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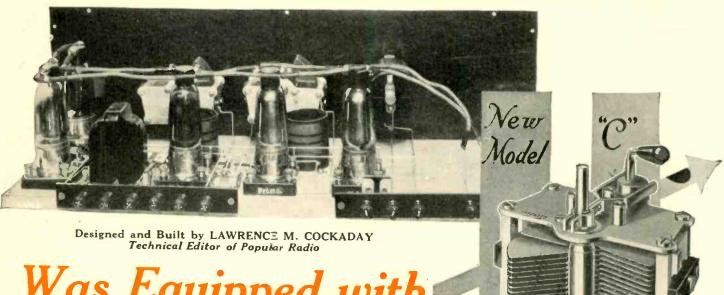
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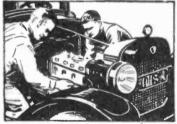
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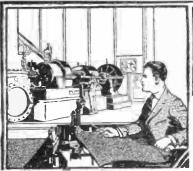
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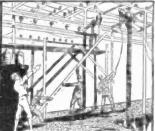
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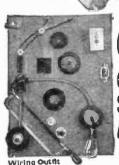
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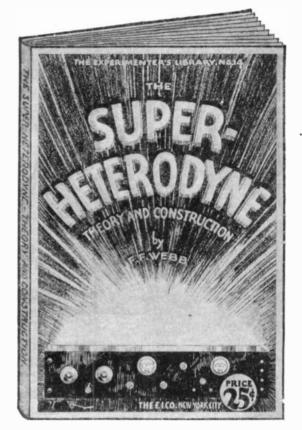
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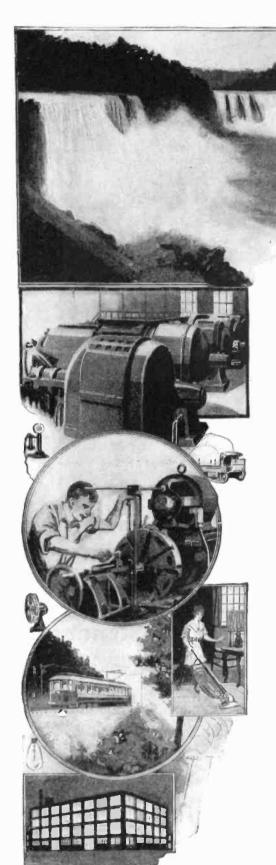
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Directed Radio Waves

By HUGO GERNSBACK

HEN Heinrich Hertz first made his memorable researches with electro-magnetic (wireless) waves, he found out quickly that these new waves acted in every respect the same as their sister waves—those of light. He discovered that wireless waves could be projected in the form of a beam, the same as you can project light waves with a searchlight. By using a huge pitch prism Hertz was also able to refract his wireless waves, just exactly as

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Power transmission by radio will be accomplished within ten years.

Although these properties of radio waves have now been known for over twenty-five years, not much use has been made of them. So far, we have used radio waves just as we use the electric arc and incandescent light. A

modern radio station, just like your light bulb, throws out the waves in all directions, hence the name broadcasting. If you place a light globe in the center of a room, light will be broadcast in every direction: namely, sideways, up and down. It is exactly so with radio waves. But the idea of throwing a radio wave in the form of a beam, the same as a searchlight, has only lately been considered in a practical way.

Marconi, in England, was the first one to try beam radio transmission on a large scale. As a reflector, Marconi used an aerial arranged in the form of a reflector, having a parabolic cross-section, in the focus of which the radio transmitter is placed. It is found that when using such a reflector, practically no waves leave the reflector at the sides and in the rear. All the energy is transmitted from the open part of the reflector, exactly as with a searchlight.

This means that if you have a radio receiver behind or towards the sides of such

a radio reflector, no signals or messages will be received in that position. Marconi has been able to transmit his beam waves in any desired direction, achieving thereby not only better and more efficient transmission, but partial secrecy as well, because nothing is received in other than one direction, that in which the beam is pointed.

Of course this does not mean full secrecy either, because a receiver located in the direction of the beam can receive the signals.

This beam transmission opens up numerous interesting possibilities. For instance, for war purposes, or even during peace, an airship or airplane could be equipped with a

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beam transmitter, making it possible to communicate with a designated base only, to the exclusion of practically all other listeners-in. Vice versa, the ground station could communicate with an airship or airplane, without any one else being able to listen in, except over a small area, where it would not do much harm.

The writer advances what appears to him to be a novel thought, which he believes has not been tried out as yet. According to Nikola Tesla and Dr. James

Harris Rogers, it is now possible to transmit radio waves through the earth. Thus, for instance, Rogers has found out to his satisfaction that transmission through the earth is vastly better than through the air, all static being practically absent. Suppose, now, we have a transmitter in New

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gravitational force, finally, will be humanity's greatest power.

York and wish to transmit to Tokio, Japan, so that no one else, only the very small circle covered by the directed beam, can possibly listen in. We could then build a reflector that would direct the beam, not in a horizontal sense, but rather in a strictly vertical sense, namely underfoot.

By consulting a globe of the earth, the angle at which the reflector was to be set, can easily be found out. If

the beam was sufficiently concentrated, no other city, with the exception of Tokio, would be able to listen in, for the transmitted waves would go practically through the mass of the earth, coming out within a small area in Tokio.

If we wished to transmit to Melbourne, Australia, we would have to change our reflector angle somewhat and in this case only Melbourne could listen in. It can be seen from this, that we could have a number of stations working in New York side by side, transmitting to other cities of the

globe, without much or any interference. This transmission should be far more effective, for the simple reason that if the waves go over the surface of the globe, say from New York to the Antipodes, the distance would be, roughly, 12,000 miles, while right through the center of the earth, the distance would be

only about 8,000 miles.

There is another point worth thinking about. A large manufacturing plant, let us say, has its offices in New York, its plant in Pittsburgh. The plant, by putting up beam transmission, could send and receive beam messages to the practical exclusion of nearly all others, unless located within the beam.

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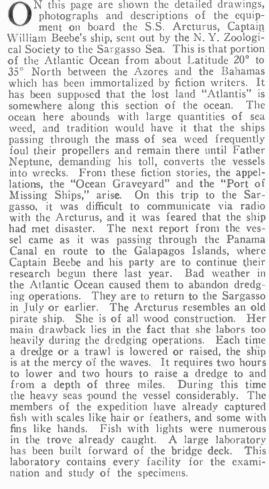
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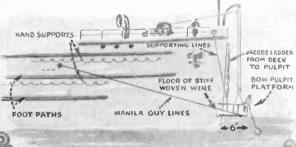
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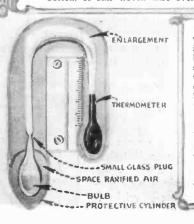
By J. W.

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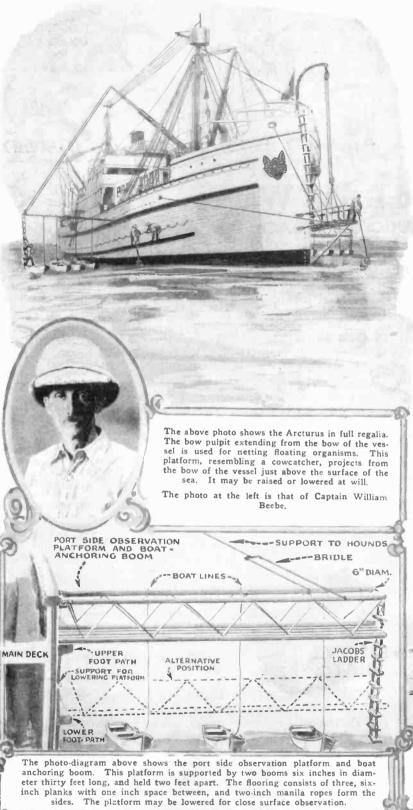




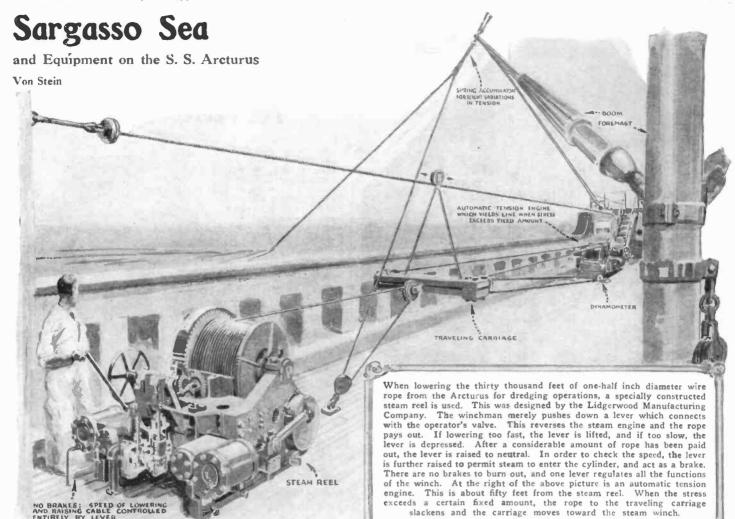
The above diagram is a side view of the bow pulpit for surface observations and netting. This is adjustable to any required level by means of block and tackle from the bow davit. The sides and general framework are of angle iron, and the bottom of stiff woven wire over angle iron braces.



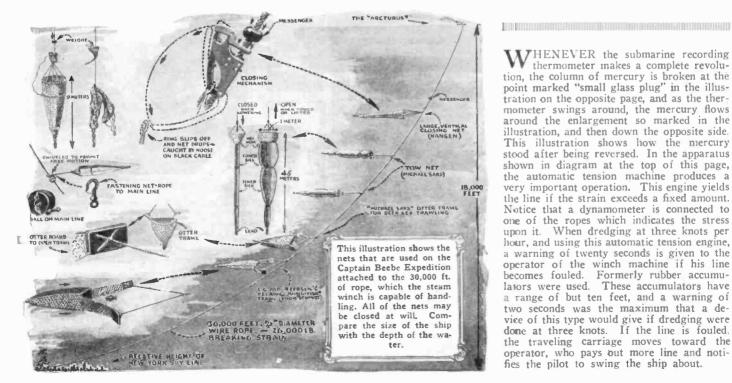
The row boats with which the expedition is equipped have glass bottoms under the seats. Lifting the seat the observer can look down into the waters beneath. The thermo-meter at the left is used for determining deep sea temperatures. This thermometer makes a complete revolution when the mes-senger is sent down breaking the column of mercury. It comes up, as shown



GLASS BOTTOMED BOATS FOR OBSERVATION OF COVER IN SEAT LIFTS LIVING SPECIMENS GLASS BOTTOM 1925 BY SCIENCE AND INVENTION



IN order to appreciate the length of line which the steam winch is capable of controlling, the illustration below has been drawn to correct scale. For an ocean depth of 18,000 feet, 30,000 feet of line will approximately be paid out. This line is shown sagging diagonally across the picture. The tiny ship on the surface of the water is the Arcturus, with a length of 281 feet over all. In order to further give a better example of the depth of the sea, the skyline of New York has been drawn in as though totally submerged at the bottom of the sea at this depth. The Woolworth Building, 792 feet high, may be seen in silhouette. This is put here only for the purpose of comparison. Along the line the various nets used in Captain Beebe's Expedition have been strung. Of course, these nets are not shown in proportion. Some of them are about twenty feet long, while others are much smaller. Most of the nets may be closed at any time desired by sending a messenger down along the line. This messenger is merely a weight which strikes a release permitting the net to fall and lock itself. Other nets are kept open while the vessel in motion, but close automatically when movement stops.



HENEVER the submarine recording thermometer makes a complete revolution, the column of mercury is broken at the point marked "small glass plug" in the illus-tration on the opposite page, and as the thermometer swings around, the mercury flows around the enlargement so marked in the illustration, and then down the opposite side. This illustration shows how the mercury stood after being reversed. In the apparatus shown in diagram at the top of this page, the automatic tension machine produces very important operation. This engine yields the line if the strain exceeds a fixed amount. Notice that a dynamometer is connected to one of the ropes which indicates the stress upon it. When dredging at three knots per hour, and using this automatic tension engine, a warning of twenty seconds is given to the operator of the winch machine if his line becomes fouled. Formerly rubber accumulators were used. These accumulators have a range of but ten feet, and a warning of two seconds was the maximum that a device of this type would give if dredging were done at three knots. If the line is fouled. the traveling carriage moves toward the operator, who pays out more line and notifies the pilot to swing the ship about.



25 New Flowers in 25 Years—Burbank

By H. H. DUNN

ITH seventy-six years of his life behind him, sixty of them devoted to the development of new and improved varieties of trees, vegetables and flowers, Luther Burbank, the California plant magician, is devoting this, his seventy-seventh year, to the beginning of a 25-year program in which he plans to present from 20 to 25 new members of the vegetable kingdom to the world. At a time when most successful men are resting on their honors, looking backward with satisfaction on their accomplishments, Burbank is looking forward to "the most successful and most productive years" of his life.

In addition to this, he is turning over a new leaf in plant breeding. With the exception of some three or four vegetable forms, which he has been developing for the past 20 years, Burbank will devote all his attention for the remainder of his life to the production of new varieties, larger blossoms, different perfumes and stronger fragrance in flowering plants alone. His vegetable experiments, the results of which are to be given to the world this year, thereby clearing the slate for exclusive devotion to flower development, include a new asparagus with stalks one to one and one-half inches in diameter; a new tomato with a mild pepper flavor, so that it may be used directly for the making of pepper sauces, without the addition of Chile or other peppers; an artichoke with buds three inches in diameter and blossoms 18 inches wide; a blackberry without thorns on the canes or seeds in the fruit which is more than two inches in length; and a chestnut tree which attains to full bearing in three years from the seed.

Mr. Burbank has had these plants in various development stages for the past 20 years, with the exception of the chestnut, which has been fifteen years in its experimental life. Some experiments, involving selection, crossbreeding, elimination, cross-fertilization, budding, grafting and other factors, have required thirty years for the production of the perfected fruit or vegetable. One of these is the fast-growing black walnut, which attains full size in 20 years, as compared with the 40 or 50 years required by the American black walnut. The average time for a successful plant development, however, is twenty years, according to Burbank, who further told me that more than 25,000 plants had been grown, destroyed or preserved, cross-fertilized by hand, and carefully developed, to produce the asparagus, tomato, artichoke, blackberry and chestnut above mentioned. There are at present about 2,500 plants of these four varieties growing in his experimental gardens at Santa Rosa, California, but out of these only about 200 will be permitted to survive, the others failing in one way or another to pass the rigorous tests of the plant-breeder.

But it is in his new flower work, of which this is the first announcement, and of which the first photographs are shown herewith, that Burbank is planning the most radical developments he ever has made in plant life. One of the floral experiments now virtually completed is a huge petunia, of a sparkling sea-blue color, the first blue petunia ever grown in the world. The blossoms are four to five inches in diameter, and the plant is much hardier than any other petunia now known, so that it can be grown far north, some of his correspondents in Alaska having produced these blossoms up near the Circle. This flower also has an odor different from that of any other petunia, for Burbank has

Plant Magician, After Sixty Years of Work, Turns Attention to Perfuming the Rose and Painting New Colors Into the Lilies of the Field.

introduced into it the fragrance of the sweetpea, while the blossoms are of such strong texture that they remain perfect on the plant for two to three weeks.

And, speaking of sweet-peas—which Burbank calls "the poor man's orchids"—he has enlarged the blossoms on these until they are from two to four times the size of any now known. He also has developed a sweet-pea which produces such heavy stalks that it will stand without support, and thus can be grown as dahlias and other heavy-stalked flowers are grown, without frames on which to climb. One pink and white sweet-pea, which is to be given to the world this year, after twelve years of development, has blossoms three inches in diameter. grows three to five blossoms on the stem, while the stem itself is 18 inches to two feet in length.

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the largest and most fragrant of all sweetpeas. In connection with this flower, Burbank has produced a high climbing sweet-pea, suitable for porch covering, with a perennial, instead of annual life, and bearing thick clusters of small sweet-peas, closely produced all over the vine.

Burbank considers his most valuable flower development that of new colors and perfumes for roses. It is an old trick with the plant wizard to make a climbing rose out of a bush, or a bush-rose out of a climber, but now he has succeeded in producing twelve new colors in roses, ranging from a deep-rich orange, to a red so deep as to be almost black, through several shades of pink, ivory, copper, brass and the lighter reds. Each of these new roses can be grown either as a climber or a bush, the result depending entirely on the pruning of the plant, and each of them is fragrant, with a fragrance entirely different from any one of the other eleven in the group. Yet all are developed from existing strains of roses, and the experiments which have given these twelve results have been going on in the Burbank gardens for fifteen years.

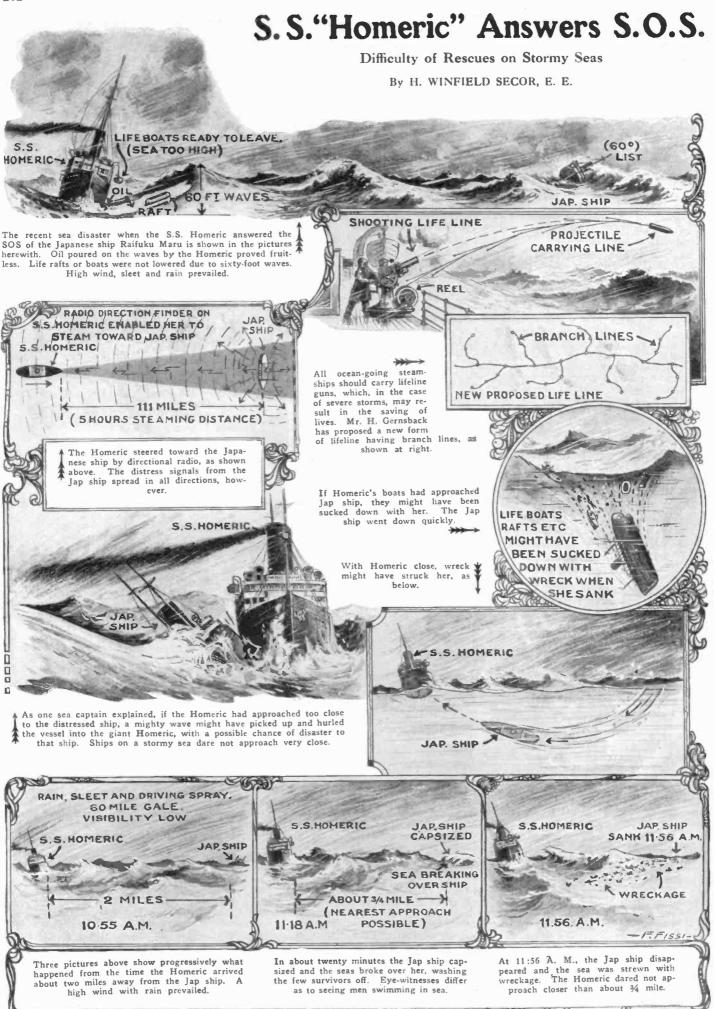
There is also a new Shasta daisy which

has seven rows of petals, each petal being a long, narrow streamer of snow-white, set around a dark center. This, like the large single daisy of the same name, was developed from the comparatively small wild daisy which grows only on the slopes of Mount Shasta, in California. In considering these developments, it should be remembered that Burbank has never created a new species of plant or flower. What he has done is to take already known and established species, either wild or domesticated, and develop them by careful selection, cross-fertilization, graiting and budding, into forms better than anything which could have been produced had the plants been left to their own devices in their original surroundings. In other words, as Burbank himself says, "by intensive work I do in twenty or twenty-five years what Nature would require several centuries to accomplish." He has produced crosses and hybrids which appear so different from their parent plants that they seem to be new species, yet they are merely mixtures of the best qualities of the several ancestor plants which Burbank has used; they are not in any sense new species. The Burbank potato, his first and greatest success; the Burbank plum, one of his greatest discoveries; the Shasta daisy, possibly his most notable flower, are of this class, and only time will tell how many of these crossbreeds eventually will revert to the original types. Down to date, the plum and the potato have not done so. Neither has the strange "potamato," the freak cross which produces potatoes underground and tomatoes on the surface. This plant has no commercial value, but is interesting as showing what the plant breeder can do in the way of developing hybrids.
"Some of the colors on my new roses are

"Some of the colors on my new roses are radically different from any shades ever before seen on the queen of flowers," said Mr. Burbank to the writer, on the seventy-sixth birthday of the plant magician, in the spring of 1925. "In size, all are considerably larger than any rose now grown, and the richness and volume of their perfume is not only different, but far greater than from any other roses. Some were developed from wild roses sent me in the form of seed and cuttings from my collectors in Asia, Africa and South America, while others come from already known domesticated varieties. My success with these roses over a period of fifteen years has led me to take up flower development exclusively, and, in the next 25 years, I shall present from 20 to 25 new flowers."

The picture of a man six years beyond the allotted three score and ten, moving as quickly and with as certain step as that of a man of forty, amid more than 2,500 experiments in plant breeding, occupying more than 20 acres of gardens, is one not soon forgotten. In one hand he carries a powerful reading glass, in the other a camel's-hair brush. With the glass he looks deep into the corollas of the selected blossoms, and with the brush he removes almost invisible clumps of pollen grains, transferring them with firm and practiced hand to another equally strong and perfect flower. At his side walks his wife, notebook in hand, recording in detail each experiment, while back of them comes an employe, with a bag full of tags, one of which he attaches to each newly-fertilized plant, after writing on the tag a number which corresponds to the number of the ex-periment as recorded in Mrs. Burbank's notebook.

"There is no magic to plant-breeding," Burbank said, as he completed the fiftieth (Continued on page 285)





The picture above, drawn by our marine artist, Mr. F. Fissi, gives one some impression as to what kind of conditions the officers and crew of the Homeric encountered as they stood by helplessly, while the Japanese ship Raifuku Maru foundered and carried her crew of thirty-eight officers and men to their death, without a single survivor. Civilian ewitnesses among the passengers of the Homeric agree that the waves were of mountainous proportions, fifty to sixty feet in height, and that doubtless life boats, if they had been lowered by the captain of the Homeric, would have been smashed instantly.

It seems to the editors that a life-line gun, if carried by the Homeric, might have been of some avail under these extremely stormy conditions. One of the officers of the Homeric told the writer that no one, unless they had been on the ship themselves, could judge the conditions fairly. He stated that in all his twenty-two years of experience at sea he had never seen such a terrible storm as this one, and that it was humanly impossible to do anything toward saving the few survivors standing on the bridge of the doomed ship. Homeric's life rafts might have helped, but the huge waves would probably have deteated their purpose.

The Isolator

By HUGO GERNSBACK

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The author at work in his private study aided by the Isolator. Outside noises being eliminated, the worker can concentrate with ease upon the subject at hand.

ERHAPS the most difficult thing that a human being is called upon to face is long, concentrated thinking. Whether you are a lawyer, trying to formulate or memorize the pleading of a special case, whether you are an inventor with an intricate problem to be solved, whether you are a playwright trying to hatch out a knotty plot-assiduous concentration on the subject becomes necessary.

Most people who desire thus to concentrate find it necessary to shut themselves up in an almost soundproof room in order to go ahead with their work, but even here there are many things that distract their attention.

Suppose you are sitting in your study or your work room, ready for the task. Even if the window is shut, street noises filter through, and distract your attention. Some

one slams a door in the house, and at once your trend of thought is disturbed.

A telephone bell or a door bell rings somewhere, which is sufficient, in nearly all cases, to stop the flow of thought.

But even if supreme quiet reigns, you are

your own disturber practically fifty per cent. of the time. You will lean back in your chair and begin to study the pattern of the wallpaper, or you will see a fly crawl along the wall, or a window curtain will be moving back and forth, all of which is often sufficient to turn your mind away from the immediate task to be performed.

The writer repeats that the greatest difficulty that the human mind has to contend with is lack of concentration, mainly due to outside influences.

If, by one stroke, we can do away with these influences, we will not only be bene-

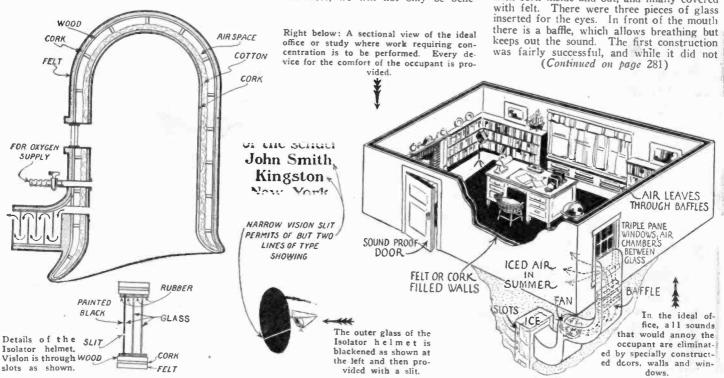
fitted greatly thereby, but our work would be accomplished more quickly and the results would be vastly better.

The writer, who has to perform, almost daily, in connection with his editorial duties, many tasks that involve considerable concentration, has found out that it is almost impossible to keep his mind on a subject for five minutes without disturbance. For that reason, he constructed the helmet shown in the accompanying illustrations, the purpose of which is to do away with all possible interferences that prey on the mind.

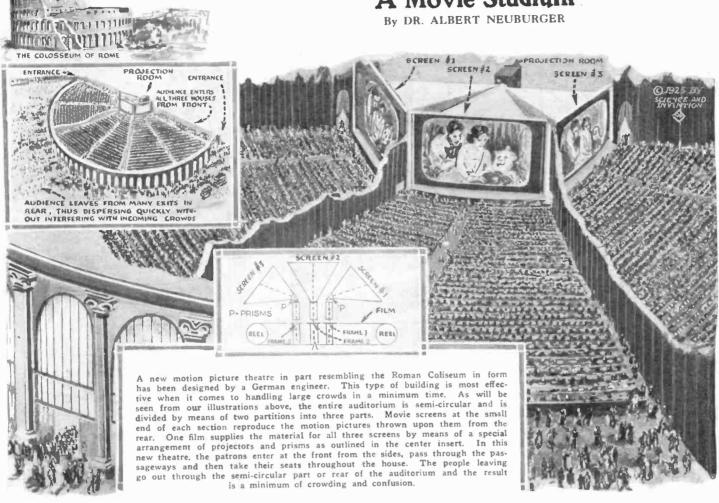


The above photograph shows a close-up view of the Isolator helmet. The oxygen supply enters the helmet via the tube shown.

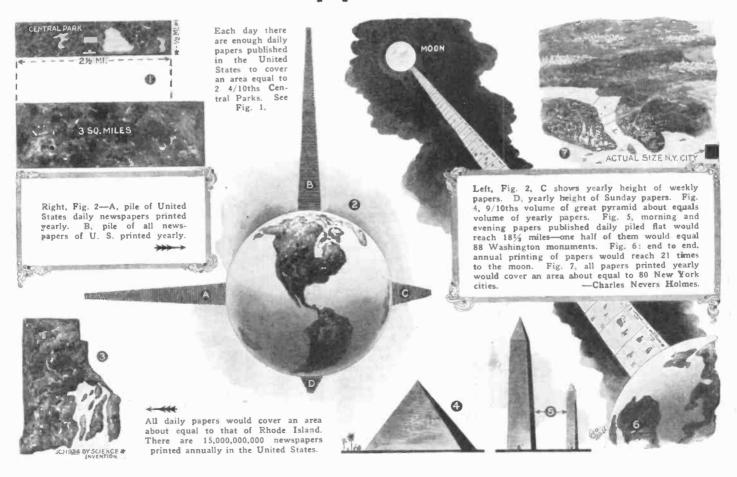
The problem was first to do away with the outside noise. The first helmet constructed as per illustration was made of wood, lined with cork inside and out, and finally covered with felt. There were three pieces of glass



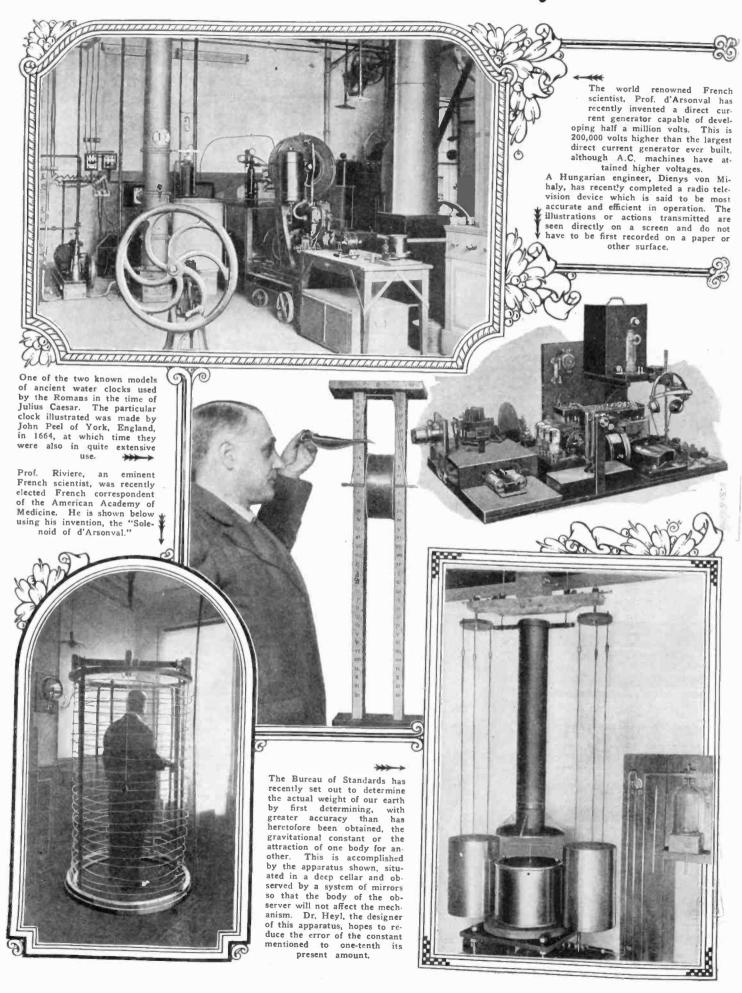
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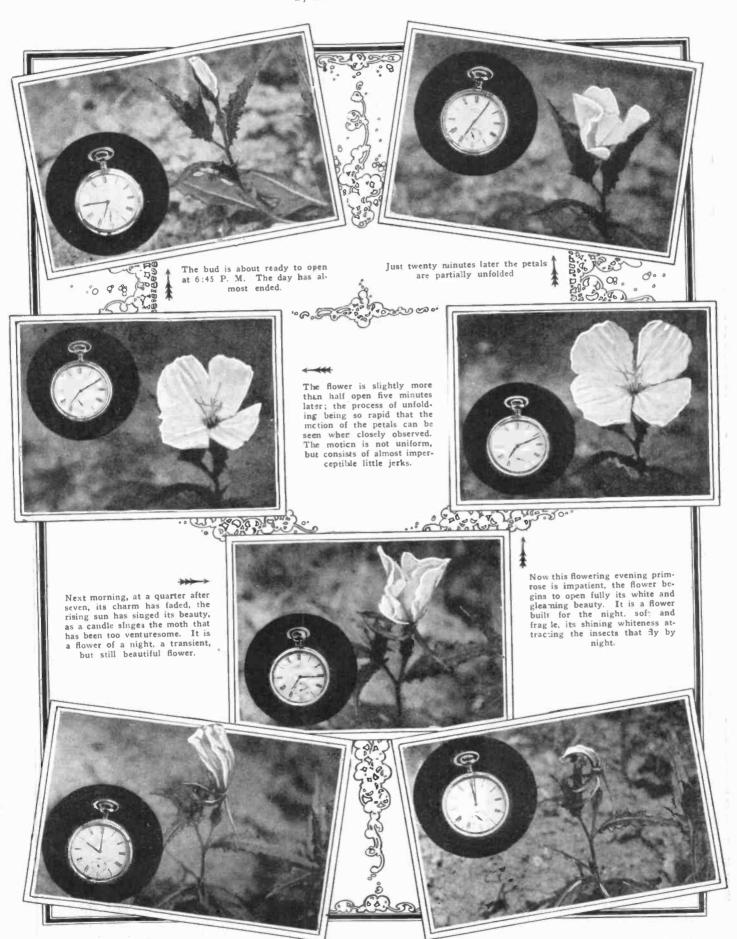


Science News of the Day



Oenothera, the Evening Flowering Primrose

By DR. ERNEST BADE



The decay is rapid. At 10 o'clock the next morning, the flower has wilted to the extent shown above. The sun has dried it up.

At noon the flower of the night before cannot be recognized, it has become a shapeless discolored mass, curled around its support.

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EARTH'S

MILES ABOVE THE

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PERCENTAGE OF COMPOSITION

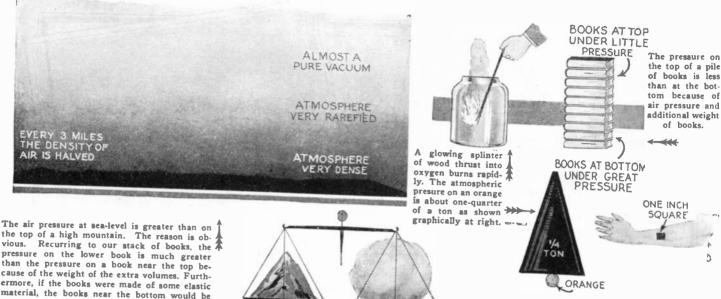
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The various levels of atmospheric density are shown above. The light received during twilight is reflected by that air extending from the earth to a height of 40 miles above the surface.

Our Earth's Atmosphere

A Few Interesting Facts Not Generally Known

By JOSEPH M. HOWARD



The air pressure at sea-level is greater than on the top of a high mountain. The reason is obvious. Recurring to our stack of books, the pressure on the lower book is much greater than the pressure on a book near the top because of the weight of the extra volumes. Furthermore, if the books were made of some elastic material, the books near the bottom would be compressed. Following the analogy, the air is very elastic and therefore greatly compressed due to the weight of the overlying layers. If one were to rise in a balloon he would find the one were to rise in a balloon he would find the pressure just halved every three miles. This greatly limits the heights to which balloons can ascend and therefore the heights to which we may explore the atmosphere by direct means. The effect of removing air pressure is shown at and the air removed by means of a pump. If sufficient air can be taken out, the orange will explode due to its internal pressure.

We live at the bottom of a sea of atmosphere just as fish live in a sea of water. The total weight of our atmosphere is five quadrillion (5 followed by 15 ciphers) tons or is equal in weight to Mount Everest. The air pressure is nearly 15 pounds to the square inch as above, TO PUMP

EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE

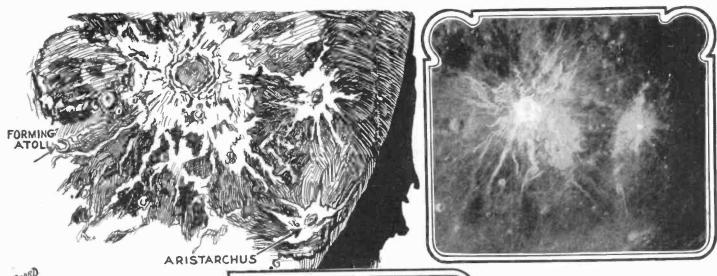
MOUNT EVEREST

sun are shown at A. The mixture of gases in the atmosphere at different levels

is graphically shown at the

SURROUNDING the earth, which is about 8,000 miles in diameter, is a thin shell, known as the earth's atmosphere—or air. Near known as the earth's atmosphere—or air. Near the surface it is composed almost entirely of oxygen and nitrogen, a very fortunate mixture. Oxygen, so necessary for the maintenance of human and animal life, would not suffice of itself. That gas is particularly active chemically, its presence being required for all processes of combustion. A glowing splinter thrust into the pure gas will burst into flame. If the earth's atmosphere were composed of this ele-6FT -GLASS CASE TO BE EVACUATED AIR WATE earth's atmosphere were composed of this element alone, it would be impossible to stop fires. TON Meteors or shooting stars are small particles of iron or stone, which, heated by the friction of their passage through the atmosphere, are raised to a temperature where they shine brightly. These objects are seen as high as 120 miles, proving that the atmosphere extends to at least this height. If the earth's atmosphere were instantaneously removed, everything including people would ATMOSPHERE HEIGHT OF immediately explode, since the normal pressure on a person is 10 tons. In order to subject a ILLUMINATED ATMOSPHERE -- B = man to a vacuum without this effect, he would have to be enclosed in a heavy armor and placed in an evacuated chamber. Air would have to be supplied by means of a pump and hose. LIGHT FROM AURORA BOREALIS VISIBLE TO THIS HEIGHT NIGHT DAY ABOUE THIS LEVEL THE ATMOSPHERE IS INSUFFICIENT TO HEAT METEORS ONE THIS LEVEL THE AMOUNT OF REFLECTED SUMLIGHT IS SLIGHT CARBON DIOXIDE WATER VAPOR ARGON Twilight is caused by reflec- 4 tion from the atmosphere as above. Reflected rays of the

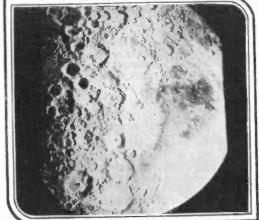
The Lime Rays of the Moon



When one first views a photograph of our moon taken through a telescope, one of the most noticeable features is a series of rays emanating from the various craters. The emanating from the various craters. The largest ray system radiates from that crater known as Tycho. These rays have long been an object for theorizing by scientists. Various theories have been put forth such as one very old one; this explanation was that the rays were caused by a squeezing out of some highly reflecting material through long fissures in the sides of volcances during a remote volcanic period. canoes during a remote volcanic period.

Another theory by Prof. Pickering is that crystalline materials may have escaped from the interior or along radial cracks, in the form of vapor which condensed and precipitated, forming the rays which we illustrate here.

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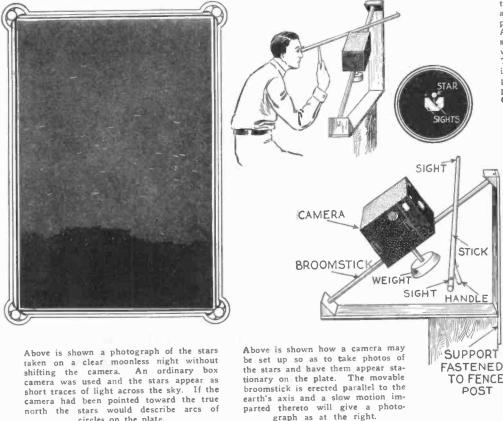


After the theory of Prof. Pickering, the discovery that coral types of the Actinozoa play a part in world formation is assumed to solve a part in world formation is assumed to solve the mystery of the lunar ray systems. The very fact that outcroppings in India and Per-sia are of saline composition bespeaks for them an origin bound up with the early life gen-erating forces of the planet earth. In their growth, coral forms consume quantities of water and carbon dioxide evolved by this form of life combined with or is dissolved in the water in the protoplasm of its cells. This coming in contact with the calcium in the cells formed calcium carbonate which was deposited in the form of the radial lines on the surface of the moon.

-Donald P. Beard.

How To Photograph the Stars

broomstick is erected parallel to the earth's axis and a slow motion imparted thereto will give a photograph as at the right.



In order to use the apparatus illustrated at the left at its best, a sight should be taken along a stick, fastened to the camera sup-As the sight has to be shifted to keep the star in line with the sights, the camera star in line with the signts, the camera will be shifted a corresponding distance. The operator should be comfortably seated in order to avoid jarring the camera. The photo below is a result of a 15-minute exposure with the camera pointed toward Orion.

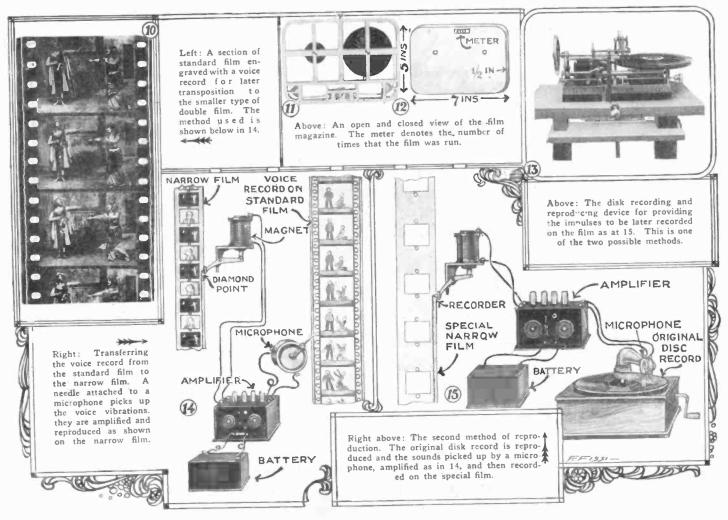
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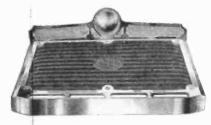
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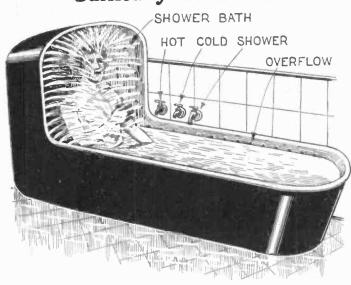
Illuminated Step Plate



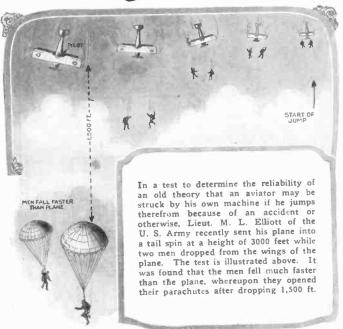
Above: An electrically illuminated step plate for use on the running board of an automobile.

Many accidents are caused by passengers getting in and out of an automobile and not being able to see the place to put their feet. The electrically illuminated step plate at the left eliminates this danger as it provides an electric light which gives ample illumination for passengers.

Sanitary Bath Tub

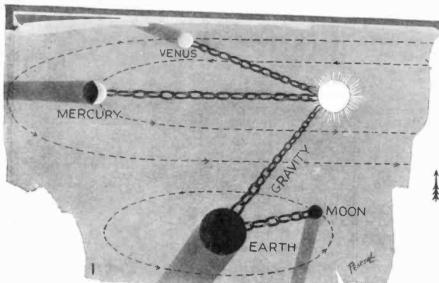


Falling Plane Test



Mr. Mitchel I. Klein of Brooklyn, N. Y., has invented a new sanitary bath tube with a shower incorporated therein. This device of interest to all people is illustrated at the left. It has three improvements over the old type of bath tub and shower bath and they are first, a shower in the rear of the tub, eliminating the necessity of a curtain; second, no dirt can cling to the side of the tub as it is washed out of the overflow; and third, the tub cannot overflow as might be the case when a person goes to sleep in the bath tube with the water turned on. Furthermore, dirt, which naturally floats on the surface of the water, is washed out of the overflow as intimated above.

How Gravity Acts



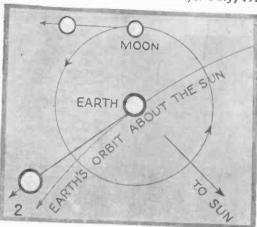
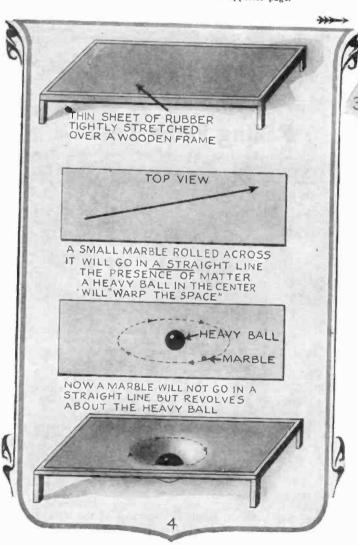
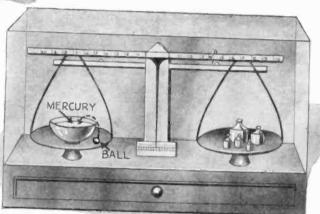


Fig. 2 above shows what would happen if the force of gravity suddenly refused to act. The earth and moon would fly off into space at a tangent to their orbits, as indicated by the straight arrows. The effect is the same as when a small boy is swinging a weight on the end of a string around his head and the string breaks. The weight, travels off in a straight line at a tangent to the path it traveled when confined by the string. Observations, however, show no weakening in the force of gravity.

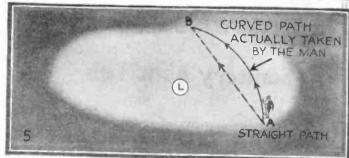
Fig. 1 above shows how the force of gravity acts as chains between the sun and the planets. Fig. 3 at right, shows the famous Majorana experiment with a gravitational shield. His results were not accurate enough to confirm his opinion. This is explained on the opposite page.



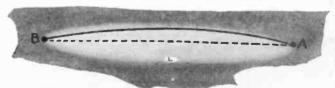
When we see the man in Fig. 5 pursue a curved path when in reality we would expect him to travel in a straight line, we are furnished with food for thought. Since this is an analogy, we will assume that the man in traveling from point A to point B across the illuminated area is traveling through space



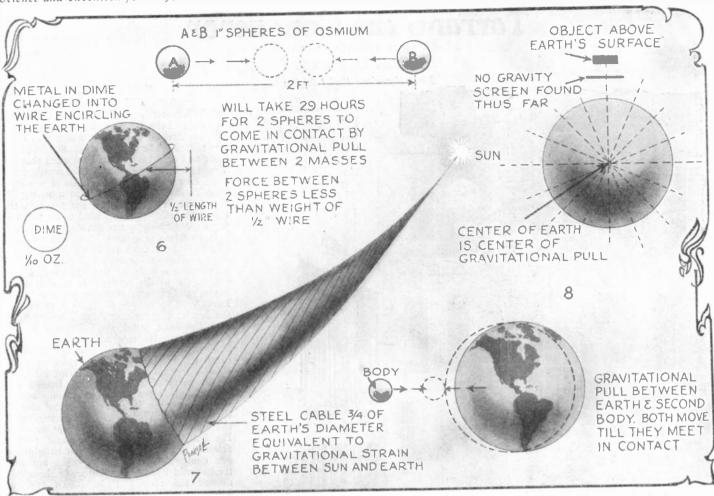
Einstein explains gravitation by stating that matter causes gravitation merely by its presence and that the reason objects tend to move toward or around each other, the latter in the case of the planetary system, is because space is bent. Fig. 4 at the left gives an analogy of bent space. A sheet of tightly stretched rubber is employed and a marble rolled across this sheet will travel in a straight line. If, however, a comparatively heavy body, a ball for instance, is placed on the sheet it will cause a depression and the marble will no longer travel in a straight line when propelled, but will follow a curve.



Let us assume that we are up in an airpane as explained in the article on the opposite page. We watch a man traveling across an illuminated space from A to B. We see him travel in a curve instead of in a straight line. Just why this is so is explained in the article.



and could not travel in a straight line because of the effect of the light L upon him. Another view of the curved path is shown in the lower right-hand illustration above. A study of the explanation of curved space on the opposite page will make this point clear.



In the experiment with the spheres of Osmium, it is assumed that all friction or resistance to their motion is absent. The small force exerted between the two spheres is less than the weight of $\frac{1}{2}$ inch of the wire formed from a dime, said wire being long enough to encircle the earth.

Fig. 7 illustrates the equivalent strain set up by the gravitational attraction between the sun and the earth. Fig. 8 shows that no screen found thus far can shield an object above the earth's surface from the gravitational pull of the earth and shows how two bodies move because of gravity.

What Is Gravitation?

By Prof. Donald H. Menzel, Ph.D.

years have clapsed since the great scientist, Isaac Newton, put forth his theory of the law of gravitation. Before that time people thought objects fell to the ground merely because the air was too thin to support them. Sir Isaac suddenly had the brilliant idea that they fell because they were attracted to the earth, and that if such attraction existed near the earth, imight be strong enough to extend outward into space and hold the planets in their orbits. It would act as a strong chain which was bound to both the sun and planet, constraining the latter to move in a curved instead of a straight path (see Fig. 1).

If the force of gravity suddenly refused to act, the planets would fly off in tangents to their orbits, as illustrated in Fig. 2, the same effect as having the chains break. Fortunately, gravity shows no signs of weakening.

WE KNOW LITTLE OF GRAVITY

In spite of the apparent universality of the law it extends as far as the distant stars, and since Sir Isaac Newton's discovery we have made very few advances in finding its origin. Electric and magnetic forces resemble it in many ways, but it can be neither of these.

Professor Majorana's research caused a lot of discussion a few years ago. He weighed a small steel ball first when it was by itself and again when floating on mercury. The mean of a huge number of measures showed a small decrease in the weight of the object when it was floating in the mercury. Majorana then suggested that possibly the mercury had shielded it from the force of gravity (see Fig. 3).

A very important objection to this result has been raised, aside from the fact that the effect is so small that the errors possible in the weighings are several times larger than the observed difference. If matter shields another object from gravity, as Majorara would have us believe, then the earth quite effectively shields the moon from the sun every time there is a lunar eclipse. If the matter of the earth absorbs some of the force of the solar gravitation, the moon would show a slight deviation from its orbit as a result. It does not and quite refutes Majorana's experiment.

EINSTEIN ON GRAVITY

Einstein seems to have solved the problem. To him matter causes gravitation merely by its presence. If no matter is present, all objects tend to move in straight lines. He proves that space near any quantity of matter is bent, and that any object approaching it will have to follow the bends in the space. The seemingly unintelligible statement that "space may be warped" is explained by an analogy. Euclid dealt with a space which was a plane and only with points and lines, which, having no thickness, had no weight and therefore did not distort his plane. Let us make our plane out of tightly stretched rubber (see Fig. 4). A small virtually weightless marble will move across it in a straight line, the path of least resistance. If a heavy iron ball is now placed in the center, the plane will be "warped" and the path of least resistance will no longer be straight, but curved about the object, and if there were no friction, it would continue to revolve about it forever. This is a vivid picture of the case of the solar system. The planets do not revolve about the sun because its constraining force keeps them from flying away, but rather because space is bent and they follow their own inclination. Einstein called the natural path of any object a geodesic.

A GRAVITATIONAL ANALOGY

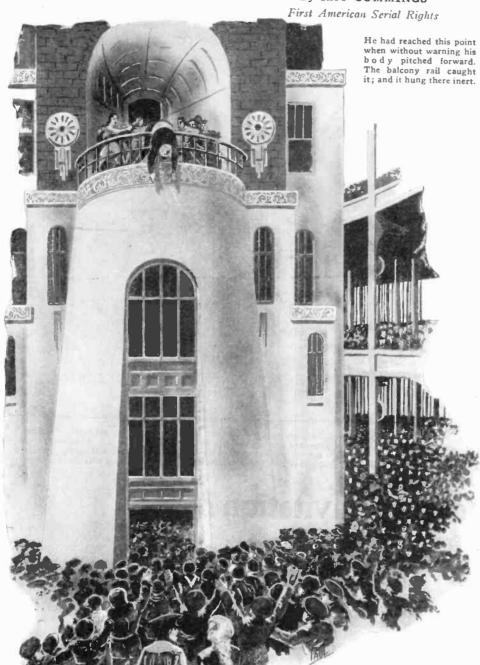
One added analogy will clinch the argument. Imagine yourself in an airplane, directly over a certain part of the earth. You see a large bright area surrounded by darker ground. Near the center of the bright space is a light (see Fig. 5). There is a man at A who wishes to go across the bright area to B. You, in the airplane, expect him to follow the straight line, but are greatly puzzled when you find him taking the curved path indicated. Then suddenly an explanation occurs to you, "The light has repelled him, so that he could not go straight." Thus you have reasoned like Newton, who, to explain the curved paths

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Tarrano the Conqueror

FIRST INSTALLMENT

By RAY CUMMINGS



FOREWORD

In "Tarrano the Conqueror" I present a tale of the year 2325 A.D.—a time almost as far beyond our present-day era as we are now beyond Columbus' discovery of America. My desire has been to create for you the impression that you have suddenly been plunged forward into that time—to give you the feeling Columbus might have had could he have read a novel of our present-day life.

To this end I have conceived myself a writer of that future time, addressing his contemporary public. You are to imagine yourself reading an Ancient-English translation of my original text—a translation so free that a thousand little colloquialisms will have crept into it that could not possibly have their counterparts in the year 2325. For these I ask your indulgence.

Apart from the text, you will occasionally find brief explanatory footnotes. Conceive them as having been put there by the translator

If you find parts of this tale unusual or bizarre, please remember that we are living now in a comparatively ignorant day. The tale is not intended to be fantastic, scientific, or full of new and strange ideas. I have used nothing but those developments of our used nothing but those developments of our bresent-day civilization to which we are all looking forward as logical probabilities—woven them into a picture of what life in New York City very probably will be four hundred years from now. To that extent, the tale itself is intended to be only a love story of adventure and romance—written, not for you, but for that future andience.

RAY CUMMINGS.

CHAPTER I THE NEW MURDERS

WAS standing fairly close to the President of the Anglo-Saxon Republic when the first of the new murders was committed. The President fell almost at my feet; and even then I was convinced that the Venus-man at my elbow was the murderer. I don't know why; call it intuition if you will. The Venus-man did not make a move; he merely stood beside me in the press of the throng, seemingly as absorbed as all of us in what the President was saving.

what the President was saying.

It was late afternoon. The sun was setting behind the cliffs across the river. There were perhaps a hundred and fifty thousand people within sight of the President, listening raptly to his words. It was at Park Sixty, and I was standing on the Tenth Level.* The crowd packed all twelve of the levels; the park was black with people. The President stood on a balcony of the park tower. He was no more than a few hundred feet above me, well within direct earshot. Around him on all sides were the electric megaphones which carried his voice to all parts of the audience. Behind me, a thousand feet overhead, the main aerials were scattering it throughout the city, I suppose five million people were listening to the voice of the President at that moment. He had just said that we must remain friendly with Venus; that in our enlightened age controversies were inevitable, but that they should be settled with sober thoughtaround the council table. This talk of war was ridiculous. He was denouncing the public news-broadcasters; moulders of public opinion, who every day-every hour

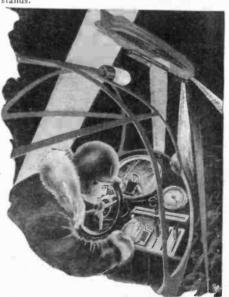
lions of subscribers.

He had reached this point when without warning his body pitched forward. The balcony rail caught it; and it hung there inert. The slanting rays of the sun fell full upon the ruffled white shirt; white, but turning pink, then red with the crimson stain welling out from beneath.

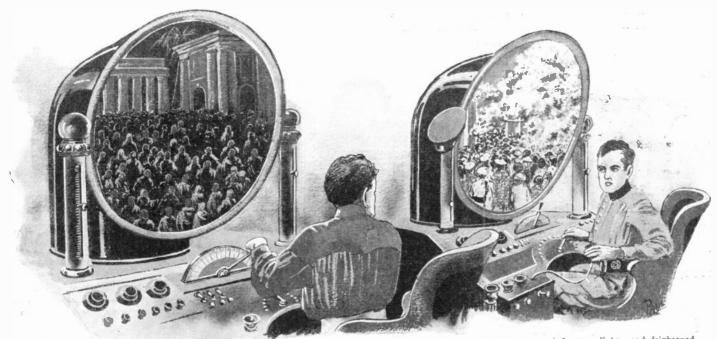
-must offer a new sensation to their mil-

For an instant the crowd was stunned into silence. Then a murmur arose, and swelled into shouts of horror. A surge of people swept me forward. I could not see clearly

*New York City, about where Yonkers now stands.



They were indeed; I could see them in all the towers underneath me. I was flying northeast; and at the moment, with a following wind, I was doing something over three-fifty.



Above my desk, in a duplicating mirror from Headquarters, I could see that at the palace of Mombozo a throng of terrified blacks were gathered.

It was night there-a blurred scene of flasning lights and frightened, mi ling people.

what was happening on the balcony. The form of the murdered President was hanging there against the rail; a score of government officials were rushing toward it; but the body, toppling over the low support, came hurtling downward into the crowd, quite near me; but I could not reach it—the throng was too dense.

The shouts everywhere were deafening. I was shoved along the Tenth Level by the press of people coming up the stairway. Shouts, excited questions; the wail of children almost trampled under foot; the screams of women. And over it all, the electrically magnified voice of the traffic director-general in the peak of the main tower roaring his orders to the crowd.

It was panic; and then the traffic-directors descended upon us. We were pushed up on the moving sidewalks. North or south, whichever direction came handiest, we were herded upon the sidewalks and whirled away. With a hundred other spectators near me I was shoved to a sidewalk moving south along the Tenth Level. It was going some four miles an hour. But they would not let me stay there. From behind, the crowd was shoving; and from one parallel strip of moving pavement to the other I was pushed along-until at last I reached the seats of the forty mile an hour inside section.

The scene at Park Sixty was far out of direct sight and hearing. The park there had already been cleared of spectators, I knew; and they were doubtless bearing the President's body away.

VE take great pleasure in presenting to our readers another story by Ray Cummings, well known to the followers of this magazine as the author of "The Man On The Meteor" and "Around The Universe." Many of our readers are also undoubtedly familiar with Mr. Cumming's book, "The Girl In The Golden Atom," which also appeared in magazine form. We are sure that all of our readers will be greatly pleased with this latest story from the versatile pen of Mr. Cummings.

"Murdered!" said a man beside me.
"Murdered! Look there!"

We were across the river, into Manhat-n. The Tenth Level here runs about four hundred feet above the ground-street of The man beside me was pointing the city. to a steel tower we were passing. It was several hundreds yards away; on its side abreast of us was a forty-foot square newsmirror, brightly illumined. On all the stairways and balconies here a local crowd had gathered, watching the mirror. It was reporting the present scene at Park Sixty. As we sped past the tower I could see in the silver surface of the mirror the image of the now empty park from which we had been so summarily ejected. They were They were carrying off the President's body; a little group of officials bearing it away; red, broken, gruesome, with the dying rays of the sun still upon it. Carrying it slowly along to where a hastily called aero-car was waiting on the side landing stage.

We were past the mirror in a moment.
"Murdered," the man next to me repeated.
"The President murdered."

He seemed stunned, as indeed everyone as. Then he eyed me—my cap, which had

on it the insignia of my calling.

"You are one of them," he said bitterly.

"The last word," he said—"the lurid newsgatherers."

But I shook my head. "We are necessary It was unfortunate that he should have said

I had no opportunity to talk further. The man moved away toward the foot of a landing stage near us. A south-bound flyer had overtaken us and was landing. I boarded it also, and ten minutes later was in my office in South-Manhattan.

I was at this time employed by one of the most enterprising news-organizations in Great New York. There was pandemonium in there that evening. My supper came up in the pneumatic tube from the public cook-

ery nearby, but I had hardly time to taste it.

This, the evening of May 12, 2325, was for me—and for all the Earth—the most stirring evening of history. Events of Inter-planetary importance tumbled over each other as they came to us through the air from the Official Information Stations. And we-myself and a thousand like me in our office-retold them for our twenty million subscribers throughout the Anglo-Saxon Nation.

The President of the Anglo-Saxon Republic was murdered at 5:10. It was the first of the new murders. I say new murders, for not in two hundred years had the life of so high an official been wilfully taken. But it was only the first. At 6:15 word came from Tokyohama,* that the ruler of



We watched the queer - looking characters printing on the tape. Very softly, in a voice hardly above a whisper, George de-coded it.

*Tokyo-Yokahama, Japan.

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Tricks of Mediums

By EDWARD MERLIN

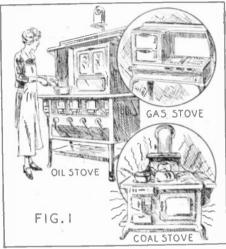
A Reformed Spiritualist.



Keeping a Kitchen Cool

By CHRISTINE FREDERICK

OMEN have been called born martyrs. Certainly it would seem to be true when you think of the great numbers of women who endure the heat of the average kitchen, both winter and summer, and make no effort to ventilate or cool it.



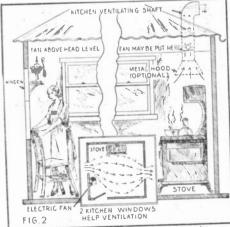
To help keep the kitchen cool in the summertime do not use a coal stove or range if at all possible. Use instead either a gas stove, oil stove or if the rate for electric current is reasonable, an electric range.

Look, on the other hand, at men. Their offices, usually in tall buildings with many windows, have plenty of ventilation; yet in summer time what do you see? Electric fans galore! Window ventilating devices are used in winter, and even in some instances patented air purifiers, or automatic ventilators. Man, you see, believes in having science applied to his office, but women seem to putter along on kitchen equipment no different from that of their grandmothers.

But why not have a few up-to-date devices, at least? The summer is about here, and certainly the hours of labor that must be spent in mid-summer in the kitchen ought not to be passed with the heat of the stove, without some plan for relieving the worker. What can be done with kitchens to make them cooler?

DON'T USE COAL STOVE

In the first place, cooking should not be permitted to heat the kitchen more than absolutely necessary. In these days of gas,

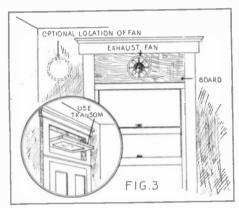


The illustration above shows several hints with regard to ventilating the average house kitchen. A ventilating shaft is a wonderful help.

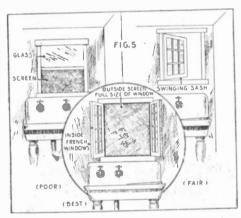
gasoline, oil and electric stoves of proved high efficiency, no woman has much excuse except poverty for using a coal cooking stove in summer time. Yet millions of housewives do so, and not from poverty either. If possible, cooking should be done on an oil or gas stove in a semi-open air adjunct to the kitchen. But if this is not possible, by all means ventilate the kitchen. If the windows are not thoroughly adequate—usually they are not—then a ceiling ventilating shaft should be installed leading outdoors through a ventilating pipe. If it doesn't draw well, a small electric motor fan will help it. Don't grudge this expense—it will keep your kitchen not only cooler, but freer from odors. It will keep you fresher to enjoy other things.

ELECTRIC FAN IN KITCHEN

If you have windows on two opposite sides of your kitchen—which is the best arrangement—then an electric fan will perform all



If you have a transom over the door, be sure to use it. Exhaust fans placed as shown help to circulate fresh air and carry off cooking odors.



Even large windows do not give all the air possible when a screen the size of one sash only is permissable. The window shown at the right is excellent if large enough.

the ventilating and cooling you will likely need. You then get cross ventilation. It is surprising how few women seem even to think of using electric fans in the home, and how they consider them only devices to blow a cool breeze into your face. As a matter of fact this is just what they should not be used for, as it is likely to give you a summer cold to work with an electric fan draught on your hot face or neck. The best function of an electric fan—even a small one—is to circulate the air.

A fan should be placed, therefore, not so as to blow into your face, but where it will

best expel the hot air from the room. Even a small, hidden, slow-revolving fan is quite efficient. There is no need of whipping the air into your face; you will be cooler if currents of air are induced to go in and out of your window.



Don't drink several quarts of ice water every day in an effort to keep cool, says the author. Instead you will find much better results by simply allowing cold water to run over both wrists for a few minutes.

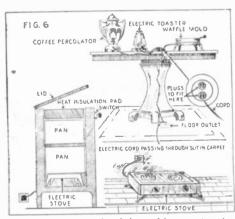
STOVE HOODS AND TRANSOMS

A metal hood over a stove and of funnellike shape, leading into a pipe that goes through a hole into the chimney, is a method you will see used in city restaurants, where much heat is often developed in close, unventilated quarters. This then is often very desirable for a hot, unventilated kitchen in which much cooking is done.

I am astonished at the number of women whose kitchen doors have transoms which are never opened. A transom in a door gives excellent ventilation, and provides frequently the cross-ventilation so effective.

COOK EARLY IN MORNING

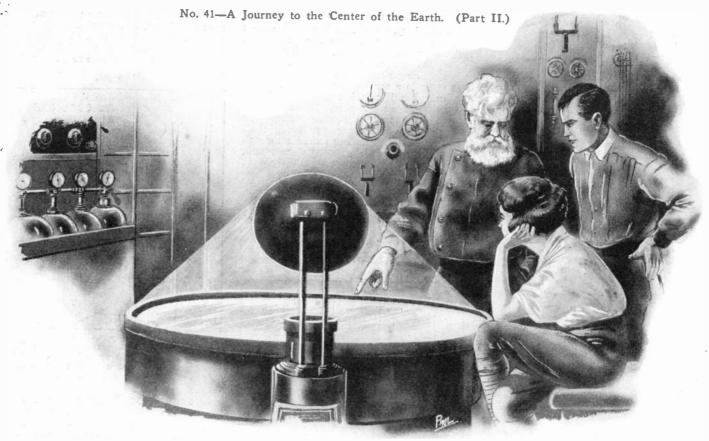
I am strong for still more thoroughgoing methods of having a cool kitchen by means of head work. Why not reduce to a minimum the heat making? Plan your meals for summer to reduce cookery. Some women never seem to spare themselves in summer time; they bake and boil and stew without any let-up from winter standards. Cut out as much cooking as you can. The family (Continued on page 285)



A meal can be placed in multi-compartment kettles, placed in the electric fireless cooker and economically cooked. Electric table cooking appliances are a Godsend in the Summer-time.

Doctor Hackensaw's Secrets

By CLEMENT FEZANDIÉ



Dr. Hackensaw, Pep and Miggs seated within the reconstructed "Dart" on its journey to the center of the earth. Dr. Hackensaw is pointing

downward through the observation glass through which the progress of the car can be watched. The searchlight is directed downward.

SYNOPSIS OF PART I.

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DR. HACKENSAW after having determined to explore the center of the earth and having made preliminary observations, asks his very good friend Peptia Perkins, a newspaper reporter, to accompany him on a trip to the South Pole where the excavation was to be started for the trip to the center of the carth. They arrive at Dr. Hackensaw's village at the South Pole where a crevice in the earth five miles deep has been discovered. Working first with a diamond drill and then with an "atomic force drill," one of Dr. Hackensaw's inventions, they start work on the bottom of the pit. After some hours of drilling, observations made by means of a special microphone show that they are nearing another natural cavern in the interior of the earth. The diamond drill is once more brought into play and soon pierces the remaining shell of the rock into the lower cavity in which a partial vacuum is found to exist. A concussion bomb dropped into this cavity proves, by measuring the time it takes for the sound of explosion to reach the observers, that the cavern is over 100 miles deep.

CHAPTER IV

ERUSALEM!" exclaimed Doctor Hackensaw. "This hundred-mile pit will save us a lot of digging, but it forces us to change our plans immediately. Evidently a partial vacuum exists in this pit, and our first step must be to ascertain exactly what degree of vacuum exists. Luckily this will be easy, as I have a couple of special Geissler tubes with me, so constructed that air may be admitted or pumped out at will. One of these tubes I shall open and let down into the pit. The rarefied atmosphere of the pit and that in the tube will soon equalize. By passing an electric current through the tube and comparing the fluorescence with that of the second tube, into which I can admit more or less air until the two tubes emit an equal amount of light, I shall know that the vacuum in the pit is exactly equal to that in the second tube."

The experiment was tried, but when the result became known, Doctor Hackensaw shook his head.

"The air density in the pit is really very slight," he exclaimed. "In one way, of course, this is an advantage, for it will relieve us of the danger of encountering an enormous air pressure down below. But on the other hand it will make the start diffi-

"Couldn't you let in more air?" asked Pep. "Certainly, and I should unhesitatingly do so if I were convinced the pit were only a hundred miles deep. I believe it to be much deeper, however."

"But you said the bomb exploded one

hundred miles below the surface!"

"So it did, but it may have struck the side of the pit, or it may even have been set off by the compression of the air in front of it. However, to save time we'll do a little exploring. The electric aeroplane, "The Dart," is provisioned for six months and has an oxygen supply sufficient for three months. Accordingly, if we are prudent we have little to fear. What I shall do will be to provide some twenty-five or more miles of light but strong chain, fasten them to the rear of the aeroplane and let the car slowly down so we can examine the pit a little. To aid in this work I shall have some suits made in the style of light diving suits. These will be provided with suction-boots made on the principle of a fly's feet-the suction enabling me to walk down the sides of the pit without danger of falling, just as a fly walks head downwards on a ceiling."

"Gee!" cried Pep. "Make a pair of those boots for me, too! But won't it be tiresome to hold our bodies stiff?"

"No I chall be the sides of the succession of the second our bodies."

"No, I shall have a metal framework made to wear under our clothing. The

whole weight of our bodies will thus be borne by the metal frame and not by our muscles. Of course, we shall not be able to use these suction boots so long as the air in the pit is so rarefied. It requires normal atmospheric pressure to make sufficient suc-We can only use the boots in case the pressure is greater down below or in case I let air from above into the pit.

CHAPTER V

Several weeks were required for the necessary preparations, and Pep was becoming very impatient when one fine day Doctor Hackensaw called to her:

"Pack your bag at once, Pep; we start at noon!'

An hour later, the two, accompanied by Miggs who was to act as pilot for the aeroplane, had descended into the closed chamber

ready for the start down into the apparently bottomless pit.

At sight of "The Dart," however, both Miggs and Pep uttered a cry, for the compact spindle-shaped aeroplane they were familiar with now resembled one of the giant squids or octopuses familiar to all movie-fans.

Fastened to the rear of the aeroplane were several long tentacles or arms resembling huge metal springs, set in a circle. It was in fact an almost exact imitation of an octopus. Below was a second set resembling

"What in the world are those arms for?" asked Pep, in surprise.

"Those are to serve as brakes," explained Doctor Hackensaw. "As there is practically no air in this portion of the pit, our car would fall down at a frightful speed if allowed to drop in."

"But I thought the car was to be held back by a chain?"

But we "So it is, for a short distance. cannot place much dependence on the chain, and must soon cast loose from it, anyway. Now I have ascertained that the pit is really a narrow well in the solid rock. As we descend I shall force these metal arms against the sides of the well and so be able to check our descent, or stop completely, at will. An electric equalizer will automatically keep the pressure equal in each arm so that our descent will be steady and uniform. Electric refrigerating devices will keep the ends of the arms from melting through the heat produced by friction against the rock. Should one of the arms become worn or injured, a new arm from below will automatically replace it. I can set the device so that the springs will press against the walls with any degree of pressure I desire.

"But we can't stand here talking. We must get inside the car, for we have a long way to travel and I don't dare to get up too much speed. This will not be a joy ride by any manner of means, for we shall be explorers. I have an excellent searchlight on the car which will reveal our path for a mile or more ahead of us, but it would not pay to be imprudent."

"One moment, doctor!" objected Miggs. "You say that these brakes are needed to hold us back. Couldn't you reverse the propeller and hold the car back that way?"

"Certainly I could if there were normal air at atmospheric pressure in the pit. But there is so little air here that the propeller would have nothing to work against. You cannot push the car backwards unless you've got air or something else to push against."

"All right!" said Miggs. "I understand that and I see that without the brakes we would just drop down into the pit. With the help of the brakes we shall get down all right, but if we can't use the propeller, how in the world are we ever going to get up again?"

CHAPTER VI

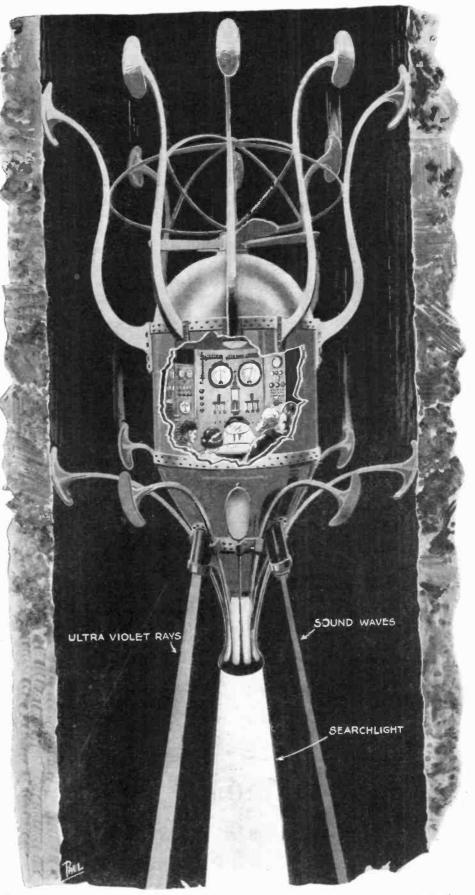
Doctor Hackensaw smiled at the boy's question; "Don't be afraid, Miggs," said he. "I am not any more anxious than you are to be left down at the bottom of this hundred-mile hole, without any means of climbing up again. You know the old Latin proverb: "Facilis decensus Avernit" It means that it's easy enough to go down, but not so easy to come up. I didn't find it so easy as all that to go down, but in our case it won't be very difficult to come up again."

"How will you manage it?"

"Simply enough. The cause of our trouble is that there is almost no air in this pit. The remedy is self-evident. We must let some air in from above, when we wish to return. I have arranged with Mr. Sam, the agent, to let in air by degrees on our return trip. If possible I shall signal to him by radio just when to send in the air. In case anything goes wrong with our radio apparatus, lowever, he is to let in air enough so that our car shall be always in an atmosphere of about fifteen pounds to the square inch when we return. In such an atmosphere our propeller can easily raise the car, and we can fly back without trouble. If he let in too much air, the pressure down below here would be too great and might cause trouble.

"How can Mr. Sam know where the car is and what pressure it exerts."

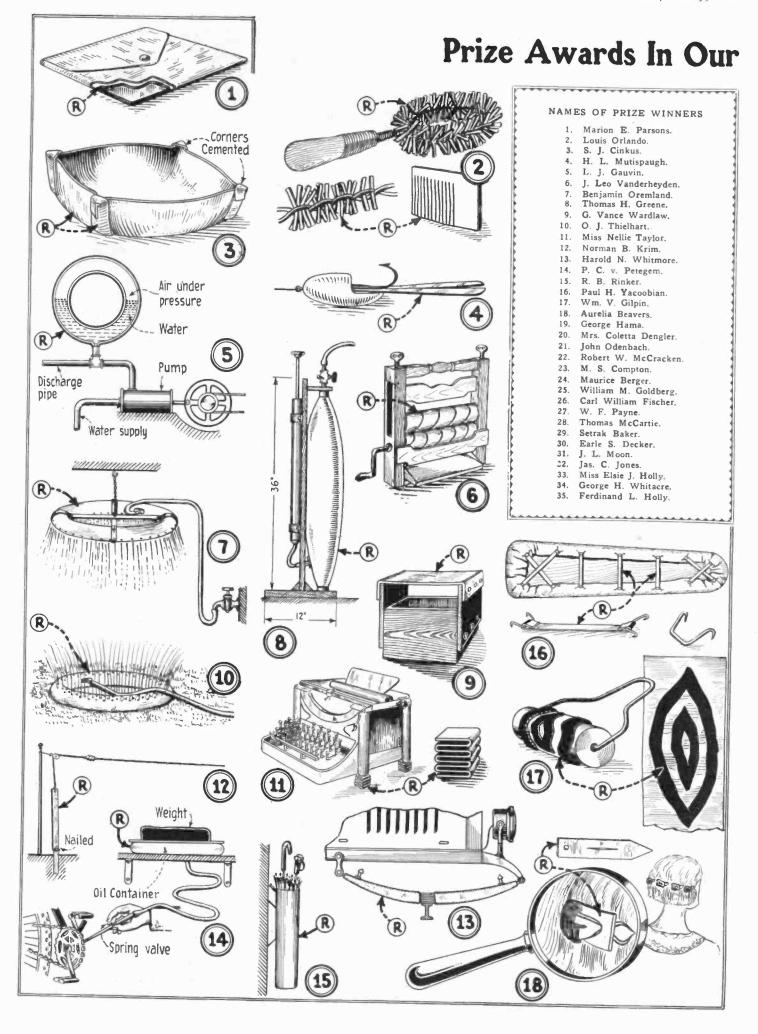
"The car is itself a large permanent magnet, and by means of an ingenious amplifying device, its distance from the surface of the earth is indicated on an extra sensitive galvanometer in Mr. Sam's office. But to leave theory and come down to practical matters. There are only three of us in the car, so we must take turns as pilots. Each of



An external view of the "Dart" on its journey. Sound waves and ultra-violet rays act as warnings in case the car should approach too close to an obstruction. The side of the car is shown broken away revealing the complicated, yet commodious traveling compartment. The curved plates pressing against the sides of the shaft are brakes for regulating the speed.

us will take a trick of two hours at the controls and then have four hours' rest. There is very little for the pilot to do as everything is arranged to work automatically as much as possible. Yet it is only prudent to have someone constantly on guard. Our searchlight shows the way for more than a mile ahead. There is a smoked glass window for the pilot to look through without being blinded by the rapid flashing by of the illuminated walls.

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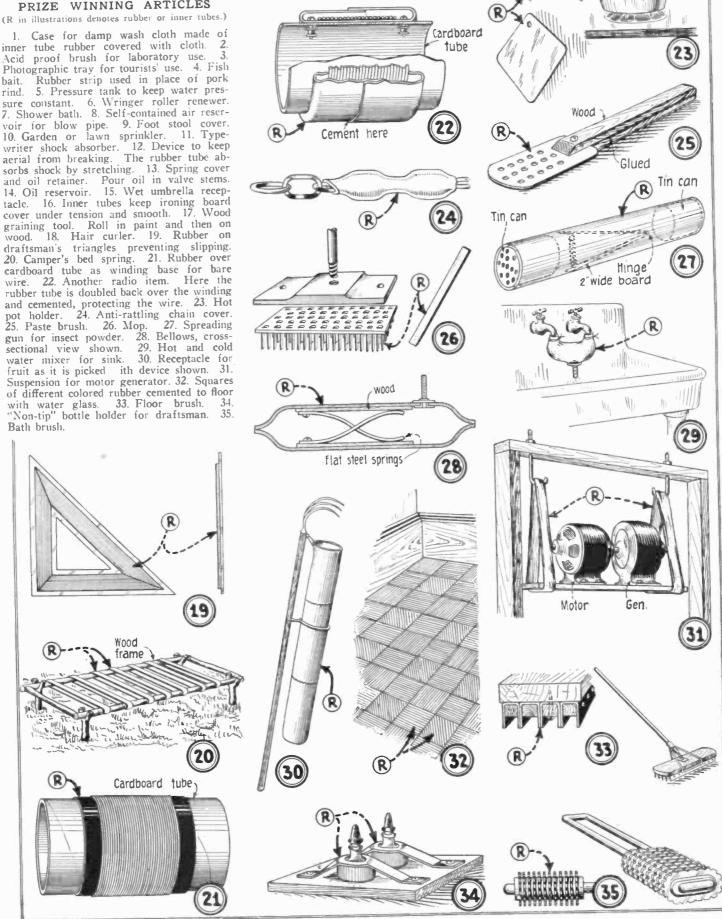


Inner Tube Contest

PRIZE WINNING ARTICLES

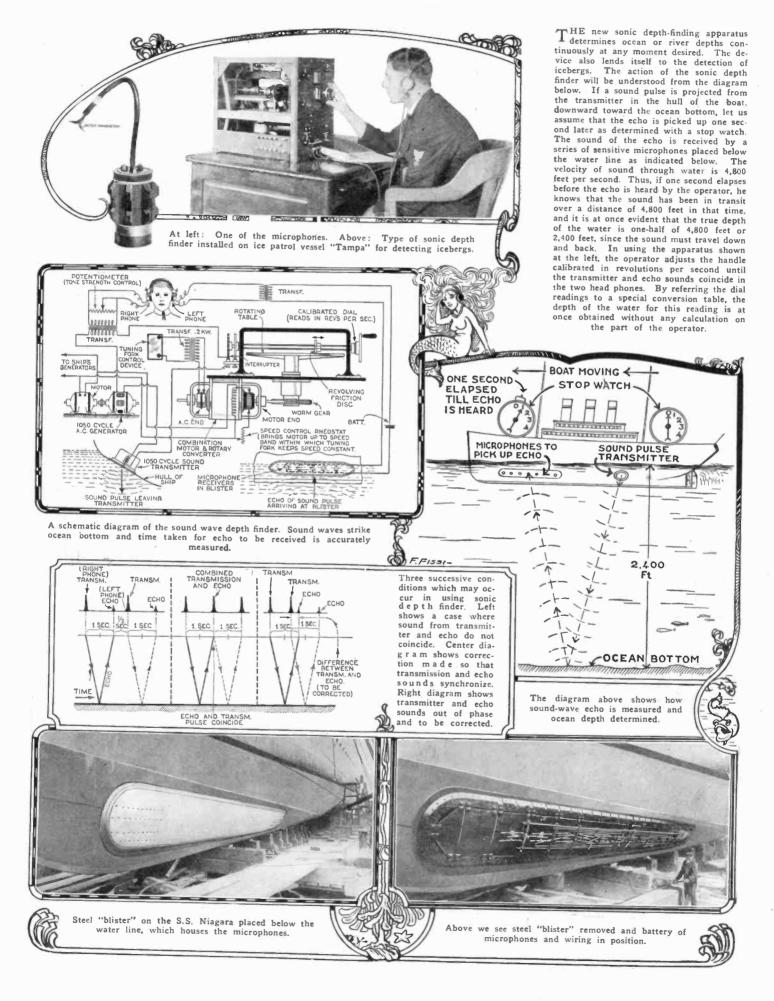
inner tube rubber covered with cloth.
Acid proof brush for laboratory use. Photographic tray for tourists' use. 4. Fish bait. Rubber strip used in place of pork rind. 5. Pressure tank to keep water pressure constant. 6. Wringer roller renewer.
7. Shower bath. 8. Self-contained air reservoir for blow pipe. 9. Foot stool cover.

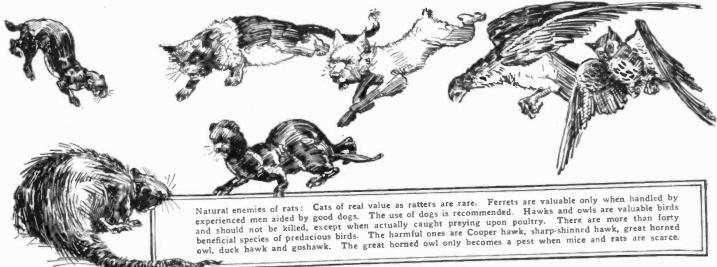
10. Garden or lawn sprinkler. 11. Type-writer shock absorber. 12. Device to keep 10. Garden or lawn sprinkler. 11. Typewriter shock absorber. 12. Device to keep aerial from breaking. The rubber tube absorbs shock by stretching. 13. Spring cover and oil retainer. Pour oil in valve stems. 14. Oil reservoir. 15. Wet umbrella receptacle. 16. Inner tubes keep ironing board cover under tension and smooth. 17. Wood graining tool. Roll in paint and then on wood. 18. Hair curler. 19. Rubber on draftsman's triangles preventing slipping. 20. Camper's bed spring. 21. Rubber over cardboard tube as winding base for bare cardboard tube as winding base for bare wire. 22. Another radio item. Here the rubber tube is doubled back over the winding rubber tube is doubled back over the winding and cemented, protecting the wire. 23. Hot pot holder. 24. Anti-rattling chain cover. 25. Paste brush. 26. Mop. 27. Spreading gun for insect powder. 28. Bellows, cross-sectional view shown. 29. Hot and cold water mixer for sink. 30. Receptacle for fruit as it is picked ith device shown. 31. Suspension for motor generator. 32. Squares of different colored rubber cemented to floor with water glass. 33. Floor brush. 34. "Non-tip" bottle holder for draftsman. 35. Bath brush.



Sound Waves Measure Ocean Depths

By S. R. WINTERS





Death To the Rat

\$250.00 Prize Contest for Rat Exterminating Means

By JOSEPH H. KRAUS

ATS affect a larger percentage of population than any other pest in existence. Annually they damage property to the extent of \$200,000,000. Aside from this loss of property, rats often seriously bite infants in their cribs and are known to be carriers of fleas, which in turn transmit disease. bonic plagues are directly traceable to the rat flea

The U. S. Department of Agriculture tells how to get rid of rats in Farmers' Bulletin No. 1302. This bulletin is furnished free to anyone who cares to write for it, and contains some most valuable information.

In an effort to discover new means for eliminating the rat pest, Science and Inven-TION Magazine is now conducting a prize

contest for such methods.

Ideas will be judged by their efficiency, originality, lack of danger in using, a lack of danger to other animals liable to partake of rat meal if a meal is the suggestion submitted, ease of control, and the cost of oper-

\$250.00 IN PRIZES

The Federal Government and State Departments are doing all they can to exterminate the rats. SCIENCE AND INVENTION MAGAZINE, now offers prizes for the best new methods for exterminating rats. The prizes to be awarded are as follows:

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Suggestions must be accompanied with photographs or affidavits sworn to before a Notary, or if a trap is entered, a model must be submitted.

Contest closes at noon in New York on October 15th. All suggestions must be in our hands at the time.

The number of entries per person is not limited.

In event of a tie for any of the awards.

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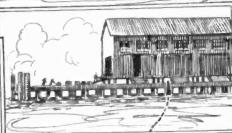
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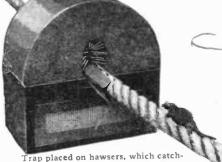
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The diagram above shows how a steamer or tug-boat which gener-ates carbon monoxide gas pumps ates carbon monoxide gas pumps this gas through hoses and sends it down into the holds of vessels. The poisonous gas permeates the holds and kills the rats without harming the cargo. Diagram at the right shows how rats have been eliminated around wharfs.



STORAGE ROOMS ON DOCKS RAISED TO LEAVE OPEN SPACES BENEATH



Trap placed on hawsers, which catches rats climbing along ropes.

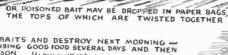




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FOR TRAPS USE ROLLED OATS, FRIED BACON, BREAD, TOASTED CHESSE RAW OR COOKED MEATS, FISH, NUT MEATS, CHESSE, APPLES OR CARROTS





SPRINKLE ROLLED OATS OR CORN MEAL OVER TRAP



RATS USUALLY TRAVEL ALONG WALLS

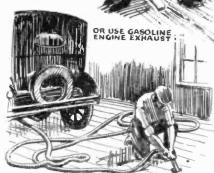


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Barium carbonate means death to rats, and is not harmful to household pets. Barium carbonate means death to rats, and is not harmful to household pets. The bait, such as meats, vegetables, fruits or cereals, may either be mixed with barium carbonate, or the barium carbonate may be sifted over the sliced baits and rubbed in. These baits are then distributed on sheets of paper or wrapped in paper bags. In the latter case the rats often take the paper bag into their burrows and feed on it there. The baits must be renewed daily. Immediately above, two rat traps are shown. These traps should be preferably mounted against the wall, as illustrated. Rats in their burrows may be killed by fumigating with carbon bisulphide or carbon monoxide. The former is a liquid obtainable in any drugstore, and the latter is found in gasoline engine exhausts.



SATURATE COTTON WITH CARBON BI-SULPHIDE AND PUSH WELL INTO BURROW



To the right is a portion of the letter sent to the writer from the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Notice that the Bureau is interested culture. Notice that the Bureau is interested in keeping in touch with all new methods that possess value. We are sure that the readers of this publication will furnish the new methods, and consequently are requesting all who know of something not universally used for rat extermination, to submit those ideas to the editors of this publication.

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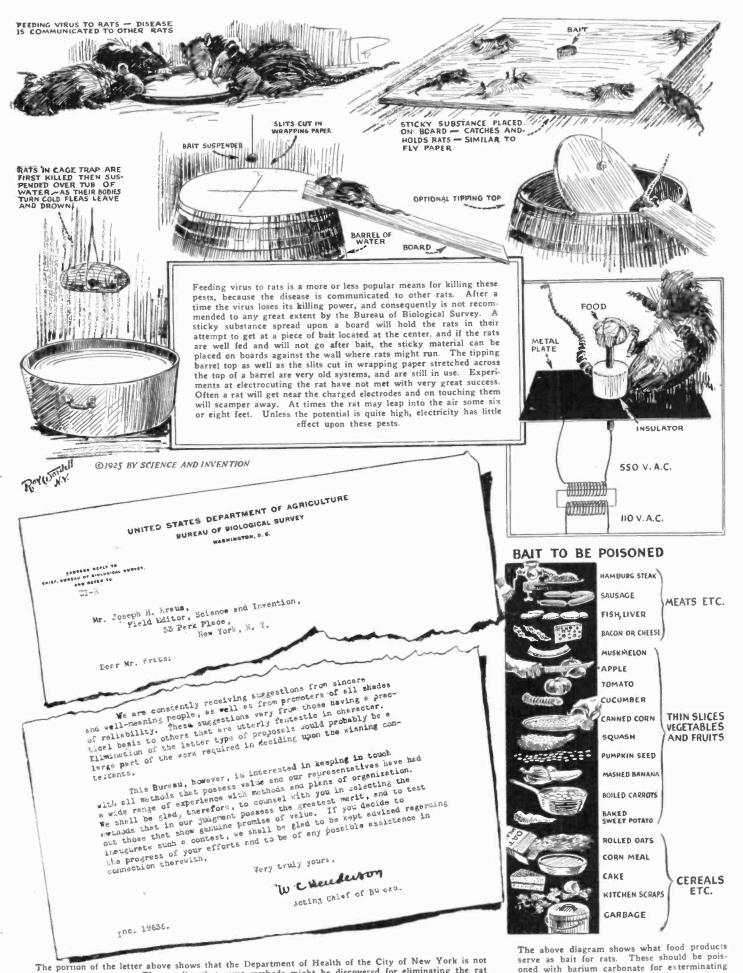
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Gentlemen:

These are not all of the methods or materials used by this department in its war on the rate. They are, however, the general measures employed in the effort to "Rout the Rat". They contemplate starving, making on this pest. The work in gassing, poisoning, trapping and building out this pest. The work in question was performed through a special squad directed by Supervisor W. E. Richards.

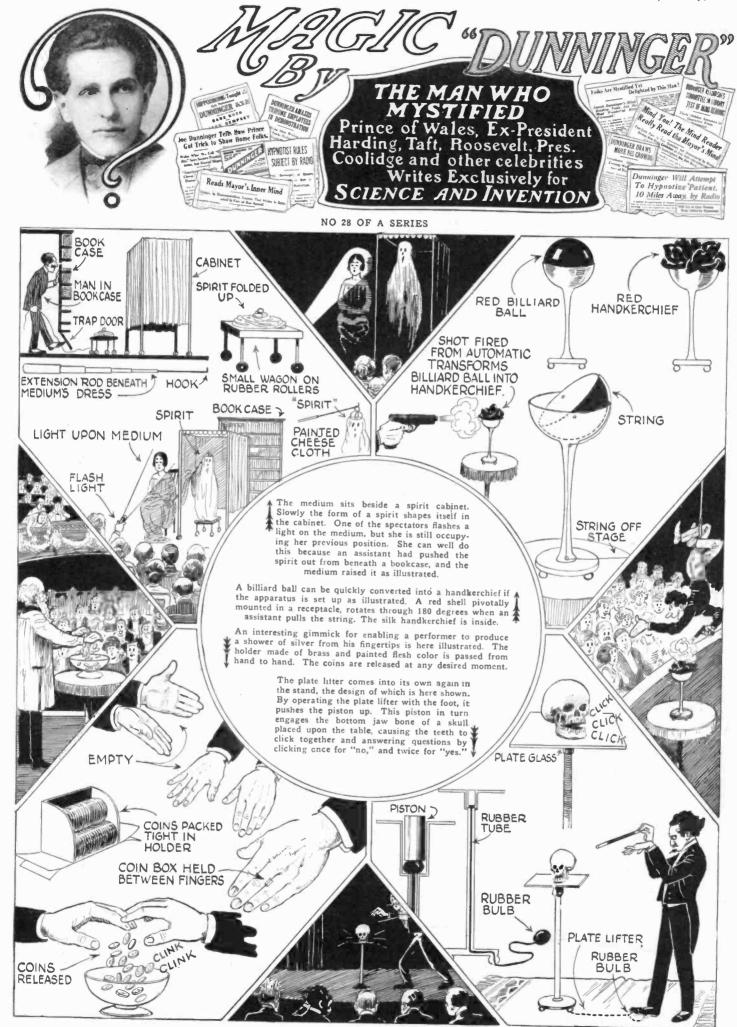
discovery of other methods to fight the rat successfully and present those methods to us we shall be pleased to try them out if they should not be ridiousous, (as some of the suggestions made to us are) and have not arready been used by us.

Yerr crowy yours. I Money hor with FRANK J. MONAGHAM, M.D., Commissioner.



Ine portion of the letter above shows that the Department of Health of the City of New York is not by any means asleep. They realize that some methods might be discovered for eliminating the rat which would be better than those systems which are at present in use. We cannot help commending both the New York Department of Health and the U. S. Bureau of Biological Survey for their excellent work, and their very willing and hearty co-operation.

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IS LEAD TETRAETHYL GASOLINE TO BE CONDEMNED?

Everyday Chemistry

By RAYMOND B. WAILES



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Progress in Medicine

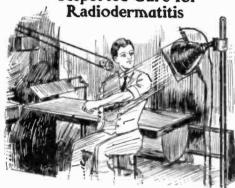
Edited By JOSEPH H. KRAUS

Successful Oxygen Tent

At the Presbyterian Hospital in New York City a portable oxygen tent devised by Dr. Allen L. Barach, of the hospital staff, and Dr. Carl A. L. Binger, of Rockefeller Institute, was recently demonstrated and pronounced a success. Pneumonia patients suffer from an insufficient amount of oxygen in the blood. Heretofore this oxygen was administered by means of a special type of mouthpiece which connected with the oxygen tank. In the oxygen tent a patient is as comfortable as he would be in an ordinary hospital bed. Oxygen, of course, does not cure the patient. It serves merely as a means for keeping them alive, nature taking care of the

alive, nature taking care of the rest. The tent is made of a triple layer of fabric lined with rubber.





In order to obliterate the danger of radiations from an X-ray tube, Daniel Berthelot introduced J. Risler and P. Mondain to the French Academy of Sciences, who read a paper on the use of infra-red radiations for curing radiodermatitis, a malady produced by prolonged subjection to X-rays. The theory is based on the antagonism between infra-red or long radiations and X-rays.

Simple Treatment for Vomiting

The Journal of the American Medical Association reports a very simple method of relieving vomiting by the administration of from fifty to two hundred cubic centimeters of a two per cent. sodium chloride solution by mouth. The water should be cold. Salt water as a household remedy to induce vomiting has been used for generations, but the



water is generally warmed. Drs. Edwin F. Lehman and Harry V. Gibson are the sponsors for this salt and cold water system.

Deaf Hear Radio Programs

It has been definitely shown that deaf persons are capable of hearing programs coming through the air via radio. The reason for this is that the auditory nerve is seldom completely destroyed. There is more often some difficulty with the articula-



tions of the bones of the ear or with the ear drum itself. Due to the great amplification obtainable from two stages of audio frequency amplification, the deaf are frequently enabled to hear again. Diagram above is a cross-section through ear and bony canals.

Drinking Sunlight



The photo herewith shows a new type of ultra-violet ray generator by means of which the rays can be administered to the mouth and throat. Ultra-violet rays, administered in this manner, have proven beneficial in cases of diseases of the mouth and throat. This machine is one of the number shown at a nursing exhibition in London.

Methanol is Deadly

Dr. Charles Norris, Chief Medical Examiner, warns that there is a great danger in drinking whiskey doctored with methanol. Methanol has been reported as being a "new" wood alcohol. As a matter of fact, the product itself is quite old. The greatest danger lies in the lack of odor or taste in methanol. Ordinary wood alcohol when added to a drink generally makes its presence known by its odor. This is usually enough to frighten off a drinker, provided that he is not too intoxicated in the first place to notice the characteristic smell. Methanol being non-odorless, and reported as being 100 per cent. pure wood alcohol, produces blindness and death as inevitably

as the ordinary wood alcohol.



Hay Fever

Dr. George Piness of Los Angeles describes in a very interesting manner the technique of collecting pollen and the preparation of pollen extracts for the treatment of hay fever in the Journal of the American Medical Association. In California alone, there are approximately 128 varieties of plants and grasses which pollenate. It is these pollens which cause the sufferers of hay fever so much distress. Flowering stalks of grasses or weeds are gathered, placed in a bucket of water and carried to the laboratory. Each day the flowers are shaken and the pollen is scraped up. The pollen is then placed in



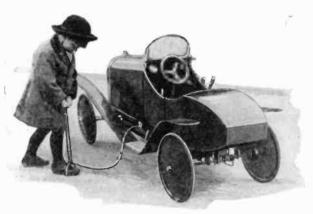
ether and, after stirring, precipitates. From the precipitate, pollen extracts are made and injected for treatment of hay fever.







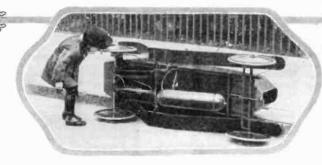
Child's Auto Runs on Air



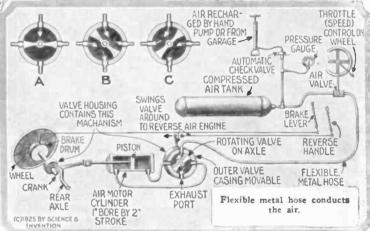
Above: Filling the compressed air tank by means of a hand pump. A pressure gauge on the dash board indicates the amount of power in reserve.



From England come the details of this novel automobile designed for the use of the small sportsman, which runs solely on air and requires no gasoline for its operation. Photo at immediate left shows the proud young owner ready to start for a trip. The machine will run for a quarter of a mile at a speed of five miles per hour and is equipped with a reverse and brake.

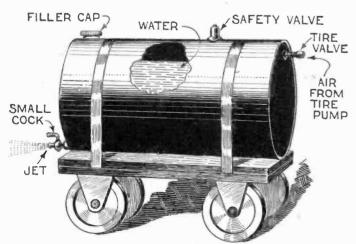


The mechanism of this small car is easily examined. It can be immediately tipped on its side for repairs as shown above. The operating mechanism of this car is shown at the right. A, B and C indicate various positions of the rotary air valve. At A, no air flows from the tank. At B, the air enters the rear end of the cylinder, while at C, it enters the front end. The valve housing is rotated by the handle marked reverse. A standard contracting brake is used.



This device has been constructed with the fact in mind that it is to be operated by someone with no knowledge of machinery. There is a minimum number of parts and they are arranged in a simple manner.

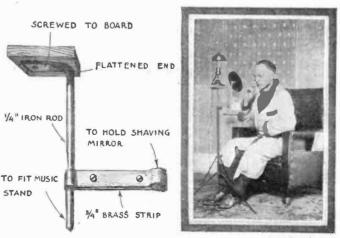
Toy Locomotive



A toy reaction locomotive may be made from a small can strapped to a set of wheels and equipped as shown above. Fill about two-thirds full of water and compress air in the tank with a tire pump. Upon opening the small petcock, the jet of water will propel the device.

-C. A. Oldroyd.

Shaving in Comfort



Where space is at a premium, a small bracket made as shown above hastens and makes more convenient the morning shave. A cup of water in a shaving mug is clamped with the shaving mirror as shown.

A small electric light furnishes ample illumination and the entire support fits on a music stand.

—P. C. G.



Invisible fire pictures afford much indoor fun. Draw a picture or design on white paper with a solution of saltpeter or potassium nitrate. When dry, nothing is visible, but the figure immediately comes to light when a glowing cigarette is touched to one of the lines.

safe and simple noise maker can be A sate and simple noise maker can be made from a key and nail as shown in the above illustration. Fill the hole in the end of the key with scrapings from the heads of matches. A wire frame should first be made to hold the nail and should first be made to hold the nail and the key together as shown. Now with the material in the hole in the key, introduce the nail as shown, place on a hard surface and hit the end of the key a sharp blow with a hammer. A loud report will result.

Glass water bombs when detonated make a terrific noise. They are made by sealing water in a glass tube as at the left. The tube should be about 1/4 of an inch in diameter. Cool and slowly heat on an iron plate over a fire. Steam will be generated and the tube will explode. Stand away from flying glass.

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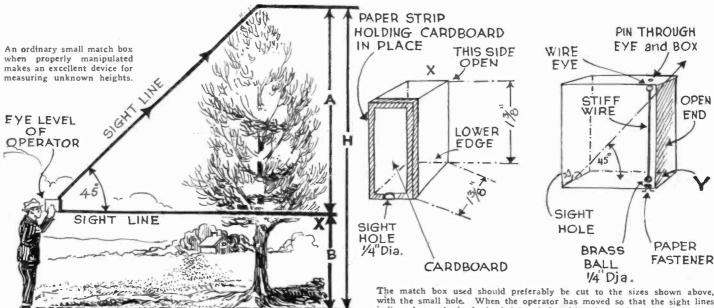
A fuse for igniting various fireworks can be made as shown above. Moisten five parts of saltpeter, 3 parts of charcoal and 1 part of sulphur with thin glue after having powdered the dry ingredi-Spread this mixture on a soft cotton string and allow the finished fuse to dry before use.

Caps for cap pistols and other noise making devices of a similar nature may be made as follows and as illustrated above. Powder together 7 parts of potassium chlorate, 3 parts of sulphur and 2 parts of black antimony sulphide. Moisten with thin glue and spot the solution on a glued paper strip as above. Cover with another strip of moistened glued paper and allow the dry. to dry.

To make various colored fires, use the chemicals mentioned below, mixing well together with a knife without rubbing. For green fire, use 90 parts by weight of barium chlorate and 10 parts of powdered dry orange shellac. For red fire, use 8 parts strontium nitrate, 3 parts potassium chlorate and 1 part powdered shellac. These may be made into colored fire candles by placing in a card-board case as at left and inserting a fuse for igniting. board case as at left and inserting a fuse for igniting.

Measuring Heights with Match Box

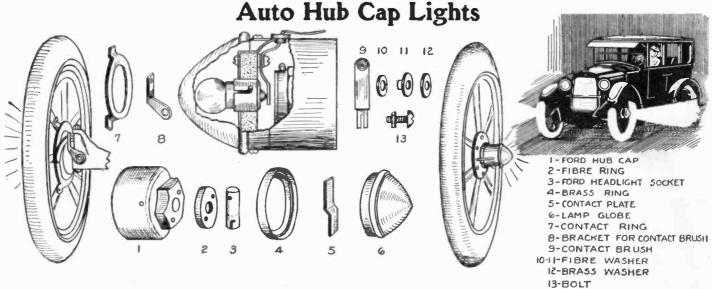
By C. A. OLDROYD



The match box, the dimensions of which are known, is held in the hands as shown above and sights taken along the two lines indicated.

GROUND LEVEL

The match box used should preferably be cut to the sizes shown above, with the small hole. When the operator has moved so that the sight lines indicated are obtained, the height of the object is equal to the distance of the operator from the object plus the height of the operator's eye from the ground, or in the illustration at the left, H is equal to the distance from the tree to the operator, plus the distance B. A pendulum as shown above insures the box being level.

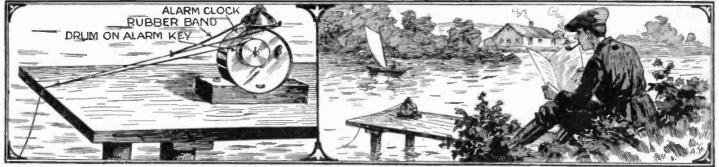


Lights on the front hub caps of automobiles make an interesting and distinctive novelty. They may be made as shown above. They may be controlled separately or together, as desired, by means of switches. A hole is drilled in the center of the hub cap to hold the socket and fiber ring. As the socket is soldered to the hub cap, it forms a ground return, necessitating

the use of only one wire. The latter is connected to a contact ring (7) to which contact is made by means of a brush. The electric light bulb is protected by means of a bullet shaped globe obtainable from any accessory dealer. This globe must be of quite thick glass although it is not supposed to hit anything.

—L. O. Van Riper.

Automatic Fisherman

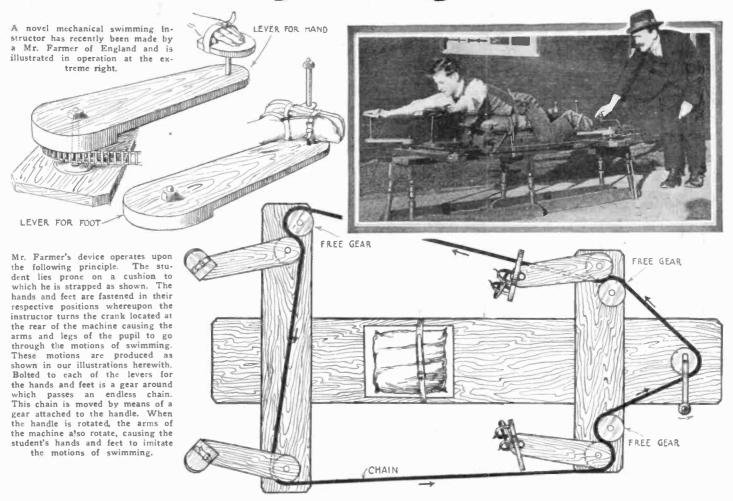


An alarm clock securely fastened to a base makes an automatic fisherman that will "play" a fish until the owner desires to pull it in. The clock is set to ring, but the stop is set so that it cannot do so. A small drum is placed on the alarm key and the fish line fastened to it. A second string

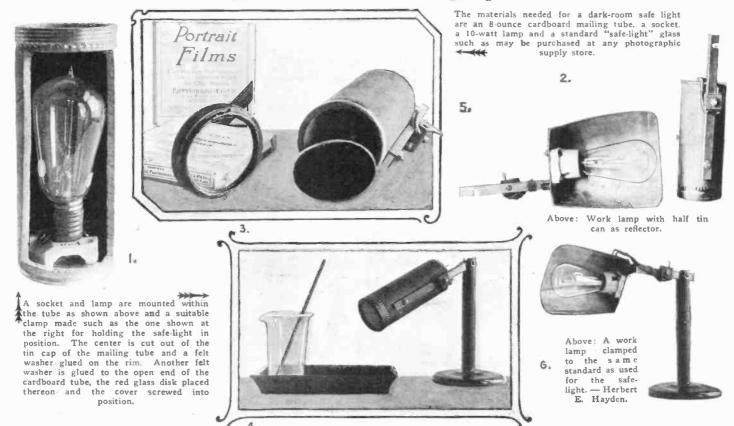
is knotted to the line and fastened to the alarm release. A rubber band helps to take up the shock when the fish bites. A fish pulling on the line releases the alarm and the spring "plays" the fish. Some fishermen would prefer to do the playing themselves.

—Jacob Schmidt.

Teaching Swimming on Land



Lights For the Photographer





Preventing Steaming

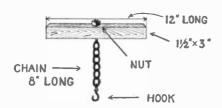


Roll a narrow strip of flannel into a ball, drop Roll a narrow strip of flannel into a ball, drop a few drops of glycerine thereon and apply to a glass surface. Spread the glycerine over the surface smoothly. This will prevent the steaming of windows or eye glasses in winter and also makes a good application to prevent water from collecting on the automobile wind--C. A. Oldroyd.

Auto Aid



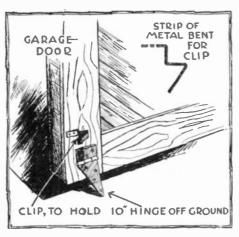
The device illustrated below is shown in use above. The hook engages with a spoke shown in use above. The noos engages with a specific in the wheel and by putting the automobile gear in reverse and engaging the clutch slowly, a car can be pulled out of a bad mud hole.



The details of this "mud hook" are shown directly above. Any block of wood may be used. A chain and hook are attached as shown. It is a wise precaution to carry a device of this nature in the car at all times as one never knows when it may come in handy.

—George E. Griffin.

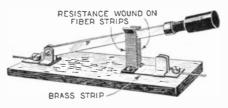
Door Catch



A 10-inch hinge screwed to the lower part of a garage door makes an excellent catch for holding that door open. The point of the hinge digs into the ground. It is of course placed on the inside surface of the door. A clip holds the hinge off the ground when not in use.

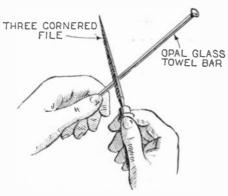
—Robert J. Williams.

Starting Switch



A starting switch for small motors may be asily made by winding a few feet of resistance wire on two fibre strips as shown. The lower ends of the windings are connected to the brass strip. As the switch is slowly closed, resistance is gradually cut out of the circuit until finally the blade touches the jaw and the motor attains fu!l speed. —Thomas McCartie.

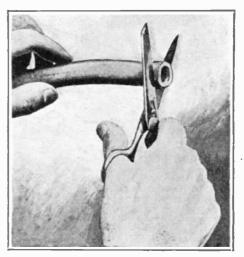
Stirring Rods



Stirring rods for photographic purposes may be made by cutting a glass towel rod in half. This may be quickly and easily accomplished by scratching the glass with a three-cornered file and then breaking at that point. Smooth the ends off with a file or emery paper.

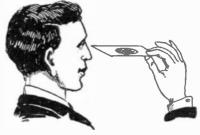
—L. M. Holden.

Rubber Washers



Small rubber washers for various purposes can be obtained by cutting pieces off the end of a rubber hose of the correct diameter. The process is illustrated above. These washers have various uses in the experimenter's lab-oratory and often are hard to obtain in the correct length and diameter. By this method the length can be any desired. (Author send

Advertising Device



The above illustration shows a method of advertising. The lines on the circular figure are unintelligible when viewed in the ordinary manner, but if held in an edgewise position as shown, words become visible. By turning the top 90 degrees to the left, another phrase can be seen. By exercising a little ingenuity in the combination of words and phrases, other designs may be made.

—J. E. Peterson.

EVOLUTION AGAIN

Editor, SCIENCE AND INVENTION:

I am an old friend of your excellent magazine having read it from the time of the ELECTRICAL EXPERIMENTER. I especially approve of your "Readers Forum" and consider it one of the most commendable departments of the most commendable departments of your journal. I always keep SCIENCE AND INVENTION on file as it certainly does help me out of tight pinches quite frequently, for I am of argumentative temperament.

I read Mr. Riordan's opinion of evolution. I have always fostered Evolution and consider his attack very inventional.

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"In the first place," as Mr. Meeker points out, "Mr. Riordan does not understand Evolution. That is obvious from the way he writes." Now, there is just a possibility that those who accuse others of having gone beyond reason may have done so themselves—or never have arrived at that place yet. If simple statements make truth, we ought to believe the "Arabian Nights," as all we see there are simple statements. Why. all we have there are magical words and Genii! When a man of that time wished to go anywhere, he need only jump on a carpet and mumble some incoherent, meaningless jargon and he will arrive at his wished-for destination almost instantaneously! Very simple statements! Amazingly simple! An "age of Miracles" undoubtedly!

Mr. Riordan would have us believe that the allpowerful faat went forth. "Abra-cadabra-dum(b)-dum(b)-dum(b), which means in our English tongue "Let there be light!"

"Let there be light!"

Mr. Riordan accuses Evolution of being "a far-fetched, unprovable theory." While, according to him, the Biblical "simple" story, "a perfectly simple and plausible explanation." I most heartly agree with him about the "simple" part of it. I maintain the Jews were at the childhood of the human race (so to speak) and their explanation accordingly child-like as well as possessing the merit (?) of "simpleness" combined with reason. As stated above, Mr. Riordan asserts that Evolution is unprovable. I wonder: has he ever read Darwin or Ernst Hacekel or both? Perhaps their writings are too complex to be reasonable, hence the theory put forth by one, and maintained by the other, is also unreasonable and "far-fetched." At any rate, I, for one, am ready to prove the truth of Evolution to him as soon as he will prove the truth of the Biblical tale which he considers so reasonable and simple. I believe the Biblical account is not half so probable or possible as the old Chaldean hypothesis if "simplicity" is to be considered the judge of reasonableness. Mr. Riordan accuses Evolution of being "a far-

sonableness.

I would suggest it would be well for these Evolution-and-man-made hypotheses-knockers to read the writings of the above mentioned disciples of Evolution, then read somewhat of the Moulton-Chamberlin Planetesimal Hypothesis, compare it with the Biblical version and decide which are the more rational. And in the meantime, compare the two classes of people putting these theories forth (the present, exact age and the age when "Pi" was considered as "3."

The Experimenter

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Hugo Gernsback



SCIENCE AND INVENTION desires to hear from its readers. It solicits comments of general scientific interest, and will appreciate opinions on science subjects. The arguments pro and con will be aired on this page. This magazine also relishes criticisms, and will present them in both palatable and unpalatable forms. So if you have anything to say, this is the place to say it. Please limit your letters to 500 words and address your letters to Editor—The Readers Forum, c/o Science and Invention Magazine, 53 Park Place, New York City.

"Damnant quod non intelligunt."

George Brett, Pullman, Wash.

(Now, maybe Mr. Riordan will have something to project into the controversy. Go to it boyst—EDITOR).

CRIME. HEREDITY AND EXECUTIONS

CRIME, HEREDITY AND EARCO.

Editor, SCIENCE AND INVENTION:

In reading over the different articles in your different magazines. I have come to the conclusion that you must have authorities on practically every subject at your service. Please refer this letter to the person who is best fitted to answer these questions: Is crime a disease? Is it inherited? Do you think that executions have any effect on the minds of those criminally inclined?

IVAN D. DAWSON,

Brillion, Wis.

Brillion, Wis.

(Your first question as to whether or not crime is a disease cannot be answered as put. Crime itself is a specific act and may or may not be the effect of a diseased mind. More often the making of a criminal is due to environment and conditions. Most of those incarevated in state institutions either accuse their companions, their parents, or temporary conditions for their predicaments. Occasionally we come across a kleptomaniac who will steal because he "simply cannot help it," or a pyromaniac will burn houses for the "pleasure" he derives from seeing buildings burn, watching the engines rush to the scenes of the fires and even listening to the cries for help from those trapped in the burning buildings. In these cases the tendency toward the criminal act can be attributed to faulty mentality or natural perversion. Even crimes of greater degree may be caused by perverted individuals, but such cases are relegated rather to the asylum than to the criminal courts for ultimate determination.

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It may not seem to be true, but one frequently finds that the newspapers are largely responsible for crime waves by playing up the crime in scare heads. One reads of a bank robber who so easily broke into some bank and leisurely walked out with a million dollars. A few days later the action will be duplicated in another city in a slightly different manner and again played up by the papers. The desire for speedy money becomes great and some newspaper reader will take the chance and thus start on a criminal career. Association with characters having criminal tendencies invariably produces crime. Rarely a criminal will steal because he needs the money, and it is to be regretted that those who do this often get greater sentences than those who steal wast sums by bucket shop methods. Tendency toward crime is not ordinarily hereditary; some of our lawyers attempt to show that mitigating circumstances are present in "wealthy" criminals, and expose the entire history of the lives of both parents, and lay particular stress on any perversity which may have been present in the lives of the parents and introduce this into the discussion. In this way the attorney may cause the jury to act more lemiently toward the criminal. Insane parents may have children similarly afflicted, but this condition need not necessarily follow, although Dr. Kraft von Ebing reports in his book "Psychopathia Sexualis" thousands of cases in which heredity played an important part. Likewise in the very excellent work of Prof. Eugene Bleuter called "The Text Book of Psychiatry," heredity is considered as a germinal predisposition. This eminent authority states that, "it was always known that mental diseases converge in one family and lack in another, and that in the families with mental diseases the members that are not really diseased very frequently show certain deviations which often

is greater in America than in any other country. In some states where execution is not permitted, the crinic wave is low and in others it is high. In some states where execution is required by law, there is a great deal of crime, and in adjoining states where execution is likewise required, it is low. Italy, for instance, does not execute her criminals; England does, and does so rapidly. The percentage of crime is low in both countries. It seems that the law here is too lenient and too slow. too slow.

and too slow.

All the questions which you have brought up, and particularly the last one, are interesting and may be made subjects of debates at high schools or colleges.—Editor.)

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I have read SCIENCE AND INVENTION:
TION since its infancy, when it started out as the original EXPERIMENTER, and I have a bound file up to three years ago and all the loose copies since, and I can always find "two bits" when the new one comes out. While at times the information is a trille meagre on some one subect, I more than appreciate the boiling down policy of SCIENCE AND INVENTION of not having to wade through a whole page of endless, useless words to gain the meaning that can be put into a paragraph, and I think most of the readers do too.

As to contributions. I have sent in probably

As to contributions, I have sent in probably about a hundred, and have had about ten accepted, and while in one case I was inclined to think that my contribution was a good one, I knew that the bulk of them were wrong somewhere or they would have been accepted. "It's easy to win—it's losing that's hard."

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And again as a side line and a hobby I'm a printer, that is, I pick up a small newspaper and build it up and then dispose of it, and I fully appreciate the SCIENCE AND INVENTION editors' job of turning out this publication in this form once a month. If you doubt my word go out in some small country town, buy a run-down weekly newspaper, and try to build up a circulation, and make a real publication of it. That's why the average typesetter grows bald-headed and stoopshouldered.

Some time ago, probably six or eight months ago, you printed an article on making a lens out of two watch crystals. Our famous inventor, Jules Verne. inspired "Cyrus" and the reporter (in his sequel to 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea) in the Mysterious Island to use this means to produce fire.

"HI-TENSION PETE, Minneapolis, Minn.

(If "Hi-Tension Pete" can win prizes in Science and Invention's contest, there is no reason why any other individual could not win some of the awards which this publication is paying monthly. One must be patient and not become discouraged at the first or second failure. And above all, one must know and submit the proper material. Hi-Tension Pete did. So can you.)

Hook-Ups via Radio

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WRNY

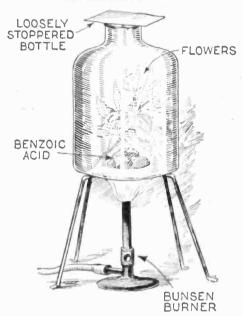
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WRINKLES RECIPES & FORMULAS Edited by S. Gernsback



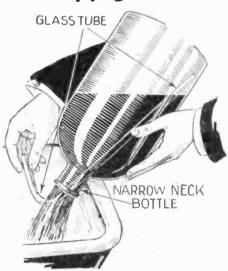
Artificial Frost



If a few grains of benzoic acid are placed in a loosely stoppered bottle along with some flowers and the container is carefully heated as illustrated, the benzoic acid will sublime and crystallize on the flowers, giving the appearance of hoar frost. Upon cooling, the bottle may be tightly stoppered and used as an ornament. The artificial frost will remain permanently on the flowers.

-Arthur A. Blumenfeld.

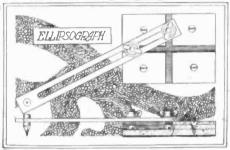
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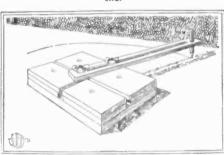
When cleaning narrow mouth bottles, they have to be filled and emptied several times and it is always noticed that emptying them is a lengthy process. This is because of the difficulty which the outside air finds in entering the bottle to replace the space from which the fluid is removed. The emptying process the fluid is removed. The emptying process may be hastened considerably by making use of a glass tube as illustrated above. This tube allows air to enter the bottle quickly.

—C. A. Oldroyd.

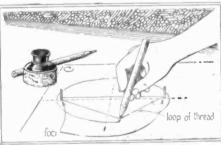
An Ellipsograph



The base of the ellipsograph illustrated above is made of 9 strips of hard wood as shown. The Machine screw heads slide in the "T" slots. The arm is slotted to permit adjustment and carries a pen or pencil at its outer



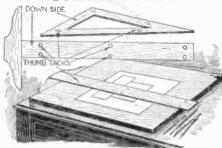
ellipsograph is shown in action above. is covered with felt to prevent damage to drawings.



A simpler instrument for drawing ellipses is shown above. A phonograph needle is placed at each focus and a loop of thread placed around them so that it forms a triangle between the foci and a point on the periphery of the ellipse to be drawn. Move the pencil around as shown, keeping the loop taut.

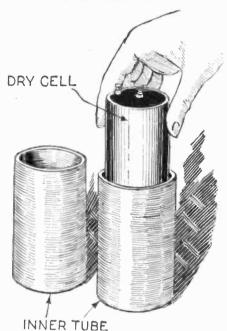
—P. A. Judd.

Draftsman's Aid



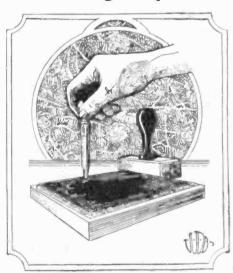
Thumb tacks placed in the sides of drawing which make contact instruments board aid them in sliding over the work. In the case of celluloid triangles, the thumb tack may extend through whereupon the point is riveted or clinched. —G. A. Luers.

Cell Protector



After a few weeks' use, the paper covers of dry cells are usually tattered and torn, exposing the zinc and sometimes causing short-circuits. A section of inner tube makes a good cover for dry cells. Remove all the paper or cardboard shell and slip the inner tube section over the cell as shown above. -Arthur A. Blumenfeld.

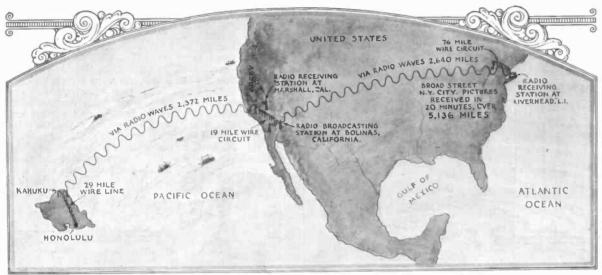
Preserving Stamp Pads



When your stamp pad dries out it does so because the liquid ingredient of the ink has cvaporated and left only the basic material of the pad impregnated with the coloring mater. This, of course, is so hard that a rubber stamp cannot be coated with ink therefrom. As most rubber stamp ink pads have a large water content, the dried out pad may often be rejuvenated and brought back to its original usefulness by moistening the surface with a few drops of water.—Philippe A. Judd.

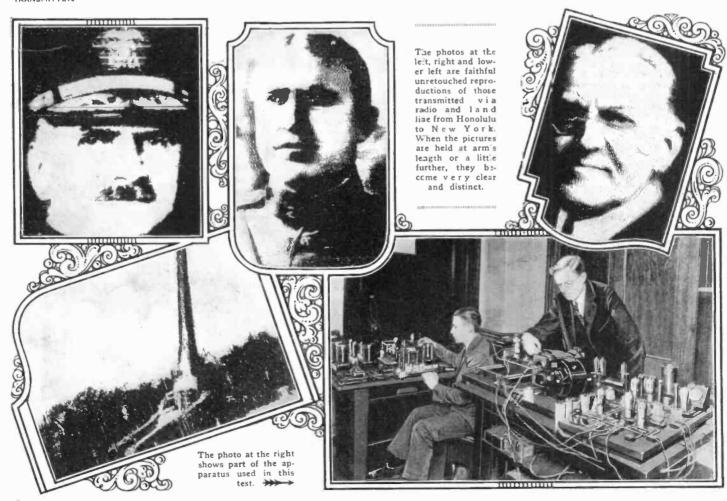


Photos Sent 5,000 Miles



LIGHT ELECTRIC CURRENT RADIO WAVES PULSES WAVES PULSES PULSES RECEPTION

IN a recent most successful test which marks the passing of another milestone in radio history, several photos were transmitted from Honolulu, Hawaii, to New York City by ra-dio with the aid of three short telegraph lines. The photos originating out in the far off Pacific Ocean were quite faith-fully reproduced in New York City as is shown by their reproduction below. Our map at the right shows the distanc-es over which the radio waves traveled and the chart directly below the map indicates the vari-ous changes that the photos or rather their equivalents in light.
electricity and radio through during the journey.



WRNY-Radio

WRNY's control room under construction. In the foreground is the partially completed speech input system, in the middle the main transmitter panel, and on the right is the power control panel. Note the false flooring which covers all conduits inter-connecting the panels and the special grounding system used throughout the room. Upon completion of all wiring, this floor will be entirely finished and all wires hidden.

The foresight of Hugo Gernsback, editor-in-chief of this magazine and RADIO NEWS, is responsible for the short wavelength, 258.5 meters, which has been assigned to that station. In Mr. Gernsback's opinion, and that opinion is based on sound facts and reason-

ing, the short waves are the coming thing in radio broadcasting. As the wave-lengths become less, the frequency of the emitted wave increases and tuning becomes more selective. Therefore, even though a reduction in wave-length will mean certain changes in the present day standardized types of receiving sets, still when these changes have been made and the broadcasting stations are all operating on lower wave-lengths, the public will be far better off than they are today. As confirmation of these statements, one has

only to listen in on some of the short broadcasting being carried on by station KDKA today. Tuning in this station on about 62 meters, one finds the tuning infinitely sharp.

Below is shown the auto-

matic control used by the announcer of WRNY,

which enables him to cut the station off the air at any moment desired. Thus

stage talk and other ex-

traneous noises will not be

transmitted. Note soundproof door between studio

and apparatus room.

The photographs on this and the opposite page show some of the constructional fea-tures of station WRNY. The station at the The station at the time of writing is not as yet in operation, and we therefore seized upon the chance to present to our readers some of the methods used in construction of a broadcasting station and also some of the new features incor-porated in WRNY, which would not be so obvious after the station is completed, with most of these fine details hidden from sight. A noticeable feature is the absence of visible wiring between the panels of the transmitters. All this wiring is hidden under the floor. Another great feature and one which should interest every listener is the automatic control illustrated in the lower right-hand corner of this page. From this point, the announcer, shown testing the apparatus, can turn off the entire equipment from the air momentarily when necessary.

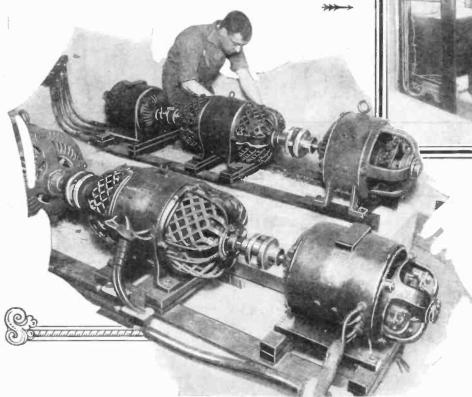
WRNY is equipped with duplicate power plants supplying all the power for the transmitters. Continuity of service is assured for if one power plant goes wrong or is in need of repairs, the operator can immediately switch to the other plant by merely throwing the switch illustrated above. Chief Operator, Novy, is operating this switch.



The heart of WRNY is shown at the left. Four large 250 watt vacuum tubes provide the power for putting this station over with a big "kick." Note the size of tubes as compared with the small receiving tube placed between them.

News, N. Y.

A VIEW of WRNY in construction. At left of photo is shown the partially installed speech input equipment, while at the right appears a front view of the main transmitter panel. In the background Mr. E. W. Novy, chief operator, may be seen making some preliminary tests. Note the lightning switch overhead and the Western Union clock, which will insure the correct time being given at all times from WRNY. In this room there will be operators in constant attendance on the apparatus at all times during broadcasting. There will be men to watch the various instruments and see that everything is going along as it should. Then there will also be a relay of men listening in on the wave-lengths used by ships at sea, in order to intercept any SOS messages, calling for cessation of broadcasting.



These two sets of motor-generators supply for WRNY 2.000 volts available for plate current, and 18 volts at 30 amperes for filament current for the operation of the powerful transmitter located two floors below. Note the rigid construction for the foundations of these units, which was made possible by their being in a specially constructed sound-proof room and remotely controlled from the main transmitter room. These two sets of motor-generators are connected to the large switch shown in the center of the opposite page, each unit being connected to one set of switch jaws. The blades of the switch are connected to the transmitting apparatus, and in this way the motor-generator to be used can be selected by the operator from the transmitter room.

Hail, Hail, the Gang's all here. This is the male population of WRNY celebrating the first successful test transmission from their station. Reading from right to left: Mr. David Reed, Director of Programs, and famed as the author of "Love Me and the World Is Mine"; E. W. Novy, chief operator and former chief operator of station WSUI, State University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa; Wm. DeMello, former chief operator at station WMAF, Round Hills Radio Corp., at South Dartmouth, Mass.; Gilson V. Willets, Manager, formerly director of station WOS, Jeffer'son City, Mo., and later operator and announcer at station WOC, Davenport, Iowa; James Maresca, former supervisor of the big trans-Atlantic station at Chatham, Mass. It is interesting to note that these four member's of the engineering staff of WRNY have a total commercial radio experience of thirty-nine years, which is believed to be more than any other broadcasting station in the country can total for their operating staff. Every operator on the WRNY staff holds a first-class, first-grade, commercial radio license and these four licenses are shown on the wall above the boys. And so, when you listen in to station WRNY, you will know that station is being operated at top notch efficiency.



Circuitgrams" via Radio

By HUGO GERNSBACK

HE writer presents herewith somewhat of a novelty, in connection with the broadcast station operated by the owners of this magazine. The new station WRNY, located at the Roosevelt Hotel, New York, and operating on a wave-Hotel, New York, and operating on a wavelength of 258.5 meters, will broadcast the new radio circuitgrams once a week, on Mondays at 9 P. M., commencing June 22. This will be a regular weekly feature, which should soon become popular in the radio fraternity.

The writer, who has originated the circuitgram, on which patents are pending, has kept in mind the fact that the radio fans are always on the look-out for the latest radio hook-up. New hook-ups are originated almost every week, and it is the purpose of WRNY to broadcast these the moment they

make their appearance.

The method of broadcasting any and all circuitgram hook-ups is extremely simple. The WRNY announcer will first state what sort of hook-up it is, whether it is a regenerative, a reflex, a super-heterodyne circuit, or what not. He will then advise that you use circuitgram blank 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5—whichever is best suited for the occasion.

Suppose the hook-up of a single-tube, tuned radio frequency reflex circuit is to be broadcast. The announcer will then speak as follows:

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nection numbers as follows: "Connect 1-7, 8-9, 12-42, 13-23, 22-12, 13-28, 9-29, 8-47, 44-54, 45-46, 47-53, 26-64, 27-66, 43-55, 56-69, 57-63, 63-65, 58-64, 70-62, 61-54."

and make sure that you have copied all numbers correctly.

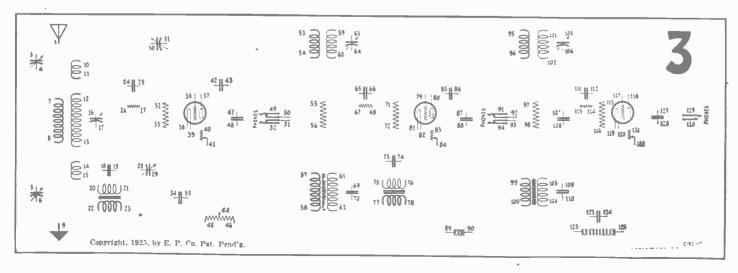
If any special information is needed, as, for instance, in the completed hook-up shown

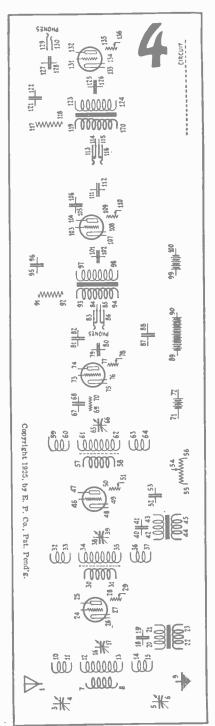
"We shall now broadcast a tuned radio frequency reflex hook-up. Please refer to circuitgram No. 1, single tube."

The announcer will then read off the con-

As he slowly reads these numbers, all you have to do is take them down. After reading off all numbers, the announcer will repeat them, so you can go over your record

in Fig. 6, the announcer will give such information immediately after the numbers have been read. Thus, for instance, he will give the number of turns and size of wire





of coils 7-8 and 12-13; the ratio transformer 26-27, 28-29; what crystal to use in 65-66; and all other necessary infor-

And that is all there is to it. After the announcer has finished, all you have to do is take your record with the key numbers and fill in the lines on the circuitgram. You will then have a complete hook-up, as shown in Fig. 6. This is simplicity itself. and provides not only a lot of entertainment, but useful instruction as well.

It will be noted that the blank circuitgrams shown on these pages have been laid out in such a manner that it is possible to broadcast any modern hook-up, no matter what circuit is used.

Thus, for instance, it will be seen that the one-tube hook-up circuitgram provides for any possible circuit that could be used, such as detector, regeneration, reflex, radio frequency or for any combination of these employing a single tube.

As will be noted from illustration No. 6 the instruments that are not used in any particu-lar hook-up are simply left un-connected. For this reason, even though the reader does not listen in to WRNY in order to take advantage of new hookups that are being broadcast. he can now draw his own hookups on the circuitgrams, without the necessity of first drawing the usual radio symbols.

It is interesting to note that it takes only two minutes to broadcast a hook-up of the type shown in Fig. 6.

The publishers of this magazine have prepared a tablet with blank circuitgram forms similar to those illustrated here, containing a goodly quantity of blanks. They will be furnished at 25c per tablet, sent postpaid.

The author would very much like to hear from our readers as to how they like this new feature, and any suggestions and improvements will be very gratefully received.

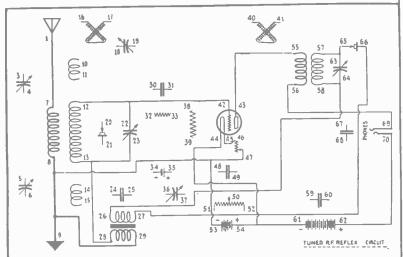


Figure 6. This illustration is a repetition of Illustration 1, except that the wise connections have been drawn on the Circuitgram. When the announcer says. "Connect 22 to 12," it is understood that it is not necessary to run the wire over where the figure 12 is, but simply making connection on the 12 wire is sufficient. The same is the case with 13-28, and other similar ones.

both aerial and loop are used, and provision has also been made for push-pull transformers if such should be used in a special circuit. In case it should be necessary to advise the use of resistance-coupled amplification, it will be seen that the new Circuitst to note that a complicated diagram, as, completely broadcast within ten minutes, ≅www3 §www. (00000)⁵ \$ (0000) B 165 38 15 to gram provides for this as well. It is of interest for instance, a 7-tube super-heterodyne can be co giving all the details of the circuit 2WWW3 Si Composition de la composition della compositi 148 145 EWWW3 ≝wwwa ≥www₂ ≌(00000J≌ 2(00000)= § 00000]

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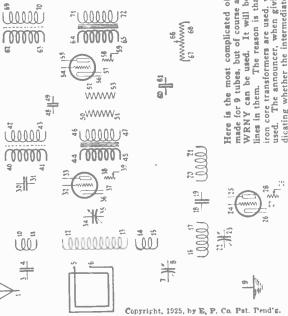
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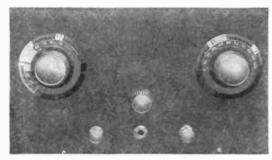
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ost complicated of all—the super-heterodyne Circuitgram. Provision is es, but of course any number of tubes as mentioned by the announcer at a used. It will be seen that the intermediate transformers have dotted. The reason is that sometimes, as for instance in the Tropadyne circuit, corners are used, whereas in the Ultradyne circuit air core coils would be touncer, when giving the details of the set, will give the information iner the intermediate coils are iron core or air core. It will be noted that Here is the most complicated of all—the super-heter made for 9 tubes, but of course any number of tubes in WRNY can be used. It will be seen that the interlines in them. The reason is that sometimes, as for i iron core transformers are used, whereas in the Ultrad used. The announcer, when giving the details of the dicating whether the intermediate coils are iron core

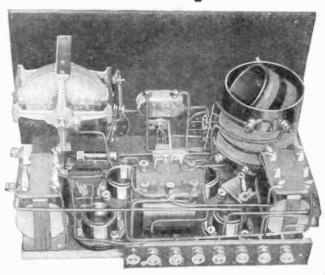


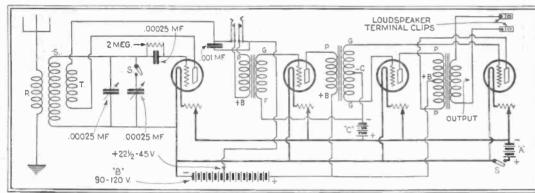
Three Circuit Tuner-Push-Pull Amplifier



The neat panel layout of this receiving set is shown directly above. Only two controls are used, one for tuning and the other for regeneration. The carbon disk rheostat, the control knob of which is located in the center of the panel directly above the jack may be used to control all four tubes. The switch at the left of the jack controls the filaments and that at the right, the capacity of the two-section variable condenser.

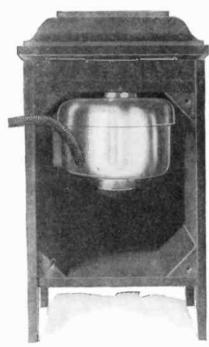
The highly efficient, selective and simple set illustrated on this page can be built by anyone in a very short time. The well known three circuit tuner employing a standard coupler and a good make of low loss condenser is used. The results are all that can be asked for, both as to volume and clarity of the reproduced music and speech. The push-pull amplification feature assures all this. The push-pull transformers may be of any standard make such as those illustrated.



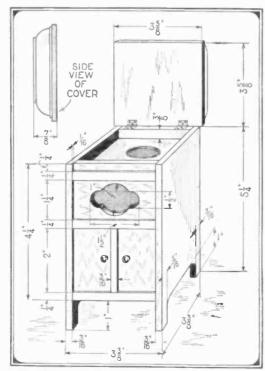


In the circuit diagram shown at the left, four separate rheostats are shown for the four tubes. This is not necessary as was demonstrated by the author in constructing this set, but is a desirable feature when unmatched tubes are employed. With standardized tubes, however, the one rheostat shown in the set above will give quite satisfactory control. For tuning and for "DX" work, the phones may be plugged in the jack and the loud speaker left connected to the clips provided. Removing the plug from the jack automatically connects the rest of the circuit and loud speaker. — Sidney E. Finkelstein, Assoc. I. R. E.

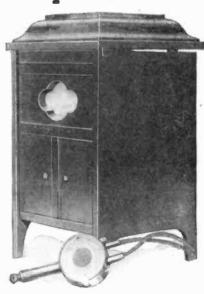
A Miniature Phonograph Loudspeaker



The cabinet is shown with the back panel off. It is seen that the loudspeaker unit is wedged in place and can easily be adjusted. When the loudspeaker is working the top cover is raised and it is surprising to note the quality of the music reproduced. The parts are glued together, after which two or three coats of stain are applied and carefully rubbed in. A wax polish gives the desired finishing touches.



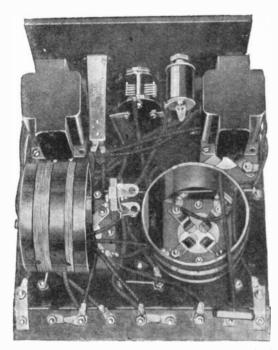
The dimensions of the various parts used in the construction of the speaker are given in the cut above. Note the circular aperture in the top of the cabinet through which the sound issues from the reproducer unit. The unit is simply wedged into place and can be readily adjusted from the rear of the cabinet. The opening in the front is made by drilling a series of holes and covering them with silk cloth.



How many of us have misgivings when we purchase a new loudspeaker and find that it does not present an entirely pleasing appearance in a room! The phonograph, in miniature, is reproduced and gives excellent results when fitted with an adjustable phone unit. Note the comparative size of the cabinet alongside the phone plug. Standing but a little more than six inches high and made in this instance of mahogany, the speaker is both novel and of pleasing appearance. —Leon Adelman.

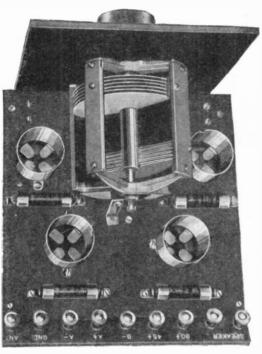
Four-Tube Portable

By SIDNEY E. FINKELSTEIN, A.M.,I.R.E.

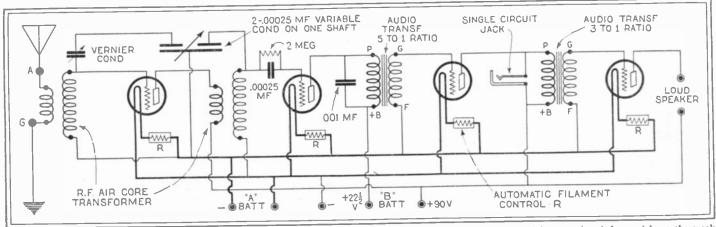


The above photo shows the bottom view of the assembled four-tube portable receiver. Note the compact arrangement of parts. The midget condenser in the center of the front panel serves to equalize the radio frequency and detector circuits. To the right of the condenser is the filament switch and to the left is the jack which is placed in the first stage of audio frequency amplification.

SUMMER is rapidly coming on and people will soon be going out into the open. may wish to take a radio set along with them. We have in this article, a fine four-tube receiver which takes up no more space than a hat box. can use a single wire antenna about 100 feet long and get good ground connection by either driving a stake into the ground, or else a copper or galvanized iron nail into a tree. Fairly good reception may even be had without the use of an antenna. The front panel of the set measures 7½ inches square. This receiver consists of one stage of tuned radio frequency detector, and two stages of audio frequency amplification in a very compact arrangement. The receiver is controlled by a single dial which makes it highly desirable for outdoor use. This feature is made possible by the use of a special condenser of low-loss construction. The condenser tunes the first radio frequency stage and the detector at once. A midget condenser in series with the radio frequency circuit equalizes any change in it from the detector circuit.



This photo shows the use of the ultra-vario condenser in the circuit. It consists of two rotor sections and two stator sections insulated from each other. In the back of the tube-sockets are seen the automatic filament control resistances, which do away with the use of filament rheostats, thereby simplifying the construction of the set.



In the circuit used in this four-tube portable receiver, the coils are wound on three-inch diameter tubes. The secondary consists of 60 turns of No. 24 double cotton covered wire and the primary is wound directly over the secondary and consists of ten turns of the same wire.

High ratio transformers may be used becouse they help to pick up the weak output of the detector. The best of material should be used in the construction of this receiver because of the weakness of the signal. Small batteries can be used because the drain on them is not heavy.

Latest Short-Wave Radio News

THIRTEEN years ago, when the first bill governing radio amateurs was passed, those wave-lengths below 200 meters were assigned to the amateurs, because at the time these waves were considered useless for wireless communication. The amateurs jumped in with a will and soon showed the Government that some wonderful work could be performed on these short waves, as 200 meters was considered at that time.

Then with the advent of the vacuum tube transmitter for general use, higher frequencies and lower wave-lengths could be employed. The Government thought that it would be a good idea to let the amateur experimenters work with some of the shorter waves and see what they could do.

Recent results on waves between 20 and 85 meters have been astounding. On 80 meters,

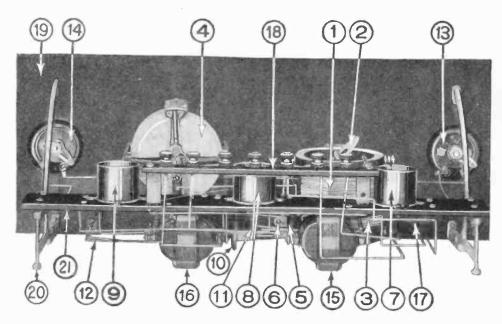
trans-continental transmission with the power input of 30 watts on a so-called 5-watt tube has become a nightly affair. On 20 and 40 meters, even greater distances during broad daylight have been covered. Heretofore, before the opening of the 20- and 40-meter bands, daylight was considered as a poor time for transmission. However, with these two bands, 4,000 and 5,000 mile transmission during broad daylight is an accomplished fact. John L. Reinartz, 1XAM, established contact with the west coast during daylight using very low power on 20 meters. Recently, April 19th, station 9XN, conducting experiments on apparatus to be used by the MacMillan Expedition to the North Pole, was heard by J. G. Ritchie, of Glasgow, Scotland, during broad daylight. Mr. Ritchie also stated that he had logged station 9ZT,

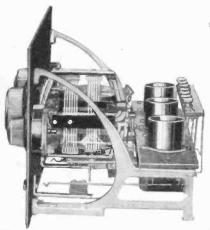
Minneapolis, Minn., seven days before. We have undoubtedly only scratched the surface of the uses of short waves and we may soon expect to hear of even more phenomenal results obtained with these waves at an early future date. The latest short wave band in the neighborhood of three-quarters of a meter will undoubtedly open a vast field of experimental work in the way of directed radio. With this short wave-length the size of the reflector will not be prohibitive, and the ordinary radio room can contain one with Some interesting experimental work ease. along this line has been done by L. D. Grig-non, S. M. Hude and Frank C. Jones at station 6XM. Several extremely short wave oscillators of low power, using 5-watt tubes, have been built and tested with exceptional and most gratifying results.

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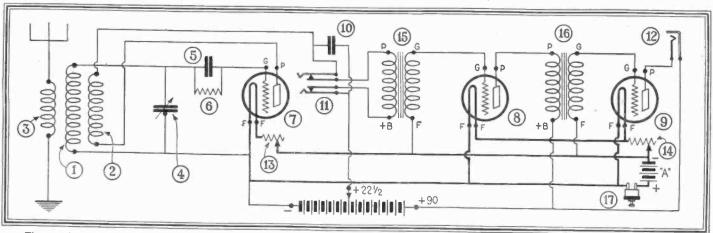
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By A. P. PECK,



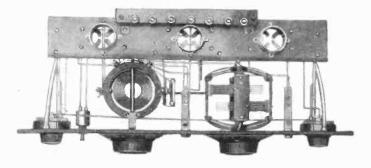


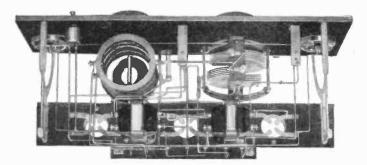
The efficient three-tube, three-circuit tuner detailed on this and the two succeeding pages is shown at the left and above. The numbers on the photographs at the left are carried through this entire article. The mounting brackets shown in the above photograph are a manufactured product.



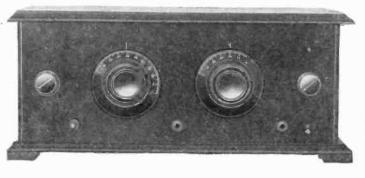
The complete schematic circuit diagram of the three-circuit tuner under discussion is given directly above. Note that here each instrument is assigned a specific number. By referring from this diagram to the photo-

graph above, it will be seen that the connections to each instrument can be carefully checked, and the wires leading from that instrument to the others can be followed out quickly and accurately.





A top view of this receiving set is given directly above. Note the simple wiring and the neat arrangement of all of the parts. The long narrow strip supporting the sockets is in turn supported by the end brackets. The sockets shown are of the shell type without bases although of course standard sockets equipped with bases may be substituted. In such an event it will not be necessary to drill the large holes necessary when shell-type sockets are used.

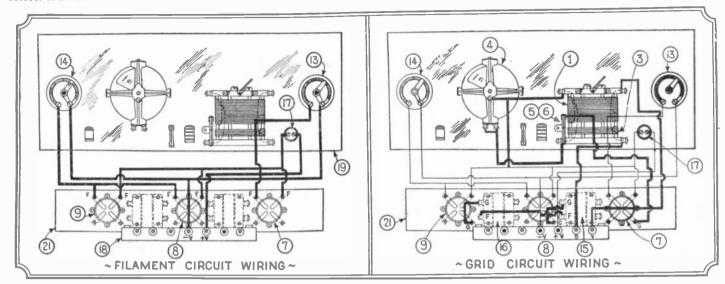


A bottom view of the tuner is given directly above, and a panel view of the entire unit placed in its cabinet at the left. In the above view, the placing of the audio frequency transformers and the springs of the sockets can be easily seen. The mounting of the grid leak and condenser on a binding post of the coupler or tuning coil can also be seen as may also the exact position of the phone or blocking condenser. 10 in the diagram above. The grid leak and condenser are numbers 6 and 5 respectively.

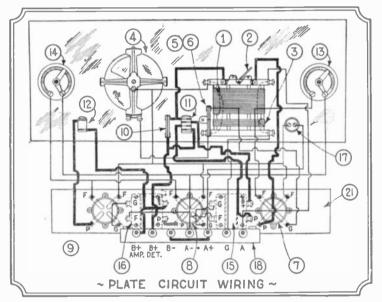
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Exceedingly Efficient Three-Tube Three-Circuit Tuner Explicit Manner Possible

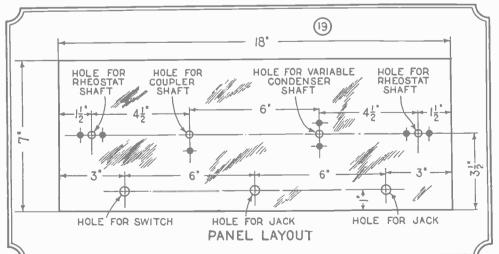
Assoc. I. R. E.



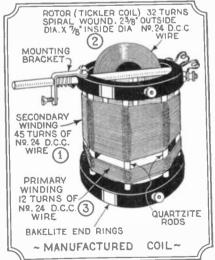
On this page, we introduce a radically new system of showing the various steps in the wiring of a radio set. We have divided the circuits into three distinct and separate groups and are showing them above and at the right in the order in which the wiring should be done. First, the filament circuit is to be wired. Begin at the A+ binding post, connect up the switch, 17, and then the three sockets. Then from the A—post connect the two rheostats 13 and 14 and the remaining filament springs on the sockets. By proceeding in this manner, the work of wiring the set is exceedingly simplified and the chances of making wrong connections reduced to a minimum. Stick to the specific section of the circuit that you are wiring at one time and you will find that the work will progress in a very satisfactory manner.



After the filament circuits are wired, the next step is the grid circuits. These are detailed above in heavy lines, the wires of the filament circuit which are already in place being shown in fine lines. In making these connections, one wire, that from the secondary of the coil to the grid leak and condenser is eliminated by mounting the grid condenser directly on the binding post of the coil as shown at 5 and 6 above. The grid leak and condenser used in this particular set are of the combined type, the clips for mounting the grid leak being fastened directly to the condenser. The plate circuit wiring is the next and final step and is illustrated at the left. Here again the connections already made, those of the filament and grid, are indicated in thin lines and those to be made, the plate circuit, in heavy lines.



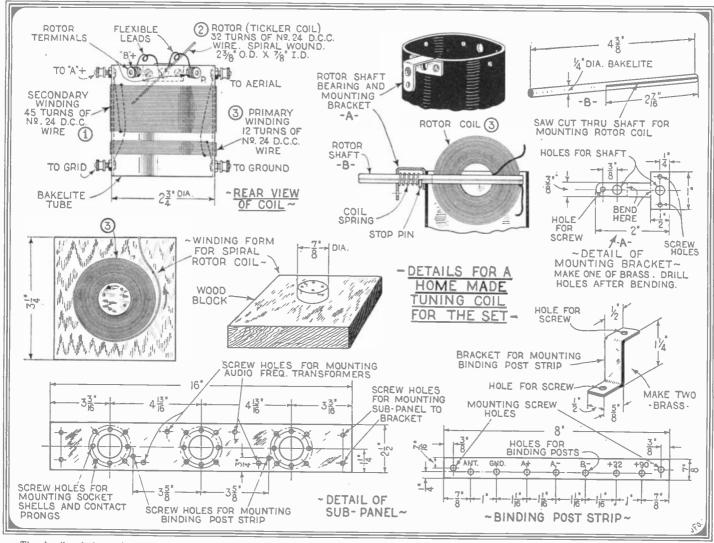
In laying out the panel of a new receiving set, the builder either mars or enhances the final appearance of the entire unit. If the holes are not properly centered and drilled, the dials will not line up and the result will be an unsymmetrical layout. To avoid this, use the panel layout given directly above. The distance between the holes in the panel and their positions thereon in relation to each other are shown. If a different type of condenser than that illustrated in the photos on the opposite page is used, the mounting holes for the same will have to be changed. However, keep the shaft holes in the same position.



A highly efficient manufactured coil for use in this set is illustrated above. The numbers thereon indicate the windings and are for reference to the photo and diagram on the opposite page and the diagrams above. If you do not purchase a coil of this type, you can make one of your own.

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The details of the various home-made parts to be used in conjunction with the set described on the two succeeding pages are given above. A

home-made coil of exceedingly simple design, but one which will operate very efficiently is detailed as is also the sub-panel and binding post strip.

N the presentation of this constructional article to the radio public, the writer has departed somewhat from the beaten track and instead of offering a circuit diagram, one or two photos of the set and ietting the reader guess at the rest, he has, with the assistance of the artist, Joseph F. Odenbach, worked up what he considers to be one of the most complete radio articles ever published in any periodical

be one of the most complete radio articles ever published in any periodical.

Several photographs and a circuit diagram are published on page 254 and three progressive wiring diagrams, a panel layout, and a complete drawing of a manufactured coupler on page 255. The remaining constructional details are presented directly

Let us first assume that you have not bought one of the manufactured couplers and are desirous of making one yourself. A simple type is illustrated in detail above. The first requisite is a thin bakelite or paraffined cardboard tube 2¾ inches in diameter by 3¼ inches long. In one end of this tube drill two holes for the grid and ground binding posts and in the other end, four holes for the A+, B+, plate and aerial binding posts. At this end three other holes are to be drilled, one for the shaft and the other two for the small machine screws which hold the mounting bracket in place. After these holes are drilled and the posts mounted, wind the primary and secondary coils fol-

lowing the data given in the rear view of the coil above. Leave a space of about 1/4 of an inch between these two windings.

From fairly heavy strip brass, cut a piece, the details of which are shown at A Bend at the indicated points and drill the necessary holes. The two large ones will be of just sufficient size to allow the shaft to slip through and turn easily but must not be so large as to allow the shaft to wobble. The other holes are for fastening to the tube and panel. After you have as-sembled this mounting bracket on the stator, place a 1/4-inch bakelite rod, 43/8 inches long in a vise and very carefully cut along the length of the rod with a hacksaw for a distance of 2 7/16 inches. This is shown at B above. The rotor coil which in this particular set is of the pancake type, as such a type has been found most efficient, is next to be wound and requires careful workmanship. It is not a hard proposition, however, and you only need be careful in order to insure good results. Provide a winding form as shown and after fastening one end of the No. 24 D.C.C. wire in a slot in the round center portion, start with the winding, proceeding a fraction of a turn at a time and holding that portion which has already been wound in place with the fingers of the left hand, guiding the wire with the right. After three or four turns have been wound, place a drop of collodion on the winding and let it

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dry for a few seconds. It will hold the wire firmly in place. Do this every few turns, in order to keep the winding smooth and firm. When 32 turns have been wound, coat the whole upper surface of the winding with collodion and when dry, carefully remove from the block, using a thin bladed knife if necessary. Turn over and paint the untreated side with collodion. Solder the ends of the wire to two flexible leads, slip the coil into the slot in the bakelite rod and bind the rod in two or three places with strong wax thread. Apply a drop of collodion at the where the coil and rod touch. Assemble the rotor in the stator, using a coil spring and stop pin as shown and the coupler will be complete. The stop pin may consist of a short thin machine screw passing through a hole in the shaft and fastened with a nut so that the end of the machine screw will strike the mounting bracket and prevent a complete rotation of the coil.

The details of the sub-panel are given, although they need not be followed if standard sockets are used. The latter can be mounted directly on the sub-panel by drilling only two holes for fastening. The binding post strip is also detailed.

The writer would deem it a favor if our radio readers would let him know how they like this type of constructional article and make suggestions for future articles of a similar nature.

Radio Broadcast REVISED AND CORRECTED TO DATE

First Group of Figures Indicate the Power in Watts in the Antenna of the Transmitting Station. The Second Group Gives the Wave-Length.

	Power		Power	C-11	Pow
Call Letters	Location and Name Length	Call Letters	Location and Name Length	Call Letters	Location and Name & Way
KDKA	East Pittshurgh, Pa., Westing-	KFGQ	Poone, Iowa, Crary Hardware Co	KFNG	Coldwater, Miss., Wooten's Radio and Electric Shop 10—23
KDKA	house Electric & Mfg. Co. Variable-309.1	KFGX	Orange, Tex., First Presby- terian Church 500—250	KFNJ	Warrensburg, Mo., Central Missouri State Teachers'
KDLR	Devils Lake, N. D., Radio Electric Co	KFHA	Gunnison, Colo., Western State College of Colorado 50—252	KFNL	Paso Robles, Calif., Radio Broadcast Assn., Union
KDPM	Cleveland, Ohio, Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. ('o 500-250	KFHJ	Santa Barbara, Calif., Fallon &	EENT	High School 10-24
KDYL	Salt Lake City, Utah, Newhouse Hotel500—333.1	KFHL KFI	Oskaloosa, Iowa, Penn College 10—240 Los Angeles, Calif., Earle C.	KFNV	Santa Rosa, Calif., L. A. Drake Battery and Radio Supply
KDZB	Bakersfield, Calif., Frank E. Siefert	KFIF	Anthony (Inc.)2000—468.5 Portland, Ore., Benson Poly-	KFNY	Shop
KFAB	Lincoln. Neb., Nebraska Buick Auto Co 200-240	KFIO	technic Institute 100—248 Spokane. Wash. North Central High School 50—266	KFOA	Seattle, Wash., Rhodes Dept.
KFAD	Phoenix, Ariz., McArthur Bros. Mercantile Co500-299.8	KFIQ	Yakima, Wash., First Metho- dist Church	KFOC	Whittier, Calif., First Chris-
KFAE	Pullman, Wash., State College of Washington500—348.6	KFIU	Juneau, Alaska, Alaska Elec- tric Light & Power Co 10—226	KFOJ	tian Church
KFAF	Denver, Colo., Western Radio Corp	KFIZ	Fond du Lac, Wis Daily Com- monwealth & Seifert Radio	KFOL	Marengo, Iowa, Leslie M. Schafbuch
KFAJ	Boulder, Colo., University of Colorado	KFJB	Corp	KFON	Long Beach, Calif., Echophone Radio Shop
KFAN	Moscow, Idaho, University of Idaho	KFJF	Electric Co 10—248 Oklahoma, Okla., National Ra-	KFOO	Salt Lake City, Utah, Latter Day Saints University 5-20
KFAR	Hollywood, Calif., Studio Lighting Service Co 100-227	KFJI	dio Mig. Co	KFOR	David City, Nebr., David City Tire & Electric Co. (How-
KFAU	Boise, Idaho, Boise High School	KFJM	sity of North Daketa 100—278	КГОТ	ard A. Shuman) 20—2: Wichita, Kans., College Hill
KFAW	Santa Ana. Calif., The Radio Den10—214.2	KFJR	Portland, Oregon, c/o Ralph Schneelock Co		Radio Club (College Hill Methodist Church) 50-2.
KFBB	Havre, Mont., F. A. Buttrey & Co	KFJX	Ashley C. Dixon & Son 5—263	KFOX	Omaha, Nebr., Technical High School
FFRC KFBE	San Diego, Calif., W. K. Azhill 5-278 San Luis Obispo, Calif., Horn	KFJY	Teachers' College 50—258 Fort Dodge, Iowa, Tunwall	KFOY	St. Paul, Minn., Beacon Radio Service
KFBG	& Wilson	KFJZ	Radio Co	KFPG	Los Angeles, Calif, Oliver S. Garretson 10-2.
KFBK	Sacramento, Calif., Kimball-	KFKA	Branch	KFPH	Salt Lake City, Utah, Harold C. Mailander 50-2-
KFBL	Upson Co	KFKB	Teachers' College 50—273 Milford, Kans. Brinkley-Jones	KFPL KFPM	Greenville, Texas, New Furni-
KFBU	Thomas 50—270	KFKQ	Hospital Assn 500—273 Conway, Ark., Conway Radio Laboratories	KFPR	ture Co
KFCB	Phoenix, Ariz., Nielson Radio Supply Co 50—238	KFKU	Lawrence, Kans., University of Kansas 500—275	*******	partment 500-2
KFCC	Helena, Mont., First Congrega- tional Church 10—248	KFKX	Hastings, Nebr Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. ('o1500—288.3	KFPV	San Francisco, Calif., Heintz & Kohlmoos 50-2.
KFCF	Walla Walla, Wash., Frank A. Moore	KFLB	Menominee, Mich., Signal Electric Mfg. Co 50-248	KFPW	Carterville, Mo., St. Johns Church
KFCL	Los Angeles, Calif., Leslie E. Rice, Los Angeles Union	KFLP	Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Everette	KFPX	Pine Bluff, Ark., First Presby- terian Church 100—2
KFCY	Stock Yards 500—236 Le Mars, Jowa, Western Union	KFLR	M. Foster	KFPY	Spokane, Wash., Symons Investment Co 100-2
KFCZ	College	KFLU	San Benito, Tex., San Benito Radio Corp	KFQA KFQB	St. Louis, Mo., The Principia. 50-2 Fort Worth, Texas, Search-
KFDD	Boise, Idaho, St. Michaels Ca-	KFLV	Radio Corp. 10—236 Rockford, Ill., Swedish Evan- gelical Mission Church 100—229 Galveston, Tex., George R.	KFQC	light Publishing Co 100-2 Taft, Calif., Kidd Brothers
KFDH	Tucson, Ariz., University of Arizona	KFLZ	Clough	KFQG	Radio Shop
KFDJ	Corvallis, Ore., Oregon Agricultural College 50—254	KFMB	mobile Co	******	California Radio Assn 50—2
KFDL	Denver, Colo., Knight-Campbell Music Co	KFMQ	Churches of Little Rock —254 Fayetteville, Ark., University	KFQH	Burlingame, Calif., Radio Service Co. (Albert Sherman) 50-2
KFDM	Beaumont, Tex., Magnolia Pe-	KFMR	of Arkansas	KFQM	Austin, Texas, Texas Highway Bulletin
KFDX	troleum Co	KFMT	College	KFQP	Iowa City, Iowa, George S. Carson, Jr
KFDY	Brookings, S. Dak., South Da- kota State College of Agri-	KFMW		KFQR KFQT	Oklahoma, Okla., Walter L. Ellis
FED2	culture and Mechanic Arts 100—273 Minneapolis, Minn., Harry O.	KFMX	Northfield, Minn., Carleton College	KFQU	Guard, 36th Signal Company 10—2 Holy City, Calif., W. Riker 100—2
KFDZ	Iverson	KFNF	Shenandoah, Iowa, Henry Field Seed Co 500—266	KFQW	North Bend, Wash., C. F. Knierim Photo Radio &
KFEC	Frank Co 50—248 Denver, Colo., Winner Radio		***************************************	KFQY	Electric Shop 50—21: Belden, Nebr., Farmers State
KFEL	Corp 50—254 Oak, Nebr., Scroggin & Co.			KFQZ	Bank
KFEQ	Bank		\$5,000.00 Cash		Co
KFER KFEY	tric Service Co 10—231 Kellogg, Idaho, Bunker Hill &		for	KFRB KFRC	San Francisco, Calif., City of
MEL	Sullivan Mining & Concentrating Co	-	1	KFRF	Paris Dry Goods Co 50-2 Alexandria, La., W. R. Brown 10-2
KFFP	Moberly, Mo., First Baptist Church		A Successful	KFRH	Grafton, N. D., The Radio Shop (Martin L. Monson) 10-2
KFFR	Sparks, Nev., Nevada State Journal		PERPETUAL	KFRL	Grand Forks, N. D., Men's Club of First Presbyterian
KFFV	Lamoni, Iowa, Graceland College	I.A	OTION MACHINE	KFRM	Church 10-2 Fort Sill, Okla., Lieut, James
KFFY	Alexandria, La., Louisiana College		1	KFRN	P. Boland, U. S. A 50-2 Hauford, Calif., M. Laurence
KFGC	Bason Rouge, La., Louisiana	we	Ve don't want your patent rights. All ask is a demonstration satisfactory to	KFRP	Short
KFGD	State University 100—268 Chickasha, Okla., Oklahoma College for Women (J. A.	our	committee of experts. ontest closes March 1, 1926. Full de-	KFRQ	copal Church 10-2 Portland, Oreg., Radio Market
KFGH	Teeters)	tail	s in March, 1925 issue of SCIENCE INVENTION.	-	Service Co. (Harry M. Schultz) 5—:
**1 (111	Leland Stanford Junior University 500—270	t	NVENTON.	KFRU	Bristow, Okla., Etherical Ra- dio Co500—39

Call	Power
Letters KFRW	Location and Name & Wave
KFRX	Olympia. Wash. United Churches of Olympia 100—220
KFRY	Pullman, Wash., J. Gordan Klemgard
WED.	
KFRZ	ture and Mechanic Arts 50—266 Hartington, Neb., Electric Shop (P. M. Thies) 15—222 Los Angeles, Calif., Echo Park Fyangelistic Aeen. 500 278
KFSG KFSY	Evangelistic Assn 500—278 Helena, Mont., Van Blaricom
KFUJ	Co
KFUL	Breckenridge, Minn., Hoppert Plumbing & Heating Co 50—242 Galveston, Tex., Thomas Goggan & Bres. Music Co
KFUM	gan & Bros. Music Co 10-258 Colorado Springs, Colo., W.
KFUO	D. Corley 100-242 St. Louis, Mo., Concordia Sem-
KFUP	Denver, Colo., Fitzsinons Gen-
KFUR	Orden IItah H W Page 8
KFUS	C. Redfield
KFUT	Salt Lake City, Utah, Univer-
KFUU	sity of Utah
KFUV	Radio Labs. 100—224 Springfield, Mo., G. Pearson 10—252
KFUW KFUY	Moberly, Mo., Earl W. Lewis 10-233 Butte, Mont., Irving H. Bou-
KFUZ	Virginia, Minn., Young Men's
KFVC	Camden Ark Rensherg's Mu.
KFVD	San Pedro, Calif., McWhinnie
KFVF	sic Co
KFVH	Manhattan, Kansas, Whan Radio Shop
KFVI	Houston, Texas, Fifty-sixth
KFWA	Orden Hitch Province Pro-
KFWB	Hollywood, Calif., Warner
KFWC	
KGB	C. S. Myers
KGO	Oakland Calif Consent Floo
KGU	tric Co
KGW	ing Oregonian 500—401 5
KGY	Lacey. Wash., St. Martins Col. lege 5—246
KHJ KHQ	Los Angeles, Calif., Times. Mirror Co
	Los Angeles, Calif., Times- Mirror Co
KJBS	San Francisco, Calif., Julius Brunton & Sons Co 5-236
KJQ KJR	Stockton, Calif., C. O. Gould. 5-273 Seattle, Wash., Northwest Ra-
KJS	Los Angeles, Calif. Bible In-
KLDS	stitute of Los Angeles
KL9	Oakland, Calif. Warner Bros.
KLX	Oakland, Calif., Tribune Pub.
KLZ	Denver, Colo., Reynolds Radio Co
KMJ	Co. 250—266 Fresno, Calif., San Joaquin Light and Power Corp 50—234
KMO	A a Coma, vv asn., Love Plectric
KNX	
KOA	Denver, Colo., General Elec- tric Co
ков	geles Express
KOP	
KPO	San Francisco, Calif., Hale
KPPC	Pasadena, Calif., Pasadena Pres-
KQV	Pittshurgh, Pa Doubleday- Hill Electric Co
KQW	San Jose, Calif., Charles D. Herrold
KRE	Berkeley, Calif., Berkeley Daily Gazette
KSAC KSD	Gazette 50—258 Manhattan. Kans Kansas State Agricultural College 500—340.7 St. Louis, Mo Post Dispatch 750—545.1
KSL	St. Louis, Mo Post Dispatch 750—545.1 Salt Lake City, Utah, Radio Service Corp. of Utah 100—299.8
KTHS	Hot Springs, Ark., New Arlington Hotel Co 500—374.8

\$250.00 In Prizes How to Kill Rats

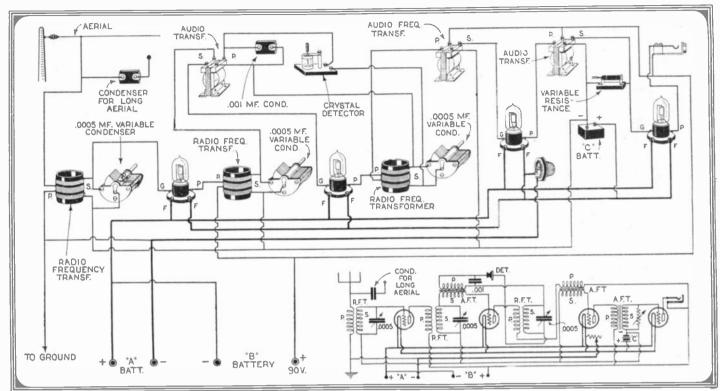
Do you know a good method for exterminating this pest, which annually cost the farmer hundreds of thousands of dollars. The rat is a disease carrier. Help to eliminate him. The prize-winning ideas must tell how to trap or destroy this undesirable rodent. See page 233 for complete details of the contest.

	Power
Call Letters	Location and Name Length
KTW	Seattle. Wash., First Preshy. terian Church
KUOM	iner Printing Co 150—246
KWG	Montana
KYQ	Montana 500—244 Stockton. Calif., Portable Wire- less Telephone Co 50—360 Honolulu, Hawaii, The Electric
KYW	Shop
KZKZ	Electric & Mig. Co
KZM	ply Co 100—270 Oakland Calif. Preston D
KZRQ	Allen
WAAB	Far Eastern Radio (Inc.) 500-223 New Orleans. La., Valdemar
WAAC	Jensen 100—273 New Orleans, La., Tulane University 100—275 Cincinnati, Ohio, Ohio Mechanics Institute 25—258 Chiese Ills Chiese Park
WAAD	University
WAAF	chanics Institute 25—258 Chicago, Ill., Chicago Daily
WAAM	Chicago, Ill. Chicago Daily Drovers Journal 200-278 Newark, N. J., I. R. Nelson Co. 250-263
WAAW	Omaha, Neb., Omaha Grain
WABA	Exchange
WABB	University 100-227 Harrisburg, Pa., Harrisburg
WABI	Bangor, Me., Bangor Hydro-
WABL	Electric Co
WABM	Agricultural College 100-275 Saginaw, Mich., F. E. Doherty Automotive & Radio Co 20-261
WABN WABO	La Crosse, Wis., Ben A. Ott 500-244 Rochester, N. Y., Lake Avenue Baptist Church (Hickson
WABQ	P. lectric (0)
WABR	Haverford, Pa., Haverford College Radio Club 50-261 Toledo, Ohio, Scott High
WABU	Camden, N. J., Victor Talking
WABW	Wooster, Ohio, College of
WABX	Wooster. Ohio, College of Wooster
WABY	Philadelphia, Pa., John Magal-
WABZ	New Orleans In Coliceum
WADC WAFD	Place Baptist Church 50—263 Akron, Ohio, Allen Theater 100—258 Port Huron, Mich., Albert B.
WAHG	Parfet Co
WAIT	Port Huron, Mich., Albert B. Parfet Co
WAMD	Minneapolis, Minn., Hubbard
WARC	& Co
WBAA	ican Radio Research Corp., 100-261 West Lafayette, Ind., Purdue
WBAN	University
WBAO	Phone Corp. 100—244 Decatur. Ill., James Millikin University 100—275
WBAP	Fort Worth, Texas, Wortham- Carter Publishing Co. (Star-
WBAV	Columbus, Ohio, Erner & Hop-
WBAX	kins Co
WBBA	Newark, Unio. Plymouth Con-
WBBG	gregational Church 20—226 Mattapoisett, Mass., Irving
WRRH	Vermilya 500—248

Call		& Wave
Letters WBBL	Location and Name Richmond, Va., Grace Cove-	Length
WBBM	Richmond, Va., Grace Cove- nant Church	100-229
	Chicago, Ill., Atlas Investment	200226
·WBBP	School	100—238
WBBR	Rossville, N. Y., Peoples Pul-	500—273
WBBS	Petoskey, Mich., Petoskey High School Rossville, N. Y., Peoples Pul- pit Assn. New Orleans, La., First Bap- tist Church	50—252
WBBU	Tit., Jenks Motor	
WBBV	Johnstown, Pa., Johnstown Ra-	10—224
WBBW	dio Co	5—248
WBBY	High School	50—222
WBBZ	Sales Co. Johnstown, Pa., Johnstown Radio Co. Norfolk, Va., Ruffner Junior High School Charleston, S. C., Washington Light Infantry Indianapolis, Ind., Noble B. Watson	10-268
WBCN	Watson Chicago, Ill., Foster & McDon-	50-238
	nell	500—266
WBDC	nell	50-256
WBES	Tacoma Park, Md., Bliss Elec- trical School	100-222
WBOQ	rical School Richmond Hill, N. Y., A. H. Grebe & Co. Wilks Barre Pa Baltimore	100—236
WBRE	Wilkes Barre. Pa., Baltimore	
WBS	Newark, N. J., D. W. May.	10231
WBT	Charlotte, N. C., Southern	200—252
WBZ	Newark, N. J., D. W. May. Inc. Charlotte, N. C., Southern Radio Corp. Springfield, Mass., Westing- house Electric & Mig. Co	250—275
	Co15	00-331.1
WCAD	Co	250—263
WCAE	Pittsburgh, Pa., Kaufmann & Baer Co 5	00 461 1
WCAG	New Orleans, La., Clyde R. Randall	00-461.3
WCAH	Columbus Ohio Entrekin	50—268
WCAJ	Columbus, Ohio, Entrekin Electric Co.	200—266
	University Place, Neb. Nebraska Wesleyan University Northfield, Minn., St. Olaf College	500-275
WCAL	Northfield, Minn., St. Olaf College	00—336.9
WCAO	Baltimore, Md., Sanders &	50275
WCAP	Baltimore. Md., Sanders & Stayman Co	3027,
WCAR		00—468.5
	San Antonio, Texas, Southern Radio Corporation of Texas	100—263
WCAT	Rapid City, S. D., South Da- kota State School of Mines	50-240
WCAU	Philadelphia, Pa., Durham & Co	500—278
WCAX		
WCAY	Milwaukee, Wis., Hotel Antlers, Milwaukee Civic Broadcasting Assu.	100-250
WCAZ	Carthage III Carthage College	250—266 50—246
WCBA		10—254
M.CBC	Radio Station	
WCBD	Zion, Ill., Wilbur G. Voliva. 150	00-344.6
WCBE	New Orleans, La., Uhalt Brothers Radio Co	5-263
WCBG	Pascagoula, Miss. (portable), Howard S. Williams	10-268
WCBH	Oxford, Miss. (near) Univer-	
MCBI	sity of Mississippi Bemis, Tenn., Nicoll, Duncan	10242
WCBJ	& Rush	150—240 10—244
WCBL	Houlton, Me., Northern Radio	
WCBM	Mfg. Co. Baltimore, Md., Hotel Chateau	50—266
WCBQ	(Charles Schwartz)	50229
WCBR	Providence, R. I. (portable).	50236
WCBU	Church Providence, R. I. (portable), Charles H. Messter Arnold, Pa., Arnold Wireless Supply Co. (F. J. Ambrose) Buck Hill Falls, Pa., Forks Electrical Shop	30-205.4
WCBY	Supply Co. (F. J. Ambrose)	50220
	Electrical Shop	10231
WCBZ	Buck Hill Falls, Pa., Forks Electrical Shop	50 ` 248
wcco	Minneapolis, Minn., Washburn- Crosby Co	00-416.4
WCEE	Elgin, Ill., Charles E. Erb-	00-275 1
WCK	St. Louis, Mo., Stix-Baer &	100 0=3
WCM	Crosby Co	100-273
WCTS	and Warehouse Department Worcester, Mass., C. T. Scherer	250—268
WCUW	CO	100—268
	Worcester, Mass., Clark University	238—250
WCX	Detroit, Mich., Detroit Free Press Tampa, Fla., Tampa Daily	00—516.9
WDAE	Tampa, Fla., Tampa Daily	250—273
WDAF	Kansas City, Mo., Kansas City	00—365.6
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RADIO ORACLE

In this Department we publish questions and answers which we feel are of interest to the novice and amateur. Letters addressed to this Department cannot be answered free. A charge of 50c. is made for all questions where a personal answer is desired.



The well known and justly famous Tu-Ra-Flex circuit is shown in both picture and schematic form above with the addition of a single stage of

audio frequency amplification giving the results of three stages total. The variable resistance shown is of assistance in controlling the circuit.

TU-RA-FLEX CIRCUIT

(358) Q. 1. Walter Gray, Jr., Hamilton, Ohio, sends us a diagram of a Tu-Ra-Flex radio receiving set and requests us to show how one stage of audio frequency amplification could be added to it.

A. 1. We reproduce this highly efficient circuit herewith for the benefit of all of our readers and show the connections for a third stage of audio frequency amplification. Care should be taken in making this addition because of the fact that unless very good instruments and a low ratio transformer are used, howling in this third stage will result. A variable resistance placed in the third audio frequency transformer circuit as shown may be found of great assistance in controlling this stage.

MORE DATA ON "B" BATTERY ELIMINATOR

(359) Q. 1. E. F. Morse, La Crosse, Wis., refers to the "B" battery eliminator described on page 66 of the May, 1925, issue of this magazine and asks for further information on the construction of the various parts illustrated therein.

A. 1. The following data is correct for the various instruments to be used in the construction of the "B" battery eliminator that you mention.

The core of the transformer is constructed of silicon steel strips .014 inches thick by 1½ inches wide. The outside dimensions of

the core are 5 inches square and the legs should be built up to $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches high.

The 110-volt primary consists of 384 turns of No. 22 D.C.C. wire, wound 48 turns per layer in 8 layers. The secondary consists of 980 turns of No. 26 D.C.C. wire, wound

Interesting Articles in July "Radio News"

Radio Goes to the North Pole.

By John L. Reinartz.

The "Thermion" Vacuumless Tube.

By H. G. Silbersdorff.

New Uses for the Vacuum Tube.

By C. B. Bazzoni.

The Augmentor Circuit.

By Francis R. Hoyt.

All About Verniers.

By Sylvan Harris.

What Is Low-Loss?

A Three Range Receiver.

By Laboratory Staff of Radio News.

65 turns per layer in 15 layers. A center tap is brought out at the 490th turn to be connected as shown in the diagram in this magazine. In the above data, space is allowed at the ends of the windings for supports for the same. Both coils should be

well insulated from the core and may be wound on opposite legs.

The electrodes of the rectifier are made of lead and aluminum plates as indicated in the article. They may be 1 inch wide by 3 inches long with an additional length allowed for projection above the surface of the liquid. The latter may consist of a saturated solution of ammonium phosphate or borax in water. The surface should be covered with a 1/8th-inch thick film of mineral or paraffin oil to prevent evaporation. The electrodes should be thoroughly sand-papered before being placed in the solution.

The 2mf. condensers may be purchased from any telephone equipment supply house.

The 30-henry choke may be wound as follows: Make up a core of a bundle of iron wires, 4 inches long by ½ inch in diameter. Provide suitable ends and a winding space 3½ inches long. Wind No. 38 enameled wire on the core until the outside diameter is 2½ inches. Provide suitable terminals.

Any adjustable resistance with a range of 10,000 to 100,000 ohms may be used for cutting down the voltage for the detector plate supply. The carbon pile type is suitable.

LOSS OF VOLUME

(360) Q. 1. Edward Heron, Jr., Perote, Ala., sends a diagram of his receiving set which is a standard two-variometer and variocoupler type and says that after the

WANTED!!! RADIO ARTICLES

WE want descriptions of new radio ideas which you have worked out in practice. Take photographs of the important parts and make pencil or pen and ink sketches of the hook-ups or mechanical details, et cetera. We are particularly

desirous of obtaining new hook-ups and descriptions of single tube sets, reflex and other types which have proven satisfactory. We like articles on new single tube receptors. We will pay good prices for your ideas.

—Editor.

set had been in use for some months, stations faded out and could not be brought up as loud as formerly. He asks our opinion as to the trouble.

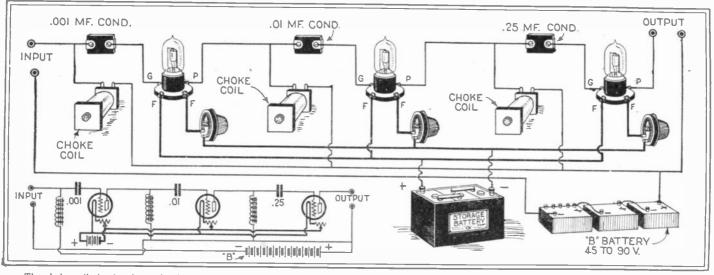
A. 1. There are several possibilities here. First, your batteries may be worn out and this point should be investigated immediate-

CHOKE COIL COUPLED **AMPLIFIER**

(361) Q. 1. Wm. Stone, Mansfield, Ohio, requests a circuit diagram of a three-stage, choke coil coupled amplifier to be added to standard one-tube circuit.

amplification, a detector and two stages of audio frequency amplification. The radio frequency amplification is transformer coupled. He asks: How can honeycomb coils be placed in this circuit to reach a wavelength of 1,600 meters?

A. 1. Such a procedure is not at all ad-



The choke coils in the above circuit may consist of approximately 10,000 turns of No. 36 enameled wire, wound on a $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch iron wire core 3

inches long. Suitable end plates should be provided. If desired, the secondaries of small spark coils may be used as the chokes.

ly. Then there is a further possibility that the electronic emission of your vacuum tube has decreased with a resulting decrease in efficiency of the set. This would account for the signals not coming in as loud as formerly. Furthermore, the resistance of your grid leak may have changed due to atmospheric conditions whereupon a change in signal strength would also be noticeable. would advise you to look into these things carefully, checking the strength of your batteries first.

A. 1. We are giving in these columns the circuit of a three-stage choke coil amplifier which can be added to your particular type of set or any other standard receiving set. Be sure that your battery polarities are correct.

LONG WAVE R.F. RECEIVER

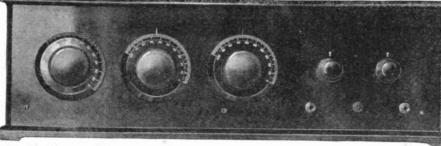
(362) Q. 1. John Heap, Taylor, Texas. is at present employing a five-tube receiving set comprising two stages of radio frequency

visable with a set of the type you are using In order to accomplish this work, you would not only have to load the primary and secondary circuits of the initial tuning element, but would also have to insert different radio frequency transformers to cover the higher band of wave-lengths. Such a procedure would necessitate your entirely rebuilding the

As the movement of the day is in the direction of short wave-lengths, why do you look for long wave reception?

Guess this Circuit! \$100.00 in Prizes

SCIENCE AND INVENTION leads again, something entirely new!! Mystery Set, a fivetube wonder. Submit its circuit and win a prize.



This is not a freak set. The circuit used is a standard one. A wonderful distance getter. Come on, Radio Fans, do your stuff. Better than a crossword puzzle and more interesting to solve.

FOR the first time in the history of the radio art, a very novel contest such as has never been held before, is being sponsored by Science and Invention. Opportunity is given to the readers of SCIENCE AND INVENTION to exercise their Science and Invention to exercise their mental powers in guessing the correct circuit used in the wiring of the above five-tube receiver. Look at it carefully, study minutely the from paeel. Ponder a while, what may be beauth the panel, the three large dials and the two smaller ones? The three large dials and the two smaller ones? The three large dials and the two smaller ones? The three large dials to the left operate—well, we will early the guess-work up to you—maybe they operate condensers or variometes. Probably it is a—well, we will leave enoughly they are the two small dials for, can they are the two small dials for, can they be——? Or are they something else? The size of the panel is seven inches wide by twenty-six inches long. There is nothing hard about it. You may sub-

mit as many circuits as you desire. It is not necessary to state the constants of any of the parts, i. e., the capacities, inductances, resistances, etc. All that is essential is a carefully drawn diagram, which should represent your idea as to what circuit is employed in the receiver.

> \$100.00 GOLD IN **PRIZES**

1st Prize \$50.00 2nd Prize 20.00 3rd Prize 15.00 10.00 5.00

RULES

1-Contestants may submit as many en-

tries as they desire.

-Circuits must be carefully and clearly drawn in ink on one side of a sheet of white paper. All symbols should be marked as to what they are supposed to represent.

-The contest closes at noon on Saturday, July 2, 1925.

In case of a tie, duplicate prizes will be awarded to each contestant so tying.

tying.

The correct circuit of the nearest to it will be awarded first prize.

-All circuits most bear the contestant's name and address in the upper right hand corner. The date must also accompany the above.

7-The circuit and photo of the interior of the set will be published in the Sep-

tember or October issue.

Scientific Humor

AND HORSE SENSE

BILLY: "That woman reminds me of one of Dr. Hackensaw's creations.'

WILLY: "How's that?"
BILLY: "Well, she has a deer face, bear knees, snaky eyes and pigeon toes."-Philip L. Danzinger, Reporter No. 4,928.

ARITHMETIC IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN



How many apples did Adam and Eve eat?

Some say Eve 8 and Adam 2, a total of ten only.

Now we figure the thing out differently; Eve 8 and Adam 8 also, total 16.

We think the above figures entirely wrong. If Eve 8 and Adam 8 2, certainly the total

would be 90. Scientific men, however, on the strength of the theory that the Antedeluvians were a race of Giants, reason something like this: Eve 8 1 and Adam 8 2, total 163.

Wrong again. What could be clearer than if Eve 8 1 4 Adam and Adam 8 1 2 4

Eve. total 9,938.

Still another calculation is as follows: If Eve 8 1 4 Adam, Adam 8 1 2 4 2 oblige Eve, total 82,056.—J. II'. Garlick.

SANITARY

DOCTOR: 'Have you taken every precaution to prevent the spread of contagion in

your family?"

DASTUS: "Absolutely, Doctor. We've done gone and bought a sanitary cup an' we all drink out of it."—Charles A. N. IIall.

CONDENSING HIS LOSSES

1st: "How can Bill make radio sets so chean?"

2ND: "Oh using no-loss condensers I suppose."-Derrick Rusden.

NOTHING SMALLER



Professor (to chemistry class): "I have explained to you that a molecule is the smallest part of a n v compound capable of existing in a separate form, while an atom is the smallest particle into

which a molecule can be divided. Now can

any of you illustrate the difference between a molecule and an atom?"

STUDENT: "I think so, Professor. The bridegroom at a big church wedding looks like a molecule and feels like an atom.— Smith O'Brien.

NON PLUSSED

PROFESSOR: "What are the plus members?"

rs:
Mazda: "Negative."
Professor: "Are you sure?"
Mazda: "Positive."—Maurice Berger.

HOW ABOUT AN EGG-NOCK

"Say, Sam, what's the difference between opportunity and an automobile engine?
"I dunno. What is it?"

"Opportunity only knocks once."-J. Farrell.

First Prize \$3.00

WE'LL NEVER BLUSH AGAIN

FRESHY: _ "What causes blushing?" PROF: "A

blush is a temporary erythema and caloritic effulgence of the p h vsiognomy. actologized by-



the perceptiveness of the sensorium, in a predicament of inequilibrity, from a sense of shame, anger or other cause, eventuating in a paresis of the vaso-motorial, muscular filaments of the facial divested of their elasticity, they become suffused with a radiance emanating from an intimidated praccordia."-A. Schwarts, Reporter No.

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300 PEOPLE SEND THIS JOKE EVERY MONTH

WISE GUY: "I want some venerable condensers.

RADIO CLERK: "You mean variable con-

densers,"
W. G.: "It does not meg any difference.
That's what I camphor. What do they sulphur?"

R. C.: "Six dollars apiece. I never cin-

namon with so much wit."
W. G.: "Well, I should myrrh myrrh.

Yet I ammonia novice at it."-Nicolas Close. IF YOU LAUGH AT THIS IT IS ONE TOO



TEACHER: "What is a phe-nomenon?"

STUDENT: "I can't describe one; but if you see a cow; or hear a bird sing. those aren't phenomena; but if vou see

sitting on a thistle singing like a bird, that's a phenomenon."-William Francey.

THE LIGHT WEIGHT

The aspiring chemist, having finished the first chapter of the text-book, decided to equip his laboratory. So—"—and now I'll want a balance," said he after a few minor purchases.

"English or Metric weights, sir?"

The embryo chemist after deep thought replied, "I guess I'd better take atomic weights."—Keller.

BRICK-A-BRAG

A professor of gelogy had placed s o m e specimens of rocks on his desk and was going to describe them to his students. While his back was turned for a moment, one of the stu-



dents put among the rocks a piece of an old

Then the professor went through the specimens, saying, as he picked up each, "This is a piece of sandstone"; "This is a piece of granite," and so on.

At last he came to the brick, and, holding it up said: "And this, gentlemen, is a piece of impudence."—Mrs. Walter Wardle.

EVEN LIZZIES ARE

HISTORY TEACHER: "Yes, Johnny, and what age are we living in now?"

JOHNNY: "The Tin Age."
TEACHER: "What makes you think so?" JOHNNY: "Because everything is canned, like fruit, music and vegetables. Even the other day I heard Dad say that someone was canned."—Robert Grant.

A CUT-OUT

BOBBIE: "Jack built a radio set all by himself, but he couldn't work it on account of too much interference."

FREDDIE: "Interference is good. His mother objected to it and his father threw it out of the house."-J. J. O'Connell.

BUT SUPPOSE IT WAS A "HEAVY" CIGAR?

PHYSICIST: "Suppose y o u had a box of cigars, but no matches, h o w could you light a cigar for a smoke?"

CHEMIS T "I'm sure I don't know.



Physicist: "Why, simply take one cigar out of the box; the box will then be a cigar lighter."-L. C. Cartwright, Reporter No.

SETTLED IT

BILL: "Name some things that set."

JOHN: "The sun sets."
Bill: "Name another."

JOHN: "Radio sets."-Rogerio Quiason.

CANNED SPEECH, OF COURSE!

Wifey (reading radio page): "Isn't it just wonderful! Scientists can now multiply

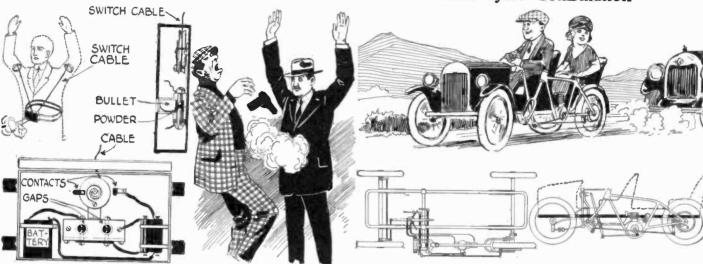
sound of the human voice 100,000 times." HUBBY (thoughtlessly): "What have they done in the way of subtraction?"—William Heitler, Reporter No. 11,783.



LATEST PATENTS

Protective Device

Motorcycle Combination



Cigarette Ejector



SHARP PRONG

No. 1,532,859, issued to William H. Balch, covers the device shown at left above. It is to be carried by those who have large quantities of money or valuable papers in their possession. By raising the arms at the command of a thug, two bullets are projected forward effectively eliminating the offender. The powder charge is fired by electricity.

No. 1,515,363, issued to K. P. Radovanovitch, covers the automotive vehicle shown in the upper right corner. This consists of a body to be attached to a standard motorcycle frame as shown. A steering lever and gas spark controls are provided in front of the driver.

No. 1,514,471, issued to A. A. Solberg, describes a combination cigarette or cigar holder and ejector shown at left center. By taking the holder apart, a sharp prong is revealed which may be used to remove the remains of a smoked cigarette or cigar from the holder.

No. 1,529,181, issued to Harry S. Holmes, embraces a system which hundreds of inventors have proposed in the past, but which, to our knowledge, no one has succeeded in perfecting. The device is a self-lighting cigar or cigarette illustrated in detail at right center. In order to avoid the noxious fumes of the ignition material, and prevent them from reaching the lungs of the smoker, Mr. Holmes has interposed a layer of charcoal composition which effectually filters these fumes.

Shoe Brush



No. 1,532,804, issued to W. Garner, is for a combination shoe brush illustrated above. The polish container shown holds a liquid polish which is fed through the bristles of an applying brush to the shoe. The bristle retaining section is rotatable so that when a hole therein lines up with a hole in the cover of the polish container, the polish is free to flow through the bristles. When the holes are not in line, the polish container is sealed.

WANTED

A RTICLES pertaining to automobiles such as handy kinks, roadside repairs and anything of interest to the man who drives a car. \$50.00 in prizes every month are offered by MOTOR CAMPER AND TOURIST for such articles. Get a copy at your newsstand and see what is wanted. If your newsdealer cannot supply you send for free sample copy to:

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Self-Lighting Cigarette



COMPOSITION OF CHARCOAL
IGNITION
TIP

Jar Cover



No. 1,529,521, issued to W. Westendorf, relates to a combination cover and handle for jars of the type ordinarily used by housewives for packing edibles and similar substances. The device is illustrated above and consists of a section into which screw-threads are pressed so as to catch the corresponding threads on a jar, a pouring spout, a cover and a handle, all contained in one integral unit.

I'M PERSONAL MAGNETISM



The March issue of The Manc-coil Educator illustrates two compasses, one of which is being acted upon by a U-shaped magnet, and the by-line under the illustration reads:

"Overcoming natural magnetism by contact with a stronger magnet." This article should have been called, "What is wrong with this picture?" We will leave it to our readers.—Martin D. Johnson.



Note: The north seeking pole of a compass is attracted by the south pole of a permanent magnet and repelled by the north pole of the U-shaped magnet. Such a state of stable equilibrium, as illustrated in the diagram, cannot be produced. The point of the arrow will, therefore, point to the south pole of the permanent magnet. Simultaneously, the north pole of the compass to the left will swing around and be attracted by the south end of the compass needle at the right. Therefore, both arrows would be pointing nearly due east, assuming a position indicated by the dotted lines.

A PERENNIAL AUTOMOBILE



The E. Gray Smith Co. advertise in the Nashville Tennesscan of May 11, 1925. as follows: "1823 four-cylinder Essex coach." Price\$? We never knew that they had autos in

1823. Perhaps Andrew Jackson had two or three such cars. They must improve with age. Aren't the cylinders "bored" after all these years? We would like to know in what museum they are being exhibited.—
Edward J. MacGavock.

A BASE BOSS

In the Chicago Ilerald and Examiner of March 8, 1925, we read the following: "No Sub-Boss Used." Looks as though the I. W. W. had not designed the set. Perhaps the tubes



and sockets are screwed fast to the boss. He would be a pretty sight walking around town decorated a la five-tube Neutrodyne.—Fred M. Cole.

(TRANS) MIGRATION VIA RADIO



The Cappers Weekly of Jan. 24th advises as follows: "Now. according to the photo here shown J. L. Baird, English scientist, is trying to perfect a machine which transmits actual

objects through the air." Probably uses

Non-Sci)ence

Money for Mistakes

The newspapers throughout the country, as well as the magazines, occasionally err. Sometimes these errors are misprints. At other times they are pure scientific misstatements. If you happen to see any of these humorous mistakes in the press, we will be glad to have you clip them out and send them to us. Give the name of the newspaper or magazine in which the error appeared and accompany the inclosure with a few humorous lines. The most humorous ones will be printed in this department, and for each one accepted and printed we will pay \$1.00. No NON-SC(i)ENCE entry will be accepted, unless the printed original accompanies the same. Address all NON-SC(i)ENCE entries to:

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ionic dissociation. Suppose some of the ions were lost in the transmission. We might out-Burbank Burbank with trunkless elephants and stripeless zebras. Pretty soon we will see elephants flying. What a wonderful sight it would be to see a bunch of rhinoceroses sitting on the telegraph poles, while taking a rest between flights.—Maurice B, Cofer.

HAVE YOUR ABSCESS RENEWED



The Decatur Daily Review of Decatur, Ill., in their May 8th issue, contained the following item: "Edward J. Scott, 61, contractor with interests in coal mining at Duquoin, Ill., died

at a hospital here last night following an operation Monday for the renewal of an abscess of the brain."

Now all you people afflicted with abscesses of the brain, why not have that abscess renewed? After being with you for a while, it is undoubtedly no longer fashionable. Besides, who can tell, you might get a bigger abscess than the one which now serves as your pet.—Randalt K. Barrow.

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SPIRITUAL PHENOMENON

This sum will be paid by

Science and Invention

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for authentic demonstrations of such manifestations as are listed in the full details of the contest, published on page 609 of the October issue of SCIENCE AND INVEN-TION. Contest closes May 1, 1926.

RIPPING

The New York Daily News of May 12th contains the following item: "Katie Pullman, dancer, tore a ligament in her act at the 81st Street Theatre and will be out two weeks." We



wonder which part of her anatomy her act is. Perhaps the ligament is one of those elastic things that stretch. A little more information, please. The less the better.— Shirley Hecht.

BRITTLE MUSH



The New York Daily News of Wednesday, May 13th, advises in their "Good Cooking" that, "Because spinach is so fragile it is often sterilized over live steam and then rinsed in

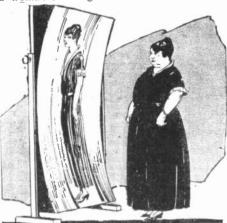
cold water." We have heard of glassware being fragile, but never of spinach. Perhaps this is hit with a hammer to soften it, or some med cine may be administered to kind of "shake it down." Spinach is evidently not a hard(y) vegetable,—Shirley Hecht.

HOW TO GROW THIN

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of New York has published a book called, "Overweight, Its Cause and Treatment." On the cover of this bulletin, which we repro-



duce below, is a drawing of a rather stout lady looking into a mirror and appearing thin. Some artists know more about art than about the principles of the reflection of light as obtained in a curved mirror. If this lady looked into a mirror of the curvature illustrated, she would appear to be three or four times as stout as she actually is. If a woman standing in front of this type of



mirror was as stout as is shown by the reflection, an ordinary plain glass mirror would make her appear to be an exclamation mark, and if she stood in front of a mirror curved so as to produce an appearance of thinness, her image would vanish into nothingness. A geometrical line would have nothing on her when it comes to dimensions.—L. O. Lof-quist.



THE ORACLE



The "Oracle" is for the sole benefit of all scientific students. Questions will be answered here for the benefit of all but only matter of sufficient interest will be published. Rules under which questions will be answered:

1. Only three questions can be submitted to be answered.

2. Only one side of sheet to be written on; matter must be typewritten or else written in ink, no penciled matter considered.

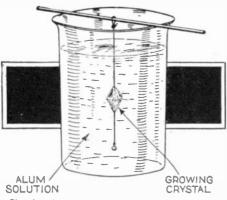
3. Sketches, diagrams, etc., must be on separate sheets. Questions addressed to this department cannot be answered by mail free of charge.
4. If a quick answer is desired by mail, a nominal charge of 50 cents is made for each question. If the questions entail considerable research work or intricate calculations, a special rate will be charged. Correspondents will be informed as to the fee before such questions are answered.

GROWING CRYSTALS

(1847) Q. 1. Raymond Hull, Savannah, Ga., asks the method of obtaining large crystals of

asks the method of obtaining large crystals of alum.

A. 1. The simplest way of doing this is by growing the crystals. The apparatus necessary is illustrated herewith. The method is to dissolve as much common alum in hot water as is possible. Suspend a heavy string in this solu-



Showing how the simple apparatus is assembled for the growing of an alum crystal.

tion and place in some secluded spot where the solution will not be subjected to jars. In a few hours, crystals will start to form on the string and will grow to quite large sizes. To make them larger, place the string in a newly prepared solution, continuing the process until the desired result is obtained.

COLD LIGHT

(1848) O. 1. Harold Strickler, McPherson, Kansas, asks if literature on cold light substances is available and also for some general directions in the preparation of the same. He mentions several formulas that have been published in this magazine.

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A. 1. The information available on cold light substances is very meager and in the preparation of them extreme care must be taken to have all of the materials used absolutely pure. Extreme cleanliness must be observed throughout the preparation. The several formulas that you mention have been tried and when the above precautions are followed, excellent results are obtained. If you will give us full information on the processes followed by you and exactly what results were obtained, we will be only too glad to assist you further.

STATIC ELECTRICITY

(1849) Q. 1. Eugene Sullivan, Acton, Ont., Canada, asks if there is any connection between the charging of a piece of metal with static electricity and charging the same piece of metal with magnetism. He also wants to know how long a static charge will reside on the surface of a steel har.

bar.

A. 1. Charging a piece of steel with static electricity is nothing like charging it with magnetism as the two are entirely distinct operations. The length of time which a static charge will reside on the surface of a steel bar depends on the size of the bar, the amount of charge and other factors such as atmospheric conditions and insulation from the ground.

LIGHTNING ARRESTERS

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(1850) Q. 1. V. S. Sterrett, Rockfield, Indiana, asks: What are the essential features of a lightning arrester system on outdoor electrical installations such a telegraph and telephone lines? Is insulation provided, if if so, why?

A. 1. The main necessity for a lightning arrester system is that it be capable of carrying static charges to the earth before they accumulate in sufficient quantity to cause a lightning discharge. Insulation is usually provided so that if the charges have become too strong, they will

not damage surrounding objects, but will be conducted directly to the ground.

TELEPATHY

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(1851) Q. 1. John T. Rowe, Milwaukee, Wis., says that a certain friend of his claims that someone is using some sort of a radio device for "listening in" on his friend's thoughts and that the friend hears voices asking questions by means of the same device. He asks if such a machine has ever been devised.

A. 1. No general radio telepathic machine has ever come to our attention and we believe that your friend is having hallucinations when he believes that he is hearing the voices of men asking questions in connection with the political case in which he is involved. Several instances of mild mental derangements of this kind have come to our attention and each and every one has proven to be on the lines suggested above.

Important Articles to Appear in July Issue of "The Experimenter"

Circuit Analysis.

By Leon L. Adelman, Assoc. I. R. E.
Short-Wave Amateur Receiver.

By Alfred R. Marcy, Assoc. I. R. E.

An Excellent Broadcast Receiver.
By Joseph H. Kraus.

The Pianor, An Electric Piano.
Interesting Experiments in Organic Chemistry.

By E. W. Blank.

Home-Made Oscillating Rectifier.

By Siegfried Langsdorff.

Experiments With Tesla Resonator.

By Kenneth M. Swezey.

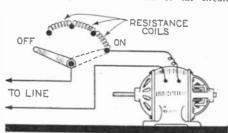
Iron Clad Lifting Magnet.
By William J. Edmonds.

MOTOR STARTER

(1852) Q. l. Joseph J. Nachman, Rochester, New York, asks information on the principle of a motor starter.

A. l. A motor starter is shown diagramatically herewith. It merely consists of three or more

A. 1. A motor starter is shown diagramatically herewith. It merely consists of three or more resistance coils connected to switch points so that as a lever passes over the points, the coils will be successively cut in and out of the circuit.



How the resistance coils in a small motor starting box are connected and used.

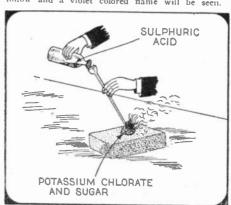
The reason for an instrument of this type on large motors is to prevent the burning out of the armature before the motor is well under way. Starting boxes for small motors may be simply and easily constructed by the amateur mechanic.

CHEMICAL COMBUSTION

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(1853) Q. 1. Wm. J. Osbahr, Weimar, Texas, asks how a fire may be started by chemical means. A. 1. One method of doing this is to pulverize a small amount of potassium chlorate in a clean porcelain mortar. Reduce the chemical to a very fine powder, but make sure that the mortar is perfectly clean and that the chemical is free from dust. During the pulverizing, avoid violent percussion or heavy pressure. Place the powder on a sheet of paper and add a like volume of granu-

lated sugar which has also been reduced to powder and which is perfectly dry. Mix carefully, being sure not to rub the two materials. Put the mixture on a non-inflammable block in a strong draft of air. Place a drop of sulphuric acid on the mixture, though a thistle tube as shown, or by picking up the drop of acid on the end of a glass rod. A quick chemical action will follow and a violet colored flame will be seen.



Sulphuric acid being added to a chemical mixture for demonstrating chemical combustion.

RECTIFIER TROUBLE

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(1854) Q. 1. Albert Schaefer, Buffalo, New York, says that he has built a small hattery T charger after directions published in this magazine and asks if he should use one 100-watt lamp in the circuit when charging a 12-volt, 60-ampere hour storage battery.

A. 1. The storage battery charger which you mention is not designed to charge a battery of the size you speak of. We would advise you to construct a charger along the same line, but using plates 4 x 5 inches in dimension. Four lead plates and four aluminum plates will be necessary and they should be connected up as shown in the magazine.

In connection with this charger, you should use five 100-watt lamps connected in parallel and in turn connected in series with the charger. The same will hold true for a 6- or 8-volt automobile battery.

SPANGLES

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(1855) Q. 1. Gustave Soeder, Brooklyn, New York, asks how the iridescent spangles used for decorating women's dresses are made.

A. 1. Usually some form of glass or quartz crystals are used for the work you mention. They are cut so that the resulting facets reflect light and give forth an iridescent effect. Various opalescent and colored glasses are also used and are usually cut in the same manner. The effect depends upon the reflection of light from the cut surfaces.

MAGNETISM

(1856) Q. 1. A. Soskind, Bronx, New York, asks how much magnetic power would be needed to pull an ordinary sewing needle through a wooden board yith of an inch thick.

A. 1. We doubt very much if it would be possible for you to draw a needle through a one-eighth inch wooden board by means of a magnet of any size whatsoever. Upon actuating the magnet you would find that the needle would be magnetically attracted, but would not be drawn through the board.

SLANTING REFLECTION

SLANTING REFLECTION

(1857) Q. 1. Howard W. Smith, Grinnell, Iowa, says that he has noticed that as he is walking along a certain sidewalk towards a glass paneled door, that his reflection in that door appears to be slanting toward one side. He asks us to explain this phenomenon.

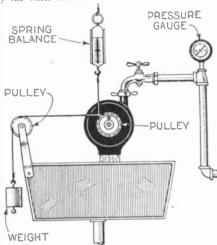
A. 1. Undoubtedly the slanting reflection which you have noticed is due to a slight inclination of the glass panels in the door or to some irregularity in the glass itself.

HORSE-POWER OF WATER MOTOR

(1858) O. I. Murray McDonnell, St. Charles, Ill., says that he has a standard type of water motor and desires to know a simple laboratory method of determining the horse-power of the

same.
A. 1. Our diagram herewith shows the various same.

A. 1. Our diagram herewith shows the various apparatus necessary for this experiment. The pressure gauge may be used or not as desired, but it is of advantage in many experiments. Turn the water on full and increase the load by adding more weights at the point indicated, until the motor appears to be working very hard, while still running steadily at a fair rate of speed. Count the number of turns or revolutions per minute at the drive pulley or the pulley attached to the water motor. At the same time note the average reading of the balance in pounds and the amount of the suspended weights in pounds. Make several trials under widely varying loads, averaging the result. Measure the diameter of the bottom of the groove in the drive pulley. With the motor running steadily, the pull on the balance in pounds will be less than the weight. The difference represents the load carried by the motor. The load in pounds multiplied by the circumference of the drive pulley in feet gives the work done in foot pounds per revolution. The work done per revolution, multiplied by the number of R.P.M. equals work done in foot pounds per minute. This figure divided by 33,000 equals the number of horse-power developed by the water motor.



The set-up of the apparatus for determining the horse-power of a water motor.

GRASSHOPPERS

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(1859) Q. 1. Henry Sendlbeck, Bronx, New York, says that he has recently caught grasshopper the color of the wings on the same being bright red underneath, but a dull green on top. He asks if this is some unusual type of in-sect.

A. 1. In the spring, young grasshoppers have the bright shiny red which you describe under their wings and when their wings are closed, a dull green on top. The red gradually disappears with the coming of summer and is practically entirely gone by the end of summer.

TEST FOR DISTILLED WATER

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(1860) Q. 1. A. C. Singer, McKees Rocks,
Penna., asks: What is a simple test for pure
distilled water?
A. 1. The simplest test for pure distilled water
is to place a small quantity of it in a glass evaporating dish, a so-called watch glass, and heat it
over a Bunsen burner. After the material has
completely evaporated, examine the dish and any
foreign substances will be found therein.
Q. 2. What is a test for oil in water?
A. 2. The same test is used for oil, but the
heat is kept at a low point so that any oil which
may be present will not be volatilized. Most oils
will float on the surface of water and be visible.

MOTORCYCLE ENGINE

(1861) Q. 1. Lester Sinram, Clarksville, Iowa, asks whether or not we believe that a four-cylinder motorcycle engine will stand the same hard usage as a two-cylinder engine.

A. 1. Due to the fact that the vibration in a well balanced four-cylinder motorcycle engine will be less than in a two-cylinder, we believe that it will stand up much better under the same amount of usage.

amount of usage.

Q. 2. What is your opinion on the relative values of aluminum pistons and light weight cast

values of aluminum pistons and light weight cast iron pistons?

A. 2. Although the aluminum pistons used in engines today are very good and will last for a considerable length of time, still in our opinion, cast iron pistons of the light weight type are the best. There are several reasons for this, among them being the fact that the cast iron piston is fitted closer to the cylinder as expansion does not have to be allowed for to such a great extent as in the aluminum piston.

More Text!

You will note that in this issue we have published several articles incorporating more text than usual. We are going to do this regularly, and thus combine picture and text make-up on a 50-50 basis, in an effort to make all our readers happy.

We find that the main objection to the aluminum We find that the main objection to the administration between the piston rings must be relied upon to keep up the compression, whereas in the cast iron piston, the compression is aided by the close fitting piston, and the engine is not so liable to "pump" oil from the crank case into the cylinders.

TRANSFORMER POWER

(1862) Q. 1. Miss Laura L. Smith, Pleasant-ville, N. J., says that she is unable to reconcile the fact that in a transformer, the amperage in the secondary decreases as the voltage increases.

the secondary decreases as the voltage increases. She asks us to explain.

A. 1. The decrease in amperage when the voltage increases in the secondary of a transformer can readily be understood by referring to the wattage. We know that a certain number of watts are being put into the primary and we know that there is a certain ratio of turns between the primary and secondary which governs the voltage of the latter, that in the primary being known. Theoretically there will be the same number of watts in the secondary circuit of a perfect transformation. Thus by dividing the voltage of the secondary circuit into the number of watts consumed by the primary, we obtain the number of amperes in the secondary circuit. You can therefore see that if the secondary voltage is higher than the primary, the amperage will be lower and as the voltage increases, the amperage will have to decrease. to decrease.

HECTOGRAPH

(1863) Q. 1. E. M. Price, Somerville, Ohio, asks how to transfer pictures and printed matter by means of a hectograph.

A. l. When items are printed with regular printer's ink, they cannot be reproduced on a hectograph as the latter requires an original copy made with a special ink. The only simple way to transfer fresh newsprint to plain paper is to rub over the surface of the same a piece of paraffin wax. Lay the newsprint face down on a clean sheet of paper and rub the back thoroughly with a hard smooth object. Upon removing the paper it will be found that the white sheet has thereon a copy of the newsprint. Of course, in using this method everything will be reversed.

GASOLINE TURBINE

(1864) Q. 1. A. Sanders, Petaluma, Calif., asks where complete details on the Tesla gasoline turbine may be obtained.

A. 1. A complete detailed description of the Tesla gasoline turbine appeared in the July, 1920, issue of Science and Invention.

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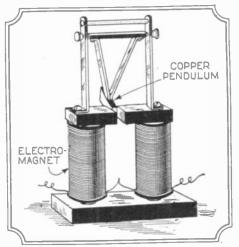
AUTOMOBILE STARTING MOTOR

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(1865) Q. 1. George A. Rogers, Memphis,
Tenn., asks whether or not an automobile starting
motor will run on A. C. Will a transformer in
the A. C. line be of any assistance in this work?
A. 1. Your automobile starting motor might
run on A. C. if it is series wound. We would
suggest that you try it. In any event, it will
probably require a slight start by hand before it
will pick up speed. If the motor will not run
in this manner, you cannot use any transformer
to help it along, except to reduce the voltage
applied to the proper value for the motor.

LENZ' LAW

(1866) O. 1. Adolph Rothman, Cranford, N. J. asks: What is the law of electricity known as Lenz' law and how may it be demonstrated?

A. 1. The law may be stated as follows: "An induced current is always in such a direction as to resist, by its electromagnetic action, the motion by which it is produced." This law may be demonstrated by means of the laboratory apparatus illustrated herewith. A sheet of copper is hung in pendulum fashion so that it can swing edgewise between the poles of a powerful electro-magnet. As the current is turned on in the latter and the pendulum swung down swiftly, it will be instantly checked as it comes between the magnetic poles since there are currents induced in the copper which resist the motion, being governed by Lenz' law mentioned ahove. This current finally results in heat in the copper pendulum.



A laboratory model for demonstrating Lenz law of induced currents,

TELESCOPE

(1867) O. 1. Hazen Sorrell, Laredo, Texas, asks how to make a simple telescope.

A. 1. Several instruments of this nature have been described in past issues of this magazine. A very good telescope can be made of a two-inch diameter tube, 40 inches long, painted black inside and out. The object lens should be a double convex with a 30-inch focus placed in one end of the tube. The eye piece should consist of two plano-convex lenses with 1½-inch focal lengths and about 5½ of an inch in diameter, mounted in a tube about 3 inches long, capable of being slid back and forth in the other end of the long tube to secure a good focus.

WATER-PROOF SOLUTION

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(1868) Q. 1. E. Runnebaum, Cartago, Costa Rica, asks how a water-proof solution for coating corks may be made from rubber. He states that he has made several solutions which have a disagreeable odor and desires one which will not have this drawback.

A. 1. We regret to say that we do not have any formulas on hand which would enable you to make the solutions you mention. As far as we have any record, all rubber solutions of the type you mention have a peculiar odor.

Why could you not use something similar to paraffin wax for covering your stoppers? We believe that this would be as efficient and much cheaper.

STORAGE BATTERIES

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(1869) C. 1. I. J. Rider, Portland, Orc., asks why Edison storage batteries are not normally used for automobile starting.

A. I. Edison storage batteries can be used for automobile starting, but they are bulkier, for the reason that each cell gives about 1 volt. Six cells would have to be used instead of three, as in lead batteries

Q. 2. How much of the energy used for charging a storage battery is returned in useful work?
A. 2. From 70 to 75 per cent, of the energy is returned in useful work from both the types of batteries mentioned above.

Prizes of \$28,000.00 Offered by Science and More Than \$28,000.00 Invention Magazine

\$5,000.00 in Prizes For Perpetual Motion

No-a perpetual motion machine has not yet been invented in spite of many reports to the contrary. SCIENCE AND INVENTION'S \$5,000.00 prize award still remains unclaimed. No one has as yet produced the model of a perpetual motion machine required by the contest rules.

This publication does not believe that perpetual motion is possible. It brands as imposters all who have claimed to have developed a working model of a perpetual motion machine. This statement applies also to those who have "destroyed the model because they feared that the idea would be stolen, and they would get nothing for their years of labor and suffering humanity would not be benefitted."

The sum of \$5,000 is amply sufficient to protect any idea and will more than pay for a patent on the same. SCIENCE AND INVENTION does not desire the rights to the invention. They merely want to see the model in working condition. The conditions of the contest are that the device be brought or shipped to the offices of SCIENCE AND INVENTION MAGAZINE; that there is no trickery in making the mechanism work, and that the device work by gravity. Mechanism operating by atmospheric pressure changes, temperature changes, or humidity, are not considered perpetual motion devices. This contest is open to everyone. We suggest that our readers refer to the March, 1925, issue of this publication, and meanwhile also advise them not to invest in any machines being made to compete for this prize.

\$11,000.00 in Prizes For Psychical Phenomena

W HAT has happened to all the mediums who received messages from the dead? What became of the mediums who were capable of producing actual manifestations and who gave wonderful daylight trumpet seances, and who on platforms and at their meetings openly invited investigation, but who, when they are called upon, did not respond or feigned that they were too busy, or made some other illogical excuses.

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For more than two years SCIENCE AND INVENTION MAGAZINE and Mr. Joseph F. Rinn offered a total of \$11,000.00 in prizes for proof of spiritualism and psychical phenomena. The conditions of these offers were explained in the August, 1923, issue and again in the October, 1924, issue of this publication in the "Readers' Forum" Department. The conditions of this contest are briefly that the medium must produce some form of a psychical phenomenon which is not accomplished by the aid of trickery.

And it goes without saying that this contest is open to all mediums, regard.ess of where they may be. Up to the present time the editors of this publication have seen no genuine proof of spiritualism.

These statements naturally imply that spiritualism or psychical phenomena do not occur. The statements also imply that those who have "sitters" at their "circles" are evidently using trickery to hold their clients. All sorts of excuses may be offered by mediums as to why they do not care to enter their names in this contest, but an excuse at its best is merely a statement of inability to live up to the contest rules.

Other Pending Contests \$100.00 in Prizes For Circuit Diagram of the Mystery Set Announced in the May issue of this publication. Contest Closes July 2, 1925. Twenty Combination Pen-Pencils Awarded as Prizes in the Cut Flower Contest Announced in the June issue of this publication. Contest Closes July 30, 1925. \$250.00 in Prizes Awarded for the Best Methods for Exterminating Rats. Contest Announced in This Issue and Closes Noon, October

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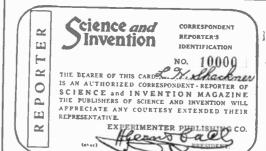
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Every month this publication pays \$1,000,00 or more in prizes, exclusive of money paid to those authors who are on contract, and who receive their own rates. At the left the list of prizes issued monthly is itemized, and above are the names of the prize winners for this issue. In order to assist our reporter correspondents in securing available material for publication, we issue without charge the reporter's card, a sample of which is illustrated at the right. Send a postal card for one. It will act as an open sesame in securing news. Address Field Editor, SCIENCE AND INVENTION, 53 Park Place, New York City.



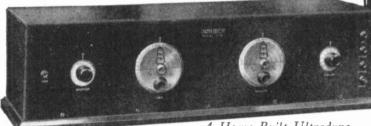
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by R. E. Lacault, E.E., A.M.I.R.E.

formerly Associate Editor, Radio News

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A Home Built Ultradyne



Designer of the Ultradyne Receivers and formerly Associate Editor of Radio News, is now Chief Engineer of the Phenix Radio Corporation.

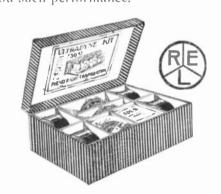
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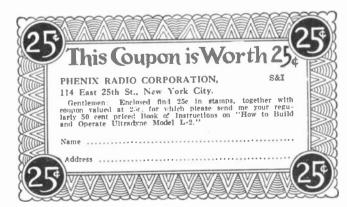
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Tarrano the Conqueror

By RAY CUMMINGS

(Continued from page 225)

Allied Mongolia was dead-murdered under similar circumstances. And ten minutes later from Mombozo, Africa, the blacks later from Mombozo, reported their leader killed while asleep in his official residence.

The Earth momentarily was without lead-

ership!

I was struggling to get accounts of these successive disasters out over our audio-phones. Above my desk, in a duplicating mirror from Headquarters, I could see that at the palace of Mombozo a throng of terrified blacks were gathered. It was night there-a blurred scene of flashing lights and

frightened, milling people.

Greys-son—next to me—had a mirror tuned to Tokyohama. The sun there was shining upon almost a similar scene of panic. Black and yellow men—on opposite sides of the Earth. And between them our white races in turmoil. Outside my own window I could hear the shouts of the crowd that jammed the Twentieth Level.

Greys leaned toward me. "Seven o'clock, You've got the arrival of the Venus nail. Don't overlook it. By the code, man, your hands are shaking! white as a ghost!"

I grinned at him. The Venus mail; I had forgotten it completely.
"Greys, I wonder if it'll get in."
He stared at me strangely. "You're thinking that too. I told the British National Announcer it was a Venus plot. He laughed at me. Those Great Londoners can't see their fingers before them. He said, 'That's your lurid sense of newscasting.

Keep it very well out of this."

Venus plot! I remembered my impressions of the Venus-man who was beside me

when our President fell.

Greys was back at his work. I swept the south shore of Eastern Island* with my finder, and picked up the image of the Inter-planetary landing stage, at which the Venus-mail was due to arrive. I could see the blaze of lights plainly; and with another, closer focus I caught the huge landing platform itself. It was empty.

The station-master there answered my call.

He had no word of the mail.

"Try the lookout at Table Mountain," he advised me. "They may be coming down that way. . . Sure I'll let you know. . . What a night! They say that in Mediterrania—" in Mediterrania-

But I cut off; it was no time to chat with him. Table Mountain, Capetown, had no word of the mail. Then I caught the Yukon Station. The Mail flyer had come down on the North Polar side-was already crossing

Hudson Bay.

At 8:26 it landed on Eastern Island. deluge of Venus despatches overwhelmed me. But the mail news, before I could even begin to handle my section of it, was far overshadowed. Venus, now at 8:44 was calling us by helio, The message came in the Inter-planetary code, was decoded at National Headquarters, and from there disched to us flashed to us.

The Ruler of the Venus Central State was murdered! An almost incoherent message. The murder of the Ruler, at a time co-incident with 6:30 in Great New York. Then the words:

"City being attacked. . . Tarreno, beware Tarrano. . . You are in danger of

In danger of what? The message broke The observers, behind their huge tele-

*Now Long Island.

scopes at the Potomac Headquarters, saw the helio-lights of the Venus Central State go dark suddenly. Our own station flashed its call, but there was no answer. evening star on that date—was sinking to the horizon. But our Observatory in Texas could see the planet clearly; and gave the same report.

Communication was broken. The authorities of the Venus Central State—friendly to us in spite of the recent immigration controversy-had tried to warn us.

Of what?

CHAPTER II

THE WARNING

It must have been nearly nine o'clock when a personal message came for me. Not through the ordinary open airways, but in the National Length, and coded. It came to my desk by official messenger, de-coded, printed and sealed.

Jac II, Son of Jac Hallen, Inter-Allied news. Come to me, North-east Island at once, if they can spare you. Important. Dr. Brende.

Our Division Manager scanned the message curiously and told me I could go. I got off my answer. I did not dare call Dr. Brende openly, since he had used the code. but sent it the same way. I would be up at

With a word of goodbye to Greys, I shoved aside my work, caught up a heavy jacket and cap and left the office. The levels outside our building were still jammed with an excited throng. I pushed my way through it, up to the entrance to the Staten Bridge. The waters of the harbor beneath the had a broad band of moonlight upon them, dim in the glare of the city lights. I glanced upward with satisfaction. A good night for air-traveling.

night for air-traveling.

My small personal air-car was on the stage near the bridge entrance. The attendant was there, staring at me as I dashed up in such haste. He handed me my key from

the rack.
"Going far, Jac? What a night! They'll be ordering them off if many more go up.
... Going north?"
"No," I said shortly.

I was away, rising with my helicopters until the city was a yellow haze beneath me. I was going north—to Dr. Brende's little private island off the coast of Maine. The lower lanes were pretty well crowded. I tried one of the north-bound at 8,000 feet; but the going was awkward. Then I went

to 16,000.

But Grille, the attendant back at the bridge, evidently had his finder on me, out of plain curiosity. He called me.

"They'll chase you out of there," came his voice. "Nothing doing up there tonight. That's reserved. Didn't you know it?"

I girnned at him. In the glow of my pit-

light I hoped he could see my face and the

grin.
"They'll never catch me," I said. "I'm

traveling fast tonight."

"Chase you out," he persisted. "The patrol's keeping them low. General Orders, an hour ago. Didn't you know it?"

"No."

"Well, you ought to. You ought to know everything in your business. Besides, the lights are up.

They were indeed; I could see them in all the towers underneath me. I was flying

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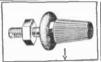
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north-east; and at the moment, with a following wind, I was doing something over three-fifty.

"But they'll shut off your power," Grille warned. You'll come down soon enough then."

Which was also true enough. The evening local-express for Boston and beyond was overhauling me. And when the green beam of a traffic tower came up and picked me out, I decided I had better obey. Dutifully I descended until the beam, satisfied, swung away.

At 8,000 feet, I went on. There was too much traffic for decent speed and the directors in every pilot bag and tower I passed seemed watching me closely. At the latitude of Boston, I swung out to sea, off the main arteries of travel. The early night mail for Eurasia,* with Great London its first stop, went by me far overhead. I could make out its green and purple lights, and the spreading silver beam that preceded it.

Alone in my pit, with the dull whir of my propellers alone breaking the silence of the night, I pondered the startling events of the past few hours. Above me the stars and planets gleamed in the deep purple of an almost cloudless sky. Venus had long since dropped below the horizon. But Mars was up there—approaching the zenith. I wondered what the Martian helio might be saying. I could have asked Greys back at the office. But Greys, I knew, would be too busy to bother with me.

What could Dr. Brende want of me? I was glad he had sent for me-there was nowhere I would rather have gone this par-ticular evening. And it would give me a ticular evening. And it chance to see Elza again.

I could tell by the light-numerals below, that I was now over Maine. I did not need to consult my charts; I had been up this way many times, for, the Brendes—the doctor, his daughter Elza, and her twin brother Georg-I counted my best friends.

I was over the sea, with the coast of Maine to my left. The traffic, since I left the line of Boston, had been far less. The patrols flashed by me at intervals, but they did not molest me.

I descended presently, and located the small two-mile island off the coast which Dr. Brende owned and upon which he lived. It was 10:20 when I came down; to find them waiting for me on the runway.

The doctor held out both his hands. "Good enough, Jac. I got your code—we've been waiting for you."

"It's crowded," I said. "Heavy up to Boston. And they wouldn't let me go high."

He nodded. And then Elza put her cool little hand against mine.

"We're glad to see you, Jac. Very glad." They took me to the house. Dr. Brende was a small, dark man of sixty-odd, smoothshaven, a thin face, with a mop of iron-grey hair above it, and keen dark eyes beneath bushy white brows. He was usually kindly and gentle of manner-at times a little abstracted; at other times he could be more forceful and direct than anyone with whom I had ever had contact.

At the house we were joined by the doctor's son Georg. My best friend, I should say; certainly for my part, I treasured his friendship very highly. He and Elza were I am two years older; and I had been a room-mate with Georg at the Commons Educational Institution of the Potomac.

*Now Europe and Asia.

Our friendship had, if anything, grown closer since my promotion into the business world. Yet we were as unlike as two individuals could possibly be. I am darkhaired, slim, and of comparatively slight muscular strength. Restless—full of nervous energy—and, they tell me. somewhat short of temper. Georg was a blond, powerful young giant. A head taller than I blue-eyed, from his mother, now deadsquare-jawed, and a complexion pink and white. He was slow to anger. He seldom spoke impulsively; and usually with a slow. quiet drawl. Always he seemed looking at life and people with a half-humorous smile, -looking at the human pageant with its foibles, follies and frailties-tolerantly. Yet there was nothing conceited about him. Quite the reverse. He was generally wholly Quite the reverse. He was generally wholly deprecating in manner, as though he himself were of least importance. Until aroused. In our days of learning, I saw Georg once—just once—thoroughly angered.

"... Came up promptly, didn't you?" Georg was saying. He was leading me to the house doorway, but I stopped him.

"Let's go to the grove," I suggested. We turned down from the small viaduct, passed the house, and went into the heavy grove of

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"He's hungry," Elza declared. "Jac, did you eat at the office tonight?"

"Yes," I said.
"Did you said."

"Yes," I said.
"Did you really?"
"Some," I admitted. In truth the run up here had brought me a thoroughly hearty appetite, which I just realized.

"I was pretty busy, you know," I added.
"Such a night—but don't you bother."
But she had already scurried away toward the house. Dear little Elza! I wished ward the house. Dear little Elza! I wished then, for the hundredth time, that I was a man of wealth-or at least, not as poor as a tower timekeeper. True, I made fair money—but the urge to spend it recklessly dominated me. I decided in that moment, toll reform for good; and lay by enough to jus-

tify asking a woman to be my wife. We reclined on a mossy bank in the grove of trees, so thick a grove that it hid the house from our sight. The doctor extinguished the glowing lights with which the tree-branches were dotted. We were in We were in the semi-darkness of a beautiful, moonlit

night.
"Don't go to sleep, Jac!"

I became aware that Georg and his father were smiling at me.

I sat up, snapping my wits into alertness."
"No. Of course not. I guess I'm tired.
You've no idea what the office was like tonight. Roaring."
"I can imagine," Georg said. "You were
at Park Sixty when the President fell,

weren't you?"

"Yes. But I wasn't supposed to be. wasn't assigned to that. How did you guess?"

"Elza saw you. She had our finder on you-I couldn't push her away from it." His slow smile was quizzical.

"On me? In all that crowd. She must have searched about very carefully to-

I stopped; I could feel my cheeks burn ing, and was glad of the dimness there under the trees.

"She did," said Georg.
"I sent for you, Jac," Dr. Brende interjected abstractedly, "because——"
But Georg checked him. "Not now, fa-

ther. Someone—anyone—might pick you up. Your words—or read your lips—there's light enough here to register on a finder."

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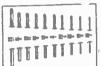
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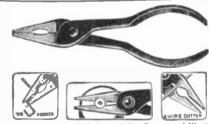
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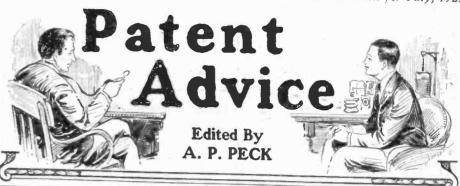
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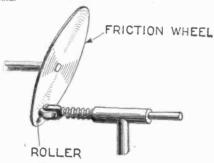
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(898) Mr. Henry Violetta, Indianapolis, Ind., writes that he needs a cam-movement for a certain piece of mechanism that he is building. The cammovement, however, must be variable so that the cam itself can operate over a range from three inches to zero or no movement at all. The shift must be made while the mechanism is in operation.

A. In the figure herewith we show an improvised cam which will undoubtedly answer your purposes. The cam may be connected to any mechanism by means of a lever or by means of a gear rack or a slotted rod coupled directly to, the mechanism which is to be moved. Further details from you concerning the mechanism will bring a more complete drawing showing attachment of the cam.



Simple form of variable cam.

PUBLIC USE

(899) John Alberts, New York City, N. Y., asks us what is meant by the term "public use," particularly with reference to patents, and what these words imply, and also what is meant by "reducing an experiment to practice."

A. Let us assume that there are two original inventors who have worked upon the same idea at widely varying points in the United States. The first of these inventors applies for a patent. The second one does not apply for a patent, but has actually developed the invention and put it to use more than two years before the application for the patent was made by the first inventor. The second inventor, of course, can prove this by newspaper clippings and by many witnesses who have seen the device in operation. Legally, there-

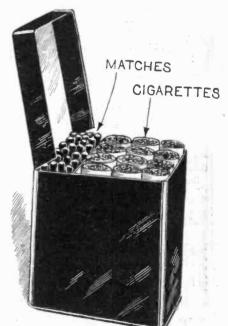
fore, the first inventor is not entitled to the patent. (The Webster Loom Co., vs. Higgins.)

For your second question let us assume that the inventor has been experimenting upon a machine or an article of manufacture, and upon completion of the machine has actually used it either in public or in private. His invention becomes now a successful experiment and entitles him to a patent, but only if the machine has been used in public has he a right to defeat the claim of a subsequent inventor who may have applied first. In order to clarify this statement, let us assume that A and B were working upon an idea. A develops the idea, publicly demonstrates it and forgets about it entirely. The experiment being completely forgotten either before or after public use, can be reinvented and patented by B. If the invention is abandoned before public use, it indicates that the experiment was no more than an unsuccessful experiment and the idea may be patented again by B. If abandoned after public use, the invention becomes the property of the public. (Allis vs. Buckstall and Mallet vs. Cogger.)

COMBINATION MATCH BOX AND CIGA-RETTE CASE

(900) John B. Souza, Honolulu, Hawaii, asks whether we advise him to try to patent the combination match box and cigarette case illustrated in the accompanying figure.

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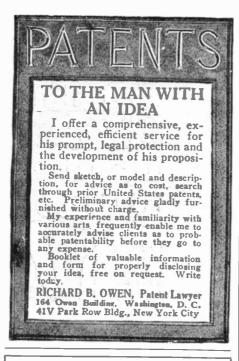
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Examining the history of this greatest of all romances, Sir Oliver brings out certain well defined ideas and postulates them into extremely interesting theses. Upon this he builds his view of the future, and explains man's present shortcoming by the fact that he still remains extremely young in his development. The future holds great promise. It is this view of the future, together with Sir Oliver's placing the present development of the human race at a comparatively low point, that leads to the belief that Sir Oliver may be becoming a bit touched with the Utopian idea.

RELATIVITY AND GRAVITATION.
By T. Percy Nunn, M.A., D.Sc. Hard
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P. Dutton & Co., New York. Price \$2.40.

P. Dutton & Co., New York. Price \$2.40. Since the appearance of Einstein's original theory of relativity, there have been only two classes of books upon this subject, one for the man practically ignorant of science, and the other for the college professor of mathematics. This volume starts on a different level. The author selects as his readers, those people who are pretty generally acquainted with science and physics, and who have a workable knowledge of mathematics above the level of arithmetic. Upon this foundation, Mr. Nunn writes an extremely enlightened and understandable treatise of the subject. It is a hard nut to crack, this relativity, and takes no end of study. However, the industrious man, if he will apply himself without stint and develop a high disregard for the price of midnight oil, until he thoroughly masters this tone of Mr. Nunn's, will come out at least with knowledge enough of relativity to discuss the subject intelligently.

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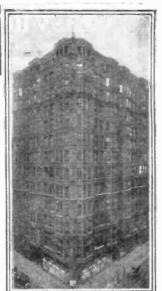
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Tarrano the Conqueror

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The doctor nodded. "He's afraid-you

see, Jac, it's these Venus—"
"Father—please. It's a long chance—but why take any? We can insulate in the house."

The chance that someone who shouldn't be, was tuned to us as we sat there in that lonely grove! With the doctor's widespread reputation-his more than national prominence —it did not seem to me to be such a long chance either, on this, of all nights.

"As you say, no use in putting private things into the public air," I remarked; and things into the public an, a remarker, I felt then as though a thousand hostile eyes I felt then as though a thousand and ears were watching and listening. "We and ears were watching and listening. "We knows," Georg can talk of what everybody knows," Georg commented. "The Martian Ruler of the Little People was assassinated an hour ago.

You heard that coming up?"
"No," I said; but I had imagined as much. "Did they say-

"They said nothing," Dr. Brende put in. "The flash of a dozen helioed words—no more."

'It went dark, like Venus?'

"No. Just discontinued. I judge they're excited up there—the Bureau disorganized perhaps—I don't know. That was the last we got at the house, just before you came down. There may be something in there now—you Inter-Allied people are pretty reliable."

The Ruler of the Venus Central State, the leading Monarch of Mars, and our three chief executives of Earth-murdered almost simultaneously! It was incredible-any one of the murders would have been incredibleyet it was true.

There had been times—in the Inter-Allied Office, particularly—when I had been insulated from aerial eavesdropping. But never had I felt the need of it more than now. A constraint fell over me; I seemed afraid to say anything. I think we all three felt very much like that; and it was a relief when Elza arrived with my dainty little meal.

"Any word from Mars on the news-tape?" her father asked.

She sat down beside me, helping me to the

"I did not look," she answered.

She did not look, because she was busy preparing my meal! Dear little Elza! And because of my accursed extravagance-my poverty-no word of love had ever passed between ns!

I thought I had never seen Elza so beautiful as this moment. A slim little thing, perfectly formed and matured, and inches shorter than I. Thick brown hair braided, and hanging below her waist. A face— pretty as her mother's must have been—yet intellectual as her father's.

I had taken Elza to the great music festivals of the city, and counted her the best dressed girl in all the vast throng. Tonight she was dressed simply. A grey-blue, tubular sort of skirt, clinging close to the lines of her figure and split at the side for walking; a tight-fitting bodice, light in color (a man knows little of the technicalities of such things); throat bare, with a flaring rolled collar behind—a throat like a rose-petal with the moonlight on it; arms bare, save for the upper, triangular sleeves.

It must suffice: I can only say she was adorable. Almost in silence I ate my meal, with her beside me.

Georg went into the house once, to consult the news-tape. It was crowded with Earth-events-excitement, confusion everywhere-inconsequential reports, they seemed, by comparison with what had gone before. But of helios from Mars, or Venus, there

were none reported. Of Venus, the tape said nothing save that each of our westward stations was vainly calling in turn, as the planet dropped toward its horizon.

I finished my meal-too leisurely for Georg and the doctor; and then we all went into the house, to the insulated room where at last we could talk openly.

As we entered the main corridor, we heard the low voice of the Inter-Allied news-announcer, coming from the disc in a room nearby.

"And I'enus-

The words caught our attention. We hurried in, and stood by the Inter-Allied equipment. Georg picked up the pile of tape whereon the announcer's words were being printed. He ran back over it.

"Another helio from Venus!" he ex-claimed. "Ten minutes ago."

And then I saw his lips go tight together. He made no move to hide the tape from Elza, but she was beside him and already reading it. Her fingers switched off the announcer's droning voice—he was now say-

ing something unimportant.
"Pacific Coastal Station," Elza read. In the sudden silence of the room her voice was low, clear, and steady, though her hands were trembling. "P.C.S. 10.42 Venus helio. "Defeat! Beware Tarrano! Notify your Dr. Brende in Eurasia, danger."

We men stared at each other. But Elza

went on reading.
"P.C.S. 10.44 Venus helio, 'Lost! No more! Smashing apparatus!' The Venus sending station went dark at 10.44.30. Hawaiian station will call later, but have little hope of re-establishing connection." "Tokyohama 10.46 Official, via Potomac National Headquarters Excitement here continues. Levels crowded—"
Elza dropped the tape. "That's all of importance. Venus Central Station warn-

ing you, father."

A buzz across the room called the doctor to his personal receiver. It was a message in code from Potomac National Headquarters. We watched the queer-looking characters printing on the tape. Very softly, in a voice hardly above a whisper, Georg de-coded it.

"Dr. Brende, see P.C.S. 10.42, warning you, probably of Venus immigrants now here. Do you need guard? Or will you come Washington at once for personal safety?" "Father!" cried Elza.

Georg burst out. "Enough of this. We cannot—dare not talk in here. Father,

We went out into the corridor again, across which was the small room insulated from all aerial vibrations. In the corridor a figure was standing—the one other member of the Brende household—the maid-servant. a girl about Elza's age. I knew her well, of course, but this evening I had forgotten her existence. She was standing in the corridor. Did I imagine it, or had she been gazing

up at the mechanism ten feet above the floor-the mechanism controlling the insulated room? "You wish me, Miss Elza? I thought I

heard you call." "No, Ahla, not 'til later."

With a gesture of respect, the girl with-drew, passing from our sight down the incline which led to the lower part of the house.

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For Elza's maid was a Venus-girl! (End of first part)



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Doctor Hackensaw's Secrets

By CLEMENT FEZANDIÉ

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"My dependence, however, is not on the I have other devices to ensure our safety. In front of the car is an electric gong which will ring continuously during our descent. This will be a great protection."

"What in the world will be the use of a gong?" asked Miggs, puzzled. "You surely don't expect to meet another car coming

"No, but I do fear to find some obstruction in the path, or to find a sudden turn in the pit, or even to find the pit completely closed.

"But what use will the gong be?"

"By means of a parabolic reflector I shoot the sound straight in front of the car. there is no obstruction in front of us, there will be no echo. If, however, there is anything in the way, some of the sound waves will be reflected back to us and warn us of our danger. Not only will these waves sound an alarm, but they will automatically work a relay that will work the brakes and check the speed of the car. To make assurance doubly sure, I also shoot forth an ultraviolet ray in front of the car which acts in the same manner. When this ray strikes an obstruction, it is reflected back and acts on a photo-electric cell in the car, also sounding an alarm and putting on the brakes. This device is more delicate than the other, but it has the advantage of speed, for the light waves travel much faster than the sound But we're wasting time. waves. Everything is ready now for the start. I'll take the first trick at the wheel so you can watch me and see how things work. As you would feel a peculiar sensation when we acquire speed, a sensation similar to that experienced on a rapidly descending elevator, you will find it advisable to lie down on the adjustable couches. These couches are provided with a universal joint so they can be adjusted in any position desired. As you see there is a similar one provided for the pilot. Now then, are you all ready? Then I press the button and down we go!

CHAPTER VII

The car trembled for an instant and then slowly began its descent into the bottomless pit, the chain that held it gradually unwind-

ing as the car descended.

By slow degrees the doctor increased the speed. The brakes had already been tested out on several previous short trial trips, but so much depended on their proper working that the doctor now put them to a series of more strennous tests. He would allow the car to drop suddenly a short distance and then apply the brakes with a jerk. He was overjoyed to find that they checked the descent of the car at once and without showing any signs of strain. The passengers suffered more than the brakes, and Pep, off her guard, was even once thrown off her berth to the ground. But she picked herself up, laughing, and accused the doctor of doing it on purpose.

Satisfied that everything was in perfect order. Doctor Hackensaw gradually increased speed and soon the car (or the "squid", as Miggs persisted in calling it), was falling downward at a uniform rate of forty miles

an hour.

At the end of a couple of hours the instruments indicated that a depth of eighty miles had been reached and that the vacuum in the pit was not quite so great as at the

start.
"You've got to look out now," said Miggs. "As the pit is only one hundred miles deep, we'll strike the bottom in another half hour." No danger of that," replied the Doctor. "The pit must extend several hundred miles further.

"What makes you think that? Didn't you tell us that the bomb which dropped down exploded a hundred miles below the sur-

face?

"So it did; but the explosion was in all probability caused by the speed of its fall. It didn't go down quietly the way we did at forty miles an hour, but fell at a constantly increasing speed. The compression of the air in front probably sufficed to force back the detonator that causes the explosion of the bomb.'

"But what makes you think we are not

near the bottom of the pit?"

"Because the air which is getting slightly denser, doesn't seem to be reflected back to us. If the bottom of the pit were a lew miles away, we ought to feel a stronger back pressure or breeze than the instruments show. I am so sure of the fact that the bottom is a long way off that I am going to increase our speed to one hundred miles per hour."
"All right, but go slow!" said Pep, who

didn't want another fall.

The speed was gradually increased and now our friends found that their bodies, as before, seemed a trifle lighter as the velocity increased. An acceleration of thirty-two feet per second would have caused them to lose all their weight and float in the air. Of course, their speed only increased a very small fraction of this, so the loss in weight. while perceptible, was perceived more as an uncomfortable feeling than as a sensation of lightness.

"Now Pep." said Doctor Hackensaw, "as we have a long and probably monotonous journey before us, suppose you hook up the radio set and see if you can catch some good music from one of the broadcast stations."

CHAPTER VIII

The start had been made at eight o'clock in the morning in order to give a long day for the exploration, though of course there was no distinction between day and night in the pit, and the party could turn the electric lights in the car on and off at will.

The music broke up the monotony of the trip and cards and checkers and letter writing, the messages to be sent by radio, helped to pass the time. Pep had resolved to send to her special friends missives from the center of the earth if she should ever reach the

spot.

As time passed the three friends found that their weight was becoming perceptibly lighter. Pep who weighed a hundred and twenty pounds normally, found when she suspended herself from a spring scale in the car that she now weighed only one hundred pounds and her lightness increased every hour.

Another sign that they were approaching the center of the earth was that the tension of the brakes against the walls of the pit, as indicated by a gauge in the car, became gradually less. Miggs inquired the cause of

this from the doctor.

"You see, Miggs," explained Doctor Hack-ensaw, "I have set the speed of the car to remain automatically one hundred miles per hour, this being the highest speed at which it is prudent to travel. When we go faster than this, the brakes automatically press tighter against the walls of the pit, and so retard our speed. On the other hand, when

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we go less than a hundred miles per hour, the brakes automatically relax a trifle, allowing us to fall faster.'

But why should we slow up, as we near the center of the earth? I always thought the velocity would keep on increasing until the center of the earth was reached, and only begin decreasing after we had passed the center."

"So it would, Miggs, if our car were falling freely in a tube deprived of air. The acceleration of speed would each second become smaller and smaller, but would be added to the previous speed so that when we reached the center we should be travel-ing at a terriffic rate. But as the brakes keep the car at a uniform speed of one hundred miles per hour, and the pull of gravitation becomes smaller each second, the car would gradually slow up and stop unless I eased up the brakes. Another thing that retards us is that the air is getting denser. It is now six o'clock-dinner time by the way-and we have been falling for ten hours. Of course, we went slowly at the start, but we have fallen nearly nine hundred miles now. If you look at the air gauge you will see that the air in the pit is perceptibly denser-not yet the normal atmospheric pressure of 15 pounds to the square inch, but approaching it.

Miggs looked at the simple gauge that in-

dicated this pressure. It was nothing but a diaphragm. A valve allowed air from the pit to enter one side of the diaphragm and air from the car was admitted by another valve to the other side. A rod fastened to the diaphragm was thus pushed forward or back, indicating the pressure by pushing a needle pivoted on a dial.

The trio sat down to a hearty meal. taking short tricks of five minutes each on the pilot seat so that all might enjoy the meal together. Care had to be taken in moving around for their bodies had lost so much weight that a too brisk movement would cause them to jump high in the air. In fact, once poor Pep accidently jumped so high that she kicked Doctor Hackensaw on the head, knocking him down. Luckily his light weight prevented him from hurting himself.

"If we were falling freely and there were

a perfect vacuum in the tube," explained the doctor, we should have had no weight at all during the entire trip, for we should ourselves have been attracted no faster than the car, even if we were in mid-air. As things are, however, we shall not lose our weight completely unless we stop at the center of the earth. At present our weight is governed by three factors: (1) the speed of the car; (2) the acceleration produced by gravitation at the spot we have reached: and (3) the density of the air in the pit.

"How does the density of the air in the pit affect our weight?" inquired Miggs.

"It retards the car, but does not retard our bodies. Hence, it increases our weight on the spring scale, or at least it would increase it, if the car were falling freely in the pit."

After dinner Doctor Hackensaw examined the instruments again and then started to make some calculations. The result seemed to puzzle him. Thinking he had made some error, he started all over again, but seemingly with no better result.
"What's the matter?" asked Pep.

"I don't know, but something's wrong. We are now twelve hundred miles below the surface of the earth, but our weights are much less than they ought to be at this spot. Something is wrong somewhere—unless he hesitated an instant, then a gleam of ex-

citement came into his eyes:

"I have it!" he cried. "I understand everything now! I understand why our weight is almost nothing at present! I understand weight is almost nothing at present! derstand, too, what puzzled me so much in the radio observations we made before start-ing by sending directed waves through the center of the earth from surface to surface. But if my hypothesis is correct, the center of the earth must be an even more marvelous place than anyone had ever suspected it to be!"

(To be continued)

****** What Is Gravitation?

By PROF. DONALD H. MENZEL, Ph.D.

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of the planets assumed, instead of a repellent, an attractive force. If you could minutely examine the conditions you would find your error. You have imagined the bright area to be flat. Actually it is within a pit, and the curved path is not only the natural, but the shortest one for the man to follow.

Einstein makes gravitation follow as a natural effect of the presence of matter. That is one of the reasons why his law seems simpler to the scientists than Newton's. It Einstein is right, as it appears, then it is probable that we shall never be able to annul gravitation, that is, without destroying matter-for they are one and the same thing. The present status of research indicates that the second is possible, though it should be hoped that it will not be accomplished within a short space of time.

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The Isolator

By HUGO GERNSBACK

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shut out all the noises, it reached an efficiency of about 75 per cent. The reason was that solid wood was used.

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It will be noted that the glass windows directly in front of the eyes are black. construction involved the use of ordinary window glass, the outer glass being painted entirely black. Two small white lines were scratched into the paint, as shown. The idea of this is as follows:

The writer thought that shutting out the noises was not sufficient. The eye would still wander around, thereby distracting attention. By having the two white lines scratched on the glass, the field through which the eye can move is comparatively small. In illustration No. 1, it will be seen that it is almost impossible to see anything except a sheet of paper in front of the wearer. There is, therefore, no optical distraction here.

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It was also found that if the helmet was used alone for more than fifteen minutes at a time, the wearer would become more or This is not conducive to hard less drowsy. thinking, and for that reason the writer introduced a small oxygen tank, attached to the helmet. This increases the respiration and livens the subject considerably.

With this arrangement it is found that an important task can be completed in short order and the construction of the Isolator will be found to be a great investment.

Book Review

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PROBLEM OF THE OBEL-ISKS. By R. Engelbach. Hard covers, 5½" x 9", 134 pages. Published by George H. Doran Co., New York.

\$4.00.
This very fully illustrated book devoted to the monoliths of Egypt is to be warmly commended to our readers. It certainly is most interesting reading giving all the particulars of the quarrying and probable methods of erecting obelisks. The application of the principle of the hour glass for gradually getting the obelisks into a vertical position, is illustrated by four views, which make a most interesting suggestion at least, of how the feat may have been done before, but this is not all, for an entire chapter is devoted to this subject of erection. The quarrying and transportation of obelisks comes next, and from ancient records it has been ascertained how many men were employed for some of the work.

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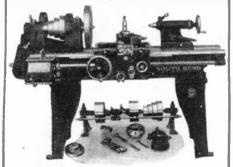






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Keeping a Kitchen Cool By CHRISTINE FREDERICK

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will very likely enjoy less cookery and more salads, cold cuts and other more easily prepared dishes. In really hot weather why not do cooking for two or three days ahead, and do it in early morning hours when the heat of the sun does not double the heat of the kitchen. By actually making up menus ahead for two or three or even four days in advance, you can at one cooking do all the hot work necessary.

HOW TO COOL THE BODY

Another matter about keeping cool in the kitchen: Keep yourself cool. Don't drink ice water during the hot part of the day in quantities; it doesn't cool you, it lowers your vitality and makes you more miserable. It is even dangerous. I'll tell you a plan I learned from a piano mover, and it was prescribed by his doctor, who had attended him after he'd been made seriously ill from drinking ice water after his heavy moving work. To really cool yourself: hold your verists under the faucet and let the water run over them for a few minutes. It slowly and safely cools you, far more surely than the dumping of ice water into the stomach.

Another thing about keeping cool in your kitchen: reduce your steps around the kitchen to a minimum, for every time you move you use energy and feel the heat so much the more. And do not wear tight clothing in hot weather.

Guard against driving the heat of your kitchen into your dining room or elsewhere in the house. Keep out of the kitchen all superfluous things. In summer time trim down your equipment and use a few pots, pans, tools and dishes as possible.

Learn also to use one gas burner for a variety of purposes, remembering that two gas burners going doubles the heat produced in the kitchen. There are utensils, enabling you to cook three or more things at one time on one burner.

FIRELESS COOKER A BOON

The fireless cooker is naturally a heat saver of the finest variety, and if you haven't one, you should get one. It enables you to do the longest boiling or cooking job without using the burners. A pressure cooker is also a valuable aid. In fact, summer time brings out particularly the need for up-to-date equipment in the kitchen, for then your steps and labor are especially wearisome.

Set a simple table in summer and use fewer dishes, thus lightening the burden of dish washing, which is very especially a burden in hot weather. If you can do away with breakfast cookery, so much the better; and if you can stay out of the kitchen for lunch preparation, you have triumphed also over the heat demons.

COOKING PLUS ELECTRICITY LESS HEAT

Finally I recommend that if possible you substitute *electric* devices for the breakfast and lunch cookery and also to lighten cookery generally. I have a charming little electric device with which I can cook eggs, make toast and heat the coffee all at one operation, and I do it at the breakfast table, not in the kitchen. I can even grill some bacon at the same time. Why, then, go into the kitchen? Certainly electricity is a summer boon for the nimble housewife in other ways, why not in cookery?

25 New Flowers In 25 Years—Burbank

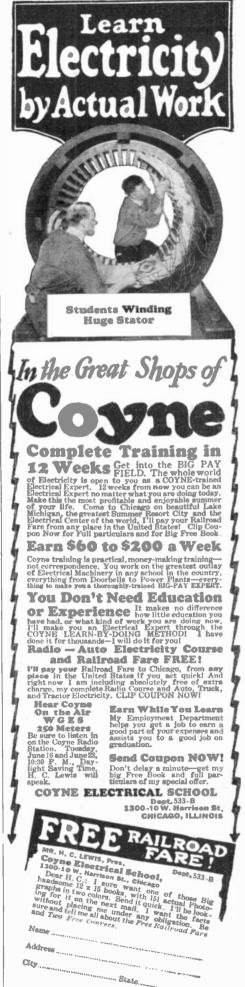
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transfer of pollen, and paused for an instant, his little brush raised like an orchestra leader's baton above the blossoming field. "There is no alchemy to the production of new and larger and better flowers and fruits and vegetables. I use only earth and sun and water and air, with careful selection of the parent plants, with patience and care in pollenization, and close observation. I merely aid nature to do in a few years what she alone and unaided would require centuries to accomplish. There is not a factor in my work which every plant-grower does not have at his disposal. My laboratory is the outdoors; I live close to the soil, and from it I receive new strength daily, and an ever increasing knowledge of the world of plants.

"The abandoned fruit tree in the corner of your garden was planted perhaps a generation ago. Yet a twig cut from it today may produce an abundant supply of fruit, or, by grafting and budding, you may transform it into a tree producing half a dozen varieties of fruits. There is nothing mysterious about it; you merely take a hand in helping nature produce the improved forms of fruits, vegetables and flowers that you desire. First of all, however, you must have a plan, a definite objective in your plant-breeding, and you must adhere to that plan until the objective is achieved. is what Nature has been doing for uncounted centuries; it is what the plant-breeder must do for years. There is nothing which will take the place of care and time in this work. The first year that my experimental farm was in operation, half a century and more ago, my total returns were \$15.20, but I was not discouraged. A fruit grower wanted 20,000 prune trees, and wanted them for

planting that season. By planting almond seeds under gunny sacks and keeping the sacks wet, I forced their growth until, in three months, I had 25,000 almond roots, sufficiently strong to carry prune grafts. I then went into a prune orchard. From some fifty or sixty trees, I cut 20,000 buds, which I applied with my own hands to as many of the almond seedlings. They grew, I delivered the prune trees on time, and some of them are still growing."

At least two towns, one of them, Vacaville, quite a commercial center, owe their prosperity and growth to Burbank's development of the plum, now known by his name, of which thousands of carloads are shipped annually from the orchards surrounding these towns. A better apple, a larger prune, a disease-resisting pear, a finer-flavored peach -these are some of the contributions he has made to the fruit-grower. Among the flowers he promises, not yet so well developed as the roses mentioned, are a gladiolus with blossoms five inches in diameter, growing all around the stalk, instead of on one side as do present varieties of gladioli; a new lily of large size with several colors coming from the same bulb, developed from a wild lily sent to him by a correspondent in China; a giant zinnia, six inches in diameter; three close-growing shrubs whose entire tops burst into a solid mass of flame-colored blossoms; several flowering climbing vines, developed from wild vines received by Burbank some years ago from South American friends, and a leek which, though retaining its edible qualities, bears long stems of fragrant blossoms, not unlike hyacinths, making it suitable for the flower garden as well as for the vegetable patch.



Vhen Marriage



Men who are serving prison terms for obtaining money or goods under false pretenses—men who have been hanged or electrocuted for killing other men, are no whit worse than many a man walking the streets today who has falsely gained the affections of a young girl, married her, and then, through his physical or mental rottenness, killed her every hope of future happiness.

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Fatherhood should be a Pelony, punished as a Capital Crime, when a man knowingly slaughters all that is most sacred in a woman's heart; her faith in the ability and character of her husband, her expectations of a happy home, her hopes of some day becoming the mother of healthy, strong, laughing little ones.

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Make Yourself Fit

Make Yourself Fit Before you Marry
Stop! Think! Don't take the fatal step. Fit Yourself for matrimony before you ask any woman to marry you. She can't know the things about you which YOU know and many of your men friends know. If you are weak, watery-blooded, billious; with your tissues routing away with constipation and your manhood lost thru early excesses and distirt who loves and trusts you new will despise and detest you when she learns the truth. Don't lead her to the altar until you are a real man in the fullest sense of the word. Get rid of the aliments which mean life-test you when she learns the truth. Don't lead her to a walking skeleton; trim down, if you are grossly fat. Ruild yourself up until you are fine and fit again. You can do it—if only you will exert your Will Power and begin NOW!

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Book Review

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CENTURY OF EXCAVATION IN THE LAND OF THE PHARAOHS. By James Baikie, F.R.A.S. Hard covers, 5½" x 8¾". Published by Etc.

By James Baikie, F.R.A.S. Hard covers, 5½" x 8¾". Published by Fleming H. Revell Co., New York. \$3.00.
This exhaustive treatise is most interesting. Mechanical readers will be attracted by the discovery of Flinders Petric, the very eminent explorer, as to the working of stone by the very ancient Egyptian. Bronze saws with jewel cutting points like the modern diamond saw, were used in the remote centuries in Egypt, and the accuracy of the work on stone far surpasses modern practice. The diamond drill of today is used to extract a core from rock in many cases, but the modern drill core cannot hold a candle to those of the Egyptians. It is simply impossible to adequately review this book, and the statement of that impossibility is our best ackstatement of that impossibility is our best acknowledgement of its merit. Tutankhamen of course figures in the text, and the very numerous illustrations are so apposite and well done, that

THE NEW THEORIES OF MATTER AND THE ATOM. By Alfred Berthoud, Prof. of Physical Chemistry at the Univ. of Neuchatel. Hard covers, 5½" x 8¾", 259 pages. Published by The Macmillan Co., New York. \$3.50. The expression "New Theory" is one that The Macmillan Co., New York. \$3.50. The expression "New Theory" is one that excites a certain amount of resistance in the mind, it being far pleasanter to feel that the old theory, notably that of atomic chemistry, instead of being killed off and put into the discard, is being developed. But when we come up against relativity, there is no knowing what will happen, and so we find here Michelson's experiments given, but in rather too brief a form. Michelson's results that the earth is motionless in the ether certainly appears to puzzle, but its explanation by the still more puzzling Fitzgerald-Lorentz Contraction, which tells us that a brick moving with the velocity of light would be thinner than a playing card, does not give much comfort. Perhaps we can find some of that missing comfort in the fact that only a dozen men have been said to understand the Einstein Theory, that one of the U. S. astronomers in a casual way told the writer that it was not understood by the astronomer in question. The theory of Quanta and what has been picturesquely termed "the granular constitution of energy" are given adequate space. The book really is quite attractive.

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(By an oversight in the proof reading, the name Professor Michelson is wrongly spelled in text and index.)

THE KINGDOM OF THE HEAVENS.

THE KINGDOM OF THE HEAVENS. By Charles Nordmann, translated by E. E. Fournier D'Albe. Hard covers, 5½" x 8¾", 261 pages. Published by D. Appleton & Co., New York. \$3.50.

The treatment of astronomy in this work is certainly popularized, as all sorts of interesting and odd questions are taken up. Throughout the treatment is exceedingly popular. It is quite curious toward the end to find the fact brought out that it is well nigh impossible to really prove that the earth rotates on its axis. The author in bringing out this proposition of course refers to Einstein's theory of relativity, which he says has revived the old problem of whether the earth turns or not. There is lots of Einstein in the hook, and Planck also appears. Some interesting figures are given; the greatest celestial velocity for instance, so far observed, is 4,000,000 miles per hour, but this is little more than 1/200th, the speed of light.

ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY, based on the text of F. P. Treadwell, late Prof. of Analytical Chemistry at the Polytechnic Institute of Zurich. Hard covers, 6" x 9½", 811 pages. Published by John Wiley & Sons, New York. \$5.00.

Wiley & Sons, New York. \$5.00.
Gravimetric and up-to-date quantitative analysis, such as this one, is greatly to be welcomed. About 750 pages are devoted to the elaborate treatment of quantitative analysis, principally of inorganic substances, although it is impossible of course to give a sharp division between organic and inorganic analysis. For the old time chemists who have not been in active practice for some years, it makes absolutely good reading, as it gives the last methods of modern analysis. It is illustrative with very simple and nice illustrations, quite sufficient in number, and the treatise is warmly to be commended, and the reviewer only wishes if he can find the time, that he may read it as a complete book.





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WERDEN UND WESEN DER ASTRO-LOGIE. By Robert Henfeling. Soft covers, 5½" x 8¼", 94 pages. Published by Kosmos, Stuttgart, Germany.

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STANDARD ELECTRICAL DICTION-ARY, by T. O'Conor Sloane, A.M., E.M., Ph.D. Hard covers, 5" x 7½", 790 pages. Published by The Norman W. Henley Publishing Co., New York. \$5.00.

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The Standard Electrical Dictionary has been a popular work for many years, and has been constantly added to, so as to be up to date. In the present edition after the first and second parts, a third part has been added which is devoted to the definition of radio terms, but these terms have now become so numerous that we cannot but feel that this section might have been much longer. On turning back into the second part, we find many wireless definitions, so that the two sections put together give a pretty good presentation of the subject. The absence of an index is greatly to be regretted, because so many of the terms are two or more words in length, so that an index is really needed.

ADVERTISING RESPONSE. By H. M. Donovan. Hard covers, cloth bound, 5½" x 8½", 195 pages. Published by J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia Page 200 delphia, Pa. \$2.00.

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CIVIL ENGINEERING, Vol. 398 of International Library of Technology. Hard covers, 5½" x 9", 31 pages. Published by International Textbook Co., Scranton, Pa. \$3.00.

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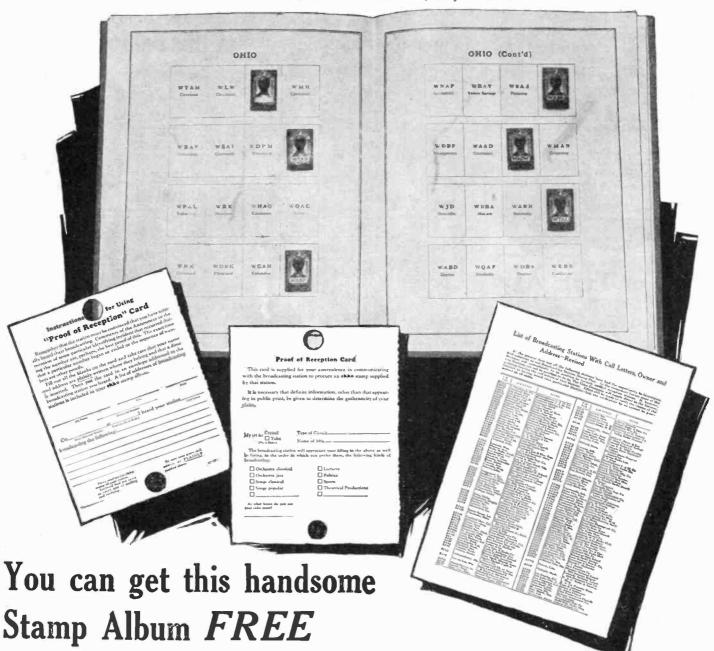




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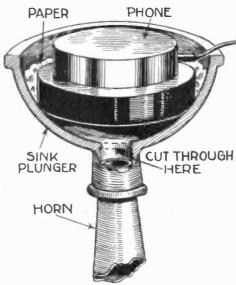


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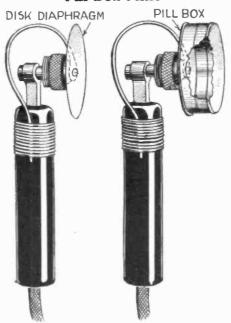
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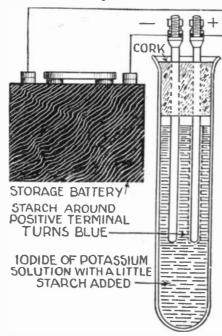
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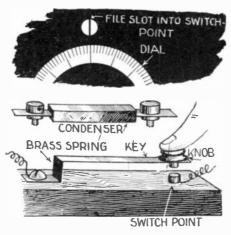
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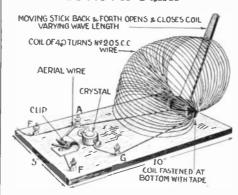
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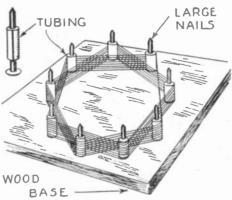
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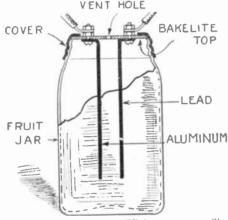
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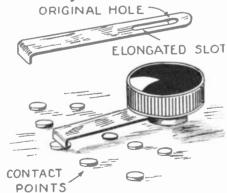
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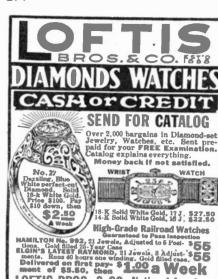
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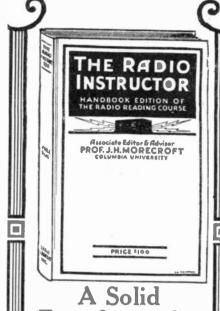
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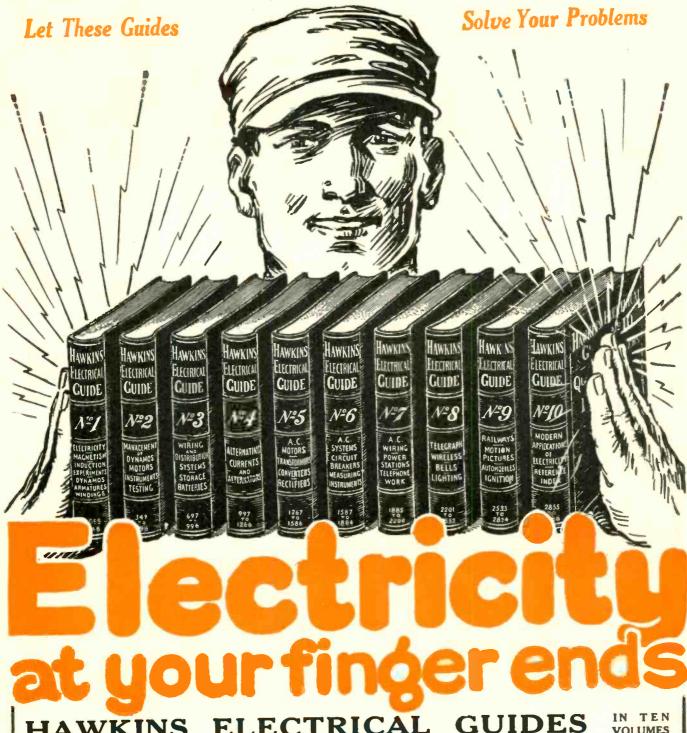
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