RED CROSS LAYS PLANS FOR 1920

Substantial Sum Is to be Kept in Reserve in Case of Sudden Disaster

Out of a fund of \$30,000,000 available for its work this year, the 'American Red Cross has set aside \$15,000,000 for European relief, \$13,-750,000 for use at home and \$1,250,000 for completing its program in

In making public plans for carrying forward peace time activities, Dr. Farrand, head of the organization, declared that a considerable reserve must be held for emergency calls "incident to such possible events as the opening of Russia to intercourse with the United States." This determination, Dr. Farrand said, was reached after long and full consideration with government representatives in this country and Europe.

With appeals infinitely beyond its resources, and unable to count on additions to its total fund during the year, the executive committee, Dr. Farrand said, found it "both wise and necessary to consider the application of its funds so that the soundest possible sense of proportion might prevail."

All obligations to soldiers, sailors and their families must be provided for, Dr. Farrand reported, while the Red Cross must be ready at the same time to meet relief demands due to disasters.

"We are pledged," he added, "to the establishment of a peace-time program in America for which \$13,750,000 will be made available. In considering this item it must be kept clearly in mind that while expenditures in this country arising directly out of the war remain high they should rapidly diminish, and while our work for establishment of peace-time undertakings will increase in some measure, this increase will be inconsiderable as compared with the reduction of war items."

Minister Was Inventor of

First Percussion Lock for

The first percussion lock for fire-

arms was invented and patented in

1807 by the Rev. Alexander J. For-

syth, a Scottish clergyman, who was

born Dec. 28, 1768. Firearms were first

made in Italy in the fourteenth cen-

tury, and were employed in war by the

Burgundians at Arras in 1414. These

first small arms were really small can-

non, and were borne by two men. In

1471 Edward IV. had 300 Flemings

armed with hand-guns in his army, and

a little later the Swiss armed 10,000

men with arquebuses. The musket was

employed in the army of Emperor

Charles V. early in the sixteenth cen-

discharged by the application of a

flaming torch. About 1517 the wheel-

lock method came into use, and after-

ward the flint was used, from 1692 un-

til the Scottish clergyman invented the

percussion principle of igniting gun-

powder in muskets, by means of det-

onating powder. The flint-lock guns

were used by all the European armies

during the early period of the Napo

leonic wars, and only a few guns em-

bodying Forsythe's invention were in

Can You Spell This List of

Percussion caps were first generally

Words?—Test for Teachers

Repellent - Collectible - Picnicking

-Inoculate - Consensus - Inferred-

Sacrilegious - Dissipate - Bilious -

Vilify. Any one who can spell these

ten words and spell them correctly is

a smart man, according to Prof. W. S.

Miller of the University of Minnesota,

who applied the test to ninety normal

students who intend to teach school.

The best record was seven of the ten

DECIDING ON THE

BREED OF FOWL

(Prepared by the United States Depart-

A small flock of hens can be kept

with profit by many city dwellers who

have a back yard. Even as few as

eight or ten hens should produce eggs

enough, when used economically, for

a family of four or five persons

throughout the year, except the molt-

ing period of the fall and early winter.

only eggs for the table and for cook-

eat. For this reason one of the gen-

eral-purpose breeds, such as Plymouth

Rock, Wyandotte, Rhode Island Red,

or Orpington, is preferable to the

smaller egg breeds, such as the Leg-

horns. Not only do the mature fowls

weighs the desire for an occasional

table fowl, the lighter egg breeds un-

doubtedly will be found better, be-

cause they lay as many eggs and do

so on less feed, with the result that

they produce the eggs more cheaply,

It is by all means advisable to keep

some pure breed or variety. Where

this is done, sales at a profitable fig-

smaller broilers.

for hatching

ing, but also an occasional chicken to

Householders usually desire not

ment of Agriculture.)

words spelled correctly

use a century ago.

used about 1825.

tury. These rude firearms were at first

Fire Arms; First Used 1825

THE EGYPTIAN LOTUS

(In an artificial pond.) Proud, languid lily of the sacred Nile, 'Tis strange to see thee on our western

Far from those sandy shores, that mile on Papyrus-plumed, stretch silent as the

O'er dark, mysterious pool and sheltered And round deep dreaming isles thy

leaves expand, Where Alexandrian barges plow their way, Full freighted, to the ancient Theban

On Karnak's lofty columns thou were And spacious Luxor's temple-palace

Each royal Pharach's emeralded queen Chose thee to deck her glittering banquet halls;

Yet thou art blossoming on this fair lake As regally, amidst these common things, As on the shores where Nile's soft ripples As in the halls of old Egyptian kings.

Thy grace charms, day by day, men's curious eyes,

Looking at thee, sees stately temples rise About him, and the long lines of priests, white-robed.

That chant strange music as they slowly Dim-columned aisles; hears, trembling, Echoes that lose themselves in that vast

Of Egypt's solemn ritual for the dead.

Aye, deeper thoughts than these, though Wake in the quickened soul at sight of For this majestic orient faith enshrined

Man's yearning hope for immortality. And thou wert Egypt's symbol of the

power That under all decaying form lies hid: The old world worshiped thee, O Lotus Then carved its sphinx and reared its

WORDS OF WISE MEN

-Arthur Wentworth Hamilton Eaton.

There are no points of the compass on the chart of true patriotism.

All good ends can be worked out by good means. Those that can not are bad, and may be counted so at once and left alone.

While we walk through the valley of youth, its beauty, its variety, its pleasant greensward and dancing lights and shadows make us forget that it lies low. As we climb into middle age the road is steep, but we know that each step takes us nearer

Eider Ducks Pluck the Down: Later Gathered for Export

Eider ducks breed in thousands on some of the smaller islands off the coast of Iceland. The birds are so and roasters, whereas chickens of the tame that they will allow anyone to egg breeds are suitable only for the stroke their feathers or lift them from their nests. This is because they are protected for the down, which is a large item of export from Iceland. The birds pluck the down from their breasts to line their nests. When these are well lined the owner of the land takes the down from the nests. The ducks take more down from their breasts, and again it is removed from the nests. For the third time the ducks pluck down from their breasts, and this time they are not disturbed till the eggs are hatched, then the remaining down is taken .- The Girls' World.

The Perfect Man.

To be perfectly proportioned a man should weigh 28 pounds for every foot | stock intended for market, or of eggs | must be preferred to the untrained .-M his height.

Scout Naturalist Advises Boys Not to Limit Walks to Roads and Beaten Paths

"Do not limit your winter walks to the roads and the beaten paths," advises Edward F. Bigelow, the scout ncturalist, in Boys' Life. "That may be necessary in the marshland of the summer, but when the freezing weather has been prolonged take to the swamps. But be careful. Even the coldest weather sometimes leaves treacherous places in the underbrush and in other sheltered spots. Sometimes the frost is only superficial even when ice on the open ponds is thick, A little good, plain common sense will discover the riches and avoid the danger. One never can see the best parts of a brook bank from the opposite bank. They must be seen from the middle of the stream. I never thoroughly realized that until I started out with camera and rubber boots so that I could safely go into water about a foot and a half or two feet in depth. The ice fringes, the ornate palaces, the wonderful recesses, the strings of jewels, the fairyland caves are all beyond our most vivid dreams. I cannot sufficiently emphasize this, because I know that there are scouts who will not believe, no matter how often I reiterate. I did not believe it myself until I tried it, and the trial was almost by chance. But when I discover this foreign fairyland, I hold it in my possession and frequently explore it. There are many puzzles in that icy region. One cannot even imagine how some of those formations could have been made, but some of them may be puzzled out, and solving the problem is always entertaining and more so than finding the answer to word riddles. Things are more interesting than words."

YOUR LAUGH

Contrary Statement. "That was a paradoxical report our doctor made about the typhoid in the

"What was it?" "That it was the well water which made us sick."

False Notes in the Harmony.



family."

Young woman (scornfully) -Life is one grand, sweet song.

Old Bach (dolefully) - Yes, but some of us have very poor voices.

A Sad Materialist. "Your favorite musical instrument

is the ukulele?" "Yes," replied Mr. Cumrox. "It loesn't make much noise at best; and when you get tired of listening to it you can demolish it without anything like the expense that would attach to smashing a grand piano or a good vio-

Fatal Defect.

fine steady fellow, sure to make a good husband?"

"Yes, I know all that, but how could I be happy with a man who pronounces garage to rhyme with car

Fatal Mistake.

"How was it you didn't keep that

"Unfortunately, I invited an old mil lionaire to d'ne with us."

splendid cook of yours?"

His Preference. "It is queer our lawyer friend is so fond of dogs." "Why is it

queer?' "You would suppose his preference was for something more in the fee-line species."



Like From Like. "An amateur detective I know gave his wife for a present a magnificen cat's-eye ring." "I suppose he earned that cat's eye

by pussy-footing." Each Chinese Syllable Has an Average of 105 Meanings

The Chinese language, before the attempt was made to give China ; national writing in what is nov known as the Chu Yin Tzu-Mu, was of these breeds, because of their large size, make better table fowls than the entirely made up of monosyllables there being 420 in all in the officia Leghorns, but the young chickens for Pekingese dialect. The imperial dic the same reason make better fryers tionary, still the standard, although it is two centuries old, contains 44,449 words. Each Chinese syllable has ar average of 105 meanings. They are The general-purpose breeds are also distinguished by the slight difference "broody" breeds, the hens making of pronunciation and by the associ good sitters and mothers, which is a ation of one word with the one next decided advantage when it is desired to it. Each of the 105 variations of to hatch and raise chickens, since the the same monosyllable is an entirely hens of the egg breeds seldom go distinct word to the Chinese. Each broody and are in any event rather has an ideograph which bears no sug unreliable sitters and mothers. If. gestion of the 104. however, the production of eggs out-

Must Have Good Tools.

As long ago as the time of the cave dweller, prehistoric man learned tha the best arrow or spear was tipped with the best piece of flint. In brief to do good work you must have good tools. In the terms of today, this ure can often be made of breeding means that the expert or specialis William Roscoe Thayer

LINCOLN THE "MOST SCULPTURED MAN."

Lincoln has been the subject of more heroic statues than any other American. On this page are reproduced five of the most prominent examples.



Masterpiece of St. Gaudens in Lincoln Park, ChicaStatue at Rochester, N. Y., Considered Masterpiece Leonard Volk

FATE AND LINCOLN

Nearly a century and a half ago a father working in his field in a Kentucky clearing was shot and killed by Indians. His three sons were with him. The oldest ran to the house and reached it unharmed. The next in age ran in another direction for the nearest settlement. The youngest, a boy of six, was seized by one of the attackers.

When the oldest boy looked out, after barring the door, he saw his brother in the grasp of an Indian. He took down the family musket, aimed through an opening and shot the Indian dead. The boy, released, made his way to the house. In a few hours a resculng party from the settlement drove the raiders away.

The six-year-old boy was Thomas Rail Lincoln. He became the father of The Younger Lin-Splitter. By An. Abraham Lincoln.

Thirty-two years later two boys, drew O'Connor chums, were strolling along Knob creek, Hardin county, Kentucky. The younger, only seven years old, attempted to swing himself over the creek on a sycamore tree. Midway he lost his hold and fell in. The other rescued him. The rescuer's name was Gallagher, and but few men have been privileged to perform equal service for

their country. The boy he rescued was Abraham Lincoln. Twice death was cheated that America might be saved. It was chance, "Why did you dismiss Henry, s or something else. Most Americans prefer to believe it was something

"ABE" LINCOLN REAL AMERICAN

else.-Minneapolis Tribune.

Life of Great American President Has Furnished Inspiration to Every Boy Born Under the Starry Banner.



ABRAHAM LIN-COLN. sixteenth president of the United States, was born in Hardin county, Kentucky, on February 12, 1809, being the son of Thomas Lincoln, a laboring farmer. While he was still a boy, his father moved to Illinois: there Lin-

coln began life as a laborer in the bush, building rail fences-a circumstance which gained for him in after years the designation of "the railsplitter"-also working as a common sailor on the flat boats which navigated the Mississippi river. While thus employed he picked up a little learning, and gave all his spare time to reading what books came his way. He served as captain of militia during the Indian troubles in the Northwest and in 1834 was elected to the Illinois legislature. Three years later he was admitted to the bar, and met with much success as an advocate. In 1847 he was elected to congress, where he supported the Whig party and became conspicuous as an opponent of slavery. The Whig party was broken up after the presidential election of 1852, and two years later he appeared as leader of the newly organized Republican party. He made several unsuccessful attempts to obtain a seat in the senate. In 1860, however, he was raised to the highest office in the

republic. met at Chicago in June of that year, and up to the eleventh hour it was supposed that Mr. Chase of the state | ject was: "Teach economy; that is of Ohio, and Mr. Bates of Missouri, one of the first and highest virtues. would divide the votes of the west- It begins with saving money."

ern delegation; but they were suddenly abandoned, and Mr. Lincoln was brought forward in their stead. The local pressure was so great that he carried the nomination over Mr. Seward, and was elected president in No-

The Criticized Cin-

ard.

cinnati Lincoln

By George Barn-

coln. By O'Con-

vember, 1860. The result of the election was tremendous. Nearly all the southern states seceded from the Union before the new president was inaugurated. Then came the attack on Fort Sumter and the terrible Civil war, which for four long years devastated the southern states of the Union. Lincoln's tact and service during these four years are too well known to be re-

counted. At the expiration of his term of office he was re-elected to the presidency, and lived to see the ultimate success of the federal arms, and the surrender of Richmond and the army of General Robert E. Lee. While on a visit to the Ford theater, Washington, April 14, 1865, Abraham Lincoln was shot through the head by an actor named John Wilkes Booth; he passed away on the following morning.

Lincoln Eccentric About Beard. In the matter of beards, as in every thing else, Abraham Lincoln retained an open mind. He was not above liking change for his own sake, monot-

ony wearying him.

beginning of a beard.

In 1853 Lincoln wore a beard. In 1857 and 1858 he was beardless. During the debate with Douglas he was growing a beard.

The day after his first nomination

the beard was gone. Portraits of 1861, 1863, and 1864 show the full beard, but before 1864 was ended the Lincoln face was smooth again. The last portrait, made on April 9, 1865, shows the fair

Lincoln and Economy.

As an advocate of thrift, Abraham Lincoln was far less prolific than another great American, Benjamin Franklin. Lincoln published no "Poor Richard's Almanac." If he had, doubtless his injunctions to thrift would have been fully as trenchant and pointed as were those of Franklin. For The national Republican convention | Lincoln was forced to thrift and consequently realized the value of it.

Summarized, his advice on this sub-

Nervous, Run-Down Women



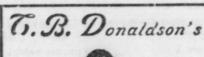
Green Sulphus Springs, W. Va.—"I suffered from nervousness and general run-down condition, together with impure blood. I took three bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and three of Favorite Prescription, I was improved very much; have not needed any medicine since.

-Miss Bessie P. Dunbar, Box 4.

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expectancy that I took the 'Favorite Prescription' (on the advice of my sister), and I was so comfortable and had practically no suffering. But the second time I was living out in the country and was unable to get the Favorite Prescription. I was nervous and miserable all the while and suffered agonies for two days. Since that time I have not hesitated to take 'Favorite Prescription' when in need of a special tonic and I have recommended it to many of my friends, all of whom have been just as greatly benefited as myself."—Mrs. Margaret McGowan, 2556 W. Faysette St.

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