

and deathly sick as well as nature's purest product.

For this must he be locked up, while big employers cut down his wages so that he cannot marry? If we get much more drastic let us join in the war so that we may have war babies to change the ideas of our law-makers.—Allen Steven, 2538 N. California Av.

ANSWERS R. H.—In answer to a letter of R. H. regarding the unjust discrimination of colored as printed in *The Day Book*, May 22, I must say that it is common knowledge that such discrimination is going on every day.

It is indeed unfortunate for a colored person to be treated in the manner mentioned and this act like innumerable others serve to show how little some people practice the Golden Rule. Undoubtedly he professes to be a Christian, but how unlike Christ is he.

As an insurance agent, with duties, which by their nature bring me in such close contact with workingmen's families (nearly 300 of which are colored) I feel qualified to say something regarding the unjust discrimination of the colored.

In my mind the most unjust discrimination practiced is to give them the right to work only at occupations that most white men consider themselves above, such as porters and most any kind of unpleasant labor. It is this that the colored men resent more than all else, since its effect is so far reaching.

In general he has long ago ceased to heed unpleasant remarks and discourtesy, such as described by R. H.

To be denied the rights to learn a trade or business without having every conceivable obstacle thrust in his way, denied the right to properly care for his family as a result of being compelled to labor in the few and underpaid occupations left to him is unjust and unchristian like.

Fortunately a few have, by patient

and persistent effort, risen to positions of note, but the great majority, the less fortunate, are suffering in silence.—W. H. Heggem, 2022 N. Kedzie av.

HOW DOES THE OYSTER MAKE A PEARL?—Will you tell me something about the way the oyster makes a pearl?—Harry C.

When the oyster is very tiny it floats about on top of the sea or river like a piece of jelly. Then its shell begins to grow and the oyster gets so heavy that it sinks to the bottom of the water, where it fastens itself to a rock or some other object, opens its shell and lets in the water and the water brings with it specks of sand, bits of water-insects and egg fish—the food the oyster lives on.

But sometimes one of these specks gets between the oyster's shell and body, and pressing the body causes irritation, and this irritation causes a fluid to flow from the oyster. Layer after layer flows over the speck of sand, and as each layer hardens another layer covers it. The speck of sand becomes bigger and smoother, its color more lustrous, finally it takes on the shape of a pearl or an oval or a ball; it separates from the shell and then it is a pearl.

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BRIDGE PARODY

By a Woman

'Tis easy enough to look pleasant
When he holds all the cards, black or red,

But the partner worth while
Is the one who can smile
When I've trumped every ace that he led.

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Day and night for many weeks complete trains, ready to be utilized at a moment's notice, have been kept on sidings at various parts of England and Scotland. The train crews wait at their posts. The measure is to make it possible to rush troops to any part of the coast from which a German invasion is reported.