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Mr. Underdone Cutletta, proprietor of the Speedy cafe, was notoriously hard-hearted. The most weeping widow who ever graced a melodrama couldn't have wept a slice of stale bread out of his restaurant without the price. So, when a pale and timorous bum approached the desk and made a faltering appeal, it was no surprise to the lunch fiends to hear a curt "Nothing doing. Beat it." "I'm not a beggar," retorted the hungry man. "I'm willing to scrub floors or wash dishes. I'm just out of prison and nobody will give me work. I'm starving." The proprietor portrayed a faint interest. "What were you in for?" he asked idly. "I'll tell you the truth," explained the ex-convict. "I was a kind of a counterfeiter. I used to take a \$100 bill and split it in two with a razor. Then, I'd paste the halves together, so I'd have two centuries, if the sucker didn't look on both sides. It took 'em five years to catch me." Mr. Cutletta beckoned the ex-prisoner behind the bar. "Order what you like on the house," he whispered. "I've got a steady job for you. I'll give you thirty a week to slice the ham for my sandwiches."—Lippincott's.

Rather, "I had a great surprise the other day."

"What was it?"

"I got a square deal from that rounder."

Inverse Ratio. Julia—Can Johnny come in for half price? He's only got one eye.

Hattie—You'll have to pay double for him. It takes him twice as long to see the show.—Judge.

Disillusionment. The New Bride (absent-mindedly)—Happy, dearest. It's the happiest honeymoon I've ever spent!—London Opinion.

Yes, indeed. Mrs. Robinson—And were you up to the Rhine?

Mrs. De Jones—I should think so; right to the very top. What a splendid view there is from the summit!

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# WASHINGTON GOSSIP

## Nothing Beyond the Milky Way but Empty Space



WASHINGTON.—The boundaries of the universe have been discovered, according to a report received at the National Observatory from Prof. R. T. A. Innes, director of the Union Observatory at Johannesburg, South Africa. The announcement is regarded with interest by astronomers all over the world.

The universe, Prof. Innes asserts, is contained within the space girdled by the Milky Way, and he figures that the most distant star in that wonderful girdle is 540 light years distant from the earth. Inasmuch as the planetary system, of which the earth is a member, is commonly supposed by astronomers to be close to the centers of the arena embraced within the Milky Way, and inasmuch as light travels 186,000 miles a second, or over five and three-quarters quadrillion miles a year, the diameter of the universe, by Prof. Innes's calculation is 6,334,951,000,000 miles. This is the distance light would travel in 1,080 years. A ray of light takes sixteen minutes and thirty-six seconds to traverse the diameter of the earth's orbit.

The so-called "hellum stars," the Johannesburg astronomer avers, are the most distant of all stars from the earth. The hellum stars are peculiar to the Milky Way.

Is there anything outside the universe? On this point Prof. Innes does not venture a positive opinion, but he says that the most powerful telescopes penetrate far into space, beyond the boundaries of the universe—revealing nothing. In particular, he says, there is absolutely no sign of other universes of similarly constituted systems.

He looked out beyond the universe—the air in South Africa is very clear—but his telescope discovered in those far-away clouds called "nebulae," which some astronomers suppose to be star-systems in process of formation. Many of these nebulae are spiral-looking, and the conjecture is that they are whirling around and around, condensing themselves into solid globes, on which life may later appear.

The number of stars, according to Prof. Innes, is limited, falling far short of the number of people on the earth. He estimates the mass of the universe as equal to 441,000 times the mass of the sun. That is to say, the combined mass of all the globes, big and little, in the universe is as heavy as 441,000 suns. Of stars 100 times as massive as the sun there are 300; of stars ten times as massive as the sun there are 5,000; of stars equal in mass to the sun there are 200,000; and of stars smaller than the sun there are 16,000,000.

## Popcorn Can Be Profitably Raised on the Farm

THIRTY dollars' worth of popped corn in the form of 5-cent packages for the market represents an outlay of only about \$1 or \$1.50 for raw material, according to a farmers' bulletin (No. 553) just issued by the department of agriculture, entitled "Popcorn for the Home." Sufficient popcorn to make \$30 worth of 5-cent packages can be grown on a piece of land 40 feet long and 20 feet wide.

The specialists in corn investigations who write this bulletin say that popcorn has considerable value as a food and when properly prepared for the table it is superior to many of the breakfast foods now on the market.

If it is desired to grow popcorn as a field crop, the surplus stock not wanted for home use can usually be sold to local merchants at a fair price, or it can be profitably sold directly to consumers.

Dealers who put up popcorn in 10-cent packages for the retail trade usually have a number of good recipes printed on the outside of the package. Some recipes for popcorn confections that have given good results are the following:

Chocolate Popcorn—Two teaspoonfuls of white sugar, two ounces of chocolate, one-half cup of corn sirup, one cup of water.

Put these ingredients into a kettle and cook them until the sirup hard-



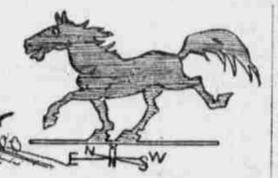
ens, when put in cold water. Pour over four quarts of crisp, freshly popped corn and stir well to insure the uniform coating of the kernels.

Sugared Popcorn—Make a sirup by boiling together two teaspoonfuls of granulated sugar and one teaspoonful of water. Boil until the sirup strings from the spoon or hardens when dropped into cold water. Pour over six quarts of freshly popped corn and stir well.

Popcorn Balls—One pint of sirup, one pint of sugar, two tablespoonfuls of butter, one teaspoonful of vinegar.

Cook till the sirup hardens when dropped into cold water. Remove to back of stove and add one-half teaspoonful of soda dissolved in a tablespoonful of hot water and then pour the hot sirup over four quarts of freshly popped corn, stirring till each kernel is well coated, when it can be molded into balls or into any desired form.

## Gilded Horse on Weather Vane Not Yet Extinct



THE gilded horse that once trotted, galloped, pranced and dizzied on the weather vanes above many of the stables of Washington has become rare, but he is not extinct. He may be tarnished, but he still holds up his head and tail. He is not so forlorn looking as most of his brother and sister horses in the streets. The writer early in the spring wrote an honorable mention of a gilt horse on a weather vane on a stable converted into a garage on Columbia road near 18th street. That horse is still there and he still seems unconscious that his neighing, nickering and champing

mates below have gone and that a machine creaks and snorts where they lived.

If you are walking along G street between 6th and 7th and will look toward the northern sky you may see high up, always heading into the wind, another gilded horse with flowing mane and uplifted tail, and probably distended nostrils, though his position is too far up in the air to determine that point without field glasses.

He is trotting on a gilt horizontal bar and seems to be striking at least a 2.20 gait. He is well extended. He seems to be about to win. No other horse is near him. He wears no harness. No sulky or driver is behind him.

He is a bold, proud-looking horse and it is refreshing for horsemen to look up and see one of their four-footed friends who has not the dejected mien which so many horses in the streets wear. It is a pleasure to them to contemplate this horse, even if he is a gilt horse.

## Labor Department Clerks Have to Do Real Work

CLERKS of the department of labor are nursing blisters and calloused spots on hands and knees, and the new quarters of the latest executive department of the government smells of arnica and healing ointments. Moving day for the department came around, and, as the appropriation for moving covered only the transfer of the furniture from the old quarters to the new, the clerks were pressed into service to rearrange the desks and filing cabinets and other paraphernalia.

"Oh, it was fun," said Chief Clerk Watson, displaying difficulty in making his stiffened fingers grasp a pen and wincing when he attempted to get out of his swivel chair. "The work had to be done, anyway, and the clerks were the only available persons to do it. It's all in a lifetime, and don't we belong to the department of la-



bor? And I believe we made good." The ordeal continued several days and although the department of commerce had loaned all of its available laborers, charwomen and messengers to the fitting laborites, the muscle-weary clerks had to lend their assistance. The work of the department of labor is dropping behind as a result of the exodus.

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## STILL ONE HOPE REMAINED

Frederick's Idea Showed That He Could Shine in Future on Diplomatic Service.

Mrs. Titus carefully locked the jam closet, and told her two sons, eight and ten years of age, that she was going shopping.

"All right, mom," came the chorus. The street door had hardly shut behind Mrs. Titus when the two youngsters made a concerted rush for the jam closet. It was locked. A hunt for keys produced half a dozen. Each one was tried patiently, but not one fitted. The lock held, the jam closet remained inaccessible.

"What a shame," said Thomas, the younger.

"Well," said Frederick, the elder, "we can wait until mamma comes home and ask her for something for being good boys."—New York Evening Post.

Would Be Informed. Maria had been naughty at the dinner table and her mother had sent her into the next room to remain until she was sorry for her behavior.

Marie cheerfully complied. Making no expression of repentance after a suitable time had elapsed, her mother called from an adjoining room: "Marie, dear, aren't you sorry?"

No answer. On a repetition of the question, however, Marie replied, with a sweet and patient dignity: "Mamma, please don't ask me any more. I'll tell you when I'm sorry."

During the Spat. "John, there's just one thing I want to say to you."

"What's the matter, M'ria? Aren't you feeling well?"—Puck.

Smooth Idea. "Gracious! What has your little boy got on his pants?"

"Furniture polish. Those are the pants he polishes the banisters with."

No thoughtful person uses liquid blue. It's a pinch of blue in a large bottle of water. Ask for Red Cross Ball Blue, the blue that's all blue. Adv.

A woman with big feet is partial to long skirts.

## Where He Was Lucky.

Two Little Rock negroes engaged in a quarrel, when one struck the other on the head with a wagon spoke. The negro that had received the blow rubbed his head for a moment and then said:

"Look yere, Stephen, dar's one thing dat is er powerful blessin' fur you."

"What's dat?"

"De fact dat my haid is ez thick er it is. W'y, ef my haid wa'n't no thicker den de common run o' haid, dat lick would er killed me, an' den you would er been tuck befo' er justice o' de peace an' fined mighty nigh \$20. You'd better thank de Lawd dat I ain't got one dese yere aig shell haid."

Survival of the Fittest. Employer—Yes, I advertised for a strong boy. Do you think you can fill the bill?

Applicant—Well, I just finished lickin' fourteen other fellers that were waitin' out in de hall.—Boston Evening Transcript.

Overheard. "That is a great title for a play," said the head usher.

"Yes," replied the ticket taker; "it's a shame to see how many good titles are spoiled by the plays."—Washington Star.

A man's wife will contradict him even if she happens to think as he does.

## Figuring it Out.

"How many people do you suppose Boston wants to put into her Hall of Fame?"

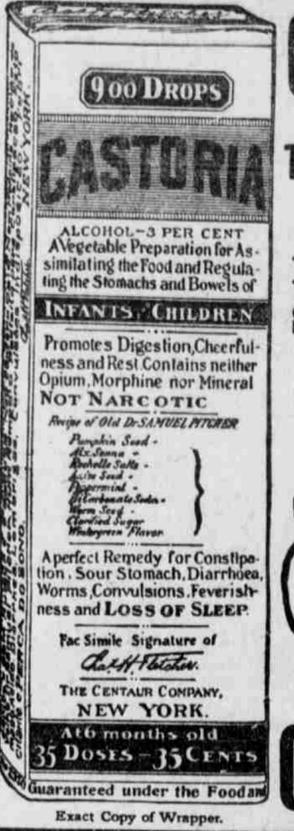
"I can't tell you till I take a look and learn what her population is."

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