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View of Ruby Bing's Room and Dressing Table.

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the dressing table, window curtains formed. with a valance, and covers for the seats and backs of her two chairs. Ruby Bing of Albemarle county, Virginia, wanted a pretty bedroom of her own. The only place in the house that she could have exclusively for herself was a little room over the kitchen which her two brothers had The result was so pretty, especially more or less wrecked with "roughafter she put a basket of flowers unhousing." There were seven shot der the window and a braided rug, holes in the walls where they had

which she had made, on the floor, that tried out their air rifles. The plaster was cracked in many places; the pa-per was streaked and faded, and none her family gave her a white toilet set for her dressing table to complete the of the furniture was in usuable condiimprovement.

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Much Depends on Fabrics sequently in many schools and col-leges there is a definite effort to en-Intended to Be Washed. ourage very simple and inexpensive

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) The kind of soap used for house-

types of graduation frocks. For this reason, and because of the advent of warm weather in June, white cotton hold laundering depends on the fabfabrics are almost universally chosen rics that have to be washed, how much they are soiled, whether the for the "sweet girl graduate." In much they are solled, whether the washing is done by hand or machine, ed in making their own graduation and whether the water is hard or soft. dresses. They can put into practice ks and woolens are most sensiome of the training they have retive to alkalis, and strong soaps ceived in sewing, and also save money. which may contain uncombined alka- Sometimes a contest is started with lis should never be used on them, a set limit as to how much may be says the bureau of home economics spent for materials. One of the obof the United States Department of Agriculture. A mild, neutral soap of level any possible differences in exknown purity should also be used on penditure that might be evident when some of the students are able to pay more for their clothes than others. cotton materials that show a tendency to fade, and on all delicate fabrics. On the other hand, it is not econom-For the tailored or sports type of ical to use an expensive soap on orgraduation dress generally worn at dinary cotton fabrics where a medimorning graduation exercises, broadum-priced soap would be satisfactory, cloth, poplin, suiting, and pique are or on very heavy, dirty materials which would be more easily cleaned with a stronger soap. Many women frills and flounces are permitted, as ignore this and are either wasteful at an afternoon or evening graduaof good soaps or spoil their more deltion, soft, sheer materials are liked. icate garments with poor ones. Batiste, lawn, dotted net, and dotted Chipped and flaked soaps go into soswiss, are all appropriate and sure to be popular with the girls who choose lution very easily and have many uses for special fabrics. Some of them, since dresses made of these fabrics will do for parties throughout the these soaps are useful for the washing machine, but if heavy or much summer. Organdie, which is somewhat soiled articles are being washed, a stiffer and crisper than the other solution made by dissolving a strongwhite cotton suggested, is nevertheless er soap in boiling water will do the charming for use when a scalloped hemline, a basque waist, or a pinwork better. The ingredients of most

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ENGLISH BOYS Living in Real Life Film Depicting Life in French Foreign Legion.

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Leicester, England. - Almost as though they had stepped down from the screen, three young brothers of Leicester are living in real life the The heroes in this remarkable ad-venture are John, twenty-two, and Harry and Sidney Travers, nineteen-year-old twins, stensons of a nettern

usiness man. Because John was dismissed from his work for an offense of which he was innocent he fled to France, where

he enlisted in the Foreign legion. When it became known where he had gone the twin brothers followed after him, leaving only a note behind saying: Found to Be Innocent.

"We can't let John go alone. We have gone off to find him in the legion. Don't worry about us. We shall be all right." John was employed as a clerk in a



There Was a Note on His Dresser.

about some petty cash of which he These accessories made a big differhad charge, and he was summarily ence in the freshened appearance of her room. She found an old mirror in dismissed. Subsequently it was dis-covered that a mistake had been made the attic and painted that white, too. and that he was innocent.

"John came home from London, but refused to tell me what the trouble was about," said the stepfather in an interview. "He seemed very unhappy. Two days after his arrival we awoke to find that he was missing. There was a note on his dresser saying that he had gone to Paris to try to join the Foreign legion

Parent Is Not Worrying. "He took some money of his own

and a suitcase containing some clothes. The three boys had always been keen on joining the legion and te in graduation exercises, and confrequently discussed joining it in their conversations with each other."

Within three days of the disappearance of John, Harry and Sidney were also found to be missing, and the note saying they had gone to join John was the only clew to their disappearance. "I'm not trying to bring them back," said their stepfather. "All three are good boys, and I believe they will make good in the legion. I am confident that the stories of hardships

asked her where she'd been getting the THE FEMININE TOUCH (© by D. J. Walsh.)

HE old yellow house stood, the last one on Carrol street, like a pot of gold at the foot of the rainbow. That was what his Uncle James had told Jimmie years before when he had come to live with

thought-" But Uncle James believed himself anything but that detestable word.

Hard-boiled was the word that would have pleased him. Tyrannical. (Said tyranny resulting from the fact that Jimmie's mother, being engaged to James Boyd, had played the age-old trick of marrying his best friend instead, much to her undoing, and upon her death had left the child Jimmie

to the jilted lover's care.) And now Jimmie was bringing a bride to the old "pot of gold"—which to any other bride than Roberta would look more like a pot of soap, ruined in the making. But Roberta's bliss knew no bounds, in spite of the London office. A question was raised fact that underneath Jimmie's golden layer of happiness there had fluttered a fear that hard-boiled uncles and di-lapidated houses and brides would

make no pleasant mixture. "It's my first chance of ever being anybody," she had said, when he, swept madly from his heretofore wellbalanced feet, had commanded her to marry him. "You just give me a chance, Jimmie, and I'll show you that I can be a real lady!" (There were things about Roberta's family which Jimmie never wanted Uncle James to know.)

To Jimmie's surprise everything sailed along smoothly enough. Except for Jimmie's worries—which he kept to himself. The added expense of a wife. He had sneezed at it to Uncle James! But how was he to know women's clothes cost so much? He had told Roberta the truth-that he wanted her to have the best. Suremaybe all the other fellows wanted their wives to have the best, too; but they'd probably learned to keep it to elves! Well-! by now she surely had everything bought up that she would need for years to come, so there was no use to hurt by putting the lid on.

But here Jimmie found himself all wrong. Bob bought a coat. It was a beautiful coat, and she looked-well, it made Jimmie Boyd forget the things he didn't want Uncle James to know when she pivoted before him in that coat! A real lady—and then some! He wanted to ask her the price of it, but he couldn't. Because he thought that she didn't want him to-espe-cially before Uncle James.

And then one afternoon at the end of the week when he returned from work she kissed him more tenderly than was her wont-which was very, very tender, indeed! "You're the queerest man!" she accused mysteriously-and Jimmie was too happy to wonder at her assertion. The next week Roberta bought new

curtains-draperies, she called them. And the week following she took a sudden pillow craze. There were red pillows, blue ones, yellow and mottled ones wherever he went in the old house. And the next week the wornold lounge and the battered chairs bloomed out, Chintzes, she called itand there were lamp-shades, rose hued

money for all these new fixings, and she accused me of framing-up on her to get rid of her-because, she de-clared I'd been leaving the money on the cook table for her every week!" "But, Jimmie," gasped Uncle James, "I left the money there for her !" "You? Why should you do it, Uncle James?"

"There were debts-of which you didn't know." "Rot!" retorted Jimmie, grabbing

his hat. Then he dashed out the door. After an interminable time he re-turned with Roberta.

"You told me," roared Uncle James tyrannically, "that the price of the coat was twice as much as the check.

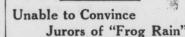
"It was-but I got it at half-price sale," said Roberta. "I told you that to stagger you-Jimmie said you hate women so!"

"And you said some women got nice coats and paid for them on the week-ly installment plan. I knew Jimmie thought yours was paid for-and you acted like you didn't want him to know-

"I didn't want him to know I was aggravating you," put in Roberta. "As for the money I found on the cook table every week, I thought it was Jimmie's queer way of giving me an allowance-as he never seemed to want to talk money matters with me." Uncle James' roar was growing into harmless murmur. "You looked se pert. The coat was so becoming that I thought it shouldn't go back-so I left all I could spare on the table to help pay for it."

"And now I've got to pay you back all that money-serves me right for fibbing to you!" said Roberta. "No, you don't!" objected Uncle James. "You've made this old sow's nest into a real home! I don't see

how you did it with so little." "It wasn't the amount of money spent, Uncle James," gloated Jimmie; "it was the feminine touch !" "Looks reasonable!" said Uncle James, turning away in the face of their kisses.

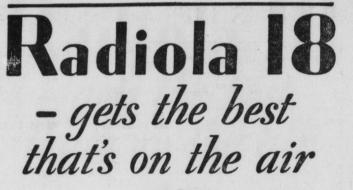


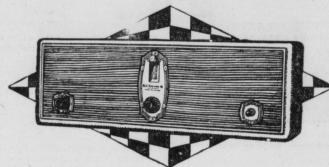
A larceny trial supposed to be unique in the annals of criminology, resulting in conviction by a jury of five recently, grew out of a series of thefts of preserved frogs from a biological supply company in New Orleans by two former collectors of the company. The interesting feature of the trial, says Percy Viosca, Jr., in a communication to the American

Association for the Advancement of Science, was virtually a clash between modern mythology on the one hand and the sciences of ecology and taxonomy on the other.

A single charge was filed, covering only one theft, that of 462 preserved frogs, consisting of five species, four of local and one of northern distribution. The defendants, pleading not guilty, set forth the plea, through their attorney, that it is a well-known fact that evaporation draws frogs and fish up into the clouds and the rain showers them again onto the land. It was therefore easily explained how the race of rana pipiens, indigenous to Indiana and Wisconsin, was collected in St. Bernard parish, in southeast Louisiana, by the collectors, who sold them to a competitor and to a local university.

"The employees of the company," says Mr. Viosca, "described and identified the five species in the barrel from which the frogs were stolen, these including a large percentage of rana pipiens, which had been im-





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possibly yellow the clothes.

Rabbit can be used in any of the Water softeners are sometimes addmany ways in which chicken is used. ed to soaps but their price is usually Those who do not like the strong greater than their value. It is cheaper to buy them separately. There are other objections to their presence in gamey flavor of wild rabbit may parboil it in water containing soda. To make a casserole of rabbit dress soaps. Common salt and other inert and cut up the rabbit, brown the and sometimes insoluble materials are pieces in bacon fat and then place often added to increase the weight of them in a baking dish. Make a gravy the bar or to give scouring properby stirring flour into the fat, add seaties. Materials that will not dissolve soning and two cups of hot water. Stir this mixture until it thickens, and make suds, such as pumice and sand, are only valuable as scouring agents and should not be present in pour the gravy over the meat, cover the baking dish and bake until the

meat is tender. A good laundry soap should also be free from excessive water, which

Milkless Cake

makes a moist, but wasteful bar of Put one cupful water in a basin, ties. soap. No one wishes to pay for soap and receive a large proportion of waadd one cupful sugar, one tablespoonful compound, two cupfuls raisins, one ter. Almost all yellow laundry soaps contain rosin. It will lather and make teaspoonful cinnamon or nutmeg, boil suds, therefore it has some cleans-ing value, but if there is too much three minutes, cool and add pinch of salt, one teaspoonful soda, dissolved in two tablespoonfuls warm water, rosin the soap will have a disagreeable odor, give a sticky feeling, and two cupfuls flour and half teaspoonful throat.

baking powder.

in the legion are greatly exaggerated, dred per cent better. so I am not worrying."

Weakness for "Pop" Solves Store Robbery

Benton Harbor, Mich .- A youth's de-rols, from kitchen knives to porchpenchant for chocolate "pop" led to a mats, Jimmie failed to find a check rapid solution of a robbery in Fair- of Roberta's nor did any bills come in. plain, and brought George Altizer, The young husband was puzzled. And seventeen, and his chum, Alvin Spears, nineteen, to court. A grocery store was broken into

happiness. Her mother had good materials to use, the bureau of home economics suggests. Where Officers were puzzled until Chief Dep- neighbors' family washings - someuty Sheriff Ray Hall got a hunchand followed it. The grocer told the deputy that the a thing like that!

boys got nothing but the small change and a quantity of chocolate pop. "Have you any good chocolate pop customers?" Hall asked. The victim thought a moment and then answered: "Yes, there's George down. Heavens! Roberta boasted of Altizer, a young fellow who buys a her buxom strength. Could it be that lot of it." Hall confronted Altizer with a

charge of theft and the youth soon day? confessed, implicating his companion.

Asks Police to Read His Letter; He's in Jail

East St. Louis, Ill.-Inability of Licious Davis, twenty-two-year-old Elerson (Ark.) negro, to read got him into trouble here. Walking up to two detectives, Da-

blindly from the room, snatched on her hat and coat, and went back to vis requested them to read for him a letter from his wife. "Baby, I can't sleep for dreaming about you," the detectives read. Davis appeared satisfied. The de-

tectives read on. "I would tell you to come down here, baby, but the law is laying for you.' Davis is held for Arkansas authori-

Suicide Notifies Editor

New York .- After sending a letter to a newspaper editor announcing that he was tired of living, Morris J. Sisselman killed himself by cutting his

Everything looked a hunported from the two northern states

without feminine care.

gleam with satisfaction when he was

in the shortage resulting from the But still Jimmie was worried about unprecedented droughts of 1924 and the bills-after the staggering blow 1925. Every detail in the chain of cirher check for the coat had dealt his cumstantial evidence was presented little bank-roll. At the end of the by the state, even the purchasers actmonth, however, in spite of all her foling as state's witnesses.

"Percy Viosca, Jr., and Henry B. Chase, Jr., of the biological company, were qualified as experts in taxonomy and ecology of the order of animals once again an imprisoned fear flut-tered underneath his golden layer of to which frogs belong, and it was necessary for living and preserved frogs to take the stand as exhibits in order to prove he story of the defendants untrue. thing Uncle James must never know-

"A surprise of the trial was the but surely Roberta would not attempt presentation by the defendants of living specimens of rana pipiens which His own mother had been forced to they claim they caught in St. Bernard do the same, he dimly remembered. parish the night before the trial in a But now that Uncle James had given typical rana sphenocephala habitat, several hundred miles from the near-HAPPINESS CORRESPONDENCE CLUB est approach of the lange of pipiens. The defense attorney then attempted to prove that the defendants had ob-West Branch Sweepstake Seed Corn for Sale, she was "working out" during his and tained their knowledge of frogs Uncle James' absence through the through experience, whereas the state's experts had obtained theirs Jimmie rose resolutely the next

from book study, but it was proved morning and went to the kitchen where Roberta in a bewitching apron otherwise. "The verdict was in a sense a vic-

was preparing breakfast. For a motory for science in that the results ment his heart wavered; then he de-termined to have it out with her. The of scientific study seemed to make a better impression upon a jury of New scene ended with Roberta, at white Orleans citizens than the fables and heat, accusing Jimmie of a frame-up argumentations of the defense attorto rid himself of her. And she ran ney."-New York Times.

Betty's Hallucination

the folks who had "never taught her how to be anybody." "You say the newly married couple After a while Uncle James came in aren't getting along very well toto breakfast-it being Sunday. But gether?" there was none ready. Jimmie knew "Unfortunately it's true." he would be only too glad to cook it

"Let's see, it was a case of love at himself to be rid of a woman in the first sight with Betty, wasn't it?" house, for he had dismissed old Bethie "Yes, and now she's beginning to as soon as Jimmie could well exist think she ought to have her eyes tested."-Boston Manuscript. But the old man's eyes failed to

The Present Need

informed that Roberta had gone. (No need for Jimmie to lie about it.) "The magician was great, pa. He "Why in the world did she leave changed water into wine."

you, Jimmie?" he demanded. "She had no reason, Uncle James! a fellow who can change ice into Merely a squabble over money. I coal."



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