

exclude air. The great secret of cooking in this fireless cooker is to have the food boiling in the kettle, being careful not to lift lid to allow steam to escape before placing in hole or nest. Cereals can be prepared overnight in this primitive cooker, or food, requiring a number of hours to cook, can be kept cooking all day and will be ready for campers returning at night from a day's tramp or fishing."

#### Getting Rid of Ants.

Ants are said to be practicularly troublesome this year, probably because of the extreme heat. Scientific American gives the following methods for getting rid of them.

To drive ants out of a room sprinkle borax or borax and sugar around the infested places. Insect powder, ground mustard, sulphur, ground cloves and oil of cedar are all said to be effective.

2. Peru balsam smeared on the feet of a cupboard will keep ants from going

To kill ants by the wholesale, drop some quicklime on the mouth of their nests and wash it in with boiling water.

4. Saturate a sponge with sweetened water and drop it into boiling water when filled with ants.

Persistence is required with any of these methods.

Food for Thought .- - It was washing day, and John had been kept from school to look after the baby. Mother sent them into the garden to play, but it was not long before cries disturbed her.

"John, what is the matter with baby now," she inquired from her wash-tub. "I don't know what to do with him mother," replied John. "He's dug a hole and wants to bring it into the house

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#### The Windrow

"Jack London" Clubs, to fight against trained animals as an amusement feature, are now being formed in Great Britain. There are thousands of them in the United States. "The Jack London Club," says Our Dumb Animals, is a society with no dues. It was started, primarily, bebecause of Jack London's disclosures of the cruelties behind the trick animal performances in our theaters and other performances in our theaters and other performances in our theaters and other places. He was no sentimentalist. He never cried "wolf" when there was no "wolf", or asked you to weep when there was no cause for tears. But he says that in the trained animal performance cruelty has blossomed into its perfect flower.

"To join this Club all you have to do is to agree to do the one thing that London says will finally banish these performances from the stage, viz.: get up and go out of the theater during that part of the program."

A Brussels correspondent is responsible for this: "Ten thousand dogs of war are being demobilized. They're the real dogs that aided the Allies as dispatch bearers, watch dogs and staff dogs. And every one of these dogs is honored with a military linear bearing and staff dogs. with a military livery bearing service stripes. Some of the dogs will go back stripes. Some of the dogs will go back to their owners, who loaned them for the duration of the war. A big industrial firm has asked for 300 of them. Others will stay in military service. The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals will adopt the less fortunate, those recovered from wounds of battle, and will see that they have homes for life."

The Pulitzer prize for "the American novel published during the year which shall best present the wholesome atmosphere of American life and the highest standard of American manners and manhood," was awarded this year to "The Magnificient Ambersons," by Booth Tarkington.

John Burroughs, eighty-two years "young", has just turned out another book from his study, "Slabsides." Its name is "Field and Study," and it is described as quite as charming as his other books of delightful essays about the things of fields and woods. Perhaps his advancing years have introduced more of the study into this book, but fine things may be thought out in a study.

### **Current Events**

The prohibition campaign, conducted by the Ontario Referendum Committee, began on July 14th, and will include mass meetings and a personal canvass.

tural Bill repealing "daylight saving."

The big airship R-34, which left Mineola, Long Island, N.Y., on her return trip across the Atlantic at 4 a.m., July 10, arrived at the air station at Pulham, Norfolk, Eng., safely on July 13th, having covered the distance in 75

The Allies have virtually invited Austria to join the League of Nations.

\* \* \* \* Pres. Wilson delivered the Peace Treaty terms to the U. S. Senate in open session on July 10, thus breaking all precedent. He says the League of Nations is not only a practical necessity, but is the only hope for the safety of

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