JUST IN FUN

All the Answers

There was the usual charge of struggling humanity when the bus pulled up. But the conductor was behind time, and didn't want to lose any more.

Mrs. Slammer did not know anything about that—and if she had it wouldn't have made any difference with one foot on the step, and the other on the pavement, she put the harried conductor through a sort of catechism.

"Now I don't want to go past my daughter's house. Will you stop when I ring the bell?"

"Yes, ma'am!"

"Do you go round by the free library?"

"Yes, ma'am!"

"How long will it take to get to Laurel avenue?"

"Twenty minutes, ma'am."

"Are you sure we shall get there in exactly twenty minutes?"

"No, ma'am."

"How much is the fare?"

"Twopence, ma'am, and I'm not married. But the driver, who is called 'Snip' for short, has got a wife, three children, and a motor cycle."

Why Brag

He was one of those fathers who believed in trying to answer any question put by his son. So he did his best when the youngster asked:

"What are ancestors, daddy?"

"Well, my boy," he replied, "I'm one of your ancestors and your grandfather is another."

A puzzled frown marred the childish brow.

"Then, daddy, why do people brag about them?"

It's Not New

At the circus a girl demonstrated trick-riding, by circum-navigating the ring first on the horse's neck, then practically on its tail, and wound up underneath the horse, clinging to the girth.

We were not impressed. We did all that the very first time we ever got on a horse.

THE SPORTING THING

"This used to be one of my old haunts!"

The Works

Bill kept hens. One night he had two stolen. The next night he stayed up in the hen shed with his friend Joe to wait for the thieves. After they had been waiting for a short time a storm blew up and the shed started swaying in the breeze.

After an hour's waiting Joe, fed up, announced that he was going home, saying: "They'll not come tonight, Bill."

He stepped out of the shed and found himself on a motor lorry moving slowly along a country lane.

They were taking the shed, too.

Dangerous Craft

Dr. Tehyi Hsieh, Chinese scholar and resident of Boston, was one day conversing with a native of Aberdeen on the subject of his favorite diversion—boating.

"Doctor," inquired the Scot, "how do your Chinese canoes compare with Scotch canoes?'

"Oh," replied the genial Hsieh, "they are pretty much alike. But," he added, with a sly grin, "the Chinese canoes give a little trouble—they tip."

A Report

Jack, the sailor, had broken with his girl. After ignoring several letters requesting the return of her photograph, he received one threatening to complain to the captain.

Deciding to silence her for all time, he borrowed all the pictures of girls available on the ship from his pals, and sent them on to her in a parcel with the following note: "Pick yours out. I have forgotten what you look like!"

His Reason

After a long talk on the value of peace, good will and disarmament, a Riverside teacher asked the class if they objected to war.

"Yes, sir, I do" said one boy.

"Good! Now tell us why."

"Because," said the boy, "wars make history and I hate history.'

Much More

The bride of a struggling young writer was the big success of the evening, and all the men at the party elbowed each other to dance with her.

"She's charming, old boy", the host said enthusiastically to the husband, "and her dress is a poem."

"Not a poem", answered the young writer gloomily, "sixteen poems, five short stories, and nine articles."

He'll Find Them

Gerard was Aunt Matilda's favorite nephew and she was planning to send him a birthday gift.

"What did you give him last year?" asked her companion.

"A cheque," said Auntie, "and poor boy, he told me he couldn't find words with which to thank me."

"And what are you giving him this year?"

"A dictionary!"

LATE JURIST

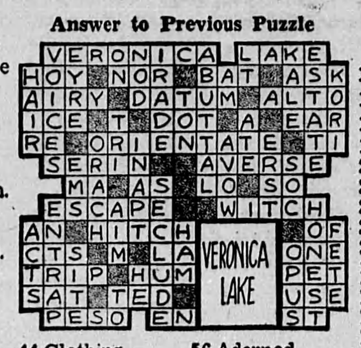
HORIZONTAL

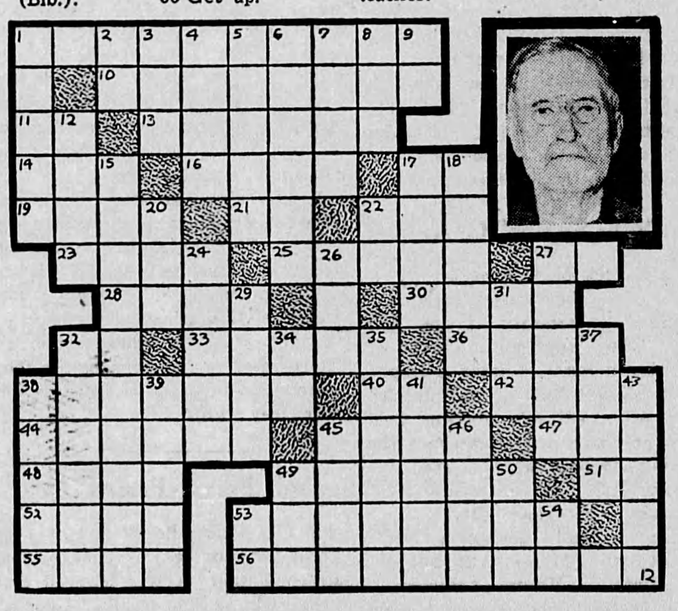
1 Pictured late jurist, George ——.
10 Parts of the ankle bone (zool.).
11 We.
13 English wren.
14 Color.
16 Margosa.
17 Siamese coin.
19 Move smoothly on water.
21 Symbol for radon.
22 Function.
23 Kite end.
25 Small candle.
27 Thus.
28 Vegetable.
30 Indigo.
32 Oleum (abbr.).
33 Small bottles.
36 Scrutinize.
38 Markers.
40 Paid (abbr.).
42 Son of Seth (Bib.).
44 Clothing.
45 Copse.
47 Surpass.
48 Broad smile.
49 Variety of cloud.
51 Compass point.
52 Ages.
53 He was a U. S. Supreme Court —— in 1922-38 (pl.).
55 Get up.
56 Adorned with crescents.

VERTICAL

1 Goads to action.
2 Size of shot.
3 Strike.
4 Black.
5 Rhymer (var.).
6 Concealed.
7 Mohammedan religious teacher.
8 Insect egg.
9 Ambary.
12 Chair.
15 Dainties.
17 On the sea.
18 Sea swallows.
20 Falsehood.
22 Not down.
24 Prying device.
26 Be indisposed.
27 Slope.
29 Rationed item.
31 Frozen water.
32 Concession.
34 Like.
35 Athletic games.
37 Midday.
38 Wiser.
39 Wash lightly.
41 Rustic.
43 Make haste.
45 Judicious.
46 Leader (It.).
49 Mongrel.
50 Siamese measure.
53 Junction (abbr.).
54 Street (abbr.).

Answer to Previous Puzzle





VOICE OF THE PRESS

Eat the Crusts

What happens in one hotel happens in tens of thousands. What happens in one home happens in millions. More toast is made than the people eat, and the surplus is thrown away. Another source of waste, which is very common, is that many people eat the softer parts and leave the crusty edges. Someone with a gift for figures might estimate that enough crusts are left on plates every day to make a girdle around the world.

—Stratford Beacon-Herald.

If Russia Wishes

If Russia really desires to give an effective answer to Mr. Churchill there is a very simple way of doing this. All Moscow needs to do is to abide by the pledges, agreements and treaties it has made and the whole international tension will disappear overnight.

—New York Times.

Punishment Is Cure

In Mineola, N.Y. drunken drivers will be tested by making them say: "Around the rough and rugged rocks the ragged rascal ran."

This is sheer foolishness. The only accurate test for alcohol is a blood test, as employed in Norway. And in Norway, we should like to point out, drunken driving is virtually unknown because it is punished very severely.

—Peterborough Examiner.

Takes It With Him

When that old Arab used to fold his tent and silently steal away, he took his housing problem with him.

—Quebec Chronicle-Telegraph

Who Cares?

The crowning touch of madness in this cockeyed world right now would be for Hitler to turn up alive, toothbrush moustache and all. Allied officials in Germany are intrigued by the discovery of a secret passage which led from the Fuehrer's underground bunker at the Chancellery to the Berlin subway—and perhaps a getaway; who knows? Likewise, who cares?

—Hamilton Spectator.

Can't Hide It

Some women stop telling their ages just about the time age starts telling on them.

—Kingston Whig-Standard.

Goering's Alibi

At Nuremberg it 's the Nazis' day in court. And in our mind's eye we see Fats Goering rising to his full width and explaining it was two other fellows.

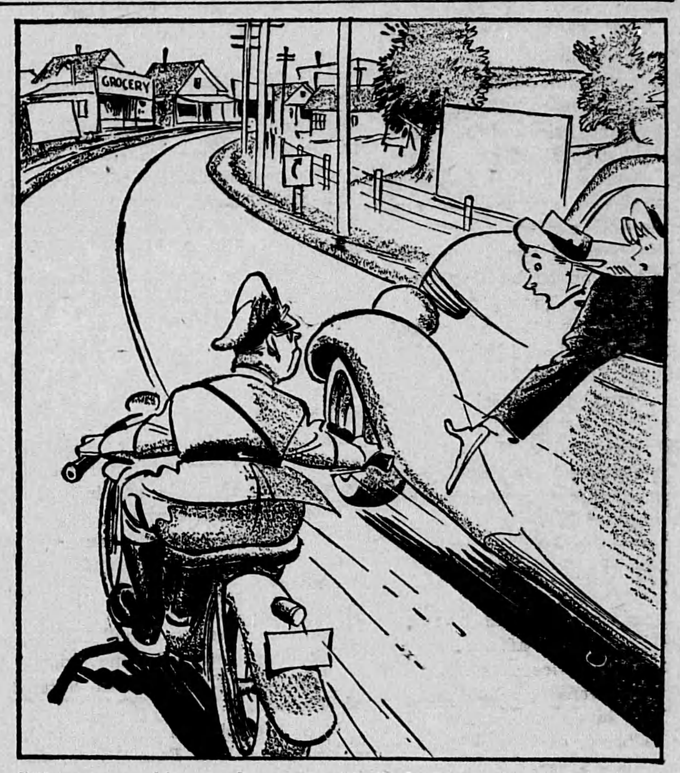
—Stratford Beacon Herald.

Atomic

A scientist studying bomb damage in Nagasaki examined a house which was fairly sound, except for a screen that showed an interesting damage effect — the lower part was battered while the upper part was intact. "Atomic bomb?", he asked the housewife.

"No," she said. "Small boy."

—This Week.



"We were rushing to the grocer's before closing time . . . Imagine a week-end without delicious Grape-Nuts Flakes!"

"I can't imagine it brother! Step on it and I'll provide a police escort down to the store so you'll be sure of getting your malty-rich, sweet-as-a-nut Post's Grape-Nuts Flakes!"

"OK—here we go! Bring on that Grape-Nuts Flakes' good nourishment: carbohydrates for energy, proteins for muscle, phosphorus for teeth and bones, iron for the blood, and other food essentials."

"They're good all right! That's because they're made of two grains—wheat and malted barley. And specially blended, baked and toasted for golden-brown delicious crispness and easy digestion."

"I think I'll get a couple of those giant economy packages."

THE SPORTING THING

"Hello, Honey!"

MUTT AND JEFF— AND THERE ISN'T A UNION CARD AMONG THE TWO OF THEM By BUD FISHER

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