

# Newest Science Notes On.

Flour is sifted three times at one operation with a new crank operated sifter.

Italy is expected to produce 40 per cent fewer silk cocoons this year than last.

A Diesel motored truck has been specially designed to handle bricks at reduced cost.

About 97 per cent of the motor vehicles in use in Bahia, Brazil, are American machines.

Sixteen speeds forward and eight in reverse are provided by new hydraulic control for lathes.

Horse hair bristles in a new wall brush loosen dust to be caught in a wide mop made of soft cotton.

Mexico produced more than 260,000 tons of raw sugar this year, compared with about 183,000 tons last year.

To enable anglers to keep fish alive, a cord equipped with clasps operating like safety pins has been invented.

Bicycle mechanism worked by its pilot's feet, operates a propeller to drive a German inventor's gliding plane.

A process has been developed for making rubber thread for golf balls directly from the milk of the rubber tree.

Students in a Chicago school learn the scientific principles of sound by building their own musical instruments.

Belgium has required permits from the Ministry of Agriculture for the importation of lard, natural or artificial.

Seventeen and a half per cent of the world's motor shipping is now motor driven, compared with 16 per cent a year ago.

Research by scientists in Holland has shown that the shape of false teeth has a marked effect on the voice tones of ushers.

The Polish Photographic Society's ninth international exhibition of photographic art will be held at Warsaw from September 28 to November 3.

A transmission has been invented to replace that supplied with two types of light motor trucks that provides 12 speeds forward and 3 reverse.

Berlin firemen have been equipped with portable search lights suspended from shoulder harness that also holds storage batteries on wearers' backs.

An Iowa man has invented a bottle for poisons having a cap that unscrews when turned to the right instead of left to call attention to its contents.

Sixteen-story apartment houses, each accommodating 150 families, are being built economically in a Paris suburb of standardized steel units and cement.

Although only half an inch more than two feet long, a steam locomotive built by a Californian has power enough to haul three persons in its miniature cars.

Mexican mines yielded about 42,244,000 ounces of silver in the first half of this year, compared with about 37,510,000 ounces in the same months last year.

To enable men to clean and block their hats at home a device has been invented in which a balloon is inserted into a hat and inflated to fill the hat firmly.

Indestructible pictures of historic places in England are being made for future generations by printing etchings on clay tiles that have been fired and glazed.

A concentrated form of wood oil that is a powerful insecticide and is proof against heat and moisture, has been developed to add years of life to exposed woodwork.

Only two of the automobile tire manufacturing countries, Germany and Japan, exported more tires in the first half of this year than in the similar period last year.

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## Apparel Shop Jim Crow Is Held Violation Of Law

New York, Oct. 12.—The refusal of the proprietor of a women's clothing shop in Cleveland, Ohio, to serve a colored woman was held to be an action upon which suit could be filed under the Ohio Civil Rights Law, in an opinion given by Judge Lewis Drucker of the Cleveland Municipal Court. The full opinion has just been received here by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Mrs. Ellen Sissle, through her attorney, Chester K. Gillespie, had filed suit against Harvey, Inc., alleging that she had been refused service. The store answered the suit by saying that there was no cause of action since women's apparel shops were not named in the Civil Rights Law. In making his decision, the judge stated:

"The question remains whether defendant's place of business is a public place. On the allegations of the petition admitted for the purposes of this demurrer, we think there can be no serious question but that it is a public place, open to all the people whose needs it may satisfy for a consideration. In other words that it is no different from any other place of business which offers its wares to the general public, who is able or willing to pay the price therefore.

"Having in mind the declared object of the statute and the spirit in which it has been consistently construed by the courts of Ohio, we are of the opinion that the petition states a cause of action."

**South Carolina White Minister Flays Prejudice**

Columbia, S. C., Oct. 12, (ANP)—Rev. B. J. Corbett, prominent white minister flayed prejudice in all of its forms, here Sunday night, in a sermon delivered at the Southside Baptist church.

Speaking on "The Sin of Prejudice," Dr. Corbett declared that prejudice against persons, races, religions, creeds and sections of the country were unchristian and that no good can come out being prejudiced. "A prejudiced person," said the minister, "disqualifies himself for any service whatever. He builds a wall around himself and will not let the facts enter. He stops his ears and will not hear, and shuts his eyes so that he can not see. Therefore let me urge you to keep your heart with all diligence from prejudices."

# THE WANDERER

By F. C. B.

As we near the cold winter months there will be more indoor affairs and for those of our friends who do not know toasts we will give a few here that will be appropriate for the fireside nip.

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Here is one for the girls: "Here's to the swan that swims near you far shore, I love one truly and I love no more May willow-branches bend and break Before that one I shall forsake."

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For the fellows we offer the following: "Here's to the girl that's strictly in it, Who doesn't lose her head even for a minute, Plays well the game and knows her limit, And still gets all the fun there's in it."

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The beer drinkers might like something like this: "Here's to the girl I love, I wish that she were nigh, If drinking beer would bring her here, I'd drink the damn place dry."

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The married man of course will drink to his wife so here goes: Here's to man's friend and adviser, His comfort and helpmate through life, To his failings and meekness none wiser, To the best little woman—my wife."

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And here's one for the married woman: Here's to the man who loves his wife, And loves his wife alone, For many a man loves another man's wife, When he ought to be lovin' his own."

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The attorney has his own: Here's to bride and mother-in-law, Here's to groom and father-in-law Here's to sister and brother-in-law Here's to friends and friends-in-law May they all need an attorney-at-law."

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And for all of us here are a few selected ones: "The Frenchman loves his native wine, The German loves his beer, The Englishman loves his 'alf and 'alf, Because it brings good cheer." "The Irishman loves his 'whiskey straight," Because it gives him dizziness, The American has no choice at all, So he drinks the whole D— business."

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There is no comparison between wine and women. Wine improves with age.

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"While we live, let's live in clover, For when we're dead, we're dead all over."

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"Give me a brook, a summer night A shady nook by moon's soft light A girl who's sweet and fair to see And you can leave the rest to me."

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If you have a favorite verse or toast send it to F. C. B. care of the Guide and it will be published in this column.

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## Dr. Slocum Addresses Old Age Pension Club

In his address to the combined groups of the Townsend Old Age Pension Club, at the Fontenelle Hotel, Tuesday, October 1, Dr. J. E. Slocum made the following statements in his speech. "The members of the Townsend Old Age Pension Club, must possess that Yankee Doodism, which is so essential to a group of this kind. People do not always do the things they think, but the things they feel; unless you feel all the way through, sincerely and faithfully, will you be able to put over the great cause of this plan.

"While in Beverly Hills, California I first took notice of the work of the Townsend plan, but at that time I believed it to be just another impractical and improbable plan. However, on my return home, my father and I discussed this movement, my father said the plan was to give \$200 a month to the aged, the money was to be taken out of the sales tax. At the conclusion of his talk, we figured that \$200 a month would be such a help to the aged, to keep them from worrying about being dependents and a burden. Both my father and I were under the impression that it was just a fantastical plan, and laid it to one side. I went back to California, and was asked by a Dr. Hall to speak to the Townsend club. He asked me to talk about anything I wanted to, as I did not think much of the movement, I refused to talk on any subject pertaining to it. But he was a shrewd fellow, and gave me a book called 'The Speakers Manual' in order to get a subject on which to speak to the group. Before I had concluded reading that book, I was jarred down to a conviction that it was the salvation of the people of America. America is traveling in bad company. She, China and Italy are the only nations which have not made any provisions for her citizens over sixty years of age.

I hope I might stimulate you to register at the poll that which is necessary to put this movement across. Our politicians are coming home now; we are approaching closer and closer the time when they want to come before groups and present their plans or intentions; when they have concluded you have just one thing to settle will he vote for the Townsend Old Age Pension plan. If he is for it, then, we are for him, if he is against it, then we are against him.

I happened to hear a man known as 'The Wandering Reporter' over the radio given us the experiences of the happenings of the week he said 'in the meeting I attended of the Townsend movement there has been something resembling a religious fantastical zeal.' This was a compliment.

This plan is one of the most rapidly growing movements of the day. Dr. Slocum read 'Eulogy to a Dreamer', and dedicated it to Mr. Townsend and in conclusion he recited Edgar Guest's immortal poem 'Faith'.

Over 500 people were at this meeting, most of which were people of 60, or fast approaching that age.

**Trouble In W. Virginia**

Bluefield, W. Va., Oct. 5—(ANP)—Threats of violence and to 'blow up the tracks of the Norfolk and Western Railway' caused 32 Negro laborers to stop work on the tracks in Buchanan county, Va., Thursday evening. The threats were delivered in person by more than 200 whites, who declared that 'No Negroes had ever lived in Buchanan county and we are not going to stand to see it started now.' The crew moved over to Grundy county and resumed work.

According to reports received here, the 32 workers arrived in Buchanan county early Thursday morning and after setting up the camp started to work. 200 stood on the opposite side of the tracks, well into the shadows, five marched into the railroad camp and delivered the ultimatum. Camp was broken immediately and the work ceased. The spokesman made it plain that the action was not taken because white men wanted the jobs but that Negroes just could not live in Buchanan county.

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## ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS

**CUTTING THE COST OF FOOD**

Constant headway is being made in solving an old persistent problem—that of reducing the spread in the cost of food between producer and consumer.

Large scale buying and selling methods are narrowing that spread. The chain grocery systems led the way in showing the consumer how to get the most in both quality and quantity for his dollar. Now independent stores, banded together in purchasing groups, have followed the lead and are performing a similar public service.

A Dow-Jones News Service item indicates the kind of progress that is being made. It tells how one chain grocery system recently reduced its regular quarterly stock dividend from 75 to 50 cents—in spite of the fact that its total sales have greatly increased. Profits had not increased proportionately, for the reason that the system had to pay higher prices for farm products and manufactured goods, but it did not increase the price to consumer, proportionately. Its purpose is to continue to supply its customers with high quality foods at the lowest cost, and to achieve that it is deliberately cutting its uniformly small margin of profit.

This same system is now spending \$46,000,000 a year for foodstuffs in a single state—thus carrying the benefits of mass buying and selling methods to the producer as well as the consumer in the territories in which it operates.

The housewife and the farmer are profiting by the modern system of retail distribution of food products which is more and more passing on to the consumer the savings being made by eliminating unnecessary handling charges between producers and consumers.

**WHAT FIRE PREVENTION MEANS TO YOU**

The coming of Fire Prevention Week, which will be observed between October 6 and 12, makes it worth while to meditate on what fire prevention means to you as an individual, a taxpayer, a home owner and a worker.

Fire prevention saves lives—yours and your loved ones. Thousands of people are now cremated each year—because someone was careless.

Fire prevention is the friend of the home. Without it, your home may be turned to ashes—and insurance can never replace the many intangible values each home represents. Money cannot compensate for everything.

Fire prevention tends to keep taxes down. Each time a fire destroys taxpaying property, thus removing it from the tax rolls, higher taxes must be paid by all other property within the community.

Fire prevention keeps insurance rates down. Over a period of years, the rate for each locality is based upon fire loss—many fires mean high rates.

Fire prevention is the friend of employment. When a fire destroys a business, jobs are lost, and thousands of dollars in purchasing power is lost with them. Untold privation and misery can result.

Fire prevention means progressive towns and cities. Cases are on record where a single fire, destroying a town's main industry, has resulted in permanent retrogression, at the expense of property and all other values in the community.

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