

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...

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...

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."

THE EGYPTIAN LOTUS

(In an artificial pond.) Proud, languid lily of the sacred Nile, 'Tis strange to see thee on our western wave, Far from those sandy shores, that mile on mile, Papyrus-plumed, stretch silent as the grave.

Minister Was Inventor of First Percussion Lock for Fire Arms; First Used 1825

The first percussion lock for fire-arms was invented and patented in 1807 by the Rev. Alexander J. Forsyth, a Scottish clergyman, who was born Dec. 28, 1768. Firearms were first made in Italy in the fourteenth century, and were employed in war by the Burgundians at Arras in 1414.

Can You Spell This List of Words?—Test for Teachers

Repellent—Collectible—Picnicking—Inoculate—Consensus—Inferred—Sacriligious—Disseminate—Billions—Villify. 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.

WORDS OF WISE MEN

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.

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 tame that they will allow anyone to stroke their feathers or lift them from their nests.

The Perfect Man.

To be perfectly proportioned a man should weigh 28 pounds for every foot of 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 naturalist, 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.

YOUR LAUGH

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

False Notes in the Harmony. 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 doesn'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 violin."

Fatal Defect. "Why did you dismiss Henry, a 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 carriage?"

Fatal Mistake. "How was it you didn't keep that splendid cook of yours?" "Unfortunately, I invited an old mill lionaire to dine with us."

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 magnificent cat's-eye ring." "I suppose he earned that cat's eye by pussy-footing."

Each Chinese Syllable Has an Average of 105 Meanings

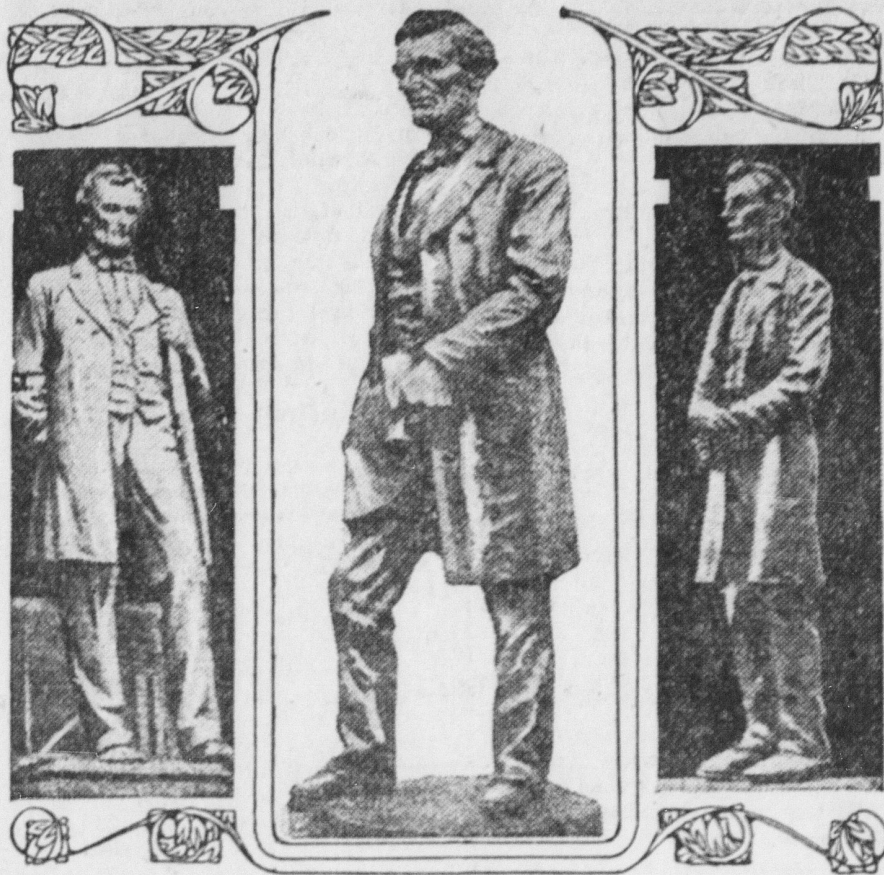
The Chinese language, before the attempt was made to give China a national writing in what is now known as the Chu Yin Tzu-Mu, was entirely made up of monosyllables there being 420 in all in the official Pekingese dialect. The imperial dictionary, still the standard, although it is two centuries old, contains 44,444 words. Each Chinese syllable has an average of 105 meanings. They are distinguished by the slight difference of pronunciation and by the association of one word with the one next to it. Each of the 105 variations of the same monosyllable is an entirely distinct word to the Chinese. Each has an ideograph which bears no suggestion of the 104.

Must Have Good Tools.

As long ago as the time of the cave dweller, prehistoric man learned that 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 means that the expert or specialist must be preferred to the untrained.—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.



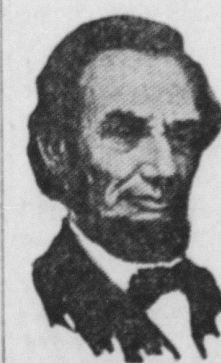
Masterpiece of St. Gaudens in Lincoln Park, Chicago. Statue at Rochester, N. Y., Considered Masterpiece of Leonard Volk. The Criticized Cincinnati Lincoln, By George Barnard.

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 rescuing party from the settlement drove the raiders away. The six-year-old boy was Thomas Lincoln as Rail Lincoln. He became the father of the Younger Lincoln. By An. Abraham Lincoln. Thirty-two years later two boys, 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, or something else. Most Americans prefer to believe it was something else.—Minneapolis Tribune.

"ABE" LINCOLN REAL AMERICAN

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



ABRAHAM LINCOLN, 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 Lincoln began life as a laborer in the bush, building rail fences—a circumstance which gained for him in after years the designation of "the rail-splitter"—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.

The national Republican convention met at Chicago in June of that year, and up to the eleventh hour it was supposed that Mr. Chase of the state of Ohio, and Mr. Bates of Missouri, would divide the votes of the west-

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 November, 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 recounted.

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 Beards.

In the matter of beards, as in everything else, Abraham Lincoln retained an open mind. He was not above liking change for his own sake, monotonously wearying him.

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 beginning of a beard.

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 Lincoln was forced to thrift and consequently realized the value of it. Summarized, his advice on this subject was: "Teach economy; that is one of the first and highest virtues. It begins with saving money."

Nervous, Run-Down Women

Green Sulphur 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."

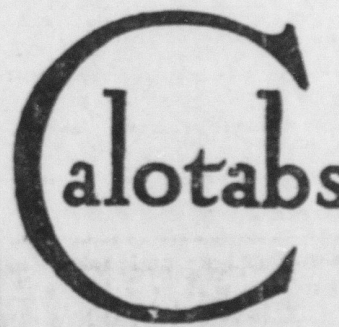
Mothers, Take Heed Baltimore, Md.—"Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is an ideal tonic during expectant motherhood. Its effect is no less than marvelous. It was during my first pregnancy that I took the 'Favorite Prescription' (on the advice of my sister), and I was so comfortable and had practically 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."

Approaching Womanhood Petersburg, Va.—"On coming into womanhood I suffered with irregularity and then suppression, which lasted three months. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription restored me to a perfectly normal condition in a very short space of time, and I must say that I think it is absolutely the best medicine for women there is on the market. I have had no return of any inward weakness, but have been as strong and well as any woman could be, which might not have been the case had I not taken the right medicine at this very critical time."

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