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Prize Fights Becoming Popular in Mexico.

MEXICO CITY.—As recently as 3 years ago a former heavyweight boxing champion attempted to make boxing popular in Mexico and failed. Today the sport is intensely popular and the bouts which are held regularly every Friday night in Mexico City attract crowds that fill the Fronton, a huge structure in which the Spanish game of pelota is played. The promoters are so enthused over the prospects of the fight game here, that they are planning a combination gymnasium and arena, and they have already set up a school for boxers in which Mexican youths are given free instruction in fisticuffs. These students, in return for their instruction, furnish all the preliminaries to the main bouts and that they do well is attested by the fact that the popular verdict has always been that the youngsters are better than the older principals. Textbook have been sent to several well known boxers in the United States inquiring as to terms for a fight here, and the word has been passed around that the game is looking up in Mexico, because during the past few weeks there has been a great invasion of "ham and egg" fighters who are perfectly willing to be mauled around for a few rounds in return for a few regular meals. Persons who have watched boxing rise and fall in popular fancy here say there is more interest now than ever before. For the first time Mexican boys are being taught to box and their cleverness is undisputed. The Mexican spectators are also commencing to learn the game, and the job of a referee is not the hazardous task it was a few years ago when an unpopular decision usually meant gunplay.

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Most girls and women are fond of scent. Not all use it in the way it should be used. A scent should, properly, reflect a woman's personality.

Violet scent speaks of daintiness and shyness. It is a scent for a girl just beginning life, not for the fully-developed woman. Far better for her to use a scent that reflects the mysteries of the East if she wishes to carry her personality with it.

The scents of the wild wood flowers, the jessamine, the hyacinth, and bluebell, are for the fresh-lipped, rosy-cheeked country girl. They remind you of quiet country lanes, of wind-swept downs and deep woods. They certainly do not go well with high-heeled shoes and silk stockings—but rather with brogues and tweeds.

Rose scent for the town girl—that is the proper perfume. It manages to convey the impression of the countryside, and yet seems to be quite at home on the girl who spends her life in the busy streets.

Lavender-water is a nice scent, but only one woman in a thousand has a right to use it. Lavender speaks to you of old-world gardens, of white-haired old ladies with lace caps, of clear fires and clean hearths. Lavender-water is an old lady's scent. Her suits to perfection. Besides, she possibly has the secret of making it herself. But it certainly is not the scent for anybody and everybody.

And when you come to weigh it up, town girls have a big range of scents to choose from. There are "synthetic" scents that seem to blend together the perfume of every known flower. They are suitable for the town girl. Let them leave the country scent alone, and let the country girl leave altar of roses and such perfumes to the woman of experience.

Easily Satisfied.

D. W. Griffith, the famous cinema producer, is a good teller of funny stories. One of his best yarns concerns a man who acted comedy parts for the "movies".

Strolling down to the studio one morning he met a man whom he knew and stopped him.

"Look here," he began, "I understand that you said in the club last night that I have no sense of humor. Now, a remark of that kind, made publicly in the presence of other people, is very damaging to a man in my line."

"Here, hold on!" interrupted the other. "You are altogether mistaken. I never said you had no sense of humor. What I said was that you had no sense of honor."

"Ah," beamed the movie man. "I thought there must be some mistake. Put it there, old chap! I felt certain you'd never run a pal down behind his back."

He Never Had.

A camera man, working for the educational department of a film company, met an old farmer coming out of a house in the town where he was working and said:

"I have just been taking some moving pictures of life out on your farm. Did you catch any of my labours in motion?" asked the old man.

"Yes, I did," replied the camera man.

The farmer shook his head reflectively, then said: "Science is a wonderful thing!"

Pope Calls to Jews in Hebrew Language.

PIUS XI, ONE OF THE FOREMOST SCHOLARS OF HEBREW IN EUROPE.

NEW YORK.—The democratic manner and linguistic ability of Pope Pius XI. were the subject of comment by Joshua Goldberg, of this city who arrived from Chertovsk yesterday of the Maudslayi. Mr. Goldberg told how he made arrangements in Rome to have ten young Jewish theological students received in audience by the Pope.

The party was ushered into the presence of the Pontiff without ostentatious ceremony. The Pope received the members with a smile. After bestowing "his blessing" the Pope, according to Mr. Goldberg, was seated with the students for twenty minutes, speaking in Hebrew.

Pope Pius has been a student of the Hebrew language and history for many years. As a young priest he studied the language under the direction of Rabbi Alexander di Fano of Milan, one of the greatest living authorities on Jewish literature, theology, and history. Later, when the present Pontiff had been made librarian of the Ambrosian Library at Milan, he again studied under Rabbi di Fano in order to perfect himself in some details of the language. Rabbi di Fano is the authority for the statement that the Pope is one of the foremost scholars of Hebrew in Europe.

—N.C.W.C.

A Touch of Poetry.

A beautiful touch of poetry relieved the somberness of Michael Colina's obsequies. While the Requiem Mass was proceeding, there was a stir in the silence of the cathedral and a messenger boy walked up the central aisle and handed to General Mulcahy, a single lily. The general took the flower, raised it tenderly to his lips, and laid it on the bier of the hero, where it stood out against the sable velvet like a star in the blackness of night. It was from Kitty Kierman, Michael's broken-hearted sweetheart—a flower symbolic in its exquisite purity of the love she bore the dead patriot.—Catholic Register.

Holland Leavs to Feed Hungry Russian Children.

MOSCOW.—Holland, which cared for thousands of under-nourished German children during and since the war, volunteered recently to nurse back to normal several thousand Russian children if the Soviet government would bear the burden of transporting the youngsters to the Hague. The Bolsheviks have agreed to the proposition. This is the first time that the Soviets have accepted help of this kind from foreign countries.

This Machine Catches Crooks.

A MECHANICAL SPY THAT LISTENS AND TALKS.

Recently a suspected "crook" working in London, was neatly trapped by the aid of a dictograph, an instrument by means of which sounds are transmitted from one room to another. It is, in effect, a scientific mechanical spy, that listens and talks.

The type of dictograph used by Scotland Yard is a combination of microphone and telephone. The microphone intensifies sound to such an extent that the footsteps of a fly crawling across a piece of paper are plainly audible.

It consists of a tiny flat vulcanite disc, which can be concealed anywhere in and about a room. It picks up the slightest sound and transmits it over a concealed wire to the detective in waiting in another part of the building, where it arrives greatly magnified.

Scores of criminals have been trapped by the aid of this ingenious little instrument, and in one case a murder was prevented, the stilled cry of a woman being overheard just in time.

Dictographs are also in use on some of the trans-Atlantic liners, in order to trap those pests of the modern travelling hotel—the professional card-sharps.

These gentry usually travel in pairs, and mostly they are known by sight to the chief stewards, who take care to alert them doubleberth cabins fitted with secretly installed instruments. They can then be overheard laying their plans, and their prospective victims are privately warned beforehand.

Some of the big hotels, too, have dictographs secreted in their smoking-rooms and bars.

The instruments are connected with the hotel's private telephone exchange and the operator there can listen undisturbed to the conversation of suspects in such places, even though, as is usual, they speak in undertones, or even in whispers.

MINARD'S LINTMENT FOR GARTER IN COW.

Boiling Cracked Eggs.

If you accidentally crack an egg before boiling it, the following hint will be found sure and useful:

First boil up your water, then wrap the cracked egg in a paper bag. Before screwing up the neck of the bag, be sure you drop a quantity of salt in the bottom of the bag, and place the egg in it so that the salt completely covers the crack.

As soon as you place your egg in the boiling water a skin will form over the crack, and thus prevent any loss of the yolk or white. Boil for the usual time, and when you lift the paper and egg from the water with one hand, use a spoon to steady it with the other.

What Are You Giving.

A young clergyman, who was spending a holiday in a small, out-of-the-way town, went to the local barber to get a shave. The barber showed a friendly interest in the stranger, who was not in clerical dress. "Stranger here?" asked the barber. "Yes." "Travelling man?" asked the barber. "No." "What are you doing here?" "I am supplying the pulpit," said the parson. "What with?" said the barber, who apparently had never heard the term before. That question set the clergyman thinking, and well it may cause us all an anxious thought.

He Spoke Feelingly.

The teacher was giving a few general questions to test the intelligence of his pupils.

"How many races are there?" he asked.

"Two," replied a small boy, who had been feeling the cane some time previously.

"Two? Well, what are they?"

"Please, sir, teachers and pupils."

"What do you mean, my lad, by saying teachers and pupils?" queried the teacher.

"Please, sir," was the reply, "the teachers are the 'canine' race, and the pupils are the 'feline' race."

How Does

"Billy" Know?

Premier "Billy" King, as The Toronto Globe affectionately designates the bachelor Prime Minister of Canada, upon his recent visit to his hometown, made public the fact that among his many sterling qualities he includes a profound knowledge of women in general. For a single man, whose acquaintance with "the sex" should be, according to the proprieties at least, well limited, "Billy" appears to have been making the ladies the subject of rather close observation. As in the case of those "bachelor girls," as the modern old maid is now described, who regard themselves as the highest authority upon the rearing of children, and who so generally offer advice to ignorant mothers, much weight should be attached to "Billy's" description of the type of girl who makes the best mother of great men. The women of Canada should receive with respect the opinion of Canada's first bachelor. But how does "Billy" know?—The Sentinel.

Apes in Siam Detect Counterfeit Money.

The people of Siam are very fond of keeping monkeys of various kinds as pets. Owing to their close association with human beings, these creatures become very intelligent. One of the most remarkable things that these monkeys can do is to test money. In Siam, there is a large amount of counterfeit money, perhaps more than in any other country in the world. As a consequence, the lot of the merchant is a difficult one. They have, however, surmounted the trouble to a large extent by making use of apes to test the coins. Sitting by the side of each merchant is to be seen a solemn-faced ape. Every place of money handed to his master is at once given to the ape. The animal tests the coin with his teeth. If it is good he throws it into the money box; if it be bad he flings it to the ground. The strange part about the business is that no white person has yet been able to discover how the apes tell the good money from the bad. The mer chants politely refuse to explain how the creatures are trained to carry out this useful office. The only sure thing about the affair is that the apes never make a mistake.—St. Nicholas Magazine.

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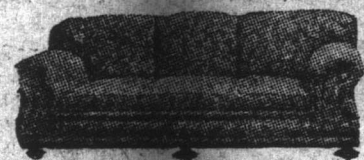
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