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#### WHITE CARS CHECKING CRASHES

We do not agree with Governor Earle's recently announced decision to replace half the white cars on the highways with unidentified vehicles. His reported charge that motorists are taking advantage of the easily recognized police cars by slowing down from a breakneck speed when they encountered, only to step on the gas again when they're left behind, doesn't seem to be entirely born out by the accident figures.

The sight of white cars on the road is unquestionably effective in curbing speeders, and that is what they were planned for. The observance of the writer in following a white car on the Bald Eagle highway from Unionville to Tyrone, one afternoon recently, is fully convincing of this fact. While the legal speed limit is fifty miles an hour, not one motorist attempted to pass the "ghost" car, although it was traveling at a 35-mile rate.

All of which goes to show that the road laws will only be obeyed by all classes of motorists when there is something in sight to curb them. We believe it would be a step backward to put a coat of black, green or brown paint on a white motor police car. It's a reversion to the "softshoe" system of the past. Plainly marked cars curb reckless driving. Anonymous cars trap unwitting motorists. Do we want more law observance and fewer accidents or more arrests?

Our sugestion would be to place more white cars on the highways.

#### HIS IDEALS HAVE BEEN SHAKEN

An American citizen who went to Spain to fight for the Spanish Loyalist Government recently escaped to France to tell how an American batallion was blown to pieces in the recent offensive launched by General Fran-

The American, John D. Honeycombe, of Los Angeles, says he saw more than two hundred planes at one time bombing and strafing the Government lines. He exclaimed, "That man Franco has everything!" His opinion was that the Government's army is through and that the war is lost as far as the Government is concerned.

"Most of us came to Spain," he said, "to fight for ideals. That's why I came for but when you see boys you have worked and played with being slaughtered, it shakes your ideals.

Undoubtedly, this citizen is right. He left his country to go into a foreign land to fight for ideals. He has seen fighting. He knows what it means in broken bodies and dead men. No wonder his idea of war as a means of accomplishing something for his idea has been shaken.

# DEAD MEN'S EYES

Restored sight for 250,000 blind persons in the United States is proposed by Dr. Martin I. Green, of San Francisco, who would transfer the cornea sections from the eyes of newly-dead persons to the eyes of living patients. The operation, he says, must be performed within twenty-four hours of death.

While the purpose is entirely humanitarian, it will probably be some time before the public generally accepts the right of society to take cornea sections from the dead. It is very probable that at least the previous consent of the individual, or of his survivors, will be required.

Meanwhile, from San Quentin prison, in California, comes the news that Alfred Kessel, sentenced to death, has bequeathed the cornea of his left eye to the Rev. U. E. Harding, of Portland, Oregon. The condemned man took this action after receiving a letter from the minister who is threatened with blindness.

# LAXATIVES CAN BE DANGEROUS

Urging that men, women and children "respect their intestines" and not use laxatives "on the slightest provocation," Prof. Reginald Fitz of the Boston University School of Medicine, calls attention to the large number of unnecessary deaths from appendicitis despite the fact that it is an easily recognizable disease.

Dr. Fitz is the son of the Boston physician, who in 1886, recognized appendicitis as a distinct medical entity. He believes that the appendicitis toll today is too high, because of death caused by the unwise use of laxatives. People, for some reason, when they feel a pain in their intestines, grab a laxative with the idea that this is a cure-all.

While a pure laxative usually does no harm, it may cause serious injury in the case of appendicitis. It is necessary, therefore, for people to recognize that before resorting to a laxative they should consult a physician to determine whether they have appendicitis or not.

# COAL FOR 3,700 YEARS

We recall that not so many years ago, one of the worries that beset us was the fear that the supply of coal would give out and that the world would have to look to the sun for a source of energy.

It now appears that this fear was unfounded. According to a report on "The World Coal Industry" that the International Labor Office is preparing, the world reserves of anthracite and bituminous coal will last thirty-seven centuries at the average annual extraction rate for 1925-

The report puts the world's coal reserves at 4.600,000 million metric tons, with about half of it in the United States, Although the United States has the highest total reserve, is also the highest extraction rate, but even so, the American reserve, at the present rate of extraction, is said to be good for 3,686 years.

## PEACE IN THE HEMISPHERE

The peace that prevails in the Western Hemisphere is in marked contrast to the dangerous clouds which overhang other countries throughout the world.

This peace does not prevail because the hemisphere has no international problems of its own. As Secretary Hull recently pointed out, controversies arise from time to time among the American nations. They have been susceptible of settlement, in his opinion, because of the "will to peace," which exists in all nations of the Ameri-

In a speech delivered on Pan-American Day, the American Secretary of State called attention to the settlement of five serious issues in the past few years:

(1) Columbia and Peru amicably settled a delicate question that threatened friendly relations between them.

(2) Ecuador and Peru have been negotiating for many years in an effort to settle an outstanding dispute between them.

(3) The Chaco war between Boliva and Paraguay, which ended in 1935. Delegates of five friendly nations have been trying to find a permanent pacific solution for the entire dispute for some time.

(4) More recently, Honduras and Nicaragua, engaged in a boundary dispute, accepted the cooperation of friendly nations in an effort to achieve a friendly settle-

(5) Only a few months ago, the Dominican Republic and Haiti concluded an agreement regarding a serious situation that threatened peaceful relations that existed between them.

We call attention to these examples because one is apt, in viewing the modern world, to overlook the instances where peaceful relations have been maintained. There is no doubt but that, under the practices of some nations, causes of war existed in each of the disputes referred to above. However, because of a sincere belief in the peaceful settlement of international disputes and the cooperation of friendly nations, the disputants have managed to avoid anything like a continental war.

The continuation of peace on this continent depends upon rigid adherence to certain fundamental principles. That the United States, as the largest and most powerful nation on the continent, must set the example and exhibit rare forbearance, is apparent. This nation is earnestly seeking to promote and develop good feeling in this hemisphere and it is worth noting that Secretary Hull, in his address, outlined the principles upon which peace must

He listed the right of each nation to conduct its own affairs, free from outside interference; the principles of sovereignity and equality of nations, irrespective of size and strength; sincere respect for law and the pledged word, scrupulous observance of treaty obligations; friendly and cooperative effort in promoting peace; mutually beneficial economic intercourse, based upon the rule of equal treatment.

There can be little doubt that if the nations of Europe were following the principles briefly enunciated above by the American Secretary of State, the continent of Europe would not now be facing a terrible war. The same principles would, undoubtedly, have avoided the conflict between Japan and China. They will insure solidarity among American Republics if followed sincerely by the United States and the other nations on this side of the ocean. Certainly the results so far encourage us to believe that the best interests of all our people require an honest attempt on the part of the United States to adhere closely to them in its future dealings with its sister nations.

# The Household Scrapbook

Bananas Be sure not to put bananas in the

refrigerator, as they are a tropical fruit, and are more palatable and easily digested when ripened and a piece of paper over them and Tariar on the Teeth

To remove tartar from the teeth. vind a piece of absorbent cotton on an orange stick and dip in lemon

tartar spots. If the cake batter is too stiff, don't use milk to thin it out, as this will toughen it. Beat an egg light and add it gradually to the batter until you reach the correct thickness.

Perspiration Stains When a garment is stained by perspiration, try sponging the spot with white vinegar and wiping dry with a soft clean cloth.

Dried Fruits

Use the putest white scap in If the satin-covered heels of shoes laundering silks, as strong soaps will have become too shabby and scuffed urn them yellow and injure the to be worn, remove all the satin fabric. If you are going to lay the from the wood and give the wood white silk garments away for some several costs of blacking with liquid time, wrap them in dark blue tissue shoe polish. Allow to dry between coats and polish with a soft cloth.

Postage Stamps Postage stamps that have stuck together can be separated by placing

pressing over the paper with a warm

iron. The stamps will pull apart very rapidly. juice and then in pumice stone. This the broom below the cordings and it should be applied vigorously to the will not become lopsided. The broom

Bind an old silk stocking around will be strengthened if wet in bolling suds about once aweck. Cleaning Bottles

If soapsuds and coffee grounds are placed in the bottle or decanter and shaken, it will clean the container thoroughly. Also sand and soapsuds will clean bottles very nicely:.

The Jelly Roll Turn the roll out of the baking tin upon a cloth wrung out of cold water. Then spread with jelly, and as it is rolled the steam from the Sprinkling sassafras bark among wet cloth will prevent the shrinking dried fruits will keep worms out of and consequent cracking of the top

# DO YOU KNOW

1. What is the extent of the air-2. How many motor vehicles are

there in the United States? How large is the universe? How does business activity today compare with recent years?

6. What has the OCC program 1940.

6. Is our Indian population de-7. Did income tax collections in March exceed those of last year?

8. What are the total assets of American Telephone & Telegraph Company? ideration to increase the number the home not only makes it a com-

of Pederal judges? strength of the Army?

# Answers

1. More than 250,000 miles every twenty-four hours.

2. Registered in 1937, 29,805,373. 3. The size of the universe is un-

4. A well-known index indicates htat present activity is at its lowest point since late in 1934.

5. In five years \$1,920,000,000.

crust of the roll. 6. No; there are 337,366 Indians as compared with 286,000 at the be-

ginning of this century. 7. The 1938 total, \$723,002,013. was about \$23,000,000 above last year 8. \$5,057,800,000. 9. A Senate bill provides 22 new

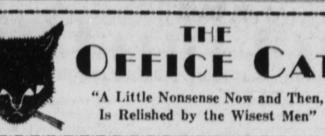
judgeships. A House committee has recommended 24. 10. The objective of recent leg- de Day of Rest!" islation is 2,320 planes by July 1st,

Lessen Accidents in Home

"Keep traffic lanes and parking areas free from congestion" also applies to the home, says extension home management specialists at the Pennsylvania State College. ing orders: 9. Is any legislation under con- Good arrangement of furniture in fortable place to work and relax, 10. What is the proposed aerial but also lessens the number of accidents which may occur.

When cleaning house this spring carry out this slogan. Speaking of housecleaning, tests show that it takes less energy to draw a carpet sweeper slowly over a section of the uum cleaner.

Few farmers object to receiving glasses. benefit checks from the governmen although many may proclaim that they have been robbed of half what they were due.



### IT'S TITLED "PARANOIA"

Of all the weird spooky poetry we have ever read the following written by Richard Sharpe and published in Rob Wagner's Script, takes

There is no death," cackled the corpse clasping its clustered curls. "You see me hale and hearty at a century and forty And so my case is proved. "There is no death." "You smell quite awful," I replied with no politeness.

'You smell of creosote and last year's chicken uncontaminated by the ice of storage.

Getee gone, foul odorous cadaver, you are surely dead. Quite dead."

I held my nose.

Avast. "Tis you are dead!"

It strummed the harpstrings of its ribs
And played a tune the like of which I never heard Which tangled and tweegled like a bee imprisoned in a radio. "I'm more alive than you," the dread cadaver chortled. "Look at you. You're prone and supine and procumbent all at once.

"I'm tired." I muttered sullenly. It laughed. "You won't be tired when you are dead." it said. And raised its toupee with a pretty leer And went.

### Is That Sioux?

A Sioux Indian chieftian walked into a drug store located off the reservation and asked for the proprietor.

"Wantum pint medicine whiskey," the redskin grunted.

"Now look here, John," protested the druggist, "you know I'd run the risk of goin' to jail if I sold you any whiskey. Of course, if you were very sick, I might take a chance, but you don't appear to be sick." "Umph," grunted the Indian. "Squaw have papoose pretty soon you

"Well, that's different," said the druggist. "Why didn't you say so indicates some small inaccuracies in the ordinary theories. at first?" The Indian tucked the bottle of firewater under his blanket and

started out. "How soon you expect papoose, John?" queried the druggist. "Don't know," grunted the chief. "No gotum squaw yet."

That Nonsensical Census A census taker was working in a certain town when he came to a tenement literally overrun with children.

"Madam," said he to the woman bending over the washtub, "I am the census taker. How many children have you?"

"Well, lemme see," replied the woman as she straightened up and wiped her hands on her apron. "There's Ellen and Mary, Tom and Della, Julia and Eddie, Charlie, Frankie, and- "Madam," interrupted the census man, "if you could just give me the number-"

"Number," the woman exclaimed indignantly. "Say, I want you to understand that we ain't got to numberin' 'em yet. We ain't run out of names."

### Hot and Cold

What a thrill of ecstasy went through her as she stood there beneath the waters of the shower bath.

What a sensuous pleasure the limpid water conveyed.

How it tingled in her hair. And around the delicate pink lobes of her ears.

And down her dainty swan-like neck. Across her gleaming white shoulders. Down, down over her well-shaped back,

Hey, who turned on the cold water!

# No Place For Fido

A tiny dog was running rapidly across the desert, Lickety-split, he went, licket-split. As he passed the Sphinx, the stone lips opened up and the Sphinx asked: "Little dog, why do you run so fast? There is nothing to hurry about on this vast expanse of sand."

But the little dog continued running. Lickety-split, he went, licketysplit. But as the Sphinx spoke again, the little dog turned his innocent head, and said, "Oh, me, oh my, what a long distance between trees on this street." And he continued, lickety-split, lickety-split.

# Call Sherlock Holmes

Detective: "I had a hard case last week."

Friend: "What was it?"

Detective: "Well, a man was shot. The knife was found by his side. ho do you think poisoned him?" Friend: "Who?"

Detective: "Nobody. He hanged himself."

# Who Seconded It?

Some time ago there was an earthquake shock which disturbed a small western city and rocked the town hall so much that the town council, then in session, left without the usual ceremonies

The clerk, a man of rules and regulations, was hard put to it to give his minutes the proper official tone. Finally he evolved this: "On the motion of the town hall the council adjourned."

# Chinee Wise Crack

A group of Chinese boys were discussing the relative merits of the two billboards, one advertising Carnation Milk and the other advertising Bull Durham

"In America," said one of the boys in explaining the signs to the others, "they have he-cows and she cows. The she-cows give milk and the he-cows give tobacco."

# Kute Kiddy Krack

Upon her return from Sunday school little Ethel was asked if she remembered anything she heard there. "Oh, yes," she answered, "the teacher said we must not witness our

# Household Hint

Casting too much bread upon the water may stop up the kitchen

News Note The Association of Amalgamated Gold-Diggers has voted unani-

# mously to give full support to the "Buy Now" movement.

Turning Point Mistress; "So your married life was very unhappy? What was the

# Chloe Johnson: "Lan' sake, no, mum. It was Labor Day wedded to

The Same to Each Other Angry Employer (to Irishman who insisted on leaving his service): "Well, goodbye, Pat, and bad luck to you."

# Refuse It, Please

Pat-"Good luck to you, sir, and may neither of us be right."

A Chinese truckman sent the following bill to a grocer for deliver-

10 comes-at 50 cents a went-\$5.00.

THAT'S ALL FOLKS. A noted health authority stated the other day that during hot weather babies should wear as few clothes as possible. And there doesn't seem to be any age limit on babies.—"Scat."

# Minted Strawberries Use large, perfect, whole straw- new finishing process for silk that

trouble? December wedded to May?"

rug a few times than to draw it berries. Remove hulls and pour makes it resistant to water spots, rapidly over the same place many over them orange juice, to which a according to extension clothing times. This is also true of a vac-Sprinkle with powdered sugar and State College, Such silk is especial- and her 56-year-old husband are tenced to five years more for theft chill thoroughly. Serve in cocktail ly useful in coat linings which are the parents of six children and of Jewerly.

difficult to treat for water spots. have 19 grandchildren. Their greatdifficult to treat for water spots.

> Business can't be so bad, after all There are no experts like men the big leagues are ready to start who have no response their annual argument,

bilities. They seem to know all the answers!

Manufacturers have developed a

# **Query and Answer Column**

PROBLEM-Two women who were twin sisters were talking about relationship. Suddenly one of them said to the other: "There goes a young lady down the street who is my niece, but she isn't your niece!" Home come? (Answer elsewhere in this column).

C. G .- To what race of people do the Javanese and the Siberians

Ans.-The Javanese belong to the brown race, and the native Siberians are of the yellow race. As Siberia has been owned by Russia over a long period of time the population of Siberia is about equally divided between the yellow and the white races. G. Y .- What were the punic wars?

Ans,-The Punic wars (three in number) were between the Romans and Carthaginians of ancient times. The first war began in 264 B. C. and lasted 23 years; the second began in 218 B. C. and continued 16 years, and the third began in 149 B. C. and ceased after three years' conflict. The Romans were victorious in the three wars, and Carthage was completely destroyed by fire, burning for seventeen days. Thus ended the history of the Carthaginians.

E. L.—Does the United States have a national holiday?

Ans.-None. It has many legal holidays, and the most important is the Fourth of July-anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. A. H .- Is there such a river known as the Swanee River? If so, where

Ans.-The Suwanee River, made famous by the Southern ballad, "Old Folks at Home," is a stream that rises in Georgia, flowing south across

a portion of Florida and empties into the Gulf of Mexico. It is navigable about 200 miles from the gulf.

T. M .- Was Theodore Roosevelt related to President Franklin D.

Ans,-Yes, slightly, Theodore and Franklin were fifth cousins, V. R.-What is the salary of the King of England? Ans,-The King of England gets \$2,350,000 a year-the third highest

paid monarch. The sultan of Turkey drew \$7,500,000 a year until that country became a republic. M. S .- What is the Einstein Theory of Relativity? Ans,-It is an entirely mathematical theory of physics and of astronomy, worked out without taking for granted the usual ideas of space, time and motion. For instance, as particles of matter moving with speeds

as great as a hundred thousand miles a second, the Einstein Theory C. W. R .- How much money does the Government collect in gasoline taxes?

Ans.-In 1937, Federal taxes on gasoline and lubricating oil totaled R. M .- Who is the youngest State university president in the United

States? Ans,-Herman B. Wells, thirty-five years old, president of Indiana University at Bloomington, Indiana, is said to be the youngest man holding a similar position.

R. W. H .- Who started the custom of saying hello on the telephone? Ans,-According to biographers of Thomas A. Edison, he is given credit for the use of "hello" on the telephone. When it was first used people were accustomed to saying "are you there" or "are you ready to talk." One day Edison took up the receiver and said "hello." The words immediately became popular.

H. K .- How do news broadcasts rank in popularity on the radio? Ans.-A recent survey shows that news broadcasts rank third among favorite radio programs.

H. M. C .- Do whales descend to great depths? Ans .- The Bureau of Fisheries says that it has been claimed by reputable scientists, although it is still controversial, that whales are capable of descending to several hundred fathoms. Such estimates are based on the behavior of harpooned whales, as indicated by the length of line carried out and the angle of the line. Captured sperm whales often bear on their hides the scars made by giant squids with which they have battled, and which are generally thought to be residents of the deep

M. L. Y .- Please give me the formula for whitewash made with rice

Ans.-Lime, clean and well burnt, 6 qt. Spanish whiting, or powdered burnt alum, 4 oz.; white sugar, 16 oz.; rice flour, 3 qt.; glue, of good quality, 16 oz.; water, boiling, 5 gal. Slake lime in vessel about ten gallons capacity, with hot water, keeping vessel covered to retain the steam, and pass through a sieve to clear of coarse particles. Make up the rice flour to a thick paste and boil well, and dissolve the glue in bath; then mix the liquids with the the water, and add the whiting or alum and the sugar. The mixture

should be applied warm on outdoor surfaces, and cold indoors. E. G. H .- Will moths eat rayon clothing?

be bright or stupid.

Ans.-Moth larvae do not feed upon materials of vegetable origin. Rayon goods, linen, and cotton are not subject to damage from these B. M.-What causes the colors to appear in a rainbow? Ans .- Falling drops of water will split light up into the seven primary plors-blue, yellow, violet, indigo, green, orange and red. If the

run shines onto such a cloud of falling drops of water, the light reflected back to you from the drops will be split up in this way and you will

F. L.-Is it possible to give an intelligence test to babies? Ans,-Dr. Nancy Bayley Reid of the Institute of Child Welfare of the University of California has found in her research on the subject that intelligence cannot be measured until nerve and muscular coordination are developed sufficiently to make response possible. In measuring the intelligence of a number of babies not more than three days old, she found that it is impossible at this stage to forecast whether a child will

Ans.-The Red and Blue Networks of the National Broadcasting Company sent out over 54,000 programs in 1937. A. M. F .- How is the former Kaiser of Germany related to Queen

H. G. W .- How many programs a year are heard over NBC?

Ans.-The former Kaiser of Germany is a grandson of Queen Victoria's G. L.-How old is Man 'o War, the famous race horse? Ans.-He recently celebrated his twenty-first birthday at Paraway

Farms near Lexington, Kentucky, where as many as a hundred visitors daily see him in his stall during visiting hours to the stud farm which is owned by Samuel D. Riddle

L. H. M .- Can you give me the name of a bank in Tennessee where morning prayers are held every day for the employes? Ans.-As far as we can ascertain there is none in Tennessee, but the First National Bank at Pikeville, Kentucky, in the mountains, has a daily prayer meeting. Other unusual features of the institution are the music broadcast daily and soft drinks provided for the workers.

C. M .- How much did the late John D .Rockefeller give to foundations and other philanthropic organizations? Ans.—Mr. Rockefeller's gifts amounted to approximately \$530,-000,000. He gave a total of \$446,000,000 to establish four funds: The Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, the General Education Board, The Rockefeller Foundation and The Laura Spelman Rocke-

feller Memorial. In addition, he made individual contributions of about \$84,000,000 for educational, religious and charitable purposes. K. M .- Do the majority of people prefer to get their news over the radio or by reading newspapers? Ans .- A survey made by Fortune shows that the newspapers are

nearly a two-to-one favorite over the radio as the source of the na-A. S.—What is the small animal said to resemble the elephant? Ans.—The hyrax is related to the elephant and the hippopotamus in

structure but not size. In appearance it resembles a guinea pig. The fur is brown. Its feet resemble those of an elephant and it has minute H. W.—Is it incorrect to say please and thank you to servants? Ans,-Emily Post says: Every well-bred lady or gentleman says 'please" in asking that something be brought him. In refusing a dish at the table, one must say, "No, thank you," or else one shakes his head. A head can be shaken politely or rudely. To be courteously polite, and

H. K. L.-What has become of Billy Sunday, Jr.?

Ans.-William Ashley Sunday, Jr., son of the late evangelist, died recently in Los Angeles, California, at the age of 37.

yet keep one's walls up, is a thing every thoroughbred person knows

Answer to problem: One of the twin sisters was an aunt to the young lady, while the other sister was the mother of the aforesaid young lady.

Mrs. David Campbell, 51, of Tyrone, claims the title of the na- recently admitted that he had spent tion's youngest great-grandmother. more than half of his life behind Mrs. Campbell married at 16. She prison walls. He was recently sen-

Tyrone Woman Claims Title

Albert Moisont, 47, of Quebec, Ont.

It may be that people who play grandchild is Betty Lou Patterson. bridge, not so well, many qualities that make them worthwhile.