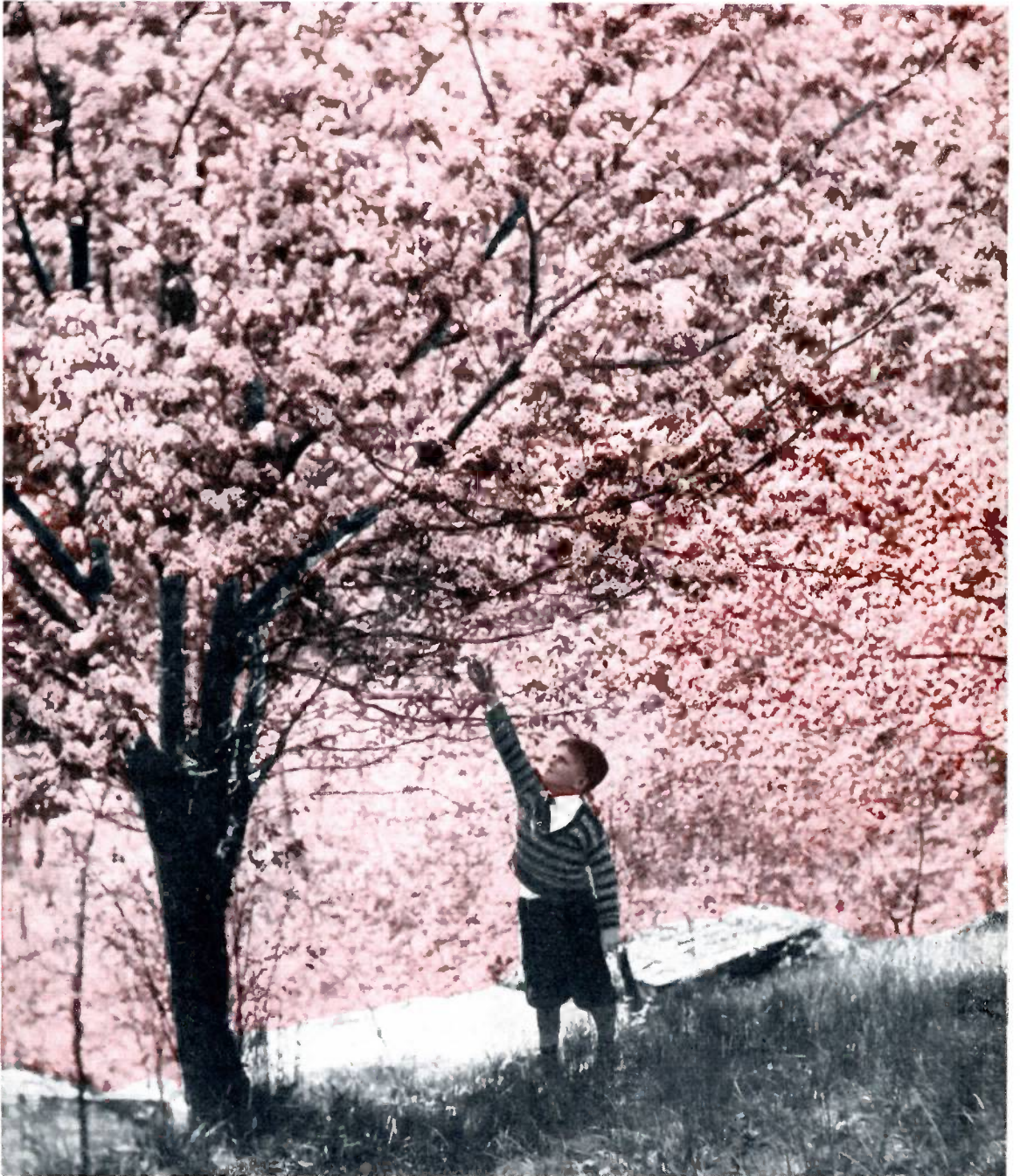


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The woman motorist who knocked down this hydrant and put it in competition with "Old Faithful" at Yellowstone Park, escaped serious injury but her car was wrecked.

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ORIGIN OF A SLOGAN

Safety First More Than Catch Word With Railroads

The "Safety First" slogan had its beginning on railroads of the United States. Now it has spread through industry; has been incorporated in the public school system; and is influential beyond measure in conservation of life, health, and property.

Merit Recognition

"On the Illinois Central System," says Mr. L. A. Downs, president, "approximately 3,600 employes will receive merit cards in recognition of having perfect safety records in their jurisdictions for periods of from one to nine years. More than 1,000 of them have perfect safety records for the entire nine years over which this plan has been followed.

Safer Than Home

"Transportation of passengers and freight by railroad was once considered dangerous. Now it can be said and proved that a passenger on a train is safer than in his own home, and freight is handled with a minimum of loss and damage.

Fine Record

"Railway employment once ranked among the most hazardous of occupations. That ranking was lost long ago. One entire division of the Illinois Central System went throughout 1934 without the death of one and with injuries to only nine employes.

"Progress has been made in many ways by the railroads. There have been improvements in locomotives and cars, in schedules and in the additional services which add so much to the comfort and convenience of freight and passenger transportation. However, every improvement made has been made with major emphasis upon safety.

Work to Do.

Those who, in the confidence of superior capacities or attainments, neglect the common maxims of life, should be reminded that nothing will supply the want of prudence; but that negligence and irregularity, long continued, will make knowledge useless, wit ridiculous, and genius contemptible. — Johnson.

CAUSE OF THE STRIKE

Men were digging a ditch in a wet, sticky soil that was in danger of flooding.

"All out!" the systematizing, efficient, young foreman shouted one morning.

The men were out like a flash.

"All in." Back the men tumbled. Once more came the orders: "All out." "All in." And they were repeated with distressing regularity until finally one of the bolder of the gang approached the young foreman.

"What's the game? There is no water coming in."

"I know there isn't, but I find that you fellows take out more dirt on your boots than you do on your shovels. All in."

That's where the strike began.

Times are picking up. A Decatur man took out a building permit for a \$10,000 residence something unheard of for three or four years past. In addition, however, and it's a cheerful and reassuring sign, there is considerable remodelling of business blocks to provide for expansion while residential remodelling is very much improved. No doubt this is true of other cities.

Never split against the grain.

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ing, Water and Gas Industries.

C. N. WAGENSELLER, EDITOR

QUINTRAINS OF "CALENDAR"

by Wilson MacDonald

*Mebbee you 'ear of Calendar—
Not on de wall—no, no;
I mean de town of Calendar
An' Monsieur Doc Dafoe.*

*Mos' heverybody 'ear of Rome
An' Lunnon an' New York;
But no one 'ear of Calendar
Except' wan burd—de stork.*

*Wan day dat stork 'e seet alone
Jus' houtside Calendar
An' den 'e swear; "I'll mak' you known
Aroun' de worl', by gar."*

*Dat burd was right—dis leetle town,
She's known where'er you go;
An' heverybody in de worl'
Knows Monsieur Doc. Dafoe.*

*De papers now get hextra hout
Eef wan quintuplet sneeze
An' heverybody send night-gown
To keep dose keeds from freze.*

*An' heverybody in de worl'
From Nord bay to Cape 'Orn
Are telling what de mamma say
Wen all de chile was born.*

*An' wat was said by Doc Dafoe
Ees publish heveryware,
But wat de poor ole man 'e say
Nobuddy seems to care.*

*Ay tink 'e 'as been long neglec'
An' so I tell eet you;
'E laugh een joy wen firs' was born
'E smile at nombre two.*

*"Eet's more dan I hexpec," 'e say,
"But twins day may be nice,
I'll be good sport, perhaps ee's bes'
Dat I am pappa twice."*

*Den Doc Dafoe come tru de door
An' says; "Oxcoos to me;
You are a fadder once again;
Dat makes you pappa three."*

*An' soon dat doctor whisper low;
"Oxcoos to me—eet's four."
Sapre, dat man from Calendar
'E smile heem now no more.*

Benefits of Laughter

Laughter is an external expression of joy; it is the most salutary of all bodily movements; for it agitates both the body and the soul at the same time, promotes digestion, circulation, and perspiration, and enlivens the vital power in every organ. — Hukeland.

*An' den de poor ole fellow wipe
Hees forehead on hees cuff,
An' says; "De joke ees good, but pleas,
Henough ees quite henough."*

*'E feel jus' lak' e order 'im
Wan nice banan' for lunch;
An' den de waitress bring heem quick
De whole banana bunch.*

*Sapre, dat door she move again;
She can't keep still somehow,
"Oxcoos to me," said Doc Dafoe,
"You're five times pappa now."*

*De paper tell wat mamma say,
An' wat say Doc Dafoe;
But what de ole man say heemsel'
'Eet's bes' you shouldn't know.*

*Eets Christmas time; de folk weel send
Dose babbies toys an' frocks,
But pleas' oxcoos, won' someone send
De ole man pair of socks.*

OUR CAFETERIA

Good Food Supplied Employes At Small Cost

Among company activities none is more popular with employes than our cafeteria where excellent noon-day meals are served. The surroundings are immaculate, the kitchen clean and sanitary; the food is excellent in quality, and served in an appetizing way. The kitchen is equipped with many mechanical devices for the preparation of food. The cafeteria is not a money maker. In fact, the company takes care of a monthly deficit. Employes may bring their own lunch and eat it in the cafeteria, and if they care to do so, they may supplement it with food from the counter.

We think Record readers will be interested in the menus for a week. They follow:

A Week's Menu

Monday:—Roast beef and brown gravy;

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FROM THE INSIDE OUT

Editor of Penitentiary Paper Sympathizes with Unfortunates at Liberty

A lot of us have been going through life pitying the unfortunates locked up in penitentiaries and now we find that we've been all wrong. The tables have been reversed, and the situation as painted by a prison paper shows peace, happiness, and contentment behind prison walls.

The Evidence

Here's the evidence as presented by the Weekly Island Lantern, published by the prisoners of the U. S. Penitentiary, McNeil Island, Puget Sound. It sounds good but we still prefer to dodge the grocer, the tailor, and candlestick maker, stay on the outside, and to struggle for existence in this cold and cruel world.

"We, each of us, owe it to those unfortunates on the outside who are fighting life's battles, struggling for life's necessities, to do what we can at every opportunity to cheer them, to encourage them, to help build that ray of hope which urges them on.

Safe Harbor

We who are here in a safe harbor, well fed, comfortably clothed, with good beds to sleep in, a strong roof over our head, furnished with all the necessities, freed of the vicissitudes of life, find it so easy to forget those who are not so fortunate, who are tired, weary and heartsick of the turmoil.

Easy to Forget

It is easy to forget the trials, the hardships and disappointments of others when we are not confronted with their problems, their day-to-day, hand-to-mouth struggle for existence. This is not because we become callous to the hardships of those who are less fortunate. It is because we are so far removed from such sordid things as gas, light and grocery bills, house rent, and scores of other vexing, depressing problems, that we are prone to forget that such worrisome matters exist."

Women are said to lie about their age 35 per cent more than men. — *American*.

Never write a love letter after one o'clock — or before one o'clock. — *Life*.

It is difficult to be bad-tempered with a good-humored man.—*American*.

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baked potatoes, choice of spinach, scalloped corn or stewed tomatoes; cherry pie or tapioca pudding; bread and butter; coffee or milk.

Tuesday:—Roast pork and brown gravy; baked potatoes; choice of sauer kraut, baked apples, or dressing; macaroni; bread and butter; raisin, apple pie or fruit sherbet; coffee or milk.

Wednesday:—Meat loaf or pickled herring; mashed potatoes; choice of creamed cabbage, parsnips or rhutabago; bread and butter; apple, apricot pie, or prune whip, coffee or milk.

Thursday:—Chicken and noodles; mashed potatoes; choice of navy beans, peas and carrots, buttered beets; blackberry or butterscotch pie; coffee or milk.

Friday:—Haddock or meat croquettes; French fried potatoes; choice of stewed tomatoes, baked beans, spinach; bread and butter; apple or cherry pie or prune whip; coffee or milk.

Cold Dishes:—Boiled ham sandwiches, deviled ham sandwiches, cheese sandwiches, egg salad sandwiches, bean salad, slaw, egg and beet salad, radishes, celery.

The Cost

Meat, 10c; side dishes, 5c; bread and butter, 3c; milk, 5c; dessert, 5c; coffee, 5c; soup (vegetable), 8c; chili, 10c; salads, 5c.

For 25c one can get a generous helping of meat, two vegetables, bread and butter, dessert, and coffee or milk. That's plenty for any noon-day lunch, especially for employes who do desk work. A larger appetite can be satisfied for very little more.

Do we have good food?

Some people are like the fly on the wagon wheel, which said, "I certainly raise a big dust."

SLAYING SAXOPHONISTS



Lady Solicitor: "Kind sir, will you give five dollars to help bury a saxophone player?"
Rufneck: "Five dollars! Bury one! Take thirty dollars and bury six of them."

FRANK A. BARBOUR NEW PRESIDENT A. W. W. A. PROMINENT BOSTON ENGINEER GIVEN HIGH HONOR

"Message"

In its programme of standardization of equipment and supplies, the American Water Works Association has had the generous support of the manufacturers and only by the inter-change of ideas of the operator and engineer as to performance with those of the manufacturer as to production methods, costs and merchandising conditions, can real progress in standardizing be made.

No better opportunity for such interchange of ideas and for direct contact with the consumer or user of his product is available to the manufacturer of water works supplies and equipment than through membership in the Water Works Manufacturers Association with its representation of the Board of Direction of the American Water Works Association.

FRANK A. BARBOUR
President A. W. W. A.



Mr. Frank A. Barbour

Mr. Frank A. Barbour, Consulting Hydraulic and Sanitary Engineer, Boston, Mass., was elected President of the American Water Works Association which met May 6, New Netherlands Hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio. He was the unanimous choice of the association. Wm. W. Brush was named as treasurer, a post he has filled for many years.

Mr. Barbour, a Canadian by birth, has been a member of the Association's Committee on Water Works Practice since its formation. He is, at the present time, a Director of the American Society of Civil Engineers, and a member of the Executive Committee of the American Society of Testing Material. He is a Past President of the New England Water Works Association.

After early experience in railroad engineering in Canada, Mr. Barbour found employment in the Boston Water Department and later entered the sewage disposal field in the design and construction of the plant at Brock-

ton, Mass., where he remained for a number of years in charge of operation.

Starting private practice in partnership with Mr. F. Herbert Snow, he has continued in his own name specializing in water supply and purification, sewerage and sewage disposal and the appraisal of water works properties. He has a long record of service to various cities and industrial corporations, which includes work in such water supplies as those in Akron, Ohio; St. John, N. B.; New York City; New Bedford, Lowell, and Fall River in Mass.; Woonsocket, R. I., the plant of the Passaic Valley Water Commission in New Jersey and in numerous other municipalities.

Nine Years of Sleep

Wm. Lord, Springfield, Massachusetts, has been awake but twice in nine years. He moves automatically in a daze. Six brain specialists failed to find what it all means.

Gold Problem Solved

An aged woman in Niantic, a town near Decatur, solved the gold question by sewing \$1200 in gold certificates in the arm pits of her dress. Relatives found it when she died and they prepared the body for burial.

Everybody needs advise, but few can take it,

Gossip travels so fast that the truth tires out before it can overtake a lie.

Purchasing Agent of K. C. Gas Company Thoughtful of Others

Mr. Bob Bigler, purchasing agent for the Kansas City Gas Company, is widely known in the trade, while locally he is loved for his philanthropy and charity. Years ago he had the great misfortune of losing one leg and an arm, but this tremendous handicap has not prevented him from making a place for himself in the business world. He is always doing something for unfortunates.

Help For The Needy

On a recent good will tour he collected nearly \$50 from his friends for a widow with one child, who was unable to secure money with which to pay her house rent past due.

Mr. Bigler through his interest and thoughtfulness made it possible for her to pay the rent and left her sufficient funds to meet her immediate needs in way of clothing and household necessities.

Personal Ill Luck

While performing this gracious act, Mr. Bigler met with a misfortune himself in the loss of certain equipment indispensable to his daily needs. The loss consisted of a Kansas City street car transportation card, a one handed table knife, and a special razor. The Record sincerely hopes that if any reader finds these articles that they will return them to Mr. Bigler at once.

Extraordinary Agility

The agility of Mr. Bigler under his physical handicap is a source of constant wonder of those who know him. Waiting for an elevator recently, Mr. Bigler and a party of friends became restless at the slowness of the lift to reach their floor. "Let's walk down to the next floor," said he, and suiting the action to the words he led the way, reaching the floor below in advance of any of his companions. Mr. Bigler is a constant reader of the Record and says he gets a big kick out of it. We are glad that he does.

Locked Bottles

The problem of preventing bootleggers using bottles after they have been "legally guzzled" has caused considerable stir and has resulted in a celebrated lock company devising a patented lock bottle. This is hermetically sealed and must be broken to reach the stopper. This destroys the original shape of the bottle and makes re-using impossible.

Do more than look wise — Act wise.

Gets a Kick Out of Painting, Cementing and What Not

Sam Tucker is columnist on the Decatur Herald, and we might truthfully add a good columnist. Recently he devoted a column of interesting personal incidents of what he did on his day off. He opened thusly:

"At 9 a. m. I was a concrete mason, at 10 a. m. a carpenter; at 2 p. m. an electrician; from 3:30 until dinner a painter. This is no impressionistic nightmare of the industrial system; it's just a householder's 'day off' in spring."

If regular craftsmen had been called in it would, he says, have cost \$800.00. Continuing, he adds:

"Aint An Editor Got Fun"

"As matters stand, I can assure my friends in the building trades unions that they have lost nothing at all. The expense would have been one obstacle, but not the only one. I would have lost all interest in the proceeding if there had been in it for me none of the personal, creative joy of building a thing in more satisfactory form."

Then he states a fact which every office worker knows. "There is nothing in my experience quite so rewarding, by way of recreation, as to work with physical materials."

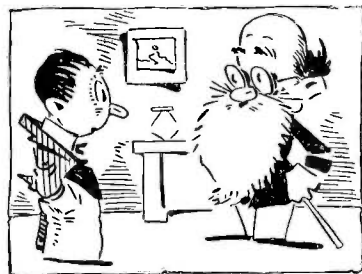
In one sentence he reveals why there is so much homework done by amateurs. It's born of a desire to change for a few hours from mental effort to physical or creative work. It is not done to beat the craftsmen out of the job.

The Real Craftsmen

Now he pays tribute to the real craftsmen, of which the following is an example.

"There is nothing in my experience quite so rewarding, by way of recreation, as to work
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WIND BLEW THROUGH HIS —



Landlord: "Young man, I'll give you just three days in which to pay your bill."
Slowpay: "Thanks for your kiadness, I'll take Fourth of July, Christmas, and Flag Day."

I'm Tellin' You



Flies, say Dept. of Agriculture scientists, smell by small hair like organs on their legs. Not necessary to go to a scientist, to tell how a fly feels. Ask the nearest bald headed man.

Chicago neighbors complain of a garage man who has a lion, panther, and other vile smelling and noisy beasts. As a counter irritant may we suggest that each complaining neighbor invest in a billy goat.

A Kentucky lad born with four thumbs is a likely candidate for president of the American Thumbers Association.

Your various Uncle Isaacs of three ball fame in the United States makes annual loans totaling a half billion dollars.

Hitler, says Nazism, will last a thousand years, which is just about 950 years longer than the head of the movement will last.

The red ink makers have had their day and as business comes back the black ink makers enjoy a rising popularity.

Marriage sometimes turns man into a servile slave, but more frequently into a guy not worth a rap.

A newspaper advises that various state legislatures are ridding the statute of old blue laws, which is a perfectly satisfactory procedure so long as they do not replace them with red laws, a kind this country is not partial to.

A newspaper says, "Some one brought in a hen's egg with three yolks. This happens, they say, once in 25 to 50 million eggs." As Grandpa used to remark with rising inflection, and a decided tinge of sarcasm, "They say?"

More interesting than this to our persistent thirst for knowledge is the name of the person who counted 25 to 50 million eggs to determine the frequency of the triple yolk egg. He must have been adled when he finished. Continuing in presentation of poultry oddities, the newspaper says: "In the mercantile exhibit at Chicago, is a jet black duck egg, laid by a white duck fattened on yellow corn and green grass. In the absence of information on the color of the drake, we opine that the duck ate coal tar. Ducks, like pigs, are not very choicy or discriminating in the character of their food.

A negro presented his subpoena to a New York grand jury and gave his name as "Satisfied Love." Sounds like a Jean Harlowe picture.

A Missouri girl asked the privilege of hanging a man sentenced to death, which reminds us that girls are always wanting to string a man.

In the transition of radio, we have left only three loud speakers — Huey Long, Fr. Coughlin, and General Hugh Johnson.

Hot Off the Wire

In the venerable St. Louis Globe-Democrat we find the following:

FARLEY TO QUIT WHEN CONGRESS ADJOURNS

From Leased Fire From New York Bureau of Globe Democrat.

Is business good? It must be. Almost 400,000 new concerns opened up during the past twelve months.

Decatur recently got the tail end of two of those western dust storms. Enough for us. We are glad it did not start in head first.

Frank E. Mize of Butler, Missouri, won a \$100 bet by eating three dozen scrambled eggs at one sitting. No one had to egg him on.

In Manhattan, Kansas, those who can't pay dog license, labor for one day in the cemetery, which allows Rover to go unmolested.

"At a divorce cocktail party," in New York, when merriment was at its peak, Maurice Chalom and wife announced that they had agreed to disagree.

Wisdom of the Ages

We should often be ashamed of our very best actions, if the world only saw the motives which caused them. — LeRochefoncauld.

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How much easier do we find it to commend a good action than to imitate it. — Anon.

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Advise well before you begin, and when you have maturely considered, then act with promptitude. — Sallust.

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Never do an act of which you doubt the justice or propriety. — Latin.

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Run, if you like, but try to keep your breath; work like a man but don't be worked to death. — Holmes.

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Let no man presume to give advice to others who has not first given good counsel to himself. — Seneca.

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The worst men often give the best advice. — Bailey.

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If those who are enemies of innocent amusement had the direction of the world, they would take away the spring and youth — the former from the year and the latter from human life. — Balzac.

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When a man is wrong and won't admit it, he always gets angry. — Haliburton.

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I have somewhere seen it observed that we should make the same use of a book that the bee does of a flower; she steals sweets from it, but does not injure it. — Colton.

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Who knows himself a braggart, let him fear this; for it will come to pass that every braggart shall be found an ass. — Shakespeare.

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It is a good thing to learn caution from the misfortunes of others. — Publius Syrus.

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A man's character is like his shadow which sometimes follows and sometimes precedes him, and which is occasionally longer and occasionally shorter than he is. — From the French.

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Those who quit their proper character to assume what does not belong to them, are for the greater part ignorant of both the character they have and of the character they assume. — Burke.

A physician is not angry at the intemperance of a mad patient, nor does he take it ill to be railed at by one in a fever. Just so should a wise man treat all mankind, as a physician treats a patient, and look upon them only as sick and extravagant. — Seneca.

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The mind that is cheerful in its present state will be averse to all solicitude as to the future, and will meet the bitter occurrences of life with a placid smile. — Horace.

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with physical materials. Those of us whose daily struggle is with words, ideas, papers, or perhaps young human learners, are denied the pleasure of seeing our work take definite form, move toward completion, and stand up as visible achievement after we are through. When you handle cement, wood or paint, you are permitted to see step by step just what you have accomplished, and to joy in the certainty."

And at last he reaches the electrician and plumber. The latter is generally the butt of joke-smiths. Not with Samuel.

Gymnastic Workmen

"Electricians and plumbers probably have little to fear from the new trend. Their arts and mysteries are not beyond the understanding of laymen, but it is their peculiar advantage that they have learned to work in the most uncomfortable positions a human body can take. That, I think, will save them from much amateur competition."

Well and soundly expressed. But there are other things that make it desirable to call the plumber. Mending pipes and faucets with a knowledge the water is flowing, has given many an over-confident amateur an unexpected and undesired shower bath. More than that, it played havoc with walls, carpets, tapestries, and floors. One experience of this character starts the amateur on a run for the plumber at any recurrence of trouble in the plumbing system.

The smallest hair throws a shadow.

Beware of Praise

Let no man be so free with you as to praise you to your face. Your vanity by this means will want its food. At the same time your passion for esteem will be more fully gratified; men will praise you in their actions; where you now receive one compliment, you will then receive twenty civilities. — Steele.

FROG EATERS

One Section of Louisiana Supplies Millions of Pounds of Legs

At one time when we wished to speak contemptuously of a Frenchman, he was called a "frog-eater." This was before we knew that some Frenchmen eat snails. We did not then fully appreciate that old glass house axiom. Since some Americans now eat rattle-snakes, there is little room for us to sneer at the gastronomical acrobatics of any nation or individual. And while Americans reflected on the French for their appreciation of the delicacy of well fried frog legs, a good many of us were enjoying them with as much gusto as Charles Lamb's Chinese characters did when through the accidental burning of a pig pen they discovered the succulency of roast pig.

In The Same Boat

Going back to amphibians, while we were talking about the French and their appetites, a good many Americans liked frogs. Some refused to eat them for the same reason that many persons refuse to eat rabbits, comparing them in appearance to a domestic animal with an appetite for mice.

And now America appears to be a frog eating nation if statistics mean anything.

Big Source of Supply

Southern Louisiana is the greatest source of supply. The "Jumbo bull" frogs are noted for the size and fatness of their hind legs, the only edible portion of a frog. These legs attain the size of an average chicken leg. The legs often reach from 7" to 8" in length, while the entire frog stretched out measures 15". They average about a pound of meat per frog, although larger bull frogs produce 1¾ pounds of meat. The Louisiana breeders have developed two lines of frogs — one, live frogs for propogation, and the other for the market.

Rural Shipments

One feature of the industry is the shipping of live frogs to rural sections, where some ambitious soul wants to get into the frog raising business. This part of the industry is not confined to the U. S. Live frogs for breeding purposes are shipped to many foreign countries.

Canning and Shipping

Another development of the industry is a frog canning company which cans the legs. In one season alone, 2,500,000 pounds of dressed frogs were shipped out of the Louisiana district. This gives one a fairly understandable idea of how Americans have gone "frog eaters."

SPORTS WRITERS' GUESS

Here's The Way They Place Clubs In National and American

The baseball season opened on April 16th, and the usual gabfest got to first base the same day. The fans have already picked their favorites as winners. They are probably as good guessers as the 77 sports writers, who, by reason of their experience, should have a little the edge on the average follower of the game. The Associated Press, in a questionnaire, asked these 77 writers to place the teams in the order in which they believe they will finish next fall.

National League: Cardinals, first 39 votes; second 33 votes; third two votes; fourth two votes.

Giants, 31 votes for first place, 31 for second, three for third, two for fourth.

The order of finishing for other clubs was: Chicago, Pittsburgh, Boston, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, and Cincinnati.

American League: Cleveland received 25 votes for first, as against 23 for the Yankees, neither of which was picked to finish lower than fifth. The St. Louis Browns ranked seventh with 49 votes for the spot, only six writers picking them to finish as high as fifth. The order of finish: Cleveland, New York, Detroit, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington, St. Louis, Chicago.

When a plant sleeps the leaves droop and lie closer together for warmth.

GOOD DIVER



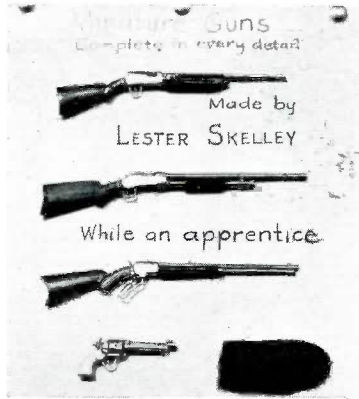
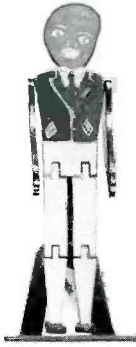
She: "Where have you been?"

He: "Swimming with Joe."

She: "But Joe can't swim."

He: "No? Then he is sure a good diver to stay under water for more than an hour."

Hobby and Relic Show



One of the recent big events in this organization was our hobby and relic show, held in our gymnasium. Preceding it was a big chicken dinner in the cafeteria. Practically all employees and their families were present, and enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

Have you a hobby and what is it? There are several kinds.

There is a small falcon called a hobby in the old world, which was formerly trained for hawking and was flown at small birds, such as larks, which prompted T. Lodge to say: "Soar not with the hobby, lest you fall with the lark."



Then again, a certain kind of a hobby would be a horse on you, because in Ireland a strong, active horse of middle size said to have originally come from Ireland.



There are a number of other things called "hobby" but general acceptance of the word is something that unduly occupies one's attention. Our show was to illustrate the various hobbies of Muellerites and this was successfully accomplished. Relics and heirlooms or strange devices increased interest.

Mechanical Toys

A few of the things on display are shown on this page. At the left, at the top of the page and at the bottom, are two toys by Elwood Fenton. He has a flair for that kind of work and in his spare moments designs some very clever toys, doing all the work, including the gaudy painting. The wooden negro operates by pressing a little trigger, which produces the most fan-

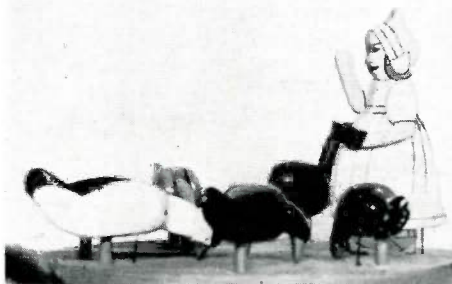
tastic antics of any jumping-jack we ever saw. The wooden ducks, chickens, geese, etc., at the bottom, pick on the floor in response to tapping on a trigger. The sounds of their wooden bills and their queer motions, which were not unlikelike, entertained the grown-ups almost as much as the kids.

Miniature Fire Arms

Lester Skelley, while an apprentice in our pattern shop, devoted his spare time to making miniature firearms. Specimen of his handiwork are shown in the panel above. Every detail of lock, stock, and barrel is perfect.

From Herculeum

At the right is a small bronze lamp from the ruins of Herculeum, Italy. It attracted much attention because of its antiquity
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Worlds Biggest Jack Rabbit Drive



Kansas has other things to combat besides dust storms—jack rabbits for instance. This large specie of hare is noted for its fecundity as well as its destructiveness. Kansas people do not love the “Jacks”, but the “Jacks” like Kansas and hang around persistently regardless of how unwelcome they may be. An army with machine guns could not kill them. There are too many of them, and they move so fast, that bullets can not keep up with them. The most successful method of extermination is a rabbit drive in which thousands join. Fire arms are forbidden. Captains handle sections of the “exterminators” keeping them in line. As the big ring of people close in they kill the “Jacks” with clubs or when the rabbits are driven into a corral with mauls. Two of these drives were held recently. One in Green county, and the other in Lane. They were conducted under the auspices of the Farm Bureau.

Thousands Killed

In the first instance, 1,686 rabbits were killed, which was small in comparison to the Lane county drive, where the total was placed at 15,000. Concerning this gigantic slaughter, a letter tell us: “that the people of Western Kansas are determined to kill off the surplus jack rabbits regardless of all attempts to stop them, and when you see men, women, and children beating the animals to death with clubs, you are convinced they are in earnest, that they consider the vast number of rabbits a scourge and that killing them is considered a matter of self preservation.

Official Couldn't Stop It

The drive was staged in spite of the edict of the attorney general against it. The official said his object was to prevent a large assembly because of small-pox in the neighborhood.

Evidently the people considered the rabbits a greater menace than the disease, because they went right along with their plans.

When the drive started, shortly after noon, people on foot followed by autos swarmed toward the center of the drive with captains trying to hold the lines in formation, but that was a hard job to accomplish. However, when the lines neared the center, there was a solid wall of people around thousands and thousands of rabbits that raced back and forth, giving the appearance of a waving wheat field from a distance. As the lines closed in on the rabbits, some of them squatted on the ground in trembling fear, some scratched frantically at the ground.

One boy triumphantly pulled seven out of one badger hole, but all of them met the same fate.

Biggest Ever Staged

It was estimated that 15,000 rabbits were killed at what was the biggest rabbit round-up ever staged in the United States. Two coyotes were also trapped in the ring, but as no guns are allowed in these round-ups, they are a little harder to handle than the rabbits. One coyote that broke the line was run over by a truck that was following, and the other coyote broke the line and was caught by some dogs.

French was the native language of the British kings for many generations after the Norman conquest.

No Danger

Abie — (talking business) “But, suppose our store should burn?”

Isaac: “O, don't worry about that, we're doing too good a business.”

THE SWIMMING HAZARD

Seven Thousand Fatalities Suggest Caution on Your Part

While we decry the killing and maiming of thousands of human beings by automobiles each year, don't let us overlook the hazards of swimming, admittedly one of the finest exercises. The season is close at hand when every pond, creek, river, and beach will smilingly invite boys, girls, men and women to a cool and refreshing dip. Before the season ends thousands of these will be in their graves, victims of incaution, indiscretion, and overconfidence.

Compared to Titanic

Safety news calls attention that the Titanic, "the unsinkable ship" went to the bottom of the icy North Atlantic with a loss of 1,517 lives. The disaster shocked the world, yet we scarcely move an eyelash at 7,000 drownings occurring in this country every season when the water is fit for swimming. And the swimming season lasts about five months.

To emphasize by comparison. In each of these five months, deaths from accidental drownings equal the number who lost their lives when the Titanic went down.

Many of these lives would not have been lost had a few simple safety rules been observed. Beginners should stay in shallow water and have the aid of an experienced swimmer. Even expert swimmers should stay within reach of a boat raft or shallow water. Swimming when overheated or tired, is an exceedingly dangerous practice. Diving should be confined to water at least five feet deep. A swimmer caught in a swift current or undertow should not struggle. The current will force him to the surface.

Cramps

Stomach cramps can be avoided by not entering the water too soon after eating. The real danger in muscle cramps is the fear they inspire. For a cramp in the calf, submerge, seize the cramped muscle with thumbs and fingers of both hands and squeeze. For a toe cramp, press on the nerve in the arch of the foot, on the inside edge, about one-third the way from heel to toe. Submerge and press this spot with the thumbs, sliding them toward the great toe. Treat cramps of the thigh muscles in the same manner.

All swimmers should learn life saving methods and artificial resuscitation.

Skajinks: "Has your son's college education been of any value?"

The Mite: "Oh, yes. It cured his mother of bragging about him."

Imagination

It is the divine attribute of the imagination that is irrepressible, unconfined; that when the real world is shut out, it can create a world for itself, and with necromantic power can conjure up glorious shapes and forms, and brilliant visions to make solitude populous, and irradiate the gloom of a dungeon. — Washington Irving.

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and historical value. This rare object is the property of J. W. Wells, our Office Manager and Secretary of Mueller Co. The lamp is 2500 years old.

Knife and Razor

The hunting knife and razor, at the left, were objects of interest. The former is the property of Chas. Meador and is an heirloom that has been in the family for two hundred years or more.

Claude Stacy has had the razor since 1907. Before that it had been in the family of a relative for over one hundred years. The blade is genuine Sheffield Steel and was hollow ground after it had been used for years. Its age has not dulled its edge.

Old Bible

Bible—(Inscribed inside the cover:) Belonged to Chas. S. Wilkins, who was born in Columbia, S. C., May 6, 1818, and died Feb. 4, 1888. It now belongs to James Monroe Wilkins, his son, who was born June 6, 1851 in Bond County near old Ripley. I am now giving it to my oldest son, Henry Alfred Wilkins, who was born in Bond county, Illinois, April 16, 1879, with the request that it be given to the oldest son in the family. If there be no son, then to the daughter whenever they are settled down and old enough to realize the value of such a book until it is 500 years old, and then the one that has it at that time to do as he or she thinks best. This book is now 175 years old.

(Signed) James Monroe Wilkins

October 2, 1929.

Bobbie All Set

S. S. Teacher:—"Suppose, Bobbie, that another boy should strike your right cheek, 'what would you do?'"

Bobbie:—"Give him the other cheek to strike."

"That's right."

"Yessum, and then if he struck me I'd paralyze him."

\$143,475 for \$2.60 Olney, Illinois Woman Wins Fortune on 22 to 1 Shot in English Steeplechase

How would you like to be Mrs. Mabel Litzelman, who held the winning ticket on Reynoldstown, a 22 to 1 shot in the Grand National Steeple Chase at Aintree, England. The ticket called for \$143,475. The fortunate lady lives at Olney, Illinois, where she assists her husband in operating a forty room hotel. She supervises the kitchen and said her good luck would not change her work in the least, but in due season she is going to go to some place where fishing is good and fish to her heart's content, because she loves the sport.

Busy In The Kitchen

During the running of the steeple chase, employees and guests gathered about the radio to get details of the great event. Mrs. Litzelman busied herself with her duties in the kitchen. The hotel clerk broke the news to her. What did she do? What would you expect her to do? — she had a "good" cry and then she hurried to St. Joseph Catholic Church to offer a prayer of thanks.

Husband Bought Car

He husband who was repainting a 1927 model automobile dropped his brush and hustled to a garage and drove back in a handsome new car. This was all right with Mrs. Litzelman, who said, "Yank and I have always gone 50-50 and will not change now." Yank had been solicited to buy a ticket but declined, saying he would not pay \$2.60 for a piece of paper. Mrs. Litzelman took a different view of the situation and did buy but her husband did not know it until her good luck came.

Refused \$15,000 For Chance

She says that prior to the race a New York Syndicate offered her \$5,250 and a trip to New York for a half interest in her ticket and a Cincinnati man offered her \$15,000 outright for the ticket. She declined both offers. It was the first horse race she ever took a chance on. In fact, she never saw a horse race, but her blood is tingling now and she says she will assuredly see the Kentucky Derby.

Government Gets \$50,000

A local paper figures that Mrs. Litzelman will have to pay the Government \$50,000 and that there will be other expenses which will reduce the grand total quite materially.

Whichever way you look at it, Mrs. Litzelman was lucky and is happy.

"If you teachers did not do your work well, this Republic would not outlast the span of a generation."—*Theodore Roosevelt.*

PLUMBERS AT CHICAGO

Annual Convention of National Association June 24-27, 1935

The annual convention of the National Association of Master Plumbers will be held at the Stevens Hotel Chicago, June 24-27, 1935.

The gathering will be of great importance to every master plumber. Business has shown signs of recovery and this augmented by the modernization plans promises to make this the best of recent seasons. There are many questions of sanitation, code, trade practices which will be discussed.

The great Stevens Hotel offers an ideal meeting place with its facilities to care for delegates and visitors, as well as the convention sessions and displays of manufacturers. The applications already filed indicate that the display part of the gathering will be the most attractive in years.

The Chicago committee on entertainment will see to it that all visitors have a good time.

John J. Calnan of Chicago will do his part personally, just as he has done his part as national president during the past year. He has been an aggressive, enterprising, and progressive official and his record is one which gains the plaudits of his fellow officials and fellow craftsmen.



*John J. Calnan
Pres. N. A. of M. P.*

GLARE AND GLOWER



1st Co-ed: "The nerve of that conductor. He glared at me as if I hadn't paid my fare."
2nd Co-ed: "And what did you do?"
1st Co-ed: "I glared right back as if I had."
—Yale Record.

How To Get Business

MONTHLY PAYMENTS 1 to 5 Years					
Borrowed	1 Yr.	2 Yrs.	3 Yrs.	4 Yrs.	5 Yrs.
\$ 100	8.78	4.59	3.20	2.50	2.08
\$ 200	17.55	9.18	6.39	5.00	4.16
\$ 300	26.32	13.77	9.59	7.49	6.24
\$ 500	43.86	22.95	15.97	12.49	10.40
\$1000	87.72	45.89	31.94	24.97	20.79
\$1500	131.58	68.83	47.91	37.45	31.18

Never was there a more propitious time for the plumbing industry to create good cash business than has been brought to the very door of the plumber's store by the National Housing Act.



The plumber runs no bad debt risk under this governmental supervised plan, which will make thousands of dollars of business in every town

and city. Banks are eagerly, urgently soliciting loans now. If they were guilty of a tight-fisted loan policy during the depression, they are now standing open handed asking you to come and get the money under the most liberal terms ever offered a borrower. They give you from one to five years in which to pay at a most favorable rate of interest. The table at the top of this page shows the monthly payments on loans from \$100 to \$1500 on periods of one to five years. Under the longer period the payments come within the means of any one earning even a moderate salary.

The way to make a loan is explained by the National Housing Commission as follows:

1. WHO MAY APPLY:— Any property owner, individual, partnership, or corporation, with an assured source of income. It is not necessary to be a depositor in the institution applied to.
2. TO WHOM TO APPLY:— Any financial institution approved by the Federal Housing Administration; or to a contractor, building supply dealer, equipment manufacturer or retailer.
3. HOW MUCH YOU CAN GET:— From \$100 to \$2,000, depending on your income, for improvement on any one property.
4. HOW LONG MAY NOTES RUN:— From one month to five years.
5. SECURITY REQUIRED:— You must have an adequate regular income and good credit record in your community.
6. WHAT ASSURANCE NEED I GIVE:—
 - (a) That you own the property.
 - (b) That the annual gross income of the signers of the note is at least five times the annual payments to be made on the note.
 - (c) That your mortgage, if any, is in such standing that the financial institution is justified in approving the loan.
 - (d) That you will use the proceeds *solely* for property improvement.
7. SIGNATURES REQUIRED:— Property owner, signature of husband and wife.
8. COST OF CREDIT:— Approximately \$5 per \$100 original face amount in one-year note, payable in monthly installments. Charge for longer periods is on the same basis.
9. PAYING THE NOTE:— Regular, equal, monthly payments.
10. KIND OF PROPERTY:— Applications considered for credit to improve one-family, two-family, or other residences; apartment buildings, stores, office buildings, factories, warehouses, farm buildings.
11. WHERE TO PAY:— At the place of business of the financial institution making the loan, or by mail, or as otherwise arranged. No payment shall be made at any governmental office or organization.
12. IN FULL BEFORE MATURITY:— Note can be paid at any time. Reasonable rebate allowed for prepayment, if charges have been collected in advance.
13. NUMBER OF PAYMENTS:— You can make as many payments as you wish at one time, but such payments must be in exact multiples of the agreed payment. That is, if monthly payment is \$10, larger payments should total \$20, etc.
14. LATE IN MAKING PAYMENT:— Payments must not fall in arrears. When more than 15 days late, financial institution

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Above—Robert Mueller, Decatur, Illinois; W. N. Dill, General Manager; Gerald Preshaw, Asst. Manager; E. M. Reedy, Superintendent.
 Top Row—Left to right: Al Steward, Jack Shone, Kenneth Potts, Valentine Stach, Warren Jeffcoat, Robert Harper, Charles Portee, William Volkoff, Ed Wynne, Clyde Oldham, Roy J. Baker, Vernon Foote, Russell Hubbard, Arthur Ramsey, Cleve Beauchamp, Bill Michl, Joe Morgan, Robert Marsh, Wilbur Swallow and George Leach.
 Center Row—Left to right: Lloyd Butler, Elton Christie, Ray Jeffcoat, George Nursall, Richard Rampon, Gober Hickman, Frank Perry, Clyde Porter, Dick Campion, Bill Jacob, Lacy Mayfield, W. O. Conrad, Jack Masoni, Carl Musmecci, Lloyd Baker, Jack Warren, Jean Warren, Emmett Long and Cecil Foltz.
 Bottom Row—Left to right: Roy Karr, Edna Porter, Arthur Arguelles, John Schlegel, Mary Hobbs, Rose Lowry, Evelyn Briggs, Wilma Wilgus, Emmett Reedy, Gerald Preshaw, Marion Caywood, Emma Peck, Claire Zale, Roy Baker, Fred Klinck, Louis Wyant, Roy Thomas, Russell Jolly and Charlie Newell.

Mr. Robert Mueller has returned from a long western trip, during which he spent considerable time at the Mueller Co. Pacific Coast Factory at Los Angeles, California. He is highly pleased with the esprit de corps of the organization, and found himself much at home because of the Mueller policies and Mueller methods which have been transplanted to Los Angeles.

He found the small Decatur contingent sent there to organize the factory under Mueller methods of manufacture in fine spirits, delighted with the country and the people. He was there long enough to make the acquaintance of many of those in the factory, made up of citizens of Los Angeles and California.

Clicking in Mueller Way

Everything is clicking satisfactory. Those from Decatur told Robert that they are not homesick, but are always reminded of Decatur when they go through different departments, because all patterns and processes of manufacture are identical with the home plant. Some of the goods are manufactured to meet western demands, but they are all done in the Mueller way.

The executive force is composed of: W. N.

Dill, General Manager; Gerald Preshaw, Assistant Manager; E. M. Reedy, Superintendent.

The factory is fully equipped with machinery duplicating the home plant which enables the Pacific Coast Factory to turn out identically the same lines. The benefit to the coast trade lies in the fact that there is a Mueller Pacific Coast Factory close at hand to supply Mueller water, gas, and plumbing goods promptly. It gives the trade a convenient source of quicker service and insures much shorter time in making deliveries.

The Pacific Coast Factory organization considers itself an integral part of the industrial and social life of the west. In fact, the Decatur contingent feel themselves an individual and separate enterprise imbued with and identified with the western spirit. The factory and office force for the most part, however, are made up of personnel selected from residents of the Los Angeles community numbering many native sons in the list.

Mueller on Coast Many Years

Mueller Co. long ago acquired a desirable trade and made many good business and

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The Hardest Worked Expression in Use at Present Time

Newspaper writers, in their constant and unending search for interesting subjects, are now trying to spot the origin of the ever present expression "O. K." We do not participate in the unravelling of the mystery. We do not know where O. K. came from or where "she's" going from here, but we do know that at the present time old "O. K." is in our midst with every indication of remaining. If it ever had a good reputation or any dignity as a phrase, abbreviation, or symbol, it has been lost in the shuffle of popular usage, which comes and goes with the years.

From Grandpa to Toddler

Today O. K. is just plain American slang. Grandfather O. K.'s things and so does grandma, down through the generations to the small four year old boy or girl. You hear it everywhere. No other word we remember ever beat O. K.'s vogue, not even the much abused, but now almost discarded word, "wonderful," which was applied to everything from that was really and truly wonderful to everything that was not at all wonderful. It spanned the length and breadth of everything from insignificance to grandeur.

On The Trail of OK.

The New York Sun recently started a hunt for the origin of O. K. and the London Times joined in the pursuit. As you'd expect, H. L. Mencken had previously unleashed his knowledge of words, and this should have been final, but some spiteful contemporary insists that Henry made a good flight but a poor landing.

President Wilson Said "Okeh"

Webster's Dictionary says the initials are probably from Choctaw "Okeh" (it is so and not otherwise). It is defined as meaning correct or all right. It is recalled that the late President Wilson used the "Okeh" spelling.

The Encyclopedia says one story is that the word originated with Andrew Jackson while another attributes it to John Jacob Astor.

Be that as it may, it's O. K. with us to drop the subject, or perhaps we should say it will eventually drop itself. All brightest and wittiest slang flingers have already abbreviated it to one sound, "Oke."

Early Thumber

Father: "What's this I hear about your little brother being punished by his teacher just because his nose itched?"

Daughter: "Yes, but daddy, he didn't tell you he was scratching it with his thumb!"

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tion's expense, caused thereby, should be reimbursed at the rate of not more than five cents per dollar for each payment in arrears. Persistent delinquency will make it necessary for the financial institution to take steps to effect collection in full.

It is our firm belief that no one trade will profit more under this plan than the plumbing industry. There are thousands of old bath rooms which will be remodelled. These will call for new lavatories, toilets, tubs, and showers. Thousands of homes which never had bath rooms, sinks, etc. will get them now.

Every plumber should keep in touch with this movement. Your banker should be in position to keep you posted. Building contracts furnish another source of information, but above all you can be your own best aid by being awake to the progress of the movement, and by allying yourself with it. You can do much by informing yourself on the details of the National Housing Act and going after persons in your city who should avail themselves of its generous provisions.

The Last Resort!

Doctor: "Great Heavens! Who stuffed that towel in the patient's mouth?"

Patient's Husband: "I did, Doc. You said the main thing was to keep her quiet."

Gen. Y. Y. Fei Peng, vice minister of Communications for the Chinese government, was surprised when a hotel clerk handed him a lost wallet containing \$1200 in gold certificates. One of the hotel maids found it.

Clergymen like brakemen do a great deal of coupling.

NERO ZERO



First Coster: "Oo, was this 'ere Nero, Bill, wasn't 'e a chap that was always cold?"

Second Coster: "No, that was zero. Another bloke altogether."

San Diego Invites YOU

Just because a Century of Progress Exposition closed after two successful years, a success as fairs go, is no sign that big fairs are off the map this year.

The California Pacific International Exposition opens in San Diego, California, May 29, and until November 11 expects to entertain thousands of American and foreign visitors. Its purpose is to celebrate four centuries of progress and achievement in the west, and marks a new era of prosperity so aptly expressed in such huge building programs as Boulder Dam, the Grand Coulee Power and Irrigation project, the San Francisco trans-bay bridges, the All American Canal, and other projects totalling billions of dollars.

The Exposition is not only a splendid reason for a trip across the country, but it offers a profitable educational reason as well. It will emphasize in your memory the history and romance of the west coast from the day the high sterned galleons of Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo sailed into San Diego Bay and claimed Southern California for Spain.

Centuries have failed to entirely erase the influence of those hardy adventures. It is seen in the architecture, the missions, the nomenclature, the flowers, and the customs of a part of the people, at least.

In Beautiful Balboa Park

The Exposition grounds will occupy 300 acres in Balboa Park, which itself covers more than 1400 acres and is famous as one of the five most beautiful parks in the world. It was here the Panama California Exposition was held in 1915. All permanent buildings of the 1915 Exposition are of Spanish Renaissance, and Spanish Colonial designs are to be utilized in the coming Exposition. Added to these are many new structures, bringing the total number of buildings to more than 100. These new buildings are a combination of the two oldest and most typical American schools of architecture, the ancient Mayan and the Indian Pueblo.

Breath Taking Picture

With the aboreal and floral glory of the park generally a breath taking picture of art and beauty is presented to the visitors.

The Exposition section is laid out in the shape of the letter "S." The upper part forms the amusement section, the middle section the exhibit palaces and the lower section exhibit palaces and individual industrial palaces.

Some of the Exhibit Palaces, Palace of Science, tallest of all exhibit structures.

Palace of Foods and Beverages

Palace of Natural History
Palace of Fine Arts
Palace of Photography
Palace of Travel and Transportation
Palace of Better Housing
Palace of Education

House of Hospitality, a place of meeting for out of state visitors and for the entertainment of distinguished guests.

Cafe of the World, which will be one of the bright and joyous spots.

Special Exhibit Palaces

The U. S. Gov., California and other states and individuals have spent millions for participation in this fair.

The Federal Exhibit Palace cost \$350,000, contains exhibits of some 20 government departments. The building, is of unique Mayan design.

The California State Building, costing \$90,000 provides space for all California counties, state government, and products of California.

The Ford Palace, a beautiful structure, is devoted to actual manufacture of Ford automobiles, parts, and Ford and Lincoln cars.

The Standard Oil Exhibit Palace, a graphic story tells of benefits of petroleum to the human race.

The Shell Oil Exhibit Palace is devoted mostly to travel information. A huge map with vari-colored neon tubes shows the principal highways.

The Bank of America Building is the "smallest big bank in the world" containing full banking facilities.

The Christian Science building has for its principal motif promotion of international good will. There is a model reading room and a historical display of the church. The famous international newspaper, Christian Science Monitor, plays a major part in the exhibits.

The Hollywood Potteries building show the most improved methods of manufacture of clay products.

Flowerland is a model garden spot in the Spanish Village.

Beautiful Gardens

One of the most beautiful spots on the grounds is a reproduction, faithful in every detail, of the gardens of the Casa del Rey Moro, in Ronda, Spain.

Another is a reproduction of a section of the gardens of the Alcazar in Seville, Spain.

The California Gardens presents native flowers, rock gardens and pools.

Quaint bridges, stone lamps and limpid

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Left:—Another fine example of Spanish Renaissance architecture, the stately Palace of Foods and Beverages, which will be one of the principal exhibit palaces of America's Exposition — 1935.

Below:—A Mexican senorita sings a gay Latin song in the shadow of the California Tower at America's Exposition, which opens in San Diego May 29.



Above:—The roaring days of '49 will be relived in Gold Gulch, a faithful reproduction of an old time mining camp, which will be one of the sensational amusement features of America's Exposition — 1935.



Right:—Lofty spire of the Tower of Science, one of the finest pieces of Spanish Renaissance architecture in America, dominates the scene of the California Pacific International Exposition, which opens in San Diego on May 29.

ALWAYS SOMETHING NEW

A new transparent wrapping material made of rubber; moisture proof; greater tear strength, but lower tensile strength than a cellulose sheet.

Plain, waxed, or coated paper for any type of carton, which can be hermetically sealed without heat, by use of a special adhesive.

A new metal foil with a more brilliant finish than hitherto known, used for candy and other products requiring maximum display value.

A new automatic machine paints 100 to 150 metal or wooden barrels per hour. It is said to paint any combination of colors or stripes.

A new handy tool for use in tight places, holds, inserts, or removes screws, washers, nuts, valve pins. Its gripping fingers are actuated by a spring plunger.

A four-color automatic pencil is offered. Colors are instantly changed with the thumb of the writing hand, while the pencil is in writing position.

Tooth brushes are protected from dust and contact by a holder which houses four brushes, each in its own ventilated compartment, beneath a small glass dome.

A few drops of a new liquid shaving soap on a wet brush is enough for a shave. It contains no undissolved particles of soap and it is claimed will not clog the razor.

A new all steel, sound proof telephone booth, circular in shape, sliding door, automatic ventilation and lighting.

Synthetic rubber is now being made into aprons, gloves, sleeves, etc. It affords protection against petroleum products, alkalis and chemicals harmful to ordinary rubber.

Square, instead of round, a new automatic electric water heater is 36" high, 21" wide, and 22½" deep. A porcelain top makes it usable as a table. The tank has a capacity of 30 gallons of water.

A new dispenser pours beverages in measured portions, according to amounts set on its adjustable spout. It's used in restaurants for dispensing cream, highball making, etc.

Room temperature is said to be kept practically constant by a new, electric-clock controlled thermostat which checks temperature

trends half-hourly, makes needed adjustments. It also incorporates an automatic week-end shut-off. . . .

Natural sponges in pastel shades to match bathroom color schemes.

Wound dressings can be kept clean and white through a new water proof adhesive tape. Its backing is washable.

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social acquaintances and friends on the western coast. W. N. Dill made his first pilgrimage into that section carrying the Mueller line to the trade in 1896. He has been associated with Mueller Co. since 1893, when as a boy he was taken into the main office of the Decatur plant. After several years training, he went on the road as a traveling salesman, making his first trip to the west coast in 1896. That was thirty-nine years ago. The west took a strong hold on him, and that section of the country has since been his home. Mr. Dill is a thorough westerner. His personal interests have for many years been identified with the west. It has been his home for nearly forty years, except for a few years when he served as manager of the New York City branch.

T. F. (Tom) Leary joined the Mueller organization in 1897, and accompanied by W. L. Jett went to San Francisco in 1912 to open an office for Mueller Co., and later to manage the San Francisco branch as soon as the necessary building could be completed.

W. L. Jett came to the Mueller Co. in 1904. After serving as shipping clerk for several years, he took an Illinois territory until transferred to San Francisco, as mentioned above. Shortly after going there a

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WHAT DID SHE SAY?



Blanks: "What did your wife say about your being out so late last night?"

Jinks: "She's not through yet. When she finishes with the subject I'll condense it for you."

Beautiful But Dumb



Specialists

Fair Maid: "Oh, sir, what kind of an officer are you?"

Officer: "I'm naval surgeon."

Fair Maid: "My goodness! How you doctors do specialize."

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Makes Them Hit

"Isn't that pitcher grand?" she said. "He hits their bats no matter how they hold them!"

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Put It On John

"John, I bought some sheets, pillow cases and blankets today. Shall I put them down in my budget as cover charge or overhead?"

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Couldn't Find It

Traffic Cop—"Use your noodle, lady! Use your noodle!"

Lady—"My goodness! Where is it? I've pushed and pulled everything in the car."

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Slumps for Supper

Mrs. Newlywed: "Have you any nice slumps this morning?"

Butcher: "Slumps? What are they?"

Mrs. Newlywed: "I don't know, but my husband is always talking about a slump in the market, so I thought I'd try one."

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She Smelled It

Bud took his lady friend golfing Saturday, they had reached the sixteenth green and Bud ran ahead to observe the lie. "A stymie" he shouted "a dead stymie." His girl sniffed as she said: "I knew I smelled something."

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Strange Indeed

"Doctor, I want to consult you about my stomach."

"But, miss, you are mistaken—I am a doctor of philosophy."

"Doctor of philosophy? What strange diseases there are nowadays."

Scrub Teams

Dumb Dora: "I don't see how football players ever get clean."

Dumb Cora: "Silly! What do you suppose the scrub teams are for?"—Annapolis Log.

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Order of Bath

Myrtle: "What is the Order of the Bath?"

Madge: Pa, first, then ma, then me and then the hired girl.

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One Side Only

Minnehaha—"Are you ambidextrous?"

Minnie he ha—"Only on the right side."

—Witt.

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Hobson's Choice

Mutt: What is meant by Hobson's choice?

BBD: Mrs. Hobson.

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Cute Little Thing

Is my girl dumb? We were driving along at 60 miles an hour the other night when she suddenly leaned forward, and put her hands over my eyes and shouted happily: "Guess who this is?"

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Prepared for Emergency

Sweet V. T.: "I would like a book, please."

Shopman: "Something light?"

"That does not matter—I have my car with me."

FRANK MUELLER IMPROVING Cheerful Letters from Patient at Warm Springs, Ga.

Frank H. Mueller, who has been at Warm Springs, Georgia, for several months, is showing recovery from an attack of infantile paralysis with which he was stricken last fall on the day he expected to leave for Fort Worth, Texas, to attend the Southwest Water Works convention.

In a recent letter he expressed deep regret that he was unable to attend the water works convention recently held in Cincinnati but wished to send his greetings and good wishes to all water works men. He spoke hopefully of his recovery, and advised us that he is keeping in close touch with trade conditions through the various water, plumbing, and gas trade papers. While he is temporarily incapacitated, he is devoting his attention and time to study of technical questions which affect the water and gas industries.

Members of the organization, returning from Cincinnati, say that there were many solicitous inquiries made about Frank's condition.

COMICS IN ADVERTISING

An Old Style Revived With Good Results

You may laugh at the comic strips in the newspapers, but you can't laugh them out of the paper and there is no use to try being high brow and disclaim any interest whatever in the antics of "Andy Gump," "Bringing Up Father," "Little Orphan Annie," or what have you. Practically everyone likes a touch of humor. A carefully conducted investigation reveals that about 70 percent of male and female readers of newspapers get an eyeful of the "funnies," as small folk call them.

In Vogue Again

Comic advertising is again somewhat in vogue. It's coming back after a rest of forty or fifty years. It's influence has been strengthened by moving pictures, newspaper illustrations, comic strips, and bill boards. The country is picture-minded. Some of us enjoy reading, but thousands prefer getting their news through pictures. This writer is not sufficiently high brow to pooh-pooh the comics. We have our favorite strip, but really enjoy the text more than the pictures.

Divided Humor

Some of the comic artists, we suspect most of them, are funny with brush and palate, but not funny in application of words to form the dialogue. This means they must team up with some writer, and it is authoritatively stated that some of these writers earn more per year than many professional men.

It is claimed that in the past four years comic strip advertisements have pulled some big companies out of the mire, when more ethical publicity failed them during the depression.

Musical Anyway

Salesman: "Did you like that cigar I gave you? Five hundred of those coupons and you get a banjo."

Clerk: "If I smoke five hundred of those, I'll need a harp."

Wise Providence

It is remarkable that Providence has given us all things for our advantage near at hand; but iron, gold, and silver, being both the instruments of blood and slaughter, and the price of it, nature has hidden in the bowels of the earth. — Seneca.

Her Hero



J. Norman Lynd, whose excellent cartoons appear in many papers through the Public Ledger (Philadelphia Syndicate) gives us a good natured picture of the monkey wrench and screw driver tinker. Behold him in all his vainglorious satisfaction at accomplishing the technical and intricate mechanical problem of loosening a nut and inserting a washer in a faucet. He is temporarily the high and mighty lord of all he surveys, while wifey, with loving looks and laudatory tongue, extols his unequalled adaptability of coping with every situation. Mechanically, he is not so much of a hero as he is a deep thinker. He evidently had a hunch, judging from Artist Lynd's picture, to shut off the water supply in the basement, and thereby saved himself a ducking, to say nothing of a bawling out instead of adulation. The common fate of the "home screw driver and wrench plumber" is to take the faucet apart first and then try to find the basement stop that shuts off the supply from the street. Before this can be accomplished, the kitchen walls and rugs have been thoroughly soaked, wifey provoked, and a plumber is called.

The Record wishes to commend Artist Lynd on his ability to give his fellow readers a good natured smile without reflecting on the plumber or the plumbing industry. Few cartoonists possess that art.

Angry Guide: "Why didn't you shoot that tiger?"

The Timid Hunter: "He didn't have the right kind of expression on his face for a rug."—*Punch Bowl*.

Paw & Maw



Might Have Been

Son: "Am I descended from a monkey?"

Mother: "I don't know, son. I never knew any of your father's people."—*Austin News*.

Left Handed Ones

Mrs. Figg—"Does your husband ever pay you compliments?"

Mrs. Fagg — "Well, sometimes he says, 'You're a nice one!'"

Answer That One, Madam

Wife (at head of stairs): "Is that you, John?"

Heavy Voice from Dark: "Who was you expectin'?"

At the Right Time, Yes:

She: "Do you believe in clubs for women?"

He: "Yes," he replied judiciously, "if kindness fails."—*Temple Topics*.

Thanks for Sympathy

Mrs. (showing husband expensive fur coat): "One really can't help but feel sorry for the poor thing that was skinned for this."

Mr.: "I deeply appreciate your sympathy."

Wrong Time

Wife: "Darling, I'm sorry I've been so mean to you lately."

Husband: "Well, this is a fine time to be sorry. I'm dead broke."

Beware!

Wife: "It tells here, about a man giving his wife a \$500 fur coat. Nothing like that ever happens to me."

The Brute: "No, I was just reading where a man gave his wife a pair of black eyes for always complaining. Nothing like that ever happens to you, either."

Applesauce

Doc: "When did you first suspect that your husband was not all right mentally?"

Mrs. Jones: "When he shook the hall tree and began feeling around on the floor for apples."

Vacation Ruined

Friend: "When you were in Rome did you do as the Romans do?"

Hubby: "No, my wife was along."

Mrs. Howler (proudly): "That last note was D flat."

Mr. Howler: "It was darned flat if you ask me."

Sez I to Him

"'Yes,' I sez to him, 'Mr. O'Riley,' sez I, 'if you was as much of a gentleman as I was a lady, you'd get the hell outa here.'"

Safety First Two Ways

Boss—"When you called up my wife and told her I would be detained at the office, and would not be home until very late, what did she say?"

Steno—"She said: 'Can I depend on that?'"
—*Vancouver Province*.

Solomon's Wisdom

"And do you love me, your majesty?" asked Wife No. 999 anxiously.

"I certainly do, my dear," King Solomon assured her. "Why you are one in a thousand."—*American Legion Monthly*.

Rough Sea

Drunk—"Shay, call me a cab, willya?"

Bystander—"My good man, I'm not a doorman, I am a naval officer."

Drunk—"Awright, then call me a boat, I wanta get home."

Mickey's New Role

"Now, boys," said the teacher, "tell me the signs of the zodiac. You first, Thomas."

"Taurus, the bull."

"Right. Now you, Harold, another one."

"Cancer, the crab."

"Right again. And now it's your turn, Albert."

The boy looked puzzled, hesitated a moment, and then blurted out: "Mickey, the mouse."

Not all grasshoppers are katydids, but all katydids are grasshoppers.

Mother's Day



Sunday, May 12th, will be Mother's Day. Miss Anna Jarvis conceived the idea and in a number of cities it was observed as early as 1910. On May 10th, 1913, a resolution passed both branches of Congress commending the observance of the day by Congress and executive departments of the Government. A year later Congress authorized the President to issue an annual proclamation designating the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day. Gradually the observance has grown and this year the day will perhaps be more generally observed than ever before.

Often Too Late

Unfortunately this sentiment and reverence for many mothers comes too late for them to know anything about it. Some of it bestowed earlier in life would have been met with living appreciation. However, one great good which has been brought about is reverence and love for mothers while they still live. We now have the Mother's Day International Association with this purpose:

Objects of the Day

"To make men and women realize their individual responsibility to right the wrongs of motherhood and childhood, not only in the home, but in the outerworld; in the name of mother to inspire men to carry forward work for the home, which will deepen their brotherhood toward one another; and to deepen and perpetuate family ties by the establishment of Mother's Day in all countries."

Tributes from Great Men

Nearly all Great Men have always given credit to their mothers for their success.

Lincoln said: "All that I am or hope to be, I owe to my Angel Mother. Blessings on her memory."

Garibaldi said: "She was a model for mothers. I owe to her, to her love, to her angel-like character all the little good that belongs to mine. Give me the mothers of the country to educate, and you may do what you oblige with boys."

Asked if he was not afraid when he first

Tributes That Great Men Have Paid to Their Mothers

preached before Queen Victoria, Phillips Brooks answered: "Oh, no, I have preached before my mother."

Samuel Johnson said to his mother: "You have been the best mother, and I believe the best woman in the world. I thank you for your indulgence to me, and beg forgiveness of all that I have done ill and all that I have omitted to do well."

Moody, the evangelist, said, "All that I have ever accomplished in my life, I owe to my mother."

William Dean Howells: "A man never sees all that his mother has been to him until it is too late to let her know it."

ESCAPED JURY SERVICE

An Unexpected Answer Which Caused Him to be Excused

While Dr. Elmer E. Hagler was waiting for the medicine to take effect on our eye which was to be examined, he told us this one.

"Over in Beardstown there was a law suit of some kind on trial in the circuit and the examination of talesman for jury service was in progress. One of the talesman was a man of a few peculiarities and was not only a well known citizen but was on intimate terms with the presiding judge. When the talesman was called for examination, the Judge said, "Your name please?"

Prospective Juror: "Now don't be silly, judge, you know my name as well as I do."

"Yes," said the Judge, "but as a matter of form and record, you'll have to tell it."

"Oh, well, I suppose I'll have to. It's George Jinks."

"Now, Mr. Jinks, where do you live?"

"There you go again. It's just plain silly. You know where I live. You were over to the house the other night."

"True, but tell the clerk your address."

"Now," said the Judge, "do you know the defendant in this case?"

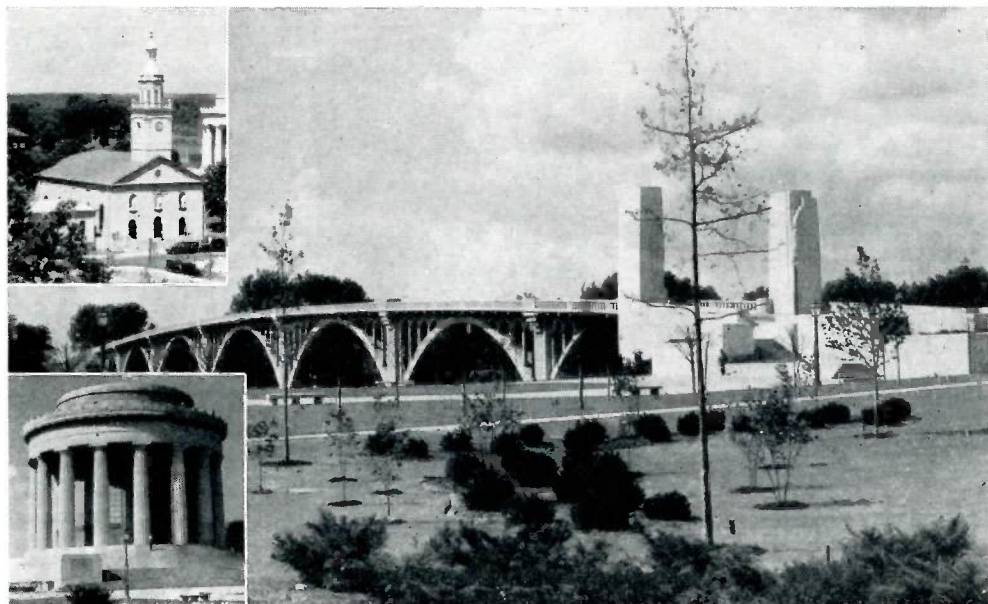
"No, I don't."

"Well, there he sits. Look at him and tell us if you do or do not know him."

Mr. Jinks turned and took a good look and turning to the Judge said: "Don't know him at all, but from his looks I believe he is guilty."

That's when Mr. Jinks was excused from jury service.

Record Mail Bag



Lincoln Memorial Bridge; The Old Cathedral & George Rogers Clark Memorial.

IN OLD VINCENNES

Interesting Pictures and Data Concerning Historic Indiana City

Editor Mueller Record: "Enclosed find some views of our old historical city, that we thought might be of interest to you.

On Indiana soil at Vincennes, formerly called the Capital of the Northwest Territory, and one of the oldest cities west of the Allegheny Mountains, is being erected the George Rogers Clark Memorial.

Overcame Terrible Obstacles

Clark, after a terrible march from Kaskaskia through flooded and freezing rivers, captured Fort Sackville, thus obtaining the northwest territory. This is the most outstanding event of the American Revolution. This memorial is erected on the exact spot where Clark captured the Fort. It is made of Vermont gray granite, with interior trimmed in Indiana limestone. Painting of Clark's Campaign adorn the walls, and a bronze statue one and a half life size stands in the center.

Lincoln Memorial Bridge

The memorial grounds extend to the approach of the new Lincoln Memorial Bridge. This bridge, erected in honor of Abraham Lincoln, crosses the Wabash river where

Lincoln crossed on his journey from Indiana to Springfield, Illinois. It is built along lines fitting to the Clark Memorial.

Old Cathedral

Adjacent to the Memorial grounds, is the Old Cathedral, standing at the time the Lincoln family crossed the Wabash river over 100 years ago. Vincennes has many other historical points of interest.

We extend to Mueller Company and all who enjoy Mueller Record as much as we, a hearty invitation to visit our interesting old city."

Very truly yours,

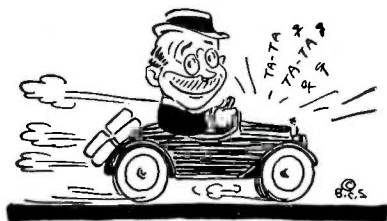
Clyde L. Holmes.

Heap of History

There is a heap of historic background in the good old state of Indiana, a generous proportion of which clings to Vincennes. This city is the county seat of Knox County. Three transcontinental highways pass through Vincennes. They are the Midland Trail from the Atlantic to the Pacific, the Dixie Bee Line from the Great Lakes to Florida, and the Magnolia Highway from the Great Lakes to the Gulf. This famous old town was established in 1902. Points of particular interest to tourists and visitors are the house of William Henry Harrison, noted as an Indian fighter and statesman, who succeeded to the presidency as the ninth president, took office

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THOU SHALT NOT KILL



The Driver Who Sees Everything
But The Road

Ten Years Of Slaughter

1925	21,628	1930	32,540
1926	23,264	1931	33,346
1927	25,533	1932	29,196
1928	27,618	1933	31,078
1929	30,858	1934	36,000

Grand Total 291,061

From 1925 the death rate has constantly increased except in 1932, when it fell off somewhat only to jump up some 3,000 in 1933 with another 3,000 increase in 1934.

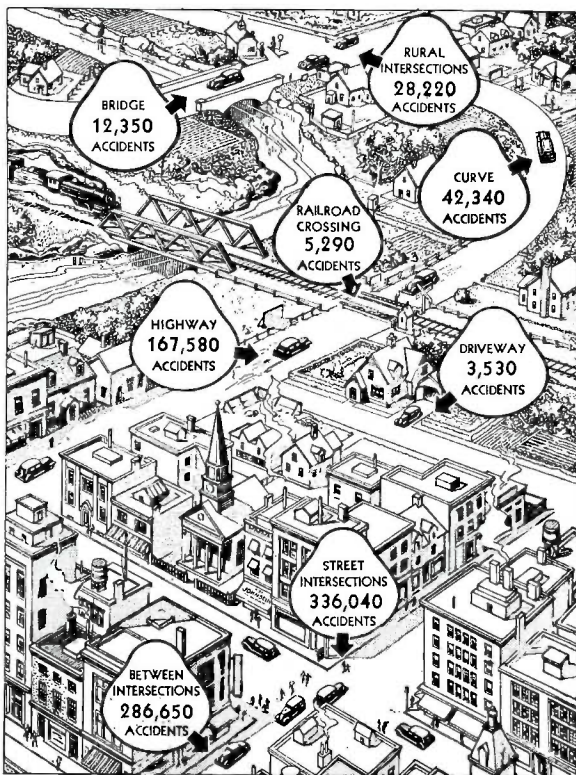
What will be the record of 1935? It is safe to predict that it will again show an increase.

There are thousands of new cars on the highways, there are thousands of old cars, many of them a menace to their occupants as well as to traffic in general, and there are thousands of reckless and irresponsible drivers.

Mix these thousands together and one should perhaps not wonder at the frightful slaughter. Yet it seems to us that every sane driver of an automobile should practice and preach safe driving.

Reduction of the number of accidents must of necessity come from drivers of sufficient intelligence to drive sanely and safely, since there is no hope of aid from the helter skelter, harum-scarum, hair-brained idiots who neither recognize the sacredness of life or the law of the road.

All the blame, however, cannot be placed at the door of the autoists. Pedestrians through their own short sightedness, absent-mindedness, amnesia, or whatever else they may be afflicted with contribute to the rising death rate. They not only disregard crossing signals, but they cross in the middle of blocks, dart out from lines of parked cars, read papers crossing streets, pay no attention to signals. In fact they use less caution and judgement than they did in the days of the "scorching" bicyclist.



Martin, E. Pew, Editor and Publisher of the Fourth Estate says:

"I believe in fighting this monster realistically, which calls for laws to make motor driving a serious responsibility, with reckless guilt made personal and highly expensive; I believe in preventive measures of the most rigid nature, demanding that no person shall take the wheel except as he has qualified as a driver; I believe in the policing of roads and streets and strict and uniform traffic rules, respecting not only speed and safe driving rules, but the upkeep of car efficiency, entailing regular inspection and the condemnation of dangerous vehicles and also roads; I favor the limitation of heavy truck traffic, both as regards numbers and size; many lighting methods are now inefficient; I favor the limitation of speed at the source, which is the automobile factory; I favor a system of scheduled fines for violations, calculated to discourage recklessness and rule from the road persistent violators; I favor the bonding of persistent violators to insure the collection of damages; I favor the continued lavish expenditure of public funds for good roads and for traffic control.

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THIS YEARS LICENSE PLATES

Some Are Aesthetic in Color, Others Apropos of State Industries

It takes some little ingenuity to secure a sufficient number of color combinations for automobile licenses in the various States. Some of these combinations border on the aesthetic. For instance, Indiana's 1935 plates: "Black on robin egg blue," and Michigan with "yellow on midnight blue." Then again it appears that the color artist attempts to play up to certain States like California with "orange on black" which seems very appropriate to that great orange producing State, and Florida with "black on grapefruit yellow."

All autoists should be interested in the following full list. It is not always possible to catch the name of the State when a car whizzes by at 60 miles an hour, but with the color combinations in mind, it is an easy matter to identify the different States.

Here's the list:

Alabama—White on dark green.
Arizona—Black on copper.
Arkansas—Blue on cream.
California—Orange on black.
Colorado—Black on yellow.
Connecticut—White on maroon.
Delaware—Colonial blue on old gold.
Florida—Black on grapefruit yellow.
Georgia—Blue on orange.
Illinois—Marine blue on pearl gray.
Idaho—Yellow on black.
Indiana—Black on robin-egg blue.
Iowa—White on dark blue.
Kansas—Orange on black.
Kentucky—Black on yellow.
Louisiana—Gold on purple.
Maine—White on Spanish blue.
Maryland—Dark blue on white.
Massachusetts—White on green.
Michigan—Yellow on midnight blue.
Minnesota—Gold on maroon.
Mississippi—Golden orange on black.
Missouri—White on green.
Montana—Black on orange.
Nebraska—Black on grey.
Nevada—White on green.
New Hampshire—Green on white.
New Jersey—Aluminum on black.
New Mexico—Blue on white.
New York—Black on orange.
North Carolina—Aluminum on black.
North Dakota—Deep orange on midnight blue.
Ohio—Yellow on blue.
Oklahoma—Black on white.
Oregon—Yellow on black.
Pennsylvania—Gold on blue.
Rhode Island—Black on white.
South Carolina—Black on white.
South Dakota—Black on yellow.
Tennessee—White on black.
Texas—White on maroon.
Utah—White on black.
Vermont—White on dark blue.
Virginia—Black on white.
Washington—White on blue.
West Virginia—Black on yellow.
Wisconsin—White on black.
Wyoming—Blue on white.
District of Columbia—Green on white.

Out of the Ordinary

Mrs. August Newport of Lake Willis, Wisconsin, back from a visit to her daughter at Fulton, South Dakota, slipped into a telegraph office and wired that she had arrived home safely. Returning to her car to finish the few blocks to her home, she fell and broke her wrist.

Harvey Mathey, Kansas City, driving a truck into Holden, Missouri, at dawn was startled at the breaking of his windshield and then surprised to find a stunned wild goose on the seat beside him. Roast goose with oyster dressing made a fine meal for Harvey and family next day.

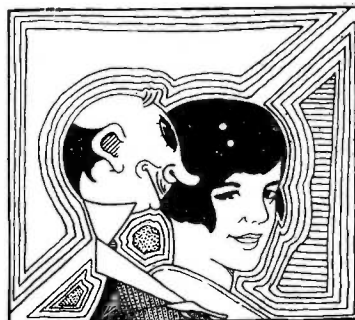
Look out for typhoid fever when motoring. The car of a Connecticut man skidded and dumped him into a ditch. He swallowed some of the polluted water and came down with typhoid fever.

Because neighbors complained, police at Indianapolis opened kennels owned by Mrs. Wilhelmina Adams and released 80 dogs and puppies, hopelessly mixing up families of puppies, so the owner declares in a suit for damages.

A queer double wedding was celebrated at Belfast, Maine. Leo Chase 22 and his brother Archie, 19, were in jail awaiting grand jury action on auto larceny charges. Mrs. Madeline Edwards, 18, and Miss Thelma Johnson, 16, fiancées respectively of Chase brothers, called to visit them. A minister was summoned and the double wedding took place.

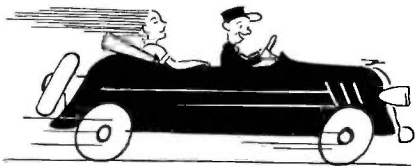
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UNINITIATED



Slim: "May I kiss you?"
Min: "Heavens! Another amateur."

The Auto Line



Never Disappoint Wifey

He was at the fountain-pen counter making a purchase, "You see," he said, "I am buying this for my wife."

"A surprise, eh?"

"I'll say so. She is expecting a Packard."

Those Pesky Insects

It wasn't liquor that killed old Ben,

Nor women that stopped his breath,

'Twas an Austin somebody drove up his leg
And tickled old Ben to death.

—*Rammer-Jammer.*

Quick Turn Over

Georgia Lawyer (to colored prisoner)—
Well, Rastus, do you want me to defend you?
Have you any money?

Rastus—No, suh, I hain't got no money, but
I got a 1922 model Fo'd cah.

Lawyer—Well, can you raise some money
on that? Now, let's see—just what do they
accuse you of stealing?

Rastus—A 1922 Fo'd cah.

Shouldn't Be Tight

He: "What part of the car causes the most
accidents?"

She: "The nut that holds the wheel."

—*Widow.*

Let Me Call You Sweetheart

Two truck drivers were all snarled up in
the traffic at the intersection at West Broad-
way and Chambers street, New York City.
One of the drivers, lost his temper and yelled
at the other one:

"Why don't you look where you're going,
you great, big, cross-eyed, bow-legged, knock-
kneed, son of a blankety-blank blank blank
*** pie-eyed dumb bell?"

The other driver: "You're nice-looking, too,
sweetheart."

Free Air. Kachoo!

Driver of Small Car (driving up to filling
station): "I'll take a gallon of gasolene and
a pint of oil."

Attendant: "O. K., sir, and do you want me
to sneeze in your tires, too?"—*American Girl.*

Just An Incident

Traffic policeman: "Hey, you, didn't you
hear me yelling for you to stop?"

Motor fiend: "Oh, was that you yelling? I
thought that was just somebody I had run
over."

Not Chasing It

A motorist, approaching a village, was sur-
prised to see an elderly native running down
the road at full speed.

Motorist: "What are you running for?"
the motorist inquired.

Native: "There's a wild beast show down
there, and a lion's broke loose."

Motorist: "Which way did he go?"

Villager: "Well, you don't suppose I'm
chasing him, do you."—*Conco.*

Fruit Salad

A nut at the steering wheel,

A peach at his right,

Sharp turn in the road—

Fruit salad; good night!

Safe For A Century

District Visitor: "To what do you attribute
your great age?"

Oldest Inhabitant: "Well, for the first 70
years of my life there wasn't no motor cars,
an' for the last 30 I've been confined to the
house."—*Montreal Gazette.*

Sedative

After reading wild auto notes and wise
cracks of the modern driver, take in the
following sedative:

Twenty-five years ago in Decatur: John &
Landis, the automobile men, received yester-
day the handsome Model L Rambler pur-
chased by D. B. Folrath. It is a touring car
and probably the finest machine in the city.
It has a canopy over it, and a large plate
glass front which breaks the wind. On each
side of the machine there are large willow
hampers for carrying lunch and most any-
thing that one wants to put into them.

The machine has a double cylinder motor
of 16 horse-power. It is well fixed for light.
There are two large oil lamps, one on each
side, and a large gas lamp in front. This
lamp will throw a light for a block, so one can
easily see the road.

Taking the Joy Out of Life

Some woman in Greensburg was granted a
divorce after testifying that her husband
dropped snakes down her back. It's getting
so a married man can't have any fun any
more.

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in 1840, but died within a month after his inauguration.

Old French Trading Post

Vincennes was established as a French trading post in 1702. In 1779 it was captured for Virginia by Col. G. R. Clark, but was ceded to the United States by Virginia in 1784. It was the capital city of the Indiana territory from 1800 to 1816.

The town gets its name from Jean Vincennes, who established a fort and trading post. In 1736, he joined a punitive force against the Chickasaw Indians. The invaders were beaten by the Redskins, Vincennes and other leaders of the white force were captured and burned at the stake.

CROSSING THE DELAWARE

Mr. Fred P. Martin Gives Some Interesting Facts Concerning Washington's Great Achievement

April 5, 1935

Editor of Mueller Record

I have been interested in articles which have appeared in your magazine from time to time. In the past March issue you published an article called 'Taking History To Bits.' I felt after reading the article that you needed some assistance in protecting General Washington's historic crossing of the Delaware River from the termites as you called them.

It's On Record

It is a matter of record that General Washington prior to and in preparation for the Battle of Trenton ordered that boats be collected and held in readiness to assist his army in the crossing of the Delaware River. He made special mention of Durham boats which were large and strong, and as he said, big enough to hold a regiment. This might easily have been possible considering that the army had been greatly depleted in numbers.

The Durham boat which General Washington referred to was a large flat bottom boat measuring approximately sixty feet in length, eight feet in width and three feet six inches in depth. They had secured their name from the Durham Iron works where they were extensively used.

Forty Boats

Captains Jacob Gearhart, Daniel Bray, and Thomas Jones of the New Jersey Militia, assisted by John Clifford were directed to secure these boats, thus carrying out the orders of Washington. There were estimated to be about forty Durham boats on the river at that

time. These were brought down the river and hidden behind the thick woods on Malta Island and at the mouth of Knowles Creek, until they were put in use prior to the battle.

The Boat In The Painting

The boat which is shown on the painting which you referred to is not a Durham boat and is probably one cause for the excitement on the part of the termites.

For further information on this subject I direct you to Dr. B. F. Fackenthal Jr. of Riegelsville, Bucks County, Pa. also the Bucks County Historical Society at Doylestown, Pa.

On December 21, 1934 Girard in his column in the Philadelphia Inquirer (morning paper), wrote the following which I quote,

"Many have laughed at the famous painting called 'Washington Crossing the Delaware' because it shows the General standing up in the boat.

But Dr. Fackenthal doesn't laugh at that, because he knows that those old Durham boats were so big and steady that standing up in one was no trick at all."

I would also suggest that you communicate with Girard for further information.

Yours truly,

Fred F. Martin.

(Mr. Martin is a member of A. Oscar Martin & Son, registered architects, Doylestown, Pa. We are indeed appreciative of his interest in the article published in the March issue and thank him for his letter.)—Ed.

THE EARLY RAILROADS

Carry a Fund of Historical Information Thought Worthy of Preservation

Mr. Charles E. Fisher, president of the Railway and Locomotive Historical Society, Brookline, Massachusetts, writes:

6 Orkney Road,
Brookline, Mass.,
April 6, 1935.

Editor Mueller Record:

Your letter of the 29th ult. together with the "Record" for March, 1935 has been received.

I enjoyed reading the account of John Knowlton and his stirring recollections of early railroad days. It is a pity that more of these incidents cannot be preserved for future generations. When these "old timers" go, their tales of early railroad days will go with them.

In addition to this, Mr. Knowlton, through
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pools interest visitors to the Japanese Gardens.

Fronting the Botanical Palace is Laguna de Espejo (Mirror Lake) an oblong-shaped pool reflecting surrounding buildings by day and catches the soft hues of an electric fountain at night.

Music

Musically, America's Exposition presents a never-to-be-forgotten picture. The Spreckels Outdoor Organ is the most magnificent instrument of its kind in the world. Daily concerts are presented at the organ.

Adjacent to the Ford Palace is Ford Bowl, a huge amphitheater, where daily symphonies, musicals, chorals, band concerts, ballets and stage presentations are offered.

The Lighting

America's Exposition strikes a new note in nocturnal beauty.

This is accomplished through color screens on concealed floodlights, cast against exhibit palaces, trees and shrubbery in such manner as to accentuate architectural and floral perfection.

The entire United States Fleet holds concentrations in June and again in August. The brilliancy offered by the searchlights of the vessels sweeping the skies from San Diego Bay will make an electrical illumination never before witnessed on the Pacific Coast.

Colorful Sections

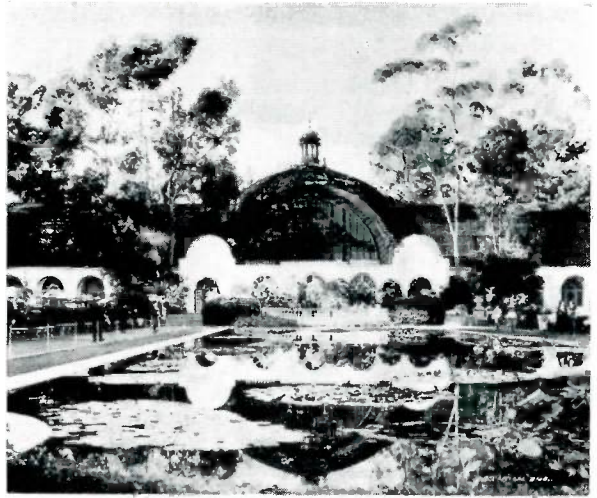
The House of Pacific Relations is the foreign colony composed of fifteen hacienda-type cottages, with floral patios, surrounding a central court and fountain.

Picturesque architecture of Old Spain is carried out in the Spanish Village, which is 90,000 square feet and contains numerous units. It is the largest village of its kind ever built for an exposition. Olive trees, colorful blooms, a lively merchandise bazaar, and a gay patio cafe add to the attractiveness of this scene.

Golden Gulch is an exact reproduction of an early Western town, complete with bold, bad men and just as bold, if not so bad, dance hall girls. Visitors to Golden Gulch reach there only by stagecoach or miners' burros.

The Indian village presents a faithful replica of the famous Taos Pueblo.

One of the high spots is the Exposition Zoological Gardens housing 2,500 animals, birds and reptiles. Many rare specimens are



Entrance to the Spacious Botanical Gardens, mirrored in the City pond at American Exposition, San Diego, California. This is one of the most photographed spots in Southern California.

found here. Mrs. Belle Benchley, curator of this zoo, is the only woman zoo keeper in the world.

Sports

During the Exposition there will be yacht regattas, motor boat races, swimming contests, aquaplane events, polo matches — in fact, every kind of event in sportdom.

Amusement Zone

The Midway is 1,200 feet long and 350 feet deep with a 40-foot pavement. The 2,400 feet of frontage will present every conceivable type of architecture, housing the best shows in existence. The attractions in the Amusement Zone are valued at more than \$1,500,000.

Prisoner at Home

Judge: "And what did you do when you heard the accused using such awful language?"

Cop: "I told him he wasn't fit to be among decent people, and brought him here."

Sufficient Cause

Judge: "On what grounds do you ask for a divorce?"

Wife: "Insanity, your honor. I put crackers in his bed, and he ate them."

Judge: "Is that all?"

Wife: "No, your honor. After he had eaten the crackers, he wanted to know who stole his soup."
—*Carolina Buccaneer.*

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the Wabash Veterans, has been the means of preserving no little material which is of an historic nature. Unfortunately the Wabash R. R. has no interest in this collection and I'm in hopes that this collection will find some good "home" in the future where it will be carefully preserved.

The old time railroad man certainly suffered many hardships and had some pretty bitter experiences in the early days. Yet in spite of that they were a pretty cheerful lot and inclined to look on the "sunny side". What they lacked in mechanical training — they learned in the school of experience and were possessed with skill, courage and good sense. John Knowlton is one of the "old school" of railroad men and when that generation passes, all the ramifications of early railway history will go with them.

Thanking you for your thought in sending me this account.

Sincerely yours,
Chas. E. Fisher.

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Walter Fournes, Brooklyn, saw a frightened cat high on a limb unable to reach ground. Venturing out on a limb it broke with his weight. He was taken to the hospital with a fractured skull. The cat reached the ground safely and scurried for home.

At Westville, New Hampshire, George Swelt, engineer on the Portland-Boston Express, wondered what there was about the front of his engine which attracted a large crowd. Climbing down he went forward to look and was greatly shocked to find fragments of an automobile and the dead body of the driver. This was Swelt's first knowledge of the accident.

At Los Angeles, Nathan Reznick, aged 14, dashed in front of an automobile driven by Mendell Glasser. In the collision which followed Nathan was sent sprawling and a head light on the car was broken. After a chase of two blocks the frightened driver caught the scared boy, who said he was to blame and would pay for the damage.

Family pride asserted itself when Joe Buzzard, 75, of Philadelphia heard of the death of his brother Abe, 85 in an Eastern prison. Abe served many terms in various prisons. Joe manifested no sorrow but with great pride said: "Abe was the best derved hoss thief in the whole United States."

Willis Wantland did not want land at all. What he craved was gold. To get it he burglarized a mausoleum at Ottawa and picked the precious metal from the teeth of a dead man. Now Willis is in the Joliet, Illinois, penitentiary.

Mrs. John Writesman, Excelsior Springs, Missouri, died at 92, without having ever been attended by a doctor until an hour before she died. No reflection on the doctor. "Aunty Sally," as she was known, had a stroke of apoplexy.

At Scotts Bluff, Nebraska, a hen caught a mouse and tried to eat it. The mouse bit into the hen's tongue and hung on, causing Biddy's death by suffocation. The mouse could not get out of the hen's mouth and died there.

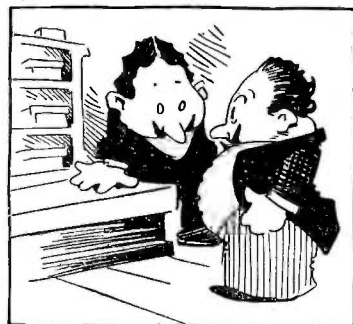
Louis Pacheo, convicted of murder, helped build Colorado's new lethal gas chamber. Louis asked for clemency, which was denied him. Next month he will die in the death house he helped build.

Halvor Horgan, Strum, Wisconsin, at 82, sold his property in the village and is going back to his farm, from which he retired 20 years ago. Halvor says he's tired of loafing.

Forced from the highway at Falmouth, Massachusetts, by another car, Robert L. Borden struck and broke down a fire hydrant, flooding the street. Before regaining control of his car, he hit and knocked over a telephone pole on the opposite side of the street. Crossing the street again, the car uprooted a tree. After that nothing worth while happened to Mr. Borden.

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THE VAMPIRE



Abie: "I don't understand baseball."
Louie: "It is not necessary that you should understand it, Abie."
Abie: "Vy not, Louie?"
Louie: "Because they have a man called the Vampire who decides everything."

DECATUR IN DUST STORM



Looking up Water Street during dust storm.

Never behind in anything, Decatur edged in on the tail end of one of those western dust storms during the latter part of April. The illustrations at the top of the page tell the story by contrast. They show Water Street, (principal business street), the pictures having been taken from the same location. The one on the left shows the street during the dust storm. The one on the right shows the same street on a clear day. During the storm the air was full of mist mixed with the dust. This mixture left a trail of mud. It settled on automobiles and left its muddy tracks, while roofs and sidewalks were covered with a slimy mixture. If any good came from this storm, the auto washers were the beneficiaries. The flat roofs of our factory buildings on the day following the storm were streaked with mud.

Mrs. Everett Dickey, wife of the head of our Credit Department, has a letter from her father, who lives in Eastern Kansas. He gives details of the terrible dust storms which are driving many persons out of the State. On his farm the barn is located about 125 feet from the residence. For three days during the recent dust storms the family had no glimpse of the barn.

Grocer: "A thief entered my store last night and took everything but a box of soap."

Judge: "The dirty crook."



Same street on a clear day.

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branch was opened in our new Mueller building at Los Angeles and he went there as manager.

Since that time Mueller Co. has contributed some twenty-five or thirty residents to the west coast. They liked Illinois until they had lived a few years in California, and they did not come back.

Expect to Grow With Country

It is but natural that from this long personal contact with the west coast there should spring the Mueller factory in Los Angeles, when it was apparent that thus located we could manufacture Mueller goods there just as we do in Decatur, with the added advantage that being closer to the trade we could serve it better. With our long record on the Pacific coast, and the many good friends and patrons we have made, we feel fully justified in our unbounded faith in the future growth and development of that section of the country, that the Pacific Coast factory will keep abreast of the progress of an enterprising citizenship.

Poked Him To Be Safe

Lawyer: "He said you were what?"

Witness: "Laconic."

Lawyer: "What does that mean?"

Witness: "Dunno. But I gave him one on the nose to be on the safe side."

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TYPES OF ACCIDENTS RESULTING IN PERSONS KILLED AND INJURED IN 1934

Table No. 1

	NO. OF ACC'D'TS	PER CENT	PERSONS KILLED	PER CENT	PERSONS KILLED	PER CENT
COLLISION WITH:						
Pedestrian	337,810	38.3	15,950	44.3	269,980	28.3
Automobile	381,910	43.3	8,570	23.8	503,710	52.8
Horse-drawn vehicle	6,170	.7	180	.5	5,720	.6
Railroad train	5,290	.6	1,190	3.3	4,770	.5
Street car	14,110	1.6	320	.9	13,360	1.4
Other vehicle	8,820	1.0	360	1.0	8,590	.9
Fixed object	58,210	6.6	4,140	11.5	73,460	7.7
Bicycle	19,400	2.2	580	1.6	17,170	1.8
Non-collision	46,750	5.3	4,530	12.6	54,380	5.7
Miscellaneous	3,530	.4	180	.5	2,860	.3
Total	882,000	100.00	36,000	100.00	954,000	100.00

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Marie Belka, Chicago, had her former landlord haled into court because he held her table linen and bed clothes for back rent. It was somewhat embarrassing to Marie when a detective identified the linen as the former property of the Stevens Hotel. The hotel took back the linen, but refused to prosecute.

Jake Kaiser, fire chief at Calumet, Michigan, when his personal gong sounded jumped from the dinner table and got to the fire station just as the crew came out. He followed the crew back to his own home to learn that the roof of the house was on fire.

In Milwaukee, on April 1, many persons passed a wallet with edges of something plainly showing. They were too "wise" to pick it up, owing to the day. Ernest Morris with more curiosity and less skepticism picked it up and found the wallet contained \$2,500. He refused a reward.

Fred Sterr, 52, of Decatur inherited a modest fortune and is now threatened with a conservator. Coming from a tavern at midnight he hailed a taxicab and gave orders to drive to Indianapolis, a distance of 180 miles. In court Fred told the judge that he had a rollicking good time on the way over but he did not remember anything he did while in Indianapolis. Commenting on a nude dance given in a building owned by him, Fred told the dignified prosecuting lawyer that he should have been there.

Nicholas Scafido, a Philadelphia policeman, received the Bok award of \$1,000 for bravery in 1928. Now he has been sentenced to the penitentiary to serve 7 to 20 years. He pleaded guilty to holding up a girl and escaping with \$463 pay roll.

Emil Mulnite, East Windsor, Connecticut, on dressing a rooster for dinner, discovered the fowl had two normal sized hearts acting independently of each other. Emil had an extra allowance of giblets when dinner was served.

Too Familiar

Solomon:—"And vy are you in here."

Isaacs (In a cell):—"Der Judge put me here. I can't imagine vy. I vas a vittness in the case if Eiklestein vs Pedluski, and vas on der vittness stand."

"How old are you?" asks the Judge.

"Twenty-five," I says.

"Name?"

"Moses Isaacs," I says.

"Nationality?"

"I chust turns and says: 'Judge, don't be a damm fool.' Then the Judge gets himself all swelled up and says, I contemplated him."

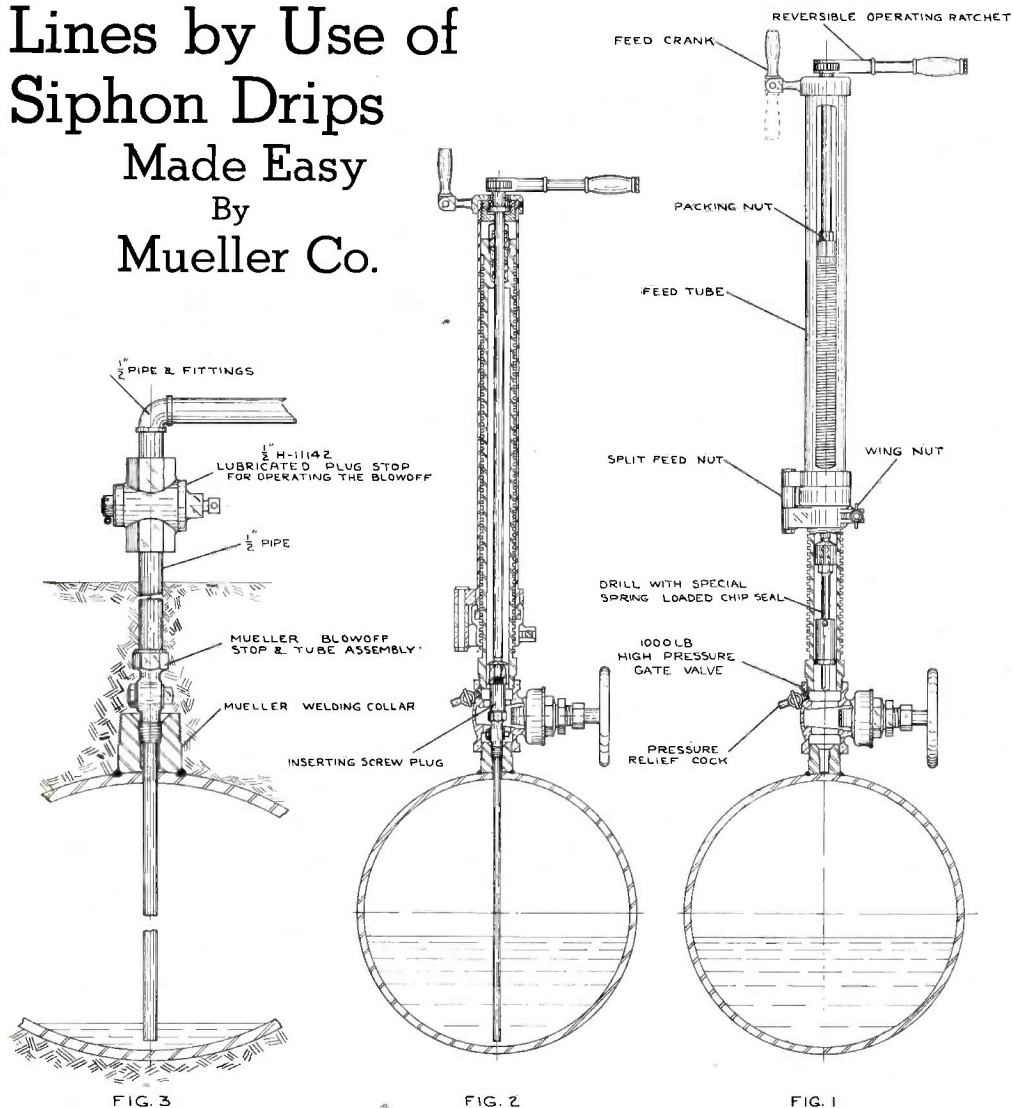
Wouldn't Be Overlooked

In court the other day a lawyer turned to the opposing counsel and said angrily:

"You are the biggest idiot I ever saw in all my life," whereupon the judge gravely remarked: "Silence, sir. Please do not forget that I am present."

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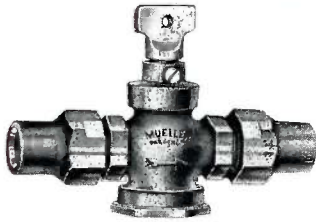
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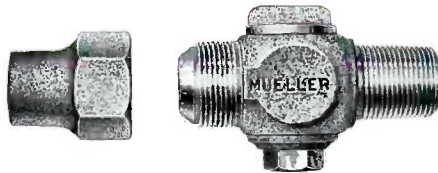
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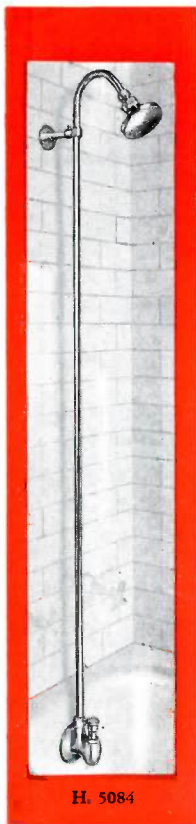
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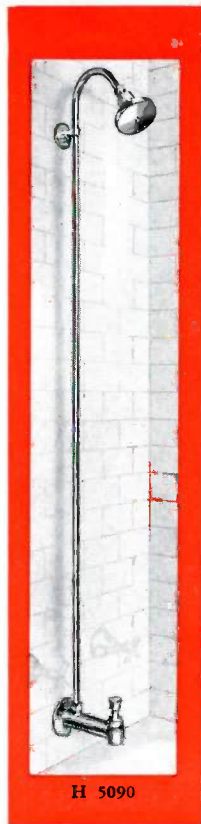
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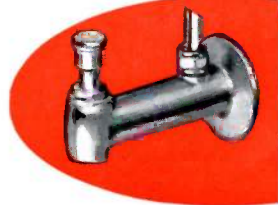


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