Today's Smile

by Dick Turner Questions, Answers

Modest Maidens



'My son wants to thank you for putting him through college, Dipper—the reward, you know!"

## **Our National Forests**

the usual annual report of the chief of the Forest Service is expanded to touch on some of the lights and shadows of 50 years.

Creation of the National Forests was a first step in forest conservation and in that field represents our greatest tangible accomplishment. It has been said, with evidence to support, that ours is the world's most outstanding forest system; that able books and others are con-it is contributing in a very real sidering similar action.—Oak-way to the welfare of many land Tribune.

AT THE CLOSE of a half cen-tury of progress in the de-whole economy of the nation. velopment of our National For-californians know this to be est System, Lyle E. Watts, in true.—Oakland Tribune.

# UNFUNNY COMIC

ALTHOUGH publishers of the better periodicals have adopted a code and are ready to move against offenders, the "flurry" over "comic books" has not subsided. At the moment about 50 cities have taken ac-tion to ban the sale of objection-



duced into the United States four years after its invention in France in 1869, the state of New Hampshire ordered that all margarine must be colored pink. Housewives' refused to buy it and later the Supreme Court of the United States invalidated the law.

**Pink Color** 

Q. What is the average age of passenger automobiles at pres-ent? C. B.

ent? C. B. A. The indicated average age of a passenger car at present is 8.9 years, compared with 5¼ years before World War II. Similarly the average age of commer-cial vehicles has advanced, being slightly over eight years as com-pared with 5½ years in 1941.

Q. What country produces the largest supply of newsprint? M. E. C.

A. Canada leads the world in the production of newsprint. It is estimated that three out of four newspapers in the United States are printed on paper made from wood pulp that came from the forests of Canada.

Q. Are there more left-handed children than formerly? O. E. S. A. According to one survey, 8.2 per cent of the pupils examined were left-handed. The investiga-tors believe that environmental left-handed ness occurs more freleft-handedness occurs more frequently than it did in the pre-ceding generation and that it is still increasing.



"Golly! These shoes can't be very cutethey don't even hurt!"

## WORKING GIRL EXCHANGE

## **American Factory Worker** Will Take Job in England

#### By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK. (P) A 22-year-old

And hazel-eyed Mary Uglian-itza hopes the empire will ship

one of its gal factory workers right back—and complete the international exchange of labor good will. That's the idea she though up -all by herself-and it looks like it will be carried out.

"I hope that factory workers girl factory worker is among from our two countries can America's leading exports this learn to understand each other month to Great Britain. by comparing how they live."

said Mary, nervously. Mary works for the Duro Test fluorescent lighting plant at North Bergen, N. J. Some weeks ago she got to thinking of the pleasant tales her brother, a former sergeant in the Eighth Air-

force, had told her about his stay in England. "We are exchanging students, technical advisers, lecturers and farming specialists," she thought. "Why shouldn't we ex-

ration. "Wasn't that some nerve?"

### By Jay Alan WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

IT MAY be that the present tendencies toward centraliza-tion are too strong to be re-sisted until they have led to disaster, and that, as happened in the Fifth Century, the whole system must break down with all the inevitable results of anarchy and poverty before hu-man beings can again acquire that degree of personal freedom without which life loses its savor.

British philosopher Bertrand Russell.

IT LOOKS like the only way a Republican will ever get into the White House is to marry Margaret Truman.

-Radio comedian Eddic Cantor. WE DON'T know how long present employment will

continue, but we must be pre-pared to move toward a shorter work week when the Marshall Plan and the rearmament pro-gram are no longer sufficient to carry us along. -Daniel W. Tracy, president,

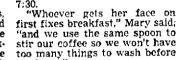
Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (A. F. L.), announcing the union would press for a 30-hour work week.

that she might be the one chosen to test it. And now, after weeks of semihysterical preparation, she is ready to sail for England on the Queen Mary next week. For a month or two she will leave her 40-hour-a-week. \$42 job for whatever the company offers in an affiliate factory at Spennymoor, near the Scottish border.

"I am going to work in a Brit-ish factory just as the girls out there do," she said, "and learn what I can."

what I can." Mary speaks of England as "out there." Certainly it is a long way from where her Rus-sian-born parents settled in New Jersey. She feels she is a typ-ical American girl factory work-er, and she probably is. She lives in a four room anart.

She lives in a four room apartment with her father, invalid mother and two sisters. She washes, irons and helps make her own clothes. She and her younger sister, Vera, get up at 5:30 a. m., and travel 10 miles bus to be at the factory at



same royal welcome among her fellow workers in England as British factory girl would find in America.



Let's Explore Your Mind

By ALBERT EDWARD WIGGAM, D. Sc.



large plant in Passaic, N.

to increase feelings of co-opera-tion and partnership all along the line. Why not make this

By H. V. WADE

LATE FAHRENHEIT

Answer to Question No. 1 Answer to Question No. 1 Yes. One is why college soror-ity girls despoil hotel rooms at their conventions, leave the rooms dirtier, soil or tear up or carry away the linen more than politicians, visiting firemen, Shriners or any other group of human beings. This from a re-Here a joint safety program has been set up. It has a safety council with a constitution and by-laws in which both labor un-ions and management have e q u a 1 membership. Disabling accidents have been reduced from 9.36 per million man-hours human beings. This from a re-port of New York hotel men. Gas station owners report womin 1943 to 1.46 in 1947—nearly 90 per cent. The finest result is that this teamwork has tended en soil their rest rooms far more than men do theirs. Hotel maids would rather take care of a man's room than one oc-cupied by a woman, especially women at a convention — even school teachers. Pullman porters say the same. Girls, where are your manners?

Answer to Question No. 2 What evidence we have indi-cates women think it's a man's cates women think it's a man's world and politics is a man's game. It was not "women" but a "few women" who put over women suffrage. Vast numbers of women are not yet interested in voting. Many of them hon-estly think a woman can never "understand politics." May be nobody does! There are more women voters than men and they could run the country. If Sen. Soaper Says: THE didn't know the half of it. In our northwest, a thermom-eter bearing his name only goes they could run the country, if united. Might be a good thing, since men, have made such a mess of it. Answer to Question No. 3 to 40 below. With recordings now playable



