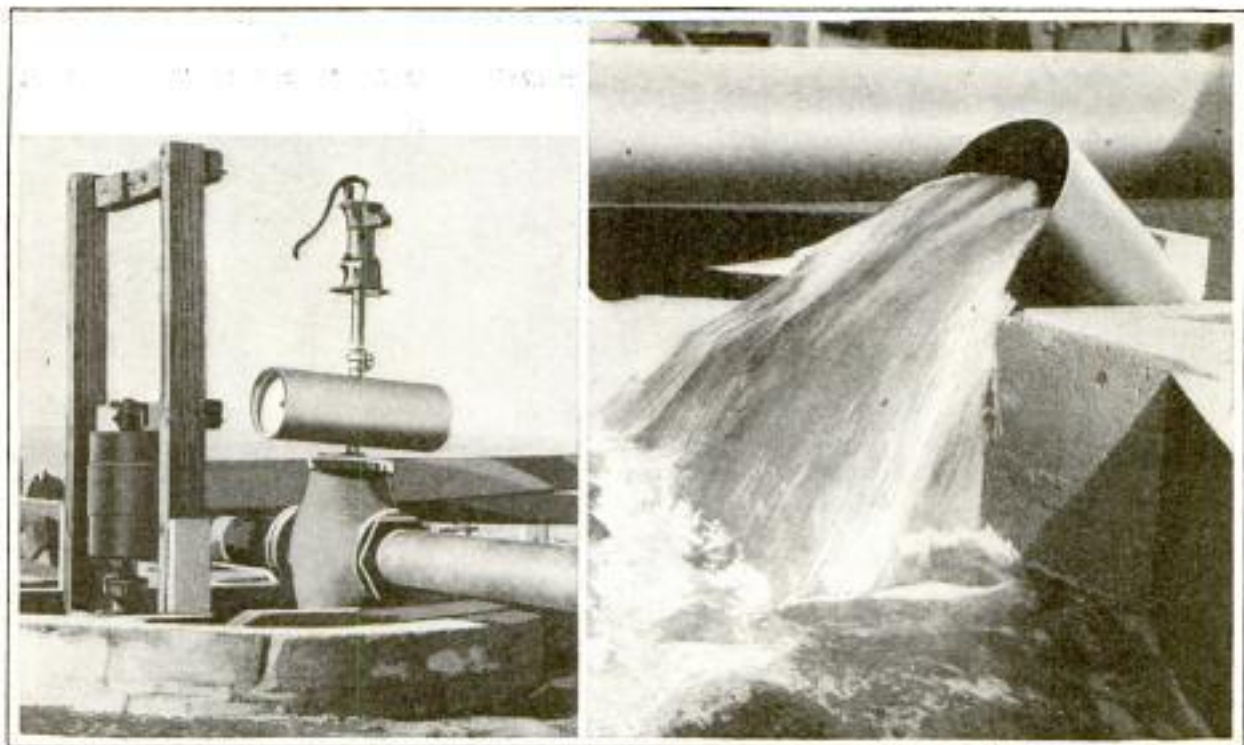
When the salvage ship "Salvor I" turned turtle off the English coast near Yarmouth, all the crew were washed away and drowned except one man who found himself uninjured but imprisoned in the forecastle. The vessel had turned so quickly that there was plenty of air impounded, so he was in no immediate danger of drowning or suffocating. Every time the vessel rose with the swell one of the portholes rose clear of the water, and, stationing himself at the opening, the imprisoned man stuck his arm out and waved his hand each time this occurred. After three hours he heard a slight tapping on the hull, a head was stuck in at the porthole and a voice said "Where shall I cut open the hull?" After showing the rescuers how to keep clear of the stanchions the imprisoned man lost consciousness, but had a

vague realization of being gripped by the neck later and pulled out of the hull. An opening big enough to pull the man through had been cut in the steel hull with an oxyacetylene torch, the rescuers standing neck-deep in water for an hour while doing this work.

CA soldier in service in the trenches wears out a uniform every month, on the average.

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Part of Equipment of Colorado Irrigating Plant: A Hand Pump for Exhausting Air from a Siphon Pipe is Shown at the Left, and at the Right is a 14-Inch Pipe Discharging Water into the Irrigation Flume

SIPHON A FEATURE IN LAND RECLAMATION

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Great tracts of land in the arid regions of the West are too remote from any river to be reclaimed under large irrigation projects. With a new system developed for irrigating such tracts water is collected from a series of wells sunk on the land and is conveyed to a central well from which it is raised to the irrigation flume by a single pumping plant. The system for collecting the water is based on the principle of the siphon and is practicable wherever water can be found at depths not beyond the range of siphonic action. The outlying wells are connected with the central well by pipes that run along the surface of the ground and extend down into each well to a point below water level, and mounted on each pipe is a pump for exhausting the air. To start the flow from the outlying wells, the air is exhausted from the pipes and the vacuum thus created automatically fills with water. Then, when the pump is started, there is a siphonic movement of water from all the outlying wells owing to the lowering of the water level in the central well, and this move-

ment continues as long as the pump is in operation. The pumping is done by a submerged centrifugal pump run by gasoline power, which forces the water through a pipe and discharges it into the irrigation flume. On one ranch in Colorado a flow of 2,000 gal. a minute has been made available by this system by connecting 10 wells spaced 50 ft. apart, with the result that a 240-acre tract formerly given over to wild grass now yields something like 1,000 tons of alfalfa annually.

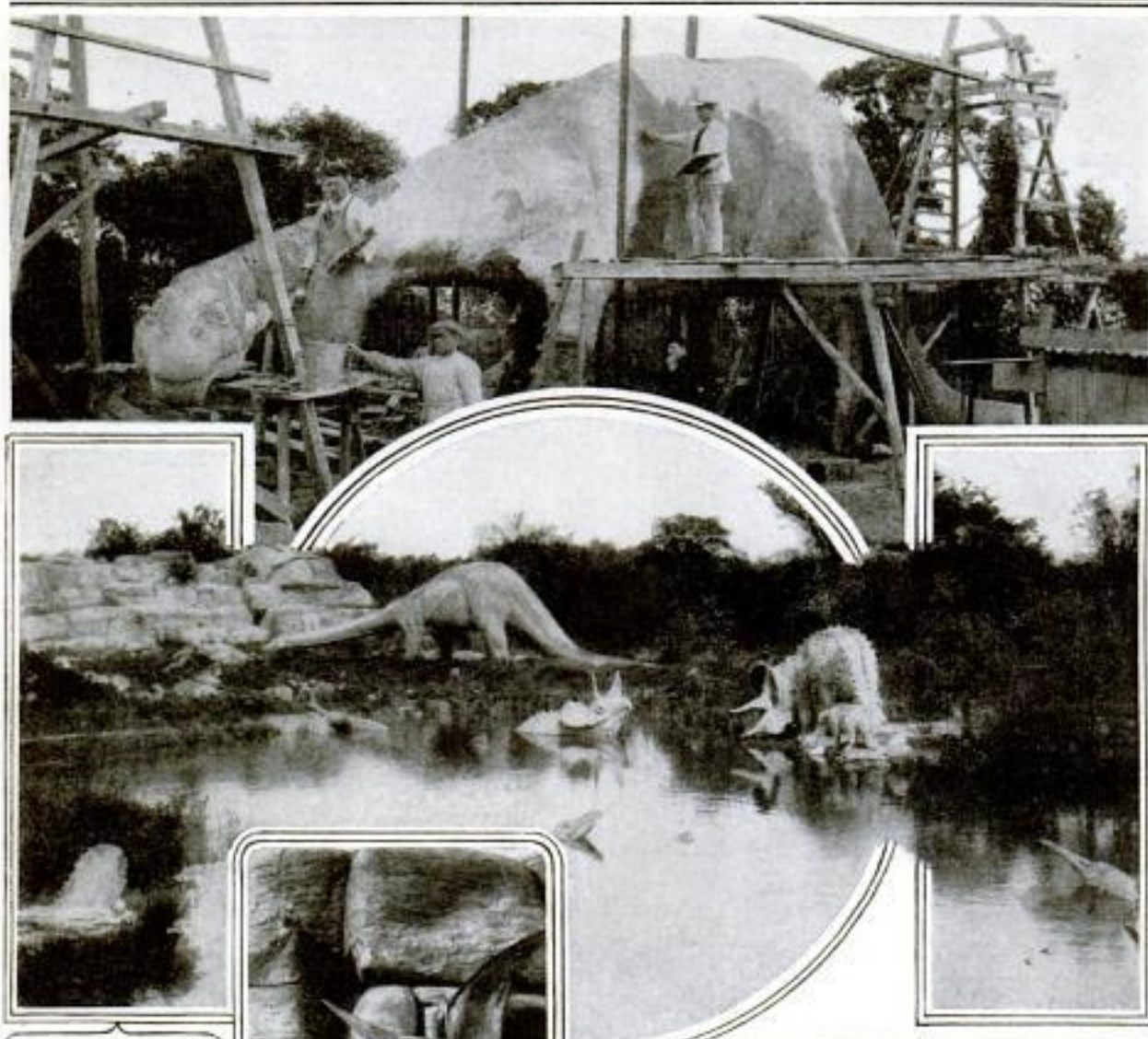
PLAN PREHISTORIC GARDENS FOR PHILADELPHIA PARK

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What might be termed a prehistoric zoölogical garden and aquarium is to be built in Fairmount Park at Philadelphia and filled with concrete and stone reproductions of many of the monsters and reptiles which centuries ago inhabited the western part of North America as well as certain parts of Europe. The work is to be modeled after a similarly planned park at Stellingen, near Hamburg, Germany. The various stone animals, many of them of huge proportions, will be placed in surroundings typical of

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On ranch of A. Foster
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Concrete Reproductions of Prehistoric Monsters Like These are to be Placed in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia



the places in which they dwelt, certain of them being set among large rocks, others on green knolls, and the rest in and about the water.

The animals which will be modeled for Fairmount Park will be made life-size, and some of them will cost \$5,000 each. A Triceratops, an animal which had large horns protruding above its eyes, a horn on its nose and a great bony hood over its neck, will cost approximately \$3,500, while a Stego-

saurus, which was remarkable for its armor, consisting of two rows of bony plates along its back, will cost \$3,750.

RACING YACHT CONVERTED 9508 INTO TRADER

The racing schooner "Rainbow," built in 1898 and famous for many hard-fought races in the Solent and other waters, has been converted into a trading vessel for service around the Cocos Islands, in the Indian Ocean. The "Rainbow" is 132.7 ft. long, has a beam of 23.9 ft., and a depth of about 14 ft. In making the racer into a trader the fine saloon amidships was taken out and the space made into a hold, while the cabins aft were converted into an engine room, steel bulkheads being installed to divide the spaces.

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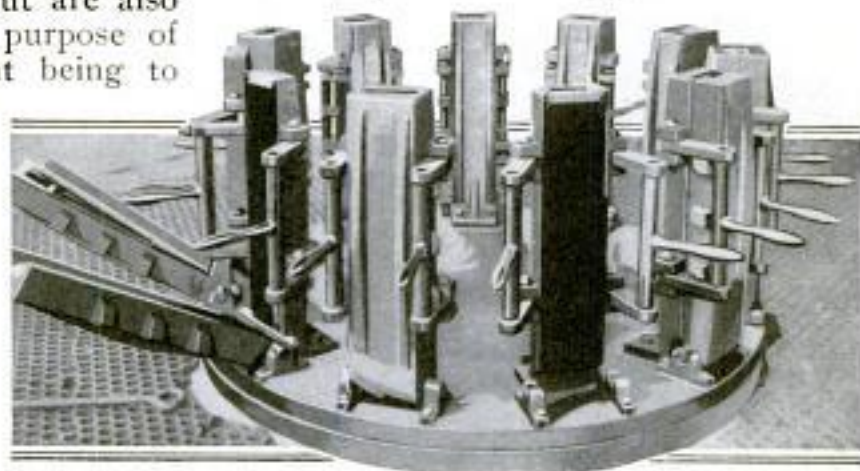
8439 MINTS EQUIPPED TO MAKE MORE COINS IN A DAY

To provide ingots for making one-cent and five-cent pieces, which are being coined in larger quantities every year, a new casting machine that turns out ingots weighing more than five times as much as those heretofore used, has been placed in service in the United States mint at Philadelphia. In connection with this machine larger rolls for forming the plates from which the coin "blanks" are cut are also being used, the whole purpose of the improved equipment being to turn out more coins in a day. How important this is, is shown in the fact that each year there is now a demand for approximately 100,000,000 one-cent pieces and 60,000,000 five-cent pieces, or "nickels."

The new ingot-casting machine consists of a turntable mounted on ball bearings, on which are 11 vertical molds, ranged equidistant on a circle 5 ft. in diameter. Each mold is made up of a flat plate fixed vertically to the turntable and a removable channel, the two, when placed together, forming a mold which casts an ingot of the coin metal that weighs about 22 lb. and is 24 in. long, $4\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide, and $\frac{3}{4}$ in. thick. With the removable channels clamped into place, the turntable is rotated and the molds are brought in succession into position for filling from the crucible, which is charged with just enough of the molten metal to fill the 11 molds. The molds are filled by two melters, each equipped with a graphite dipping cup of such size that the two cupfuls fill the mold. The second melter starts his pour just before the first empties his cup. With this arrangement the 11 molds are poured in about five minutes, and in this period of time there is no danger of the molten metal in the crucible becoming chilled. After being cast, the bars are first

passed through "break-down" rolls and then through the finishing rolls, which reduce them to the standard thickness of the coin. The "blanks" for the coins are then cut out of the plates by power cutters at the rate of five or six to each stroke of the cutter, and are annealed and passed to the machines that make them into coins.

In the production of these coins, and, to a smaller degree, in the production of gold and silver coins as well, enormous quantities of copper are used. In



Casting Machine Installed in the Mint at Philadelphia for Casting the Ingots from Which One-Cent and Five-Cent Coins are Made

gold and silver coins there are 900 parts of the precious metal to 100 parts of pure copper. In the one-cent pieces the proportion is 95 parts of copper to five parts tin and zinc, while the so-called "nickel" is made up of 75 parts of copper and only 25 parts of nickel. In the coinage for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1914, the total amount of copper used was about 1,143,000 lb., or nearly 600 tons. Although the making of coins has become a big manufacturing enterprise requiring the most modern and efficient equipment, this kind of money represents only a small part of our total currency. During that fiscal year the coinage of gold amounted to \$26,625,810. At the same time foreign gold coins and refined gold bars stamped with their weight, fineness, and value, and having a total value of nearly \$200,000,000, were being held in storage in the various mints and assay offices as a reserve against gold certificates that had been issued.

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NEW SCALE COMPENSATOR
8558 GIVES NET WEIGHT

The exact net weight of any commodity stored in a sack, or other container, is given automatically by the aid of a new scale attachment that balances an empty container against the one in which the commodity is stored and thus causes the weight of the

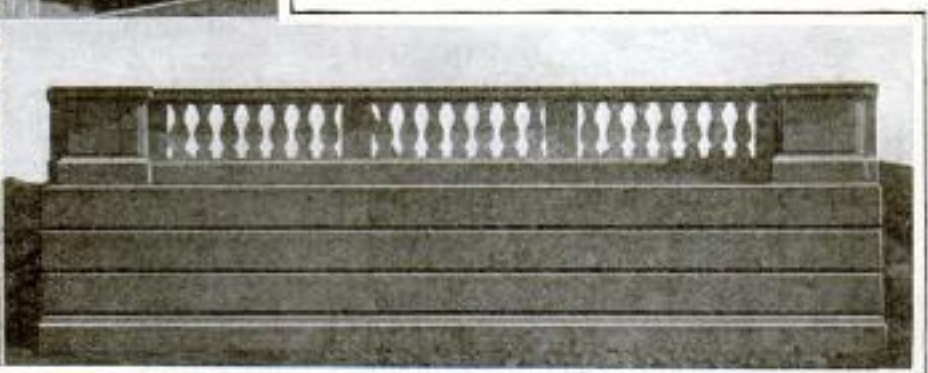
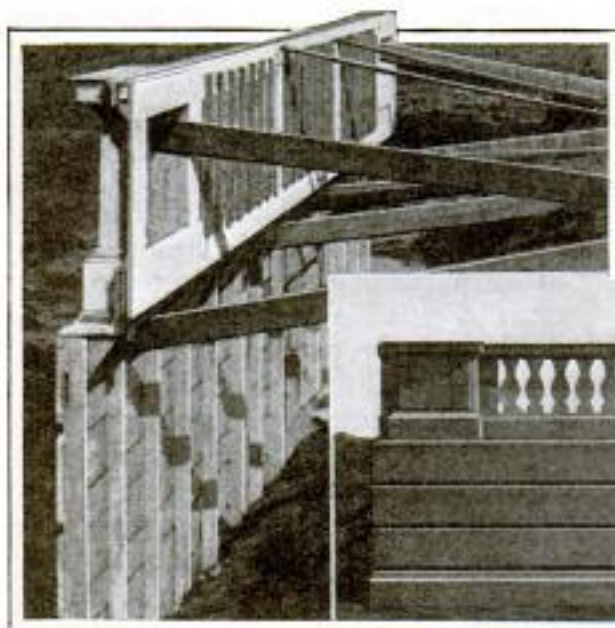


container to be left out of the scale reading. The principle of the device is simple, and consists merely in connecting a pivoted arm to the scale mechanism in such a way that a weight hung at the end of the arm will exactly counterbalance a similar weight placed on the scale platform. In one form of this device, which is installed on scales used in sacking flour, the pivoted arm is placed at the top of the upright and projects horizontally back from the scale. To get the net weight of the

flour all that is necessary is to hang from the arm a sack of the same kind as the one in which the flour is being placed. The scale reading will then give the weight of the flour alone. One advantage of this device over others designed for the same purpose is that the scale is always in balance and ready for use when no weight is suspended from the pivoted arm. This and other compensators of the same class have been developed principally to meet the requirements of the national food and drug law, which provides that all foodstuffs put up in packages for interstate shipment must show the net weight of the contained commodity.

8537 DETAILS OF RETAINING WALL SHOWN BY MODEL

A plan that is coming into favor with municipal and other public authorities when contracts are to be let for ornamental concrete work is the construction of a wooden model of a small part of the structure on the site where it is to be built. The model serves to show how the actual structure will look in connection with other features of the site, and also gives the contractor who contemplates bidding on the work a clearer idea of the general lines and ornamental features than can be given by plans and specifications. A model of this kind erected on the site of a retaining wall that is to be built in Grant Park, Chicago, is shown in the accompanying illustration.



Wooden Model Erected on Site of Concrete Retaining Wall That is to be Built in Grant Park, Chicago

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Data file and "The Oil Conquest of the World" by J. A. Talbot

MORE AND CHEAPER GASOLINE

How New Processes for Extracting the Universal Fuel from Crude Oil have Multiplied the Supply and Cut the Cost

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BY JOSEPH E. MURPHY

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MORE gasoline is being used in the world today than ever before —yet the price of this fuel, so essential in this era of the internal-combustion engine, is lower than it has been in many years.

The present European war has been termed the gasoline war, and justly so, for if deprived of this fuel the armies engaged in the great conflict would be compelled to suspend operations. For transporting the field and siege guns and for propelling the thousands of motor cars used in the transportation of troops, ammunition, and supplies on the scale required in a war of such magnitude, gasoline is a necessity, and without it the operation of Zeppelins and aeroplanes would be an impossibility. The supreme importance of this feature of the war is shown in the fact that one of the main purposes of the Russians in invading Galicia was to get possession of the oil fields in that country and thus cut off from the Germans one of their few sources of crude oil available under the conditions brought about by the war.

But in spite of the tremendous demand made on the oil supply by reason of the war, gasoline has been getting cheaper. This situation is the result of the development of improved methods of refining by which a greatly increased supply of gasoline can be obtained from a given quantity of crude oil. During the past year the tank-wagon price of gasoline has fallen in the large centers, apparently from this cause, from 16 cents to 9½ cents a gallon. There is little doubt that the price will eventually go still lower with the development of the new process just discovered by Doctor Rittman, chemical engineer of the U. S. Bureau of Mines, which was announced in the ~~May~~ 1915, issue of this magazine. The improved processes now in use are held

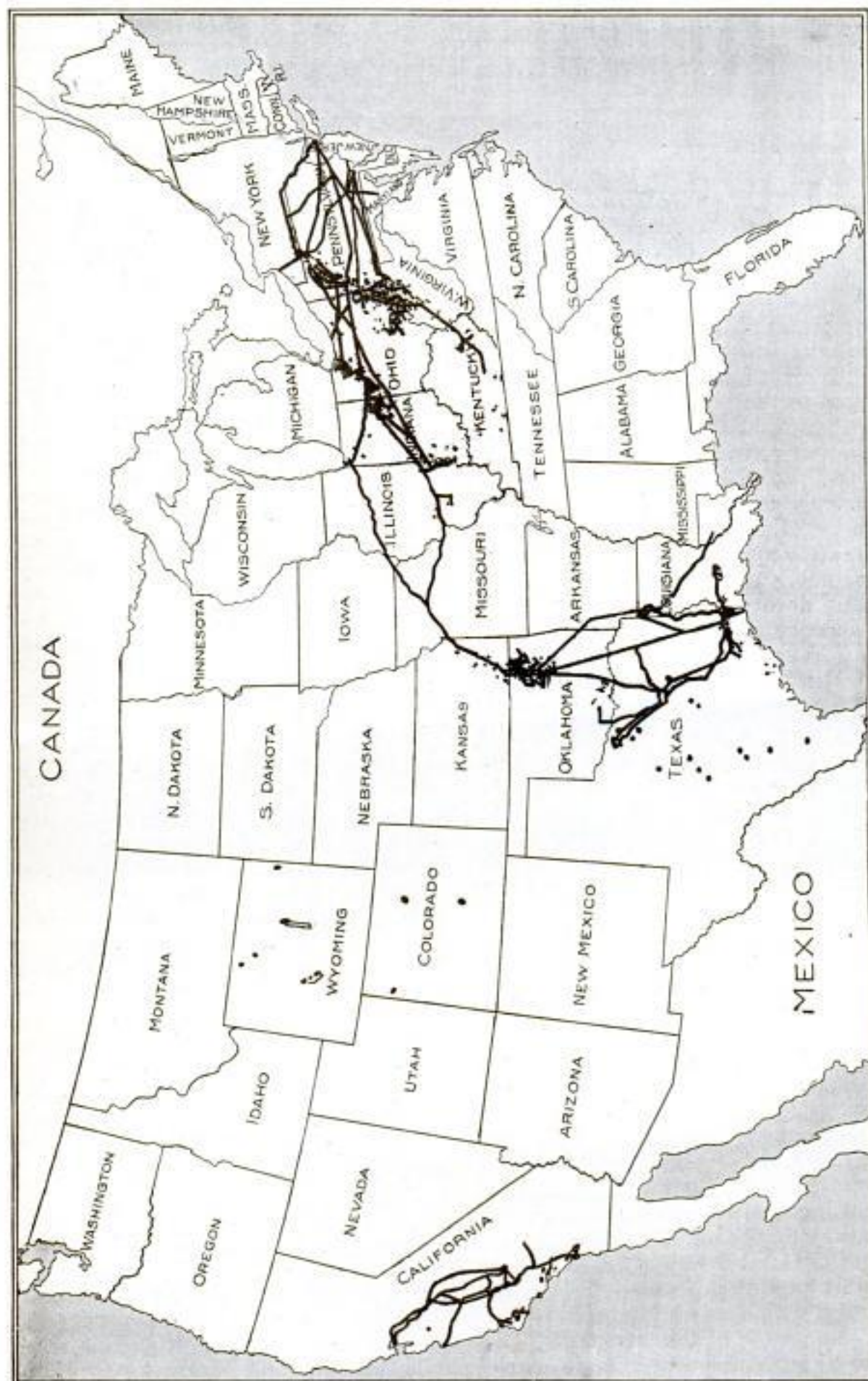
as a monopoly by one group of refiners. The new process is to be free to all refiners who will submit to certain government regulations. With it, it will be possible to extract three times as much gasoline as can be extracted by the process of distillation.

Increased production of gasoline is not all that will be accomplished by the new process. It provides a means for obtaining from crude oil the two hydrocarbons toluol and benzol, heretofore obtained from coal tar and produced almost exclusively by German and British manufacturers. Toluol and benzol are of vital importance both in peace and war. They form the "mother" substances from which aniline dyes are made and are at the same time indispensable ingredients of the high explosives used in modern warfare.

To understand just what is done by the new process it is first necessary to know of some of the qualities of that group of substances known as hydrocarbons. A hydrocarbon, as its name indicates, is a combination of the chemical elements hydrogen and carbon. In the combination there is usually nitrogen, oxygen, sulphur, or other chemical elements in small quantities, which are removed in the process of refining. The range of substances produced by different combinations of these two elements is probably the widest to be found in the whole range of natural products. There are about 200 hydrocarbon products, many of them indispensable adjuncts of our everyday life. Crude oil, or petroleum, which is the source from which most of these products are derived, is simply a mixture of many hydrocarbons which may be separated from each other without chemical action by the process of distillation. Gasoline, illuminating oil, and lubricating oil, for

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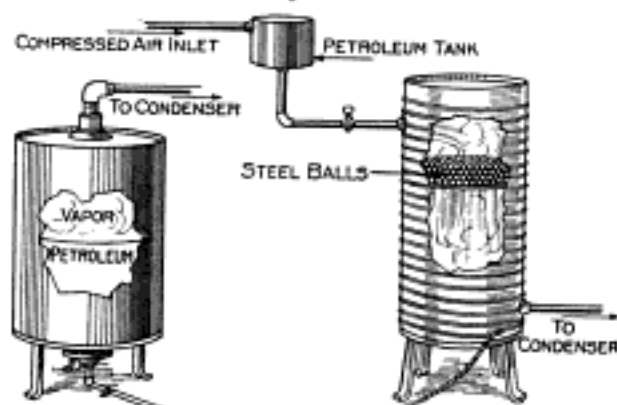


Map Compiled by the U. S. Geological Survey, Showing the Producing Crude-Oil Fields and Pipe Lines of the United States. Extensive as These Fields Are, They are Believed to Form Only a Beginning in the Development of Our Oil Resources. The Pipe-Line Systems for Conveying the Crude Oil Constitute the Biggest Transportation Feature of the Entire Industry

example, are all present in crude oil, being mixed together much as different kinds of grain might be mixed. There are other products, however, that are less obviously present in crude oil, and to produce these it is necessary to resort to chemical action, which consists in breaking up some of the hydrocarbons and rearranging the atoms in molecules of a different kind. This is what is done when oils are "cracked," a process that has been used heretofore mainly for breaking up the heavier oils and forming their components into gasoline molecules. It is one of the peculiarities of hydrocarbons that this breaking up and rearranging can be done repeatedly and to practically an unlimited extent.

Distillation, the process ordinarily used in refining, is made possible through the fact that the different hydrocarbons vaporize at different temperatures. The still is simply a tank equipped with a heating plant for boiling the crude oil. Connected with the top of the tank is a pipe leading to a condenser where the gases produced by the boiling are cooled and reconverted into a liquid. Crude oil contains several ingredients that become gases at from 32° to 62° F., and these pass off to the condenser at the beginning of the process. The real business of distillation, however, begins when the temperature of the oil reaches 140° F. From this temperature to 158° F. the vapor that passes over to the condenser is benzine. As the temperature goes still higher there are produced, in the order given, the lighter gasolines, the heavier gasolines, fuel distillates, kerosene, heavy oils, lubricating oils and paraffin. The residue remaining in the still after the boiling is completed may be almost pure coke or asphalt, depending on the nature of the crude oil, or it may be a mixture of cylinder and fuel oil. Now it has been found that additional quantities of the lighter distillates, such as gasoline, may be produced from this residue by "cracking," which consists essentially in subjecting the oils to extremely high temperature and heavy pressure.

The separation of the condensed distillates is simple, the apparatus consisting of a series of tanks so connected with the condenser that the liquids can be turned into any one of the tanks as



Treatment of Oil by New Process Indicated at Right; Small Model of Ordinary Still at Left

desired. While the benzine is being vaporized all the liquid goes into a tank containing only benzine. The instant the temperature reaches the point where the gasoline begins to come through, a valve is turned and all the gasoline is discharged into a second tank, and the same process is followed with each of the other distillates in turn. Each distillate may contain several products and may have to be subdivided by a second distillation. This is only a general outline of the process, the actual work of distillation varying to suit the methods of the individual refiner and the requirements of the particular crude oil being treated.

The biggest feature of the new process is that practically all the crude oil can be converted into any hydrocarbon desired, so that it provides a means for "cracking" oils on such a scale as has not been thought possible heretofore. Full details of the process have not been made public, but it is reported that the kind of hydrocarbon produced is governed solely by the degree of heat and pressure applied. With a temperature of 932° F., for example, the product obtained is gasoline. If the temperature is raised to about 1,112° F., benzine, toluene, and xylol, with small quantities of methane, creosote oil, and pitch, are obtained. The apparatus is simple and apparently does nothing more than vaporize the

crude oil and subject the vapor to the required temperature and pressure. It consists of a vertical steel cylinder closed at top and bottom and connected at the bottom with a condenser. Near the top are several layers of steel balls that fill the space between the walls of the cylinder. These are kept at the right temperature for vaporizing the crude oil. The oil is admitted through a pipe at the top of the cylinder and drops on the hot steel balls. As it passes the balls the oil is converted into a vapor which is forced to the bottom of the cylinder by the pressure of the new vapor constantly forming. At the bottom of the cylinder the vapor is subjected to the heat and pressure necessary for transforming it into the required product. The heat is supplied electrically by means of resistance coils. The gas formed by the new hydrocarbon molecules is then passed through the condenser and converted into a liquid. This process has already proved successful in the laboratory and is to be immediately subjected to test and development under conditions of commercial manufacture.

Almost simultaneously with the announcement of this process another discovery, so remarkable that it ranks as one of the romances of science, was made public. This consists in a process for taking paraffin, or any other derivative of crude oil, and converting it back into crude oil—in short, in taking one part of a complex product and remaking the whole product from it. The possibility of doing such a thing as this is an illustration of the peculiar qualities possessed by hydrocarbons. This process, like that of "cracking," is simply one of tearing the molecules to pieces and rearranging the hydrogen and carbon atoms into molecules of new kinds, and it must evidently result in a considerable deposit of free carbon that has failed to find its hydrogen under the new arrangement. Distillation of this "synthetic" crude oil results in the production of gasoline, kerosene, and other products, in exactly the same way as the distillation of natural crude oil.

One of the significant things in connection with crude-oil products and the vital part they play in nearly every form of human activity, is the fact that the supply is more than equal to the demand, and is likely to remain so for generations to come. The North American continent is thought to be one vast subterranean oil reservoir. Oil is found from the Atlantic to the Pacific seaboards and from Nome to Central America, and while there are a number of fields from which oil is being drawn in enormous quantities, these vast resources have apparently been touched only in spots. Much the same condition prevails in other parts of the world. The United States is by far the largest producer, the production in this country having been over 248,000,000 bbl. in 1913, or about 65 per cent of the total production of the world. Russia, with its Baku oil fields located on the western shore of the Caspian Sea, ranked next with a production of nearly 61,000,000 bbl., and Mexico third, with over 25,000,000 barrels.

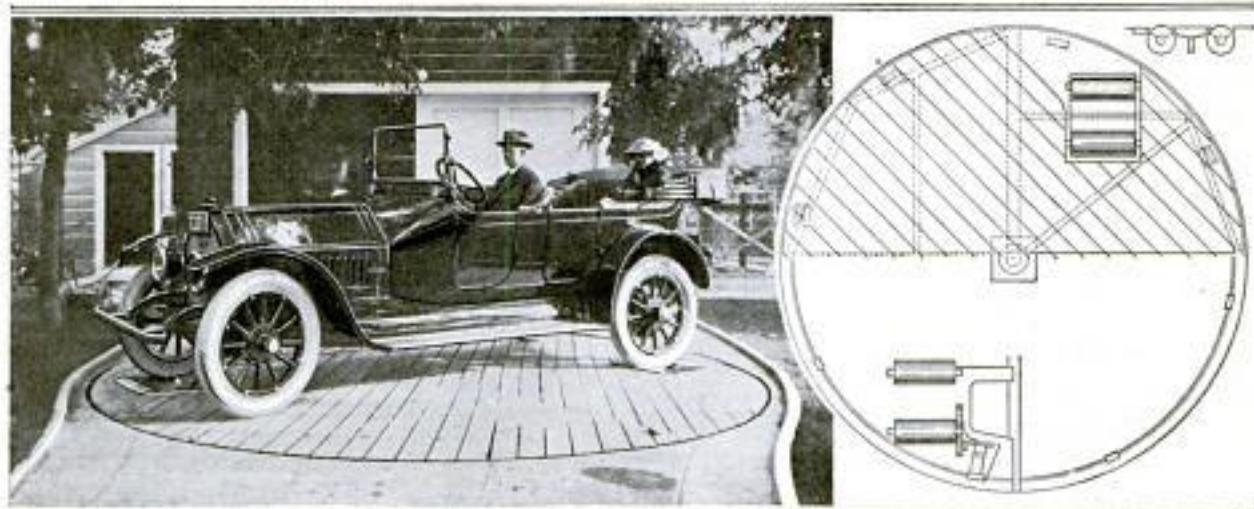
The principal oil fields that have been developed in the United States are those in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Oklahoma, Texas, and California, and in connection with these fields the pipe line, the biggest transportation feature of the whole oil industry, is prominent. It is estimated that there are now over 10,000 miles of trunk pipe lines and 80,000 miles of branch or feeder lines, the whole system serving to pick up the oil at the wells and hurry it to the refineries. Before the installation of pipe lines it was necessary to operate small refineries in the oil fields, as crude oil is a weighty, bulky, and awkward article to transport by any other method. Now, instead of taking the refinery to the oil field the oil is brought to the refinery. By this means oil can be transported economically halfway across the continent, and refineries capable of operating with the greatest efficiency because of their size and completeness can be located wherever facilities for marketing and exporting the finished products may dictate.

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With This Turntable It Is Possible for a Car to be Turned Around without the Driver Leaving His Seat

CAR TURNS SELF AROUND ON NEW TURNTABLE

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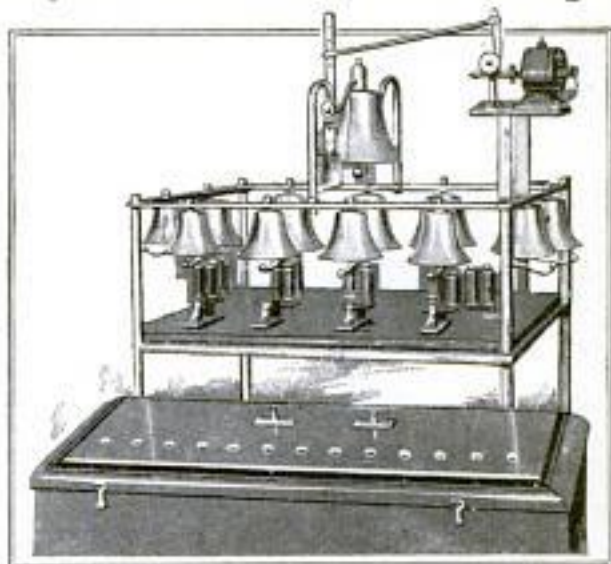
An automatic turntable for motor cars has been introduced in California which allows a driver to reverse the position of his machine without leaving it. It is designed to be used either inside of a garage, or immediately in front of one, and does away with the trouble occasioned by the necessity of backing in or out. There are two pairs of rollers flush with the platform and so placed that when a car is driven onto it the left rear wheel rests on one set. The transmission is then thrown into reverse, and the car started. The wheel resting on the rollers turns them and the platform is revolved slowly. The turntable operates on a center pivot and turns on roller bearings on a circular steel track.

RINGING CHURCH BELLS BY ELECTRIC POWER

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An electrical apparatus with which church bells can either be chimed or rung continuously has been developed and is being installed in some of the leading churches and cathedrals of the country. The bells are operated by means of an electrical keyboard somewhat resembling a piano keyboard and installed in any convenient place. This keyboard operates with small current, but works through a larger keyboard

placed in the basement which applies the full current for ringing the bells. Two keys are provided for each of the bells. One key chimes the bell or causes the clapper to give one stroke, while the other oscillates the bell, or causes it to ring continuously so long as the key is depressed. The chiming is done by means of solenoids and the oscillating by motors. There is practically no limit to the scope of the apparatus, and one person, by manipulating the keys, can easily chime or oscillate a set of bells that formerly required the services of six or eight



Apparatus Used in Developing System for Chiming and Oscillating Church Bells by Electricity

persons. One important feature of the apparatus is that while one set of bells is being chimed another set can be oscillated.

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One of the Latest Uses for Flax Straw Is That of Fuel for Threshing Engines

9022 **FLAX STRAW A VALUABLE BY-PRODUCT**

Many uses are being found for the flax straw produced in the great flax-growing section comprising Montana and North and South Dakota, and this material, formerly regarded as waste and usually burned in the stack, is now recognized as a valuable by-product.

On the prairies of North Dakota, where coal is scarce and expensive, it is being used successfully as a fuel, particularly for firing the threshing engines. The fiber and woody portions of the straw are already extensively employed in the manufacture of insulation materials and building papers, and as a pulp material in making paper of all kinds. The industries of the United States are using about 30,000,000 bu. of flaxseed a year.

9561 **LIGHT-WEIGHT FLYING BOAT USED ON LAKE MICHIGAN**

One of the lightest flying boats ever constructed is a private craft that has recently been flown over Lake Michigan at Chicago. The machine has a wing spread of 27 ft. and a total weight of 400 lb., which is much less than that of any similar aerial vehicle known to be in use. The motor has only two cylinders, weighs 116 lb., is air-cooled and develops approximately 35 hp., which is sufficient to drive the machine through the air at a speed of about 58 miles an hour. The supporting surface amounts to 240 sq. ft. The hull is made of 1/8-in. double-ply pine and has a lining envelope of canvas on the inside.

The exterior of the hull, which is 6 ft. in length, is treated with cellulose acetate in order to render it absolutely waterproof. Under favorable conditions it is possible for the craft to rise off the water in eight seconds from the



This Flying Boat Is One of the Lightest Craft of Its Kind Ever Constructed and Flown

start. It carries only one person, but its weight is so slight that it can be taken from and returned to its hangar single-handedly without difficulty.

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POPULAR MECHANICS

Army + Navy Journal
EFFECTIVE FIRING RANGE
9611 OF BIG NAVAL GUNS

During some of the naval engagements in the North Sea and elsewhere, battleships are reported to have been sunk by shells fired from a distance of approximately 15,000 yd. This is another surprise which has been developed by the European war, for heretofore it has been assumed by naval authorities that 12,000 yd. would be the maximum distance at which enemy fleets would attempt bombardment. A range 3,000 yd. greater than this, however, has been taken on different occasions in the present conflict. This means that in target practice hereafter the navies of all powers will undertake firing at greater ranges than has been the custom in the past.

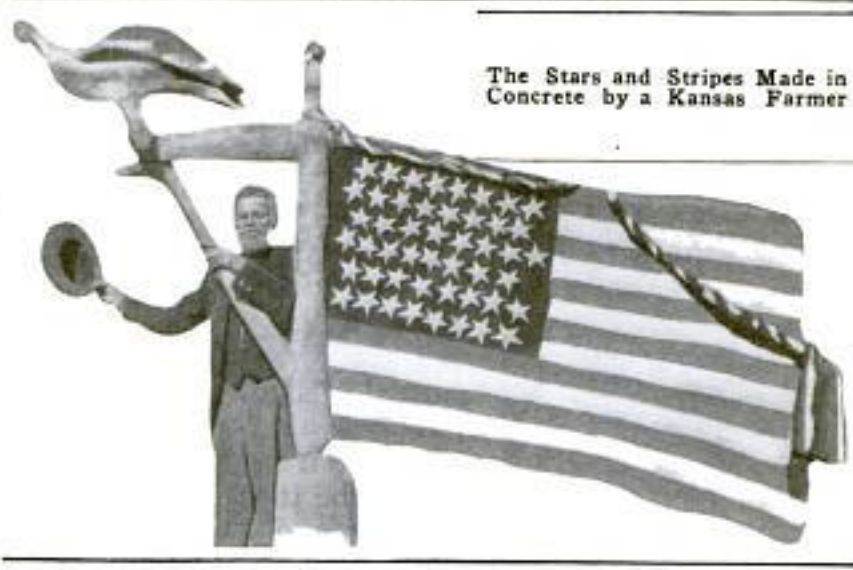
9589 SHOVEL BLOWN FORTY MILES THROUGH PIPE LINE

During a high-pressure test of a new pipe line which has been built into Waco, Tex., from an adjacent gas field, a shovel was blown through the conduit for a distance of nearly 40 miles. During the construction work the tool was evidently dropped in one of the 12-in. pipes and not noticed before the connections were made. The Waco end of the pipe was open when the test was made and faced an embankment at the end of the ditch. The pipe line extends across a nearly level stretch of country and has hardly a rise or depression in the whole 40 miles of its length. When the gas was turned on, the shovel, which weighs 4 lb., was shot with such velocity that it buried itself nearly 18 in. in the earth when it left the opening of the pipe. Several pieces of broken pipe connections and a pair of gloves followed in its wake.

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9367 AMERICAN FLAG IS MADE OF COLORED CONCRETE

Concrete is the material which a Kansas farmer has used in making an American flag for his front yard. The



The Stars and Stripes Made in Concrete by a Kansas Farmer

banner was built up, stripe by stripe, while the blue field was painted on instead of being made of colored material, as were the red stripes. In dimensions it is 4 by 6 ft. and is mounted, in flag fashion, 20 ft. from the ground on a "tree" also made of concrete. It is pivoted so that a strong breeze turns it to one side or the other as it would a weather vane.

STEERING WHEEL THAT CAN BE SLID OUT OF WAY 9002

An automobile steering wheel that has just been invented is designed to enable the driver to get into his seat without being compelled to slide into it. The wheel is mounted on a spider so that it can be slid upward and forward on the steering column, and when in this position it gives 9 in. additional space for entering and leaving the car.

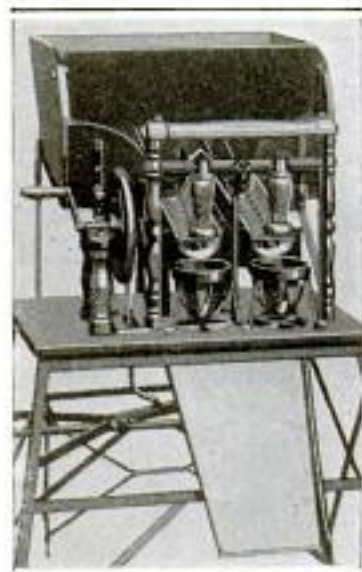


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NEW MACHINE FOR CUTTING SEED POTATOES

To do away with the tedious work of cutting potatoes for planting, a Maine inventor has brought out a machine



that cuts two potatoes at a time into four pieces each, and does this work with a rapidity that depends only on the speed at which the operating wheel is turned. The potatoes are placed in a bin at the top of the machine. Open-

ing from the base of the bin are two chutes that lead down to the two cutting devices, each of which consists of two intersecting vertical blades and a plunger. When the plunger rises one potato is automatically released into each chute and rolls down to a position on top of the intersecting blades. As the plunger descends, it forces the potato down against the blades and through the spaces between them, so that the potato is cut into four pieces. The plunger makes one up-and-down movement at each revolution of the operating wheel.

NEW INTEREST MANIFESTED IN AMERICAN AVIATION

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Fifteen different bidders responded to the Navy Department's request for estimates on armored flying boats for the aviation service. The interest manifested by American manufacturers in this competition gave the navy more encouragement than it has heretofore had in its attempt to stimulate home interests to develop suitable aerial craft for war purposes. As previously announced in this magazine, the department has a fund of approx-

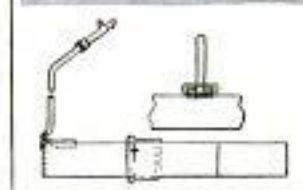
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imately \$350,000 available for the purchase and maintenance of flying machines, and contemplates the purchase of 32 American-built craft just as soon as it is possible. The recent bids were submitted in accordance with specifications calling for biplanes of the sea-going class having a carrying capacity of about 600 lb., or capacity for two persons, gun, ammunition, and wireless equipment. The speed of these craft is to range between 50 and 80 miles an hour and their weight between 2,500 and 3,000 lb. The highest bid which was submitted was \$18,000 for one machine, and the lowest, \$6,600. The craft are to be American-built throughout, including the engines.

ELASTIC CHECKREIN MADE FOR GOLF PLAYER

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To prevent a golfer from unconsciously turning his head and taking

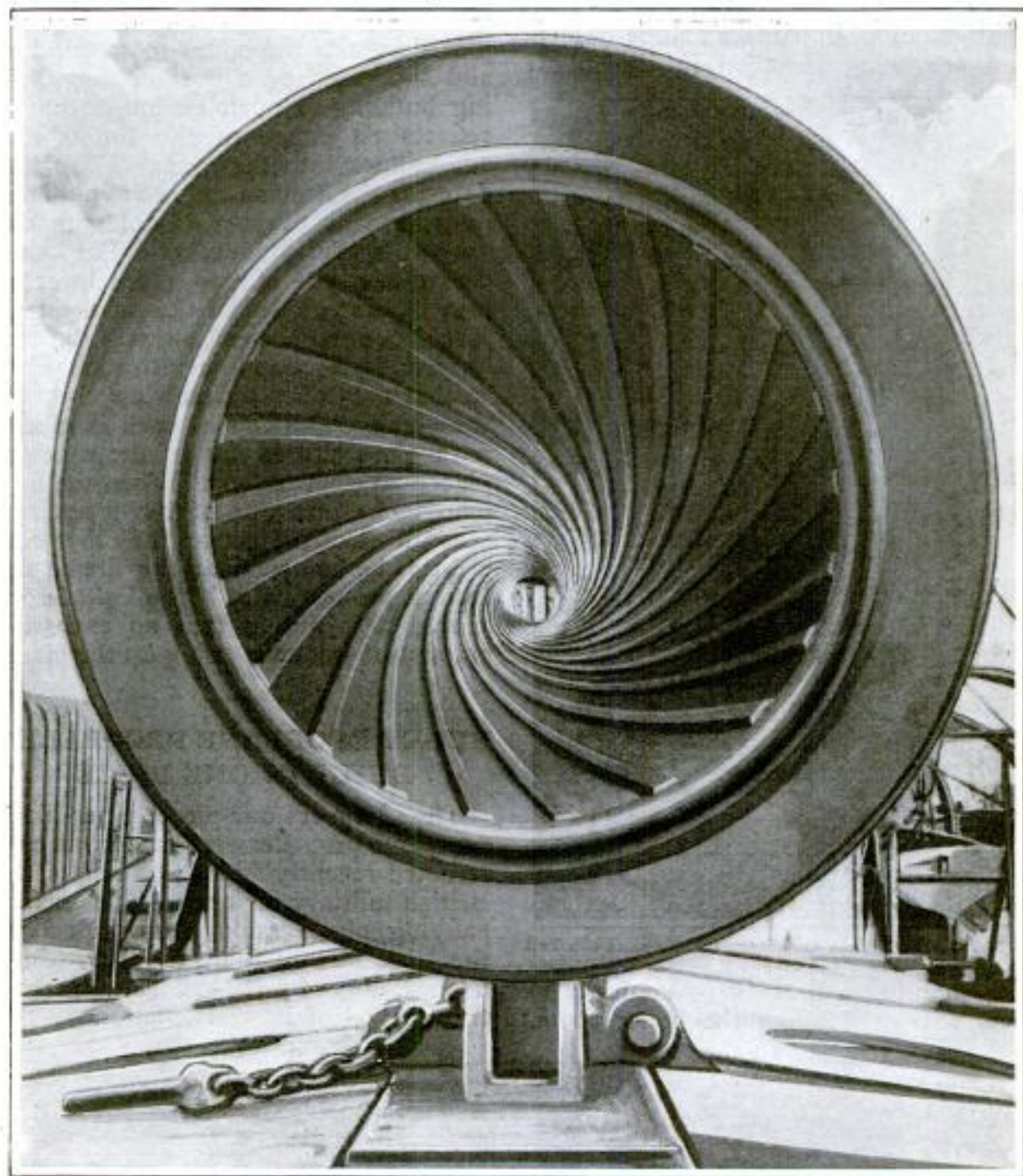


his eye off the ball as he is about to drive it, a checkrein has lately been invented which is intended particularly for the use of beginners, who experience difficulty in mastering this point of the game. The device serves a real purpose, and if used consistently, is an aid in breaking a bad golfing habit. It consists of a belt that is strapped

beneath the arms, attached to which is an elastic cord, or tube, fitted at the end with a soft-rubber mouthpiece which the player grips in his teeth. In this way he is reminded each time by a sudden jerk when he unconsciously starts to turn his head to see where the ball is going.

Patent Office Gazette
Inventor: John F. McWillicuddy
Worcester, Mass.

LOOKING INTO THE MUZZLE OF A BIG GUN



COURTESY OF THE SKETCH

Looking Through a 13-Inch Navy Rifle with the Breech Opened, Giving Clear View of the Length of the Bore

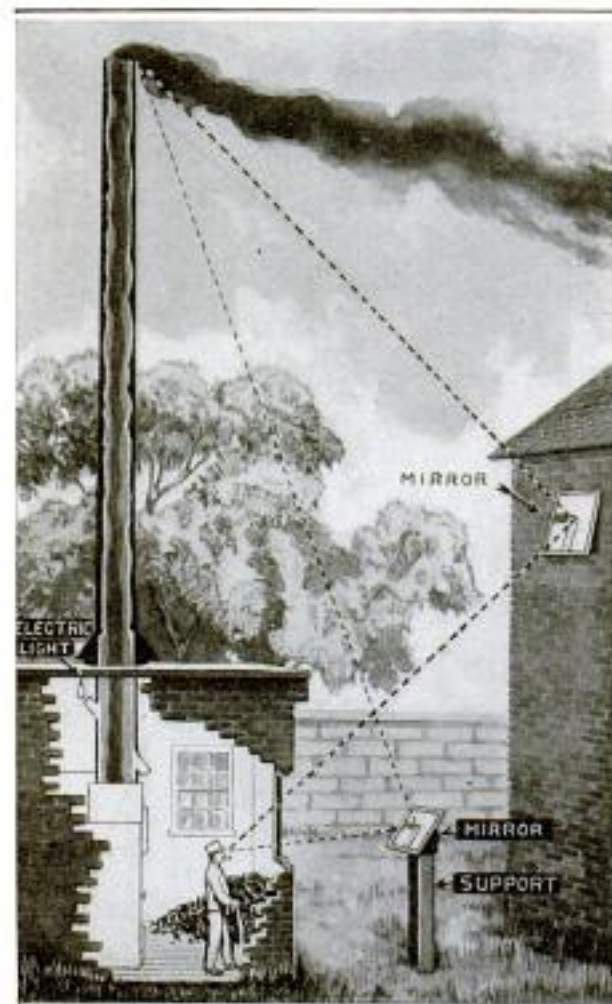
The breech of this 13-in. naval gun is open, giving a clear view of the rifling, which is the most important element in enabling modern artillery to throw projectiles to a great distance. The raised ribs between the spiral grooves are called "lands." Around the shell is a band of soft copper, which is cut into by the lands, thus giving

the projectile a twisting motion that keeps it from tumbling about in the air. Without rifling, an elongated missile would not carry as far as a round one. The average shell is three and one-half times as long as its diameter and needs a twist of one complete turn in a forward movement of 36 times its diameter to keep it steady.

Oscar A. Doob, Times Star,
Cincinnati, Ohio

**SEEING YOUR OWN SMOKE AS
8865 OTHERS SEE IT**

Ingenious but simple smoke detectors are being installed in Cincinnati



With Either of These Detectors the Fireman can Tell at a Glance How Much Smoke is Going Up the Stack for enabling a fireman or engineer to see, without leaving the boiler room,

whether or not he is violating the smoke ordinance. One of these devices consists of a mirror, about 2 ft. square, placed outside the boiler-room window and supported on a post or neighboring building at such an angle that it reflects an image of the top of the smokestack into the room. With this detector the fireman can see at a glance just what his furnace is doing in the way of smoke production. The other device consists of two pipes inserted into opposite sides of the smokestack just above the connection with the furnace, and placed in line with each other so that they give a clear view through the stack. The end of each is closed with glass and in one of the pipes is placed an electric light. When the fireman looks into one of the pipes and sees the electric light on the other side clearly, he knows that the fire is behaving properly, but if the light is obscured it is a sign that an excessive amount of smoke is going up the stack.

**HUGE AEROPLANE PROPELLER
9315 BUILT IN ONE PIECE**

The largest one-piece, four-blade aeroplane propeller ever made was constructed recently for use on one of the British military air craft. The accompanying photographs show not only the huge size of this propeller, which has a radius of 8 ft., but also illustrate the method of its construction.



How Big Propeller was Built in Laminated Sections



One-Piece Four-Blade Propeller of Eight Feet Radius

Mr. G. J. Gray
The Aeroplane, 166 Piccadilly,
London, Eng.

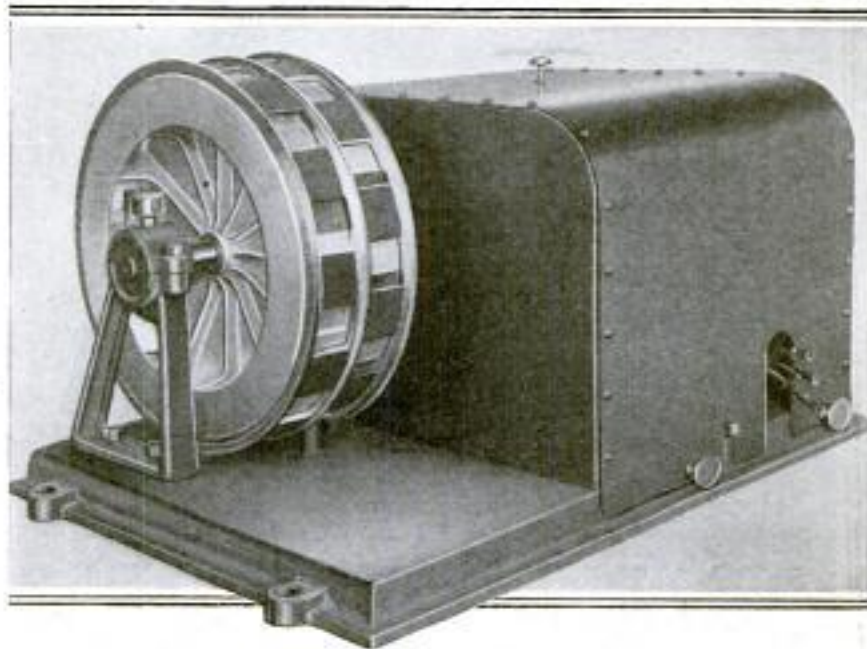
COURTESY OF THE AEROPLANE

FIRE-ALARM SIREN HEARD 9406 SEVENTEEN MILES

An electric fire-alarm siren recently brought out by a Denver concern proved its efficiency quite remarkably on its first trial in a near-by mountain town. Within a few minutes of the first sounding of the alarm, telephone messages began to come in from outlying points, some of them as far as 17 miles away, demanding to know what was causing the disturbance in town.

The siren consists of a rotor creating a powerful air current which finds exit only through a series of openings in the rotor casing. This sets up air vibrations of great violence and frequency. When the rotor runs at a speed of 3,600 revolutions per minute the vibrations caused by the 12 interruptions in the casing occur at the rate of about 700 per second, giving a piercing note of a pitch nearly two octaves higher than middle C on the musical scale. This pitch was decided upon after experiment as the most penetrating and attention-arresting. A 3-hp. motor, connected to any convenient source of current, operates the siren.

In use, the siren is placed permanently on some high building, being so constructed as to be weather-proof. The actuating switch may be in some other part of town, as, for example, on the switchboard of the telephone ex-



This Electric-Siren Fire Alarm can be Heard 17 Miles Away under Favorable Conditions

change, where the operator can sound the alarm in a fraction of a second after receiving a telephoned announcement of a fire. By throwing the switch off and on at intervals, and so allowing the speed of the motor to die down and accelerate alternately, a wailing rise and fall of pitch is produced, which is practically certain to arouse everyone within hearing distance and which cannot be confused with the sound of a factory or railroad whistle.

MOSQUITO PEST SUPPRESSED BY COLONY OF BATS

7695
The extermination of mosquitoes by means of bats has proved so successful in the vicinity of San Antonio, Tex., that that city has adopted an ordinance forbidding the killing of these little flying animals, and bat colonies are being established in other mosquito-infested sections of the South.

see June 1913
p 812
The beginning of this novel experiment in mosquito control was noted in this magazine two years ago, when the curious artificial bat "cave," erected in

much overestimated see letter at p. 812 June 13
the hope that the bats would make it their permanent headquarters, was illustrated and described. The colony of bats that inhabits this "battery" now numbers many thousands. When leaving their sleeping place in the early evening, a proceeding that takes several hours, the air is so thick with them as to give the impression of a cloud of smoke arising from the wooden structure set on high poles, which constitutes their daytime sleeping place.

E. Leslie Williams 116 Waverly Place, N. Y. City



Ten Thousand Bats Hanging to a Roof, Sleeping

The country around Mitchell Lake, ten miles from San Antonio, where this first bat roost stands, was formerly so thickly infested with mosquitoes that it was almost impossible to remain out of doors at night, and since most of the insects were of the malaria-carrying variety, the section became notorious for the prevalence of "chills and fever." Now it is one of the healthiest spots in Texas, and all due to the efforts of the bats.

A bat will pursue a mosquito as eagerly as a hound chases a rabbit. Combining marvelous powers of nocturnal vision with incredible swiftness in flight, a single bat will pursue and catch from 250 to 400 mosquitoes in a single evening and repeat the performance nightly so long as the supply of insects lasts.

A million bats is not an excessively large number to inhabit a single cave. The bat colony living in one barn in

Texas was found to number more than 10,000. When provided with a dark, dry place, safe from predatory animals, to the ceiling of which they can hang themselves up by the hooks on their wing joints and sleep undisturbed by day, bats will colonize in almost any part of the United States. To induce them to take up their abode in the "battery" a quantity of earth from the floor of a bat cave was placed in it and the interior was sprayed with a chemical having the characteristic bat odor.

HIGH-VELOCITY GUNS FOR THE GERMAN NAVY

A naval gun, believed to be of 15-in. caliber, that fires a 2,000-lb. shell at a muzzle velocity of 3,000 ft. per second, has been developed by the Germans, according to the report of an artillery expert. If this report is true, the Krupps have evidently found a gun

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steel and powder superior to anything in use by any other nation, as velocities of 3,000 ft. for big guns have been tried in recent years and abandoned on account of the severe erosion caused by the high powder pressure and the accompanying heat. The general tendency has been to increase the weight of the shell but not the velocity. The 14-in. guns of the United States Navy have a muzzle velocity of 2,600 ft. per second, and the army guns of the same caliber a muzzle velocity of 2,250 ft. per second.

9325 **CURIOUS FREIGHT TRAIN OF WESTERN PRAIRIE**

One of the most curious-looking freight trains to be found any place in the world makes a regular semiweekly trip between Williston and Bonetrail, N. D., a distance of 35 miles. It consists of a 40-hp. gasoline tractor and a string of a half dozen grain wagons, and bears the name of the "Western Limited." Twice each week during the summer months the slow-moving caravan strikes out across the prairie loaded with supplies and various kinds of freight billed for Bonetrail, which is a trading point for a large number of farmers. Williston is the nearest railroad point, so during the harvest season, when freight is heavy, the schedule of the "Limited" is increased to five or six trips a week in order to transport wheat and flax to the railway.



The "Western Limited," a Prairie Freight Train Which Makes Regular Trips between Two Small North Dakota Towns

Glen R. Townsend, P.O. Box 312, Williston, N.D.
 Train owned by Borstad & Wilson, general merchants of Bonetrail

Chicago, Ills.
DEVICE FOR RESHARPENING

9145 **SAFETY-RAZOR BLADES**

For resharpening safety-razor blades a holder has been devised which enables a person to employ one set of blades indefinitely, honing and stropping them as they need attention. It is made to be used with any standard



With This Holder a Safety-Razor Blade may be Honed and Stropped Properly by a Novice

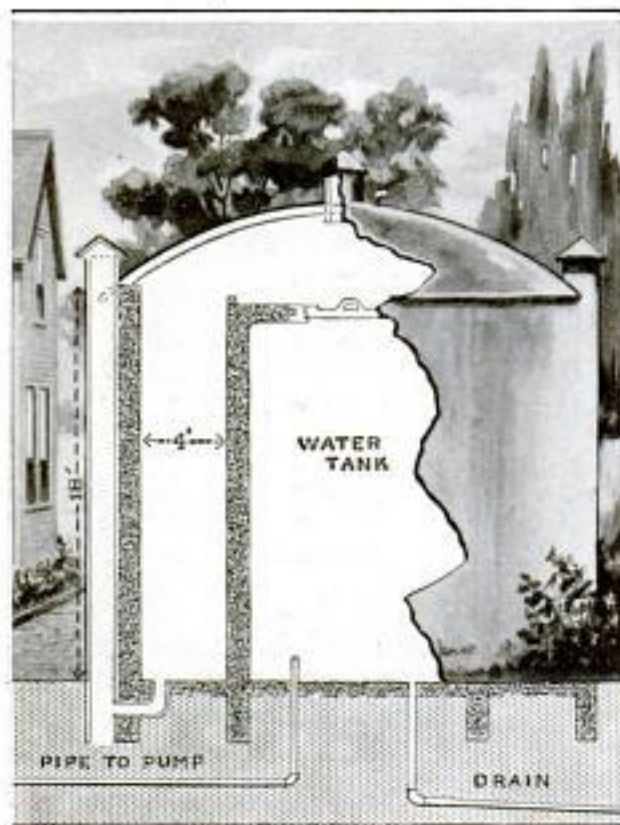
blade and to hold it at the proper angle, so that by following simple instructions an inexperienced user of the device may obtain a keen edge almost in a moment's time. The holder may be used both on a stone and strap.

9284 **COMBINATION WATER TANK AND STORAGE ROOM**

For use on the farm where refrigeration is frequently more or less a problem, a combination water tower and storage room has been designed which may be made to serve adequately the average needs. The structure is built of concrete and in the form of a tower

*A. N. Hoeking, Art Editor
 The Country Gentleman
 Philadelphia, Pa.*

within a tower. The inner of these is formed with a circular wall, 12 in. in thickness, reinforced with wire netting, and by the use of a set of silo forms



COURTESY OF THE COUNTRY GENTLEMAN
The Structure Consists of One Tower within Another, the Inner One being Used as a Water Tank

made to hold water. The top is sealed and fitted with a cast-iron manhole, while at the bottom are supply and drain pipes. Four feet of space separates the inner from the outer wall, and this is utilized as a storage place by the construction of shelves around both sides. During the summer months the water tank keeps the space sufficiently cool for milk and butter, while during the winter it has the additional advantage of being frost-proof. By using farm labor the structure may be constructed at a very moderate cost.

INTERNATIONAL HORSESHOE 9221 MOTOR ROAD

One of the greatest highway projects of the age is that of an international motor road that will have the form of an enormous horseshoe with its tips in the southern part of the United States, one on the Atlantic

coast and the other on the Pacific, and its outer curve, or toe, extending across southern Canada. This motor road will have an approximate total length of 8,000 miles. Beginning at Miami, Fla., the route will run north through the principal cities of the Atlantic seaboard and then to Montreal. From this point it will run west through Canada to Vancouver, and then south over the Pacific coast highway to San Diego, Cal. A great part of this highway has already been built in sections or is under construction, so that the whole enterprise is now one of building comparatively short connecting links. When completed it will be one of the longest and most interesting highways in the world.

MOVIE CAMERA USES PLATES

8429 IN PLACE OF FILMS

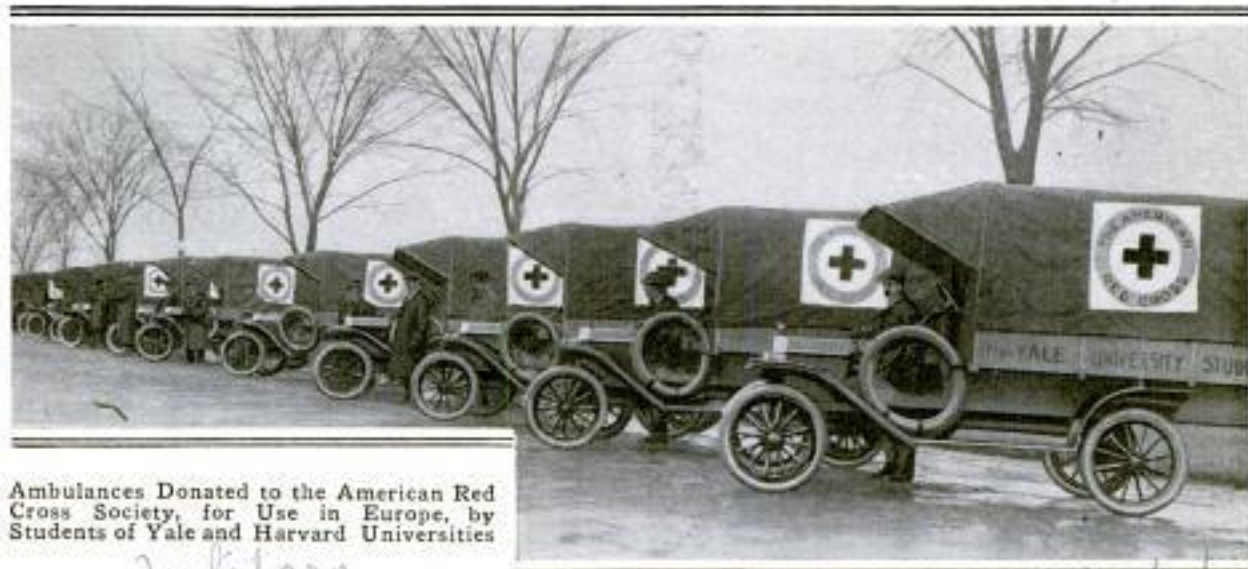
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Modifications have been made to simplify a motion-picture camera and projector developed abroad some time ago, and previously described in this magazine, which is designed to use plates instead of a film. The machine as now constructed is fitted with a large circular disk in which the plates are set so that the exposures come one after the other in a spiral, instead of being arranged in rows extending from left to right across a rectangular plate heretofore. The plate disk, both when used in the camera and in the projector, is revolved by a shaft which moves in a horizontal plane relatively to the lens, which is maintained in a fixed position. *La Science*



Current at a pressure of 150,000 volts is carried on some western transmission lines.

Daily Consular & Trade Reports 1988
Consul Gen. R. E. Mansfield,
Vancouver, B. C., Canada.

J. Crosby Mc Carthy
Evening Star,
Wash. D.C.



Ambulances Donated to the American Red Cross Society, for Use in Europe, by Students of Yale and Harvard Universities

military

**AMBULANCES FOR EUROPE
DONATED BY STUDENTS**

9298

Seventeen motor-car ambulances, built to be used on the European battle fields, were recently presented at Washington, D. C., to the American Red Cross Society by the students of Yale and Harvard universities. The bodies for the machines are designed to carry three persons on regulation army stretchers. They are covered with khaki, and bear on their sides the society's insignia: the Geneva cross, encircled by the words "The American Red Cross." Each car also bears the name of the university which donated it.

**BIRTHMARKS ARE REMOVED
BY USE OF RADIUM**

9620

Radium has been used successfully during the past year at the Radium Institution in London for the eradication of birthmarks. In a report recently issued it is asserted that blemishes of this kind have been removed readily and without leaving any noticeable trace of the disfigurement following the treatment. Superficial growths of other characters, such as warts which had resisted treatment by acids, have also been removed. In all, 749 cases of different kinds have been treated at the institution, which is supported by popular subscription.

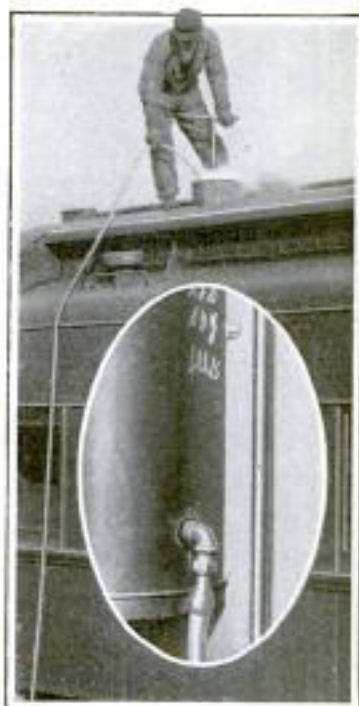
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**STERILIZING WATER TANKS
ON RAILWAY CARS**

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Precautions against accidents in railway travel by the efficient inspection and maintenance of roadbeds and rolling stock are not the only ways in which railroad companies are coming to safeguard the interests of their patrons. One of the large eastern roads has in force a rule that every water cooler in every passenger car on the entire system must be thoroughly sterilized once every week. This is done by passing a hose into the tanks and forcing steam into them and through their drain pipes. This both cleans and purifies the coolers and keeps them free from contamination. After the operation has been performed, each tank is marked so that it shows when sterilized and who did the work.



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DREADNAUGHT "WYOMING" STEAMING ON HIGH SEA



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The United States Dreadnaught "Wyoming" at Sea, Plowing through the Waves: The Long, Curling Comber Which is Seen Breaking over the Bow, Washed the Fore Deck of the Ship

8555 **AIRMAN MAKES RECORD FALL
AND ESCAPES WITH LIFE**

One of the most remarkable falls on record was that of an airman at Lynchburg, Va., who fell 1,800 ft. in his biplane and escaped with no injuries other than bruises and a severe shaking up. The airman was giving an exhibition flight and had started down after ascending to a height of 2,000 ft. He made the first spiral successfully and was starting on another when the elevator of his machine buckled. This rendered the craft unmanageable, and it fell through the remaining 1,800 ft. in a series of skids and somersaults, finally crashing, bottom side up, into a cemetery. The airman was

strapped to his seat and when the machine started to fall he grasped an upright and held on. That he escaped with his life is probably due to the fact that the machine landed upside down, thus protecting him.



Wreckage of an Aeroplane That Fell 1,800 Feet without Killing the Airman

9273 **SWITCH TWO FREIGHT CARS
WITH AUTOMOBILE**

Two cars of freight billed to an Illinois merchant were left recently on a siding in an inconvenient place for unloading them. To wait for the railroad company to reswitch the cars would have consumed considerable time, so a motor car was employed to do the work. The machine which was used is a light, five-passenger touring

car. A cable was attached between it and the lead freight car and the pull successfully made. Although the test was a severe one, because of the comparative lightness of the machine, it was completed without difficulty.

☞ Injurious insects found in seeds may be killed without affecting the germinating qualities of the seed by treatment with hydrocyanic-acid gas in a vacuum chamber.



Employing a Light Automobile to Switch Two Loaded Freight Cars

Wm. H. Watson, Morton, Pa.
Cartecar Co. the auto in question
Pontiac, Mich.

Miss Florence L. Clark
613 S. Grand Ave.,
Bozeman, Mont.

(9517) The Stoltz Appliances Co.
220 W. 42d St.
N.Y. City

**SANDSTONE PILLARS MARK
9328 PART OF MOTOR TRAIL**

Cone-shaped sandstone posts are being used in the vicinity of White Butte, S. D., to mark the Yellowstone trail, which is in the course of construction from St. Paul and Minneapolis to Yellowstone Park. They range from 7 to 9 ft. in height and are approximately 1 ft. in diameter at the base. The words "Yellowstone Trail" are lettered longitudinally on the sides of the pillars to guide motor tourists. The stones are used in their natural shape and are found in the rock-covered hills in that vicinity.



which made that their home port. At that time it was the custom for a watch repairer, upon finishing his work upon an instrument, to place a piece of paper bearing his name and address within the case. It followed that the name of this jeweler was carried by whalers to various seaports over the world, falling into the hands of other watch tinkers. It became noticeable to many of these artisans that the watches last regulated at New Bedford were invariably in good condition and their bearings free from gum. This showed that a lubricant other than sperm oil was used. The subsequent demand for porpoise oil became so great that the watch tinker abandoned his trade in order to fill the demands for porpoise-jaw oil which came to him. This industry is still carried on.

**PORPOISE-JAW OIL MADE
8862 HERE FOR CENTURY**

Practically all the porpoise oil used in this country, even if not in the world, for lubricating watches and other delicate instruments, is made near New Bedford, Mass., which many years ago was important as a whaling port. The product is taken from the jaw, and certain other parts, of the animal, which is caught especially for this purpose. When the industry was in its infancy, whalers were depended upon to supply the porpoise, but now the manufacturers maintain a fishing department which follows the schools of porpoise migrating along the coast, and furnishes a continual supply of them. The history of the New Bedford industry reaches back to the early part of the nineteenth century, to a watch tinker who regulated and cleaned the timepieces and chronometers of the skippers of the whalers

**FRUIT JAR SEALED WITH
9517 AIR SEAL**

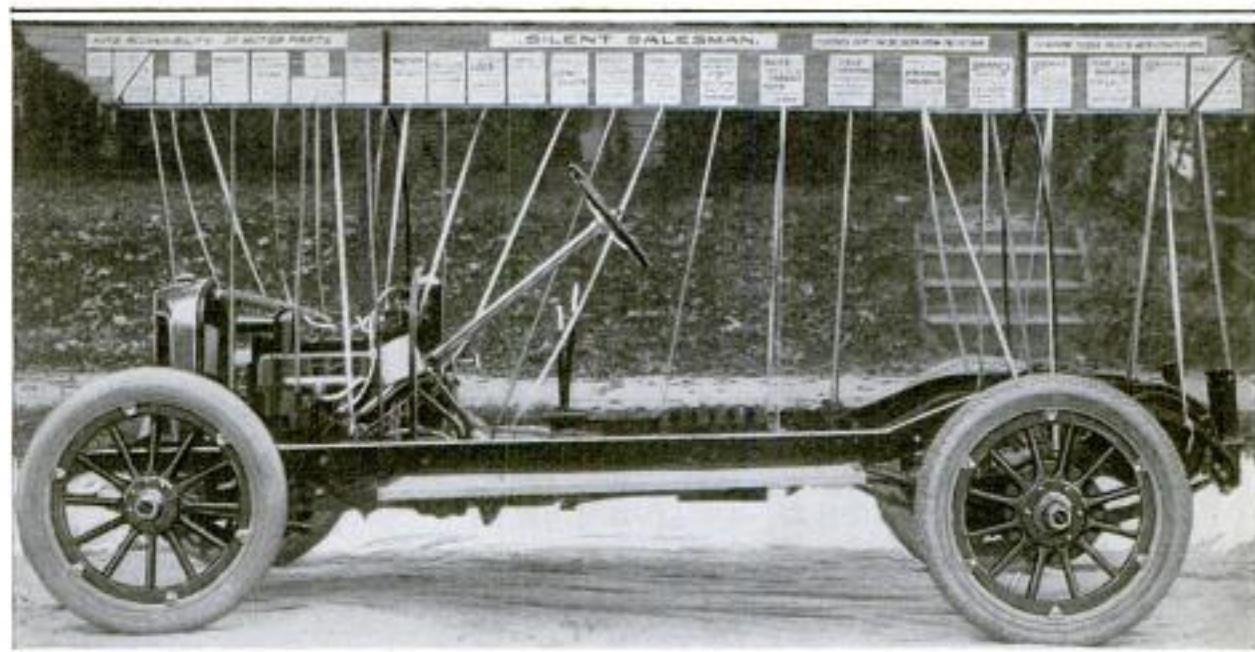
A simple canning device recently brought out and particularly adapted to home canning exhausts the air from the jar and then completes the operation by sealing the jar with an air seal. The top of the jar and the rim of the lid are shaped to provide a space in which a rubber band fits, and when the lid is pressed down tightly, as it is by the pressure of the outside air when a vacuum has been created in the jar, the rubber band forms an air-tight seal. The vacuum is created by a hand-operated air pump the base of which is set on the shoulder



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220 W. 42nd St., New York.



This Car, Used for Advertising Purposes, Carries Placards Each of Which is Connected by a Ribbon with the Part Described

of the jar and incloses the lid. The pump is equipped with a flexible rubber cap that fits over the top of the jar. In using this device it is necessary to boil or cook the food only for the purpose of sterilizing it. With the contents in the jar the lid with the rubber band is placed in position, and over this the pump is placed and the rubber cap drawn down tightly over the jar. A few strokes of the pump create a vacuum and hermetically seal the jar. When the jar is to be opened a pin is inserted through a notch in the lid, pressing the rubber band down so that air enters, breaking the seal. One of the advantages in this device is that a jar can be opened and partially emptied, and then closed and resealed. Aside from canning, there are evidently other uses for this device, such, for example, as the preservation of certain surgical supplies that must be kept in a vacuum.

NEW PLAN FOR ADVERTISING 9209 AUTOMOBILE

An automobile from which the body has been removed, leaving the working parts in plain view, is used by a Philadelphia company for advertising the car and demonstrating its features. Supported on the car and extending

Wm. H. Watson, Morton, Pa.
Oakland Motor Co.,
Phila., Pa.

from end to end is a board carrying placards which give concise information about the different parts, and from each placard there is a ribbon running down to the part described. The placards are big enough to be read as the car passes along the street so that no stops are necessary.

COMBINATION KNIFE AND 8825 FORK

A handy tool for campers and picnickers, as well as for one-armed persons, is a combination knife and fork recently patented and now being placed on the market. It consists simply of a curved blade with the end formed into a four-pronged fork. It is designed to be stowed away in a case that can easily be carried in the coat pocket.



German naval guns are mounted so as to have a possible elevation of 30°, enabling a ship badly listed still to use the guns on the lower side.

Inf. & Contributor: M. S. Hewitt
Georgetown, Texas.

*Mrs. A. H. Vestal
4243 N. Foster Ave.
Chicago, Ill.*

**WEIGHT-COMPUTING CUTTER
8974 FOR BRICK CHEESE**

For use in a grocery store or delicatessen shop, a cutting device for brick cheese has been devised which is made



on the weight-computing plan, and also incloses the cheese so that it is protected from flies and dirt. The knife guard and arch are coated with block tin, are easily kept

in a sanitary condition, and are not injured by contact with the cheese. The body and base of the device are made of steel and finished with heavy enamel.

**FOREST-SERVICE BADGE NEW
8905 NATIONAL INSIGNIA**

A new national badge and uniform button has been designed and added to the already large collection of insignia worn by the personnel attached to the various branches of the government service. They are used on the drab-green uniforms worn by the supervisors and rangers in the Forest Service, which comes under the Department of Agriculture. The badge is small and made of bronze in the shape of a shield. In the middle, between the two

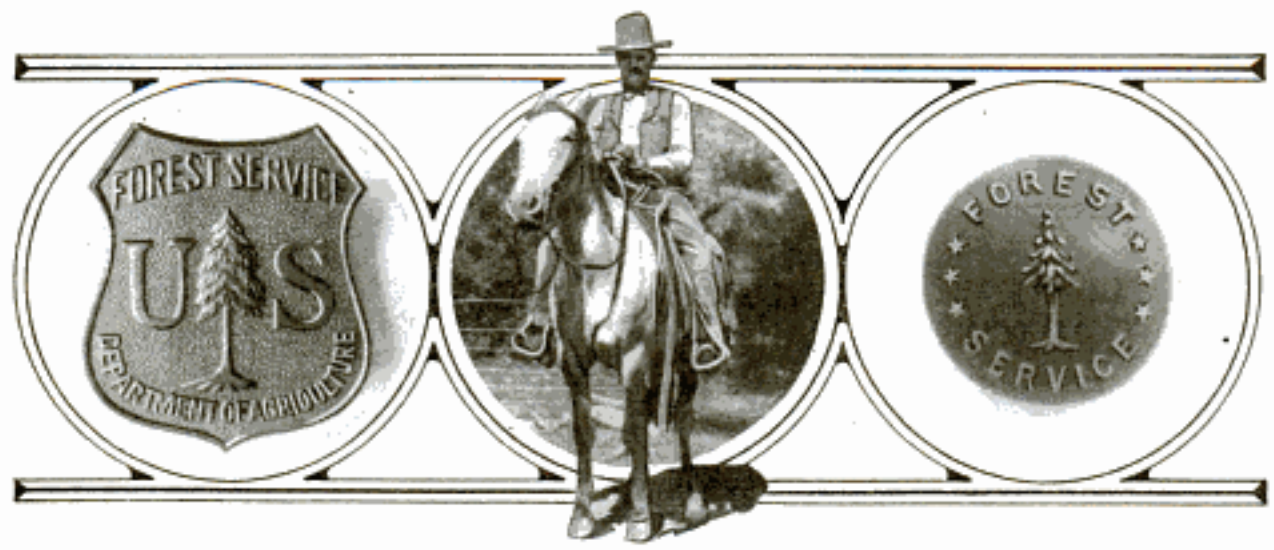
letters "U. S.," is a pine tree, above which are the words "Forest Service." At the bottom appears "Department of Agriculture." The button carries the two words "Forest Service," one word at the top and the other at the bottom, with three stars separating them on each side and a pine tree filling the middle space. They are made in two sizes, large ones for the front of a coat, and small ones for the pockets. At the present time there are approximately 2,000 men in the service who wear uniforms.

**ISOLATED PLACES UNAWARE
9621 OF EUROPEAN WAR**

After nearly a year of fighting in Europe there are still people in the shut-off parts of the world who are ignorant that the greatest war of history is in progress. It was announced in London recently that since the outbreak of hostilities the inhabitants of Tristan da Cunha, a small group of South Atlantic islands, have received no communication from the outside world. South Africa is approximately 1,500 miles from this British possession and frequently a year passes without its residents, who for the most part are the descendants of shipwrecked sailors, hearing anything from civilized points. Iquitos, in eastern Peru, is another place which is supposed to be unaware of the war. It has received no mail since some time last summer.

Stamping or Seal Co. Chicago, Wis.

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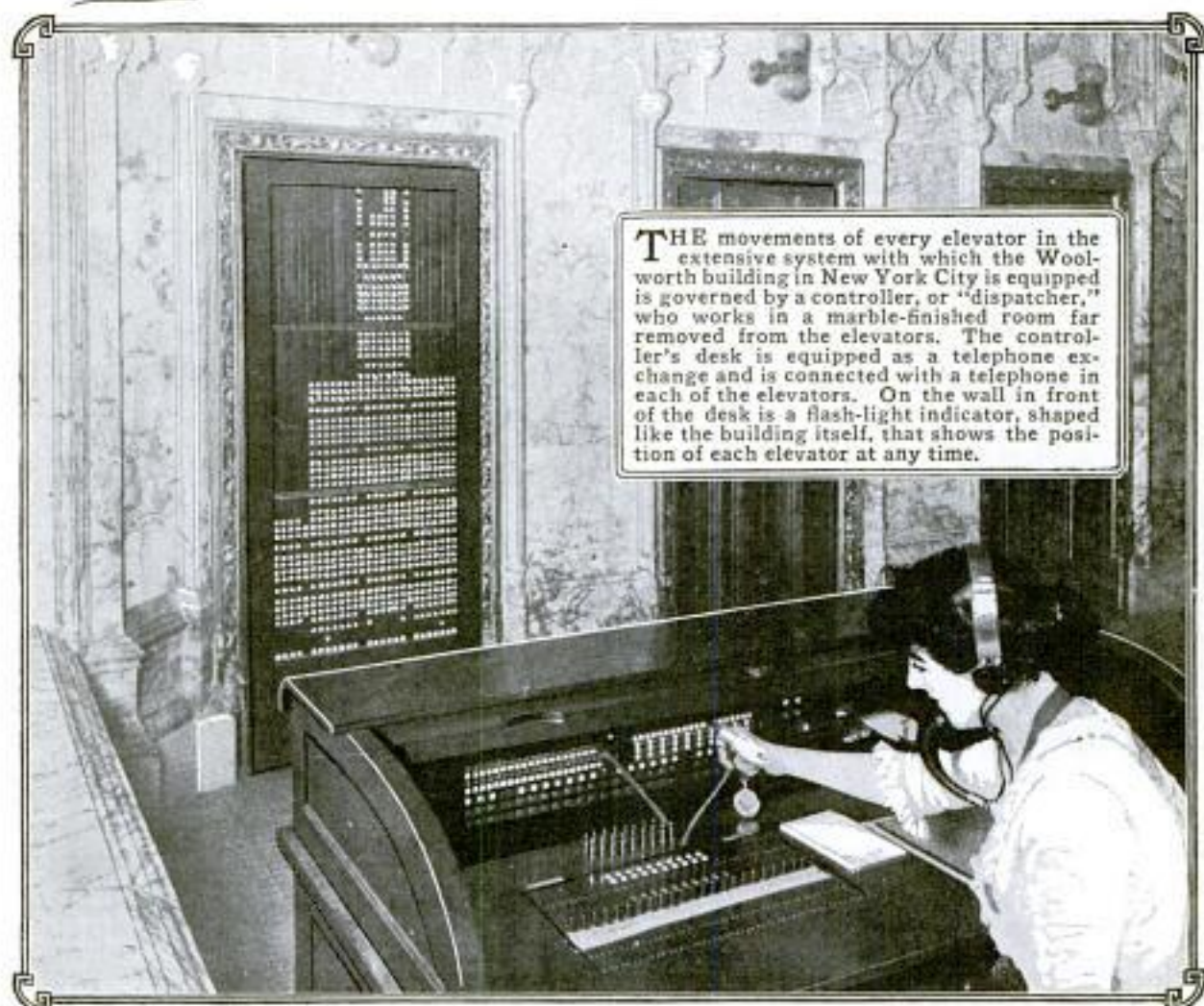


New Badge and Button Issued by the Government for the Forest Service

*Bristow Adams
Forest Service,
Wash. D. C.*

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ELEVATOR CONTROL IN THE WOOLWORTH BUILDING



THE movements of every elevator in the extensive system with which the Woolworth building in New York City is equipped is governed by a controller, or "dispatcher," who works in a marble-finished room far removed from the elevators. The controller's desk is equipped as a telephone exchange and is connected with a telephone in each of the elevators. On the wall in front of the desk is a flash-light indicator, shaped like the building itself, that shows the position of each elevator at any time.

9310 SUBMARINE TELEPHONE TO DETECT ICEBERGS

A new method of detecting icebergs, now being investigated by the U. S. Bureau of Standards, involves the use of the submarine telephone for recording the submarine echoes thrown back from the submerged portion of an iceberg when a ship's bell lowered under the water is struck. This method, if it can be worked out successfully, is expected to prove much more reliable than that in which an electric resistance thermometer is used, as it has been found by experience that temperature variations in parts of the ocean far removed from ice are often as great and as sudden as in the immediate vicinity of icebergs.

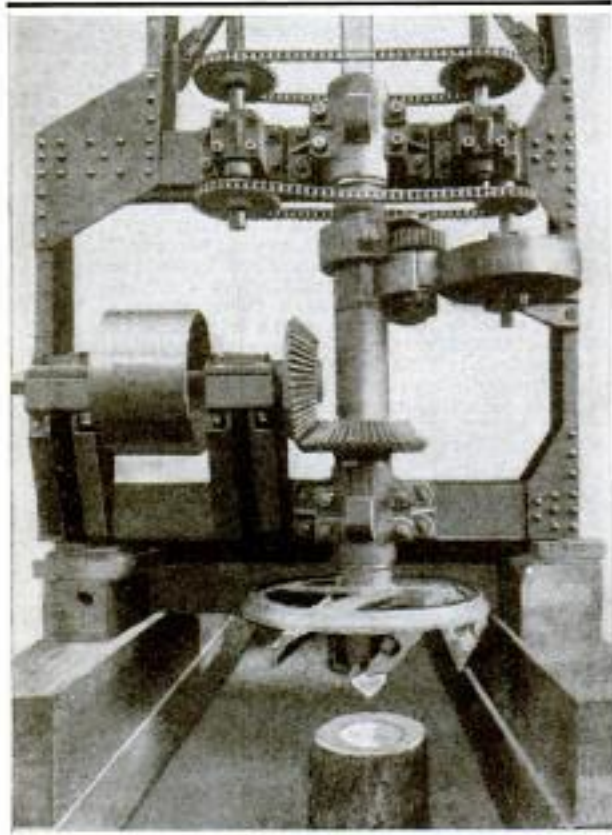
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9417 ROTARY CUTTER REDUCES STUMP TO SHAVINGS

Stumps are reduced to shavings of uniform thickness and, if desired, are picked up by vacuum and deposited in bags, by a new rotary stump cutter now being introduced. The essential feature of the machine is a rotary cutter head fixed to the lower end of a vertical shaft. The lower face of the cutter head carries eight knives arranged radially around a central drilling point, and cuts the wood away downward in a horizontal circle 36 in. in diameter. The shaft is rotated by a horizontal belt pulley through bevel gears. The machine is transferred from stump to stump and is operated by a traction engine of 30 hp. In operating,

*Moore Rotary Stump Cutter Co.,
213 Hennessey Bldg., (Inc.)
New Orleans, La.*

the traction engine moves the machine until the cutter head is over the stump and the cutter is set to rotating, the



This Rotary Stump Cutter Reduces Stumps to Shavings

machine working down the stump to a depth of about 18 in. below the surface. When cutting pine stumps the shavings are picked up by vacuum and carried through a pipe to sacks, and are afterward conveyed to a mill for the extraction of the resin. The pipe is equipped with a cleaner for removing the dirt and with a cut-off through which the shavings may be deposited on the ground.

BLUE-CROSS WORK SPREADS

9548 AS WAR PROGRESSES

Working side by side with the Red Cross on the battle fields and in the army camps of the allies, is the Blue Cross, a heretofore unknown organization composed of veterinary surgeons and attendants who are taking care of the wounded war horses and dogs, alleviating their suffering and, where it is possible, nursing them back into condition. This service is the latest

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addition to military field organizations, and the work is one which is daily becoming more important. While the undertaking is a humanitarian one, it is also a matter of economics, for in this war the loss of a horse is as serious from a military standpoint as the loss of a man.

Hospital bases for the wounded animals have been established in northern France. The sanitation measures which have been carried out at these places are comparable with those instituted at hospitals intended for the soldiers. The premises and stables are kept freshly whitewashed and disinfected, and little has been spared to provide a comfortable housing. Before the horses are admitted to these bases they are inoculated so as to prevent the spread of disease. The hospitals so far established represent the nucleus of those contemplated. Two new institutions are now under construction.

CANOE ATTACHMENT FOR

9594 OUTBOARD MOTOR

For the purpose of converting an ordinary canoe into a power craft, an equipment has been designed which makes it possible to install an outboard motor. Instead of being placed at the stern, which is difficult in a canoe, the motor is set sufficiently far ahead to give the craft better stability. The motor is

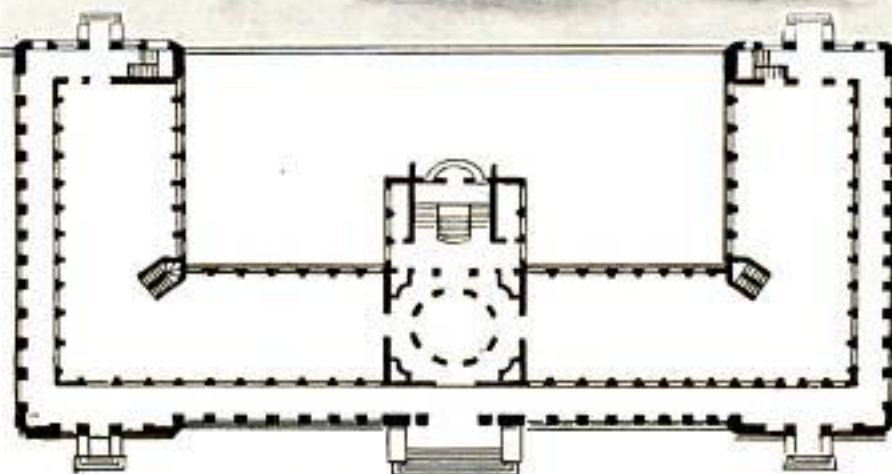
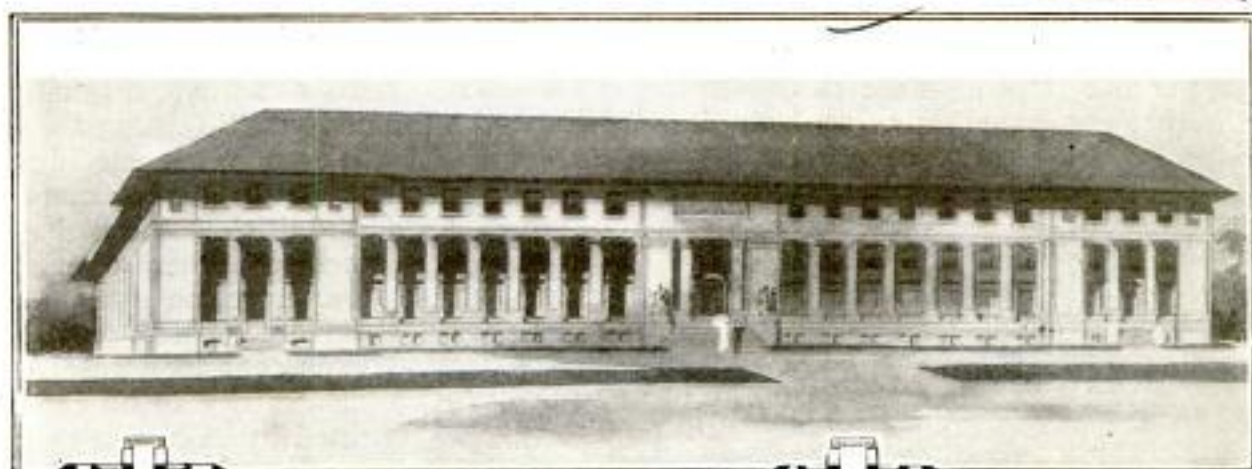


mounted on a plank which is bolted to the gunwales of the craft some distance abaft the beam. The shaft sleeve, instead of being led overboard, extends straight down from the motor and through the center line, or keelson. The canoe is steered by changing the driving angle of the propeller, which may be turned halfway around, enabling the craft to be reversed.

*Mfr: Evinrude Motor Co.,
279 Walker St.,
Milwaukee, Wis.
Frank H. Bolles, Adv. Mgr.*

9137 Canal Record 12-30-14

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING OF PANAMA CANAL



The Administration Building of the Panama Canal, Showing the General Floor Plan

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On the toe of the northwest slope of Ancon Hill, overlooking Balboa, the first permanent town of the Zone, the administration building, in which are concentrated the various departmental offices of the Panama Canal, has been erected. It is a low, broad structure, drawn after the plan of the architecture of the Italian Renaissance period and surrounded on all sides by wide concrete terraces flanked by heavy balustrades and broken, at the front, by longitudinal panels of lawn.

In order to compress the building and at the same time provide for adequate light and ventilation, it was designed in the form of the letter "E." It is three stories in height and, unlike other structures erected in the Zone, has a sub-basement. Both its front and the outer wings are lined by a colonnade of square Italian marble columns which support the projected third-story wall and the eaves. The overhanging roof shades the windows of the top floor from the intense rays

of the sun, so that a gallery is unnecessary. Below, however, a broad balcony extends around the outside, shading the interior and providing communi-

cation to the different offices. The building is honeycombed with large windows, which are necessary to provide for an ample circulation of air during the rainy season, when the atmosphere is depressing because of its humidity. Concrete enters largely into the construction of the building. The foundation for the steel framework is made of concrete, as are the floor arches, while the curtain walls are of concrete blocks, and the roof arches, of reinforced sawdust concrete. The spandrels are of poured concrete, and the same material, reinforced, has been used in building all the stairways. In the office portion of the building the floors are made of yellow pine nailed to sleepers laid in cinder concrete. The floors of the balconies and corridors are of tile, and all the outside walls are finished in stucco.

ⒸThe use of glycerin in war has resulted in a great increase in its price.

Iron Age 1/21/15

*# Dr. Wheeler P. Davey,
General Electric, Inc.,
Schenectady, N.Y.*

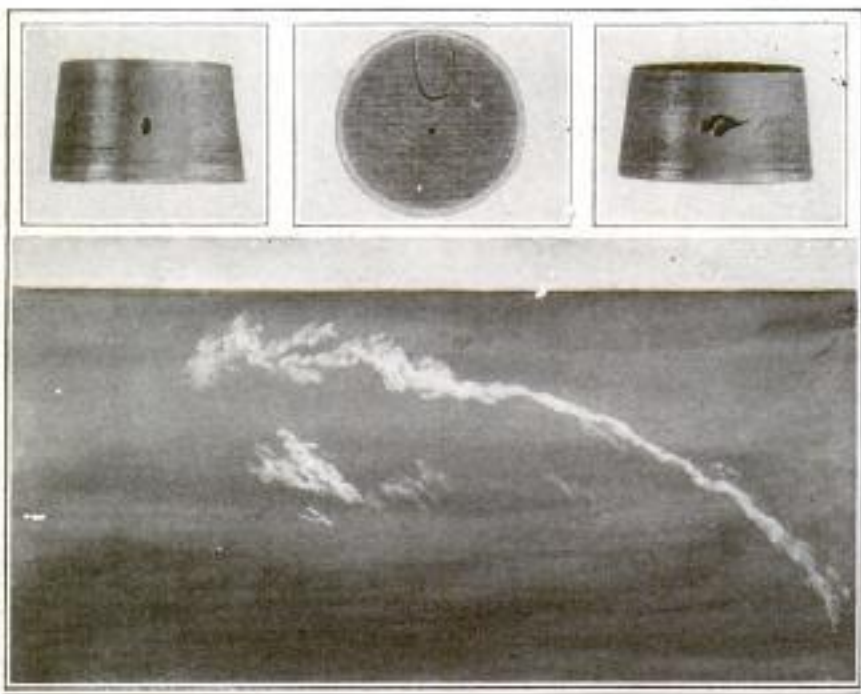
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9274 FLAWS IN STEEL CASTING SHOWN BY X-RAY

Recent laboratory experiments with the X-ray have proved that by its proper use it is possible to determine whether concealed flaws, such as blow-

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The Lower Photograph is an X-Ray View Revealing a Flaw, the Presence of Which was Proved by Cutting the Circular Plugs Shown Above

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INSTRUMENT FOR LAYING

9234 SHIP'S COURSE

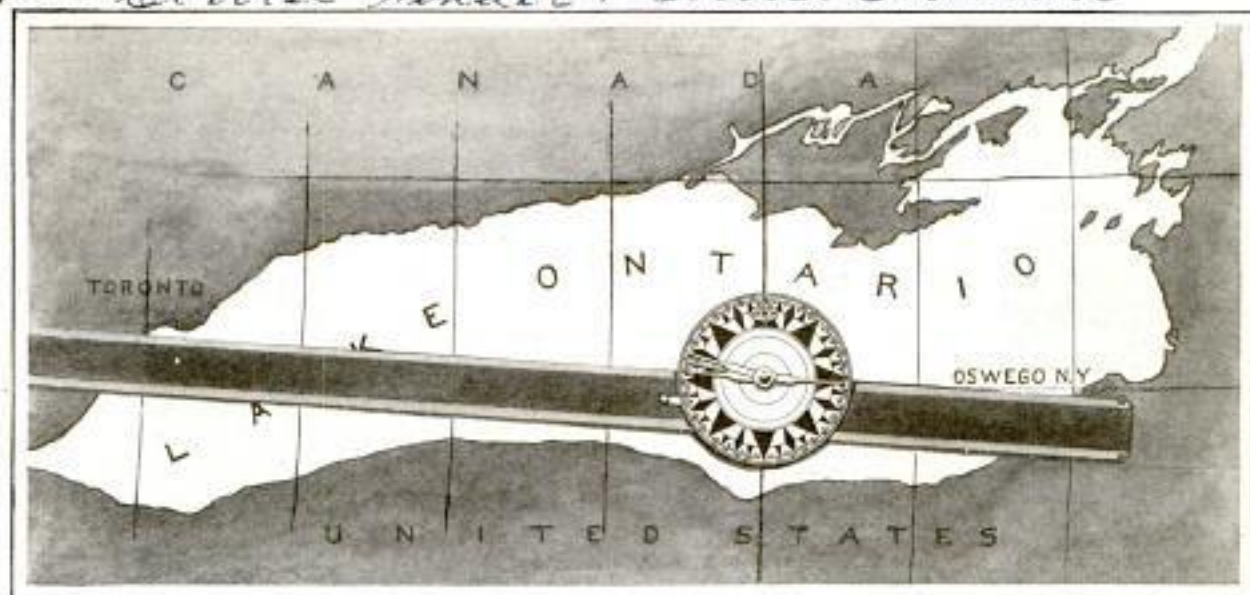
A new invention of interest to all marine men, amateur as well as professional, is an instrument by which the true course for navigating between two points is found and is then converted to a compass course without computation. In using the instrument on a Mercator's projection, which is the kind of map on which the meridians and parallels of latitude are

drawn as straight lines, the direction bar is laid down so that it touches the place of departure and the place of destination. The dial is then slid along the bar and rotated until its north-and-south or east-and-west points coincide with a meridian or a parallel of latitude, as the case may be. The lower pointer, which is always parallel with the edge of the direction bar, then points to figures on the dial giving the true course. This course must next be converted to a compass course. The

*Inventor: Chas. A. Fother
Cawego, N.Y.*

*# 1,108,517 Aug 25-1914
For sale by
John S. Cawego, N.Y.*

L. A. Potter Course Finder & Course Converter

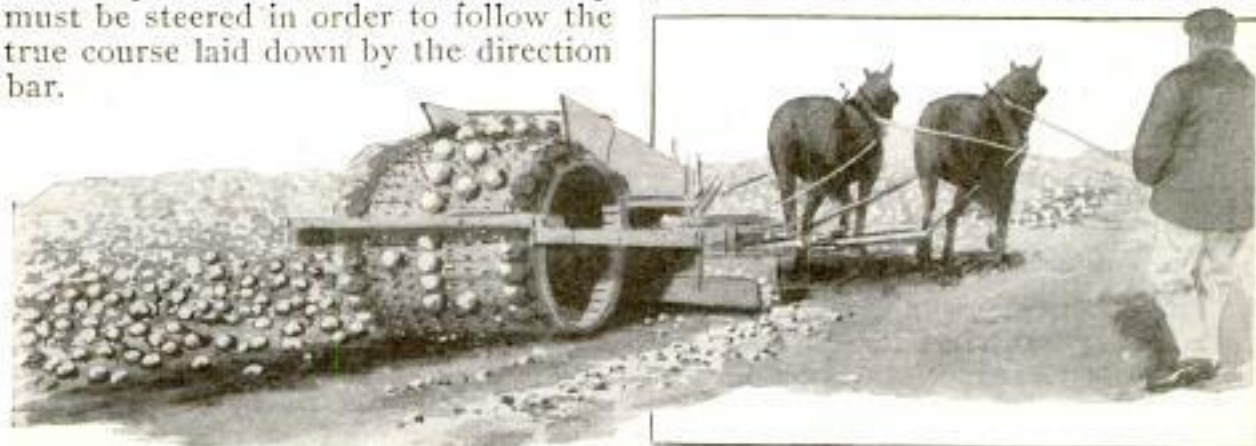


Instrument for Laying the True Course of a Ship and Then Converting It to a Compass Course without Computation

variation at any place is the amount that the magnetic needle points east or west of true north. The average of the variations at the two ends of the course, as given on the map, is then taken, and the next pointer above is set away from the lower pointer by an angle equal to this. The final correction is made for deviation, which is the amount that the ship's compass varies for different headings on account of magnetic influences in the ship or its cargo, and this is taken from a table prepared by the compass adjuster. When the top pointer is set away from the one next below by an angle equal to the deviation, it gives the compass course on which the ship must be steered in order to follow the true course laid down by the direction bar.

MACHINE FOR GATHERING AND CUTTING TURNIPS

8640 A novel machine for picking up and cutting turnips, mangels, and other root crops, has been invented and is being introduced in New Zealand. The main feature of this machine is a large roller equipped with closely set tines which pick up the turnips, or other roots, and deposit them in a hopper at the front of the machine, where they are cut. They are then delivered in rows along the ground by means of a shaker. Where it is desired to cart the crop away, an elevator is provided for loading into a wagon attached to the machine. It is claimed that this ma-



Machine Used in New Zealand for Gathering and Cutting Turnips and Other Root Crops

chine, with one team and one man, will pick up and cut six acres of root crops in a day.

Inventor: J. Thomson, Jr.

Christchurch, N. Z.

Farm Implement News, 6/18/14



This Hay Baler was Constructed by a Canadian Pioneer Who had Never Seen Such a Machine. By Its Use One Man and a Horse can Bale About a Ton of Hay a Day

ADJUSTABLE CRUTCHES USED BY WOUNDED SOLDIERS

9333

At the German hospital bases, where thousands of wounded soldiers are being cared for, adjustable crutches are used which may readily be shortened or lengthened to suit the needs of any patient. Each is made with two grips so that should a man's arms be short and not proportionate with his lower limbs, the crutches would still serve his purpose. Their use saves much time and trouble, making it unnecessary to keep a large assortment of different sizes on hand and also saving the time which otherwise would be consumed in selecting crutches for different patients.



Die Export Woche

Actual rubber has been made from Russian crude oil, which contains chemical elements similar to those in California oil.

HAY BALER MADE OF WIRE AND ROUGH BOARDS

8772

In the accompanying photograph is shown a crude but nevertheless serviceable hay baler which was constructed by a pioneer in one of the interior provinces of Canada a number of years ago, prior to the coming of the railroad to his district. The machine is built entirely of wood and wire, the latter being used in lieu of nails and bolts. The level beam was split down the center and spread so as to form a truss, in order to add to its strength. Its builder, with one horse, is able to bale without other help approximately a ton of hay a day. The machine was built without plans and by a man who had never seen such an implement.

PHOTOGRAPHY LATEST AID IN REPRODUCING SCULPTURE

9089

A new optical method for making reproductions of sculpture consists in photographing the object from two or more points of view and then, with the cameras and lines of sight in exactly the same relative positions, projecting the images to an intersection on the modeling clay or block of marble from which the reproduction is to be made. While somewhat crude in its present state this process is one that ap-

The Illuminating Engineer, Nov. 1914

*Infr: Federal Sign System (Electric)
Lake & Desplaines Sts
Chicago, Ills.*

parently has great possibilities for future development. In making the reproduction the worker simply cuts away the material at any point until the corresponding points as projected from the different cameras coincide on the surface. As most sculptural objects do not have points that are sufficiently prominent for their coincidence to be determined with precision, it is proposed to use an additional apparatus for projecting a series of fine lines and letters on the object while it is being photographed. These lines and letters, of course, appear on the negative made by each of the cameras and are projected with the image. In this way the worker is furnished with a set of artificial points that are sharp and definite, and the coincidence of these is easily determined.

ELECTRIC LANTERN THROWS
9438 **LIGHT DOWNWARD**

An electric lantern that throws an unobstructed light in all directions except upward in the user's face is a new



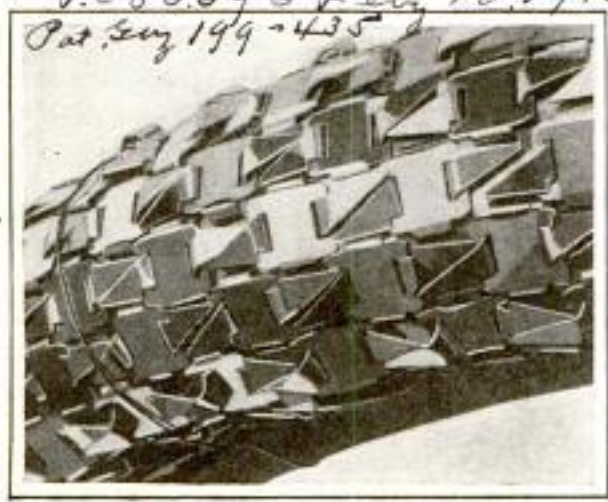
With This Electric Lantern the Light is Thrown in All Directions Except Upward in the User's Face

NEW ARMOR FOR AUTOMOBILE
9342 **TIRES**

An armor for automobile tires, recently invented, is designed to insure the tire against slipping, skidding, punctures, and blow-outs. This armor is intended to be worn continuously and is made up of small metal-link plates with tongues and recesses, the plates interlocking in such a way as to form a continuous cover for the

1,086,696 Feb. 10, 1914

Ballston Spa, N.Y.



This Armor Forms a Continuous Cover for the Tire and is Intended to Insure It against Slipping, Skidding, Punctures, and Blow-Outs

tire. The plates are interchangeable and any individual plate can be replaced in case of wear or breakage.

invention adapted to general use but particularly suited to the needs of railroad men. Current is supplied by a compact four-cell battery of six volts' capacity carried in the body of the lantern, which consists of a nickelplated casing. Projecting from the bottom of the casing is a small tungsten-filament lamp which is protected by a wire guard. The bottom of the casing, owing to its shape and the fact that it has a polished nickel surface, acts as a mirror that reflects the light outward in a wide circle. The battery, which is easily replaced when worn out, has a life of from 60 to 65 hours. The light is turned on by dropping the bail down as far as it will go on one side, and is turned off by dropping the bail in similar manner on the opposite side. The bail is made to snap into vertical position when being used.

*Inventor: Nelson Anderson, a
jeweler of Ballston Spa, N.Y.
not yet on the market.*

Non-Rewinding Film Reel Co.,
713 Utica St., Toledo, Ohio
By F. J. Hanna, Jr.
894

See Patents (inserted)

POPULAR MECHANICS

FEEDING MOVIE FILMS FROM 9428 CENTER OF REEL

One of the commonest causes of fires in motion-picture operation is the necessary exposure of the film during the process of re-winding after it has been exhibited. Before it can be shown again it must be rolled to another reel so that the beginning of the picture will be on the outside of the roll, and in this handling there often is danger of the accidental ignition of the inflammable celluloid through contact with a spark or flame from some source. Films are often scratched and torn in this re-winding process, while it takes up a great deal of the operator's time.

A new device which can be attached to any standard motion-picture projector draws the film from the center of the roll instead of the outside, making re-winding unnecessary. An electric motor revolves the reel at a speed governed by the speed of the projecting machinery, loosening the innermost coil of the film enough so that it can be pulled through the machine without undue strains or twists. After passing through the projector it is received on a standard reel in the ordinary manner, and from this reel may be fed directly into the machine again without re-winding.

GERMAN WAR CHEST OPENED 9613 AFTER MANY YEARS

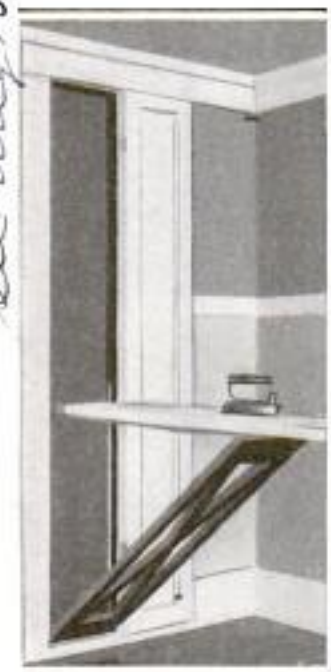
London bankers have called attention to the fact that the German government has finally opened up its war chest and placed in circulation the gold which for 43 years has been hoarded

London Times

in the Julius Tower at Spandau. In a report which was made to the government early last summer before the outbreak of hostilities, this imperial treasure was said to amount to 120,000,000 marks, or \$28,560,000. The sum was in gold coins and was originally reserved from the indemnity paid by France at the close of the Franco-Prussian War. A considerable portion of the money was in British sovereigns and these coins are now finding their way back to the London banks for the first time, revealing the fact that the hoard has been broken into.

BUILT-IN IRONING BOARD 9016 FOLDS INTO CABINET

One of the latest conveniences for the laundry or kitchen is a built-in ironing board that is easily extended into position for use, but can be folded back into a cabinet and out of sight when not in use. The wall end of the board is equipped with small knobs that fit into grooves on each side of the cabinet, while the brace is hinged to the bottom of the cabinet and to the under side of the board. The grooves extend from the bottom of the cabinet



to such a height as to make the board level, and in this position the knobs slip into pockets and hold the board stationary. To close up the board, it is only necessary to press the knobs out of the pockets and lift the outer end of the board, when the knobs slide down in the grooves and the whole device folds vertically into the

cabinet. The cabinet is made with a door so that the board can be concealed.

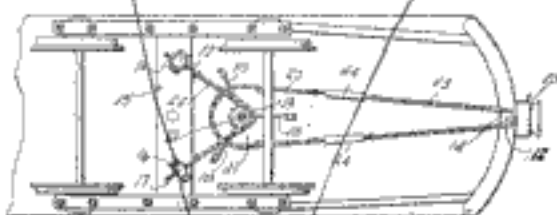
Mfr: Perfection Concealed Ironing Board Co.
138th + Alameda St.
Los Angeles, Cal.

100 ft. Toledo
Extra Reels \$10.00

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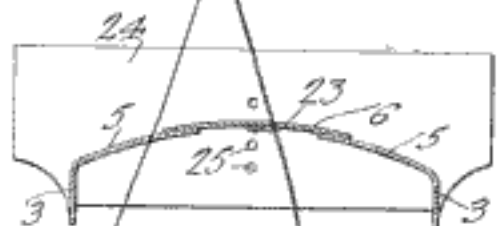
Essex, Alma Myers, 4015 Bonnet Ave., San Angeles, Cal.

dashboard, a sprocket carried shaft, a depending shaft mounted in front of the truck, a larger sprocket wheel on the upper edge of the shaft, a smaller sprocket on the lower edge of the shaft, blocks of insulation secured to the underside of the truck, bars slidably adjustable in the



blocks, a chain turned around the first named sprocket and said larger sprocket, adjusting means carried in the chain for taking up slack, and a chain connected at its end to the said adjustable bars and trained around the last named small sprocket.

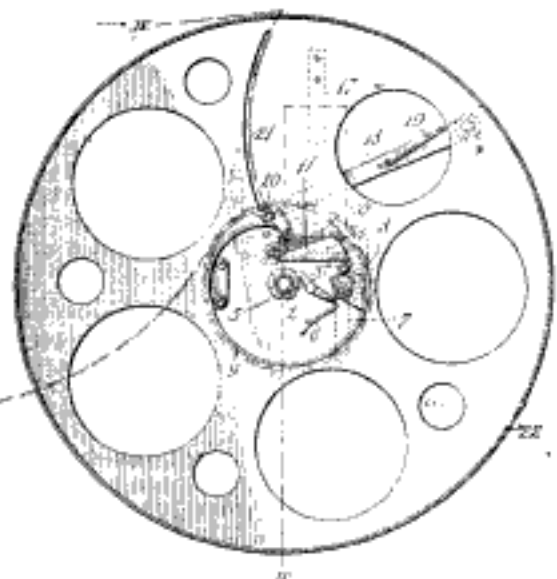
1,144,692. CONDUIT-MOLD. THOMAS DE LA MARE, Tooele, Utah. Filed May 1, 1914. Serial No. 835,734. (Cl. 25-128.)



1. In a molding apparatus, a transversely arched cope comprising a pair of side sections, a pair of yoke plates overlapping the said sections adjacent the ends thereof, and means for adjustably clamping the yoke plates and sections together, there being a filling opening between the said sections and yoke plates.

2. In a molding apparatus, a transversely arched cope comprising a pair of side sections adjustably connected and provided with a filling opening therebetween, the said sections having spaced inturned flanges at one end, and flange members adjustably carried by the inturned flanges and having their adjacent ends overlapped.

1,144,693. FILM-REEL. MICHAEL G. DELANEY, Detroit, Mich., assignor, by mesne assignments, to Northern Sales Co., Toledo, Ohio, a Corporation of Ohio. Filed Dec. 12, 1912. Serial No. 736,347. (Cl. 88-18.7.)



1. A film reel comprising a bearing member with a back plate fixed thereon, a front plate journaled on the bearing member in spaced relation to the back plate and provided with an opening, manually operable means for

locking the plates to turn together, film guiding means extending from an opening through the front plate into concentric relation with the bearing member between the plates, and a cover adapted to be locked on the back plate and to encircle the front plate.

2. A film reel comprising a bearing member with a back plate fixed thereon, a front plate journaled on the bearing member in spaced relation to the back plate and provided with an opening, manually operable means for locking the plates to turn together, film guiding means extending from an opening through the front plate into substantially concentric relation with the bearing member between the plates, a cover adapted to be locked on the back plate and to encircle the front plate, and means yieldingly mounted on one of the plates for maintaining a film applied to the reel in operative position.

3. A film reel comprising a bearing member with a back plate fixed thereon, a front plate journaled on the bearing member in spaced relation to the back plate and provided with an opening, manually operable means for locking the plates to turn together, film guiding means extending from an opening through the front plate into substantially concentric relation with the bearing member between the plates, and a cover adapted to be locked on the back plate to encircle the front plate, the front plate being adapted to detachably engage with the wall of a film magazine or holder.

4. A film reel comprising a bearing member with a back plate fixed thereon, a front plate journaled on the bearing member in spaced relation to the back plate and provided with an opening, manually operable means for locking the plates to turn together, film guiding means extending from an opening through the front plate into substantially concentric relation with the bearing member between the plates, a cover adapted to be locked on the back plate and to encircle the front plate, and means yieldingly mounted on one of the plates for maintaining a film applied to the reel in operative position, the front plate being adapted to detachably engage with the wall of a film magazine or holder.

5. The combination with the wall of a film magazine having a lateral opening and stops thereon, of a film reel comprising a hollow bearing member, a back plate secured on the bearing member, a front plate journaled on the bearing member and provided with an opening, means on the front plate adapted to interlock with the stops of the magazine wall to hold the respective openings of the plate and magazine wall in register, manually operable means for locking the front plate to turn with the bearing member, and a guiding member on the front plate extending from the opening therethrough between the plates to direct an applied film into substantially concentric relation with the bearing member.

(Claims 6 and 7 not printed in the Gazette.)

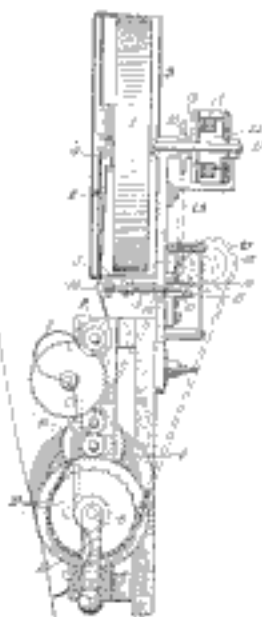
1,144,694. REGULATOR FOR FILM-MACHINES. MICHAEL G. DELANEY, Detroit, Mich., assignor, by mesne assignments, to Northern Sales Co., Toledo, Ohio, a Corporation of Ohio. Filed Sept. 22, 1913. Serial No. 791,157. (Cl. 88-17.)

1. The combination with a film holder and a projecting machine adapted to draw a film therefrom, of normally disconnected mechanism for positively discharging a film from the holder, and means adapted to be controlled by a film passing to the machine for connecting the mechanism when the tension of the film is abnormal.

2. The combination with a film holder and a projecting machine, adapted to draw a picture film from the holder, of means for rotating the holder, and means for connecting the rotating means to the holder controlled by the tension of a film passing from the holder.

3. The combination with a film holder, and guiding mechanism for a film passing therefrom, and means for passing a film through the guiding means from the holder, of means for positively turning the holder, means for coupling the holder to the turning means, and means controlled by the tension of a film passing over the guiding mechanism for throwing in the coupling means when the

tension of a film engaged by the guiding means varies from normal.

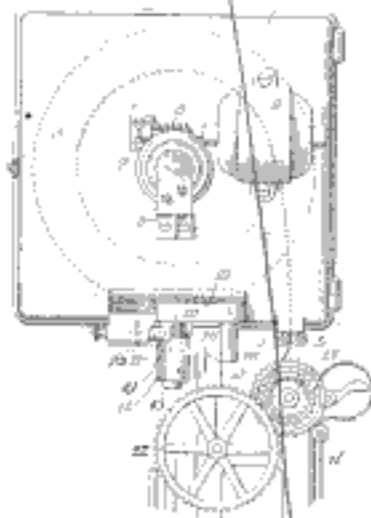


4. The combination with a film holder and guiding mechanism for a film passing therefrom, and means for passing the film through the guiding means from the holder, of normally disconnected mechanism controlled by the tension of a film passing over the guiding means and adapted when thrown in by abnormal tension of the film to turn the holder, and to release the holder to turn independently when the film is under normal tension.

5. The combination with a film magazine, of a film projecting machine, adapted to draw a film therefrom, means for regulating the delivery of the film from the magazine that is normally inert, and means controlled by the tension of a film passing from the magazine to the machine for throwing the regulating means into operation.

[Claims 6 to 11 not printed in the Gazette.]

1,144,695. ADJUSTABLE CASING FOR FILM-REELS. MICHAEL G. DELANEY, Detroit, Mich., assignor to The Northern Sales Co., Toledo, Ohio, a Corporation of Ohio. Filed Feb. 16, 1914. Serial No. 818,911. (Cl. 88-18.7.)



1. In a moving picture machine including a projecting machine with gearing for drawing off a picture film, a casing for film reels provided with means for detachably mounting such reels in the casing and with delivery openings for both center and side delivery reels with means for mounting the casing on the frame in which the casing is adjustable for bringing either opening into operative registration with the gearing.

2. In a moving picture machine including picture projecting mechanism with gearing for drawing a film there-through, a casing for film reels having a delivery opening for side delivery reels and an opening for center delivery reels, and means for supporting the casing in operative relation to the gearing, the casing being adjustable in the supporting means for bringing either opening into proper alignment with the gearing.

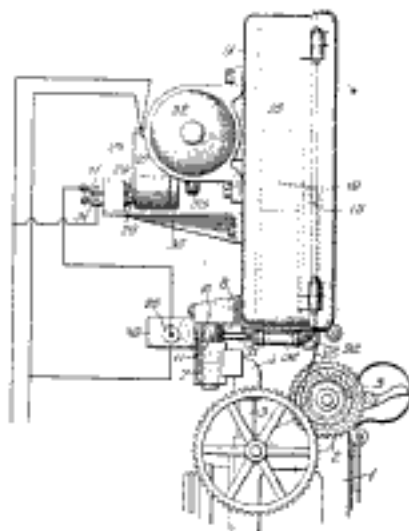
3. In a moving picture machine including film operating mechanism, a bracket adjustably supported on the machine, a film reel casing adjustably mounted in the bracket and provided with film delivery openings for both side and center delivery film reels, and means for detachably locking the casing in the supporting bracket with either opening in proper registration with the film operating mechanism.

4. In a moving picture machine, a bracket detachably mounted thereon, a film reel casing, a stem on the casing adapted to detachably interlock with the bracket, film guiding rolls at an opening in the casing that are in operative registration with the mechanism of the machine when the stem is interlocked with the bracket, a film tensioning roller on the casing at a delivery opening thereof, and a stud on the casing that is adapted to cooperate with the stem when engaging the bracket for holding the casing with the tensioning roller in operative relation to the mechanism of the machine.

5. In a picture machine having film feeding gearing, a bracket adjustably supported on the machine, a reel casing, a stem on the casing adapted to interlock with the bracket when the casing is in one position, a stud on the casing adapted to engage the bracket together with the stem for holding the casing in another position, film guiding members at one opening of the casing for drawing a film therefrom by the machine when the stem alone engages the bracket, and a tensioning roller on the casing at another opening thereof adapted to guide a film drawn therefrom by the machine when the casing is held by the engagement of the stud and stem of the bracket.

[Claims 6 to 8 not printed in the Gazette.]

1,144,696. MOVING-PICTURE MACHINE. MICHAEL G. DELANEY, Detroit, Mich., assignor to The Northern Sales Co., Toledo, Ohio, a Corporation of Ohio. Filed Feb. 16, 1914. Serial No. 818,912. (Cl. 88-17.)



1. A reel container for moving picture machines comprising a casing, means therein for operatively supporting a reel, a pair of guide rolls at one opening in the casing for receiving a film from a side delivery reel, a tension roll at a delivery opening in the casing for a film from a center delivery reel, and means for supporting the casing on a moving picture machine for delivery through an opening.

2. A reel container for moving picture machines comprising a casing, means therein for operatively supporting a reel, a pair of guide rolls at one opening in the casing for receiving a film from a side delivery reel, a tension roll

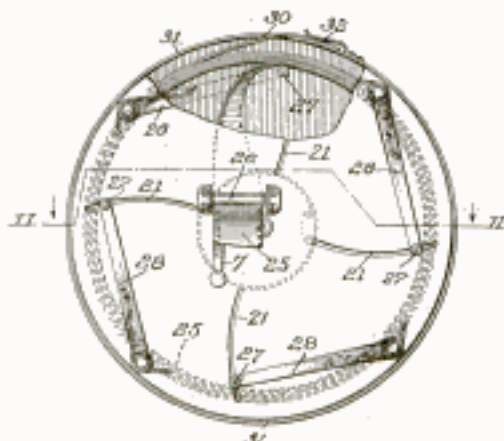
at a delivery opening in the casing for a film from a center delivery reel, an extension on the casing, a depending stem from the extension, a stud on the extension, and means for interlocking with the stem to support the casing in one position and with the stem and stud to support the casing in the other position.

3. A reel container for moving picture machines comprising a casing, means therein for operatively supporting a reel, a pair of guide rolls at one opening in the casing for receiving a film from a side delivery reel, a tension roll at a delivery opening in the casing, for a film from a center delivery reel, an extension on the casing, a depending stem from the extension, a stud on the extension, a bracket adapted to be adjustably supported on a moving picture machine and to interlock with and support the casing in position for delivery from one opening and to interlock with the stem and stud for supporting the casing for delivery from the other opening.

4. A reel container comprising a casing, a cover therefor, means in the casing for operatively supporting either a side or center delivery film reel, a pair of guide rolls at one opening in the casing for a film from a side delivery reel, a tension roll on the casing at an opening for delivery of a film from a center delivery reel, an extension on the casing, a stem depending from the extension, a supporting bracket having an opening adapted to receive the stem, a member on the bracket for interlocking with the stem to hold the casing in position for delivery past the guide rolls, and a stud on the extension adapted to cooperatively engage the bracket with the stem for supporting the casing to deliver past the tension roll.

5. A reel container for moving picture machines, comprising a casing having a delivery opening for a film, means therein for operatively supporting a reel, a tension roll at the delivery opening adapted to impose a tension on a film after it passes the opening, and means for supporting the casing on a moving picture machine for delivery through said opening.

1,144,697. FILM-REEL. MICHAEL G. DELANEY, Detroit, Mich., assignor to The Northern Sales Co., Toledo, Ohio, a Corporation of Ohio. Original application filed Dec. 12, 1912, Serial No. 736,347. Divided and this application filed Feb. 21, 1914, Serial No. 820,215. Renewed May 8, 1915. Serial No. 26,903. (Cl. 88—18.7.)

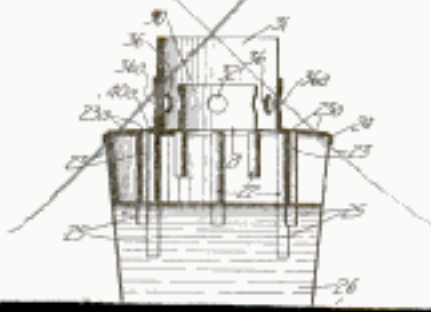


1. The combination with the wall of a film magazine provided with an opening therein, of a film reel comprising a back plate secured on a bearing member, a front plate provided with an opening, and journaled on the bearing member, means for securing the front plate to the wall with the respective openings in register, manually operable means for locking the front plate to the wall to turn

secured to the member, a front plate journaled on the member and provided with an opening means on the front plate adapted to hold a film that passes through the opening in operative relation to the bearing member and plates, a cover removably secured on the back plate and encircling the front plate with a film opening therethrough, and means for locking the plates and member to turn together.

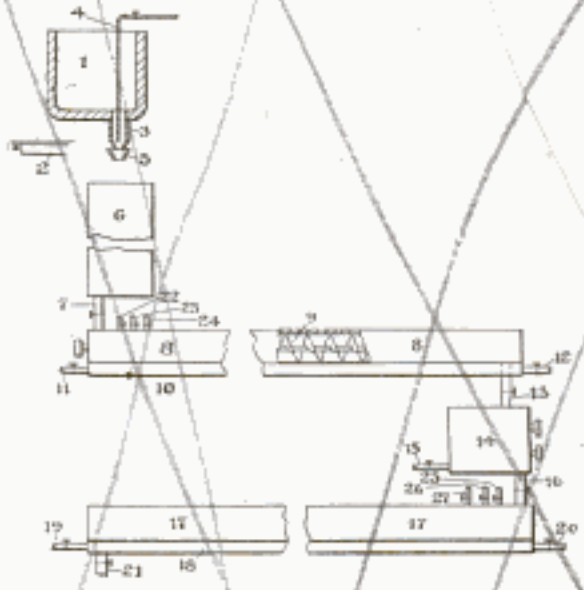
3. A film reel comprising a bearing member adapted to be rotatably mounted on a suitable support, and provided with a fixed side plate, a complementary side plate rotatably mounted on the bearing member in spaced relation to the other plate and provided with a film opening, guiding means between the plates for holding a film that passes through the plate opening in operative relation to the plates and bearing member, a cover detachably secured on the fixed side plate around the other plate and provided with a film opening, and means for locking the rotatable plate to turn with the bearing member.

from the receptacle, and a combustion stack surrounding the flue of greater height than the flue and of substantially greater diameter than the flue above the upper end of the flue, said combustion stack having no communication with the fuel receptacle other than through the flue, and means to controllably admit air to the lower part of the combustion stack around the flue.



tral orifice that is radially-notched to enable the free passage of the washer over said lugs to snug position beneath said head and to be turned part way for passing said lugs and adapting them to hold the washer on the shank directly beneath said head for manipulation in application for use.

1,144,701. APPARATUS FOR MAKING WHITE LEAD. CARLETON ELLIS, Montclair, N. J., assignor to Ellis-Foster Company, a Corporation of New Jersey. Filed Aug. 25, 1911. Serial No. 645,913. (Cl. 14-68.)



1. An apparatus for making white lead comprising a receptacle for holding molten lead, adjacent thereto a metal atomizer adapted to comminute lead to a product of extreme fineness, a conveyer of great length adapted to propel the comminuted product, a shunt return forming a part of said conveyer, means for contacting said product while in said conveyer with air in the presence of moisture whereby said product is hydrated; a separator connected with said conveyer adapted to free the hydrated material from substantially all metallic particles, a second conveyer adapted to receive and propel the hydrated material from said separator, and means for introducing carbon dioxide into said second conveyer; whereby the hydrated material is carbonated.

2. An apparatus for making white lead comprising a receptacle for holding molten lead, adjacent thereto a metal atomizer adapted to comminute lead to a product of extreme fineness, a conveyer of great length adapted to propel the comminuted product, means for contacting said product while in said conveyer with air in the presence of moisture; whereby said product is hydrated; a separator connected with said conveyer adapted to free the hydrated material from substantially all metallic particles, a second conveyer adapted to receive and propel the hydrated material from said separator, and means for introducing carbon dioxide into said second conveyer; whereby the hydrated material is carbonated.

3. Apparatus for making white lead comprising a receptacle for holding molten lead, adjacent thereto a metal atomizer adapted to comminute molten lead to a finely divided product, a conveyer adapted to propel the comminuted product in contact with moisture and with oxygenating and carbonating gases, and interposed in said conveyer a separator adapted to remove metallic particles from the material.

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CURIOUS FEATURE OF A BURMESE FESTIVAL

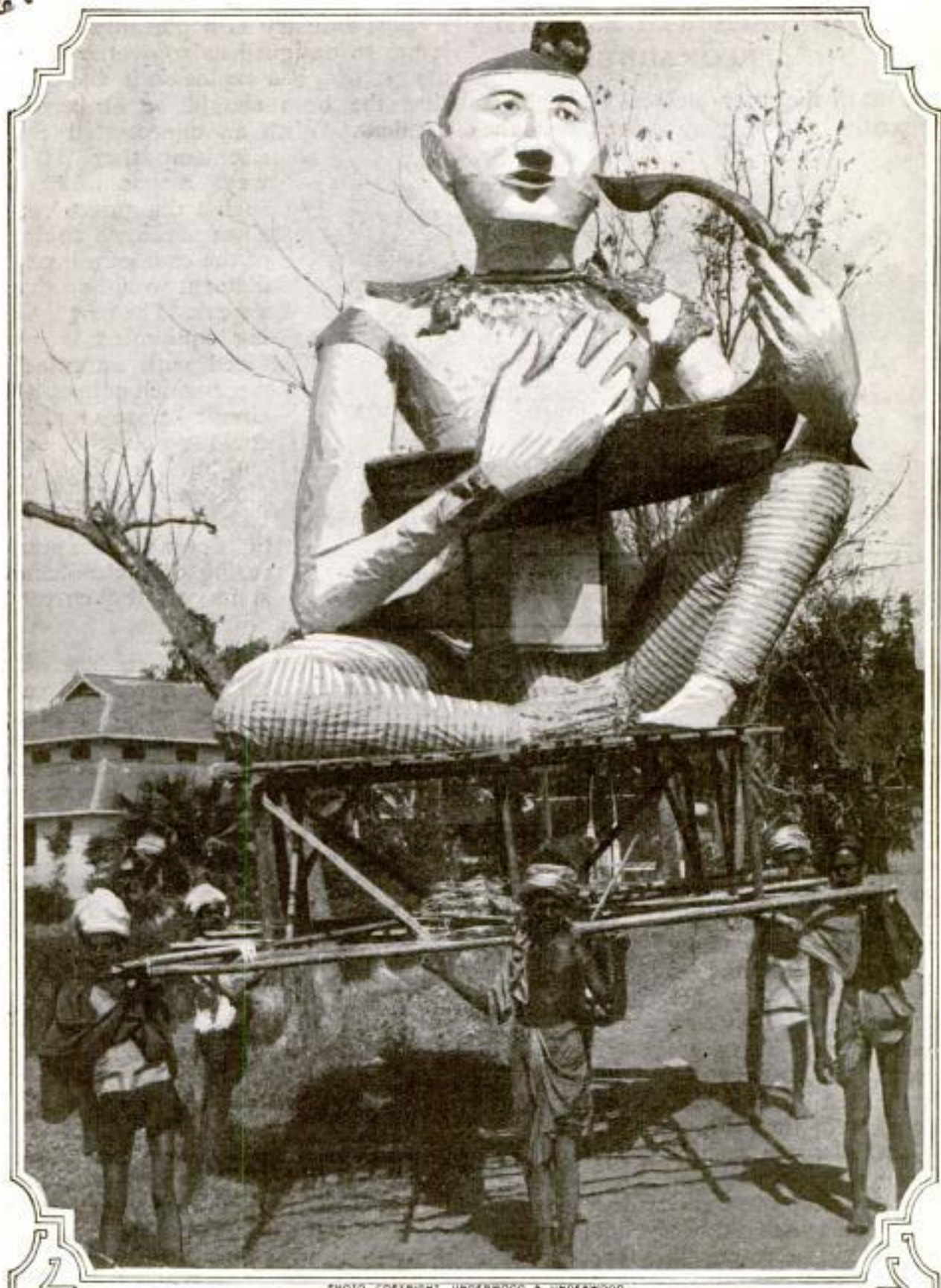
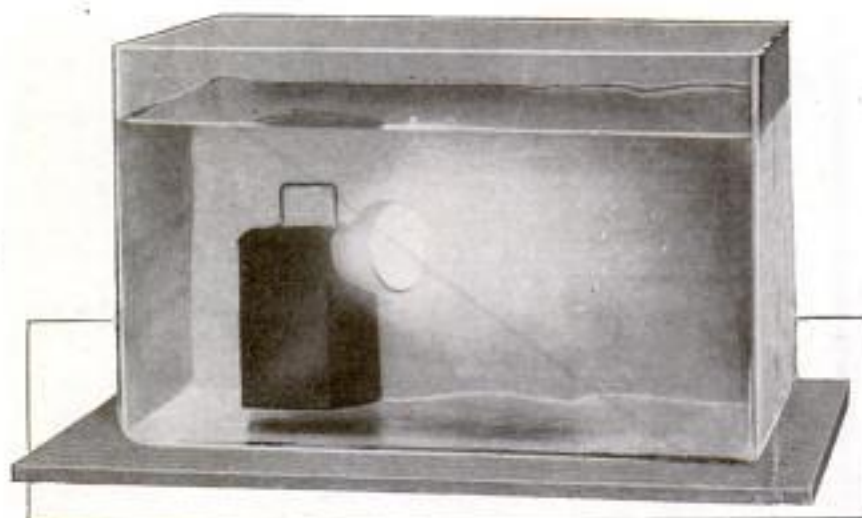


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THIS grotesque figure, carried through the streets of a village in Burma, is an indication of the high esteem in which music and musicians are held in that country. The crude instrument shown is a Burmese harp, shaped like a Burmese boat and dug out of one solid piece of wood. It has 13 strings and a sounding board consisting of calfskin stretched tightly over the "deck." A master of this instrument is called "eintha-dewa," or "celestial musician," and was entitled to a place in the retinue of the king in the days of Burmese royalty.

9409 SAFETY LAMP IS DESIGNED
FOR USE OF MINERS

One of the safety devices which have recently been developed for use in the



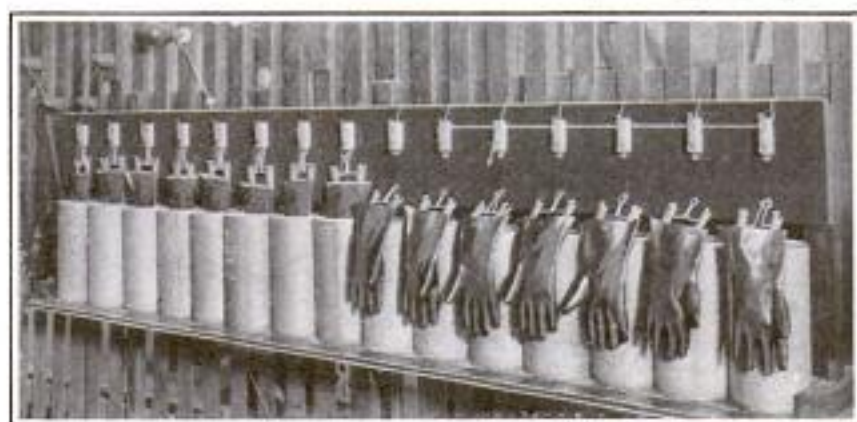
The Safety Lamp is Shown Here Burning under Water, Which Illustrates How Tight Its Casing is Made

mining industry is a portable electric lamp, so designed as to overcome the danger of a gas explosion in the event that the bulb should be broken by accident. With an unprotected electric lamp there is always a possibility of such a thing occurring, since a chance contact of the ends of a broken filament would produce a spark. The new lighting equipment is provided with an attachment which cuts off the circuit before anything could reach the bulb and burst it. Both the globe and battery are inclosed in an airtight case and the puncturing of the reflector shuts off the current.

9172

EXAMINING RUBBER GLOVES
FOR ELECTRICAL WORKERS

When electricians are working on high-tension apparatus which is "alive," it is customary for them to wear rubber gloves as a means of protection. These necessarily must have sufficient resistance to prevent a heavy current from jumping through them, and to insure this, they are subjected to severe tests before being accepted. A leakage not to exceed 10 milliamperes is the limit which is set by some eastern power companies. A glove which to all appearances is perfect, one which probably holds water, might still be responsible for the death of its wearer were he to touch a high-voltage wire with it. So to test a glove and make certain that it is suited for this kind of use, it is filled with water and suspended in a metal container which is also filled with water. Elec-



Rubber Gloves being Tested in a Laboratory to Determine Their Fitness for Use by Electrical Workers

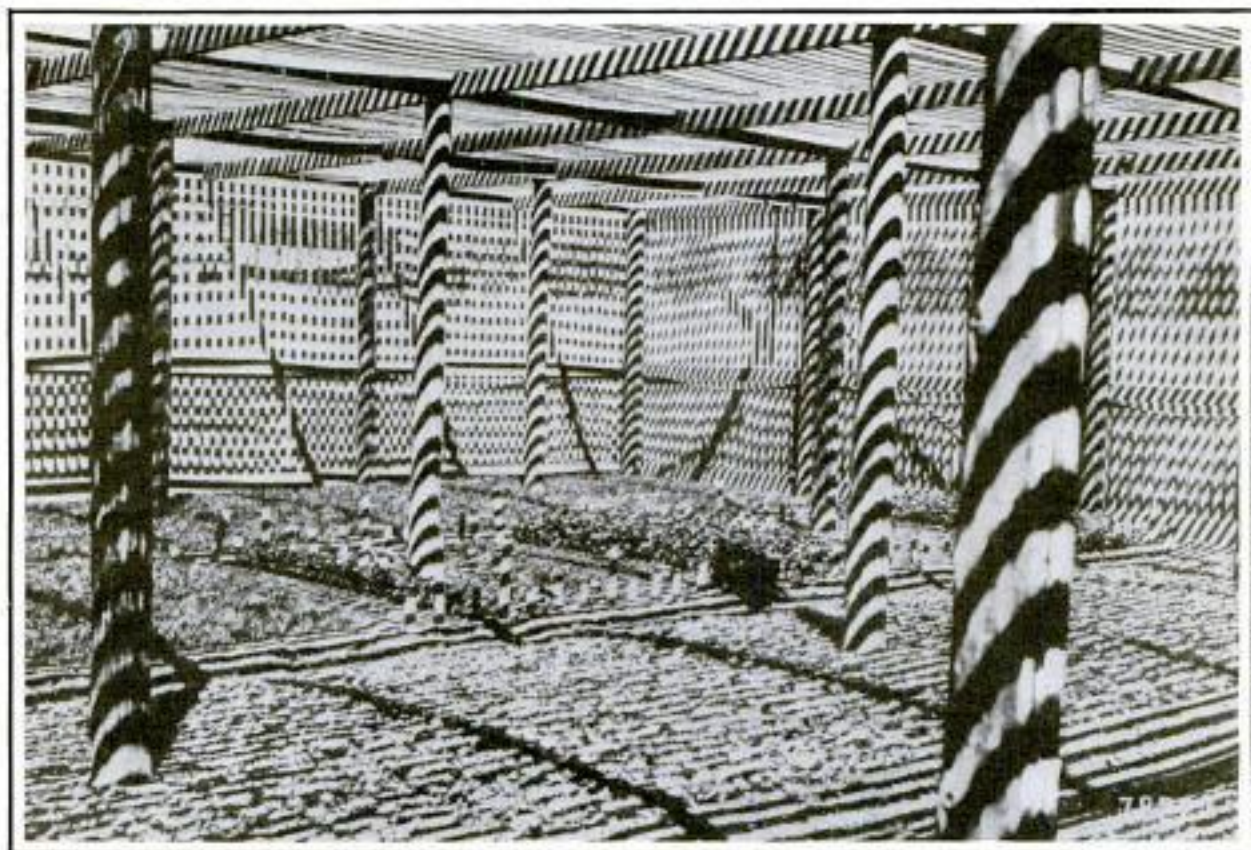
trodes are then placed in contact with the water in both the glove and can, and the test current, which runs as high as 10,000 volts, turned on. A glove may be under this test from one to five minutes. By employing an

ammeter it is possible to measure the amount of current which passes through a glove, and if this exceeds 10 milliamperes at 10,000 volts it is rejected.

CA gasoline engine using but $\frac{1}{20}$ of a drop of gasoline for a single charge has been made.

Electrical Testing Laboratories, Inc.,
80th St. + East End Ave.
New York City.

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This Photograph Shows the Peculiar Effect of Sunlight and Shadow in the Interior of a Lattice-Inclosed Tree Nursery

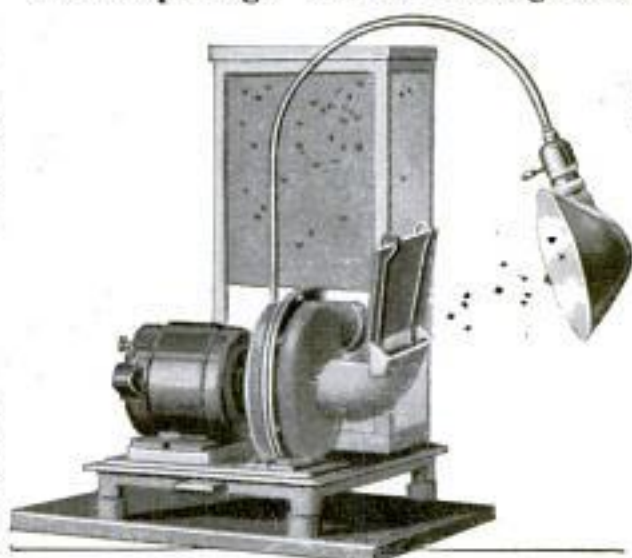
8670 LATTICE CAUSES PECULIAR SHADOW EFFECT

A peculiar effect of sunlight and shadow is shown in a photograph of the interior of a lattice-inclosed tree nursery. In this picture the shadows cast by the wooden strips that form the top of the lattice look like stripes painted in black on the sides and supports of the structure and on the young sprouts that have grown to a height of a few inches above the ground.

9395 NOVEL TRAP FOR FLIES AND MOSQUITOES

Catching flies and mosquitoes and humidifying the air at the same time is accomplished by a new apparatus now being introduced. The body of the apparatus consists of a cage covered with fine wire netting for holding the insects. Connected with the cage is an electric suction fan that draws the insects through an opening into the cage. To get the insects to come close enough to the opening to be

caught by the suction two methods are used. At night an electric light and mirror form the necessary attraction, while during the day a metal plate smeared with sirup is placed adjacent to the opening. Within the cage is a



This Fly Trap Lures the Insects by Light and Captures Them by Air Suction

sponge that is kept wet, and the constant circulation of air over this aids in keeping the air in the room at the proper humidity.

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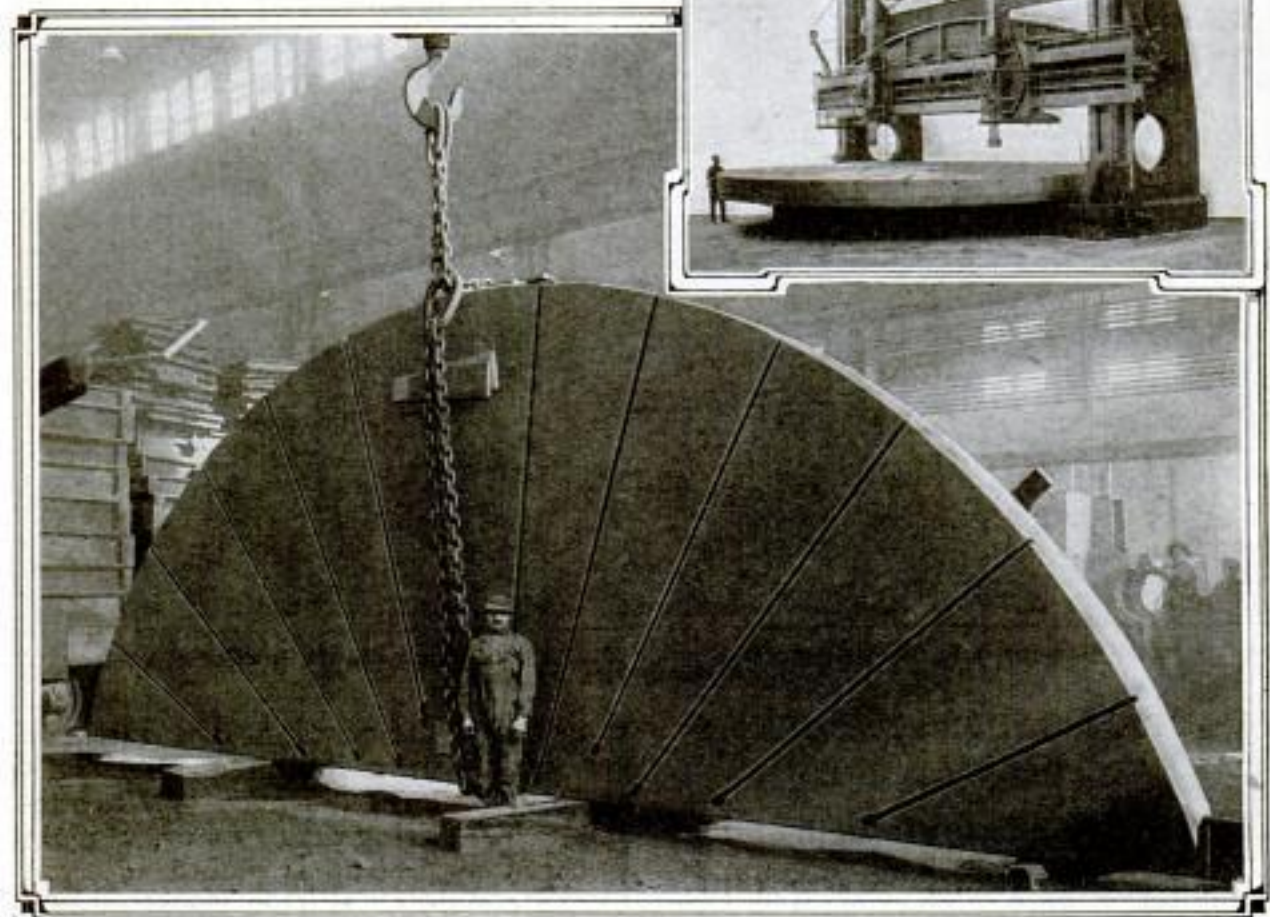
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Eric Co. Savings Bank Bldg.
898 Buffalo, N.Y.

POPULAR MECHANICS

HUGE BORING MILL BUILT TO
FINISH GUN TURRETS

8493

At the New York Navy Yard there has recently been completed the in-



This Boring Mill, the Largest Ever Built in America, Weighs 300 Tons and is Used in Making the Turret Tracks for the New Battleships

stallation of the largest boring mill that has ever been built in this country. This machine was designed for finishing the tracks of the turrets carrying the 14 and 15-in. guns of the new battleships. The mill will also be used for boring cylinders and machining the casings of the steam turbines for war vessels. Some operations previously done on a planer will also be taken care of by it. This mill is not of the "extension" type, but has an actual swing of 36 ft. 2 in. with the housings in a fixed position. The total weight, including motors, is 602,000 lb., or over 300 tons. The maximum height from the table to the under side of the cross rail is 13 ft. The table was designed to carry a weight of over 200,000 lb. The central section

weighed in the rough 83,000 lb., and the side sections each 70,000 lb., making a total weight of 223,000 lb. The table is supported on conical rollers running in a circular track sunk in the bed. A 60-hp. motor provides the driving power.

DEMAND FOR JAPANESE HAIR
NOW EXCEEDS SUPPLY

During the last few years the exportation of human hair from Japan has increased to the point that the demand for it now far exceeds the available supply. Especially when compared with that of the average European, the hair of the Japanese woman is extremely long, elastic, and strong, which gives it superiority for commercial purposes.

The Japan Magazine

The United States and France offer the principal markets for the Oriental dealers. In Europe it is much used for weaving purposes, the hair being bleached by chemical treatment, dyed in different colors, and subsequently woven with silk into ribbon materials and heavy fabrics suitable for draperies and upholstery, some of which command prices of several hundred dollars a yard. Collectors have found that the hair of Tokyo women is inferior to that of country people who pay less attention to dressing it and therefore produce a longer and much better quality.

FAN ATTACHMENT INVENTED FOR SEWING MACHINES

9396

An odd fan attachment for sewing machines has been designed by a Texas inventor. It consists of a me-



With This Attachment a Woman may Fan Herself While Using a Sewing Machine

SHIELD TO CATCH FLYING METAL CHIPS

9338

A simple but effective shield has been adopted by one of the leading steel companies for preventing metal chips from flying when chiseling is being done. It consists of a screen made of ducking, ordinarily 24 in. square, and carried in a frame made of 3/8-in. round steel bars. The frame is mounted on a steel block weighing 21 lb., and the whole device is easily carried from bench to bench and placed in any desired position. For floor use the shield is made larger and is mounted on a heavier base. In some of the



This Shield Catches the Metal Chips When Chiseling is being Done

shields the base is made with a rounded bottom so that it will resume an upright position automatically in case it be upset.

Stephen W. Toner
Maj. Accident & Pension Dept.
Amer. Steel & Wire Co.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

chanical arrangement by which the operator of a machine may be fanned while working. An upright rod is clamped to the sewing-machine table, and pivoted near the top of it is a bar which holds a palm-leaf fan. One end of this is connected to the pedal board by a slender stick, so that the fan is moved rapidly up and down as the machine is operated.

CRUDE CLAY PIPES USED BY INDIAN TROOPS

9287

Those who are unfamiliar with many of the customs of the tribesmen of the East cannot but wonder at some of the curious habits followed by the Hindus and Sikhs now fighting with the allies in the Continental trenches.

Tobacco
Illustrated London News
Jan. 463/1915

*Inventor: John A. Unglaub,
Colorado Springs, Colo.
Taken from patent
specifications*

One of their odd rites is the manner in which they use tobacco. Because the cigarettes supplied the troops are made by "Christian hands," the Hindus and Sikhs abstain from their use, refusing to so defile their lips. Instead they frequently mold a potato-shaped

and then take turns in inhaling the sedative drafts. The pipe is usually placed in a niche cut in one side of the trench at a height which permits them to squat comfortably and smoke. Instead of placing the straw between their lips, they close their fists over the end of it and draw the smoke through them, as shown in the illustration.



COURTESY ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS
Taking Turns in the Trenches Smoking through a Straw
a Crude Pipe Made of Clay

pipe bowl out of clay and harden it by baking. Into this they insert a straw

lb. of the product is mixed with a gallon of soft water.

IRON SCENERY FOR THEATER

9200 MADE IN RECORD TIME

Sheet iron is the material which was used recently in constructing scenery for a photoplay house at New York, the managers of which learned a day and a half before the advertised time

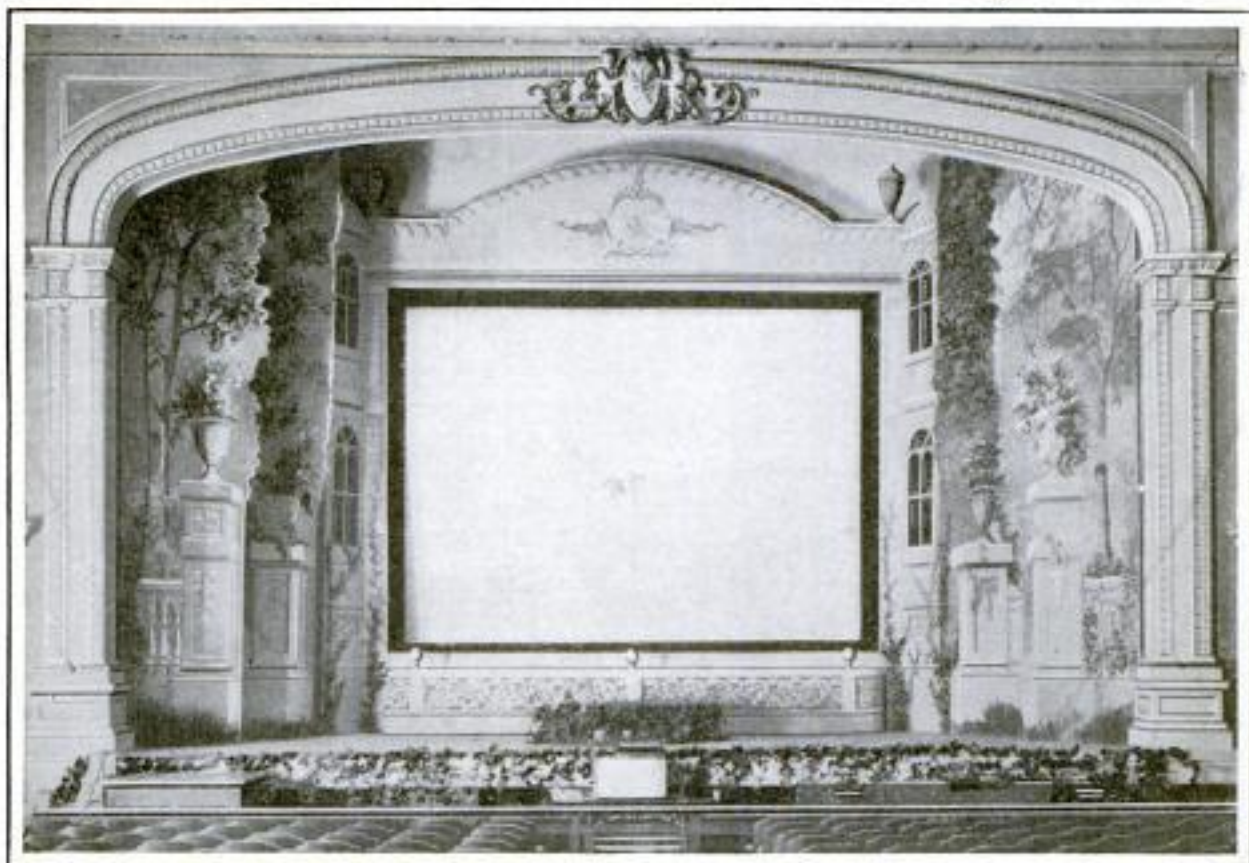
for the opening of the theater that municipal fire ordinances prohibited the use of ordinary scenery. In approximately 36 hours the character of the substitute scenery was decided upon, its design drawn, the contract awarded, the work completed, and the theater opened. Just as rapidly as a

*J. S. Feiner, of Feiner Sheet
Metal Works, 335 West 44th St.,
N. Y. City*

MAKING PAINT WEAR LONGER 9058

Patent rights have been granted on a process for increasing the wearing properties of lead paint. This consists of mixing soft water, zinc sulphate, and kerosene with paints composed of linseed oil and lead. It is claimed that this has no deleterious effect upon the color and that the paint will dry with a hard surface which will neither peel nor flake. For use, 2 oz. of a solution of soft water and zinc sulphate are added to a gallon of paint and thoroughly mixed, after which a quart, or more, of soft water is carefully stirred in and a half pint of kerosene finally introduced. In making the sulphate solution, 1

*1127
Serial 727988
John Anton Unglaub.*



All the Scenery Shown in This Photograph is Made of Sheet Iron and was Designed and Built in 36 Hours

section of the scenery was cut out and fixed to its framework, it was set in place on the stage and turned over to the scene painters. It was only six minutes before seven o'clock, the hour when the doors were to be swung out, that the finishing touches were completed and the stage finally cleared so the audience could be admitted.

HOTEL PROVIDES BUTTONS FOR ITS GUESTS

An assortment of buttons and the means for sewing them on is a convenience for travelers found in every bedroom of a Jacksonville, Fla., hotel. Buttons for coats, waistcoats, trousers, shirts, and underwear, in assorted sizes, are provided, and needles already threaded with white and black thread are stuck in the guest-room pin-cushions.

More than 200,000 tons of copper will have been used for military purposes in the first year of the war.

Reported by Mr. Windsor

WINDOW SHADES ARE TACKED TO ROLLERS BY MACHINE

For tacking window shades to wooden rollers an especially designed machine has been made which does the work quickly and evenly without requiring any hammering. The device is an adaptation of a lately introduced tacker which works on much the same principle as some paper binders used for office purposes. The tacks used are of the staple form, are fed automatically and driven by pressing on a plunger.



A similar machine, the head of which is flat instead of being curved to fit over a roller, is made for tacking tags to packing cases, laying carpets and matting, and doing work of similar nature.

*Refer to Mr. M. S. Cook
259 Broadway, N. Y. City*

*Acme Staple Co. Ltd
Camden N. J. 7 112 No 9th, Phila.
make these machines.*

J. R. Higgins
P.O. Box 422

902 Palatka,
Fla.

POPULAR MECHANICS

9052 CHIP FOUND IN HEART OF CYPRESS TREE

As a cypress tree, cut from a Florida forest, was being sawed into lumber a chip from a tree of another species was



This Photograph Shows How Perfectly the Wood had Grown around a Chip Accidentally Imbedded in a Cypress Tree Over 400 Years Ago

found deeply imbedded in the wood. Estimated from the rings in the wood that had grown over it, this chip had become imbedded in the tree over 400 years ago, or in the time of the Span-

ish explorers, having evidently been thrown by the ax of a woodman of that time and become tightly wedged against the young tree. In growing over it, the tree adjusted itself so perfectly to the ax cuts in the chip that, when the two parts are placed together, the lines of separation are barely perceptible.

ALGERIAN CAMEL CARAVAN CROSSING ARID REGION

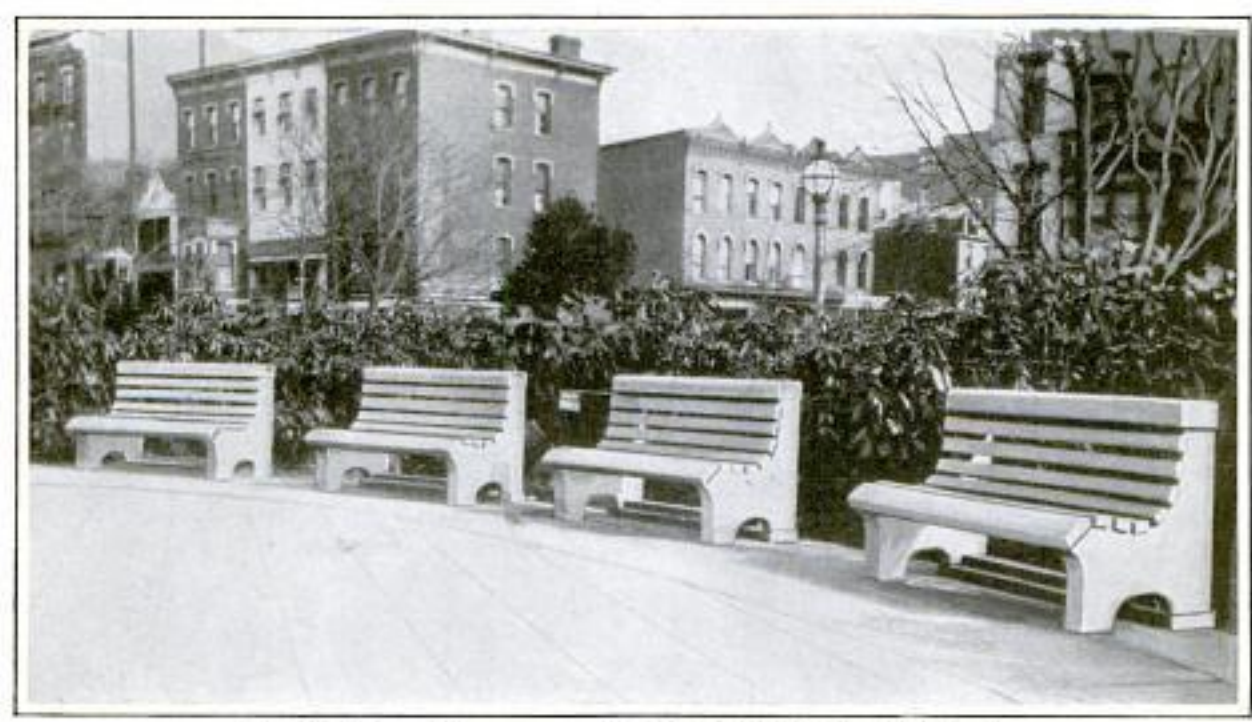
74¹⁰ In the desert regions of Africa, camel caravans are seen today just as they were centuries ago. The accompanying photograph was taken when a wealthy Algerian and his suite were starting on a long overland journey from the arid territory east of Ghardaia to Algiers, the capital. Until Ghardaia is reached there are no railroads, and caravans form the only means of transportation. The camels are harnessed in single file, hair ropes often connecting one to another. The leader is usually gayly decorated with colored trappings, while it is not infrequent that a donkey precedes the procession in order that good fortune will be met on the way. In most instances every one is armed for protection against robbers.



A Typical Camel Caravan Pushing through the Sandy Regions of Southern Algeria

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Albert B. Niess
Room 230, Treasury Dept.,
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Durable Type of Concrete Benches in a Small Park at Washington

**ARTISTIC CONCRETE BENCH
FOR LAWN OR PARK**

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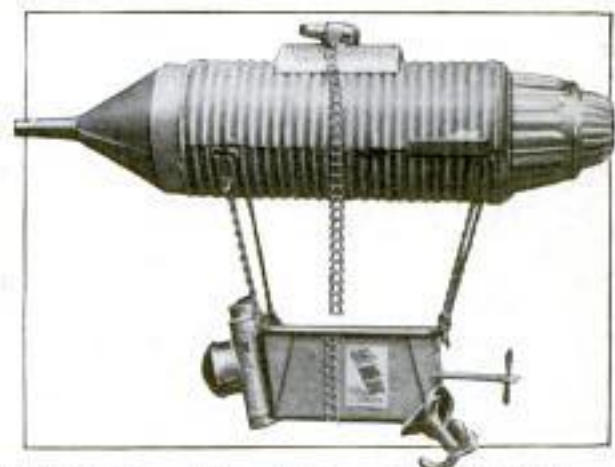
In the small parks about Washington, D. C., a type of concrete bench has been adopted which is not only artistic, but also durable. It is made of heavy, solid construction and so put together that it seldom needs attention other than an occasional painting of the thick wood slats which are bolted in place to form the serpentine seat and back. A number of benches have been made after this pattern, and when once set in place, they are allowed to remain summer and winter in the same spot, not requiring protection from the weather.

**HARDWARE "ZEPPELIN" MADE
FOR WINDOW DISPLAY**

9359

At the time that the fear of a Zeppelin raid was at its height in England, a Manchester household furnisher made use of the opportunity which was afforded for window advertising, and constructed a hardware "Zeppelin" dirigible from various articles selected out of his stock. All of the things which were employed in putting the burlesque craft together were such as are in common use in nearly every

home. An ordinary funnel was used for the front end of the balloon, a roll-bread tin for the body of it, and a jelly mold at the rear. On the top of the dirigible an imitation machine gun was made with a nutmeg grater and a door buffer. Picture hooks were used to hold the chains from which the car, an ordinary bread pan, was suspended. At the front of this was placed an electric



This Hardware "Zeppelin" was Made with Various Household Articles for Window-Advertising Purposes in a Manchester Store

lantern, and at the rear, a revolving wardrobe hook and an egg beater, for the propellers.

ⒸThe U. S. Army has \$50,000 to spend for armored motor cars.

F. M. Rawell
32 Victoria St.,
Manchester, Eng.

Albert Morple
322 Baynton St.,
904 Tropico, Calif.

**WATERING CAN FOR PLANTS
8880 ON HIGH SHELVES**

When potted ferns and other plants are set on high shelves, or in baskets out of easy reach, the daily routine of watering them

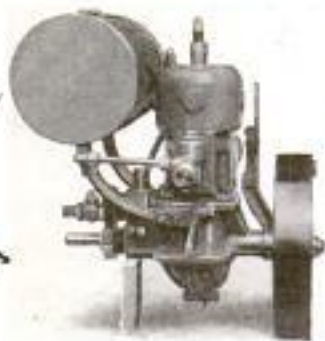


is frequently a troublesome one requiring the use of a stepladder or its equivalent. An ingenious device which eliminates this procedure consists of a cylindrical can held in a fork at the end of a long handle. This mounting is similar to that of the

average kerosene torch and allows the can to tip either forward or backward. Near the brim of the receptacle a piece of wire, about an inch long, is soldered. By lifting the can to the edge of a flowerpot and engaging this hook, thus allowing the container to be tipped forward, the water may be poured freely.

**COMPACT GAS ENGINE MADE
FOR USE IN CANOE**

Designed to be used in a canoe, a 2 1/2-hp. gasoline motor has been developed which weighs only 40 lb. and



is able to give one of the small craft a speed of approximately 12 miles an hour. The engine is assembled in a fairly compact manner and carries at the back a fuel tank of one-gallon capacity.

It is intended to be mounted in the bottom of a canoe on two short pieces of planking fastened securely to the ribs about 4 1/2 ft. from the stem. The propeller shaft extends through

K. H. Hamilton
1619 Lincoln Place St.
Cincinnati, Ohio.

the keelson, or at one side of it, as best suits the specific canoe to which the power plant is fitted. Sufficient room is left back of the motor for the battery box. The height from the bottom of the flywheel to the top of the gas tank is 18 inches.

**ANTISKID CHAIN INVENTED
FOR MOTOR-TRUCK TIRES**

In Great Britain a new style of non-skid chain has recently been developed for use on the solid tires of motor trucks. It is



made up of several large metal rings linked together by equal segments of a heavy chain. This passes around the circumference of the tire like a necklace. The grips are formed similar to suction cups, and are supposed to prevent skidding in any direction, while it is also said that they are not so destructive to a tire as the flat bars sometimes used, because the size of each ring is such that the strain is spread over a greater area than in the other instance. On bad roads the chain also gives a wheel an excellent purchase.

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**TO EXPLORE SEA FOR CARGO
LOST OVER CENTURY AGO**

Preparations are being made to attempt the recovery of a cargo lost in the Pacific Ocean, in 1813, when the Russian sloop "Neva" was wrecked off the coast of Alaska, near Sitka. The vessel was a 375-ton bark and carried 14 brass guns. It was loaded with a cargo composed largely of fixtures for a church at Sitka and this, if obtainable, is thought to be worth approximately \$100,000. The ship is supposed to have gone down in about 75 ft. of water. A list of the things aboard it is still preserved.

Jas. S. McCurdy,
Port Townsend, Wash.

*National Steam Loan Co., Ltd.,
78 Broadwood St., London, E.C. 4.*

*Mfrs: The Blackley Engine Co.,
Maccleson, N. Mich.*

Neva

9053

Walter A. Hillam, 1178 Pender St., W.
Vancouver, B.C.

NEW BRIDGE BRINGS OUT STRIKING CONTRAST



The New Suspension Bridge with Construction Well Started. The Indian Bridge is Shown in the Cañon Just Below

THE new bridge spans the cañon at a height of 250 feet above the water. It is a thoroughly modern structure built to carry foot and vehicular traffic and has a span of 451 feet between towers. The main cables are of steel, two and seven-sixteenths inches in diameter, having their anchorages in massive blocks of concrete. The bridge is nine feet wide and is built to carry a test load of 18,000 pounds distributed over a length of 67 feet.



Close View of Bridge Built by Indians

NO greater contrast between primitive and up-to-date bridge construction can well be found than that brought out by the building of this suspension bridge over the Bulkley Cañon in western Canada within a few hundred feet of an old Indian bridge that is still in serviceable condition. The Indian bridge was constructed 20 years ago of wire and poles abandoned many years before by a telegraph company that started to build a line through Canada and Alaska to connect with the Russian lines in Asia and then stopped work on the project because of the completion of the Atlantic cable. This primitive structure is remarkable in that it embodies correct principles of cantilever construction, although built by untaught Indians. After it was completed, 15 squaws of the tribe were sent to the middle of the bridge to test its strength by doing a dance. The bridge stood the test and has been in service ever since.



Inventor: *Mr. Scott*
2334 Upland Place,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

**SIMPLE WAY FOR MOTORISTS
8564 TO CARRY ROAD MAPS**

For use when touring through unfamiliar districts where it is necessary to depend upon road maps to guide



With the Case Strapped to the Steering Wheel the Motorist Has His Map before Him Constantly

him, an Ohio motorist has devised an ingenious case for his charts which may be strapped to the steering wheel of the car so that the course can be watched as he proceeds. The case is made on essentially the same principle as a roll-film camera, which, if desired, may be used for the purpose. The maps are cut in strips and pasted together so that the entire trip is outlined longitudinally on one long, narrow piece. This is rolled on a spool and the top end attached to a second spool so that the strip may be unwound as the course is traveled. A small pane of glass or sheet of celluloid, placed over the case, serves to keep out the dust.

**SHORT-RANGE TORPEDO USED
9603 IN GERMAN SEA RAIDS**

It has been reported that in its operations against unarmored merchant vessels and transports, the German navy has made use of a small, short-range torpedo which costs much less than the ordinary weapon and may be

Chicago Daily News

made in approximately half the time required in building those of a larger type. Torpedoes are expensive instruments, the German type ranging in cost from \$6,000 to \$12,000 each and demanding much time in construction. The short-range torpedo, which, instead of being capable of shooting through the water for from 4,000 to 10,000 yd. is effective up to about 1,500 yd., costs about \$2,200. In place of carrying an explosive charge of 250 or 300 lb. of guncotton, it uses 100 lb., and also does not require much of the intricate propelling and steering mechanism that is needed in the larger ones. The purpose of the new torpedo is to conserve the supply of the full-sized ones needed in regular naval operations, which would be greatly depleted if used in blowing up merchant ships.

**NEW BAGGAGE RACK FOR
9432 RAILWAY COACHES**

A new type of baggage rack just put in service on a western railway is designed to provide ample storage for hand baggage and, at the same time, eliminate all danger of its falling on the heads of the passengers. The outer side of the rack is made high and consists of two gates sliding on rods at top and bottom. The gates slide independently of each other. In



This Baggage Rack for Railway Coaches is Equipped with Gates for Placing and Removing the Baggage

using, one of the gates is slid to one side, the baggage is placed in position in the rack, and the gate is slid back to close the opening.

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A. T. & S. F. R. R. Co.
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Felix J. Koch, Heavie Ave., Avondale, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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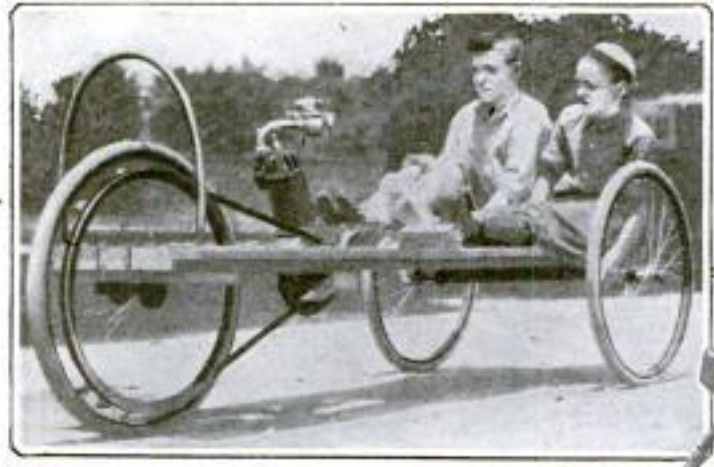
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CYCLECARS BUILT BY BOYS FROM ODDS AND ENDS

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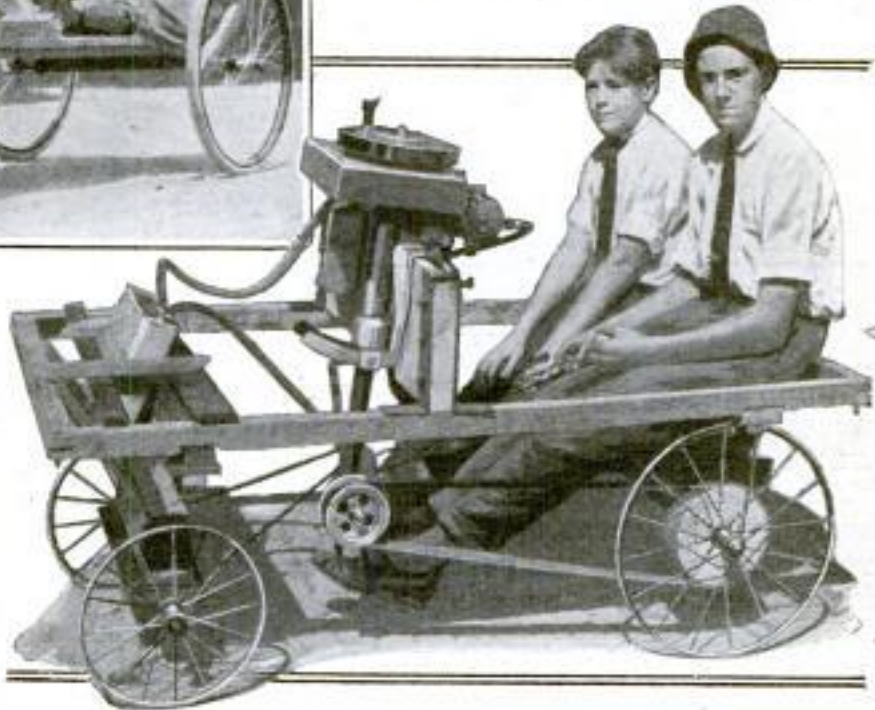
In a large number of states the younger brothers of boys who a few years ago were constructing three-

being accomplished at the rear. On good roads the car is able to carry its two occupants along at approximately 15 miles an hour. A Ft. Wayne, Ind., boy is the builder of the other machine shown here, the motive power for which is supplied by an outboard engine previously attached to his rowboat. At the front of the machine is



Three-Wheeled Cyclecar Built from Odds and Ends

wheeled coasting devices from bicycle wheels and a few boards, are today constructing motor-driven cyclecars. Many of these are as ingenious as they are simple. One of the accompanying photographs shows a machine built by a Pomona, Cal., boy from a couple of boards, three bicycle wheels, and an old motorcycle engine. The device is driven by belt transmission which is applied to the front wheel, the steering and braking



Using an Outboard Marine Engine as Power for a Homemade Cyclecar

placed a large can which is used as a water radiator. By running two pieces of hose from this to the engine, the latter is cooled.

Illustration of a cyclecar built from odds and ends

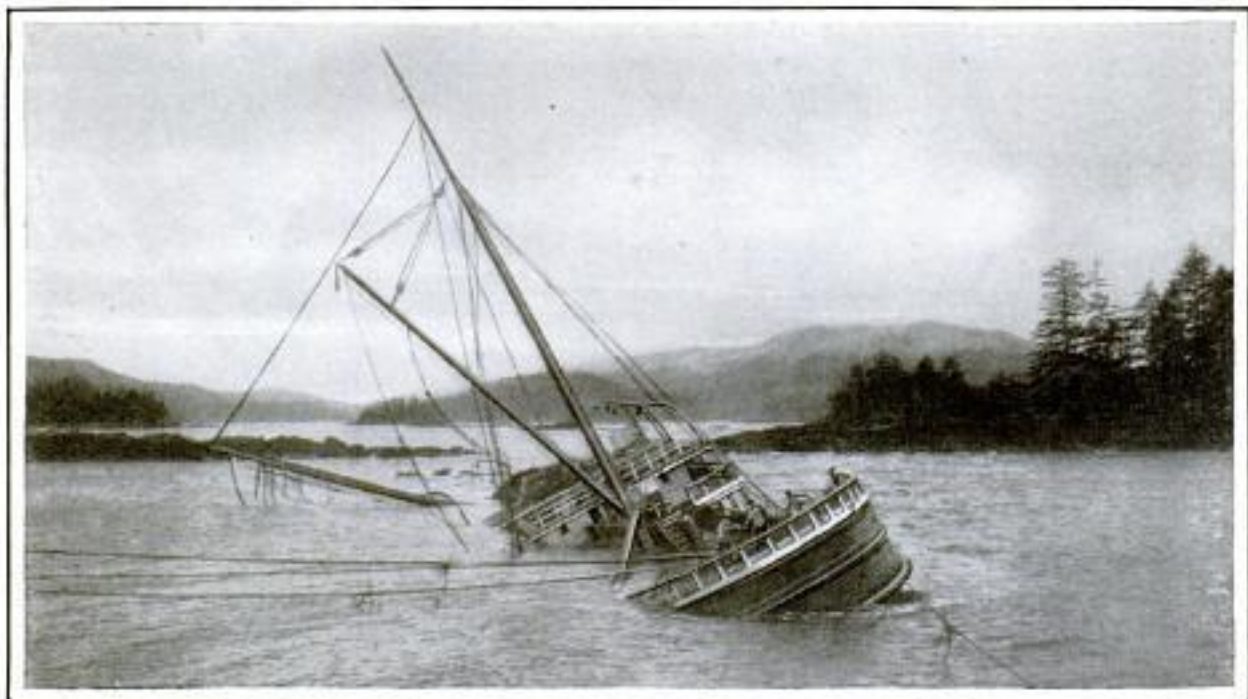
WRECKED STEAMER RESCUES SELF FROM DESTRUCTION

9485

An odd instance of a wrecked ship saving itself practically without human assistance, occurred on the Alaskan coast a short time ago. The wooden steamship "Delhi," after striking a reef, was abandoned by its owners and left to the underwriters, who rushed the wrecking vessel "Salvor" to the rescue. The wreckers succeeded in installing pumps aboard the disabled craft and

were making good progress when a heavy storm came up, forcing the "Salvor" to put out for its own safety. The breakers were running high and it appeared certain that the "Delhi" would be pounded to pieces in a short time. To the contrary, however, it floated off the reef and commenced aimlessly to drift through the narrows, later being picked up by the power schooner "Takau II" and towed to a place of safety. The vessel is valued at \$125,000 and the pumps and other

Joe. L. McCurdy, Port Townsend, Wash.



The "Delhi" in Tow After Wandering through the Narrows as a Derelict, Following Its Own Rescue from the Breakers

equipment, placed aboard it by the wrecking crew, at \$12,000. Since it was a derelict when taken in tow, the "Takau II" will receive a salvage award, which means that the wrecking vessel is placed in the position of paying salvage on its own equipment.

MOTOR TRAINS ARE USED

9500 AT SAN FRANCISCO

By constructing motor-car trains, each of which is capable of carrying approximately 40 passengers, adequate transportation facilities have been fur-

nished within the grounds of the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco. These curious carriers, which were devised especially for this purpose, travel regular routes on a time schedule. The train consists of an especially designed motor-car tractor to which are coupled two or three trailers, each of which is built with long side seats placed back to back, with an aisle between them for the use of a conductor. The cars are provided with automatic steering devices so that they are made to follow immediately in the tracks made by the motor car and take up no unnecessary space

*FADGE-AUTO-TRAIN, Inc., 702 Market St
San Francisco*



One of the Motor-Car Trains Loaded with Passengers on the Way between the Two Terminal Stations

*Hamilton M. Wright, Pan. Pacific Exposition
San Francisco, Cal.*

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when rounding a curve. They are also fitted with an ingenious self-operating braking system, so that when the speed of the tractor is decreased, the cars behind are checked. Twenty trains of

this kind are in use on the exposition grounds, operating between two terminals, one of which is situated at the Fillmore Street entrance and the other at the Massachusetts building.

8380 CHURCH IN A CAVE A MECCA FOR BRAZILIAN PILGRIMS

In a natural cave on a bank of the São Francisco River at Bom Jesus da Lapa, in Bahia, Brazil, is a subterranean church which is a mecca for the natives of the eastern provinces. A massive limestone rock, nearly 150 ft. broad, rises from the water's edge to a height of about 200 ft. and extends back several hundred yards. Its summit is crowned by slender spires cut by ages of exposure, while the innumerable crevices in the façade beneath are covered by clusters of cactus and the foliage of other growths. Two apertures in the wall form entrances to the church, which has a length of 130 ft., an average width of a little more than 30 ft., and a height of about 25 ft. The altar is placed near one of these openings, which admit just enough sunlight to illuminate the nave dimly. The rock ceiling of the cave has been faced with wooden panels, and hanging from it before the ornate altar, is a large silver lamp. On each side of the auditorium in small recesses are two minor altars surrounded by figures of local saints. Near the central entrance is a wooden balustrade which serves as a choir loft, and with the further exception of a rough brick floor, damp from the continual dripping of water, the cave is as it was found originally. It

is the belief of the worshipers that the dripping water possesses holy virtues. They make long pilgrimages to the church to invoke the favor of the saints or return thanks for blessings received, and no boat ever passes Bom Jesus da



The Interior of the Subterranean Church at Bom Jesus da Lapa, Brazil, Which Is the Mecca for the People of the Eastern Provinces Who Make Long Pilgrimages to Worship before Its Altar

Lapa without leaving an offering at this shrine.

Efforts to drill a hole in a sheet of tantalum, $\frac{1}{25}$ in. thick, with a diamond drill revolving at 5,000 revolutions per minute resulted, after 72 hours' continuous work, in wearing out the diamond and denting the metal.

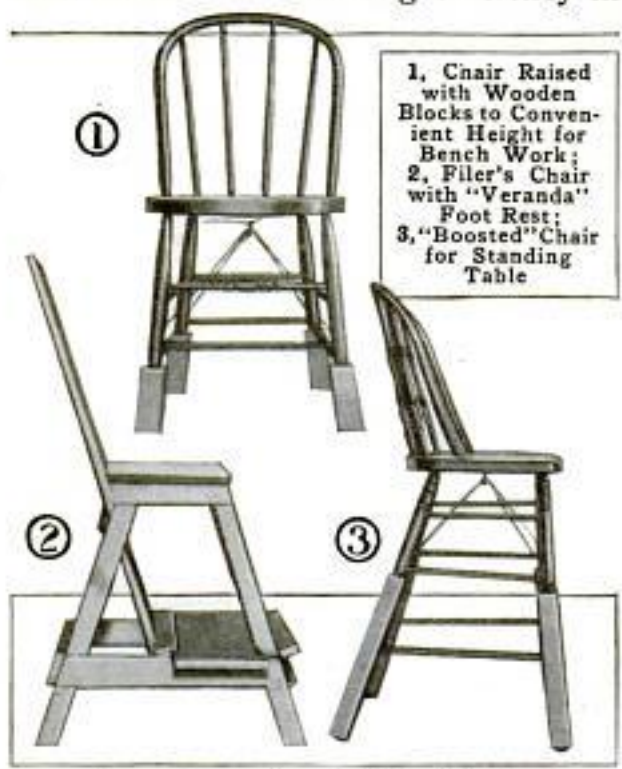
Robt. H. Becker, Field Museum of Nat. History
Chicago.

J. K. Hamilton, 1231 E. McMullan, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Frank B. Gilbreth, Providence, R.I. has anti-fatigue exhibit

CHAIRS THAT ELIMINATE UNNECESSARY FATIGUE

Elimination of unnecessary fatigue has become recognized as an important element in obtaining efficiency in

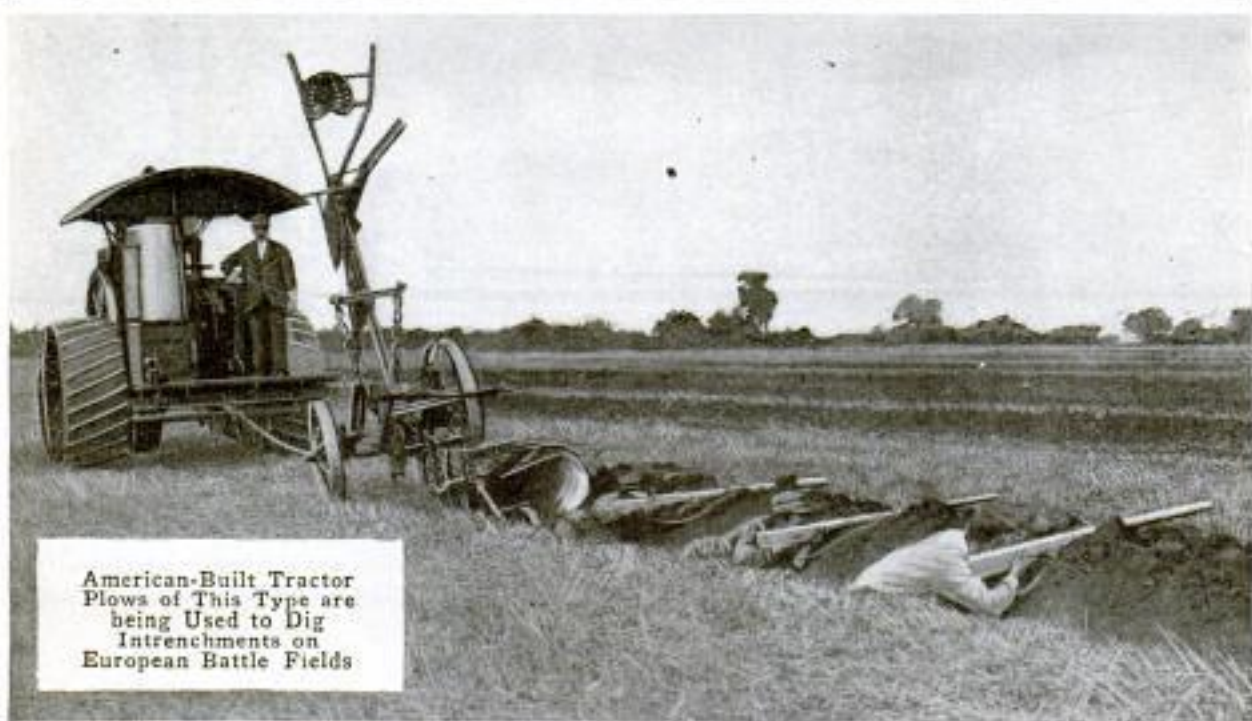


classes of skilled labor. Three of these chairs have already been made, but they are experimental and rough in form. In appearance they are much like ordinary kitchen chairs, but each has been made to fit a certain kind of work. A chair made for the man who formerly stood at his job of filing is known as a "veranda" chair because of the ledge at the bottom. This ledge serves as a brace for the foot and gives the body the necessary rigidity for the work. The other two chairs have simply been made of the right height for the work in hand. One of these, the "boosted" chair, for use at a standing table, is equipped with ball-bearing dome casters, and is easily pushed about as required by the work.

DIGGING BATTLE TRENCHES WITH STEAM PLOWS

any class of work. With this in view, a prominent efficiency engineer has made a beginning in devising chairs that are exactly suited to different

Wherever it is possible to do so, large tractor plows are being used on the different European battle fields to dig intrenchments. In the past this has been a laborious and time-consuming operation, but with modern machinery it has been simplified to the point that an army may make complete preparations for protection in a very



O. P. Seyer, 11429 West 9th St., Des Moines, Iowa.



Funeral of a Native in Northern Siberia near Verkhoyansk, Where the Ground Is Permanently Frozen

short time, a thing of much significance when it is remembered that the introduction of motor cars has greatly lessened the time required for transporting troops from one point to another. The accompanying photograph shows the type of implement which has been supplied to the various countries, by American manufacturers, and is being employed in the war zones. The plow cuts a trench, 20 in. wide and 20 in. deep, and turns the dirt over so that it forms a heavy breastwork for the soldiers. The machine has been especially used in digging trenches before cities in the path of an enemy.

WEIRD FUNERAL OF NATIVES 9320 IN NORTHERN SIBERIA

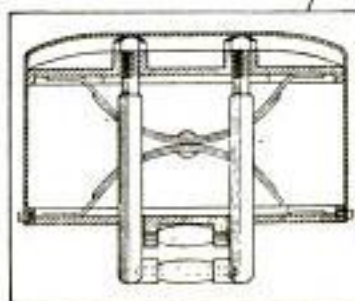
In the northern part of Siberia, where the ground is permanently frozen to great depths, the funeral rites which are performed when a native dies are quite the antithesis of those with which peoples in moderate climates are familiar. No attempt is ordinarily made to excavate a grave for a deceased person, for such a thing means long and tedious labor. Because of this it is the custom to bind the dead in skins and carry them on reindeer sleds out across the tundra, or plain, to be deposited on the snow in some unfrequented place where they become the prey of arctic wolves. The

Walter L. Beasley
69 W. 108th St.
N. Y. City.

temperature in this district drops to 85° and more below zero. In the past perfectly preserved bodies of the mammoth, thousands of years old, have been discovered in these districts.

SEMIELLIPTICAL SPRINGS 8460 IN SHOCK ABSORBER

In a new shock absorber for automobiles the coiled-spring idea is abandoned and the shock is taken up by a pair of semielliptical springs bolted together at their centers. The casing is made in two parts, the upper part being movable "T.H.R.T.W." up and down and being guided by



New Type of Shock Absorber Using Semielliptical Springs

posts that slide in sleeves fixed to the lower part. The springs, which have sliding ends, bear against the two parts and keep them spread apart when not subjected to strain, but deflect readily under any shock. The upper part is attached by a link to the automobile spring, while the lower part is supported on the axle.

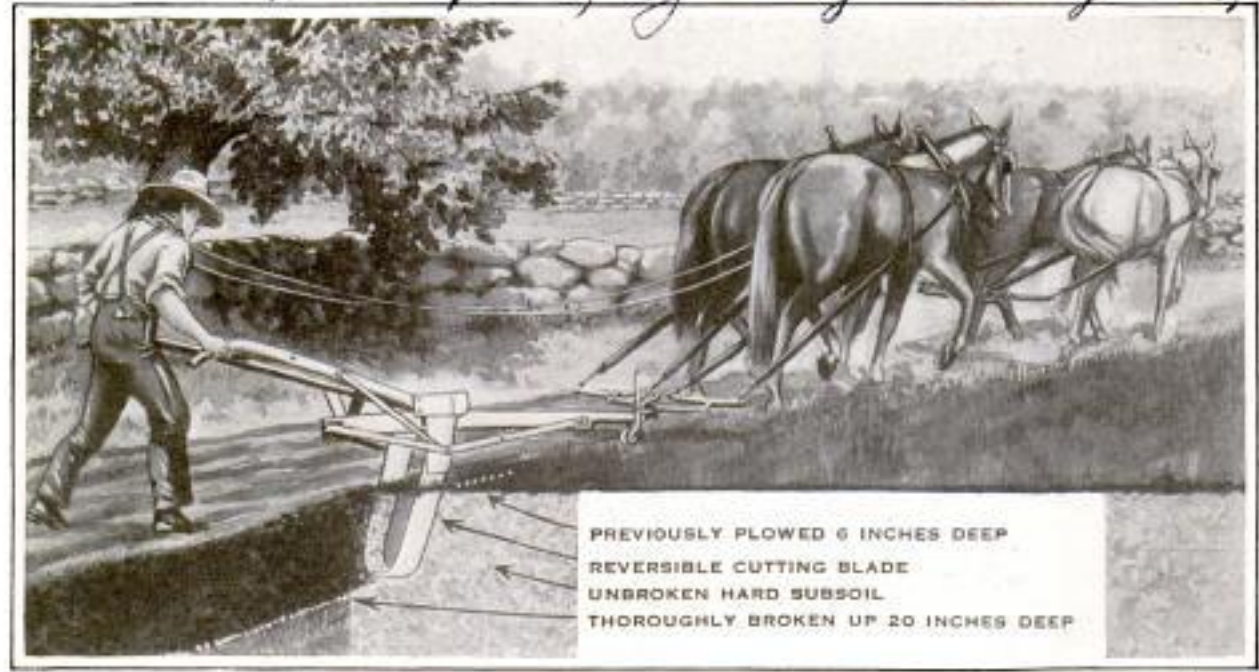
Inventor: Dr. R. T. Williams
Pat. 1,096,279
May 12, 1914
314 Bowles Bldg.
Detroit, Mich.

*Australasian Hardware & Machinery.
 Invented by S. A. Hogg, of the New South Wales Experimental Farm at Wagga
 Wagga*

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POPULAR MECHANICS

H. H. Hinds, Ltd., Young & Bridge Sts., Sydney N.S.



PREVIOUSLY PLOWED 6 INCHES DEEP
 REVERSIBLE CUTTING BLADE
 UNBROKEN HARD SUBSOIL
 THOROUGHLY BROKEN UP 20 INCHES DEEP

This Subsoiling Implement Pulverizes the Soil to a Depth of 20 Inches, and with Certain Modifications is Also Used for Trench Digging

CHECK TUNNEL ALINEMENT

9177

WITH SIGHTING BORE

In projecting the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway through British Columbia a tunnel somewhat more than a half mile in length has been constructed beneath a large bluff on Kamloops Lake. A small patch of light which is admitted at the far end of this passage, to be seen in the accompanying photograph, does not come from the portal, but instead from a sighting hole,



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approximately 4 ft. square, which was driven for the purpose of extending a tangent to a point several miles on the opposite side of the water and thus making a check on the alinement of the bore. This procedure was made necessary because the center line of the tunnel curves for a distance of about 300 ft. near its far portal, making it impossible to see from one end of it to the other.

SIMPLE IMPLEMENT MADE

9353

FOR SUBSOILING WORK

Adapted for agricultural purposes, a new subsoiling implement has been invented in Australia which may be used either independently or in conjunction with regular plowing. The device is provided with a U-shaped blade which extends in the ground to a depth of from 12 to 20 in. and makes a cut 14 in. wide, lifting the soil somewhat and breaking it up without turning it to the top. The blade is fixed to a framework which at the front carries a guide wheel and is provided with plow handles. Another type of the same implement is built with a frame which is carried on wheels, allowing the driver either to ride or walk while doing the subsoiling work. The blade may also be used back of the shares of a double-furrow plow. A somewhat different implement, used for draining purposes, is provided with both U and V-shaped blades, and is fitted with a mold board so that the soil instead of merely being pulverized is lifted entirely out of the cut, leaving a trench 14 in. wide and 20 in. deep.

Ⓒ Paper lint for dressing wounds is being used in Europe.

*E. J. Mahren,
 Engineering Record (Photo loaned by)
 1239 W. 39th St.,
 N. Y. City*

Army & Navy Journal
**ARMY AIRMAN MAKES RECORD
CARRYING TWO PASSENGERS**

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Lieut. Byron Jones, of the United States Army Signal Corps, during a flight at San Diego, Cal., on March 12, this year, broke the world's record for continuous flying with two passengers in an aeroplane. He succeeded in remaining in the air for 7 hr. 5 min., ascending at 10:02 a. m. and landing at 5:07 p. m. This exceeded by 20 minutes the previous record which was established in November, 1913, by a German airman. The machine used was a modified Burgess tractor.

**PROTECT OLD BUILDINGS
AGAINST DAMP WALLS**

7884

For insulating stone buildings so that they will not absorb dampness from the surrounding ground, a new process has been introduced in Europe which, it is claimed, has proved successful. The method consists in sawing a slot in the foundation a few inches above the ground line and inserting in this lead plates coated with asphalt. To accomplish this, a machine has been constructed which cuts a kerf about an inch in depth in the stone. After the plates are set in place, temporary wooden forms are laid and liquid cement employed to close the crevices.



Insulating the Stone Walls of a Building against Ground Moisture

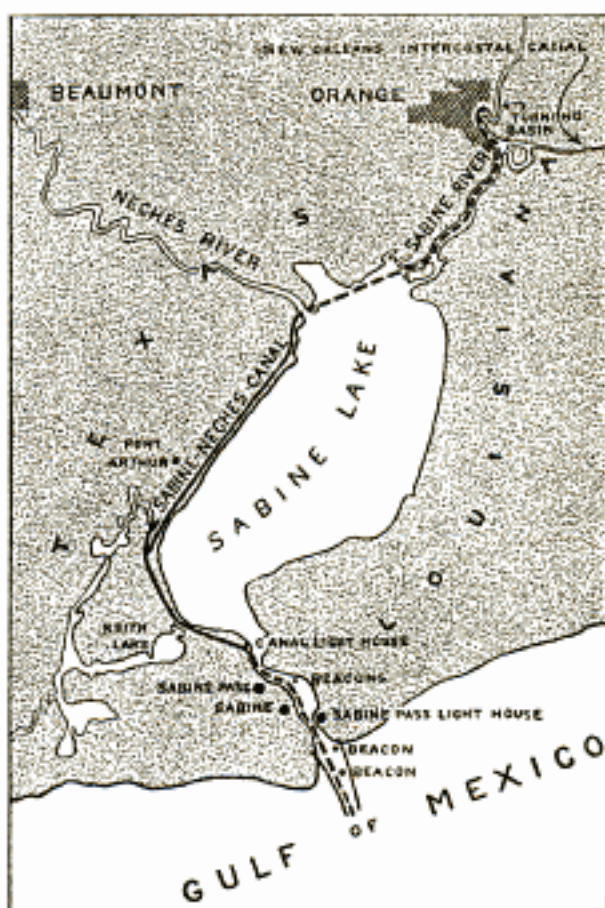
This plan, it is said, prevents moisture from creeping up a wall, since it is unable to pass the insulation blocks.

*Jack Brooks, 1 Dagen-
ham Road, Romford, Essex,
England*

**INLAND TEXAS CITIES TO
BECOME SEAPORTS**

6764

Two inland cities of Texas are soon to become seaports through the extension inland of the deep-water canal



Map Showing Location of Deep-Water Canals That will Give Beaumont and Orange, Texas, Direct Access to the Gulf

that connects Port Arthur with the Gulf of Mexico. The opening of the Port Arthur canal excited interest all over the country for the reason that it was built as a private enterprise and was then presented to the United States government. Work on the new waterways, which is being done under an agreement by which the cost is shared equally by the government and the district benefited, consists in deepening and widening the barge canals that have been in existence for a number of years. The location is along the west shore of Sabine Lake to the mouth of the Neches River, where the canal branches, one branch extending up the Neches River to Beaumont, and the other extending across Sabine Lake and up the Sabine River to Orange.

**NEW CORD ADJUSTER FOR
8511 DROP LAMPS**



A new cord adjuster for use with electric drop lamps is provided with a spring clamp at each end so that the cord is easily inserted or removed without removing the cord from the socket. In inserting the cord it is placed straight across the throat of the clamp at one end, the spring is depressed with the thumb, and the cord is pulled lengthwise until

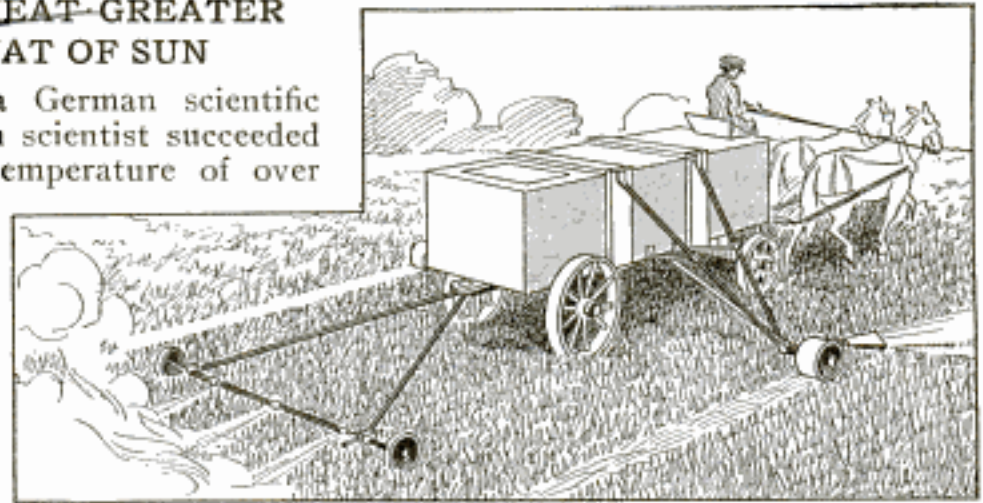
it slides into place. After forming the required loop, the cord is then inserted in the other end in the same manner. Pressure on the spring permits the cord to be shifted up or down to provide for any adjustment.

**MACHINE LESSENS DANGERS
7966 OF PRAIRIE FIRES**

For establishing fire guards in districts subjected to the dangers of prairie fires, a machine has been built which blazes a strip, 24 ft. in width, or greater, and eliminates the necessity of plowing protection zones, the method usually followed which is both time-consuming and expensive. It consists of a tank wagon, from which side arms extend at right angles carrying large nozzles that project forward in a path of heavy rollers. Back of this wagon and arranged on a trailer is a series of torches. As the machine is driven along, the torches consume the grass immediately beneath them while combustible materials on either side of the path are prevented from being ignited by the streams of water forced out through the nozzles. It is estimated that the expense of establishing fire guards is reduced 75 per cent by this machine. Besides being able to perform its intended function, it also offers a protection in case of emergen-

**PRODUCES HEAT GREATER
8653 THAN THAT OF SUN**

According to a German scientific journal, a German scientist succeeded in producing a temperature of over 13,500° F. while experimenting with liquid carbon under a pressure of 25 atmospheres. This is considerably in excess of the estimated temperature of the sun, which is generally thought to be about 10,000° F. One result of the experiments was the discovery that pure carbon subjected to very high temperatures does not burn unless saturated with a certain salt solution. The purpose of the experiments was the development of a "pressure arc lamp" for lighthouses and signal apparatus.



A Machine Which Offers Protection to Settlers in Districts Subjected to the Ravages of Prairie Fires

cies, for since it does its work rapidly it may be used to head off a fire and restrict it to a comparatively limited area in case it leaps previously established guards.

¶ In New York City there are eight church buildings valued, with their grounds, at more than \$2,000,000 each.

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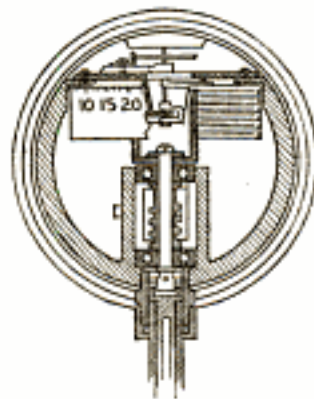
*Inventor & Contrib: S. A. Aquith
53 Commercial St., Waterloo,
191 Bridge St. Iowa.*

*Fred Telford, 605 S. Douglas
Springfield, Ills.*

NEW SPEEDOMETER USES

7975 AIR FRICTION

An automobile speedometer in which air friction is the essential feature has been patented and is soon to be placed on the market. This instrument is somewhat complicated in detail, but the principle on which it operates is simply that of the friction, with resulting pull, in a film of air contained in a space between two circular plates, one of which is revolving rapidly, five pairs of such plates being used in this instrument. One set of these plates is fixed to a shaft that is driven in the usual way by connection with one of the wheels of the car, while the other set is secured to a casing capable of rotation against the resistance of a light coil spring. The outer face of this casing carries numbers corresponding to the speed of the car in miles per hour. The plates are spaced $\frac{1}{16}$ in. apart, and when the set of plates driven by the car wheel is rotated the friction of the air exerts a pull on the other set of plates, with the result that the latter is rotated to a point where the pull of the air exactly equals the resistance of the spring, and remains at that point so long as the speed of the car, and therefore the rate of rotation of the shaft, remains the same. With an increase in speed this set is drawn farther around, and with a decrease it rotates backward under the action of the spring, until the pull and the resistance are again equal.



This is all adjusted so that the right number for the speed of the car in miles per hour appears under a glass panel in the outer casing of the speedometer.

Ⓒ Gyroscopic compasses are now in use on 20 battleships, one armored cruiser, and 15 submarines in the U. S. Navy.

MARKER FOR BRANCHES OF
8622 LINCOLN HIGHWAY

An official marker has been adopted for use on the principal branch roads, or "feeders," leading to the Lincoln Highway. This marker consists of a sign having a band of white, 15 in. wide, with a 4-in. band of red at the top and bottom. On the white band are the words "To Lincoln Way," together with an arrow showing the direction, and figures giving the distance to the highway. While this marker is intended principally for the convenience of users of the highway, it is believed that it will have another important effect. It can only be used on feeders officially designated as such, and in this way the official roads will be so definitely pointed out that it is believed local road authorities will find it desirable to develop these roads to the standard of the Lincoln Highway.



Radio
WIRELESS TRANSMISSION
9566 WITHOUT ANTENNAE

A wireless-telegraph outfit that is entirely contained in a box 15 in. long, 6 in. wide, and 8 in. high, and which does not require antennae to operate successfully over fairly long distances, has been tested recently by army authorities. Messages were transmitted from Liberty Island, in New York Harbor, to Fort Totten, 15 miles north, and Fort Hancock, 20 miles south. The inventor claims that this device can be used wherever either direct or alternating current is available and that the current from an ordinary automobile lighting dynamo will suffice to operate it.

*Inventor: Dr. Otto F. Reinhold,
53 Demarest St., Newark, N. J.
Army & Navy Journal*

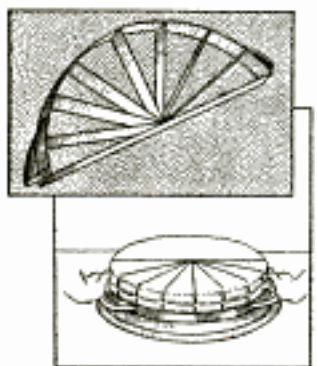
NOVEL AND PRACTICAL THINGS

FOR DAILY USE



Convenient Window-Locking Device

DESIGNED so that it may be applied to any sash, a window-fastening device has been invented which is convenient for the tourist, as it may be carried in a suitcase and used wherever desired. When an upper sash is lowered and the lock wedged between it and the groove in which the lower sash slides, both parts of the window are fastened against movement.



Novel Cake Cutter

A semicircular cake cutter with radiating knives cuts half of a round cake into eight parts in one operation. It is 11 in. in diameter, is provided with two handles, and is finished in silver-plate. The cutting is done on a wooden tray furnished with the device.



Spring Belt for an Apron

Made adjustable to any waist, a spring belt has been introduced to take the place of strings on kitchen and laboratory aprons. It is inserted in a hem at the top of an apron and may be removed quickly, allowing the garment to be washed as a flat piece, which represents a saving in the laundry charge.

Intended for home use instead of the customary seltzer bottle, a siphon that may be applied to a plain flask filled

with carbonated water has been introduced in France. It has a long screw-shaped member which passes through the cork and allows the effervescent water to pass out when a valve is opened by pressure on a plunger.



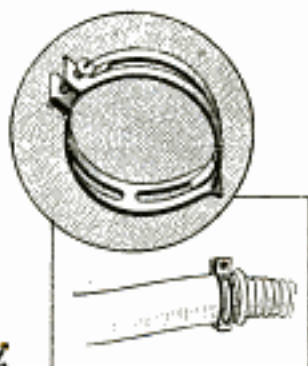
Siphon for Carbonated-Water Bottles

A fixture for the bathroom has been designed which serves a useful purpose and is also sightly. It is a dispensing apparatus for dentifrice and does away with the use of the usual bottle, which in the hands of a child is in danger of being broken. By passing a brush beneath a small valve it is supplied with the desired amount of tooth powder.



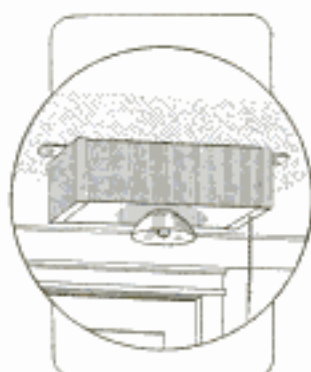
Serviceable Bathroom Fixture

Made in two pieces, a hose clamp which may be applied quickly with a minimum of trouble has been invented. It is provided with either a thumb-screw or machine bolt. Since it is made in two pieces, the hose may be slipped over a pipe or coupling and the clamp then applied. Lips extending over the joints provide a full and tight bearing on the hose.



Two-Piece Hose Clamp

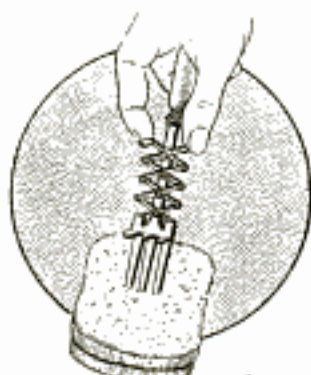
Intended for use on a porch, or in a closet, where electric wiring is not provided and where light is frequently needed, an electric lamp has been designed which may be suspended from a ceiling or wall. The equipment consists of a waterproof case carrying a dry battery, a small tungsten bulb, and a reflector. A cord extending from the bottom of the case allows the lamp to be ignited or extinguished as desired.



7 Useful Electric Lamp

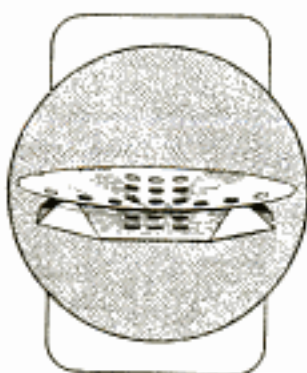
For serving purposes a fork has been made which is provided with a sliding device that removes a sandwich, for instance, from the of but one hand. The handle is held by three fingers, while the thumb and first finger are used to operate the extending member which moves a shoe piece down the prongs.

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8 Fork for Serving Sandwiches

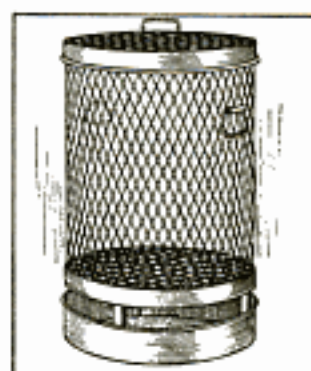
To simplify the process of removing tarnish from silverware, a metallic tray is



9 Tarnish-Removing Tray

For burning household refuse and waste matter from a kitchen, an incin-

erator is being built which is provided with an ash receiver. This catches the major part of the ashes and half-consumed particles of trash, and prevents a wholesale scattering of the material over a yard. The pan also serves as a base for the burner, and is detachable.



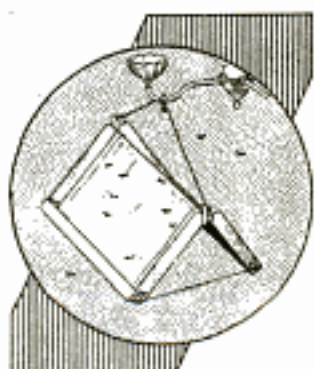
10 Incinerator with Ash Receiver

Patent rights have been granted on a cooking vessel which is so designed that neither steam nor odors escape into a kitchen when food is being boiled in it. It is provided with a vapor flue which opens into the fire box of the stove and allows the fumes to be carried out through the chimney. By taking in cool air at the top of the vessel the steam is also condensed and the resulting water turned back.



11 Odorless Cooking Vessel

For holding fly paper and preventing its sticky surface from coming in contact with and soiling things near it, an adjustable pasteboard form has been patented.



12 Useful Fly-Paper Holder

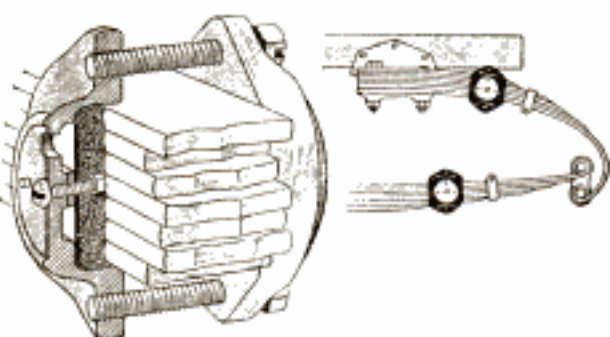
It is designed so that it holds the paper securely and may be used in any of a number of different positions. It may be folded tentwise and suspended from a wall bracket or chandelier, laid flat and placed on a table, or bent at right angles and used on a shelf without danger of being blown about.

made which, if immersed in a solution of salt and baking soda, will quickly brighten silver articles placed in contact with it. The method is an electrochemical one, economical and rapid, and eliminates all rubbing.

*Wm Trafilog Co.,
see Building, Cleveland, Ohio*

918 *Motor Age* POPULAR MECHANICS
OIL BOX FOR LUBRICATING
7792 AUTOMOBILE SPRINGS

One of the most common and annoying of automobile troubles is squeaky springs. An oil box for sup-



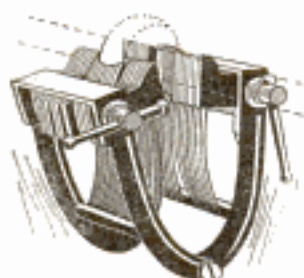
With This Oil Box Clamped to the Spring, the Bearings of the Leaves are Kept Evenly Supplied with Oil

plying the springs with oil constantly and in the right quantity is made in two parts which are clamped against the sides of the spring by means of bolts. The inner, or bearing, face of each half consists of fibrous material. This is kept soaked with oil and in this way a constant and even supply of oil is applied to the side of the spring. The box is supplied with oil through openings in the sides.

7168 **WISE HOLDER THAT FITS IRREGULAR SHAPES**

An ingenious holder for securing irregularly shaped objects in a vise has been invented and placed on the market in Germany.

The frame of this holder consists of two jaws that are pivoted together at the bottom. Between the ends of each jaw is a bar to which is pivoted a series of curved upright steel rods with their upper ends free to slide in and out in a slot at the upper or bearing end of the jaw and thus adjust themselves to the contour of any object, however irregular it may be. After the rods are adjusted to fit they are clamped in that



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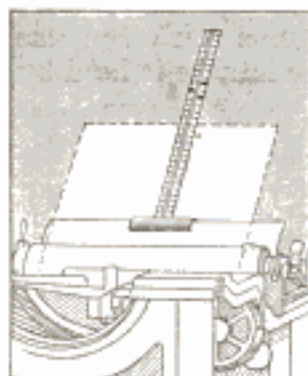
*Office Appliances - Sept. 1914
Dime & Filstead, 508 So. Dearborn
Chicago, Ills.*

*see another → Harton Bros.
21 1/2 Church St. New York*

position by a screw running through the jaw and worked by a lever as shown. The holder, with the object to be worked on in place, is then clamped between the jaws of the vise.

8435 **LINE INDICATOR FOR TYPEWRITERS**

With most of the visible-writing typewriters there is no convenient way of telling how much space is left at the bottom of a sheet when it is nearly filled, and in offices where a large amount of correspondence is handled this often leads to a serious loss of time, owing to the necessity for re-writing letters that have been written too close to the bottom of the sheet. A simple indicator designed to overcome this difficulty and consisting of



an adjustable scale mounted on the back of the cylinder carriage by means of clips, has just been placed on the market. A gauge on the scale can be set for any size of sheet so that the operator can tell

by the position of the top of the sheet with reference to this gauge just how much space is still available at the bottom of the sheet.

9060 **WOOD VENEERED ON STEEL FOR CAR INTERIORS**

Veneered steel has recently been introduced as an interior finish for railway passenger cars, and from tests which have been made it is considered more satisfactory than anything previously employed. The veneer varies in thickness from 1/8 in. upward, according to the service expected of it. It is applied by gluing thin canton flannel to the sheet of steel, and then in turn gluing wood veneer to the cloth. It has been employed success-

*Railway Age Gazette 12/11/14
Canadian Pac. Ry.*

motorcycle illustrated 3/19/14
 Invented by Elmer S. Reynolds,
 Elmer C. Johnson, & Frank D.
 Warren of Colorado Springs, Colo.

fully in making doors, sleeping-car seat ends and berths, bulkheads, wainscoting, and panels. It is attractive in appearance, costs approximately the same as either steel or wood, eliminates the danger of passengers being injured by the splintering of wood in case of a wreck, serves as a nonconductor of heat and cold, and is durable. A material capable of meeting all these requirements has been sought for some time by builders, especially since the introduction of the steel car.

ried on the deck of the scow, and under the deck is a hold from six to eight feet deep, which is practically waste space. A tram track running

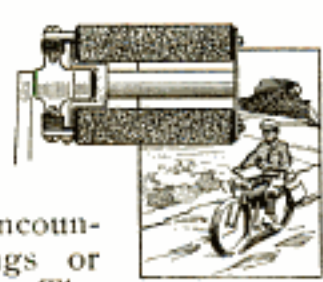


The Material is Dumped into Cars through Trapdoors in the Deck, and the Loaded Cars are Taken Out through a Door in the End of the Hold

NEW MOTORCYCLE PEDAL IS BREAKAGE-PROOF

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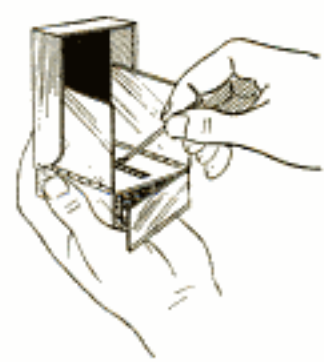
As a safeguard against casualties, and injury to the machine, a new motorcycle pedal has been introduced which is not easily broken by accident. The ordinary device in present use is often broken or bent in falls or encounters with curbing or ruts in the road. The rider also is endangered by the protruding piece when obstacles are met. Instead of breaking or hurling the rider to the ground, when forced against a heavy object, the latest pedal folds up. Any blow throws it backward and upward, out of danger. Means are provided for tilting the pedal and also for returning the hinged portion to its normal position when deflected.



from end to end of the scow was laid along the center of the hold, and doors were cut in the ends of the hold large enough to admit the tram cars. Above the track is a series of trapdoors. Through these the material on the deck is easily dumped into the cars, and the loaded cars are then hauled out through the door to the wharf. The scows have flat bottoms and deep holds, and the plan is made possible through the fact that the scows do not sink more than two or three feet into the water when fully loaded.

MATCH BOX WHICH CARRIES A WINDSHIELD

A windshield match box, designed to form a screen back of which to light matches in the open air, is a simple device made for motorists and sportsmen. The arrangement consists of a metal box with a double side which may be folded back at right angles. Two leaves hinged on the edges are opened up, forming a small inclosure protected from the air. In this a match may be lighted and kept burning in the face of a strong wind.



SCOW HAS HOLD EQUIPPED WITH TRAM TRACK

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A simple plan by which time and expense are saved in unloading the material has been adopted by a Puget Sound contractor who has considerable quantities of sand and gravel to transport in scows. The loading of the scows by chutes or runways is a simple matter, but until this plan was adopted the unloading was an expensive and troublesome matter. The load is car-

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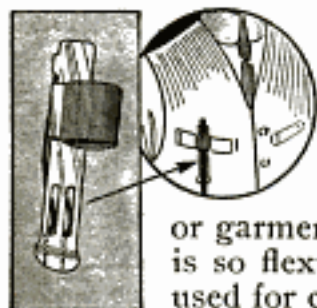
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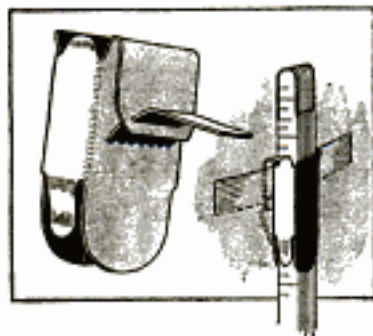
ELASTIC HOLDER FOR PENS
7054 OR PENCILS

A pencil holder made of a spiral band fastened upon a metallic back, affords a safe and convenient method of carrying a pen or pencil, especially as a pair of shaped pins fastened to the back provide for quick attachment to an apron or garment. The spiral band is so flexible that it may be used for carrying scissors, or such small implements, as well as for pencils. Another form is equipped with two or three bands, so that a bookkeeper may have more than one pen or pencil available, and a straight spring may be substituted for the pins if preferred.



HOLDER FOR CARPENTER'S
7054 RULE

A handy device that has just been brought out and is intended for carpenters and other skilled workmen is a metal holder for the pocket rule. This holder has a tongue spring on each side which serves to hold the rule in place, but permits it to be slid in or out easily, and is equipped with a simple clamp by which it is secured to the trousers.



British automobile owners have organized a volunteer association to furnish transportation for wounded soldiers invalided home and for hospital supplies, as well as to provide accommodations in private houses for those injured in war.

UNIFORM STANDARDS FOR
9986 FIRE-HOSE COUPLINGS

The standards for fire-hose couplings established by the United States Bureau of Standards had been adopted, by the end of the year 1914, by 287 towns and cities, and by practically all the engineering, fire-protection and waterworks associations in the country. These standards are designed to make the fire-hose couplings used in every part of the country exactly alike, and to cure a condition that has often prevented the fire departments of adjacent cities from giving aid in cases of bad fires. A striking demonstration of the necessity for uniformity in such couplings was given in the great Baltimore fire of 1904, when fire departments from some other cities were unable to render assistance after they had arrived at the fire, because their engine and hose connections could not be coupled up with the outlets of the local fire hydrants. The couplings that have been standardized are in diameters of 2½ in., 3 in., 3½ in., and 4½ in. The dimensions of couplings and threading vary for the different sizes except that all have the 60° V-threads.

MOTORISTS' CIGAR-HOLDER
7381 CATCHES SPARKS

For the convenience of automobilists, a conical-shaped shield which holds a cigar and protects it from the



A Shield Which Incloses Entire Cigar

wind, and also prevents its hot sparks and ashes from flying into the faces of other occupants of the car, has been conceived. The cigar is placed in a nickelplated screen tube. At one end of this a mouthpiece fits tightly while provision is made at the opposite end for sufficient draft for combustion.

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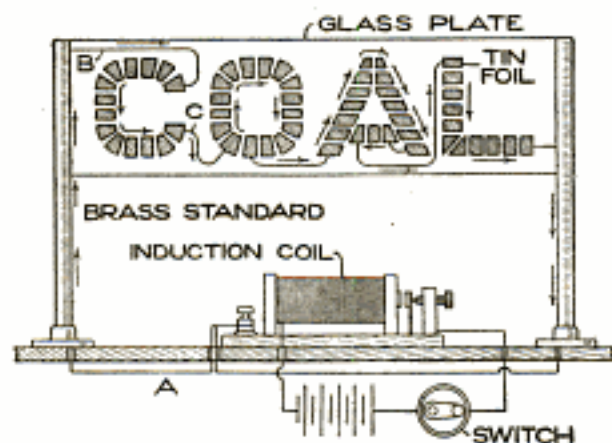


Shop Notes

An Electric Sign of Unique Construction

The illustration shows a very attractive electric sign that is entirely out of the ordinary, and which can be used for a great number of advertising purposes. It consists of a glass plate on which strips of tin foil are pasted, using shellac as an adhesive; two brass supporting standards; an induction coil, and a battery. The tin-foil strips are placed $\frac{1}{4}$ in. apart in such a manner as to form letters or figures, which are connected by fine copper wires, also pasted to the plate as shown.

The secondary current of the induction coil flows through the wire A, the brass standard and the wire B to the first letter of the sign around which it passes, leaping in blue flames from one tin-foil segment to the next until it reaches the wire C to the next letter; around the next letter, and so on, until it reaches the induction coil, as indicated by the arrow marks. To ob-

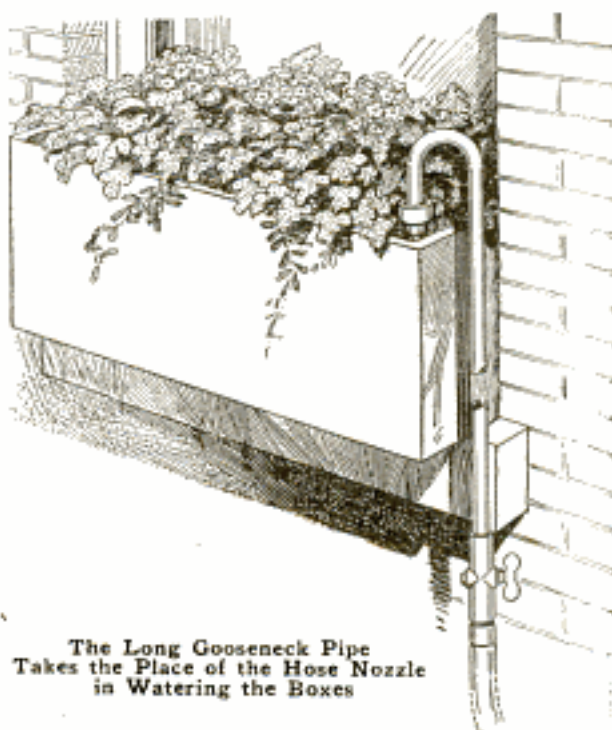


The Flashes of Light Caused by the Jumping of the Current between Strips Illuminate the Letters

tain the best effect the back of the glass plate should be painted black.—Contributed by F. B. Hays, Houston, Texas.

Watering Second-Floor Window-Box Flowers from the Outside

The management of a hotel placed a number of flower boxes on the sills of the second-story windows, and as



The Long Gooseneck Pipe Takes the Place of the Hose Nozzle in Watering the Boxes

the boxes required watering each day, men had to enter the rooms for doing the work, to which the guests objected. The boxes were changed to a self-watering kind, having a false bottom in which some sponges were fastened so that they pressed against holes in the box that holds the dirt. A 1-in. feed pipe was run down the side of the box to the pan holding the sponges, the surplus water overflowing through a small hole in the side of the box when the pan was full. These boxes required water once a week. The guests still objected to the annoyance of having the boxes watered from the inside, so the chief gardener devised a plan as follows: A 2-in. to $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. reducer was slipped into the top of each

feed pipe to form a sort of funnel into which the water was run with a long gooseneck-shaped pipe attached to the hose.

When the boxes need watering the gardener takes the hose with the gas-pipe connection and inserts the gooseneck end into the reducer and turns on the water, filling each box without annoying the guests.—Contributed by W. F. Held, Chicago.

Grocery-Order Box for Suburbanites

An enterprising groceryman whose store was located on a street traveled by many suburbanites on their way to



the railroad station, devised a plan to further his business by the use of an order box. This box is hung conspicuously in front of his store so that a person coming to work in the morning may deposit his orders without stopping to enter the store, and during the day the groceryman fills them and makes a neat bundle, ready for the customer when he passes in the evening from the station.

It is only necessary for the customer to step in and call his name to get his bundle quickly and without having to wait for it. The box is about 28 in. long and 8 in. square. A sliding door is fitted near the bottom on one side for taking out the orders.

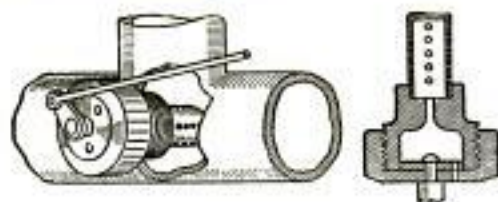
As a safeguard against fire in paint or machine shops prepare bags of sand, marked "Sand for Fire," in several sizes, and have them placed within easy reach.

Restoring Tan Color to Leather

After considerable experimenting, a leather company found that oil of citronella would restore various shades of tan and brown leathers to their original colors. Any shoe shop can adopt the method, as the process is simple. The odor from the oil is strong, which is objectionable to many, but by drying the leather in a current of air much of the perfume evaporates. It is only necessary to rub the leather over with the oil and later polish with a good leather dressing.

Air and Gas Mixer for Gas Engines

By means of the illustrated device, the fuel charge of a gasoline engine can be considerably improved, resulting in additional power. To make the device, an ordinary $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. grease cup must be provided. The inner end of the cup is drilled about $\frac{1}{4}$ in. deep, to tightly fit a $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. piece of thin tubing, 1 in. long. This should be drilled for a row of $\frac{1}{64}$ -in. holes, and securely plugged at one end. The other end is fitted in the grease cup and soldered in place. A circular disk must be made to easily fit inside the large end of the cup. With disk and cap carefully centered, three $\frac{1}{8}$ -in. holes are drilled to serve as air inlets of the device; another hole should be drilled through the center for a disk pin. This pin is provided with a shoulder to fit against the outside of the cap, so that it cannot slip in. The cap hole serves as bearing for the pin which fits through the disk and is riv-



Device Made of an Oil Cup, to Admit Air to the Manifold Inlet of a Gasoline Engine

eted in place to form a close fit against the cap, at the same time permitting a slight movement sufficient to bring the disk holes in or out of alinement with

the corresponding cap holes. To the outside end of the pin is attached a crank arm which connects with a controlling wire, conveniently attached near the throttle control. When attaching the device to an engine, it should be screwed into a threaded hole, provided for it in the engine manifold, between the carburetor and engine cylinder. In using the device, the disk should first be set with its openings closed until the engine is running well, then, by adjusting the disk, additional air may be sprayed in through the small tube holes, thereby finishing up the work of the carburetor and producing a more thorough and better mixture.—Contributed by O. H. Waychoff, Koenig, Colo.

Repairing a Broken Water-Pump Vane

The cost of replacing a broken rotor in the water pump on an automobile engine led the owner to make a repair

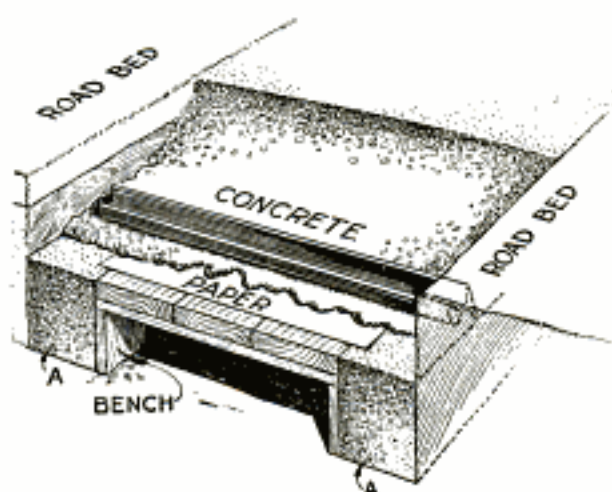


as shown in the sketch. The rotor was 1 in. in width. A piece of flat steel stock of suitable length, $\frac{7}{8}$ in. wide and $\frac{1}{8}$ in. thick, was procured and bent to the same shape as the other blades. The bottom was bent over in the shape of the letter "L" to fit into a groove cut in the hub of the rotor. The new blade was held firmly in place with two blind studs riveted over on the outside.

Easily Constructed Concrete Culvert

Our borough construction force builds a very good concrete culvert in the manner shown in the sketch. The sides A are first built, and the forms removed before the concrete is completely set. Benchlike wood forms are then placed at intervals between the sides A, and boards laid on them, then

paper spread over the surface of the boards. The concrete is then put on top of the paper. Short pieces of railroad



Simple Method of Making a Concrete Culvert by Using Ordinary Construction of the Forms

iron are laid in the concrete to reinforce it.

After the top has properly set, the supports are driven out, or broken down with a long iron rod. The boards are then easily withdrawn. This culvert is strong enough to stand the travel of heavy teams as well as automobile trucks.—Contributed by James M. Kane, Doylestown, Pa.

Support for End of Gear Teeth on a Transmission

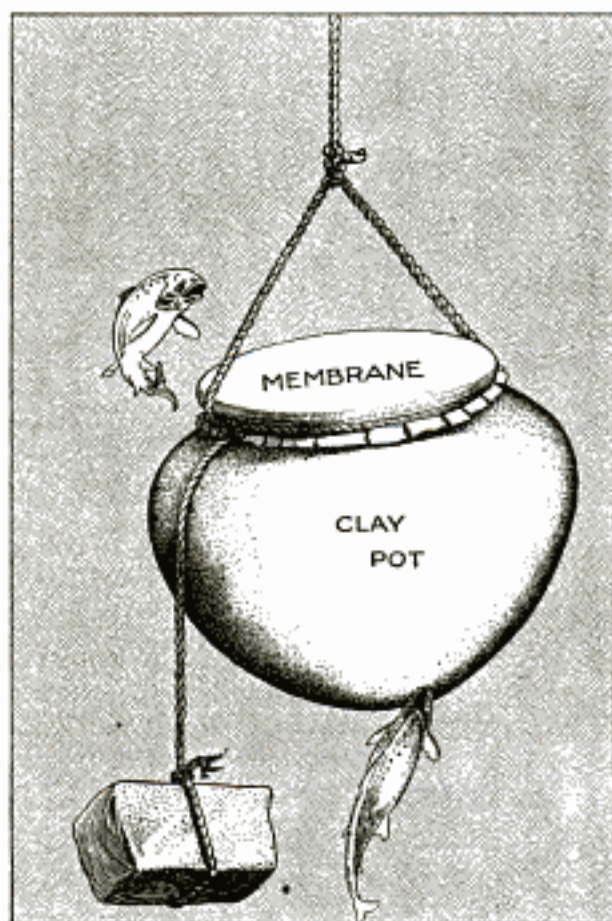
One of the gears in the transmission case of an automobile was so designed that its web was placed on one side, as shown in the illustration. The teeth, being supported on one side only, had a tendency to give away on the other, and it was necessary to strengthen the unsupported end. The old gear was damaged and distorted beyond repair, but a new one was purchased, and the flat plate A was riveted to it, as shown, with four rivets. Both the plate and gear were turned down on a lathe.



CA lathe tool will make a smoother and brighter finish with water than when run dry.

Procuring Fresh Water from the Ocean

By the process of distillation fresh water suitable for drinking purposes can be obtained from sea water, but



An Unglazed-Clay, or Earthen, Pot Used to Secure Fresh Water from the Sea

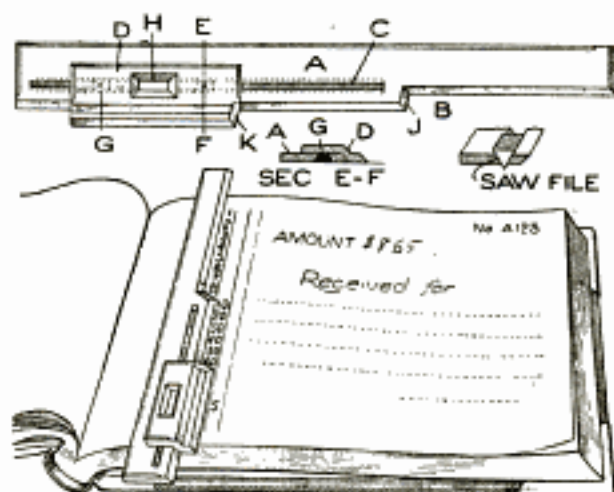
this method requires special apparatus and a person trained in laboratory work, conditions which are not easily or cheaply fulfilled. This method, then, is almost out of the question with ordinary seamen. The one illustrated, however, is very simple and inexpensive, and brings good results. The materials necessary are a newly baked earthen pot, a piece of waterproofing material suitable for a covering—a piece of leather or oilcloth will do—and a piece of string or cord with a sinker to hold the pot deeply in the sea. Cover the pot with the waterproofing material, tie on the string, or cord, and sinker, and drop it into the sea. Allow sufficient time for the pressure to force the water through

the porous pot and then haul it in, and clear water will be the result with the salt and dirt on the outside surface.—Contributed by V. M. Apostol, Sorogon, P. I.

Protector Cutter with a Double-Notched Edge

In many places where money is paid for any legal paper, or permit, a receipt, or voucher, is issued, with the correct amount that was paid registered, or marked, by tearing off proper parts from a series of figures indicating dollars and cents on the left side of the receipt, as shown in the illustration. A sharp-edge rule, or a piece of brass with an offset, is used, and this has to be moved a few times before the receipt is properly marked.

The cutter illustrated eliminates many movements by cutting the receipt at one setting. The cutter is made of a flat piece of brass, A, about $\frac{1}{8}$ in. thick, 1 in. wide, and 9 in. long, which has an offset at one end as wide as the left-hand column on the receipt and about 3 in. long. The piece A is beveled at about a 45° angle for the cutting edge B, and it also has a slot, about $\frac{3}{16}$ in. wide, cut in it as shown at C, the edges of which are beveled off to about a 60° angle to form a slide



The Piece Forming the Second Offset can be Adjusted for Any Amount of Cents

for the piece D. The slot C is made by drilling a number of holes along the center line of the slot, as close together

as possible, and then filing the slot straight. A piece of triangular saw file is used to file the angle in the slot, as shown.

The piece D is made about $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. long, of the same material as the piece A, and is bent to the shape shown by the section EF, and beveled off on the cutting edge. Two small pieces, G, are made and riveted to the under side of the piece D for sliders in the slot C. A small square hole, H, may be made in the piece D for the finger.

The cutter is set with the offset J to any number of dollars, and the offset K is moved to the number of cents required by sliding the piece D along the slot C, whereupon the receipt is cut off to the registered amount. The forefinger holds the piece A in place, while the thumb moves piece D.—Contributed by Edward Sieja, Chicago.

Goggles to Eliminate Glare of Headlights

To overcome the blinding glare of headlights while driving a car at night, prepare the goggles as follows: Coat the upper portion of each eyepiece down to a line drawn $\frac{1}{4}$ in. above the center with a transparent color, green preferred. In driving, when another car appears ahead with a bright headlight, lower the head a trifle and look through the colored portion of the glasses. This will reduce the glare sufficiently so that a driver will not be confused.

To Prevent Steady-Rest Jaws from Marring Work

To prevent the jaws of a steady rest from scoring the work, wrap a piece of emery cloth around the material to be turned, with the abrasive side out, draw the ends tightly and insert them between the upper and lower part of the steady rest, where they are clamped together with a bolt. The jaws can then be adjusted with safety.—Contributed by F. G. Marbach, Cleveland, Ohio.

A Safe Way to Carry a Watch

Instead of carrying my watch in the lower vest pocket I place it in the upper, and attach the chain as follows: A buttonhole is cut, as shown in the sketch, and the chain run through it and snapped into the watch-stem ring. The other end is fastened to a key ring and slipped into the lower pocket. Any person at a glance would imagine that the watch is in the lower pocket. In addition to the safety for the watch, I have a very convenient way of carrying my keys.—Contributed by L. E. Turner, New York City.



An Eye Magnet

The tool shown in the illustration is a very valuable asset for any mechanic's tool chest. It is designed especially for removing steel or iron chips from the eye. Both ends are turned to form perfect spheres and are tem-



Tool Made of Steel, Highly Tempered and Polished, Then Magnetized for Taking Particles of Steel from the Eye

pered very hard and then given a high polish. It is magnetized as strongly as possible.—Contributed by S. Victor Brook, Hartford, Conn.

ⒸA discarded curtain roller makes a good towel hanger. The ends of the roller can be secured in blocks, or the old roller brackets may be used.

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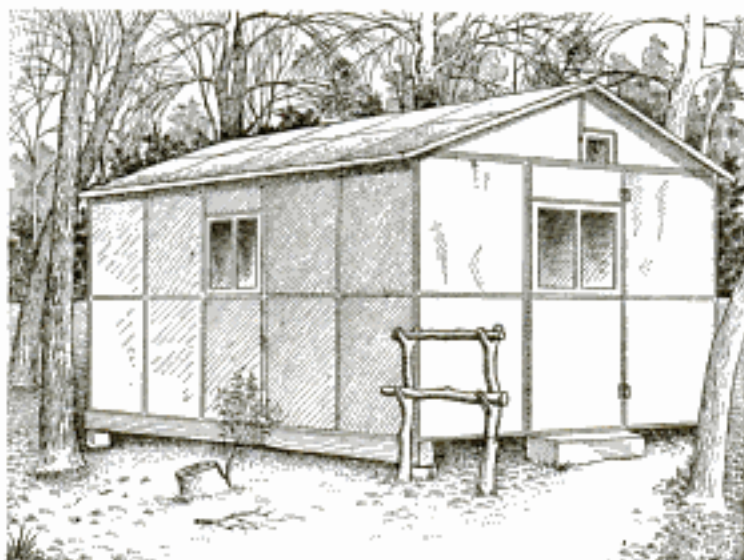
How to Build a Camp House

By E. ARRINGTON

Kearney, N. J.

IF it is desired to have a good camping outfit, one that has a tent beat in a good many ways, build it as shown in the illustration, and the parts forming the floor can be folded into the shape of a box that will inclose all the side walls and the roof, and provide a space for camping utensils and bedding. The house is 9 by 12 ft., and 6 ft. high at the eaves. When ready for shipment, the box will be 3 ft. square and 9 ft. long.

The entire house is made up in sections. The floor is made up in four parts, each 3 ft. wide and 9 ft. long, of flooring boards, well battened on the under side and fastened together with strong hinges at the joints, the hinges being attached on the upper side. The same number of hasps are attached to the edges of the outer sections as the hinges used on each joint. The hasps are fastened to the under side



When Set Up, the Building Gives the Appearance of a Well-Made House, and Has the Comforts of One

of the floor. When the sections are folded up with the battens on the outside, the hasps will join the outside sections together in forming the box for shipment. There should be a batten at each end and five spaced between, and two hinges to the section.

The wall and roof sections are made up of furring strips, or pieces of wood, 2 in. wide and $\frac{7}{8}$ in. thick. In construction the sections are all alike, but there is some difference in the size. Each is built somewhat similar to a screen-door frame, the joints being mortised, or halved; whereupon a crosspiece is nailed in the center, and each rectangle thus formed cross-braced. The wall

sections for the sides are 2 ft. 5 in. wide and 6 ft. long; the end sections are 3 ft. wide and 6 ft. long, and the roof parts are 2 ft. 5½ in. wide and 6 ft. long. The dimensions of the gables, of which there are three, one for the center, are made for a little more than what is called a square pitch. The difference of ½ in. in size of the side-wall and roof sections is provided in order to make a little extension of the roof at the ends for an eave.

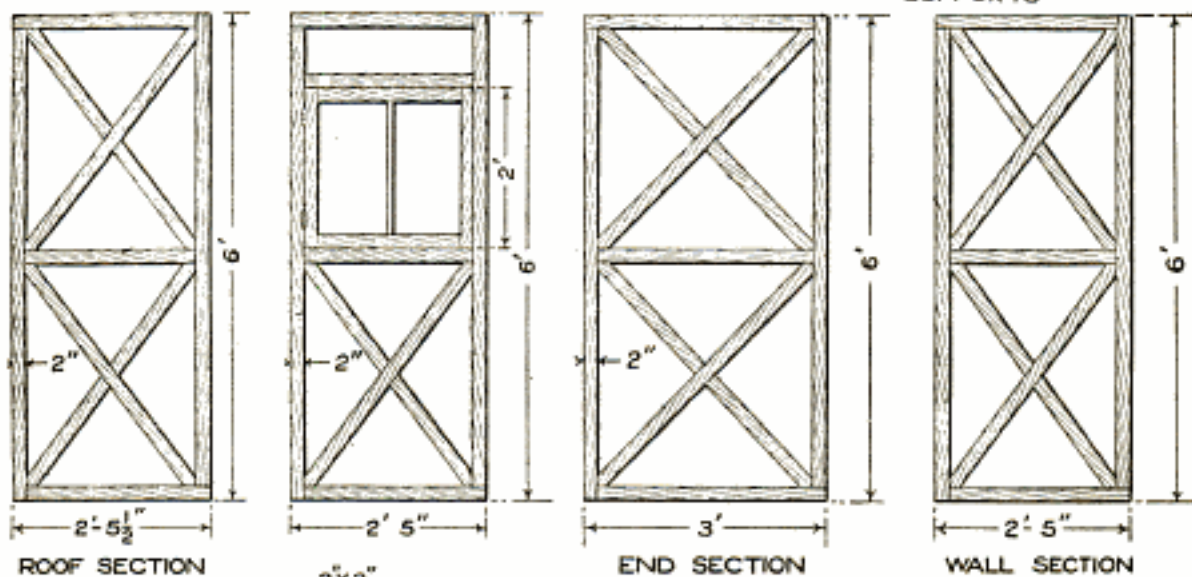
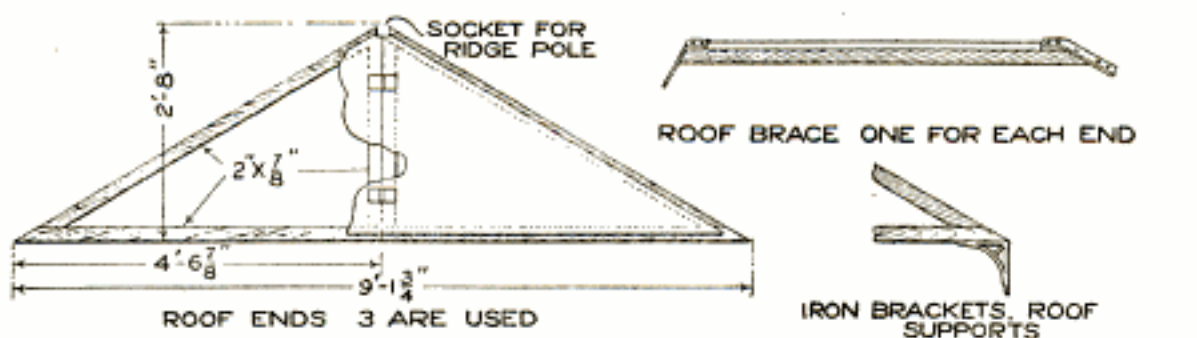
A $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. strip is nailed on the edge of one side-wall section for each side of the house. This is to make the sides extend over the edge of the end sections at the corners.

The gable parts are hinged together at the joint, and a notch is made in the top to admit the ridge. The ridge is made in halves, each 6½ ft. long, and joined together with a fished scarf joint, the slope being about 4 in.

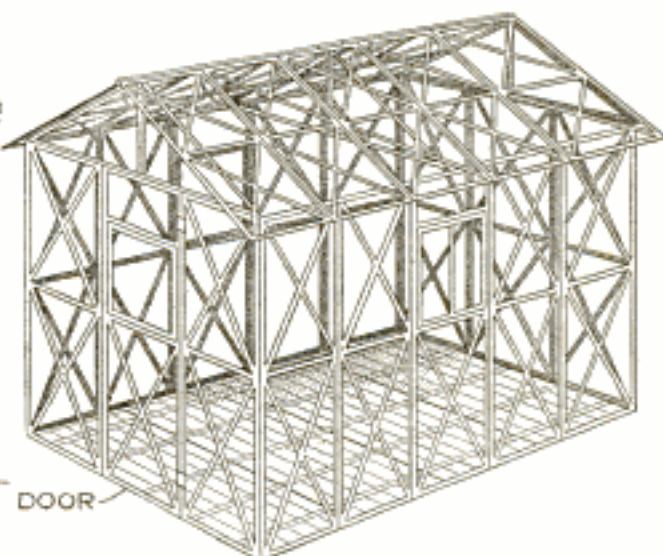
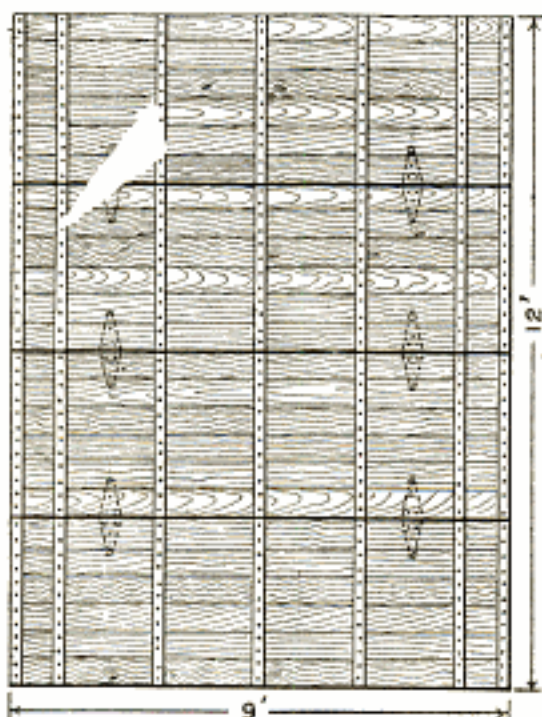
long, and side plates of metal.

The sections are covered with 8-oz. canvas, stretched tightly, and tacked on like a screen on a door, using half-round molding on the edges of the cloth. This construction is carried out on all parts except for the end gables, and on these the canvas is allowed to extend over the edge of the frame, so that it will lap over the end sections when in place. The canvas on all sections is covered with boiled linseed oil.

All sections are held together with hooks and eyes. In setting the house up, a level place is selected, and the floor is laid on some stones or blocks of wood so that it will rest on the battens.



THE FLOOR FORMED INTO BOX



FLOOR FOLDS UP TO MAKE BOX

The House Consists of Sections Made Up of Frames Covered with Canvas, All of Which can be Put in a Box Formed by the Floor Sections, the Box Also Providing Sufficient Space for the Camping Outfit

The wall parts are set up around the outside edge of the floor. To hold these parts firmly in place, two or three long wood screws should be driven through the lower frame piece and into the floor edge. If the sections are numbered, the holes for the screws will always match when set up. The joints of the sections are held with hooks and eyes.

After putting up the walls, set the gables in place and lay the ridge in the notches, then it is ready for the roof

sections. The ridge is braced at each end. One of the end sections is hinged for a door, and two side-wall parts are fitted with a hinged window sash.

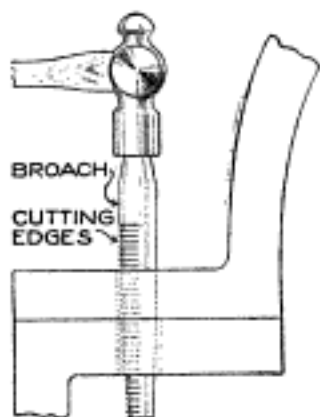
In forming a box of the floor, make ends for it to fit the opening snugly. These ends can be fastened temporarily with screws for shipment. The sides and ends of the building being only 6 ft. long, a space of 3 ft. will be left in one end of the box for bedding and camp utensils.

Broaching Staggered Holes in Assembling Machine Parts

It frequently is found in assembling machinery that the bolt holes will not line up properly, and must be gouged out with a chisel, filed, or reamed, before the bolts will enter. Considerable difficulty is experienced if the bottom hole can be gotten at only from above, but by using a broach, a neat fit can be made in shorter time and with far less labor than would otherwise be required.

To make a broaching tool for cutting out staggered holes, it is necessary to obtain a round piece of chisel or tool steel, having a diameter equal to that of the holes and a length depending on the combined thickness of the two drilled parts—8 in. would be suitable for 2 in. of metal. One end is turned or ground tapering up to about the middle of the tool. Cutting edges or teeth may then be cut, or filed, as shown, about $\frac{1}{16}$ in. apart, but only halfway around the circumference. When finished, the broach should be hardened, and its temper drawn to a bluish straw color.

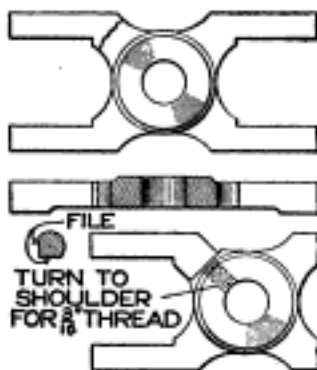
In using the tool, it is driven through the holes, the same as a drift pin. The cutting edges, each projecting a little farther than the preceding one, will



remove the metal in the same way as though a gouge chisel were used. The broaching tool not only acts as a large number of chisels, each taking a small cut, but it also guides itself, and only requires to be driven or forced through the metal.—Contributed by J. V. Romig, Allentown, Pa.

Repairing a Broken Valve-Guide Retainer

One arm of the valve-guide retainer of a gasoline engine broke as shown in the illustration. No doubt the break was caused by overstrain from the stud nut holding the retainer into the engine crank case. It was repaired by filing



a flat surface at the point of the break, then drilling a hole and tapping it to receive a $\frac{5}{16}$ -in. drill rod. The filing was done at an angle of 45 deg. A piece of drill rod was cut to the proper length and a thread cut on one end. It was then screwed in place and hammered to the proper shape. The end was filed to the shape of the other arms.

It is a good plan to flush out the crank-case oil reservoir of a gasoline engine with kerosene occasionally, then run it idle for a few minutes to clean it out well.

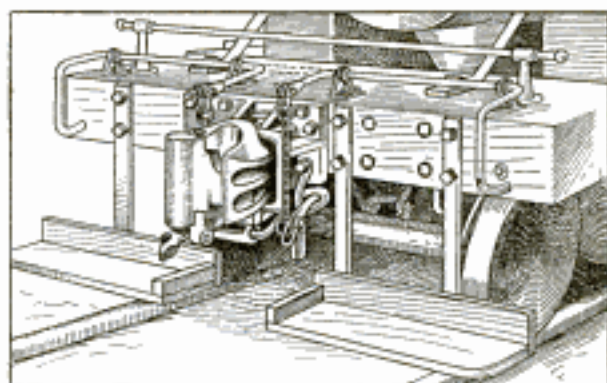
Safety Coupler for Switching Locomotives

The recent movement of railway companies toward a definite and systematic study of safety appliances for the protection of employes, has afforded many wonderful and gratifying results. Comparison, before and after installing the appliances, of statistics of killed and injured necessarily kept by the companies, has proven the time and expense involved in this movement a good investment.

The work of the switchman and the routine of switching service comprise practically the most hazardous duties in railway employment. A study of the occupation by one of the western roads, besides leading to some other vital safety suggestions, resulted in the coupling device for switch engines shown in the illustration. A continuous lifter bar had been in use; that is, one running the entire length of the pilot and footboard beam. This was, of course, to lift the knuckle locker in the coupler head, and when pulled up at one end of the beam, the other end was also raised. This was dangerous when two men were on the footboard, as in raising the lifter by a switchman at one end without informing the other, one of them is apt to be thrown or pushed from the footboard. The new arrangement, as can be seen, provides two separate lifting levers, each of which can be operated independently of the other.

The locker block is raised up from the bottom to free the knuckle, instead of being pulled up from the top as with previous arrangements. The weight of the lifting links and the manner in which the leverage parts are assembled make it impossible for the locker block to jump out, a thing that has caused many accidents. The peculiar shape of the locker block also throws the coupling knuckle out when the hands, or lifting levers, are jerked up, making it necessary for the switchman to go between the car and locomotive to open knuckles in any ordinary switching duty.

The mere disabling, let alone the killing, of an efficient employe, is a loss to the railroad company that

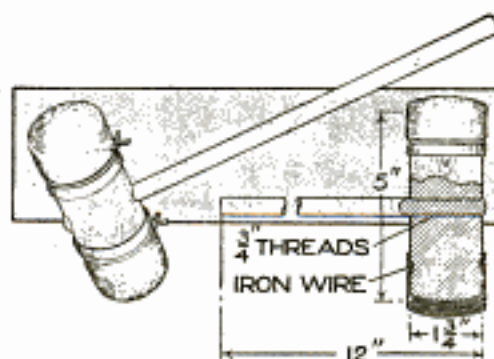


The Locker Block is Raised from the Bottom Instead of being Pulled Up from the Top

many do not realize, and from the standpoint alone of financial loss through claims, setting aside the loss of efficient labor, the companies are realizing the immediate returns from eliminating as much danger as possible.

Hammer for Thin Sheet-Metal Work

An extremely useful tool to have around a garage is a soft-faced hammer. One made up as shown in the illustration is especially adapted for use in straightening bent mudguards, hoods and bodies on automobiles, and for all metal work having enameled surfaces that must not be marred. The hammer is similar to a wood mallet, but the head is provided with a pad



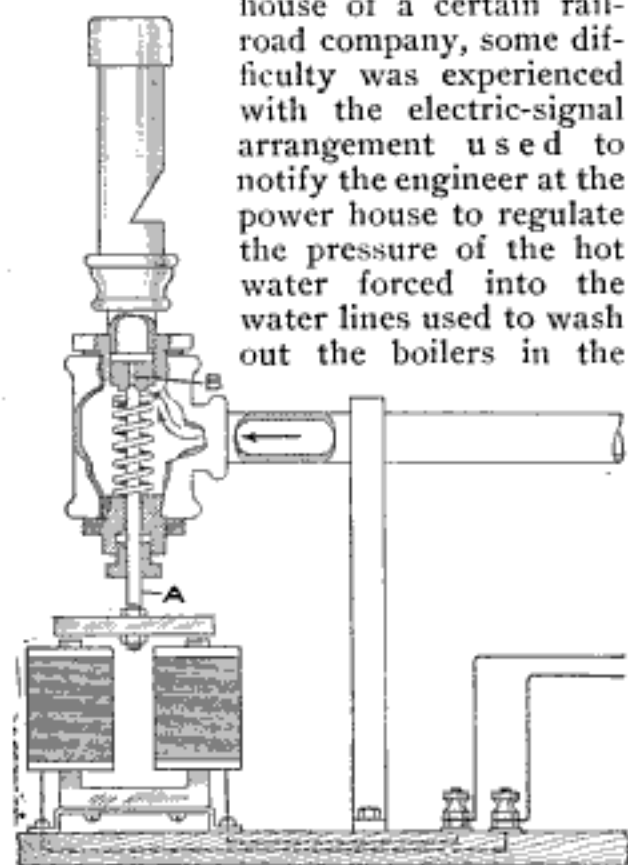
Soft Face on a Hammer Made Up of Felt for Use in Straightening Thin Sheet Metal

of felt, made up of a series of small circular pieces and covered with a larger piece held in place by means of a soft-iron wire wound around in a small groove, as shown.

Electro-Pneumatic Signal and Call Whistle

By F. W. BENTLEY, JR.

IN connection with the boiler-washing system at the terminal roundhouse of a certain railroad company, some difficulty was experienced with the electric-signal arrangement used to notify the engineer at the power house to regulate the pressure of the hot water forced into the water lines used to wash out the boilers in the



Signal Whistle in Which the Valve Controlling the Air Pressure is Operated by Magnets

roundhouse. At times, when the boiler washers were not using the pump for intervals of 20 to 30 minutes, it could be shut off temporarily to the advantage of the other machinery in the engine room, and also much to the preservation of the pipe lines. The roundhouse was some distance away from the power plant in which the pumps were installed, and an electric call bell was used to notify the engineer when the hot-water force pump was needed. It was impossible to locate the bell in the power plant in such a place that it could be heard distinctly by the engineer wherever he happened to be at various times, and it was also impractical to install a number of large expensive call bells.

The illustration shows an electro-pneumatic whistle which was substi-

tuted for the bell and tried out with a great deal of success. The body of the device consists of a 1-in. tee with a side outlet of $\frac{3}{8}$ in. The air is admitted to the inner portion of the tee through the $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. pipe, where it is controlled by a $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. brass pin valve, A. To the lower end of the stem is fitted a moderate-sized armature bar, which is subject to the control of the magnet poles. When the push button is pressed the bar is attracted by the magnets, pulling the valve away from its seat on the cap that is screwed in an inverted position in the reducing plug at the top of the tee. This allows the air to flow up and cause a blast of the whistle. Release of the pressure allows the spring around the valve spindle to force it up to its seat. On the lower end, to prevent the escape or waste of air that might pass by the valve spindle, a packing-nut arrangement was made for the spindle from a $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. pipe plug. The strength of the magnets is fully utilized, because of the fact that it is necessary to move the spindle only a slight distance from its seat to cause a shrill blast of the whistle, and the armature can be placed very near the core ends of the magnets. In shops of this kind an air compressor with storage tanks is installed, so that a supply of air can always be had for the whistle.

In the case mentioned, a number of whistles were supplied by a $\frac{1}{8}$ -in. pipe from the head of the tee to various places around the power house, making the requests from the distant roundhouse comprehended by the engineer, no matter where the calls around the plant may have taken him. The whole whistle device is made of pipe fittings. The whistles are inexpensively made, from $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. or $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. pipe, and they can be put at almost any place within a reasonable distance by using $\frac{1}{8}$ -in. pipe to connect them to the top of the tee head, the number of whistles depending on the size of the air opening B.

NO.	SIZE OF PIPE	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J	K
1	$\frac{1}{8}$ IN.	$1\frac{1}{2}$ IN.	27	$\frac{5}{32}$ IN.	$2\frac{5}{8}$ IN.	$\frac{3}{4}$ IN.	$\frac{1}{4}$ IN.	SEE NOTE	$2\frac{5}{8}$ IN.	$\frac{3}{32}$ IN.	2 IN.
2	$\frac{1}{4}$ IN. TO $\frac{3}{8}$ IN.	$2\frac{1}{2}$ IN.	18	$\frac{3}{4}$ IN.	$4\frac{1}{2}$ IN.	$1\frac{1}{2}$ IN.	$\frac{1}{2}$ IN.	$\frac{3}{4}$ IN.	$4\frac{1}{2}$ IN.	$\frac{1}{4}$ IN.	2 IN.
3	$\frac{1}{2}$ IN. TO $\frac{3}{4}$ IN.	$3\frac{7}{8}$ IN.	14	$1\frac{5}{16}$ IN.	$5\frac{1}{4}$ IN.	$1\frac{7}{8}$ IN.	$1\frac{5}{16}$ IN.	1 IN.	$5\frac{1}{2}$ IN.	$\frac{1}{2}$ IN.	$3\frac{1}{2}$ IN.
4	1 IN. TO 2 IN.	4 IN.	$11\frac{1}{2}$	$2\frac{1}{4}$ IN.	6 IN.	2 IN.	$1\frac{3}{8}$ IN.	2 IN.	6 IN.	$\frac{13}{16}$ IN.	$3\frac{1}{2}$ IN.
5	$2\frac{1}{2}$ IN. TO 4 IN.	6 IN.	8	$4\frac{1}{2}$ IN.	6 IN.	3 IN.	$2\frac{3}{8}$ IN.	4 IN.	6 IN.	$2\frac{1}{4}$ IN.	4 IN.

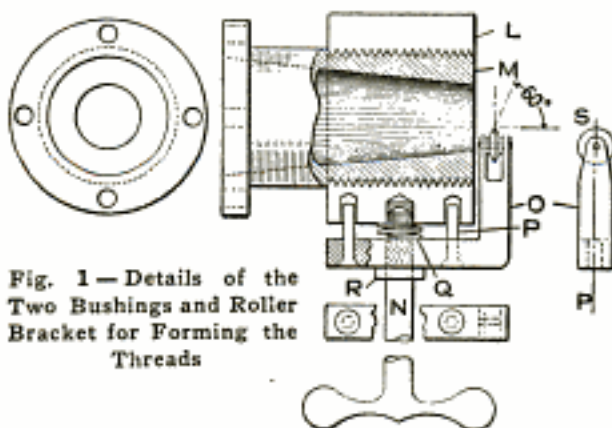
NOTE: THIS RADIUS IS OMITTED ON NO. 1 MACHINES, AS THIS NO. IS FOR ONE SIZE PIPE ONLY

Table of Dimensions for the Construction of Five Sets of Bushings and Five Sets of Jaws. Providing a Sufficient Number of Lead Threads to Form All Sizes Used on Pipes Up to Four Inches

A Thread-Forming Tool for Thin Tubing

Tubing, such as rain leaders, stove-pipes, brass and copper pipes having thin walls, cannot be threaded in the usual manner, and therefore the machine illustrated was designed for rolling the threads into the metal. This tool will quickly form a thread sufficiently full to give a good, tight joint. As the thread is formed in the entire thickness of the metal, it serves for either an inside or outside thread.

In Fig. 1 the tool is shown without the chuck jaws, of which five sizes, required to roll threads in the five standard pitches for pipe from $\frac{1}{8}$ in. to 4 in., are given in the table. For example, if it is desired to form a thread on a $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. tube, the table shows that such a pipe is given 14 threads to the inch. The two bushings, L and M, having 14 threads to the inch, are taken from the set, and the tube to be



threaded is filled with lead for a distance of about 5 in. This can be accomplished by filling the other part of the tube with clay, or by pushing in

a cork, and pouring the melted metal on top of it. The tube end is placed through the bore in the bushing M, and the four chuck jaws belonging to

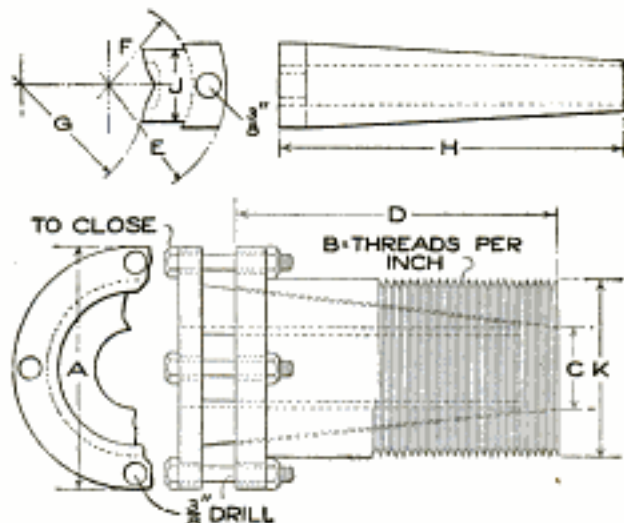


Fig. 2—Four Jaws are Used to Clamp the Pipe in the Inner Bushing of the Machine

this set are placed in the lead-filled pipe. The end of the pipe must project through the bushing M far enough for the thread. Each jaw is located at a point 90 deg. from the other, or where the holes in the flange of the bushing M will meet those in the flange of the jaw, as shown in Fig. 2; then, $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. bolts are placed through the holes and drawn up to cause the jaws to grip the lead-filled pipe. The traveling feed bushing L is then turned on to M for about five threads, and the handle N, having been passed through the clearance hole in the wheel bracket O, is turned a few threads into the tapped hole in the bushing L. The guide pins P are a push fit in the holes drilled in L, and prevent the lateral play in O. The helical spring Q takes up all the backlash.

The handle N is turned down into the hole in L, causing the fixed collar R to force the bracket O so that the desired pressure is obtained on the threading wheel S. The bushing L is revolved for the length of the thread desired, then another run is taken, with the wheel S set a little deeper, until the thread is made. The tube is then removed and the lead taken out. In removing the lead, care must be taken,

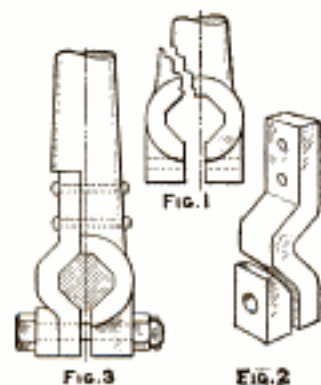
if the pipe is plated or finished in any manner. Heat will spoil the finish; therefore the lead must be drilled out as much as possible, and the remaining portion dug out with a sharp-pointed tool.

The tapers in the bushing M and on the jaws should be standard. The torsional strain on the tubing is small, for the reason that the thread is formed with a roller instead of being cut.

Repairing a Broken Steering Lever

Automobiles are as apt to have breakdowns in the country as in the city, but with a few simple tools and

a little skill, repairs can be made on the spot or at a neighboring farmhouse, which will avoid the necessity of abandoning the machine until it can be towed in or a new part secured. A simple roadside repair



of this nature is shown in the illustration. The steering-gear lever broke, as shown in Fig. 1, preventing further continuation of the journey. The repair was made with the aid of a small vise, clamped on the running board, a breast drill, a piece of steel, several rivets, a nut, and such tools as hammer, chisels, punches, and files, which are found in every well-equipped tool box.

In making the repair, the main piece of the lever was chipped and filed to form a flat surface and square shoulder. A suitable piece of steel was heated in a bonfire, and bent to approximately fit the lever pin, so that but little filing was required to make a close fit. The parts were then assembled, clamped in the vise, and drilled for $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. rivets, which were inserted and riveted in place. In order to use the same clamping bolt and nut, an extra washer was provided. For this purpose a nut was found which slipped over the body of

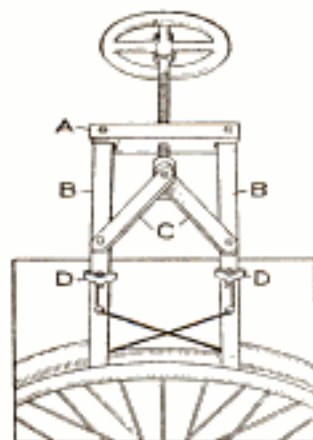
the bolt, and one corner was chipped off to fit the lever. The completed repair was very rigid, and caused no trouble during the rest of the trip.

Keeping Flies Out of an Ice-Cream Parlor

One owner of a confectionery and ice-cream parlor kept the flies out and away from the entrance in the following manner: The ventilating fan placed in the transom over the door was housed and the draft from it directed so that it passed down in front of the door. This keeps the door free from flies and does not interfere with the ventilation of the room.—Contributed by C. J. Waters, Jackson, Mich.

Tool to Replace Rubber Tires on Velocipedes

The main part of the tool consists of a yoke, A, made of a piece of metal, 8 in. long and 1 in. square, with a notch cut in each end, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide and 1 in. deep, into which side pieces, B, 16 in. long and $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick, are hinged. A toggle joint, C, is made of pieces, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick, which is operated with a screw run through the yoke A. The pieces are drilled and



tapped to receive bolts with wing nuts, D.

The wire ends in the tire are fastened under the wing nuts, and the edges of the pieces B are placed against the rubber ends. The screw is turned down to force the pieces B out, thus barring the wire so that it can be tied securely.

Front Sight for a Rifle

File a V-shaped notch in the cross bar of the front sight, about $\frac{3}{32}$ in. deep, with the sides at an angle of 60° for a nine target sight, and about 45° for game. Taper the sides so as to make



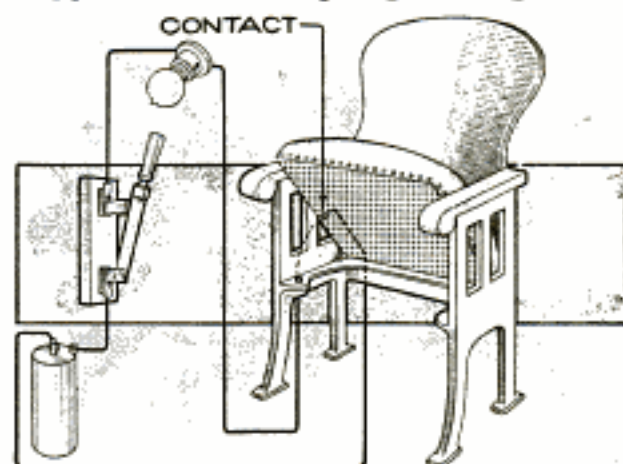
a smooth, clean edge on the front of the cross bar. Make a pin, about $\frac{3}{8}$ in. long, from steel, $\frac{5}{32}$ in. in diameter. Cut a thread on one end and drill a $\frac{5}{64}$ -in. hole in the other. Fit in this hole an ivory pin accurately pointed to an angle of 70° . Drill a hole in the bottom plate, and tap it to receive the threads of the pin. Turn the pin in position so that the point of the ivory bead will show exactly in the center at the bottom of the notch in the cross bar. A very little of the white pin showing will give the best results.

This sight combines the two best and oldest known sights in use into one, and eliminates guesswork from aiming.—Contributed by Chas. Carroll, State Soldiers' Home, Ohio.

Locating Empty Theater Seats Electrically

There are but few people who have not experienced the difficulty of going into a movie show, or other place of amusement, and finding a seat in the dark. Having this in mind, a practical electrician has devised a switchboard and electric-light system, similar to a telephone exchange, and when a person sits down on a seat a contact is made which completes the circuit and

a lamp designating the seat row and number lights up. The unoccupied seats remain dark. The contacts are supplied with a spring arranged so



The Switch on Each Seat is Closed When Occupied Which Lights a Globe on the Lamp Board

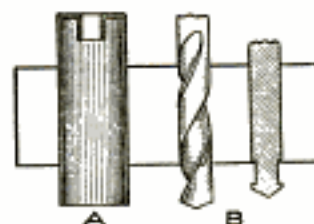
that they will not meet unless a pressure of 35 lb. is applied. If a chair is vacant or occupied by a child within the free-admission age, the lamp corresponding to that particular seat will remain dark.

It has been found advisable to use a switch in the transmitter circuit so that no current is wasted by keeping the whole number of lamps lit all the time. The lights are small incandescent lamps and are arranged on the switchboard in the relative positions of the seats they represent. With the aid of this device the ushers can seat patrons satisfactorily.—Contributed by M. Ancker, Philadelphia, Pa.

Enlarging Holes in Brass

Several thousand drawn-brass shells, or cups, A, having a hole in them made too small, had to be drilled to enlarge the hole $\frac{1}{64}$ in.

As they were made of soft brass, it was more difficult to enlarge the hole by drilling than if there had been



no hole. A drill in good condition passing through metal of this sort will make a hole just a trifle larger than the size of the drill. To take off $\frac{1}{64}$

in. in the diameter would only require the drill to scrape a little from the edges. Various drills were used, also lubricants, but to no avail. The holes were enlarged, however, by the method shown in the illustration. Twist drills have a raised portion, or land, $\frac{1}{32}$ to $\frac{1}{16}$ in. wide, that is the full size of the drill. This forms its cutting edge at its greatest diameter. A part of this raised portion was ground off leaving only a short piece, about $\frac{1}{16}$ in. long, at the point. This cut the hole out to size and the following part did not rub. The removed portion of the raised part is shown at B.

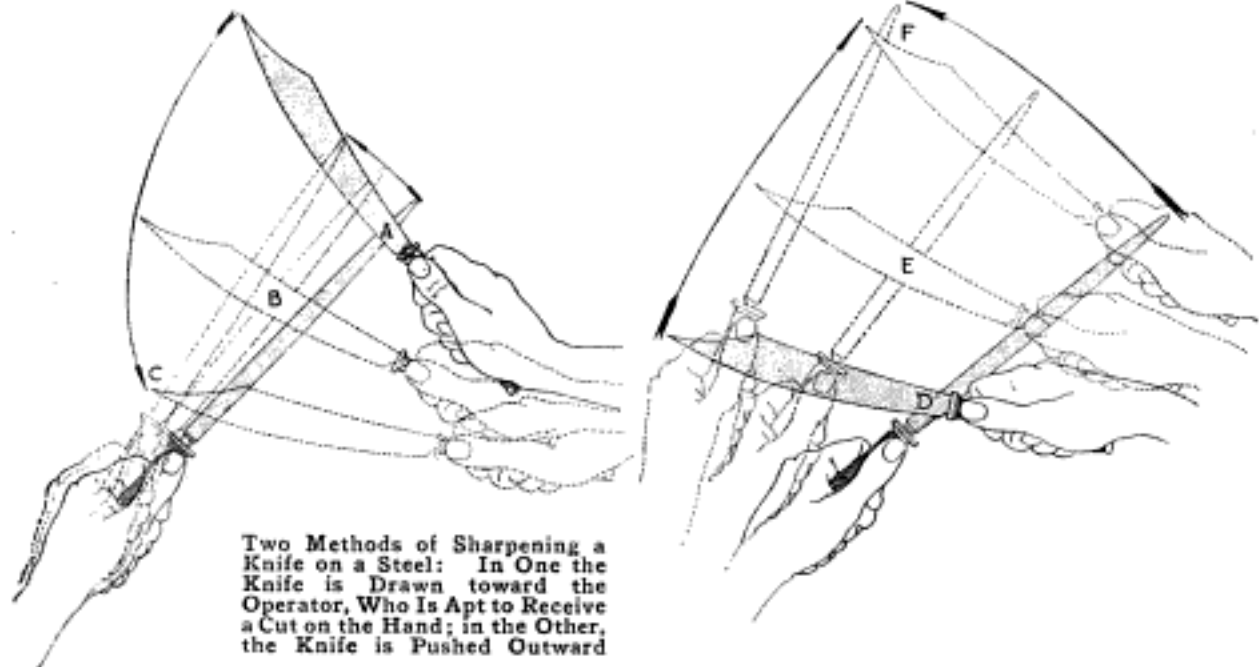
How to Keep a Carving Knife Sharp

It is quite an art to sharpen a carving knife, and there are very few people that know how to do it properly. The secret in caring for the edge of a knife is to sharpen it often, by a few strokes on a good steel. Watching a marketman cut meat, one will notice that he sharpens the knife very

platter, yet the majority of people expect the knife to cut easily without sharpening. In most cases the continued use of the knife without any attempt to sharpen it is due to the individual using the knife not knowing how to sharpen it on the steel. The following suggestions may be a help to those not knowing how to properly use the steel.

Hold the steel in the left hand and apply the knife as shown at A. The blade is drawn across the steel downward and inward, holding the blade at an angle of 15° and starting at the back of the blade and finishing at the point. At B and C are shown two stages in the operation. Repeat, first on one side and then on the other, for at least a dozen strokes, being careful to hold the blade at an angle of 15° to the steel at all times.

Another method of sharpening a knife on a steel, which a great many prefer, as a person is less liable to cut the hand, is illustrated at D, E and F. In this case the steel and knife are

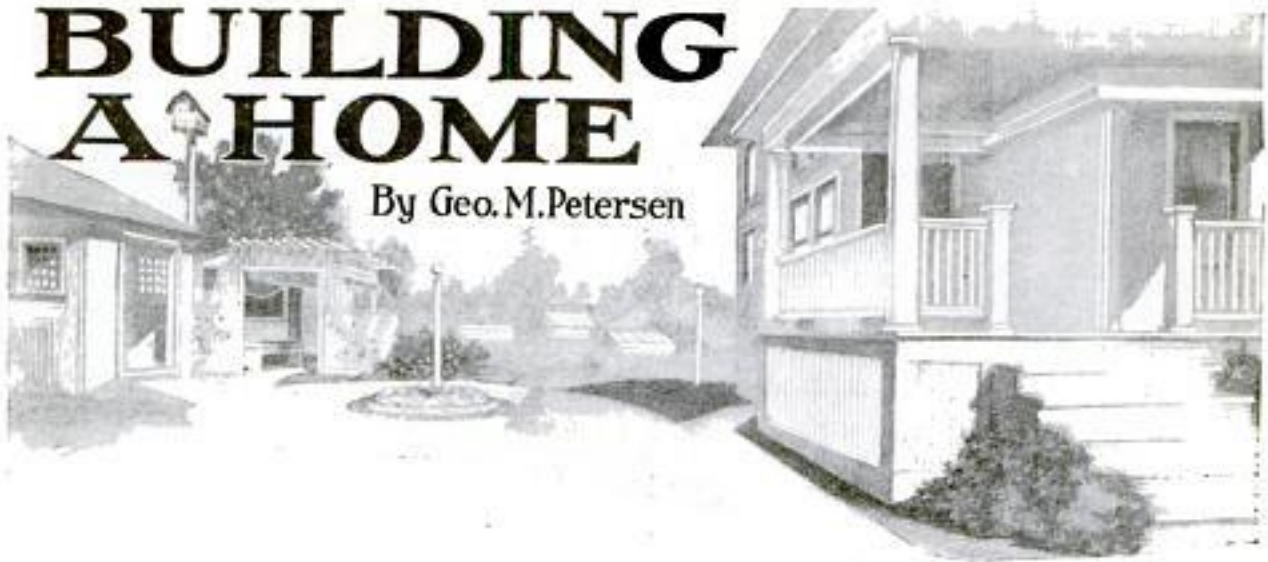


often, only a few rubs on the steel, but every few minutes. A carving knife in the majority of cases has to do much harder work when in use than the knife of the marketman or butcher. Its edge is blunted by contact with the bones in the meat and especially with the bottom of the

held at the same angle to each other, but the stroke begins at the base of the steel and ends at the point, and should be repeated a number of times, first on one side and then on the other. This method is not considered as scientific as the first, but is very effective and much safer.

BUILDING A HOME

By Geo. M. Petersen



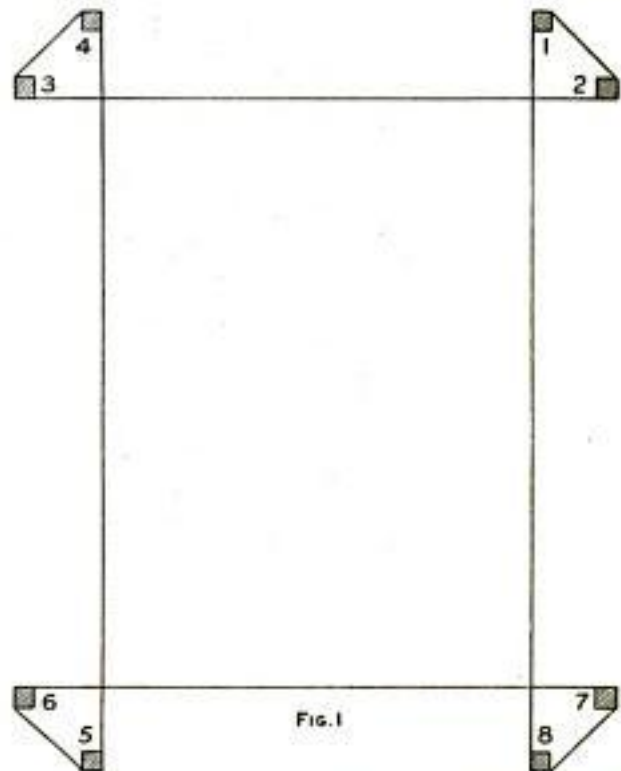
PART III—The Laying of Foundations

BEFORE the work of excavating is begun the foundation lines should be run, as shown in Fig. 1, and a small trench dug with a pick so that the lines may be removed to let the teams work to an advantage. The excavation is usually started by plowing up the surface and then removing the loose dirt with a scraper. When the dirt is not needed for filling in, it is removed in dump wagons. It is always a good plan to leave the top dressing, that is taken from the area to be excavated, near by to be used for grading purposes when the building is completed. Sufficient earth should be left around the edge of the excavation to fill in the space between the bank and the foundation wall, when the latter has been completed, as the excavation should be at least 4 in. larger each way than the finished foundation line, to permit the proper laying up of the wall. When the foundation walls are completed, the space left around them should be filled to at least 3 in. above the finished grade to allow the surface water to drain away from the walls.

Foundation Material

There are six popular classes of foundations, viz., concrete, concrete blocks, flint stone, limestone, brick, and hollow tile. Concrete is made of Portland, or natural, cement and an aggregate usually composed of gravel and sand. Do not accept cement that has become caked from dampness. How-

ever, caking caused by piling will do no harm. The aggregate should be clean and free from loam. A small quantity of clay will do no harm, but never allow loam to be used if a good concrete job is wanted. Concrete is really an artificial rock and when properly mixed in the right proportions—usually one part cement to two parts of clean sharp sand and five parts of



Stakes are Set and the Lines are Run as the Numbers Show, Outlining the Foundation Plan

clean gravel—it becomes so hard and strong that when a piece is broken

off, the small stones in it are often broken along the line of fracture. This fact proves that a proper mixture of concrete makes a first-class building foundation.

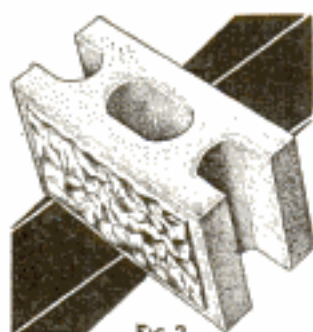


Fig. 2

The two main things to watch closely when pouring a concrete wall is first to see that the mixture is rich enough, and second that the concrete is poured into the forms while it is wet enough to be poured. If the mixture shakes like jelly it is about the right consistency, and when properly tamped after being placed in the forms, a good solid foundation, retarding dampness, will be the result.

A typical concrete block is shown in Fig. 2. The theory of this style of block is that when the wall is laid up and completed the dead-air space is continuous between the inner and outer wall, and this air space, by preventing accumulation, by capillary attraction, of the exterior dampness on the interior wall, will keep the basement from becoming damp. This theory has not worked out in actual practice, but whether its failure is due to the blocks being made of concrete that is too dry to form a really solid block; because the inner and outer walls are too thin, or because, no matter how carefully the blocks are laid up, there is sure to be a certain amount of mortar that will bond the inner and outer wall together, has never been satisfactorily explained. The fact remains, however, that a solid, or poured, concrete wall is a great deal drier and stronger than a block wall of the same size, the only objection to it being the appearance of the smooth concrete wall above grade on the exterior of the building. The only way to overcome this is to pour a solid concrete wall to a point about 2 in. above grade and then build the remainder of the wall with blocks.

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Fig. 3

There are very few foundation materials that are as serviceable, and certainly none that gives a better appearance, than a nice flint stone. The great difficulty with the flint stone is that it "sweats" and keeps the basement damp. A damp basement is not only detrimental to the entire building above it, but also prevents the storing of vegetables and canned fruits in it, as they will decay, or mold.

Limestone is a material that does not sweat, but the appearance is not so good above grade. For this reason it is best to use limestone below grade and then build up on the top four or five courses of the flint stone.

While brick laid in cement mortar will stand a greater strain of compression than concrete, it is seldom used in the construction of foundation walls for dwellings, for two reasons, the cost and the difficulty of making it waterproof. The proper method of damp-proofing a brick foundation wall is by building into it a course of hollow tile, as shown in Fig. 3. This hollow tile has the same effect as the air space is supposed to have in the concrete-block wall.

The two principal kinds of hollow clay tile on the market are the regular book tile, Fig. 4, and the interlocking tile, Fig. 5; and while the former cannot be used for foundation work, the latter is especially well adapted for this work. It can be laid up in an 8,

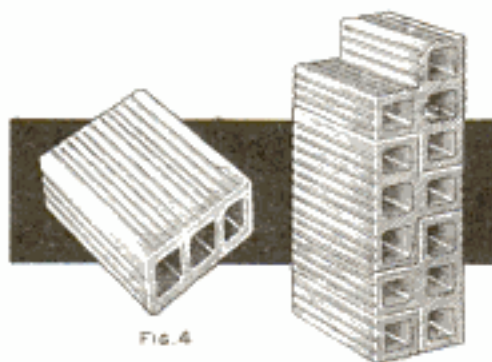


Fig. 4

Fig. 5

Book and Interlocking Tiles, the Latter being Especially Adapted for Building Foundation Walls

12, or 16-in. wall and plastered directly on either or both sides of the tile. The

construction of the interlocking tile makes its uses almost limitless.

Damp-Proofing

The surest way to waterproof a stone or concrete-block wall is to remove the earth at least 12 in., all the way around, and paint the entire outside surface of the wall with hot asphalt after pointing up all the joints. This process is sometimes elaborated upon by first putting on a coat of asphaltum, then laying a layer of three-ply tar paper over the asphaltum, and applying another coat of asphaltum on the tar paper. The inside of the stone wall is then carefully pointed up with mortar and given a coat of patent plaster. The method is the best that can be used, but it is very expensive. The average stone foundation is laid up in a full bed of cement and lime mortar, the lime being used to form the bond between the mortar and the stone, and the cement used to harden the mortar into a stone. If the joints and beds are full, and the wall is plastered on the inside with cement mortar, it will probably make the wall water-tight enough for practical purposes, unless there is an actual water pressure behind it.

The waterproofing compounds composed of powders that must be mixed with the dry cement, and the liquid compounds that must be put into the mixing water, in the majority of cases, should not be used, as they actually prevent the concrete from setting properly, and in many places form a cell around a quantity of aggregate which prevents the contents of the cell from consolidating with the other parts. This naturally forms a detached portion that weakens the whole mass. There are other compounds that are mixed into the face of the wall or into the top coating of the floor. These tend to harden the surface where they are applied and prevent it from bonding

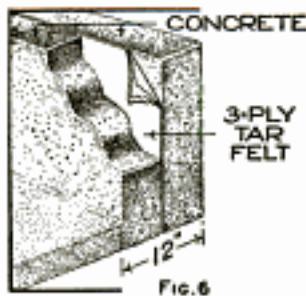


FIG. 6

with the remainder of the mass. It also makes the surface to which it is applied crack and fall off.

The kind of waterproofing material that will give the best results are those put on in paint form. The mixture is

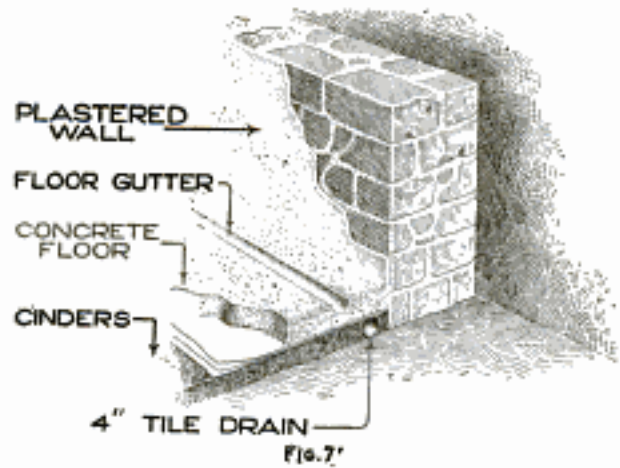


FIG. 7

The Construction of a Basement Floor with Gutter and Curve at Wall Base, and Drain under Floor

thinned with turpentine, is like paint, and may be used on concrete, brick, or stone with satisfactory results. It may be applied when the concrete or brickwork is wet, and will hold in a first-class manner, unless there happens to be a real pressure forcing the water through the pores.

A method of insuring absolute dryness in a foundation wall is illustrated in Fig. 6. This is copied from that used for underground work, such as subways, etc., and consists of building the wall in alternate courses of wet concrete and three-ply tar felt. For ordinary foundation walls one thickness of tar felt, as shown, will prove satisfactory, but care should be taken to give the felt sufficient lap.

Under certain conditions it is desirable to place a tile drain inside the foundation wall and beneath the basement floor to protect the floor from exterior dampness. This is a cheap preventive and can be used in places where there is hardly any call for it. The fact that this drain will work if the water should get under the floor is sufficient excuse for its being placed under every basement floor. This style of construction is shown in Fig. 7.

Waterproofing a concrete-block wall has been a great problem, and it ap-

pears as if this type of construction will never prove popular except in isolated communities, or for an artistic effect above grade. There is also a

the corners, and a gutter should be run to the basement-floor drain, to carry away any water which might come through the foundation walls, or other-

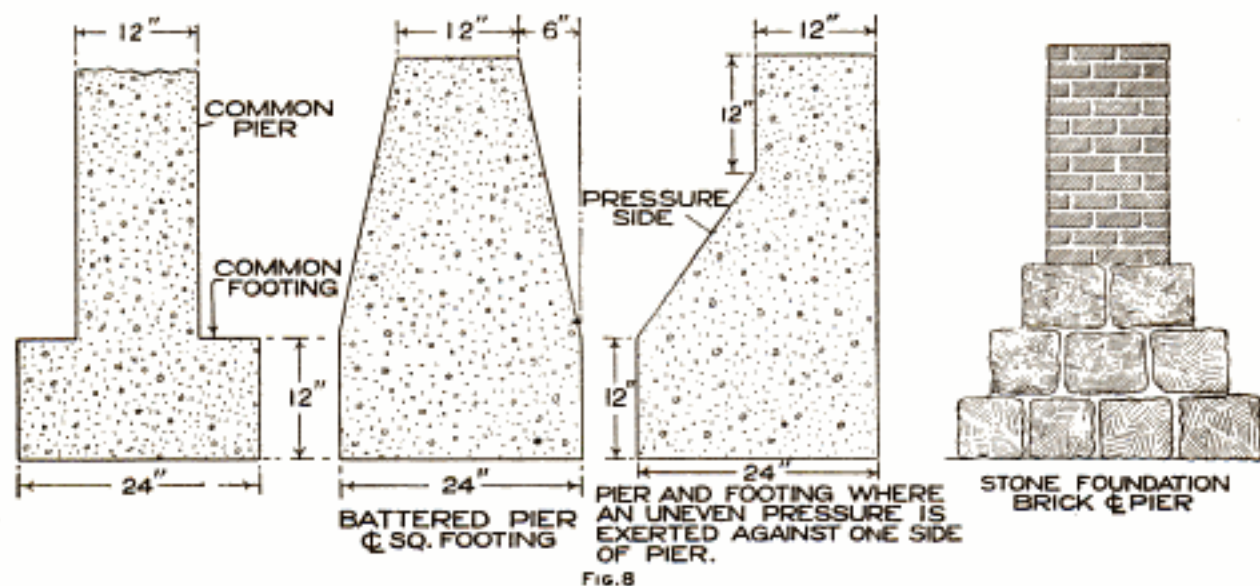


Fig. 8
Piers Are of Many Designs and Types, According to the Conditions under Which They are to be Used, and the Best Material for Shaping Them Properly Is Concrete

strong objection to concrete blocks from the artistic point of view on account of the continual sameness, every block alike. For city use, concrete blocks are almost as expensive as stone and a great deal less desirable in every instance except one, which is that the block wall takes up only 8 in. in width for each wall, while a stone wall takes at least 16 in., or double the floor space of the block.

Basement Floors

The most modern and the most serviceable basement-floor material is concrete, when properly constructed. To secure the best results for a concrete floor, the earth should be well rammed with a heavy tamper to make a firm foundation. A layer of cinders, at least 4 in. thick, should be placed on the earth, and well rammed. The cinders form an insulator between the earth and the concrete work. The concrete for the floor is composed of one part cement and six parts clean gravel, and is floated to a true and even finish. The floor should never be less than 2 in., and preferably 3 in., thick. The edge at the walls is turned up at least 4 in., to prevent dirt from settling in.

wise reach the floor. If the gutters are properly located and graded, and the entire floor graded toward a certain point, usually a floor drain, the basement will always be dry and free from foul air. A properly constructed basement floor is illustrated in Fig. 7.

Probably the greatest trouble with basement floors is due to the foundation not being properly settled; an insufficient quantity of cinders; the use of ashes or broken concrete in the place of cinders; a weak concrete mixture, or a too thin top floor. If the suggestions given above are followed out, the result will be satisfactory.

In extreme cases where dampness or water will come up through the concrete floor the same method of construction may be used as recommended for a waterproof concrete wall. By laying about 1 in. of concrete, covering it with a layer of three-ply tar paper, and covering the paper with 2 in. of concrete, the water will be kept out and the floor dry.

Chimney and Column Footings

When constructing chimney and column footings the first requirement is to excavate down to a solid founda-

tion, if possible. If a natural solid foundation cannot be obtained, then it will become necessary to make one. It may be necessary to consult an engineer, or architect, to find out the proper size to make the foundation sufficiently strong to carry the load. These foundations are usually constructed of concrete reinforced with steel bars, but are sometimes constructed of building stone or brick.

The footings should cover a large area, the size depending on the foundation material and the load to be carried. On these footings are erected the piers which are to extend up to carry the load of the building. Be sure to have the pier cover enough surface of the footing to prevent it from puncturing or breaking through.

Piers

Piers are of many designs and types, according to the conditions under which they are to be used, the size for a residence usually being from 12 in. to 24 in. square. They are sometimes tapered so that their bottoms will cover a larger area than the tops.

A few common shapes of piers are shown in Fig. 8. Although the materials used for piers may be the same as are used for foundation walls, it is safe to say that concrete piers predominate. This is partly due to the adaptability of this material to forms of various kinds. For large piers, over 4 ft. in height above the earth, it is customary to reinforce them with steel, or iron, rods to prevent cracking under side strains, which sometimes occurs.

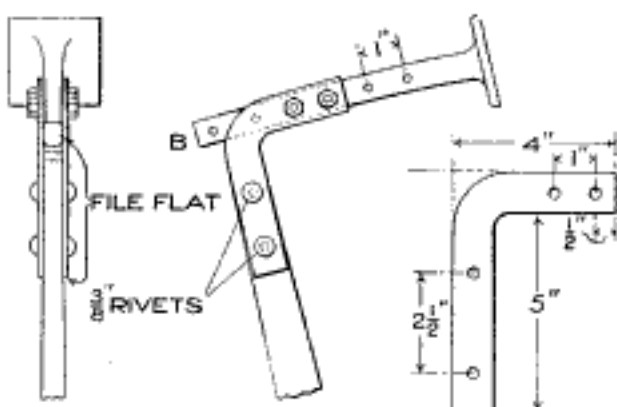
Hot Spark for Motor with Low Battery Consumption

A motorcycle using a battery will give a much better spark by the following method: Turn the motor so that the cam lifts the spring. Adjust the contact screw to make a firm but light contact. Turn the cam out of the way, and bend the commutator spring so that the break between contacts is about the thickness of a business card. This will give the hottest spark with least battery consumption.—Contributed by F. L. Prescott, Starke, Fla.

An Adjustable Foot Lever for an Automobile

Adjustment of the brakes and of the clutch of an automobile is necessary from time to time, and the relative position of the pedals is changed as the adjustment is made. In quite a few cases the pedal is moved so far inward that the pad almost touches the floor boards, and when this occurs, it is necessary to relieve the brakes, or clutch facings in order to bring the pad back to its original position. The method described and illustrated herewith was applied to make the pedal adjustable and eliminate the relining

job for a greater length of time. Quite a number of cars of recent manufacture are equipped with similar devices, but the car upon which the pedal was



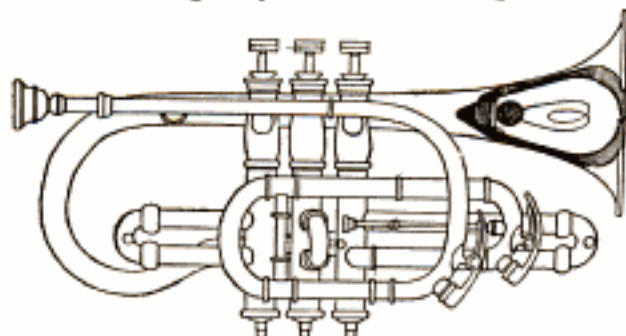
Changes in an Automobile Pedal to Make the Pad Part Adjustable for Length

changed had the type of pedal with the pad forged on the lever end.

The pedal was cut off at a point about 6 in. from the pad, and both portions were straightened and filed flat on both sides. In the upper piece six holes were drilled as shown. An angle piece of cold-rolled steel was forged for each side, and two holes drilled in each end. These pieces were riveted to the sides of the lever end, and the pedal part was fastened with bolts between the upper ends.—Contributed by Adolph Kline, New York City.

Substitute for a Cornet Mute

A new, or discarded, electric globe makes an excellent cornet mute in case of an emergency. Procure a globe of

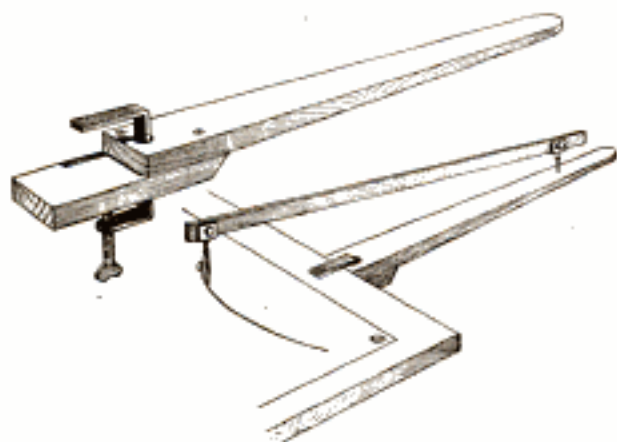


An Electric Globe Taking the Place of a Mute in the Cornet Bell

a size to fit the cornet bell, and paste three felt, or cork, strips on the side of the globe evenly spaced. If possible, use a discarded globe, and remove the metal screw part and grind the glass end smooth. Take out the glass tube and filament. This will produce a better sound, but the entire globe can also be used with good results.—Contributed by George E. Badger, Grays River, Wash.

Extension for a Drawing Board

All draftsmen are familiar with the trouble of removing a drawing from the board in order to draw arcs whose centers are beyond the edge of the paper. This can be avoided by the use of the easily made extension shown in



Extension Arm Attached to a Drawing Board for Drawing Arcs with a Long Trammel

the illustration. Two pieces of wood and a small clamp costing a few cents are all that is required. A suitable

width for both pieces is 2 in. The upper piece, which can be made 12 in. long, should be a trifle less in thickness than the drawing board at the base so as to allow the clamp a leverage. From the end of the clamping piece to the tip both edges and under side are tapered to make it lighter and have a better appearance. A hole is bored through both pieces, after they are fastened together, for the clamp to slide in easily. It will be seen that nothing projects above the drawing surface except the upper part of the clamp, and that no difficulty will be experienced in drawing radius lines with a straightedge bearing on a pin stuck in the extension piece at the center of the circle.—Contributed by Morris G. Miller, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Steering-Gear Lever Repair

The steering-gear lever of an automobile broke a short distance above the lower end, and as it was impossible to secure a new one quickly, a repair was made as follows: The portion of the lever at the point of the break was filed off, and a $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. hole drilled in its end to a depth of $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. The ball end was also filed flat, and a $\frac{5}{8}$ -in. hole drilled through it and counter-sunk $\frac{1}{4}$ in. on one end.



A piece of drill rod of the right length was turned down to $\frac{3}{4}$ in. on one end, and to $\frac{5}{8}$ in. on the other. The rod was then bent to the proper shape, after which the ball was riveted to the $\frac{5}{8}$ -in. end. The other end of the rod was inserted in the upper portion of the lever, where it was securely riveted.

In making a repair of this kind, be sure to fit the joints tightly and rivet them well, as the lever is subjected to extreme vibrations.

CA plug tap should never be started in a hole where it is convenient to start the thread with a taper tap.



A Miniature Illuminating-Gas Plant

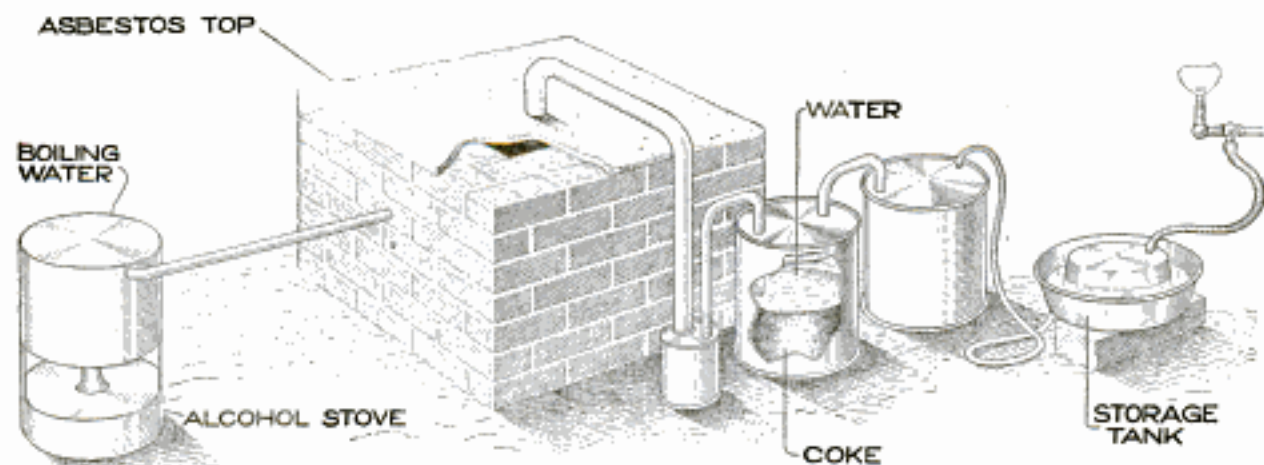
By MORTON SOUTHARD

VERY few persons realize that the smoke issuing from chimneys is mainly coal gas carrying minute particles of unconsumed carbon that gives it a dark-gray color, containing, besides, some sulphur and sulphuric gases, carbonic-acid gas, and other impurities. It is only necessary to collect this gas and remove the impurities to get a gas that will burn with a bright flame.

The products obtained from a gas plant are gas, ammoniacal liquor, coal tar, and coke. Of 1 ton of coal, 1,500 lb. remains in the retort, or furnace, as coke; 20 gal. of ammoniacal liquor and 140 lb. of coal tar are taken from the cylinders and washers. When distilled, the ammoniacal liquor will yield close to 18 gal. of ammonia, which is used in

the manufacture of artificial ice and cold storage. The coal tar will yield approximately 19 lb. of benzol, which is the base of all true aniline dyes; 6 lb. of naphthalene, commonly known as camphor flakes or moth balls, which also yields some dyes; 4 lb. of toluene, which is valuable as a solvent and is the base of saccharine, and about 2 lb. each of phenol (carbolic acid), pyrene, anthracene, xylenol, cresol, chrysene, and alizarin. The residuum is coal-tar pitch, used extensively as a binder for briquetting coal dust for household consumption, and also for roofing and street paving. From these various coal-tar products, dyes of every tint, shade and color are obtained, as well as other industrial chemicals, from flavoring extracts to perfumes, from volatile oils to high explosives, and from the sweetest of all sweets to the bitterest of bitter.

A model gas plant—one that will be instructive and in no way dangerous if proper precautions are taken—can be



The Furnace Made of Fire Brick is Connected to the Condenser and Washers with Ordinary Iron Pipe through Which the Gases Pass After being Purified Before They Enter the Storage Tank

built from a few fire brick, some pieces of pipe, and a few tin cans. Enough fire brick must be secured to build a furnace 14 in. square by 20 in. high, inside measurements. Build up the four walls on a level surface of the ground, laying the bricks with a cement mortar to seal them perfectly, as coal gas will find any small crevice and escape. For this reason it is best to build a second wall outside of the first and plaster the joint between them as it is built. When the four walls are finished, make a grate of fire brick in the bottom by setting the brick on edge and spacing them about $\frac{1}{4}$ in. After the walls are dry, make ready the material for the fire. Place sufficient kindling on the grate to start a quick fire, then cover it with coal. When this is done, cover the furnace with a heavy piece of asbestos board large enough to reach the outside edge of the furnace walls. The board must be cemented to the top surface of the brick walls. Place the cement mixture on the wall top, then press the board on it, and place a weight on top until the cement becomes dry. The cement mixture should consist of one part cement to two parts of fine sand.

Procure a large can, such as used in canning tomatoes, having a diameter of more than 4 in. and with top and bottom whole; also two other cans, each having a capacity of 2 gal. with closed heads. Connect the first can to the furnace with a piece of 2-in. pipe, as shown in the illustration. The pipe can be bent for convenience, but in case such a piece is not at hand, regular pipe connections can be made with threaded ends, ells, waste nuts, etc. In either case, be sure to make the joints gas-tight. If a bent pipe is used, the ends can be cemented in the asbestos furnace top and the can top. Cut a hole centrally in the asbestos top and at one side in the can top. Fit one end of the pipe in the hole made in the asbestos and seal the connection with asbestos cement, then do likewise with the end that enters the can top.

In connecting the first and second cans, use a piece of 1-in. pipe. This may

be bent or connected with ells to form a U-shaped piece. In either case, one end should be longer than the other, so that one will just pass into the first can, where it is sealed with asbestos cement, while the other end passes through the second-can top, where it is sealed, and extends to the bottom of the can. For the connection to the third can, make a hole in the top of the second can, but do not seal it up to the connection until the can is first filled with water to within 2 or 3 in. of the top. Also put powdered coke into the water, about halfway of the can's height.

The connection from the second and third cans should be made of glass so that the gas can be observed passing through it between the cans. This is not absolutely necessary, however, and a piece of $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. iron pipe can be used instead. This pipe is connected in the same manner as that between the first and second, extending to the bottom of the third can and being sealed where it passes through the tops. The third can is filled with water to within 2 or 3 in. of the top.

The gas coming from the third can, or washer, is ready for use, but as the pressure would not be uniform, a storage tank must be provided. To make a storage tank suitable for the needs of this small plant, procure two pans, from 10 to 12 in. in diameter and from 3 to 4 in. deep. One pan should be a trifle smaller, so that it may be inverted in the larger pan, as shown. Make a connection from the third can with a rubber hose to the bottom of the larger pan, near the center, and use this pan as the bottom part of the storage tank. Pour into this pan enough water to make it 2 in. deep, invert the other pan and set it into the water. Attach a gas hose to the bottom of the inverted pan and fasten a gas jet into the rubber-hose end. This will make the gas plant complete and ready to operate.

To start the furnace, bore a hole in one side of the brick walls, about the size of an ordinary lead pencil, and insert a lighted taper to set fire to the kindling. There may be some diffi-

culty in getting the fire to burn at first, and it may be necessary to force considerable air in; however, when the fire is fairly started, it will burn freely and the gases will soon find their way through the first pipe to the condenser, which is the first can. There they will mingle and deposit some tar and ammonia, then flow out through the second pipe, up through the coke and water in the second can and through the glass tube, where they may be observed passing into the can of water, where some more tar and ammonia will be deposited. After leaving this can the gas will find its way through the rubber tube into the storage tank. It passes from this tank to the burner, where it can be lighted and will burn with a bright flame.

If it is possible to force steam into the furnace when the fire is at its height, a much better quality and a larger volume of gas will be made. This is accomplished by placing a

closed can of water over a fire near the furnace and connecting it to the latter with a piece of 1-in. gas pipe. The water in this can must be boiling hot at the time the fire in the furnace is lighted. The steam entering the furnace is decomposed, the hydrogen being released as a gas. The pipe connecting the boiler with the furnace should be fitted in the furnace wall so that the steam will pass in at the top of the fire; about halfway up the side of the furnace being about right. The steam will start the gases more rapidly and force them through the pipes.

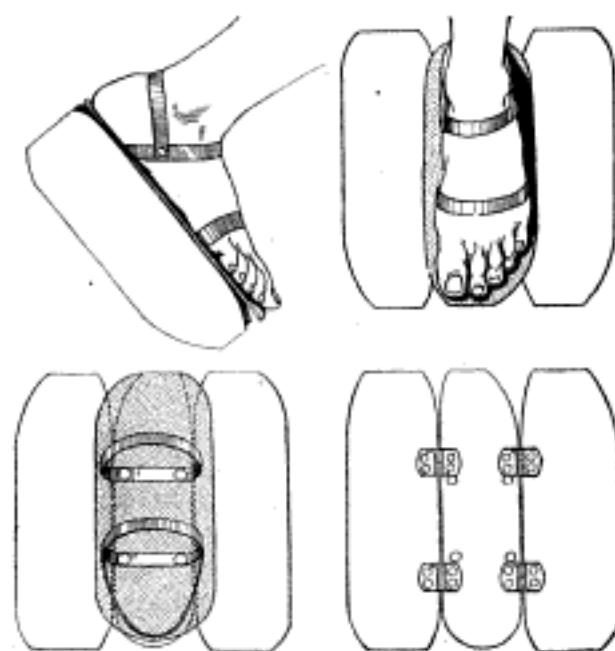
Make sure that all connections are carefully sealed to prevent the escape of gases, as they will always follow the lines of least resistance and pass out through a very small crevice. The only danger with a plant of this size is from fire, wherefore it should be built away from inflammable materials. It will not make sufficient gas to be of injury to any living being.

Webfoot Attachments for Swimmers

In order to make the feet more effective in swimming, webfoot devices are frequently used. A simple arrangement for this purpose is shown in the illustration. It consists of three thin sections of metal, or wood, fastened together on the back side with spring hinges, which tend to remain open, thereby keeping all the sections spread out in one straight surface. The center section should be cut to conform closely to the shape of the foot, or it will produce considerable resistance during the inward stroke of the foot, and tend to stop the forward movement of the swimmer. Straps should be provided for attaching the device to the foot; one to fit across the toes, and the other adjusted around the ankle by a buckle.

When using the device, the upward or forward stroke of the legs will cause the wings to brush against the water, creating sufficient resistance to overcome the slight force of the springs, thereby pushing the wings parallel with the direction of the stroke. Dur-

ing the opposite, or pushing, stroke, the resistance of the water combined

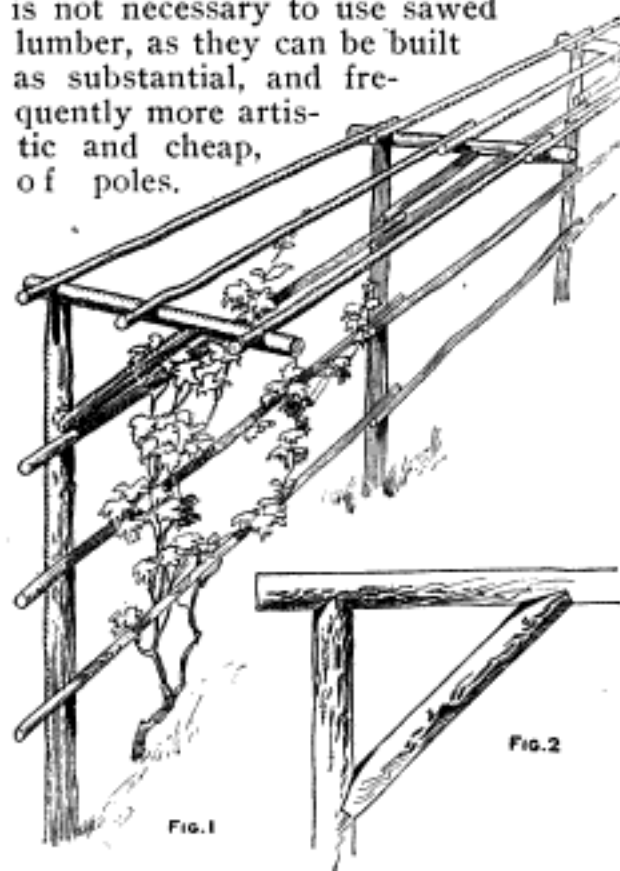


Device for Attaching to the Feet to Work Like Webfeet

with the opening tendency of the hinges will quickly spread the wings out flat, greatly increasing the effectiveness of the feet.—Contributed by J. B. Laplace, New York City.

Grape Arbor Built of Poles

In building outdoor structures, such as grape arbors, pergolas, or arches, it is not necessary to use sawed lumber, as they can be built as substantial, and frequently more artistic and cheap, of poles.



Arbor Made of Poles Which are Supported by One Row of Uprights

These are easily obtained, especially in the country or in the smaller cities where there usually are many trees and gardens.

The illustrated grape arbor consists of but one row of uprights. Across the top of each is placed a horizontal support for the roof poles, as shown in Fig. 1, which is carried near its outer end by an inclined brace. The brace should be connected at each end with a toe joint, as shown in Fig. 2. The upper end of the upright is beveled off on both sides, to form a double-splayed joint with the crosspiece. In order to securely bind the roof of the arbor, the long poles, or roof beams, should be notched near each end to fit over the supports. Similar notches in the poles forming the side of the arbor are to fit the uprights, thereby binding them together and preventing toppling over. Each set of long poles connecting two

uprights should have the end notches the same distance apart, one pole being used as a gauge. All the joints and notches may be cut with a sharp hatchet.

In setting the arbor, the uprights should first be assembled complete with braces and roof supports, and placed in the ground a distance apart corresponding to that of the notches on the long poles. The uprights being set, the long poles are placed and fastened with nails.—Contributed by W. E. Crane, Cleveland, Ohio.

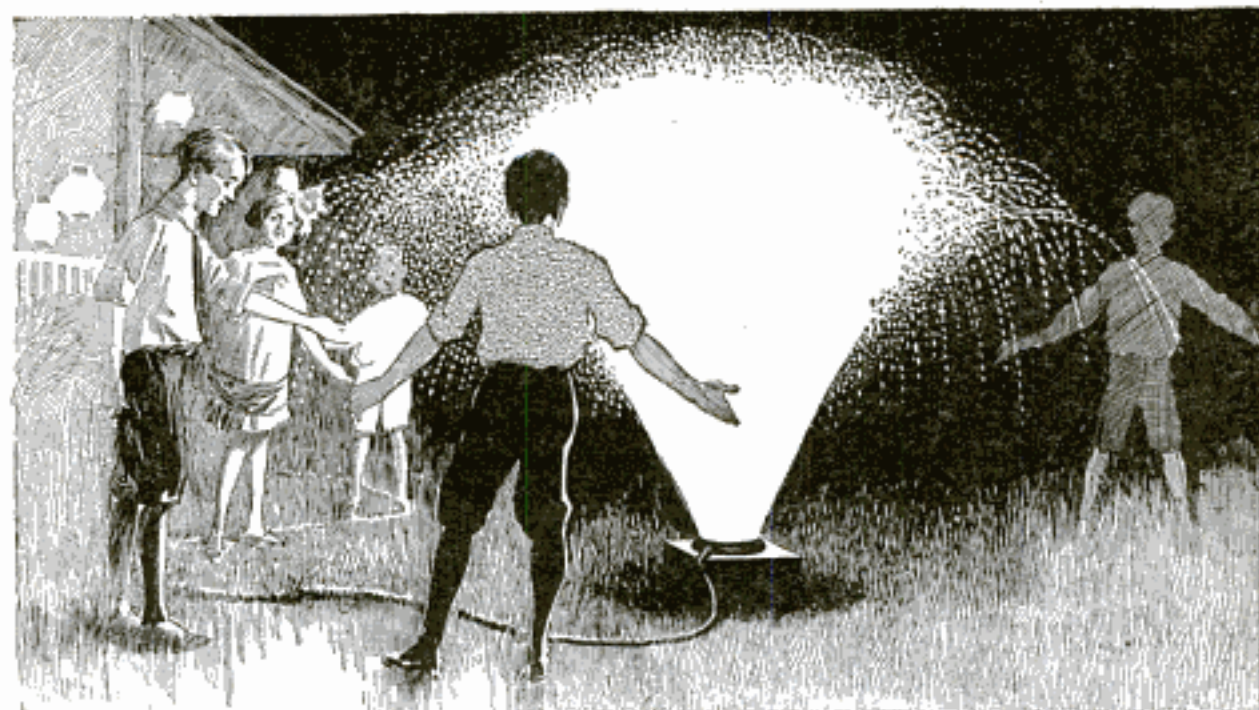
Forcing Fruit Blossoms for Decorations

Twigs trimmed from the fruit trees rather late in the season had quite large buds on them, and we experimented with them in this way: A large box was filled with wet sand, and the twigs were stuck in it and the box set in the warmest corner of the yard. The buds soon swelled and burst into bloom. We then arranged a smaller box of sand and put the blooming twigs into it, and took it into the house where they remained fresh for several days.—Contributed by A. Louise Culver, Oakland, Cal.

Corner Cleaner Attached to a Scrubbing Brush

Dirt will accumulate and harden in the corners of a floor and the base-board just because the end of the scrubbing brush will not enter them. The water gets in with the dirt and leaves a hard crust. This may be easily cleaned out if a metal point is attached to the end of the brush handle, as shown in the illustration. It is used as a scraper to break up the crust and clean it out where the bristles will not enter.—Contributed by L. E. Turner, New York City.





The Electric Globes, as They Light beneath the Spray, Illuminate the Top, and the Light Follows the Streams of Water So That They Appear Like Streams of Light

An Electric Fountain

By WALTER P. BUTLER

To make the grounds as attractive as possible for a lawn party given one night, I constructed an electric fountain which at first appeared to be an expensive proposition, but when completed the desired effect was produced without any expense whatever, as I had the things used in its construction on hand.

A light frame, 9 in. square, was made of $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. material, as shown in Fig. 1, and a grooved pulley was attached exactly in the center on the under side of the crosspiece. A turned stick, A, 2 in. in diameter and $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. long, was fastened to the face of the pulley so that it turned true as the pulley and frame revolved. A hole was then bored centrally through the three parts, the frame crosspiece, the pulley, and the turned stick, of a size to fit a spindle about $\frac{3}{8}$ in. in diameter.

A box was procured, large enough for the frame to turn in freely, and a block of wood was fastened centrally in its bottom, which had a $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. pin set in a hole bored in the center. The pin may be of hard wood, but it is better to use metal. A bolt, or piece of rod, will answer the purpose of a pin very well.

A small battery motor—I had one on hand and did not need to purchase one—was fastened to one side of the box so that its pulley was in line with the pulley on the lower surface of the frame. The batteries to run the motor were placed in the corner of the box, where the revolving frame would not touch them. The motor may be of larger current capacity, however, and run direct on the current used for the lamps.

About $\frac{1}{2}$ in. from the lower end of the turned piece A, a brass strip was fastened around it. This work should be neatly done, and the joint soldered and smoothed, so that the outer surface will not catch on the brush used to make the contact. This ring can be better made by cutting the width from a piece of brass tubing of a size to fit on the turned stick A. About $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. from the lower end four segments of a circle were fastened so as to make a space of about $\frac{1}{4}$ in. between their ends. This construction is clearly shown in Fig. 2. A cross section, showing the wire connections from the brass ring and segments to the lamps and where they lead out on top, is shown at B. The contact brushes

consist of brass strips fastened with bolts to an upright, C, made of wood and attached to one edge of the block in the bottom of the box. Two nuts are used on each bolt, between which are fastened the lead wires from a source of current.

The wiring diagram is shown in Fig. 3. The wire D from the ring is run to the brass base of each lamp, of which there are four. The wires E, from each segment, are connected with solder to each screw ferrule of the lamps, and the ends are left bare and open, as shown, between the lamps.

A lamp is fastened to each corner of the frame on top, as shown in Fig. 4, with a piece of wire wrapped once around the screw ferrule and the extending ends held with staples. The wire used should be heavily insulated or, if it is of iron, a rubber tube slipped over it. A piece of tin, or bright metal, is placed beneath each globe for a reflector.

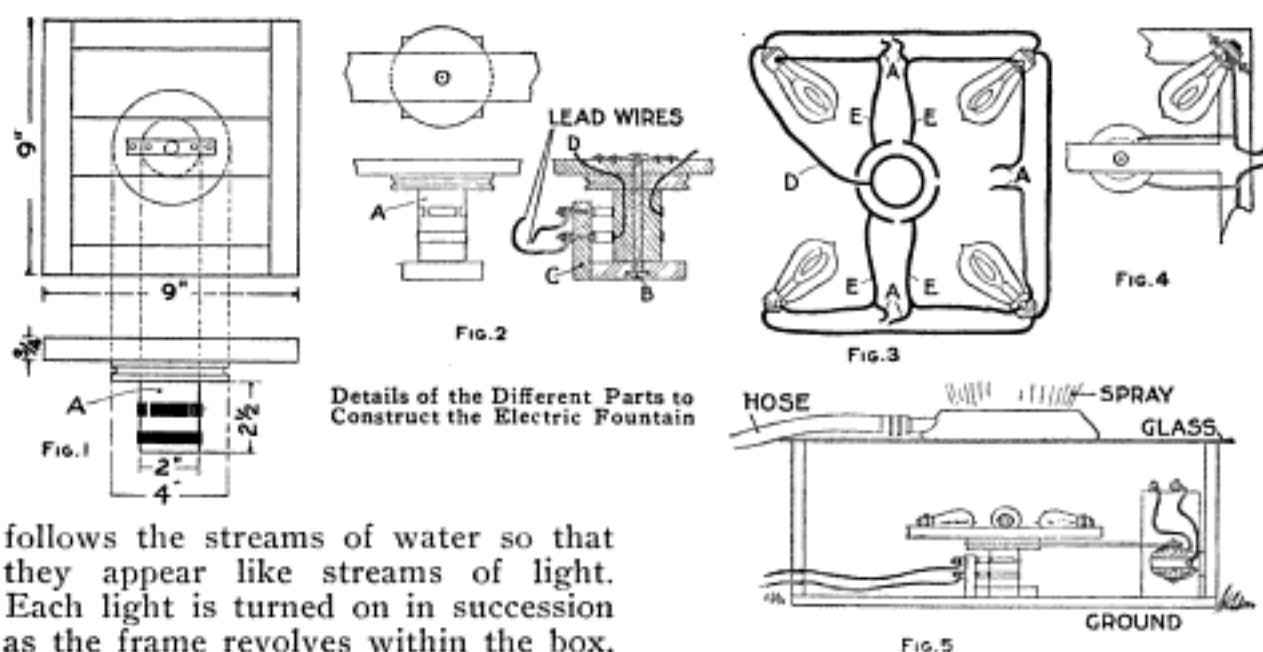
A glass plate was used to cover the box, and a lawn spray of the fountain type was placed on the glass. The globes, as they light beneath the spray, illuminate the top and the light

A Mystery Coin Box

The effect of this trick is as follows: A small metal box, just large enough to hold a half dollar and about $\frac{1}{2}$ in. high, with a cover that fits snugly over the top, is passed out to be examined, and when handed back to the performer he places it on the finger ends of his left hand, and a half dollar is dropped into it and the cover put on. The box is then shaken to prove that the coin is still there. The performer then taps the box with his fingers and picks it up with the other hand and the coin will appear to have fallen through the bottom. Both the coin and box are then handed out for examination.

This seemingly impossible effect is made when the performer places the cover on the box. The box is resting on the fingers of the left hand and the cover is held between the thumb and forefinger of the right hand, but just before placing the cover on, the box is turned over with the right thumb, and the cover is placed on the bottom instead of the top.

The trick can be done within a foot of the spectators without their seeing



follows the streams of water so that they appear like streams of light. Each light is turned on in succession as the frame revolves within the box, and by using globes of different colors, an exceedingly beautiful effect is obtained. If the bared ends of the wires are twisted together between the globes, these will all glow at once.

the deception. It is a good plan to hide the box with the right hand when placing the cover, although this is not necessary.



As a General Thing, the Veteran Fly Fisherman Prefers to Wade with the Current, and Fishes the Water in Front of Him by Making Diagonal Casts across the Stream

Fishing - Rod Making and Angling

By STILLMAN TAYLOR

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PART IV—Trout Fishing with Fly and Bait

How to Cast the Fly

TO be able to cast the artificial fly a distance of 50 ft., or more, and let the feathered lure alight upon the desired bit of water as lightly as a falling leaf is no small accomplishment, for fly casting is an art, and to become an expert, much practice is necessary. The personal assistance of a skillful caster is not often available, but if the angler will follow the suggestions outlined, a beginner will soon grasp the knack of handling the fly rod, and the casting will steadily improve with practice. As the knack of handling a gun is best gained, not in the field, shooting live game, but through shooting at targets, so may the art of fly casting be more quickly acquired by intelligent practice conducted away from the stream, in the back yard, or any other place roomy enough to swing the rod and a moderately long line. By practicing in this way, the angler's attention is focused upon the cast and is not partly occupied with the excitement of fishing. To make a good beginning, let the reel contain about 25 yd. of common, braided, linen line (size E is about right) and instead of a fly, or hook, affix a small split shot to the end of the line. It is well to begin with a cheap rod and save a good outfit, and if the angler learns how to make a fairly long and accurate cast with a common rod, he may feel assured that

he can even do better with a first-rate outfit.

The first point to observe in making the cast is to grip the rod correctly, and this is done by grasping the rod at the right point where it balances best. By shifting the hand about, this point of balance is quickly found, for at no other point will the rod "hang" well in the hand. In casting, the reel is turned to the under side of the rod with the thumb extended along the top of the grip, as shown in Fig. 1. Taking up an easy casting position, with the left foot slightly advanced, pull from the reel



Fig. 1—
The Proper Way
to Take Hold
of the Handle
with the Reel on
the Under Side

about 25 yd. of line and let this slack line fall in coils upon the ground in front; bring the rod up slightly above the horizontal, as shown in Fig. 2, and with a quick snap of the wrist, avoiding shoulder or body movement, throw the tip upward, checking it sharply as

soon as the tip is carried over the shoulder about 25° beyond the vertical plane as in Fig. 3. This snappy upstroke of the rod makes the "back cast," by projecting the line high in the air, and carries it well behind the angler. Before the line has fully straightened out behind, and before it has an opportunity to fall much below the caster's shoulders, the rod is snapped forward with a quick wrist-and-forearm movement, which throws the line forward in front of the fisherman and in the direction he is facing, which finishes the cast with the rod in the position shown in Fig. 4.

Long and accurate fly casting is much more a matter of skill than muscle, and while some fly fishermen cast directly from the shoulder and upper arm, and thus use a considerable amount of muscular force in making the cast, this cannot be regarded as the best method of casting. The great elasticity of the fly rod ought to be taken full advantage of by the caster, and if this is done, casting will be naturally accomplished by the wrist and forearm. To make strenuous efforts to hurl the fly through the air, using an arm or body movement, is extremely tiring after an hour or so of fishing, while if the cast is made from the wrist, aided by the forearm, the snap of the rod may be depended upon to project the fly to greater length of line and allow it to fall close to the desired spot, lightly and without splashing.

Timing the back cast is the most difficult detail of fly casting, because the line is behind the angler and the

eye cannot aid the hand. The novice will soon acquire the knack of casting, however, if he will remember to keep the elbow close to the side, and to keep the line well up in the air when making the back cast, and to begin the forward movement before the line has fully straightened out behind him. After a little practice, the hand will feel the slight tension communicated to the rod as the line begins to straighten out, and this should be taken advantage of to correctly time the forward movement. Counting

"one" for the upstroke, "two and" for the interval required for the line to straighten out in the rear, and "three" for the forward movement, is also a good way to time the cast.

At the beginning the caster should make no attempt to secure distance. Accuracy and delicacy in placing the fly on the water is of much more importance than length of cast in trout fishing, and to attain this end, it is a good plan to place a newspaper about 25 ft.

distant and try to drop the end of the line on this mark. When the caster can drop the line on the target lightly and with reasonable accuracy, he may feel justified in lengthening his cast. Other casts than the overhead cast just described are occasionally used, as the Spey, switch, wind, and flip casts, but the overhead cast is mostly used, although it is much more difficult to master.

To make the Spey cast, the angler requires a rapid stream which will carry the line downstream until it is

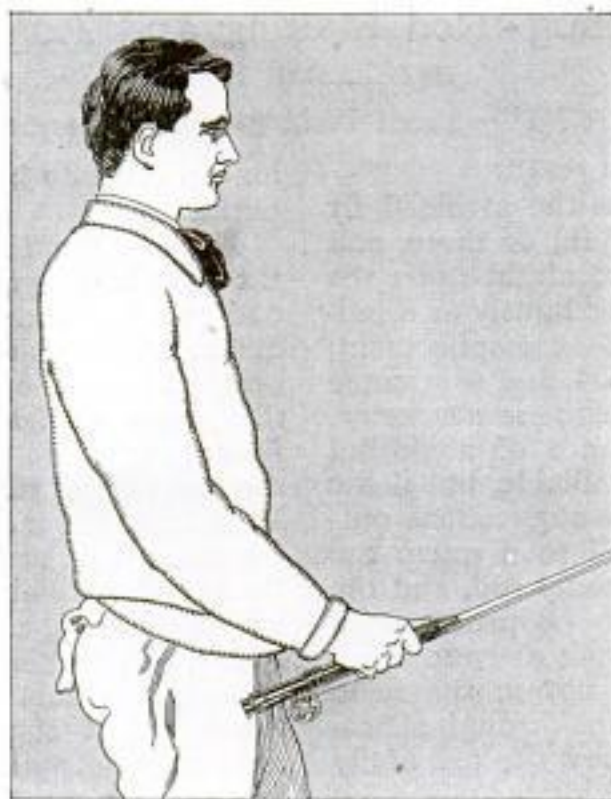


Fig. 2—Begin the Cast with the Rod in a Position Just above the Horizontal Plane

straight and taut, the tip of the rod being held as long as possible to accomplish this end. The rod is then raised high in the air with a quick wrist movement, which lifts the line from the water to the extreme end, then without pausing the rod is carried upstream with just sufficient force to let the fly fall just above the angler. The line is now on the reverse, or upper, side of the fisherman, when with a sweep of the rod the line is projected over the water's surface—not along the surface—in the manner used in making the overhead cast.

The switch cast is sometimes useful when trees or rocks are immediately back of the fisherman, thus preventing the line from extending far enough backward to make the overhead cast. In making this cast the line is not lifted from the water, but merely to the surface by raising the tip of the rod. The line is dragged through the water by carrying the tip in the direction one is standing until it is as far in the rear as the obstructions will permit. By a quick downward sweep of the rod the line is projected with sufficient force to roll it forward in a large coil or loop, much as a wheel rolls on a track.

The wind cast is a modification of the switch cast, but easier to make. The caster brings his line almost to his feet, and with a quick downward motion of the rod the line is thrown

in a long loop against the wind. The underhand and the flip casts are so simple that it seems almost unnecessary to describe them. Both are short casts and are only used when the angler is fishing in an overgrown stream. The underhand cast is really a side cast, inasmuch as the short line is lifted from the water in a loop and propelled in the desired direction by a side sweep of the rod. The flip cast

is made by holding the fly between the thumb and finger and with a few coils of line in the right hand. Bend the rod like a bow, release the fly suddenly, and the snap of the rod will project it in the desired direction and allow it to drop lightly like a fly.

Handling the Flies in the Water

As a general thing the veteran fly fisherman prefers to wade with the current and fishes the water in front of him by making diagonal casts across the stream. A good fisherman will systematically cover every inch of good water and

little will be left to chance. The novice is inclined to fish his flies in a contrary manner, he casts more or less at random, and is as likely to splash the flies recklessly about in the most impossible places as he is to drop them in a favorable riffle or pool. To be able to pick out fishable water, the angler should know something about the habits of the trout, their characteristics at the several seasons of the fishing

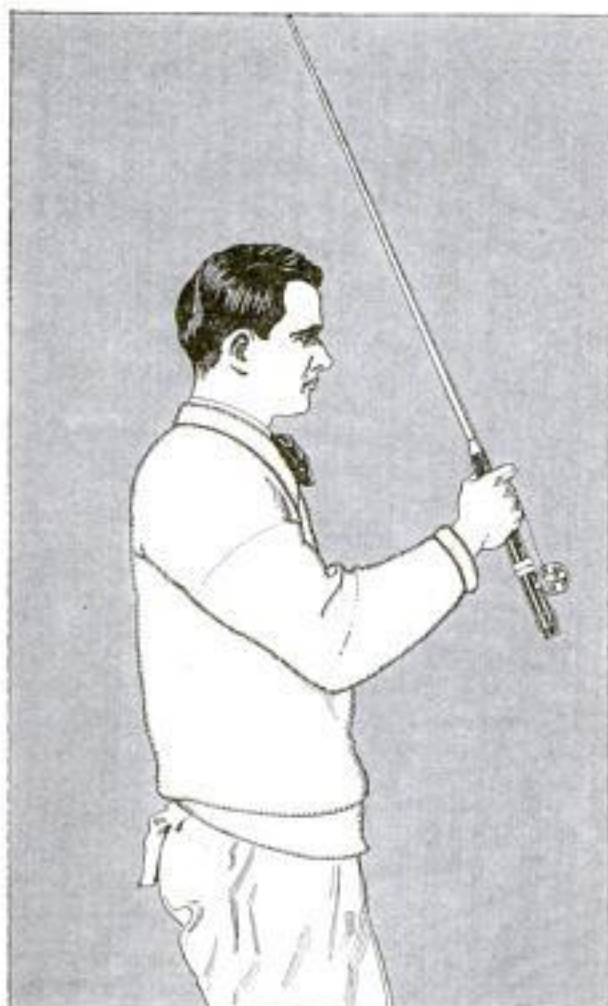


Fig. 3—The Rod is Quickly Checked When It is Carried over the Shoulder About 25 Degrees

year, and their habits, which differ greatly in different streams. A fishing knowledge of the stream to be visited is of much value, but if the angler knows how to make a fair cast and possesses average skill in handling flies on water, there should be no question but that he will creel a fair number of trout even though he casts in strange waters.

To imitate the action of the natural insect is the most successful manner of fishing the flies, and as the natural fly will struggle more or less when borne down with the current, the fisherman endeavors to duplicate this movement by making his artificial fly wriggle about. This motion must not be overdone, for if the flies are twitched and skipped about, or pulled against the current, the wary trout will refuse to fall for any such obvious deceit. A gentle motion of the wrist will cause the fly to move somewhat as the natural insect will struggle.

In making the cast do not cast directly down or upstream, but across the current at an angle. Let the flies fall upon the water as lightly as possible, so that the water will carry them downstream over the likely places where the trout are hiding. Keep the line as taut as possible by drawing the slack in with the left hand. The flies should not be allowed to soak in the water, neither should they be retrieved in haste. The experienced fly caster will invariably fish with a wet line, that is to say, with a slightly submerged fly, and will let the flies drag over as much

water as possible before making a second cast. Owing to the fact that trout lie with their noses pointing upstream awaiting their food carried down by the current, the caster will naturally take pains to float his flies downstream with the leader fairly taut. To neglect this detail and allow the leader to float in a wide loop near or before the flies is slovenly fishing, and few trout will strike a fly presented in this amateurish fashion.

Early in the fishing season, and when the stream is flooded and discolored

after a heavy rain, it is a good plan to fish the flies below the surface. Fishing in this manner makes it more difficult to tell when to strike a fish, and some little practice is needed to determine the opportune moment by feeling the slight tension on the line. Many fish will be pricked to be sure, but some trout will be creeled, and fishing with the submerged fly is sometimes the only way trout can be taken.

On fair days and in smooth

water, better luck may be expected when the fly is kept upon the surface, and this is easily managed by keeping the tip of the rod well in the air. Often the fisherman can take advantage of a bit of floating foam, and if the fly is cast upon it and allowed to float with it downstream, the ruse will often prove effective.

The trout is a hard striker and it is not unusual to have a trout rush ahead of the fly in his attempt to mouth it. In rapid water the savage rush of the fish is sufficient to hook it securely,

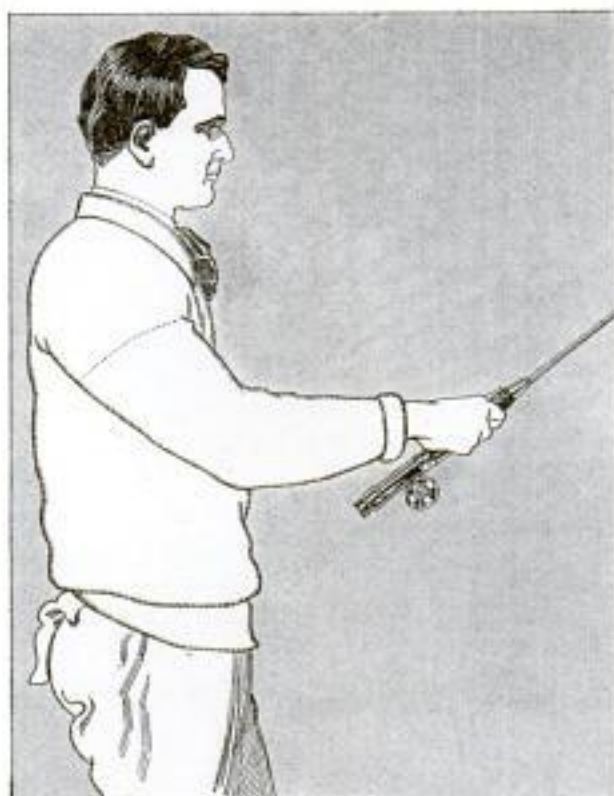


Fig. 4—The Cast is Finished by Throwing the Line Forward with a Quick Wrist-and-Forearm Movement

but when casting in quiet pools, the hook is imbedded by a snap of the wrist. At what exact moment to strike, as well as the amount of force to use, depends upon circumstances. When fishing in small streams and brooks where the trout run small, much less force is necessary to hook the fish, but in quiet water and in larger streams where 2 or 3-lb. trout are not uncommon, the fish may be struck with a smart upward jerk of the forearm and wrist. So far as my experience goes, the matter of striking is governed by the temperament as well as the judgment of the angler. The deliberate thinking man is likely to strike too late, while the nervous individual, striking too early, is apt to prick the trout and roll him over.

The best time to fish for trout is when they are feeding on the surface; and in the early days of spring, when there are few flies about, the warmer part of the day, say, from 10 in the morning to 5 in the afternoon, will prove to be the most successful time. Later on, when flies are numerous, good luck may be expected at an early hour in the morning, and in the hot summer months the cooler hours of the day may be chosen. Of course, there are many exceptions, since there are many cool days in summer, as well as exceptionally warm days in spring, and these changes of weather should be considered. However, extremes are not likely to make good fishing, and the trout will not rise as freely on cold, windy days, nor will they fight as gamely. On hot days, too, not so much luck can be expected during the hours of the greatest heat—12 to 4—but a good basket of trout may be creeled early in the morning or late in the afternoon of summer. A bright, clear day is usually the best for fly fishing, because the sun brings out more flies, but a warm rain, or even a fog, is also considered good fishing weather.

Among the live baits available for trout fishing are the minnow, white grub, cricket, grasshopper, and other insects, and last, but by no means least,

the common angle or earthworm. The minnow is beyond a doubt the most enticing morsel that can be offered to a hungry trout, and a minnow may be reckoned to secure a rise when other baits fail. The inconvenience of transporting this bait is a great drawback, and as minnows are delicate fish, a minnow bucket is necessary for their preservation. This means a lot of trouble, as the water must be frequently changed or aerated, and this labor, together with the difficulty of carrying a bulky pail through the brush, makes this desirable bait almost impossible for stream and brook fishing. The salt-water minnow, known as a "shiner" or "mummychug," is a topnotch trout bait, and being much tougher than the fresh-water minnow, makes a bait often used by anglers residing near the seacoast.

The white grub, or larva of the so-called May beetle, is a good bait available for early-season fishing, and may be obtained in the early spring months by spading up grass land. The grub is about 1 in. long, and of a creamy yellow color with a darker head. It may be kept a month, or more, by putting it in a box with a number of pieces of fresh turf.

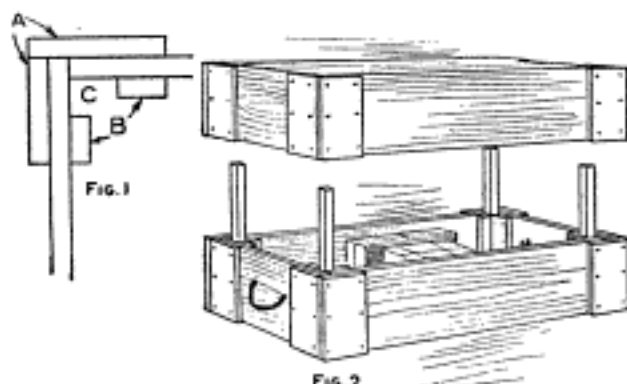
Crickets, grasshoppers, and many other insects, make good baits, while the earthworm is a good all-around bait for trout. A supply dug some days before and kept by packing in fresh moss and slightly moistening with milk and water will prove more attractive in appearance and the worms will be tougher and cleaner to handle than when carried in earth.

Other good baits include the fin of a trout, and if this is used in combination with the eye of the same fish, it forms an attractive lure. In using this bait, do not puncture the eyeball, but hook through the thin flexible skin surrounding the eye. A fat piece of salt pork, cut into pieces 1 in. long and $\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide, makes a fairly good bait. Spoons and other spinning baits are presumably attractive, but few sportsmen use them when angling for so fine a fish as trout.

A Table Box for Campers

By GEO. J. EASTER

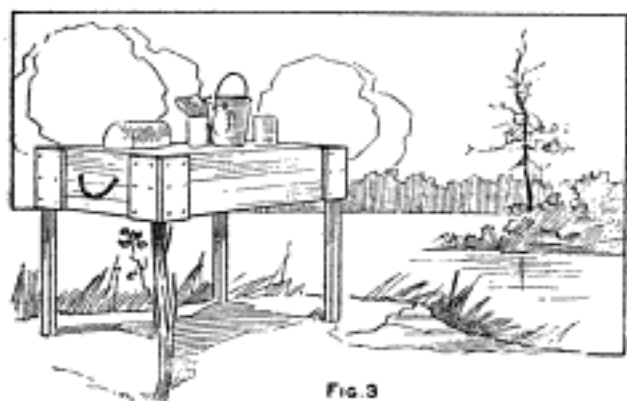
A very useful combination packing box and camp table may be made from a coffee or other large box. If a box with a three-ply top is available, it makes a neat appearance, but this is not essential. A box, 14 in. deep, 20 in. wide, and 29 in. long, outside meas-



The Strips in the Corners of the Boxes Form Sockets for the Legs

urements, is convenient, as it will slip under the seat of a spring wagon, and is of such a size that a person's knees will pass under it when used as a table.

Saw the box in two on the center line of the narrow way, making two uncovered boxes of the same size and depth. The corners of each box should be well braced on the outside, as shown at A, Fig. 1. The strips B are fastened to the inside of the box to



Each Half of the Box Inverted is Used as a Table Top on the Legs

form sockets, C, for the legs. The strips are $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick, $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide, and as long as the box is deep. Four legs, about 12 in. long and of such size

as to fit in the sockets, are used for holding the boxes together in transit. Rope handles are fastened in the ends of each box, and also a hook and eye, which are used to lock them together.

To pack the boxes place one half open side up, and insert the legs, as shown in Fig. 2. Then fill it and extend the packing to the level of the leg ends; slip the other half of the box on the legs, and fasten the two with the hooks. If properly roped, such a box will be taken as baggage. Canvas, and other articles which will be removed at once upon arrival in camp, rather than provisions, should be packed in this box, so that it can be converted into a table with the least possible work.

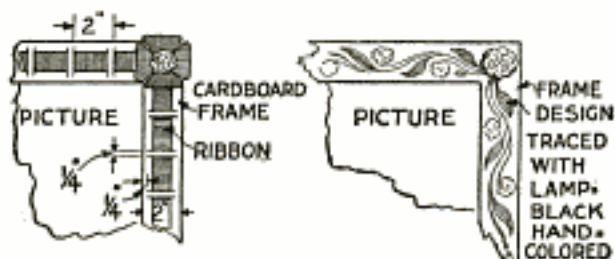
To make one table, or two, of the box, remove the packing legs and insert long legs in the sockets of each section. A set of eight legs, 30 in. long, take up very little space, and can be carried diagonally in the bottom of the box. A piece of oilcloth can be wrapped around them and used later as a cover for the table. The legs should fit loosely in the sockets to provide for the swelling in damp weather. Ordinarily they can be wedged to make them rigid. The table is shown in Fig. 3.

Novel Homemade Picture Frames

Pictures can be mounted cheaply and artistically on stiff paper, to make them serviceable for decorating the summer home or camp cottage, without having them placed in a wooden frame. For this purpose a "natural-surface" drawing paper should be used, each sheet being sufficiently large to allow a border all around. With the picture properly centered and marked off, the frame can be fixed. Sets of parallel slots can be cut all around in the border, and a suitable ribbon drawn through so that it is held in place only by the narrow strips of paper. On each of the four

corners, a rosette, or similar decoration, can be placed. Ribbons harmonizing with the subject of the picture should be used; for example, a marine scene could have a blue ribbon; fields and brooks, some shade of green; while flowers would probably be best set off by some delicate pink shade.

Another means of decorating the border is to choose some appropriate illustration from a newspaper, or magazine, and carefully trace this outline with carbon paper all around the frame. These figures could then be colored as desired. Profile pictures are best for such work, as they are most easily traced. To be in harmony with the picture, cuts such as captains, sailors, or ships would be suitable for marine

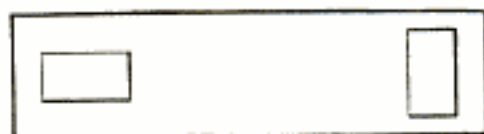


The Edges of Cardboard Extending Out from a Picture Made to Represent a Frame

scenes; soldiers and guns, for war scenes; and trees or flowers, for landscapes.—Contributed by J. B. Murphy, Plainfield, N. J.

Rectangular Opening to Use over Camera View Finder

Ordinary view finders on cameras, having the cut-out in the shape of a Maltese cross, are quite confusing to some camera users. To overcome this difficulty, I cut a piece of celluloid to the shape shown, and in taking a picture, the proper opening is held



The Rectangular Opening Allows Only That Portion of the View to be Seen Which will Show on the Picture

over the view finder so that only the view that will appear in the picture can be seen.—Contributed by E. Everett Buchanan, Elmira, N. Y.

Clipping File Made of Envelopes

Handy pockets for holding notes, or small articles, may be made by anyone from ordinary envelopes. The



The Flaps Hold All the Envelopes Together, Producing a File of Several Compartments

gummed flaps of the envelopes are stuck together after spacing the envelopes to allow a small margin at the end on which the contents of each separate pocket may be written.—Contributed by H. Goodacre, Wolcott, Ind.

Handle for a Drinking Glass

Measure the bottom part of the glass and make a band of copper that will neatly fit it. The ends of the copper can be riveted, but if a neat job is desired, flatten or file the copper ends on a slant, and braze or solder them together.

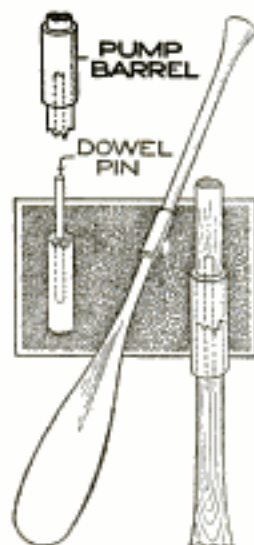


Attach to the band an upright copper piece a little longer than the glass is high. To this upright piece a bent piece of copper to form a handle is riveted or soldered. The glass is set in the band and the upper end of the vertical piece is bent over the glass edge.—Contributed by William King, Monessen, Pa.

CA simple and handy pincushion can be made of a large cork fastened to any support or base with a nail or screw.

Repairing a Broken Canoe Paddle

While paddling a rented canoe one day the paddle struck a rock and snapped in two a little below the center of the handle. The

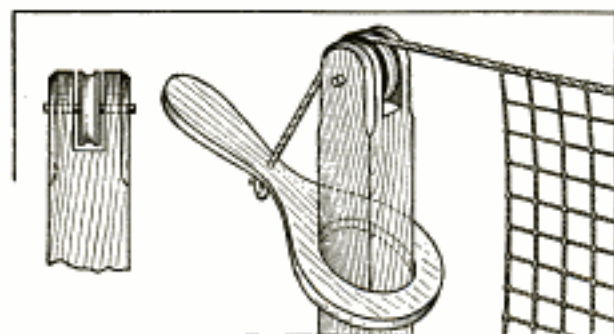


boatman laughed at the idea of trying to fix it, but after paying his price for the paddle I decided to try mending it. The barrel of an old bicycle pump was procured and I found that it fitted over the paddle at the break a trifle loosely. It was pushed on the handle out of the way. Then with a No. 8 bit I bored a hole 8 in. deep in the end of

each broken part. Into these holes, which formed one cavity when the broken ends were brought together, was forced and glued a tight-fitting 16-in. dowel pin. The outside of the handle was then wrapped with tape for about 10 in. each side of the break, and the pump barrel was forced down over this tape until it completely and firmly enveloped the broken ends.—Contributed by Clarence G. Meyers, Waterloo, Iowa.

Tightening Lever for Tennis Nets

Tennis nets are always sagging and to keep them at the proper height requires considerable attention, espe-



The Upper Rope on a Tennis Net Held Taut with a Lever on the Post

cially so where the posts are not solidly set in the ground. A very effective net

tightener, and one that is easy to make, is the lever shown in the illustration. One end of a piece of hardwood board is shaped into a handle the other end being left large. In the latter a hole is cut to fit loosely over the post for the net. The upper end of the post is notched and a sheave pulley is placed in it so that the groove will be in line with the net. The upper rope on the net is run over the pulley and is attached to the lever handle. A downward pressure on the handle draws the rope taut and locks it on the post. It is easily removed from the post and can be left attached to the rope and rolled up in the net when not in use.

A Desk Watch Holder

A watch holder for the desk is a great convenience for the busy worker, and many calendar devices are sold for



this purpose, yet they are no more efficient than the one illustrated, which can be made from an ordinary spindle desk file. If the wire is too long it can be cut off and the bend made in it to form a hook for the watch ring.

Cleaning Silverware

To clean silverware, or anything made of the precious metals, such as jewelry, etc., is very simple with the following method: Place a piece of zinc in a cup, dish, or any glazed ware; put in the articles to be cleaned, and pour over them a hot solution of water and carbonate of soda—washing soda—in proportions of one tablespoonful of soda to $\frac{1}{2}$ gal. of water. This is a solution and method used by many jewelers for cleaning pins, rings, chains, and many other small articles made in gold and silver.

CA machine should never be stopped in the midst of a fine cut.

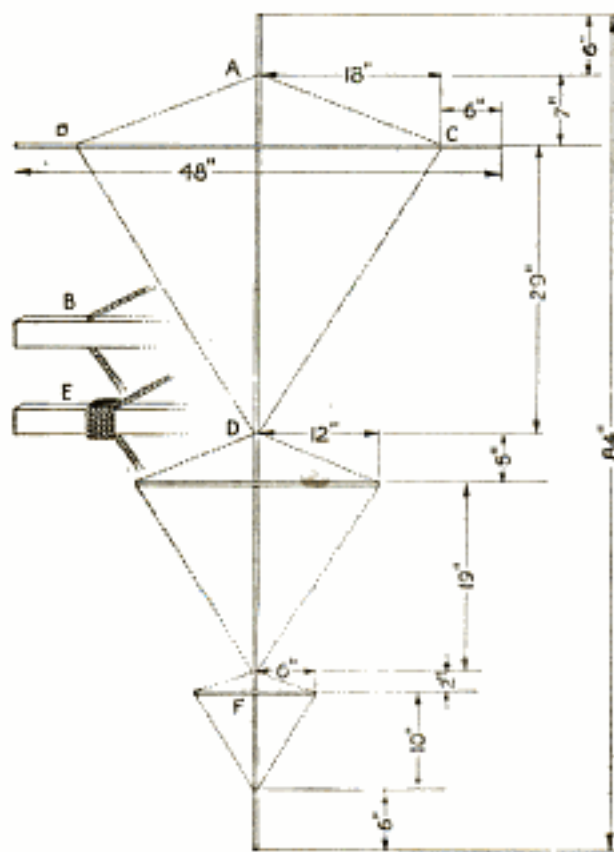
How to Make Combined Kites

By C. M. MILLER

PART II—A Festooned Kite

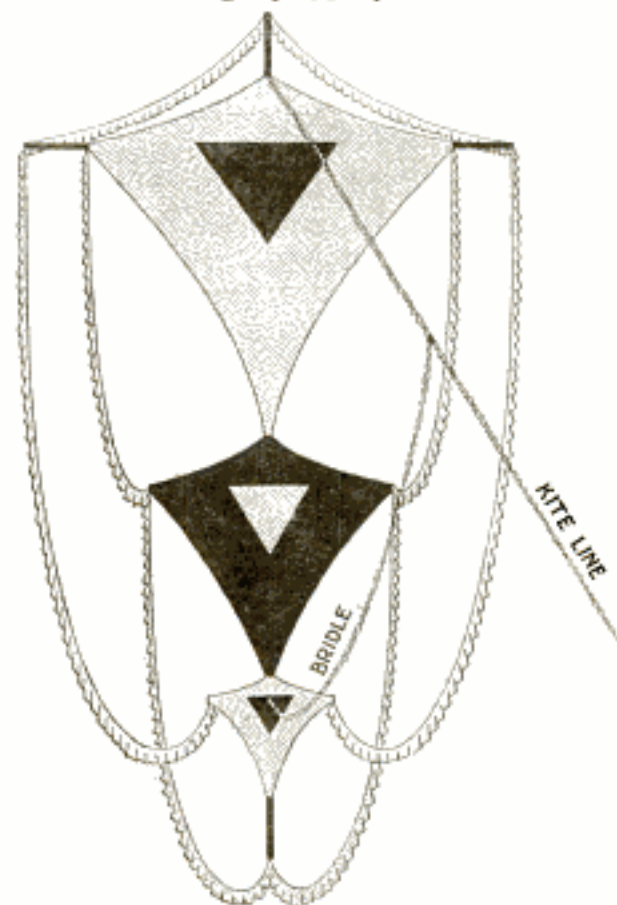
MORE than one kite on the same framework is known as a compound kite. The one illustrated consists of three tailless kites on one long stick, called the spine. The upper one is 3 ft.; the center one, 2 ft., and the lower one, 1 ft. in width. There will be needed for the construction of this kite a stick of light wood—spruce is best, but it may be of pine or bass—7 ft. long by $\frac{1}{4}$ by $\frac{1}{2}$ in. If the wood breaks easily it will be better to increase the width from $\frac{1}{2}$ in. to $\frac{3}{4}$ in., or the stick might be made $\frac{3}{8}$ in. thick without increasing the width, but with a good spruce stick the dimensions first given will be sufficient. The stick should be straight-grained and without a twist. If the spine is twisted, the kites will not lie flat or in a plane with each other, and if one is out of true, it will cause the kite to be un-

by $\frac{1}{4}$ by $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; the center one, 2 ft. long by $\frac{1}{4}$ by $\frac{3}{8}$ in., and the lower one, 1 ft. long by $\frac{1}{4}$ by $\frac{1}{4}$ in. About



The Spine with the Bow Sticks Properly Spaced as Shown by the Dimensions

steady in the air. The bow sticks are three, the upper one being 4 ft. long



The Kite as It Appears with the Festoons Hung to the Ends of the Sticks

five sheets of tissue paper will be required, but more may be needed for color combinations. The so-called French tissue paper is much better, as it comes in fine colors and is much stronger than the ordinary tissue. It costs a trifle more, but it pays in making a beautiful kite. The Chinese rice paper is the strongest, but it comes only in natural colors.

It will be seen that the kites do not extend to the top and bottom of the spine stick. The first bow stick is placed 13 in. from the top end of the spine, and each of its ends extends 6 in. beyond the kite for fastening the festoons. The bow sticks should be lashed to the spine, not nailed. Wind diagonally around the two sticks, both left and right, then wind between the two,

around the other windings. This draws all windings up tightly to prevent slipping.

To string up the upper kite, drill a small hole through the spine, 6 in. from the top, at A, and also 6 in. from each end of the bow stick, at B and C. If a small drill is not available, notch the stick with a knife or saw to hold the string. Another hole is made in the spine 29 in. from the upper bow stick, or at D. Tie the outline string at A, then pass through the hole at C, then through D, up through B and back to the starting point at A. In tying the last point, draw up the string tightly, but not enough to spring the spine or bow. Measure carefully to see if the distance AC is the same as AB, and if CD is equal to BD. If they are not, shift the string until they are equal and wind at all points, as shown at E, to prevent further slipping. Proceed in the same way with the center and lower kite, and it will be ready for the cover.

The cover tissue should be cut about 1 in. larger all around than the surface to be covered, but turn over about half of this allowance. This will give

plenty of looseness to the cover. For the fringe festoons, cut strips of tissue paper, $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide, paste $\frac{1}{2}$ in. of one long edge over a string, and cut slits with scissors at intervals of 1 in. along the loose edge. After the fringe has been made, attach it as shown in the illustration. Do not stretch it tightly, but give sufficient looseness to make each length form a graceful curve and keep the sides well balanced.

To bend the bows of the upper and center kites, attach a string from end to end of each bow on the back side of the kite and spring in short brace sticks in the manner usual for tailless kites.

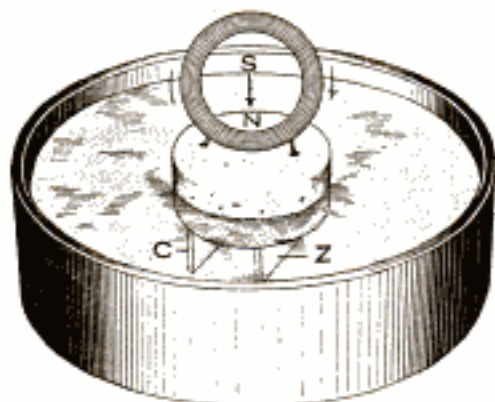
Attach the upper end of the bridle at A. The length of the bridle string is 87 in. and the kite line is attached to it 30 in. from A, leaving the lower part from this point to F, where it is tied to the spine, 57 in. long.

The kite should fly without a tail, but if it dodges too much, attach extra streamers to the ends of the bow sticks of the lower kite, and to the bottom of the spine.

If good combinations of colors are used a very beautiful kite will be the result, and one that will fly well.

Simple Experiment in Electromagnetism

The following simple experiment, which may be easily performed, will serve to prove the theory that there



A Small Coil of Wire Mounted on a Cork Floating in Dilute Sulphuric Acid

is a magnetic field produced about a conductor carrying a current, and that there is a definite relation between the

direction of the current in the conductor and the direction, or polarity, of the magnetic field produced by the current. The current in the experiment is to be produced by a battery consisting of a small copper and zinc plate fastened to the under side of a large flat cork, as shown in the sketch, the whole being placed in a glass or rubber vessel partly filled with diluted sulphuric acid. A small coil of wire is formed and mounted on top of the cork, and its terminals are connected to the copper and zinc plates. The electromotive force generated will cause a current to circulate through the coil from the copper plate to the zinc plate. If the poles of a permanent magnet be presented in turn to the same side of the coil it will be found that there is a force of attraction between one pole of the permanent magnet and the coil, and a force of repulsion between the

other pole and the coil. If the same operation be performed on the opposite side of the coil, it will be found that the force between the poles of the magnet and the coil are just the reverse of what they were in the first case; that is, the pole that attracted the coil in the first case will now repel it, and the one that repelled it, will now attract it. Applying one of the fundamental laws of magnetism—like poles attract and unlike repel each other—it can be readily seen that the two sides of the coil are of opposite magnetic polarity.

If the direction of the current around the coil be changed, the action between the coil and the magnet will be opposite to what it was originally, and if the plates be placed in clean water, there will be no current and no attraction or repulsion between the coil and the poles of the magnet.

Double Lock for a Shed

Four boys using the same shed as their workshop wished to lock it so that any one of them could enter alone. Usually only two keys are supplied with a lock, so two locks were purchased and applied to the staples as shown. Each boy was provided with a key and could enter at his pleasure.—Contributed by George Alfred Moore, Versailles, O.



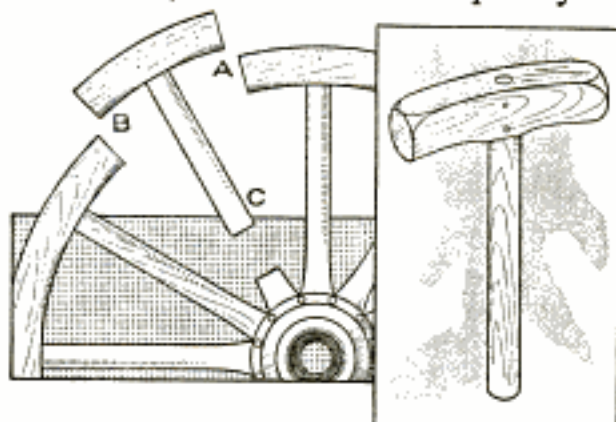
Ferrules for Tool Handles

Discarded metal caps from broken gas-mantle holders should be saved, as they will come in handy for several purposes, such as ferrules on wood handles, and the like. The wire screen is removed from the end, and the cap is fastened to the handle with a nail or screw.—Contributed by James M. Kane, Doylestown, Pa.



Mallet Made from Wagon-Wheel Felly and Spoke

When in need of a mallet and if an old broken and discarded wagon wheel is at hand, one can be made quickly as



A Well-Shaped Mallet Made from a Section of a Wagon-Wheel Felly and Spoke

follows: Cut through the rim at A and B, and through the spoke at any distance desired, as at C, for instance. The spoke is dressed into the shape of a handle and sandpapered smooth. The section of the felly is used as head and is shaped properly and fastened to the handle with two nails.—Contributed by Mark Gluckman, Jersey City, New Jersey.

A Mystery Sounding Glass

Procure a thin, tapering drinking glass, a piece of thin, black thread, about 2 ft. long, and a long lead pencil. Cut a small groove around the pencil near one end. Make a slip noose in each end of the thread and slip one into the notch and place the thin glass in the other with the thread near the top. When the pencil is revolved slowly the thread will be wound on it slightly and it will slip back with a jerk that produces a ring in the glass. This may be kept up indefinitely. The movement necessary is so small that it is imperceptible. The glass can be made to answer questions by two rings for "yes" and one ring for "no."

CA lighted match held to the outside of a fish-pole joint causes an expansion of the outer ferrule and allows the pole to be readily pulled apart.

INTERESTING NEW PATENTS

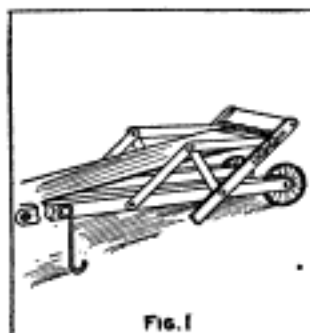


Fig. 1

ADJUSTABLE WHEELED STRETCHER (Fig. 1)—The purpose of this invention is to provide a stretcher that can be trundled about like a wheelbarrow and can be adjusted to the shape of a bed or to that of a reclining chair, or to shapes intermediate between the two. The mattress is supported on springs which are attached to the back of the horizontal beam and to a sliding frame on the diagonal beam at the front. The springs and mattress are stretched tight or made slack by extending or collapsing the diamond frame, the connections at the front and back of the frame being made adjustable for this purpose.

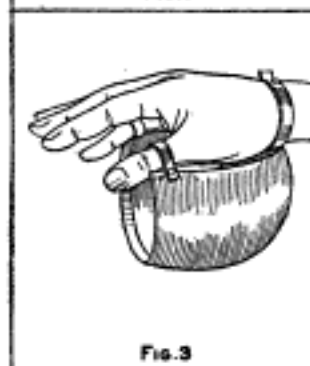


Fig. 3

PARASOL HANDLE WITH VANITY CASE AND COIN HOLDER (Fig. 2)—The parasol handle is provided with a hemispherical lid, on which is carried a hinged mirror, as shown. In the space thus provided in the lid is a receptacle for a powder puff, while the handle portion is hollowed out and equipped with holders for coins of three denominations. With the lid closed and fastened with a spring clasp, the handle has the appearance of an ordinary handle with rounded head.

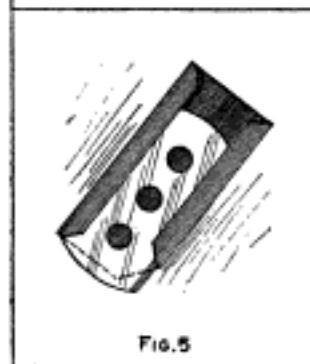


Fig. 5

FRUIT HOLDER (Fig. 3)—This device consists of a hollow receptacle open at the top and front and held to the hand by straps passing around the wrist, thumb and little finger. The purpose of the invention is to provide a holder into which the fruit can be thrust by the fingers as it is picked, the holder being so shaped and attached to the hand as to leave the fingers free.

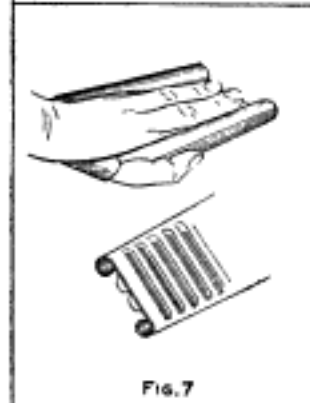


Fig. 7

AIR SYSTEM FOR HOSPITALS (Fig. 4)—This apparatus is designed principally for supplying patients in hospitals with fresh air which may be heated or cooled as required. The outdoor air is led through a pipe into a chamber where it is heated or cooled. From this chamber a pipe system distributes the air to inhaling devices used by the patients. The exhaled air passes through a second pipe system to a vertical air pipe of large cross section, which has its outlet placed higher than the inlet of the fresh-air pipe to induce a natural draft.

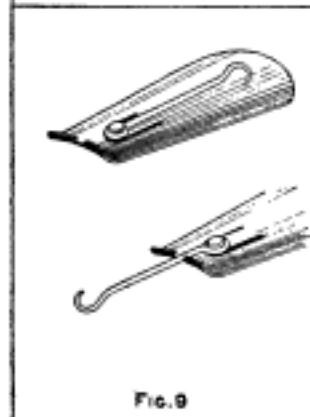


Fig. 9

CUTTER FOR RIPPING SEAMS (Fig. 5)—The blade is held in a metal holder which has one corner rounded to expose the edge of the blade. When the cutter is being used, the blade is slid forward to expose as much of the edge as is required, and is held in position by pressure of the fingers. When not in use, the blade is slid back in the holder, which serves as a shield for protecting the edge.



Fig. 2

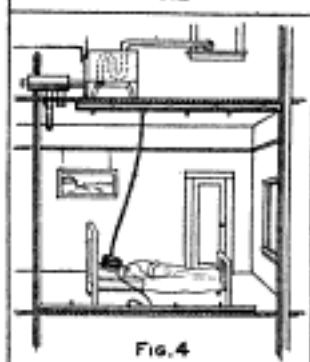


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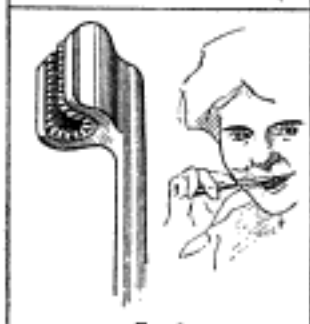


Fig. 6

TOOTHBRUSH (Fig. 6)—This brush is made to fit over the teeth and cleanse the inner and outer sides at one operation. The body of the brush has a channel shape and in this the bristles are arranged as shown.

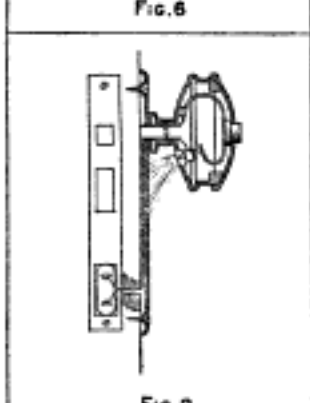


Fig. 8

WASHING DEVICE (Fig. 7)—This device has the form of a mitt with corrugated scrubbing surface, and may be made of metal or rubber. It is held in place by the upturned sides which engage the first and fourth fingers, and by an aperture through which the thumb is passed.

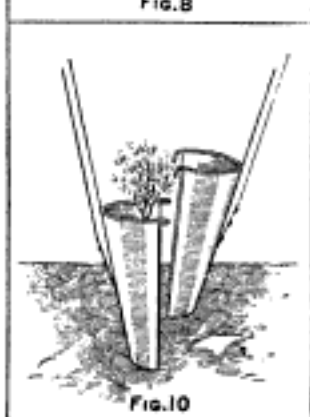


Fig. 10

DOOR KNOB THAT ILLUMINATES KEY-HOLE (Fig. 8)—The door knob is provided with a miniature electric lamp so placed as to illuminate the keyhole, the current being turned on by pressure on a spring push button that projects from the front of the knob. Current is supplied by a small storage battery placed in the door lock.

COMBINED SHOE HORN AND BUTTON-HOOK (Fig. 9)—The buttonhook is pivoted to the convex face of the shoehorn, and when not in use lies flat against it. It is easily swung out on its pivot to an operative position, when the shoehorn serves as a handle.

PLANT-LIFTING DEVICE (Fig. 10)—The bottom of each half is formed to a cutting edge so that it is easily thrust into the ground beside the plant.



Fig. 11

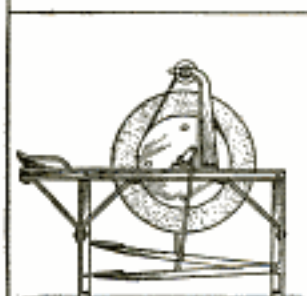


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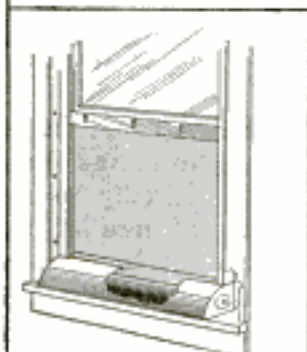


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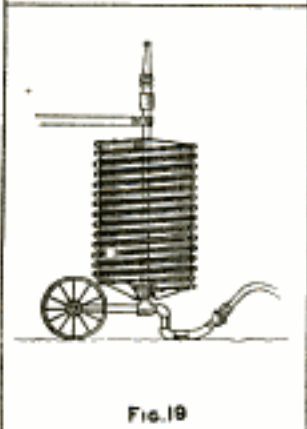


Fig. 19

When the halves are in position they are fastened together by the hook and ring connections, as shown, and the plant is lifted from the ground.

TELESCOPING AND FOLDING TENT (Fig. 11)—The feature of this invention is that the metal frame is made up of telescoping members so that the tent may be varied in size to suit the requirements. The uprights may be equipped with points for driving, or with screws for taking a grip on the ground, the purpose in either case being to connect the frame securely with the ground and make the use of guy ropes unnecessary.

BOW RUDDER (Fig. 12; American patent to a Canadian)—This device is evidently for emergency use when a ship is to be turned in close quarters. The rudder is so made that it can be drawn back out of the way when not in use.

COMBINATION GRINDING MACHINE (Fig. 13)—This machine consists of a grindstone of large diameter, above which is mounted an emery wheel. The two stones are connected by a belt so that they operate together and one serves as a flywheel for the other. Power is applied through pedals that rotate the grindstone.

TREE PROTECTOR (Fig. 14)—The protector consists of a cover that lies in surface contact with the ground, with means for sealing it to the tree trunk. It is made of material that is impenetrable to borers and other insects, and is slitted on one side so that it can be placed around the tree trunk.

WINDOW SCREEN (Fig. 15)—The screen is mounted on a spring roller fixed to the window sill and has its free end attached to the lower edge of the window sash, so that it unwinds or winds as the window is raised or lowered. The free end is equipped with a metal strip having perforations that fit over pins in the sash, and by this means the screen is easily attached or detached as desired.

SATCHEL LATCH (Fig. 16)—The purpose of this invention is to provide a lock that will prevent a handbag from opening accidentally. It consists of a disk carried on one of the frames and provided with lugs that engage perforations in a U-shaped locking bar carried on the other frame. The lugs are so shaped that the grip cannot be forced open unless the disk is turned to the proper position. The whole device is inclosed in a casing, above which projects a knob for operating the disk.

COMBINATION TOILET ARTICLE (Fig. 17)—A comb and brush are mounted on a rectangular case into which they fold when not in use. The brush is pivoted to one end of the case so that it folds over to close the top, while the comb is pivoted so that it folds into a slot in the bottom of the case.

GARMENT HANGER (Fig. 18)—The bar to which the hanger hooks are fixed slides in a rectangular support, as shown, the bottom of the support being slotted to permit movement of the hooks. The device is evidently intended to be placed in a closet, or other restricted space, the sliding bar being drawn out to give easy access to the garments.

SELF-DRAINING HOSE REEL (Fig. 19)—This reel rotates on a vertical axis and consists essentially of a hub provided with wire holders for supporting the hose. When the hose is wound on this reel it has a slope throughout its length so that the water will drain out at the bottom end. The reel is evidently intended to overcome one of the greatest faults in the horizontal reel, the holding of the water in the lower loops of the hose.

TENPIN WITH HOLLOW BODY (Fig. 20)—This tenpin is made with a hollow body, apparently for the purpose of lightness. It consists of a shell of wood reinforced with triangular ribs which project inward from the shell and encircle the interior of the pin. The head of the pin is detachably mounted on the neck.

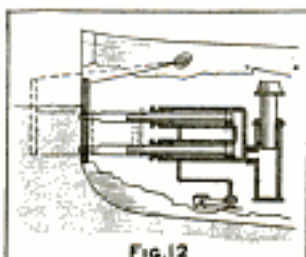


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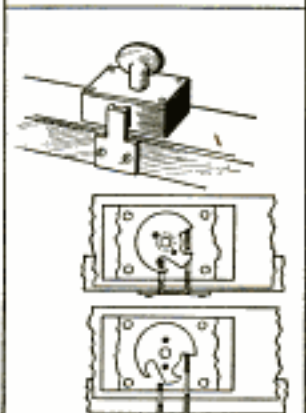


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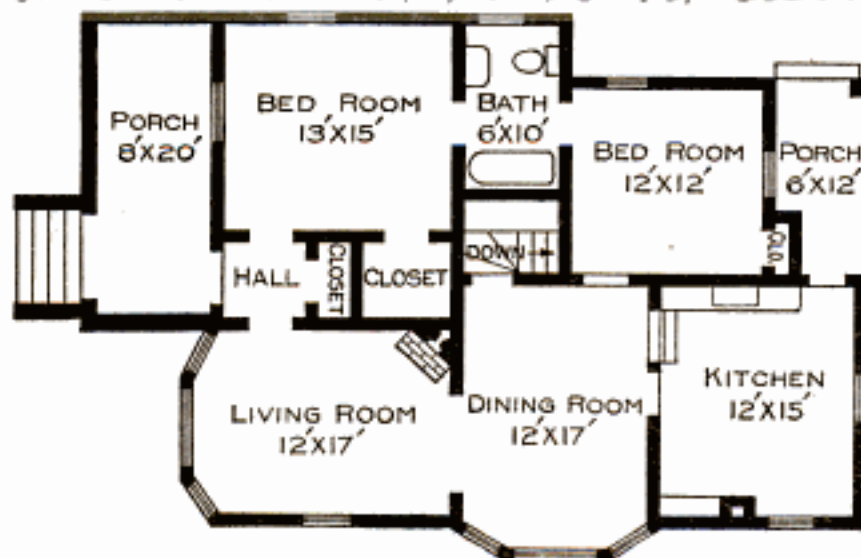
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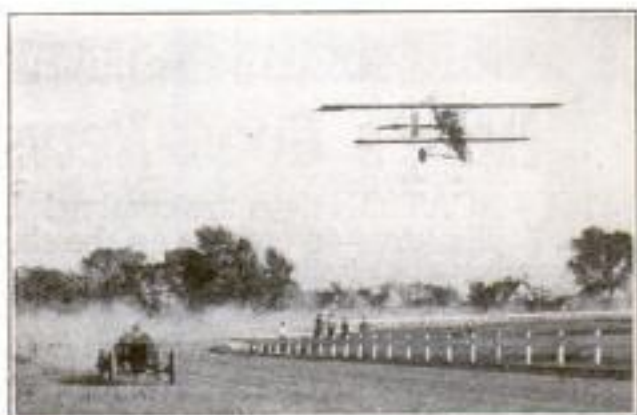
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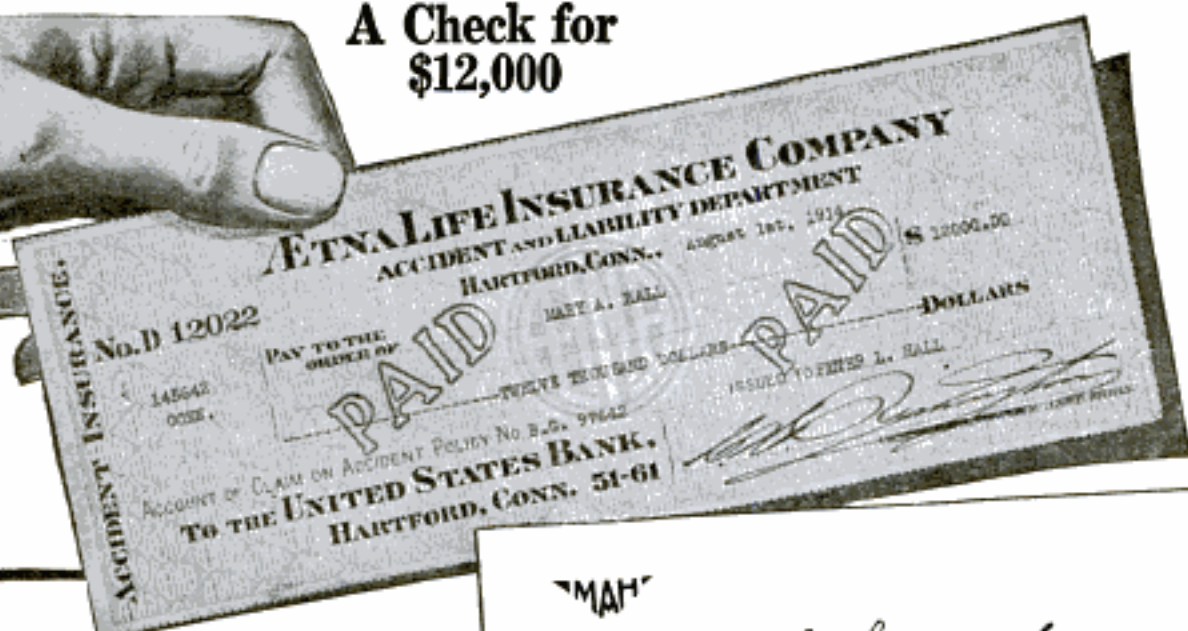
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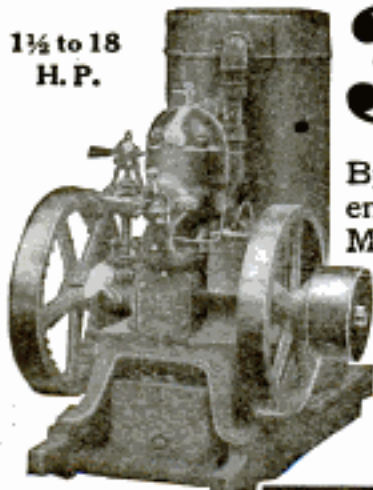
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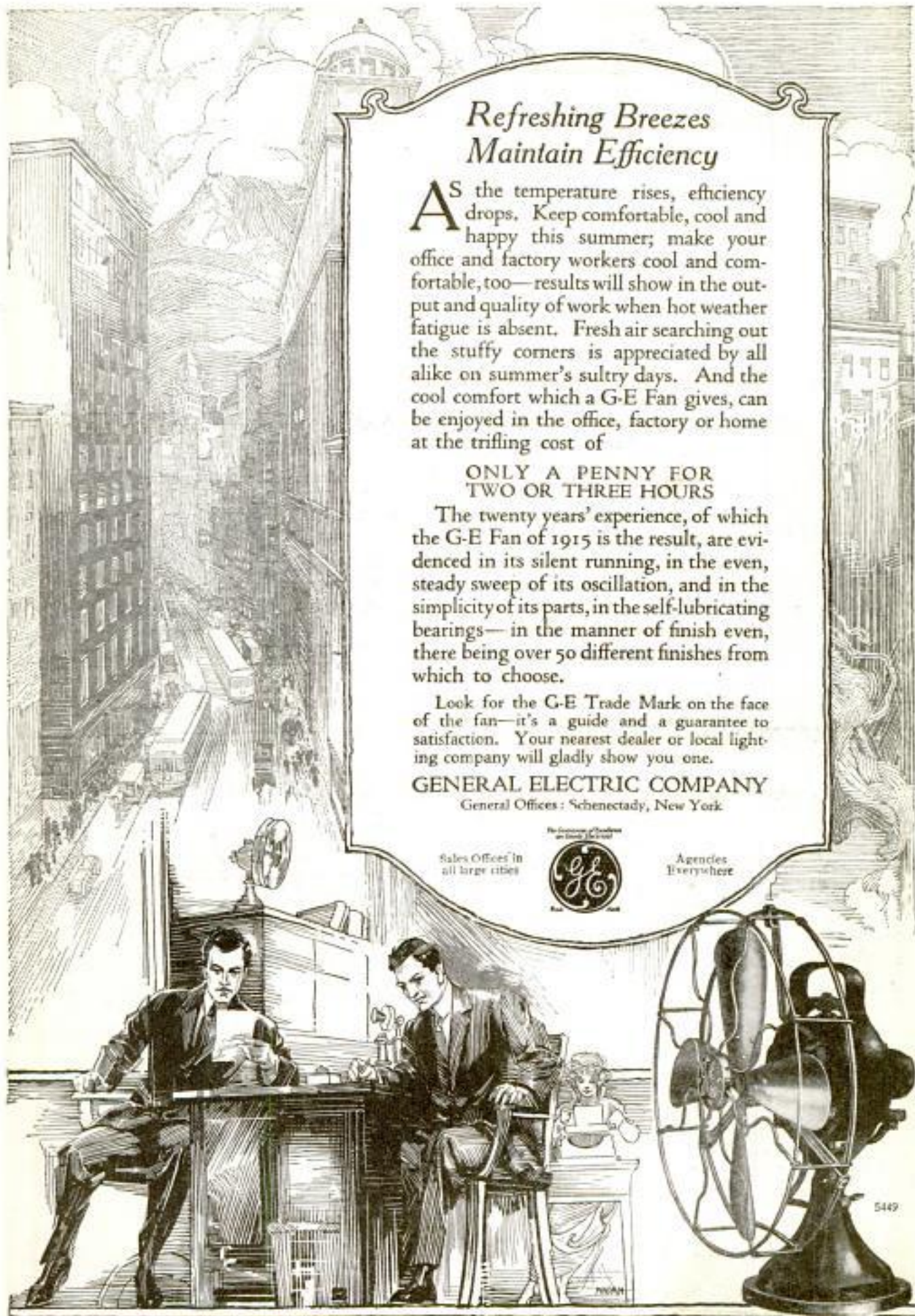
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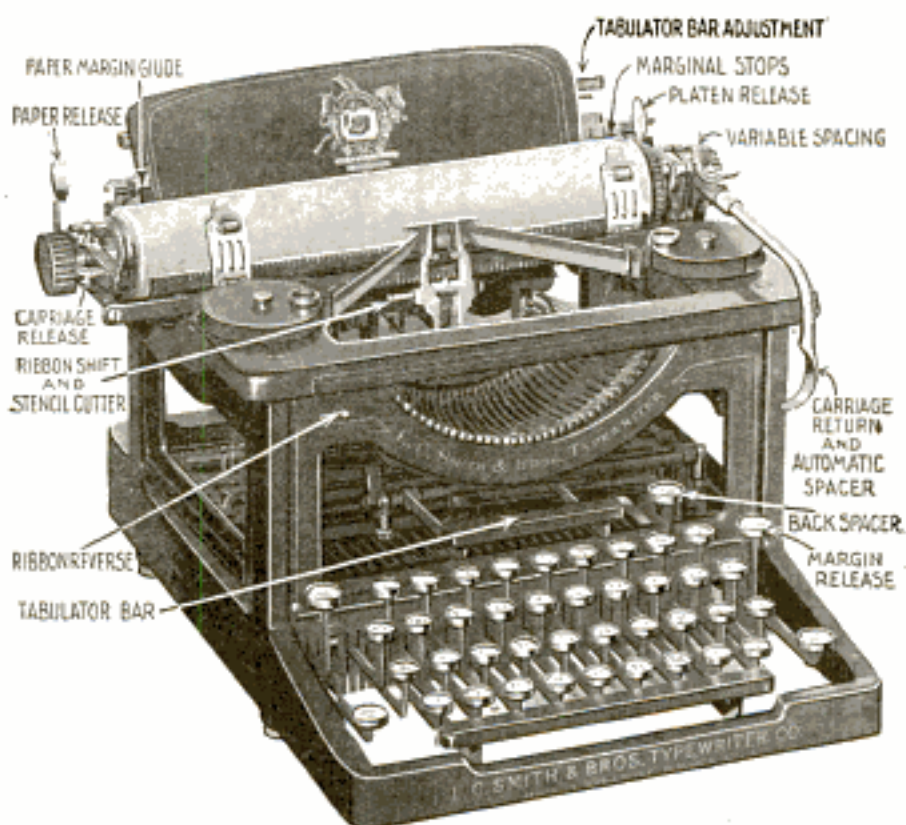
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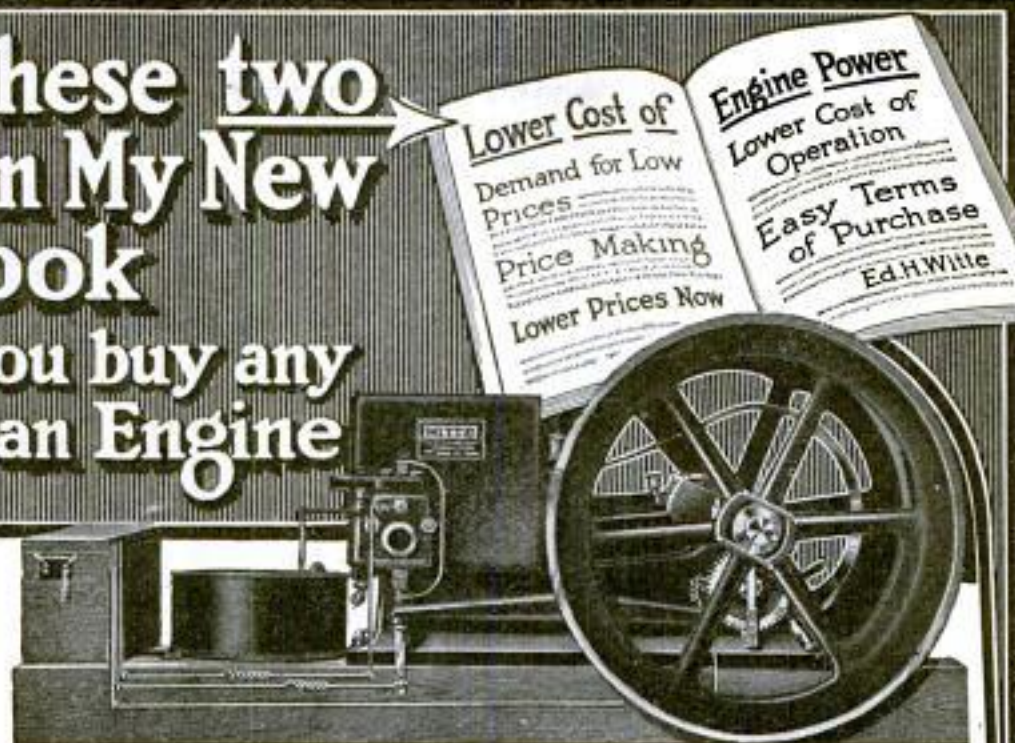
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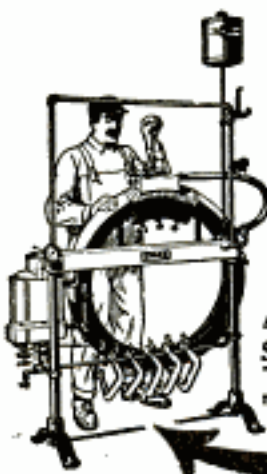
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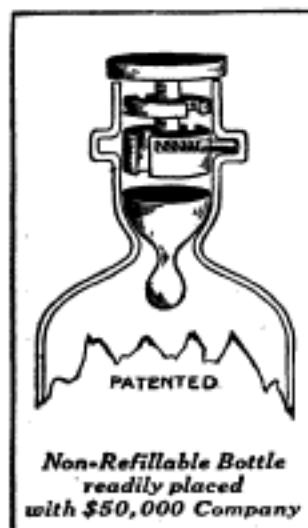
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Manufacturers Calling for Over Two Hundred Inventions

Money Is Waiting to Back the Good Idea

(By a Washington Patent Attorney)

Never was there so good an opportunity for the inventor of something—*anything*—of merit as right now.



Manufacturers with money and facilities are asking for ideas—*calling* for them. The supply is not nearly equal to demand. Over 200 inventions are asked for in a list just given in a little book "What to Invent." The demand is not for anything extraordinary—just the common everyday things that make work easier or life more pleasant in the household, the shop or the field.

You might think the possibilities of the window screen had been exhausted, but I know of 28 concerns that are looking for a new screen, duly covered by patent, which they can manufacture. I know of 46 manufacturers and others who are ready to manufacture any good, patented household article such as can openers, baking pans, coffee pots, washing machines, carpet sweepers and other devices.

Within the last few weeks I have received forty special requests for a dishwasher and drainer; seventeen others request an improvement in scissors. Manufacturers know that everyone must have a pair of scissors in the house, and they realize that a novelty in them would always sell in place of the old kind, and hence the demand. Among my letters are sixteen requests for a device to turn sheet music on a music stand or piano, and seventeen people are interested in the



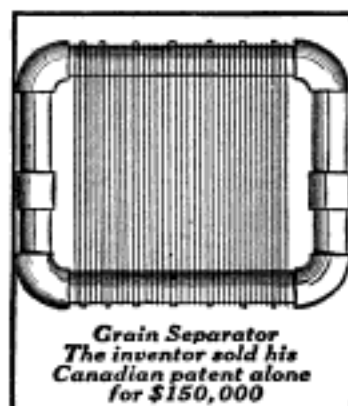
purchase of a patent on a device for holding an electric light in any position. Besides these there are hundreds of manufacturers who do not specify any particular device but state that they would be interested in anything of merit

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A man in Revere, Mass., says: "I am looking for something that can be manufactured, plant equipped, etc., and marketed for an outlay of not over twenty-five thousand dollars."

A big textile machinery company says they are interested in newly patented devices that can be



either bought outright or manufactured on royalty. They do not require machinery inventions alone, but anything of merit.

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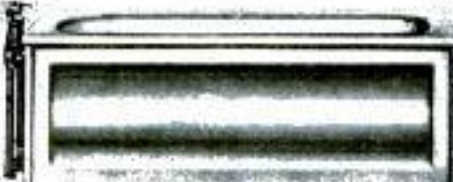
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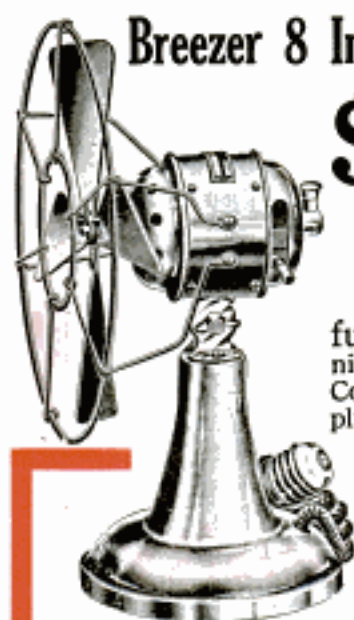
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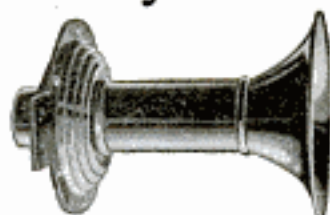
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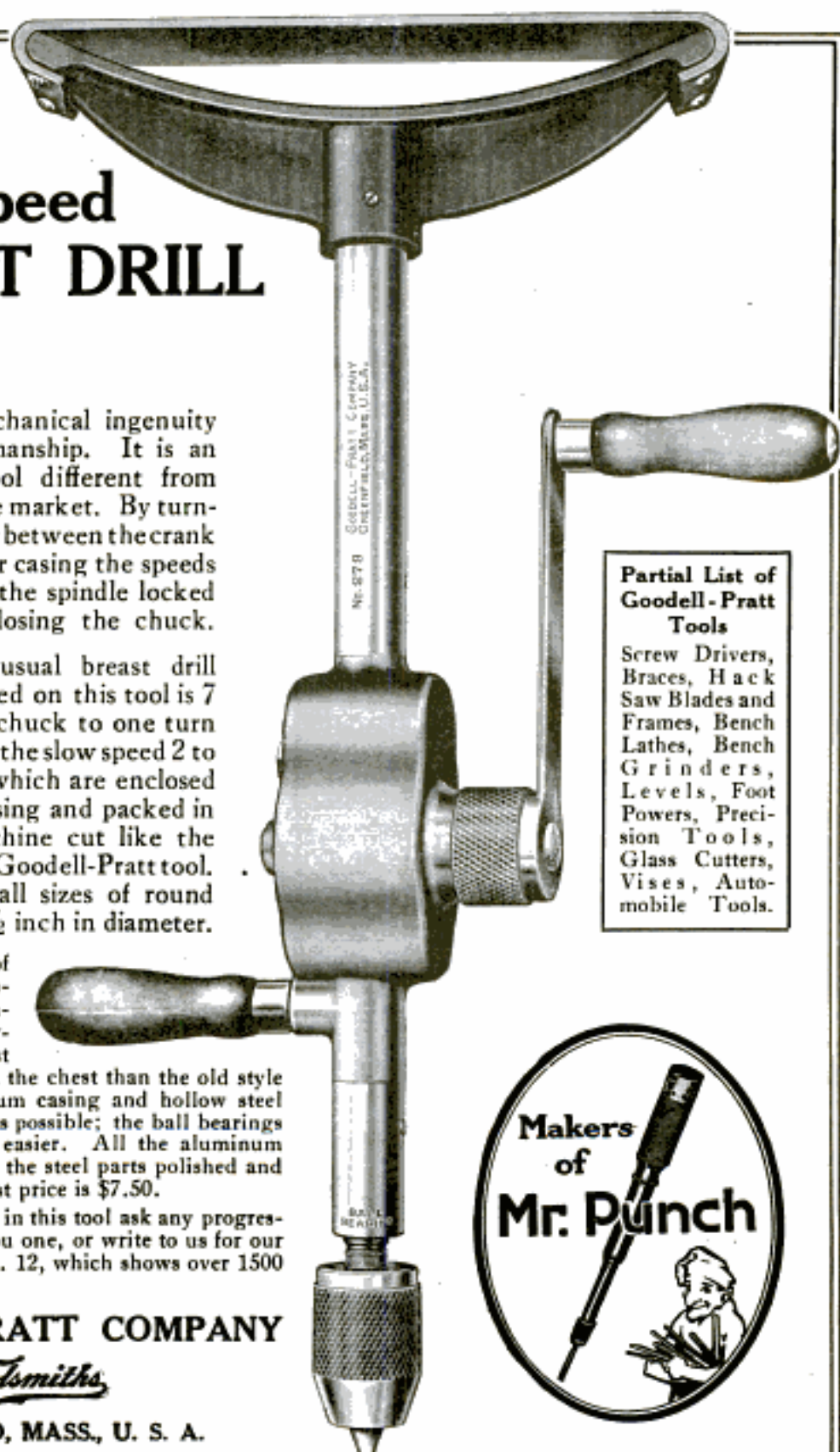
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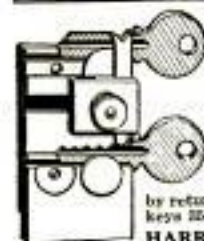
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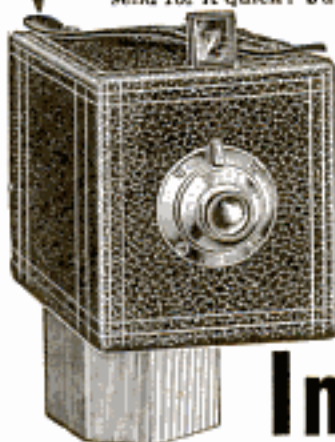
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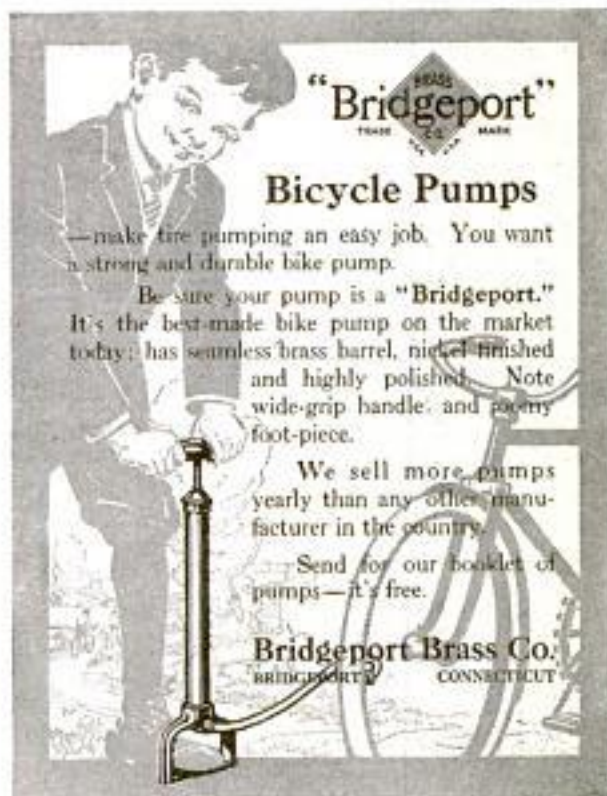
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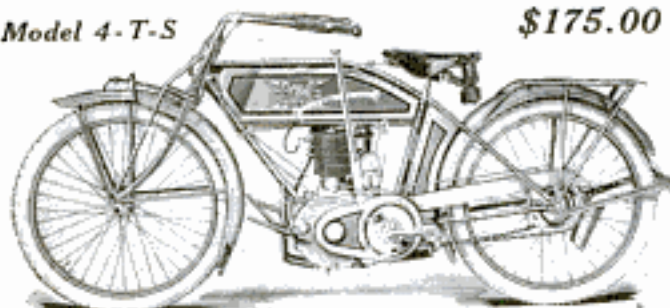


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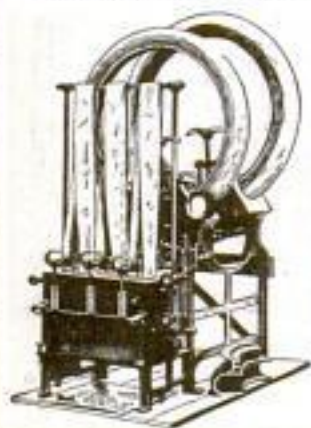
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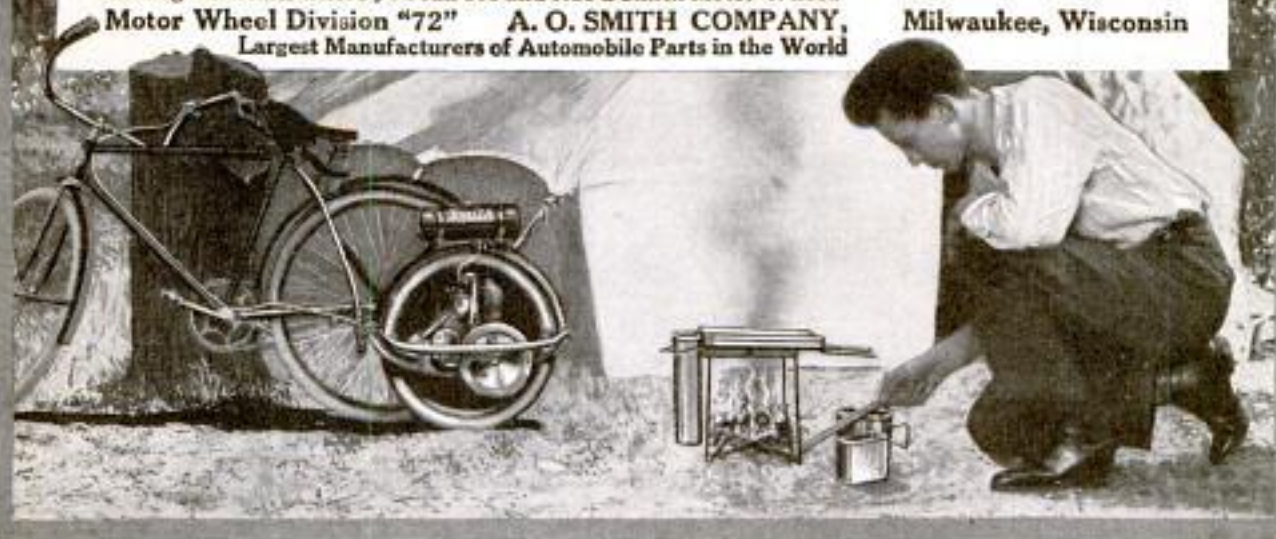
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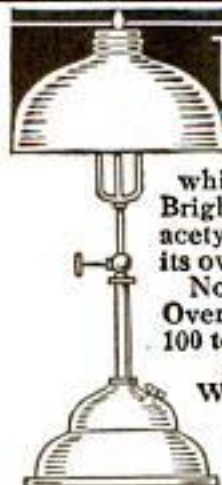
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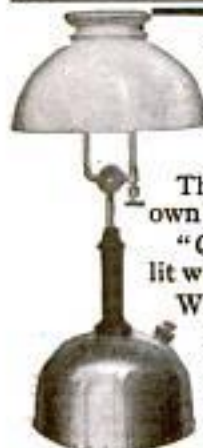
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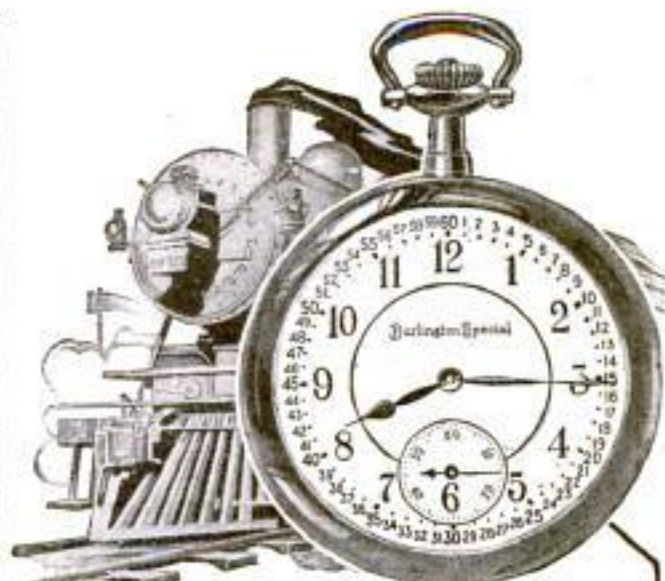
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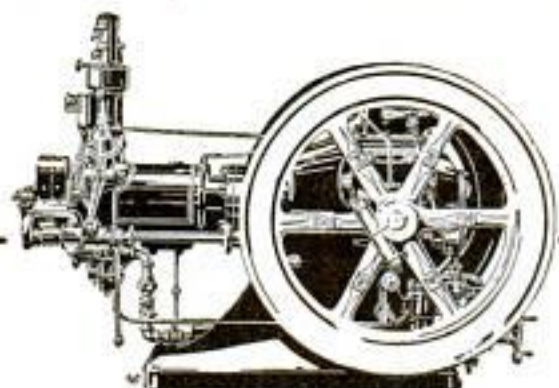
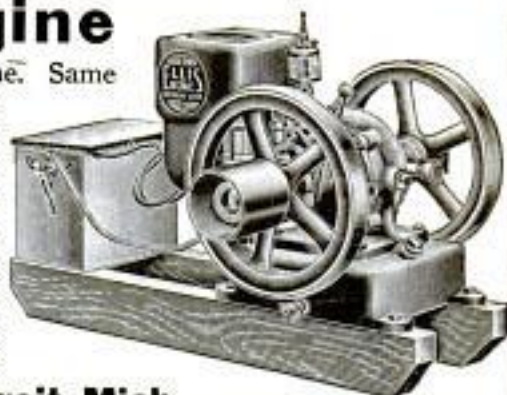
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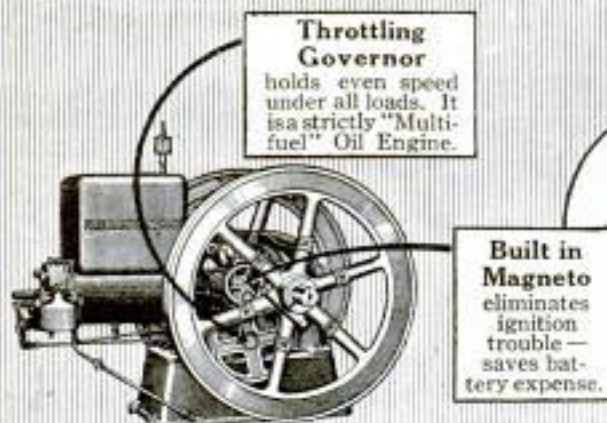
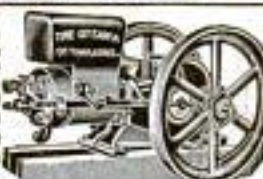
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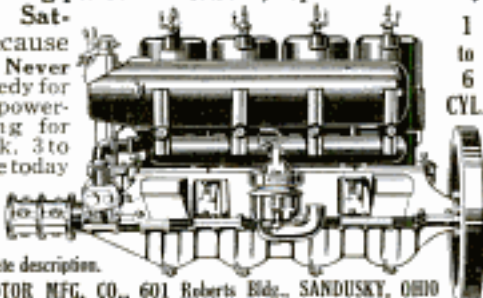
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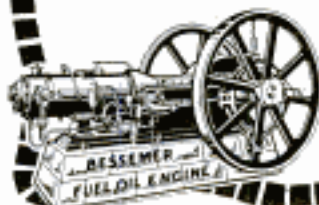
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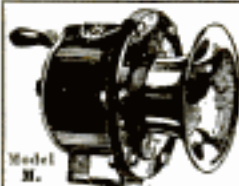
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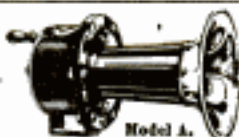
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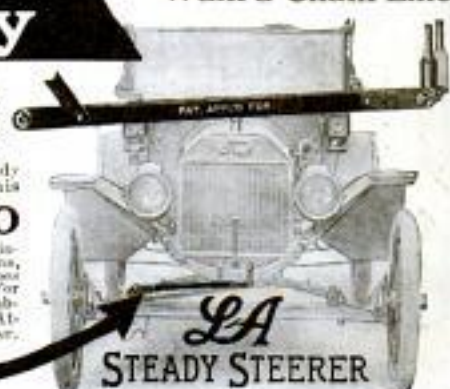
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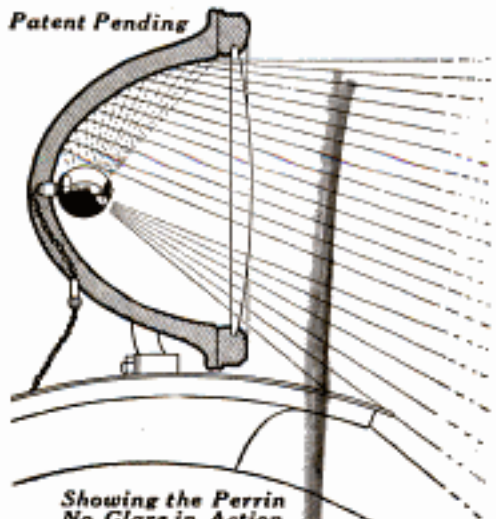
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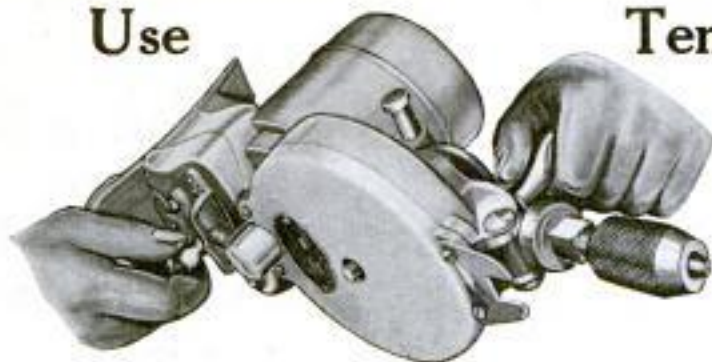
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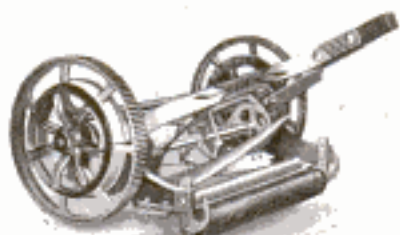
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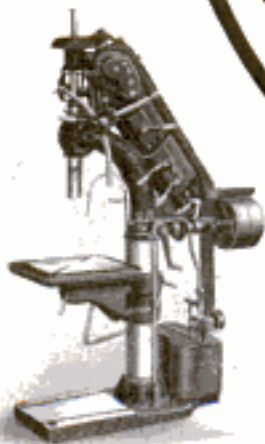
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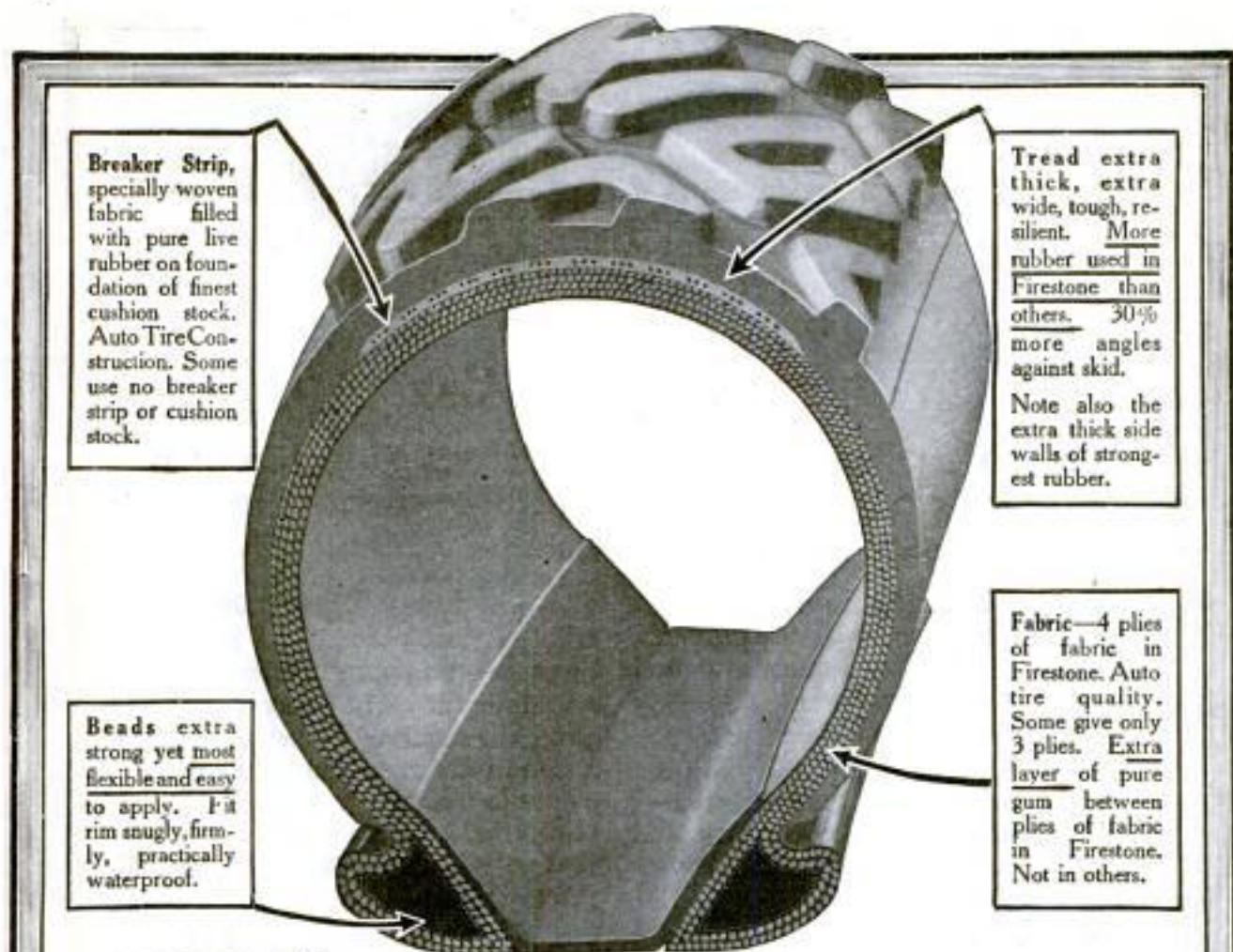


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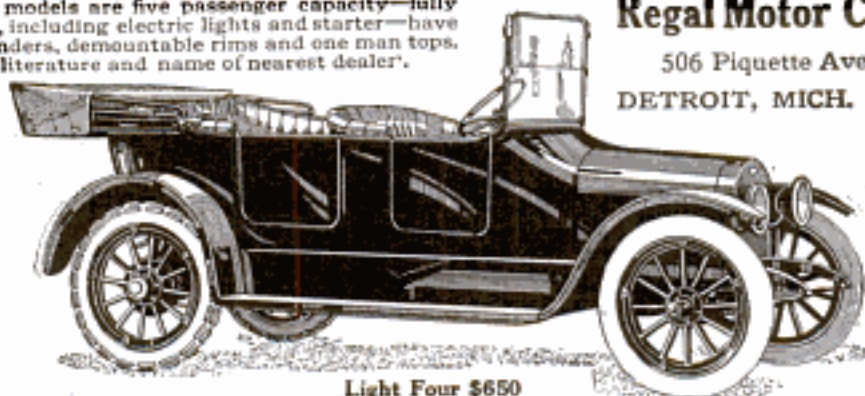
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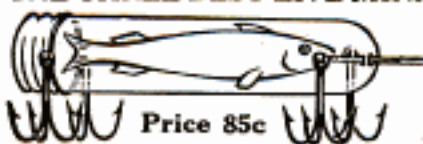
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