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Calendar for APRIL showing days of the week and dates from 4 to 30.

MOON'S PHASES—Last Quarter, 6th; New Moon, 14th; First Quarter, 22nd; Full Moon, 29th.

WEATHER FORECASTS: Harrisburg and vicinity: Unsettled weather, probably light showers this afternoon or to-night.

WHAT GOOD IS A PRIZE FIGHT? There is no denying that a great deal of interest, even among persons who ordinarily pay no attention to pugilistic contests, centers in fights such as that scheduled for to-day in Havana, Cuba.

Yet despite all this admitted interest it is hard to figure out how any real benefit can result to the human race from such contests. Surely there is no moral gain and just as surely there is no economic gain.

It is admitted that knowledge of how to box is a valuable thing to possess and that the boxing gives to the boxer much healthful and beneficial physical development, but persons who attend a prize fight do not go to get any of these benefits.

It is doubtful even if there is any healthful recreation for the spectators at a prize fight. Indeed, if the mill is staged indoors in a fog of tobacco smoke and in an otherwise tainted atmosphere, the health of the spectator is more likely to suffer than to gain anything.

A prize fight serves no useful purpose, but just as is the case with the war in Europe, the people want to hear about it. That's human.

BANISH WORRY AND LIVE LONG

A man who died recently in New York City at the age of one hundred and one year is said to have ascribed his longevity to his freedom from worriment.

Worriments seem to be very common among persons who have passed the age at which they consider their actual usefulness in the world to have ended.

Holmes, in his "Over the Teacups," says that after sixty years of age there begins to be something personal about the stern sentence of the burial service concerning the limit of three score years and ten.

An octogenarian, according to Holmes who was himself an octogenarian when he made the declaration, reads with a great deal of interest, mingled with hope, of persons who have safely passed ninety.

It is doubtful whether most persons would prefer to hear at the end of the prescribed three score years and

ten the fatal "No more" from "the God of bounds who sets to seas a shore."

Yet surely it is more comfortable these days to be old than it was in the times when there were no spectacles for failing eye-sight, no ear trumpets for defective hearing, no artificial grinders for toothless mouths and no soothing tobacco for idle hours.

FOOD FOR THE WASTE PAPER BALER

When persons get an opportunity to see a post office waste paper baler in operation, as they occasionally do at postal service exhibits, they learn often for the first time what becomes of much of their mail matter.

All matter given to Uncle Sam to transport which is improperly addressed or which does not in other particulars meet the requirements of the postal regulations, has the best of chances of finding safe lodgment in post office waste paper balers.

Under new rules made by the Post Office Department a complete address on a piece of mail matter must include a "local habitation," that is, a street address or a post office box number, in addition to the name of the recipient and the proper town and State.

Even a periodical devoted to the activities of postal employes has recently found it necessary to call the attention of its readers to the department's regulation regarding complete addresses, and to urge them to give their full post office addresses when placing subscriptions, so that fewer of the magazines will go undelivered.

It is manifestly not always ignorance of regulations that gives food to the baler. It is sometimes inexcusable carelessness.

They got the snow shoveled off the boardwalk in time for the Easter parade at Atlantic City.

This is the day the doctor and his pills take the place of the bunny and his eggs in the thoughts of the youth of the land.

It is much to the credit of the United States peace policy that even the prize fighters have to go out of the country to pull off their battles.

Again Weather Forecaster Demain has "made good." He promised a fine Easter after the storm, when the Washington experts were a bit skeptical, and he delivered the goods.

"Buffalo Bill" has just been appointed a General of the national guard of Wyoming. First thing you know you will hear of this young man "coming back" in the Wild West show business.

TOLD IN LIGHTER VEIN

JIMMY'S HAIR CUT Jimmy's had a hair cut! How the folks all stare! It's so short you see his skin Showing through his hair.

Jimmy's had a hair cut! We were there to see. Looking through the window pane— All the boys with me, He was worried there alone, Trying hard to grin, On a kind of great big throne, Wrapped up to his chin.

Jimmy's had a hair cut! Course it scared him some, All those shears and cups and things Sort of struck him dumb, Jimmy's mother saved a curl— She feels bad, I know, That he wasn't born a girl, And could let them grow.

Jimmy's had a hair cut! My! It made him proud! Walking out, while all of us Followed in a crowd. He got pretty rich that day, He made every fellow pay, Just to smell his head.

ARCHAIC Polly—"What queer, old-fashioned children!" Dolly—"Yes; they are positively childish!"—Judge.

WHY? "Statistics are always uninteresting." "So? Then why does everybody count the elephants in a circus parade?"—Judge.

JONES' PREDICAMENT "Terrible predicament Jones was in." "What was that?" "Got in hot water and couldn't get anybody to bail him out."—Baltimore American.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM Colored Mammy—"I wants to see Mistah Cummins." Office Boy—"Mr. Cummins is engaged." Colored Mammy—"Well, I doan' want to marry 'im, honey."—Woman's Companion.

UNTACTFUL AT LEAST Mrs. Bee—"I think it was perfectly hateful of Grace to send Lady Coppertwaite in to dinner before me, when she knows Sir John is only a sergeant, and my George is a sub-inspector!"—London Punch.

WHY HAIR FALLS OUT

Dandruff causes a feverish irritation of the scalp, the hair roots shrink, loosen and then the hair comes out fast. To stop falling hair at once and rid the scalp of every particle of dandruff, get a 26-cent bottle of Danderine at any drug store, pour a little in your hand and rub well into the scalp.

Tongue-End Topics

Ole Bull's Pennsylvania Home The State Historical Commission has recommended that the site of the home once occupied by Ole Bull, the famous Norwegian violinist, in the wilds of Potter county, be marked with a suitable monument.

Bull's Last Appearance Here In rebuilding his fortunes Ole Bull made many tours of this country, generally accompanied by vocal artists of repute, and his success was great wherever he went.

Set Every Foot Tapping Ole Bull was over six feet tall, broad shouldered and his long white hair flowed down over his shoulders. He was a man of most striking appearance.

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late, and his companions hustled him into a cab and barely had time to reach the train for Philadelphia. Ole Bull had walked to Rockville and back while taking his little stroll, as he called it; but he only smiled at the confusion he had created and dried the tears of the prima donna, who thought he was lost, by kissing her affectionately in his fatherly way.

SCRANTON DOCTOR, HERO OF WAR, NOW HAS FEVER

Edward W. Ryan, of Mexican Fame, Is Now Reported Close to Death From Typhus in the Pestilence-Stricken City of Belgrade

Nish, Servia, April 5.—Scranton, Pennsylvania's, soldier of fortune, hero of battles, bombardments and concentration camps in Mexico and the Balkans, Dr. Edward W. Ryan, lies at the point of death, from typhus fever in the pestilence-stricken city of Belgrade.

Last summer he spent three months actually resting. He returned fresh from General Barron's Zacatecas death cell and thought seriously of settling down to regular practice, but the European war came along and the unknown countries called again.

In a month he was on the way for Serbia, where the need was greatest and the work hardest; where the establishment of essential sanitation seemed only slightly less difficult than the creation of a world.

They put him in charge of the Red Cross hospital, the best hospital in the Balkans, Dr. Thomas Lipton has said. He worked night and day over the wounded and still found spare time to get out among the peasants and the slum dwellers with a gigantic cleanup propaganda. Typhus came just the same, but the Serbian authorities agree that it would have been much worse if Doctor Ryan had not been there.

But Dr. Ryan has been more than a hospital superintendent. For two days late in the autumn when the Austrians marched into the Serbian capital as hated conquerors, he was virtually Mayor of Belgrade. The Austrian commanders sought his counsel in drawing up rules and regulations; the terrified Serbian merchants came to him and asked him, "How shall we act?"

Dr. Ryan's management of the typhus situation in Torreon, in Mexico, and his services as a surgeon in Villa's army, have been sensationally heralded throughout the United States. Last spring, while serving in this capacity, he was arrested and condemned to death in Zacatecas, and was only released after emphatic protests from Washington.

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THE GLOBE THE GLOBE "The Oxford" A Smart Globe Creation of Ultra Young Men's Suits at \$15 SOFT, needle-pointed lapels that fall in a long, graceful roll—one link-button—crescent and patch pockets.

SAFETY FIRST (UNDER AN ARRANGEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY THE STAR-INDEPENDENT PRINTS EACH MONDAY A PRACTICAL ARTICLE BEARING ON THE "SAFETY FIRST" MOVEMENT OF KINDERGARTEN SUBJECTS, PREPARED BY THAT BRANCH OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT OF WHICH COMMISSIONER JOHN PRICE JACKSON IS THE HEAD.) HARD LABOR One of the most important facts shown by the tabulation of the accidents reported to the Department of Labor and Industry for the year 1914 is the tremendous number of accidents caused by hand labor.

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