Increased appropriation of public funds for educational purposes was urged yesterday by J. G. Masters. principal of Central High school when he addressed the Kiwanis club at a noon luncheon at Hotel Rome "One per cent of the appropriations of government goes to education and the advancement of science," he told

According to Mr. Masters, of the 700,000 teachers in American public schools, 150,000 of them are less than 21 years of age, and half of them are not more than 25 years of age. least 30,000 of them have only an eighth grade education." he declared. "One hundred and fifty thousand have completed two years of high school work. Our minimum requirement for the training of teachers as recognized in our better cities for rural schools is a high school education plus two years of normal school or professional

Not Enough Good Teachers. Only about a third of the public school teachers have this training. About half the teachers have not had beyond four or five years of experience. There are thousands of nev teachers each year who have had no experience. All of this means that out of the 20,000,000 boys and girls in American schools, one half of them have secured adequately trained all of these are poor teachers, it does mean that they have had meager training only and that many of them Pelham. are doing poor work for lack of this complete. training.

"Public education in America costs a little more than \$1,000,000,000 a year." he continued. "The cost of one of the luxuries, tobacco, is far in excess of this amount. I am making no plea that the salaries of the teachers be raised; I am raising the question whether you want your boys and girls taught by poorly and inadequately trained teachers. If America is to develop in our boys and girls the qualities named above, we must have responsible teachers in the school

More Children in School.

These costs are mainly due to three can speak and write German. and trebled in proportion to the population, the purchasing power of the dollar has decreased to about a third of what it was in 1890, and the schools are undoubtedly doing a much better it was too large for one woman—and quality of work than they did a dozen she wanted a secluded place with a 15 years ago.
"From the day Washington took good air and quiet surroundings."

his seat as president of the United States in 1789 down to the year of year?" States in 1789 down to the year.

1917 when we entered the war, the enfish much. Among other things his tire bill spent for public education in right shoulder is crooked." wears of the great conflict, we spent \$24,000,000,000. Today we are told that 88 per cent of government appropriations are for past, present and future wars. One per cent goes to the advancement of education and the educat advancement of education and the advancement of science. Can a nation expect intelligent citizeship with almost no efforts in the direction of edu- with international spies who are als cation? If we can spend so much for rogues? luxuries we should be able to give our boys and girls the right kind of educational training," he concluded.

It was announced at the luncheon that President Coolidge had joined the Washington branch of the Kiwanis

### British Youths Seeking Office again.

member for Swansea West; and Major Lloyd George, who is 28.

## Broken Bow Enjoying Its

Allen of Broken Bow is digging a second crop of new potatoes. Ed Purcell and family are still enjoying fresh strawberries from their gar-den, and on the W. E. Hyatt farm 11 miles northwest the lilacs and sunflowers are in bloom and the pas tures are showing new grass

Problem Solved

McAlester, Okl., Nov. 23.—House-wives at Kiowa, Okl., near here, where the municipal power plant operates only during the hours of darkness and when otherwise needed, were relieved of a perplexing probelm today when city officials posted the following notice:

"On account of Thanksgiving falling on ironing day, the lights will be turned on next Wednesday instead of Thursday, the regular ironing day.

Prof. Pate at Columbus Columbus, Neb., Nov. 23.—W. R. Pate, president of the Nebraska State Normal school in Peru, spoke to Columbus school children, urging the need of continuing their education throughout all years of

## The Pelham Affair by Louis Tracy.

Captain Arthur Peiham, arriving in London from Bombay, India, after several years' absence, is told by a railway porter of his strong resemblance to Sir Arthur, who he says was killed in France.

Peiham declares that his cousin is very much alive.

Jenkins, the porter, tells of words he heard the supposedly dying man repeat and declares that these names have been seen signed to personal items in the "Agony Column" of a London newspaper.

After going to a hotel, Captain Pelham decides to join in the fun and writes a personal addressed to "Matador and Vaquero" who had signed the ones which drew his attention. He warns both that "Buil" is after them.

"Scotland Yard will know of this in the morning," remarks one of the clerks in the advertising office.

On a midnight walk Pelham walks through the gates of the family manor and immediately is set upon by another intruder. A policeman catches him but allows his assailant to escape.

After being questioned at police "Prideaux guessed you were listen-ing in." se said. "He paid you quite a tribute."

other intruder. A policeman catches him but allows his assailant to escape.

After being questioned at police headquarters, Pelham returns to his lodgings.

Next morning C. F. Prideaux of Scotland Tard calls upon him and hears his story from the time he arrived in London to his fight of the previous evening.

When the official from the criminal investigation department hears that Pelham's assailant appeared to be German Prideaux, his interest in the case increases and he agrees to use the co-operation of Pelham in the clearing of the mystery Phyllis Daunt, fiance of Sir Arthur Pelham, calls on Captain Pelham while Prideaux is with him. She tells of meeting the titled Englishman and of her suspicions. She feels in duty bound to marry the baronet. The army officer is impressed with the girl.

On two occasions, Captain Arthur Pelham accosts two men and aske them outright if either of them is Vaquero or Matadore.

Sir Arthur Pelham leaves town suddenly, destination Scotland.

Acquaintances tell of Sir Arthur's life as a student in the university. All regret that his face was so disfigured in the war.

Scotland Yard continues investigations with the help of Captain Pelham and Phyllis Daunt.

(Continued From Yesterday.)

He glanced casually at some mem-oranda on the table, but placed them

"About this cousin of yours." said. "Tell me more of hlm."
"I know literally nothing," said
Pelham. "The family break was too complete. Indeed, two men I met today in the 'Rag' were far better posted as to my relatives than I am."
"Ah! Who are they?"

'A Mr. Anthony Close, who had some trouble with my uncle in Jo-hannesburg, and Captain Freddie Jameson, of the Sappers, who was at Eton with my cousin." "Can we find them at any time?"

"Major Drummer, who lunches at the Club nearly every day, will be sure to know where they are."
"You have no knowledge of Sir Arthur's life since he was sent back from Germany?"

"Absolutely none." "Well, there is nothing remarkable successive nights I had a queer in-in the record. He was ill for months. tuition that the Germans were mass-"Costs of education have increased as everything else in recent years.

Then he got a job with the Director of Naval Intelligence. You see, he can speak and write German. He School attendance has doubled remained in that office until the "How long has he lived in Cedar

"Since he came home. His mother let the Eaton Square house in 1916-

"Has he been in Scotland each

"No wonder, then, Jenkins thought

week in the Guards club. "Dash it all, Mr. Somers,

"None that I can see. But hi

"By gosh, I had fogotten her." "Others seem to have remembered her too well. Anyhow, if she had to her too well. Anynow, it she had to die in this nasty way she has slipped off the map at the right moment in one sense, but the wrong one in another. Prideaux will go through Cedar Lodge tonight with a fine comb. And that reminds me." He summoned the police assistant

London, Nov. 23.—One of the features of the present election is the large number of young men who are candidates for seats in the house of commons. The liberals have the youngest, Reginald Rait, 21 years old, who is opposing the Hon. Esmond Harmsworth, 25, in the Isle of Thanet division of Kent. Lord Balneil, 23, helr of the Earl of Crawford, is the conservative candidate in Wigan.

The conservative list, among those under 30 years of age are: Sir V. Warrender, 24; the Hon. C. Rhys, 24; Capt. V. Cazale, 26; Lord Erskine, 28; Lord Apsley, 28; Lord Hartington, 28; Capt. H. MacMillan, 29, and Lord Stanley, 29. The liberal roster of youngsters includes the 25-year-old son of Sir Alfred Mond, the present member for Swansea West; and Major Lloyd George, who is 28.

summoned the police assistant again.

"Warn the operator that when I ring off the Balmoral hotel I want police headquarters, Edinburgh." he said. "It will save time if the trunk line is kept clear."

A moment later the telephone on Mr. Somers' table sounded. He listened intently before handing Pelham an additional receiver. Obviously, Prideaux was speaking.

"I'm at Cedar Lodge," came the thin, reedy voice. "As no noise of any sort was heard in Lady Pelham's room the doctor believes, and I agree with him, that the murderer placed his right hand over his victim's mouth from behind, and stabbed her with a long, thin knife through the left side. Certain indications on the lips of the wound show that the blade was also poisoned, so that there should be no mistake. I have a good description of Monsieur Raymond Carre, which will be useful only to tell us what not to look for, as he undoubtedly wore a wig and took three inches off his height by stooproken Bow Enjoying Its
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few leading questions at him."
"Good. Will you come here when

"And bring Captain Pelham. He's fairly sharpwitted, for a soldier."
"All right." Somers hung up, and

Pelham looked the chief straight in

"Why are you gentlemen taking me so thoroughly into your confi-

lence?" he inquired. "Because you supply the missing link between two apparently uncon-nected sets of circumstances. Link! You're a whole damn chain of links. You might have been doing nothing else but working at a forge since the minute you landed. I'm a somewhat material person—I suppose I look it—but Prideaux has infected me with a belief, if I may use so strong a word, in the singular extent and properties of what, for want of a "Sir Arthur Pelham?" inquired "S better name, he calls static electric-ity, which practice science pins down to a precise definition. In a word, he is convinced that certain powerful influences set in motion other minor currents, or thought waves, which affect the most unlikely persons. Let on Somers calmly, me give you another example. The "You answer me me give you another example. The police are now experimenting with portable wireless telephones, whereby an operator in this office can call up a member of its staff scurrying in a car along a road many miles from London. The scheme is operating algeady in New York. Now. Prideaux's theory is that mankind, without being aware of it, has long since discarded aerials and other mechanical devices for intercommunication.

"You answer me first, whoever you are."

"Certainly. I only wished to be assured I was addressing the right man. I am Superintendent Somers of the criminal investigation department."

"Chair in the decree was granted a month ago.

"Certainly. I only wished to be assured I was addressing the right man. I am Superintendent Somers of the criminal investigation department."

"Raymond Carre! I never heard of the man. Nor had she, I am certain."

"Probably he gave a false name, but Lady Pelham herself ordered that he was to be admitted. She seems to have recognized him, too."

tion, but neither knows that it has that faculty, nor even recognizes its existence in the rare instances in which something of the kind must certainly have occurred. He himself certainly have occurred. He himself is acutely sensitive to some such influences, and I honestly believe I am his tone remained eminently respect-belonging to. Meanwhile, he works in ful and sympathetic. his way and I follow mine. Between us we make an occasional successful "That's odd," said Pelham thought-

"I don't know, but your suggestion brings to mind a queer thing that happened to me in France. Early in 1917 I had my platoon in an advanced salient near Peronne. On two ing to attack us at dawn. Nothing came of it. The third night I was so overwhelmed by the notion that I sent out the four best scouts in the platoon, and they came back with name of Monsieur Raymond Carre. sufficient information to warrant me She received him in her boudoir, and

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"Calling direct?"

"Yes. I thought of sending Robertson, who could note how he took the news, but decided to tackle him myself. Without long explanation Robertson wouldn't know how to fire sembled in the treauches during each of the two preceding pichts but for of the two preceeding nights, but for some unknown reason the attack had been twice postponed by the high

> "Tell that to Prideaux. Don't for-get. He will squeal with delight. But, let me warn you, he hates the word occult' in the spiritist sense.'

The telephone jarred again. "Through to Balmoral hotel, Edin-burgh, sir," announced the policeman. Somers nodded toward the extra re-ceiver, so Pelham picked it up. He, who had never in his life seen or poken to his cousin, was now, in all probability, about to hear his voice and have the rather weird sensation of trying to visualize his physical semblance over a distance of 400 miles. The experience recalled three strange nights in Picardy when he felt but could neither see nor hear the presence of thousands of Huns beyond the narrow strip of No Man's

"Sir Arthur Pelham?" inquired Somers, following with his eyes a smoke ring he had just shot into space through rounded lips.
"Who is speaking?" was the non-

committal reply.
"Is this Sir Arthur Pelham?" went

earth here. What's the matter? Another burglary at Cedar Lodge?"

Somers' big eyes had narrowed slightly at that broken sentence, but

ful and sympathetic.
"Yes," he said. "I fear you realized the unhappy truth at once. Lady Pelham is—well, I cannot mitigate the terrible fact—she is dead."
"Dead! My mother dead! Was she was she killed?"
"Yes, stabbed by some unknown

man."
"Good God! When?" "About 9 this evening."
"But where?" 'In the region of the heart."

"I don't mean-where was she at Somers' eyelids

Film Actress to Wed



Betty Compson, film actress, and James Cruze, director and producer, have announced their engagement to newspaper men in Los Angeles. They will be married next year, it is said, when Cruze's interlocutory decree of divorce from his first wife becomes effective. The decree was granted a

"Probably he gave a false name, but Lady Pelham herself ordered that he was to be admitted. She seems to have recognized him, too." "But-this is enough to drive anyone crazy. Have you arrested him?" "No. The crime was not discovered until Lady Pelham's maid entered the suite. Carre had been gone fully

an hour then."
"Did he—was he a mere thief?" "I believe not, but it is too soon state definite facts yet." My mind is in a whirl. How did you know I was here?"

"A lucky guess. Miss Daunt told the detective in charge of the case that you had gone north from King's Cross. We meant trying the various big hotels in Edinburgh."

A pause. "Let me think a moment," said the voice. Then, afte a few seconds, it resumed: Then, after "I cannot return tonight. There is no train. The first train from

Edinburgh tomorrow is at 10 o'clock reaching King's Cross at 6:30 p. m." 'Yes, I know. Can you help

Director and Producer practically a recluse.

enmity of some people in Germany owing to the war?"
"Why in Germany?"

"Was not Lady Pelham of German "Nothing of the kind. Her father

"Are you quite sure, Sir Arthur?"

"Well, her people may have come originally from Germany. I—I really don't know where my mother was born. She never told me, and I never asked her."

"I see. The point is transported."

asked her."
"I see. The point is immaterial tonight, if you cannot form any sort of opinion as to a quarrel, or dispute, or other reason which would lead some criminal to seek her life."
"I cannot give you the slightest

"Have you any theory as to why two attempts were made to rob you recently?" "Two attempts? One."

Somers looked puzzled, but said in-stantly: "Well, then, one." "None whatever, except the ordinary explanation-silver, jewelry, and that sort of thing."

"You received no prior warning?"
"Do thieves ever give notice that they mean to burgle a house?"
"Stranger things have happened But you had no reason to expect such "No. Of course not. I cannot un derstand why you ask."

"I am merely searching about blindly for some guidance. Had you personally any disagreement with anyone in England—relatives, for instance?" "I have only one cousin, and he is soldiering in India, I believe." "Is that Capt. Arthur Pelham?"

"But he is home now. Don't you know he was attacked by some men utside your house last night?" .
"What's this? Did the man get

"Yes. Unfortunately the constable stationed in the lodge, at your request, collared the wrong man."

"Why wasn't I told?"
"You would have been, Sir Arthur, but you left London very early this

"Yes, that's true. Well, I'm utter-ly helpless here, and quite broken down. Will you telephone me in the "I shall be up half the night, Sir Arthur. If there is anything of vital importance I'll have someone meet you at York. But don't look for that. I or Mr. Prideaux will see you at the lodge tomorrow evening at 7."
"Miss Daunt and her aunt must be in an awful state. Shall I phone

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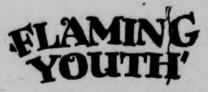
"Enemies? My mother? She was practically a recluse."

"But may she not have earned the enmity of some people in Germany."

"Continued in Monday Morning Be.)

# No Wonder

the author didn't sign his right name when he wrote---



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