

"BUSINESS AS USUAL"

In the Bee-hive There is no Room For the Loafer

All play and no work is not such a bad rule when times are good, but when the clover blossoms fade and there are no honey-sweet flowers along the roadway—well, then it's a fine thing to be able to do something for your board and keep.

Any sensible queen bee can tell you this, and the bumble bee knows it too. And because they know the dignity of labor, and the need of it they buzz and whirl all through the



LAZY LAZY MR. DRONE. LAZY, LAZY MR. DRONE

summer days making hay—or rather honey while the sun shines, and the flowers bloom. Then when winter comes they curl up in the hive perfectly sure that no wolf will bark at their hive-door.

But the hard working "bumblers" and the busy queens have a most dreadful time with their brothers the Apathus, or as they are called, when there's a family row on and everybody is mad—the drones.

The drones will not work; to their way of thinking the poorest way to get a living is to earn it. To be sure they have the very good excuse that Nature didn't give them pollen baskets and they couldn't make honey if they wanted to, but the queens won't listen to this. So just as soon as the flowers die and honey gets scarce they open the hive-door to the drone, and then such a row as follows. Even if the drones can't work they can fight but as they haven't a good cause to fight for they lose, and out they go to die of hunger and cold.

A REAL DOG OF WAR



Because he's hardy, the Airedale doesn't worry much about sleep or food, and because he's swift footed and brave the Airedale makes an admirable scout. He can scent danger long before the keenest-eyed sentry can see it; the army that has an Airedale regiment as an ally is in little danger of being ambushed. That's why the British army set about securing 1,000 Airedales for war service.

The Airedale is a cross between the rough-coated English terrier and the otter hound. He's big as terriers go—40 pounds being his average weight, and like all terriers he's pugnacious and a good fighter.

You will learn that there is more than one variety of bluff after reading the new serial we are about to run.

The Time Lock

by Charles Edmonds Walk

tells how an inventor brings a multi-millionaire to time by a clever fake. A strange murder, a mysterious disappearance and a succession of unusual adventures will keep you interested from the beginning to the very last chapter.

Watch for the issue with first installment

READY FOR A FIGHT AT MINUTE'S NOTICE

The Tommy Atkins of South America's Birdland is a Warrior Who Fears Nothing

Let us introduce you to General Helmet Crest. Perhaps he would hesitate to tackle single-handed an entrenched German position, but down in the valley of the Amazon everything that flutters in a tree top or camps in the branch of a rubber plant knows him as the best and bravest fighter in birdland.

The Helmet Crest isn't as big as the hammer of an old-fashioned Winchester, but his execution on the battlefield is just as effective as if he were a whole cannon. When trouble in the shape of a hawk or an unfriendly rattlesnake comes along the little brigadier doesn't call on the enlisted men to do the fighting. Not he. That's a game to his own liking.



HELMET-CRESTED HUMMING BIRD

and with his helmet at its cockiest angle and his sword-like bill ready for action he jumps into the thick of things. When the session is over, the brigadier is sure to be holding the fort, and, if humming birds could sing, for our military friend is none other than the humming bird's South American cousin, war songs would echo round the Andes, but, as you know, Old Dame Nature never put a hum in humming bird. There are four hundred different kinds of them, but only the good old warrior Helmet Crest has any war record.

Clever Indian Woman



"MINNIE"

Strange as it may seem, this good-natured, comfortable-looking Indian woman plays negro mammy parts in the "movies."

It was by chance, one day, when such a character was needed, that Minnie played her first "mammy" role. She did it so cleverly that she has never had a chance to play much else since.

Minnie lives down by the Pacific in a little Indian hut. She is one of the regular members of the big stock company of players that works on a big ranch near Santa Monica, California, every sunshiny day.

GOLF AND SOBRIETY

The most satisfactory sensation in baseball is the "feel" of a base hit when the bat meets the ball squarely. The "feel" of a clean golf drive is a worthy rival. When that little white ball sails out straight on a line, not sliced or not pulled, you want to do it again, and you are gone, writes Christy Mathewson in the New York American. I believe just this one thing has converted most of the followers of the game of golf. They want to get another good drive and another and another, until it takes hold of a man like the desire for alcohol does a drunkard, if what the prohibition folks say is true. But the results are far more pleasant. Golf gives you a clear head the next day. Alcohol gives a dull eye and a fogged brain. To my mind, golf is the bigger force for prohibition than all the talks in the world.

FRENCH ARE PRACTICAL

War Prices Have Developed the French Industries

It is quite true that all the warring countries are paying topnotch prices for everything they buy from neutrals, just as it is likewise true that they bitterly resent this fact. Their resentment might have a touch more of reason if their own merchants did not do their best to squeeze the last ounce of profit out of each contract. France has recognized these things quite clearly and has guarded herself as well as she can. In the first days of the war she bought a lot of American leather. It was not satisfactory. It was most decidedly not satisfactory. To-day she is only buying American leather when she can buy leather nowhere else.

So the army started a tanning department. Soldiers oversee it and work in it. The hide of every animal killed in France goes to it. They come back from the slaughterhouses just back of the firing line, which are worthy of a story in themselves, and from the great military depots. The aggressions of private enterprise are guarded against, and it is of the highest quality. Something similar was done in the dye-stuff situation. French cloth faded just as white as the English and American cloth did, because the German dyes were missing.

"We will make dyes here," said France. "We must."

Factories were erected and chemists went to work. The product has not been overly satisfactory as yet, but it is improving in quality all the time. The French chemists are gradually getting the hang of the coal tar puzzle. And this is not a merely temporary expedient to meet an emergency. These dye factories and the gunneries and a score of other similar industries are being subsidized by the State. The hope is that under the forced draft of war they will be able to so develop that when peace comes they can take their own part in the world markets.

HISTORY OF PAPER

Introduced into Europe About the Twelfth Century

From time to time, almost from the very earliest days of the war, there has arisen in many European countries a shortage of paper. Many factories, often unlooked for, have contributed to bring about this result, a scarcity of labor, the increased cost of shipping freights, and deficiency in the supply of the many and various ingredients which go to the making of paper in all its many forms of to-day.

The manufacture of paper was first introduced into Europe by the Moors, also about the twelfth century. They held a great part of Spain in those days, and the industry quickly grew. It was good paper, "cloth parchment" it is styled in the laws of Alfonso of 1263, and well styled, for it was stout of substance, and could withstand hard use. At Xativa, Valencia and Toledo the industry grew and flourished until the fall of the Moorish power. And then came a change. The Christian conquerors were less skilled, and the great industry deteriorated, both as to quantity and quality. Meanwhile, however, the Arabs had brought their knowledge of the craft with them when they invaded Sicily. From Sicily paper making ultimately spread to Italy, and there it became a great industry. From Italy it extended to France and Germany.

And then the art reached England, and, in Wynkyn de Worde's "De Proprietatibus Rerum," printed in 1495, at Caxton's Press, we find mention of a paper mill at Stevenage, in Hertfordshire, kept by one John Tate. Master Spielman, with his ten years' license from Queen Elizabeth to make paper at Dartford, in Kent, is the next great figure in the paper trade, and so on to the establishment of the famous mills at Maidstone, where John Whetman turned out his paper in and around the year 1760. In 1799 came machinery, and from the small mill at Boxmoor, in Hertfordshire, where Fourdiner, the inventor, first set up his plant, the industry spread all over the country.

ART OF MAKING FRIENDS

Often you come across people who complain that they have but few friends. The matter is easy enough to explain, for, as some one has well said, "The only way to have a friend is to be one." For friendship cannot possibly be a one-sided matter. Just as it takes two to make a bargain or a quarrel, so does it take the same number to make a friendship.

What really does happen is this: Two people meet, and gradually they find points of congeniality, gradually each does little favors for the other, gradually a feeling of affection takes root in each heart. Neither one is thinking of what can be gained from the acquaintance; rather, each is thinking and planning to give instead of take. In other words, both are trying to be a friend unselfishly. And, lo, it is the very thing which makes their friendship.

Every Day a Sabbath

Every day in the week is a Sabbath for some one. The Greeks observe Monday; the Persians, Tuesday; the Assyrians, Wednesday; the Egyptians, Thursday; the Turks, Friday; the Hebrews and several Christian sects, Saturday, and the remainder of the Christians, Sunday.

Flowers Most Fragrant

Flowers are more fragrant when the sun is not shining on them, according to a French scientist, because the oils that produce the perfume are forced out by the water pressure in the plant cells, and this is diminished by sunlight.

"Utility" in fowls does not mean "mongrelism" any more than "thoroughbred" means "standard-bred."

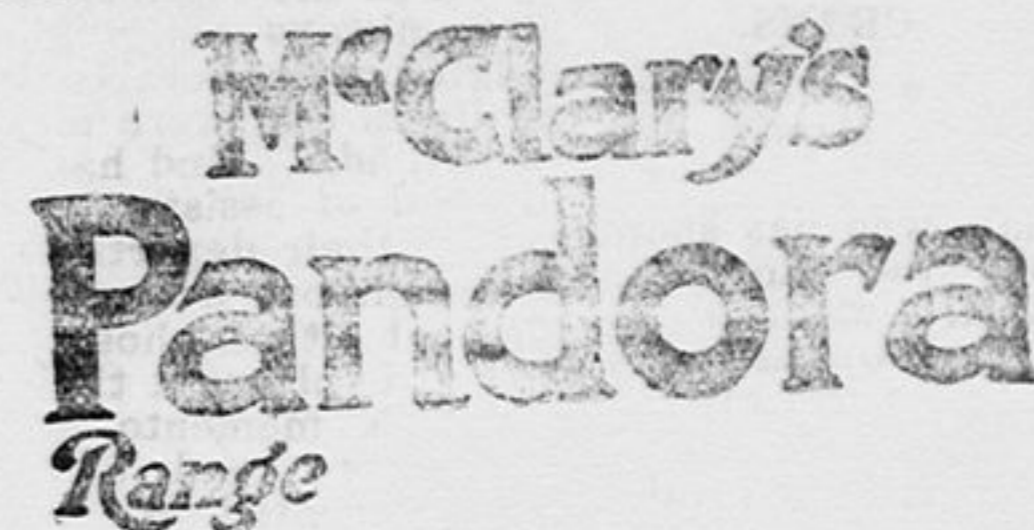
Sweet corn requires from 54 to 115 days from planting to reach the edible stage, depending on variety.

THE MAIL ORDER HOUSE

Kersmith & Kickshaw dealt in wax, and Chinese eggs and carpet tacks. They are good sports in every way, they cough out money every day, to make the town a better place in which to live—to push your face. They hire a half dozen clerks or more, to wait on patrons in their store. Our cross-road burg they would upbuild, and see it with glad people filled, and to that end they blow their seeds like truly patriotic lads. But when we need of duds a few we send away to Timbuctoo; and when a carpet tack we wish it's shipped from Ypsilanti, Mich. Each has his notion in his dome that things are best away from home, and so we order hods and hats and humming birds and maltse cats from strangers in some town remote, who would not know us from a goat. We ship away our hard-earned kale and get our fourth-rate jerk by mail. Say, are we seers, or are we fools; those strangers don't support our schools, or keep the peeler on his beat, or help to pave Commercial street. They do not

paint the village pump, or build a fence around the dump. If our burg were blown away, they would not care a bale of hay. Kershaw & Kickshaw ought to get the local trade already yet.

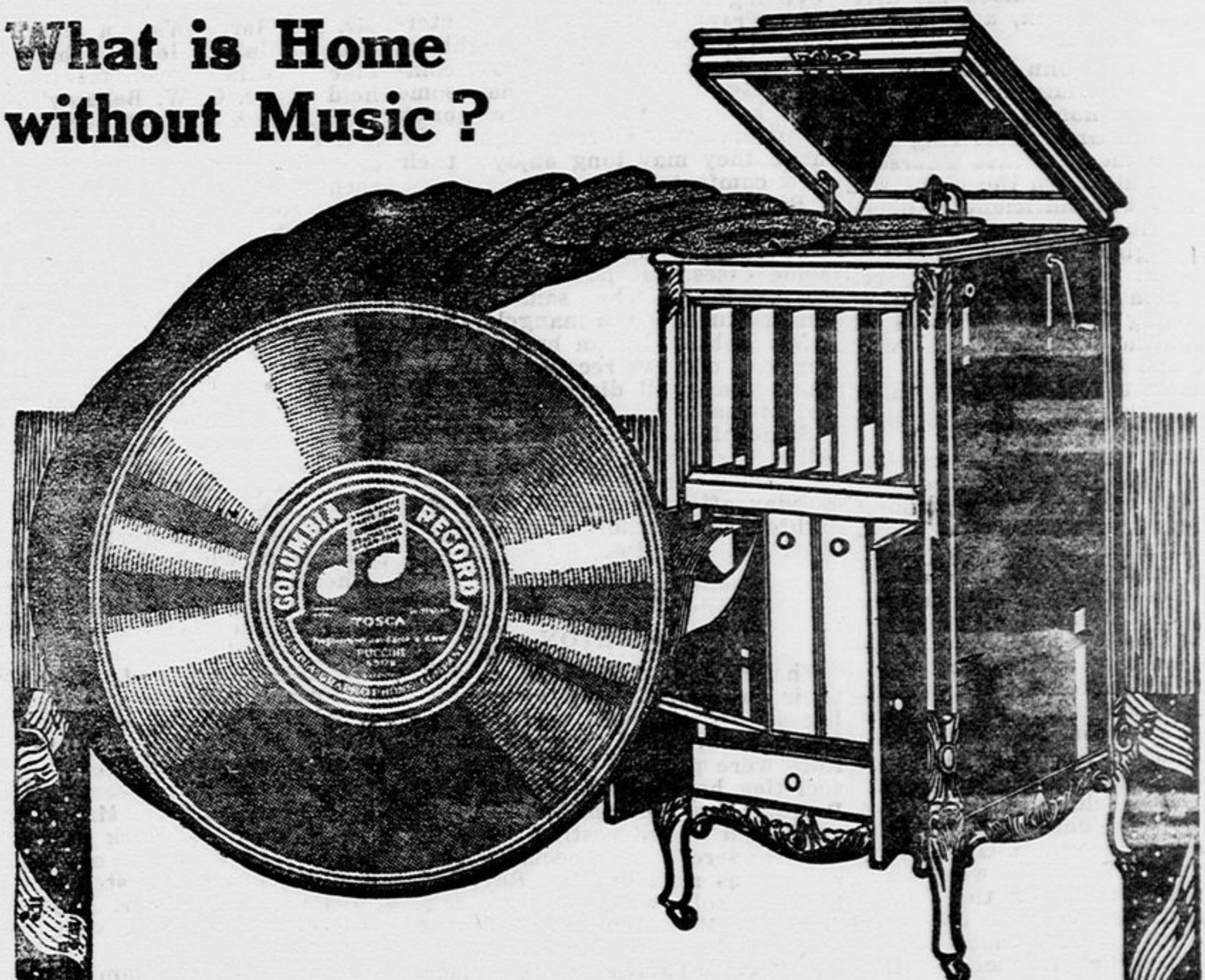
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Charles MacKay's Song of a famous three-score years ago

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We may not live to see the day, But earth shall glisten in the

Of the good time coming, Cannon balls may aid the

But thought's a weaker stronger;

We'll win our battle by its Wait a little longer.

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