

### Real Daughters of the Revolution



Miss Sarah Pool, eighty-six, and Mrs. Mary Newsom, eighty-two, whose father, Henry Pool, served for four years with Georgia troops in the war for American Independence, are shown here at their home in Glascock county, Ga. The Daughters of the American Revolution have established the fact that there are only seven persons now alive whose fathers fought in the revolution, with Georgia claiming two of them. Their father was married three times, and they are the children of his third wife. When the younger, Mrs. Mary Newsom, was born, her father was ninety years old. Both are members of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

### PLATINUM INVADING MANY NEW FIELDS

#### Metal Is Now Worth Twice as Much as Gold.

Washington.—Platinum is invading new fields. Platinum leaf and plating are among the most recent developments of the industry.

"Platinum is one of the aristocrats of metals," says a bulletin from the National Geographic society.

"A pound of platinum is worth more than two pounds of gold, but a little platinum goes a long way. Normally, about six tons is required annually to supply a metal-hungry world. The metal can be rolled and beaten into leaf one two-hundred-thousandth of an inch thick. A cubic inch can be drawn into an almost invisible wire that could be wound twice around the world at the Equator.

"Because it is costly and may be artistically patterned, more than half of the world's supply of platinum is sold over the jewelry counter. The modern jeweler's show cases display platinum rings and rings of other metals with platinum settings for precious stones, platinum and platinum-plated watch cases enclosing works with platinum pivots, rouge and powder boxes, pins, vases, flower and fruit bowls, various ornaments, and tableware.

"Platinum often does its best work beyond the vision of the average layman. As a part of a radio tube, it aids modern entertainment; in telegraph and telephone instruments, it improves and speeds modern commu-

nication. In the electrical apparatus of automobiles, motor trucks, railroad trains, ships and airplanes, it contributes to modern transportation and business.

"Dentists use platinum-plated pins to secure pivot teeth; the metal aids construction engineers in blasting operations for new projects; the surgeon uses a gold, platinum-tipped needle to sew wounds; platinum used in connection with X-ray apparatus aids the physician in diagnosing human ills. It helps produce the farmer's fertilizer; it also is a valuable tool of the rayon manufacturer.

"Because platinum has a high melting point and is not affected by contact with most acids, it is one of the mainstays of the chemical laboratory where platinum crucibles, pans, strainers and furnace parts are extensively used. One of its chief laboratory uses, however, is as a sort of 'middle man,' or catalyzer. When placed in certain solutions, platinum makes the solutions change their natures, yet the metal itself is not affected. Manufacturers of ammonia and sulphuric and acetic acids use platinum in this way in their processes.

"For the first time, the United States government recently struck off two platinum medals at the Philadelphia mint. They are master copies of the medal designed for the United States George Washington bicentennial commission.

"Platinum once was worn in the form of nose rings and perforated

### Religion, Ignorance, and Happiness

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It was the unusual thing in the country neighborhood in which I grew up for anyone to have been to college. The education of our neighbors was pretty limited. Even the teachers who presided over the district school which I attended had seldom been farther in the pursuit of knowledge than the training afforded by the eighth grade. One teacher I recall had had a year or two of residence in an academy of mediocre grade, but he was an exception.

The best-educated man in our community, so far as formal training was concerned was McManis. He accepted no definite religious



faith, but was, in fact, distinctly agnostic in his beliefs.

He married when approaching forty and had a large family of children. The two things that interested me in the bringing up of his children was first that he tried from the onset to inculcate in them very distinct and orthodox religious faith, and second that, although he was abundantly able to do so, he gave none of them an education beyond the elementary training which was afforded by the rural schools.

"I want my children happy," he explained, "and religion gives one a certain stability in this world and a definite assurance for the next. It is a stability and an assurance which I do not myself enjoy. Even if it is all hokum, I should rather believe it and were happy than to live in the uncertain state of mind which I am in."

It wasn't truth he was after, it was happiness.

"As to education," he said, "the less you know, the happier you are. Knowledge makes men dissatisfied, discontented."

Here was a man widely read, well trained, well grounded in the principles of the church, but he had no faith, he had seen no vision as new ideas and new worlds opened up to him. To him knowledge was not power, nor religion an inspiration.

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spangies by the Indians of South America, but it was not until the middle of the Eighteenth century that Europe first learned that the metal had merit. Some of the first platinum taken to Spain by the South American colonists was made into bricks and sold as gold bricks because gold was then more valuable. Platinum was not discovered in Russia until about a hundred years ago. From 1828 to 1845, Russia issued platinum coins. Counterfeiters at first gold-plated platinum coins and passed them as gold coins. The coinage ceased because the value of the platinum came to exceed the face value of the coins and many were exported.

"Platinum is widely distributed over the world, each continent having at least one known source. Russia, however, has been a leading platinum producer for many years, with Canada, South Africa, Colombia and Burma also supplying a large share of the world's supply. Alaska, California, Nevada, Oregon and Utah are the leading United States sources.

"In most platinum producing regions, the metal is a by-product of gold, silver, copper and nickel mining, but in Russia gold is a by-product of platinum mining.

"Practically all platinum except that produced in South Africa comes from placer mines, that is, from beds and banks of rivers that have washed down rocks containing the metal. While individuals still pan for platinum as the forty-niners did for gold in the streams of California, large dredges now are employed in the industry."

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### Lucky Miss Nebraska



Mary Virginia Louis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Louis, wealthy and socially prominent Omahans, was named "Miss Nebraska" by Governor Bryan to represent that state at the dedication of Nebraska's Pershing salon in the Pershing memorial in Paris on June 20. She sailed for France bearing messages of greeting from President Hoover to the heads of European governments.

### Dentists Bemoan Lack of Toothbrush Knowledge

Birmingham, Ala.—Ignorance of those folk who do not use a toothbrush regularly was lamented by 300 dentists attending the annual convention of the Alabama Dental association here.

Dr. W. S. Wilson, president, asserted that "in this enlightened nation of ours, it is estimated there are between 90,000,000 and 100,000,000 citizens who fall into this nontooth-brushing class."

### GABBY GERTIE



"The girl who doesn't know learns all about men's petting tendencies from other girls who don't 'no'."

### TEXAS BUILDS SHAFT FOR FAMOUS VETERAN

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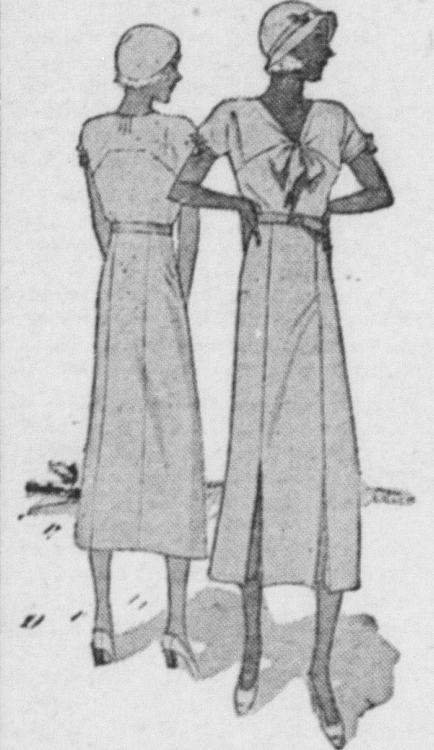
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### Summer Smartness



A dress in cotton mesh is one of the smartest types for summer, probably because it is so often simple in line with all the style interest concentrated in the weave of the material and its color.—Woman's Home Companion.

### Fudge Frosting

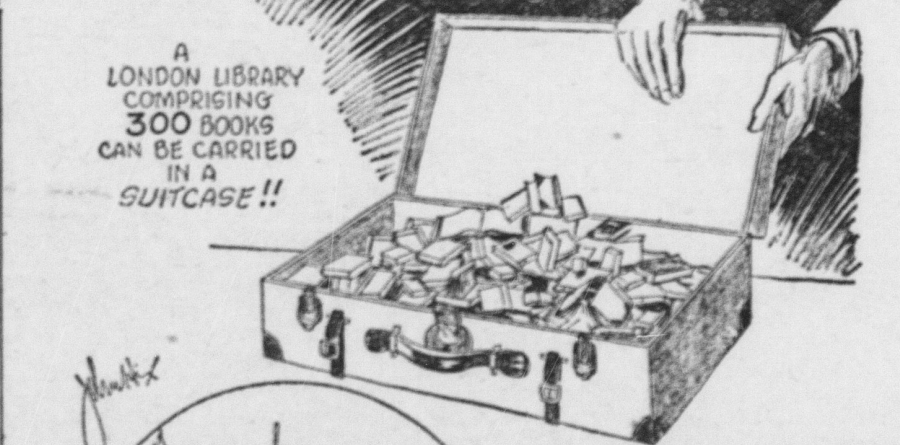
2 squares unsweetened chocolate, 2 tbs. light corn cut in pieces, 1/2 cup cold milk, 2 cups sugar, 1/2 cup butter, 1 tsp. vanilla.

Add chocolate to milk and place over low flame. Cook until mixture is smooth and blended, stirring constantly. Add sugar, salt, and corn sirup, and stir until sugar is dissolved and mixture boils. Continue cooking, without stirring, until a small amount of mixture forms a very soft ball in cold water (232 degrees F.). Remove from fire. Add butter and vanilla. Cool to lukewarm (110 degrees F.). Beat until of right consistency to spread. Makes enough to cover two 9-inch layers.

### Steady Job

Allendale, Mich.—For the thirtieth consecutive term John J. Walbrick has been elected township clerk. He has held the office since 1893.

### ODD THINGS AND NEW—By Lane Bode



OF INTEREST TO THE HOUSEWIFE

All green vegetables except spinach should be cooked with the lid off the saucepan.

To prevent juice of apple and berry pies oozing out, cover bottom layer of pie crust with cracker crumbs.

When finely chopped nuts are needed for cake, salads or sandwiches run the nuts through the food chopper.

Sweet cream spread over the top crust of a pie just before it is put into the oven will make the crust brown and flaky.

When making marmalade or jam, cut rounds of tissue paper the size of

### POTPOURRI

**Air Traveler**

The Yellowlegs, a common American snipe, travels approximately 16,000 miles in its migration and is said to be the greatest air traveler among birds. It migrates from the Arctic circle, where it spends the summer, to as far south as Argentina. It has black-and-white markings, long yellow legs, and is found among the lowlands and marshes.

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### Scraps of Humor



#### DOUBLE REASON

She followed her husband down the stairs and seated herself opposite him at the breakfast table.

"I hope you weren't annoyed because I sharpened a pencil with your razor, darling?" she innocently asked.

"Yes, I was—twice," he replied patiently.

"Twice, darling?" she echoed.

"Yes, after I had given up trying to shave I tried to write with the pencil," he returned.

#### NOW THEY BOTH KNOW



"Of course you know, landlord, that living is very dear, and—"

"Yes, yes, of course. In fact, I shall have to raise my rents on account of it. Here's a new contract with an additional \$100 per year?"

#### Long Journey

A man who spends a good deal of time traveling is devoted to golf when at home. He is more celebrated for enthusiasm than for accuracy.

One day he got into a deep bunker, where he stayed for a long time.

His opponent strolled over to discover the globe-trotter had dug quite a sizable hole in his efforts to dislodge the ball.

"Well, Bill," he said, genially, "off to Australia again?"—London Tit-Bits.

#### Benefits of College

Overheard in a restaurant near the City Hall park:

"How's your son making out at college, Bill?"

"Fine; he's improving all the time."

"Getting good marks, eh?"

"Well, his marks aren't so hot, but his letters touching me for money are becoming more grammatical every week."—New York Sun.

#### Unexpected Flight

A dub golfer had lost his ball and not unnaturally was inclined to be annoyed with his caddie. "Why the deuce didn't you watch where it went?" he demanded angrily.

"Well, sir," said the boy, "it doesn't usually go anywhere, and so it took me unpreparedlike."—Boston Transcript.

#### Thermometer

Gene, in her first term at school, insisted that she was a "thermometer" and her parents were at a loss to know what she meant. Later her mother visited the school and heard the teacher call the pupils in the front seats her "front monitors."

Then Gene whispered: "That's me, mom!"

#### HUBBY'S TOPIC



Mrs. Oldwed—Does your husband talk much about his mother's cooking?

Mrs. Newwed—No. He talks about mine.

#### Seeking Adequate Protection

"How did that big boy in gangland come to get sent to the penitentiary?" asked Bill the Burg.

"Must o' been p'ltical influence," replied Dick the Dip. "He got so unpop'ular a bulletproof vest wasn't protection enough. He needed high stone-work."

#### Change for Her

"Flo Filmer the movie star, is very fond of working in her garden."

"I suppose she enjoys having a real plot to work in."

#### Experience Improves

The wedding was over at last.

"Phew, that was an experience," said the bridegroom. "Did I look like a fool at the altar?"

"No," replied the best man, "but anyone could see that you were yourself."

#### Simplified

Voice—I can't catch the name.

Professor—B for Brontosaurus, R for Ramayana, A for Athanasius, U for Usambara, N for Neptunism.—Die Woche im Bild (Olten, Switz.).

### SUCH IS LIFE—No Peace for Pop!



### By Charles Sughroe

