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The Doom of Illiteracy

Incomplete compilations by the census bureau show that illiteracy is fast disappearing in the United States. Early reports are so flattering that the bureau of education believes that this menace to democracy will soon give way to the perfect enlightenment which is the best guardian of our rights. Reports from the big cities, where thousands of aliens have their homes, have not been included; but it is believed that appreciable progress will be noted there also.

The prevalence of illiteracy in the United States became glaringly apparent when the nation called its men to the military service. The number of soldiers who could not read and write, or were so poorly schooled that they were only a few degrees removed from the state of illiteracy, was so alarmingly large that the military authorities had to establish schools in the cantonments. Since then, determined efforts have been made everywhere in the United States to elevate the scholastic attainments of all citizens to the point where they at least can read and write. If the final returns of the census bureau on this point substantiate the early indication, the campaign has not been waged in vain.

Both the federal and state governments have popularized education in the last decade in a marked manner. The scope of this work goes far beyond mere reading and writing. It seeks to acquaint our citizens with the history of our country and with scores of topics that have both cultural and vocational value.

The home reading courses of the federal bureau of education, for instance, recently published a reading course on foreign trade, which is of practical value, not only to the man who engages in overseas commerce, but also to the man in the inland city. "A knowledge of local, regional, national, and international economic resources, broadly defined to include labor, transportation and capital, as well as natural resources," says the announcement, "is becoming

increasingly necessary whether one is directly engaged in any line of business or not. Without it, intelligent merchandising is impossible." Twenty-nine books are listed in the series. The man who wishes to become acquainted with this phase of commerce has the whole topic covered in a list, which probably would not be available elsewhere.

The work of the extension divisions of our state universities is commendable in the manner in which it gives interested persons an opportunity to broaden their education. The latest report of the Indiana university extension division shows that 456 package libraries were mailed to clients, 66 requests for assistance in preparing club programs were filled, 17 lists of reference were sent out, and 13 inquiries were referred elsewhere for answer.

No one justly can say he has no opportunity to acquire schooling in the United States. Abundant chances are at hand, and all that an enterprising person has to do is to avail himself of the courses. The satisfactory increase in vocational studies, as well as the establishment of night schools, permits the training of hand and mind.

Every advance in the popularization of education by the state and federal governments uplifts the intellectual status of our citizenship and makes it more efficient in the discharge of its vocational and political duties. The money spent for this purpose is a wise investment which will bring dividends in better citizenship as well as in the increase of the national wealth.

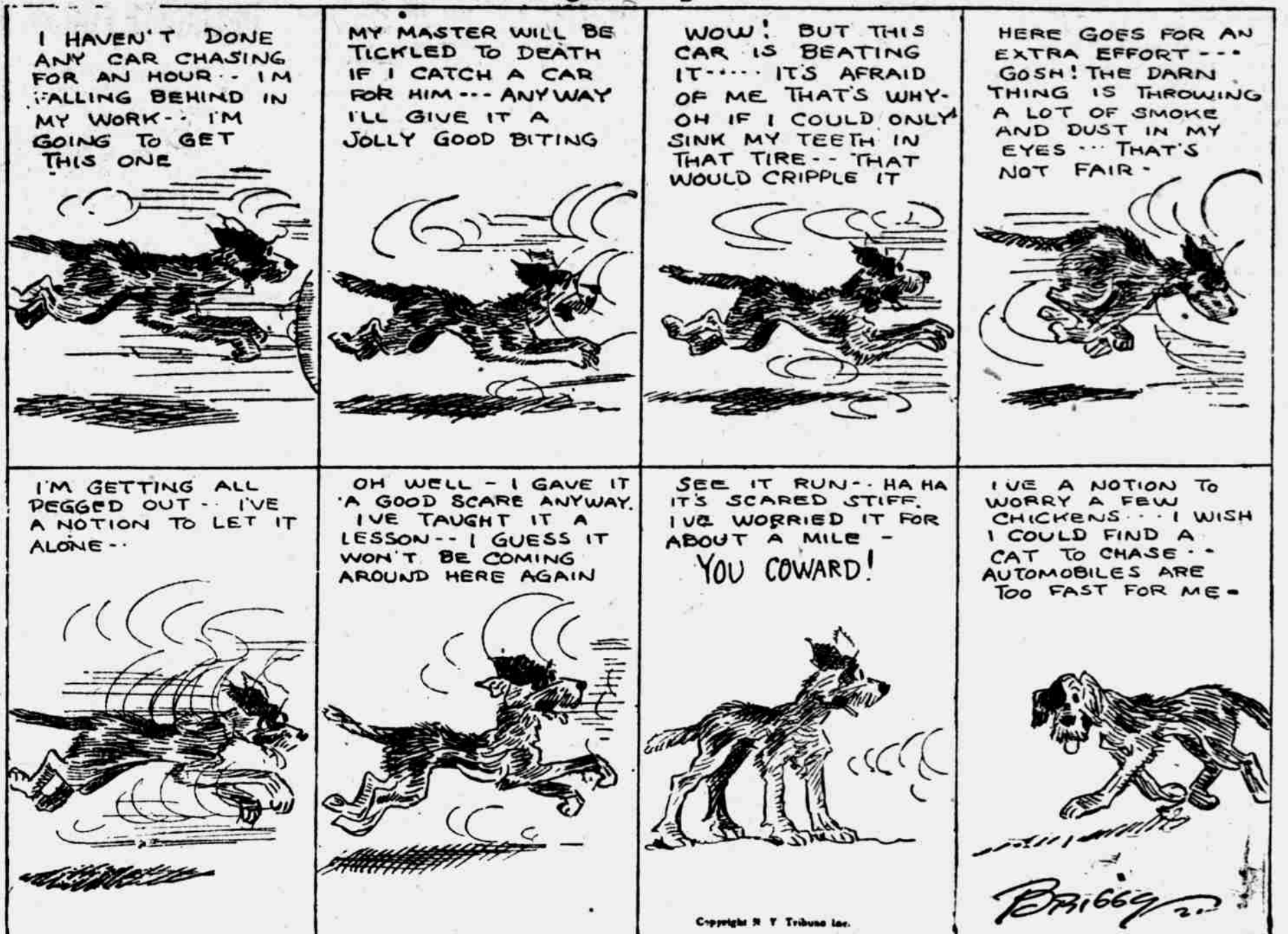
More Business in Government

The passage of a bill by the senate incorporating a budget system for the federal government lays the foundation for a reform which will contribute toward reducing the cost of operating the government.

A similar bill is pending in the house. Discrepancies between the views of the senators and representatives can be reconciled in conference after the house has adopted the measure. The representatives favor the measure, so that ultimate presentation of the measure for the president's signature seems assured.

It will be the first time in our national history that a budget system will regulate federal expenditures. The new measure will not curb all extravagance and waste, but it will at least fix the responsibility, permitting the country to check back and correct errors.

Wonder What a Dog Chasing a Car Thinks About



Who's Who in the Day's News

SIR ROBERT BORDEN
On top of the announcement by Premier Meighen of Canada that that country would send a minister to Washington in the near future, comes word that Sir Robert Borden, premier of the dominion, has been asked to accept the new diplomatic post.

Borden has been premier of Canada since 1911. He is by profession a lawyer, having at one time been president of the Nova Scotia baristers' society. In February, 1901, Borden upon the resignation of Sir Thomas Tupper, became leader of the Conservative party in the house of commons.

He was Canada's representative at the several imperial war conferences in 1917 and 1918. The union government was formed by him. October, 1917, and on appeal to the electorate was sustained by a majority of seventy at the general election, December, 1917.

Borden is 67 years old and he resides at Ottawa, Canada.

Answers to Questions

Subscriber—I wish to get some figures showing the relative importance of countries engaged in cattle raising. What are the leading countries? The Republic of Paraguay in South America can claim the distinction of being the richest in proportion to population in cattle, with the sole exception of the neighboring state of Uruguay.

The London Economist gives the six great cattle-raising countries of the world as follows: The United States 56,592,000 head, equal to 290 per 1,000 of the population; Brazil stands next with 30,705,000 head, equal to 237 per 1,000 inhabitants; Argentina, next with 28,120,000, equal to 232 per 1,000 of the population; Australia next with 11,812,000, equal to 244 per 1,000 of the population; Uruguay comes next with 5,192,000 head, equal to 651 per 1,000 population, and then Paraguay with 5,249,000 head, equal to 524 per 1,000 of population.

Altho—(1)—To settle an argument, will you please tell me if anyone ever swam across the English Channel? (2)—Also tell me if Warren Lincoln Travis ever held up a weight of 5,000 pounds, and if there is any truth in the story that Mensen Ernst of Norway ran from Paris to Moscow in 1832, a distance of 1,625 miles, in 13 days?—(1)—Capt. Mathew Webb swam the English Channel, between Dover and Calais, on Aug. 24-26, 1875, in 23½ hours. (2)—We find no record to show that Travis held up any weight whatever. The Clipper Annual, however, shows that a Patrick McCarthy, using arms, legs and back under a platform weighing 6,370 pounds, raised it clear of the trusses. Neither do we find any record of the alleged run from Paris to Moscow, a distance of 1,843 miles, instead of 1,625 miles. To do this would call for a run of about six miles an hour for every hour of the 13 days.

Readers may obtain answer to questions by writing The Palladium Questions and Answers department. All questions should be written plainly and briefly. Answers will be given briefly.

REPUBLICANS

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The country now as patriotic daughters of America to inform themselves about public affairs and take part in public affairs, and when they do so I am not going to refer to them sneeringly as politicians nor assert that they want something for themselves because they do take a public interest."

SALEM POSTMASTER DIES
SALEM, Ind., April 29.—Lewis Denie, 71 years old, prominent in Salem as a merchant and for two terms postmaster, is dead here after an illness of several weeks.

FRECKLE-FACE

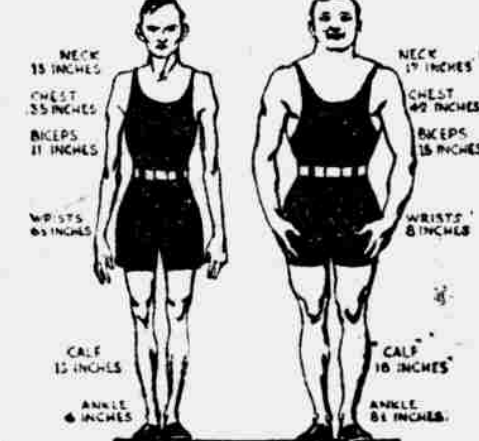
Sun and Wind Bring Out Ugly Spots. How to Remove Easily

Here's a chance, Miss Freckle-face, to try a remedy for freckles with the guarantee of a reliable concern that it will not cost you a penny unless it removes the freckles; while if it does give you a clear complexion the expense is trifling.

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Rippling Rhymes

By WALT MASON

THE KILLER

The lady, with her little gun, does murder with a smile, because her lover tiresome one, has bored her quite a while. He doesn't wear his whiskers right, he is a careless toff, and so, come soft and balmy night, she calmly bumps him off. And when they bring her into court, the law's ancestral coop, the juryman, each one a sport, acquit her with a whoop. And then she feels that duty calls in on uncertain tones, and in the movie picture halls she ought to draw some bones. She wants to teach our boys and girls that vice their souls will harm, that homely virtues are the pearls, and sin's a false alarm. And while she's guarding thus the youth from all that evil means, and through the films expounding truth, she'll gather in the beans. But soon her hopes grow lank and lean, for movie men don't fall; they say "The modern movie queen needs something more than gall." Methinks it is a hopeful sign that her anemic stung, that she is not allowed to shine and elevate the young. The young can find much better aids to higher life, I wist, and bloody little claramids should fade, and won't be missed.

Good Evening

By Roy K. Moulton

"Send Handwriting by Telegraph."—Headline.
This is a deplorable invention, in view of the handwriting of some folks we know.

UNDOUBTEDLY.
To all ye would-be suitors
A hint I'd like to drop:
It's tough to pop the question.
But it's worse to question "Pop."
—R. M. T.

A dancer has had her feet injured, but why? Dancers don't use their feet any more.

One of the great advantages of the proposed automatic telephones is that you can press the right button and get the wrong number for yourself.

WELL DRESSED.
(From the N. Y. Evening Mail.)
"This well dressed woman wandered aimless in the city streets. She wore a gold ring with the inscription 'G' and a pearl necklace."

What has become of the old-fashioned lady who used to scowl? When her husband came home And slumped at a three-pound Porterhouse steak On the table and who said: "Henry, for the love Mike, Can't you think Of anything to bring home For dinner Except porterhouse?"

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TODAY'S TALK

By George Matthew Adams, Author of "You Can," "Take It," "Up"

JUST ONE THING

I recently read a most interesting interview with Henry Ford. He said many wise and sensible things, but this is the one which took deepest root in my mind: "If any man will take any single line and develop it to its fullest possibilities, he will find that it will lead him into all the businesses there are."

The other night I was walking down the street of a great city and stopped to look into the windows of showrooms where various automobiles were shown.

I saw some wonderful machines, many costing into the thousands of dollars. Finally I came to the place where the cars were displayed. And this is what I said to myself: "It is the cheapest car of them all in price—but the man who sells it could buy them all out and then have enough left to make Wall Street wake up in the night if he wanted to!"

But Mr. Ford had no idea of becoming a Money King. He set out at the start to make ONE THING as standard and useful as possible—and then to make it as UNIVERSAL as possible.

And there is no one to say that he has not succeeded. I can tell you that this man Ford is rarely ever found long in one place. He is always thinking, moving and experimenting. Recently he dismantled a great building just so that he might use it as an experimental shop.

Ford doesn't like waste and he gets impatient in the midst of unnecessary things. He says that the day is coming when, instead of building the great heavy engines that we do, they will be only half as large and be made to do twice the work they now do.

At any rate, America is a full century happier and more soundly equipped because two such men as Henry Ford and Thomas Edison have lived. And isn't it strange that the two are probably the world's best examples of concentrating on ONE THING until it is done better than it has ever been done before!

I have noticed many times that the men of one BIG idea are the greatest appreciators of ALL ideas.

Correct English

Don't Say:

The freshmen were NEW BEGINNERS in the college work.
She was the chief mourner at his FUNERAL OBSEQUIES.

I never lose the opportunity to vote WHENEVER there is an election.
FIRST OF ALL, he laid the foundation; then he erected the building.
LAST OF ALL, he finished the interior.

Say:

The freshmen were BEGINNERS in the college work.
She was the chief mourner at his FUNERAL.

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LAST, he finished the interior.

Masonic Calendar

Friday, April 29—King Solomon's Chapter No. 4, R. A. M., called convocation; work in the Royal Arch degree, beginning 7 o'clock. Light refreshments.

Saturday, April 30—Loyal Chapter No. 490 E. S., will give a social for the members and their families.

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Memories of Old Days

In This Paper Ten Years Ago Today

Dr. J. M. Thurston, who assisted in the services at the county jail, addressing the inmates of the institution on the subject "Men," in which he made reference to the drink and tobacco evils, said he could sympathize with them as he had done time in prison himself having served time during the Civil war.

EPSOM SALTS LIKE LEMONADE

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Whitewater, Middleboro Churches Honor Ulmer

WHITEWATER, Ind., April 29.—A reception was tendered Rev. L. F. Ulmer and family recently by the Whitewater and Middleboro congregations at the church at Whitewater.

More than 100 of the friends assembled at the church, where addresses of welcome were given by Harry Hill, Jeff. Addleman, Miss M. Jackson, Miss Anna Cook, Ernest Newman and Clyde Thomas. Response by Rev. Ulmer. Special singing and instrumental selections furnished entertainment for all. Refreshments were served.

RIGA AUTHORITIES DENY KNOWLEDGE OF HAYWOOD
RIGA, April 29.—The Latvian government disclaims any knowledge of

the reported arrival in Riga of William D. Haywood, secretary of the Industrial Workers of the World.



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