

## Follies Girls Show Columbia Boys How It's Done



Columbia university undergrads, about to rehearse the variety show "Half Moon Inn," taking a lesson in dancing from some of the "Glorious American Girls" of Ziegfeld's "Follies."

## Testing Their Gift Skis Without Any Snow



Although the White House lawn was devoid of snow, the President and Mrs. Coolidge decided to try their first pair of skis, a Christmas gift from the members of the National Ski Association of America, who also extended them an invitation to attend the ski meet at Canton, S. D., in February. In the group, left to right, besides Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge—Helmar H. Bryn, minister from Norway; Representative O. J. Kvale, Minn.; Representative Sidney Anderson, Minn.; Senator Peter Norbeck, S. D.; Representative William Williamson, S. D.; Gustave E. Lindboe, national secretary of the association; Representative Chas. A. Christopher, Minn.; J. D. Coon.

## Taken From Youthful Bandits

More than 100 one-hand guns, the armament of as many "baby bandits" and youthful yegs, brought into the boys' court of Chicago, were destroyed at the direction of Municipal Judge Edgar A. Jonas. He is here seen looking over some of the weapons.



## Holy Places Guarded by Boy Scouts



Boy scouts of the Near East Relief orphanage at Jerusalem are on guard over the holy places there during the Christmas season.

## THINGS YOU MAY NOT KNOW

There is a plan now under way to provide telephone service between Angola and Constantinople.

Sugar is dried by means of warm air in cylindrical revolving granulators.

Among the most striking episodes of the pageant of the empire at Wembley, England, was a human map of Australia, formed by hundreds of antipodean visitors.

Cotton cultivation is making good headway in Australia, which is said to possess a considerably greater area of land endowed with the necessary cotton-growing climate and rainfall than does the United States. The Australian area suited to cotton-growing is given as 875,800,000 acres, against 830,000,000 acres in the United States.

Machines that will wash and fill 8,000 milk bottles an hour are a feature of dairy equipment.

The American drug trade reached a total volume of \$800,000,000 in 1925.

A recently patented mount for photographs can be used to protect them from dust in the usual way or folded to form an easel to display them.

Off the southwest coast of Florida is the largest clam bed in the United States. It covers 150 square miles, but few clams are dug there owing to the fact that there is little or no demand for the bivalves in that section.

A miser is known by the money he keeps.

A solution of baking soda changes into one of washing soda if it is boiled.

North China is one of the chief oriental markets for kerosene from the United States.

Art E. Ecklund of Anaconda, Mont., shot four ducks on Flint creek. The water was too deep to wade out for the ducks. Taking his fishing pole and spinner he cast three times to pull the ducks ashore. Each time a large trout took the spinner. Then the wind blew the ducks ashore.

## EXPERT WITH X-RAY



Lady Constance Butler, well-known English society woman, has turned to surgery as an outlet for her energies. So well has she succeeded that she has become an X-ray specialist, and is probably the only titled woman to have entire charge of that department in a hospital. She received her first practical experience during the war, first at the Cambridge hospital, Alder shot, then at Ascot, and finally at Esher hospital. It was while there that she was asked to take charge of the X-ray department in the St. Andrew's hospital. Lady Constance is the daughter of the late marquis of Ormonde and niece of the present holder of that title.

## HAS ELEVEN DIVORCES



Mrs. Cora La Forge of East St. Louis, Ill., has had 15 husbands and has just been granted her eleventh divorce. She is only forty-five years old and her friends expect her to marry again.

## What Took Her There

Mrs. Smart—So you are going to Hot Springs?  
Mrs. Dumb—Yes.  
Mrs. Smart—Are you going for the week-end?  
Mrs. Dumb—No—for rheumatism.—  
The Progressive Grocer.

## Starting Out Right

Mr. Jones—The doctor says that I must limit my diet to sea-foods.  
Mrs. Jones—Very well, dear. I'll bake a sponge cake for dinner.

## Community Building

## Move to Encourage Ownership of Homes

"To encourage and facilitate home building, reduce needless burdens in household operations, raise standards not only of the home, but of the community and the nation, is a task of profound importance for the welfare of America," declares Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover, president of Better Homes in America, in an opening statement concerning Better Homes week demonstrations for 1925, which will be held May 10 to 17.

Mr. Hoover's statement is made in a foreword to the "Better Homes Guide Book," issued by the organization of which he is the head, which tells how communities may be organized for better homes demonstrations. In the last three and a half years the Better Homes of America organization has reached a steadily increasing number of communities and urged importance of encouraging home building and home owning.

"It is in the home," says Mr. Hoover, "that character and high ideals are best developed. The right kind of home life makes for true success in life and means progress for the nation as a whole."

"To own a home and to make it convenient and attractive, a home where health and happiness, affection and loyalty prevail, brings out the best that lies in every member of the family."

"Saving for home ownership, for instance, develops thrift and self-denial. A thing of lasting value is kept in the foreground and all energies are bent toward attaining it. Hours devoted to keeping a home in good repair, in making improvements that beautify it or lighten the burden of housekeeping, develop persistence and thoroughness and bring more direct returns as well. Neatness, order and cleanliness are invaluable habits, and the careful observation and forethought needed to insure lasting satisfaction from money spent for decoration, furnishing and equipment can be applied in many other ways."

## Skillful Remodeling Adds Life to Structure

Remodeling of old houses has become more general today than in years. Many dwellings in the United States offer opportunity for improvements to make them more attractive, larger and more in line with present architectural design. These changes generally can be made at a comparatively small cost, considering the value added to the house itself.

Among the changes which can be made is the addition of dormer windows, which not only break up the monotony of the roof expanse, but make available additional room space under the roof. A treatment suggested for houses having a rather drab exterior is the use of a porch or porches. The many different styles available, as shown in dwellings erected in recent years, offer opportunity for improving the appearance of the home, and usually at a moderate cost.

Greater balance in the general scheme of a house frequently can be obtained through the construction of a small addition on one end or additions to both ends. Change in the roof plan, whereby a purely two-story dwelling is converted into a semi-bungalow type with low-hanging eaves, now in great favor, is another alteration that may do much to make the house of more modern appearance, with a consequent increase in selling value.

## Realty Investments

The constantly growing demand for property justifies consistent increases in the prices paid for holdings, for, after all, the value of real estate is determined by the service it renders to an individual, industry or community, just like anything else. Therefore, the trend of property values is ever upward and always will be, was the assertion made by a prominent Detroit real estate man recently.

There isn't a single individual who cannot look back for a period of years of greater or lesser extent, and recall property which went begging at any price, and yet today that same piece of land is worth a fortune. This is true of the neighborhood, the city, state, nation and of the world.

## Strengthens Family Ties

No family can ever feel for a rented house that deep-seated affection which is naturally developed for a home they own. There is little incentive to adorn and beautify the house and the yard which belong to another.

But when the place that shelters the family group is their own, every added beauty, every tree and shrub and flower planted adds new charm and binds the happy hearts.

## Homebuilding Progress

Progress made in homebuilding since the days of the pioneers to the beginning of the Twentieth century can be termed little more than normal. It merely followed the general trend of educational and industrial development, but occasionally took erratic turns with resultant structures that were chiefly notable for their shocking extravagance in design and use of materials. Much of that has been done away with by the builders of the last few decades.

## Seek Gayety Tone

An organization has been started in Europe, and is making connections in this country, to do away with the gray tones in the colors of public buildings and houses in all large cities. Madeburg, for instance, has adopted bright colors for its buildings, some entire blocks being painted blue, red or green, thus relieving the monotony that characterizes cities today.

An instrument invented in Munich shows the courses of the stars.

## It Does Not Hurt "Red" Grange as Student That He Is Great in Football

By DAVID KINLEY, President University of Illinois.

ARE there too many student activities? Yes and no. I am one of the people who believe that the very existence of the great number of activities that go to make student social life as apart from their studies is evidence that there is a place for them. One cannot believe that these thousands of young people are spending their time and energy in multiplying activities without getting some benefit. They are in a way living the life that they will live afterward; as members of a community they will be bound to take part in its activities. What are these activities? Are they not in general the same as those that characterize student life?

We people who set ourselves up as the priests and prophets of improvement are constantly telling our "tired business men" that they should have other interests than their business. If it is bad for them to give their whole strength and time to their vocations and it is advisable for them to have avocations, why is not the same thing true in student life? Of course one can overdo the serious work of life just as truly as he can the frivolous phases of life.

It does not hurt "Red" Grange as a student that he is a fine a runner and so great a football player. In fact, some of the dash, the spirit, the enthusiasm, the level-headedness, and the vigor that make him a good football man are transferred to his work as a student. He is a student most of the time; a football player part of the time. I believe he does his studying better because of the confidence that he gets in himself from his great football playing.

## When the British Dominions Look to Washington for Understanding

By SIR AUCKLAND GEDDES, Former Ambassador to U. S. A.

The dominions speak of us as the "Motherland" and of our parliament as the "Mother of Parliaments." I think the insistence of the word "mother," which is affectionate in intention, makes that a tribute of something of old age, if not senility, in regard to our institutions.

They look on the government of Washington as of their own generation, and anyone who knows of what the people of our sister dominions are thinking knows some of them, particularly those who look out on the Pacific, feel that in Washington there is an instinctive understanding of difficulties which, when they come to London, they have laboriously to explain in Downing street.

In Canada, American newspapers, magazines and goods are all there; an invisible border divides the territories under the British flag and that of the United States. They pass and repass that border and play the same games with one another, without knowing anything of the difference in nationalities.

It often happens that when our dominions look to us here, there is no sympathetic answer, no understanding, and they look to Washington. And Washington is not devoid of eyes and will look back at them.

## The Day of the "Big Boat" Has Reached Its Zenith for a Long Time

By ARTHUR HENRY ROSTRON, Master of the Mauretania.

The next cycle in transatlantic liners will be the internal combustion engine, like the Diesel. These engines are already installed in vessels of 20,000 tons for a speed of fifteen knots. So far they are not adaptable above that because the cylinders are too heavy. They are over-armed to resist the explosion necessary to produce the requisite power.

When this is fixed down, this type of engine will supplant steam, and the great space now devoted to boilers will be saved. It is a problem of metallurgy rather than engineering to produce a metal that will give a lighter cylinder.

The day of the "big boat" has reached its zenith for a long time, as I see it. There will be no larger ships than you see now for many, many years. The size of harbors places an automatic limitation on their size. We have about reached the limit. Already 900-foot ships project past the Chelsea piers. Build vessels more than 1,000 feet and the stern would lie out in the channel. Future competition will take an intensive direction. It will go more and more after economy and efficiency in the use of what we have.

## There Is Now to Be Established a Fifth Estate—the Estate of Science

By ARTHUR D. LITTLE, in Address to Franklin Institute.

There is now to be a Fifth Estate—the Estate of Science.

Government, as we now have it, is power without knowledge; science is knowledge without power.

The laboratory is as much God's temple as the church. The guiding principle of the Fifth Estate has been ever one of service. The scientist himself does not reap the benefits of his discovery. It is the world which enjoys the fruits of his toil.

And despite all that can be said to the contrary, brains produce the wealth of the world. Labor is productive only when guided by brains. And should labor be deprived of this guidance its productivity would cease.

If the influence of brains and the tutelary effect of the scientific method were removed from the world for a generation, the earth would relapse into barbarism.

## "This Country Cannot Live Half Prosperous and Half Poverty-Ridden"

By CHARLES H. MARKHAM, President Illinois Central.

If the railroads could use their tremendous purchases as an equalizer between good years and bad, it would help just that much to stabilize the general situation and eliminate some of the fluctuations in railway traffic and earnings.

That is to say, the railroads could go into the market for cars and locomotives and could spend large sums in a bad business year and not have to make such large expenditures in a good business year.

This country cannot live half prosperous and half poverty-ridden. We cannot have a true measure of prosperity for all kinds of business and all classes of our population unless every kind of business and every class shares in it.

But these are only the material aspects of the question. There is a much greater aspect. That is the desire deep in the heart of every man to see his fellow man happy and prosperous. We are united by spiritual bonds that are far stronger than material bonds, and I believe they are of supreme importance in determining our attitude toward our interrelationships.

Dr. E. Rodney Fiske, New York.—By properly regulating man's glands we will not only be able to control his mental characteristics, but also his physical appearance. We are on the verge of achievements which will make possible the production of the perfect man.

Kanzo Uchimura, Japanese Christian.—The American way of living, the American civilization, is more poisonous than anything else manufactured in the United States.

Police Commissioner Enright, New York City.—Abolition of the pistol would cut down crime one-half.

## WOMAN SO ILL WASHED DISHES SITTING DOWN

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