

In spite of appalling disasters aviation continues to make new records. During the past month H. W. Atwood flew from St. Louis to New York City, a distance of 1,269 miles, and a new height record of well over 13,000 feet is also reported.

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China has computed her population at only 329,542,000, or about 198 to the square mile. This will take something from the arguments of the prophets of a "Yellow Peril."

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The prairie grain crop, though damaged in some localities by frost and hail, is estimated as considerably in advance of that of any previous year. The wheat crop of Europe has suffered from drought, and the great heat of July will render light the products of the wheat belt in the United States. The yield in the Argentine is reported up to the average.

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The first Universal Races Congress, held at the end of July in London, embraced representatives from practically every people and tongue. The congress passed a resolution "urging the vital importance at this juncture of history, of discountenancing race prejudice, as tending to inflict on humanity incalculable harm, and as based on generalizations unworthy of an enlightened age."

SMILES

Needed a Swimmer.

An eager church in Canada sent this message to the Bishop: "Send us this year a man who can swim. The man you sent last year was drowned in crossing the river to reach us."—*Sunday at Home.*

For the History Class.

This is the Norman, nobly born,
Who conquered the Dane that drank from a horn,
Who harried the Saxon's vine and corn,
Who banished the Roman all forlorn,
Who tidied the Celt all tattered and torn.