Tucked away behind the Juma Masjid, the great mosque in Delhi city, says the Indian Press Union, there flourish the ivory carvers for whose work Delhi is famous. The visitor will find displayed pieces of ivory carving many of which have taken 10 to 15 years to complete. They range in price from a few rupees to as much as Rs. 10-,000 for trinket boxes and stands on which the story of the Ramayana or the life of Krishna are illustrated. Recently, a suite of furniture, carved from ivory, has been completed after 25 years' hard lator. It is priced Rs. three lakhs (\$100,000)

Jealously Guarded Secret The art of ivory carving is a jealously-guarded secret, known only to a few families and handed down from father to son, In one workshop the same families have worked for the same family of the owners since the business was started about 1630. The working day is restricted to four hours, as the intense concentration and the system and on the eyesight of the workers. The tools used are simple and are usually manufactured by the workmen themselves.

# Allies Reveal War Strategy

Nazis To Be Worn Down With Minimum Lives Lost

No secret is being made in London, England, of the fact that the tentative grand strategy which Great Britain is urging on France includes at least four points. These

1. All decisions to be based on the supposition that the war will last three years or longer as determinated by the British "Inner Cabinet" at this session recently. 2. A policy to be followed of

continually worrying the Germans on the Western Front as a cat worries a mouse, but with no dismal offensives against the strongly fortified German line, on the Somme and at Passchendale in the last war, which would be costly in the lives of men and productive of little gain strategically.

3. Every effort to be made to find another frontier on which to attack the Germans with land forces backed by the air arm.

4. Economic warfare to be waged to the hilt, including intensive efforts to buil up and maintain the hugo allied reserves of materials and including strict enforcement of the blockade of the Reich.

Chief of Canada's Air Staff



Air Vice Marshall, G. M. Croll chief of the air staff of Canada, who is working with other high ranking officers of the R.C.A.F. to bring Canada's air force up to the peak of efficiency.

# Upper Silesia Very Valuable

That Section of Poland Noted For Heavy Industry and for Flourishing Agriculture

Upper Silesia is considered valuable by Germany because of its heavy industry and flourishing ag-

riculture. The smoke stacks which dot its horizon mark coal mines, iron deposits and smelting plants. Along the country r. ds are homfarmers who re p productive crops off this light yellow clay soil.

Picturesque Rural People Picturesque are these rural people, the dress of the woman partic-

Black is predominant. The very young women of the villages wear black skirts over an undisclosed number of petticoats, black laced vests, black shawl and a Gypsy headkerchief of black. On each garment a single broad stripe of er'or breaks the monotony.

Lord Tweedamuir Enumbes Canadian Red Cross Drive



A campaign for \$3,000,000 to carry on war time as well as its present peace-time work will be inaugurated by the Canadian Red Cross Society on November 13. The announcement was made at the emergency meeting at Rideau Hall, Ottawa, by the chairman of the executive committee, Norman Sommerville, K.C. Representatives from Vancouver to Halifax were present. Lord Tweedsmuir, president of the Canadian Red Cross, presided and said, "we feel now as though we are entering a long and dark tunnel and we have to go through. There is a light at the end of it though, because we have a clear conscience." Lord Tweedsmuir spoke of the co-operation which would be necessary between the Canadian society, the British, French and Polish societies, saying that the latter will certainly need a great deal of help.

# What Science

WAR CHECKS SCIENCE

The war has commenced to have its effects on conferences of an international character, one of the first to suffer being the third International Congress for Microbiology, which opened at New York on September 4. Leading biologists and bacteriologists from various countries were unable to attend, among them scientists from England, France and Ger-

SNUFF CURES FLU

One war spectre, another worldwide flu epidemic can apparently be prevented by a new kind of Russian snuff. Immune horse serum, a well

known flu material, makes the Russian snuff. This serum is the water-clear part of the blood of horses which have been artificially infected with flu. It is dried and inhaled. Extensive tests in Russia have shown the snuff not only prevented flu, but helped to cure it.

EARTH LOSES SHAPE The earth gets out of shape like a toy rubber balloon which is kick-

ed by a small boy. Instead of being a hard, tough mass of unyielding rock, the earth actually is elastic, the geophysicists said last week.

ICEBOX TREATMENT POSTPONES DEATH

Postponement of death in living human cells by means of an "iceless icebox' is described as one result of science's newest advances into the world of ultimate cold-459.69 degrees below zero Fahrenheit.

It has been discovered that the death of human blood corpuscles can be "almost indefinitely postponed" by extremely low temperatures beause of retarded reaction rates of matter in the region of "absolute zero."

X-RAYS BY THE MOUTHFUL X-rays can be taken literally by the mouthful by means of a tube newly-dev loped.

The tube is long and slender, about the size and proportions of a child's toy horn. The rays are produced at the tip, in the area that would be the mouthpiece of

The tube is made to be inserted into the mouth or any other body cavity. In this way it puts the rays in almost direct contact, within a fraction of an inch, of cancerous

The purpose is to avoid the burning of healthy tissue which occurs when X-rays have to pass through such tissues to reach cancerous growths deeper in the body.

GERM-ARRESTING GUM

Germ arresting chewing gum which would prevent and control teeth decay is seen on the horizon of science by two New York chemists who report the belief they finally have identified the immunity principle which prevents decay. Declaring science long has

known that teeth of certain indipublished." viduals are decay-free because of something in their saliva which inhibits the growth of "acid" bacteria, V. R. Kokatnur and Murray Jelling said their research strongly indicated that "something" is an organic peroxide.

#### Honey Excellent For Preserving

As a sugar substitute honey may be used very satisfactorily in preserving and in certain fruits (peaches and plums especially) the flavor is decidedly improved. This is also the case in conserves consisting of a combination of two or more fruits and where spices are included as in pickles and rel-

Either cold pack or open kettle method may be used when canning with honey but care must be taken to avoid boiling over as honey has a tendency to foam when heated. Also the honey should be cooked no longer than necessary since its delicate flavor is readily destroyed.

General Proportions for Canning Heavy syrup, 11/2 c. honey, 1 c. water. Medium syrup, 14c. honey, 1 c. water. Light syrup, 34 to 1 c. honey, 1 c. water.



An ostrich went out for a stroll in the desert and thought he'd call at his favorite oasis, in the hope of running across a few of

When he got there he found six other ostriches standing with their heads buried in the sand. "Just my luck!" he said. "Not a soul about."

Judge: "What made you steal those socks?" Accused: "I don't know, sir -I must have been woolgathering."

The tenderfoot, new on the ranch, thought he would show the boys that he was tougher than they imagined. "Fetch me a broncho," he cried,

"I'll show you how to ride 'em,

cowboys." They produced one of their best and the newcomer mounted it. In twelve seconds, after some

remarkable gyrations, he was hurled to the ground. "What happened?" asked one of the boys, as he picked up the ten-

derfoot. "What happened? Why, she's a demon bucker. Didn't you see "Buck!" said the other. "Why,

she just coughed!"

"Don't put off until tomorrow what you can do today" -for by then there will be a law against it or a higher tax

A lecturer, suspecting that publicity would lessen attendance at repeat performances, asked the reporter of a local paper not to publish his address.

The reporter's version was this: "Mr. Smith delivered an excellent lecture in the church hall. He told some very good stories, but, unfortunately, they cannot be

"Why haven't you pressed your trousers?" roared the sergeant-major. "I had them under the mattress all night, but I'm such a light sleeper," replied the recruit, meekly.

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* How Can 1? BY ANNE ASHLEY

Q .- How can I render the taste of disagreeable medicine more palatable?

A .-- If one will chew a piece of orange peel, or take a tiny bit of cayenne pepper before taking any disagreeable medicine, it will render the medicine tastelss or palat-

Q .-- How can I remove the brown stain which so often appears at the bases of crystal vases or flower holders? A .- Moisten some tea leaves with vinegar, placing them in the

vase and scrub the inside by means of a bottle brush. P .- How can I add a different flavor to apple sauce? A .- Fold stiffly-beaten egg

whites into the sauce. Chill, and before serving, garnish with chopped crystallized fruit. Q.-How can I shrink dress

A.—Place the goods folded in a tub of cold water, to which a few handfuls of salt have been added. After a few hours, hang on the line without unfolding. The weight of the salt prevents wrinkles from drying in, and the salt sets the color. Q .- How can I remove the old

varnish when refinishing furni-A .- Put three tablespoonsful of

cooking soda into one quart of water and apply with a rough cloth. Then use sandpaper and the varnish will come off easily.

# Luxury Trains Very Expensive

Between A Million and A Half and Two Million Dollars Required to Pay for Crack Streamliner

Apart from the horror of the killed and injured in the wreck of the Southern Pacific's 'ack streamliner in Nevada, there is brought home the fact that a luxury train costs from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000.

That huge amount, says W. L. Clark in the Windsor Star, is for one single train not for a fleet of trains. It means that a huge chunk of capital is required before such a train can be placed in service. It also reveals some of the problems the railways have to face in meeting the demands of traffic and ser-

Before Placed in America It has often been suggested that the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Railways should put fast luxury trains in service between Toronto and Montreal.

No doubt the Canadian railway men would like to put luxury streamliners on more than one run in Canada. But, at \$2,000,00 per train, the thought is hard to try and change from a wish to a fact.



# **Avoid Barn Fires** At Theshing Time

Criminal Negligence Is Still Prevalent on Ontario Farms -Precautions Must Be Taken By All

Speaking on the subject of barn fires during threshing operations, the Department of Agricultural Engineering at the O. A. C., Guelph, asks Ontario farmers to help to teach the following simple rules to those who still do not believe them to be of any value, or believing, neglect to live up to them which is perhaps worse.

1. Improperly cured hay if placed in the mow in large quantities spoils, overheats and is turned into a charred brown useless product, tens of thousands of tons each year in Ontario. This is not always burned, just charred and useless as fodder.

2. Spread uncured hay (if the mistake has been made of bringing it into the barn) either on the threshing floor before mowing it away, or in the mow for 24 hours at least. Salt it in the mow and tramp it before placing other hay

on top. Be sure to spread it. .3. A cotton mop (cotton) dipped in linseed oil (just flaxseed oil) and left hanging up or lying on the floor will burst into flame in a few hours. This is a fact not a theory. Please believe this fact and then listen to scientific advice to the effect that the same materials (chemically) exist in the mow. Conditions being just right - admission of air at the right moment and a fire is as sure to occur as if it were deliberately set.

4. Oil a binder canvas with a vegetable oil, roll it up before the oil is quite dry, and place it in a warm barn, and once out of ten times a fire is the result, five times in ten the canvas is scorched and ruined if not burned. Confessions of burning of barns this way have often been made to the writer of this article. The barn 's no place for matches in particularly torn pockets or any other pockets. One of these matches in a threshing

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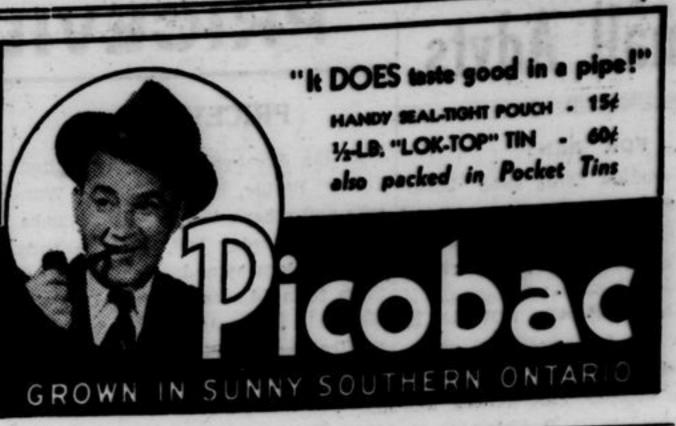
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# Over-eating Once Considered Crime

England Had Laws Against It Not Many Years Ago

The recent Nazi view that overeating is a form of high treason recalls the fact that in England not so many years ago overeating, not high treason, was legally crime. Until July, 1856, it was technically unlawful for a man to have more than two courses at dinner and supper, although upon specially festive accosions he might be permitted three. This statute of Edward III's sumptuary laws was not repealed until 1856.

In England severe sumptuary laws were enacted in the reigns of Edward III, Edward IV and Henry VIII. For long a man dared not eat what he fancied. The poorer classes, for instance, were forbidden to eat certain foods and wheaten bread. That was reserved for "their betters" - the poor being permitted to eat only coarse bread made from pease-meal and other unat tractive substances.

### Criminal Pork

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1.-Is "How do you do" all necessary to acknowledge an introduction?

2.-Should a guest ever join in a family argument? 3 .- When should the bridegroom give his gifts to the ushers? 4.-When should a servant close the door after a visitor has turned

5.-Where should a man give a stag dinner? 6.-Is it permissible for a girl to ask a young man to call, when

she has known him for quite a-

1.-Yes, provided it is accompanied with a smile, or an expression of sincerity. Merely to say, "How do you do" with a stony stare makes the other person wonder if there is any displeasure attending the introduction. 2 .-Never. The guest must not take sides, and if he can do so quietly and without notice he should leave the room or walk away. 3 .- These gifts are always put at the ushers' places at the bachelor dinner, 4 .-The servant should stand with the door open until the visitor enters his car, or, if he is walking, until he reaches the sidewalk. 5 .- A stag dinner should be given in a man's bachelor quarters or in a private room in a hotel. If he chooses to give the dinner in his own home, his women folk should not appear. 6.-Yes.

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to be released a giant le frog, springing only a distant eight inches, pounced on the bird and swallowed it whole, though the frog was capture cup open only 15 minutes an examination revealed that gestion of the bird already proceeded so far that the