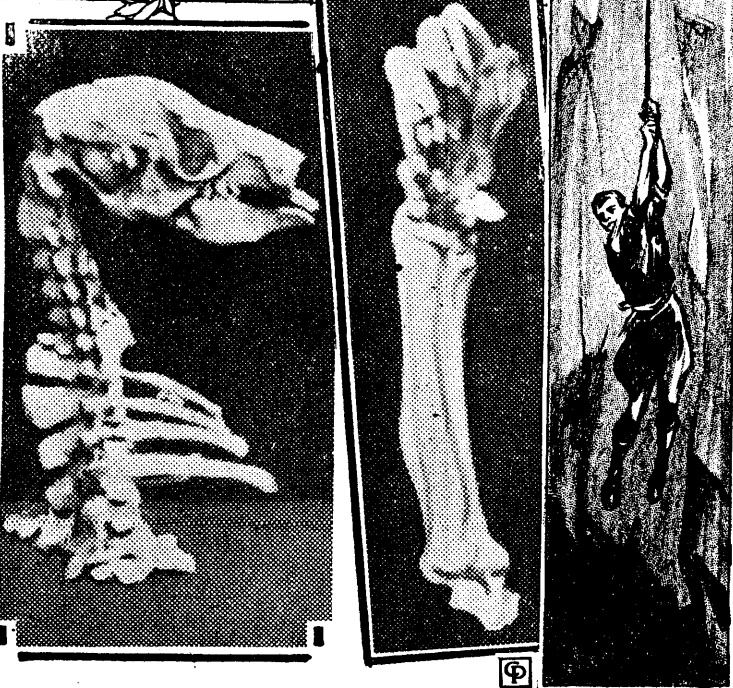
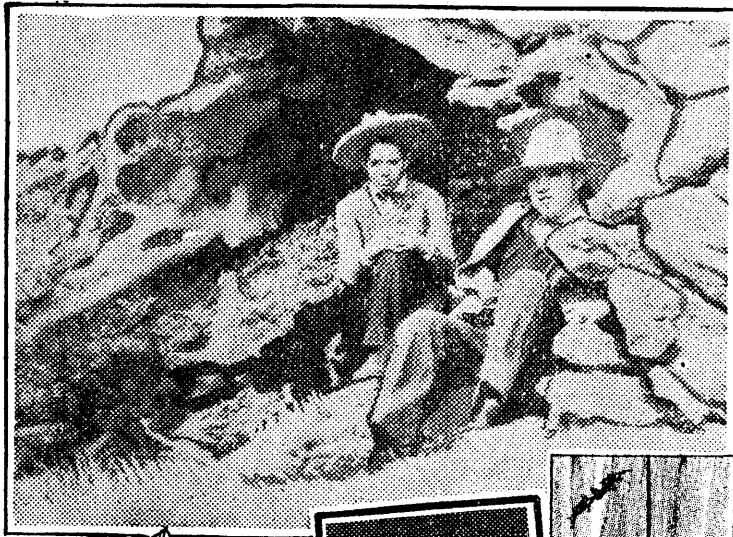




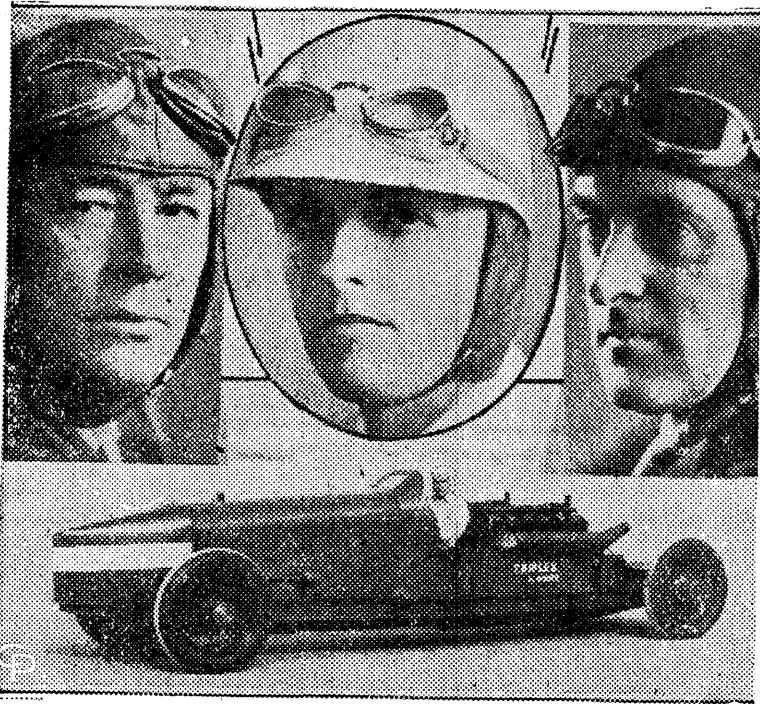
# CAMERA NEWS

## U. S. Museum Probes Boys' Find



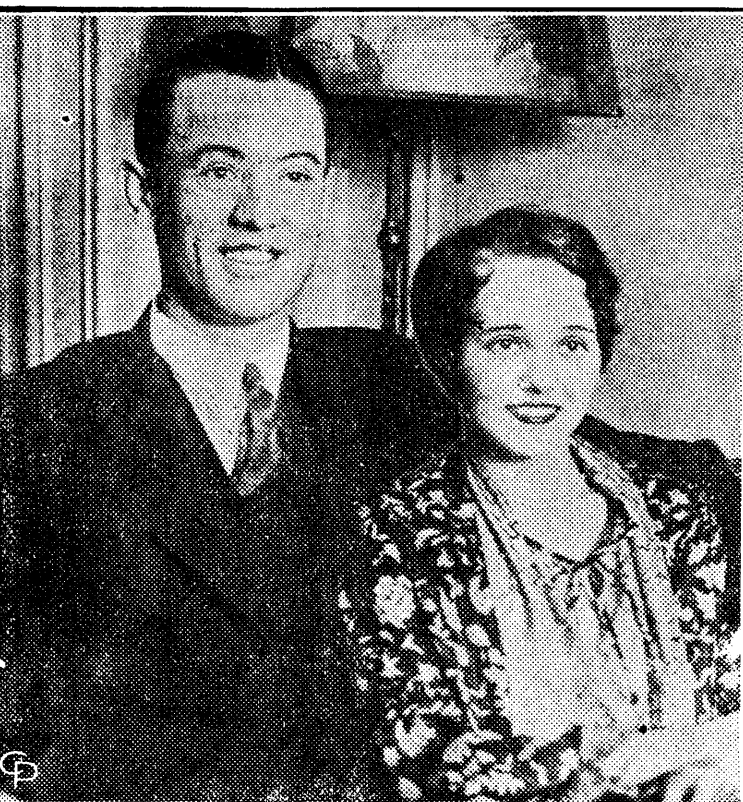
Yale university and the U. S. National Museum have joined in an expedition to seek specimens of early American life first discovered in a cave 45 miles from El Paso, Tex., by three young El Paso musicians, Ewing Waterhouse, Wilson Esterly and Carlos Rushing. Esterly and Waterhouse are shown above at the entrance to the cave. Below are relics of a ground sloth, believed to have lived 50,000 years ago, found in the cave by the boys.

## Speed Demons Point to Daytona



New records are expected to be established in the international automobile speed classic at Daytona Beach, Fla., March 1 to March 15. J. M. White, upper left, of Philadelphia, will drive his car, the Triplex, shown above, in an effort to better its own straightaway record of 207.55 miles an hour. Maj. H. O. D. Segrave, British demon, center, will enter with a new creation, and Capt. Malcolm Campbell, right, of London, England, also plans to compete.

## Ultra Modern Proposal, Wedding



Breaking all records for spectacular proposals and weddings, George A. Henshaw, multimillionaire Texas oil man, believes in doing things right. After Miss Caledonia Cullian, of San Francisco, had listened to his proposals for three years with a deaf ear, Henshaw set out from his home in San Angelo, Tex., a week ago; went to Los Angeles where he chartered a 12-passenger airplane and an orchestra; enlisted some friends and flew to San Francisco. He was accepted! They flew to Reno, were married and now plan to fly to New York, then carry the plane to Europe by boat and finish their honeymoon in European skies.

## In Oklahoma Fight



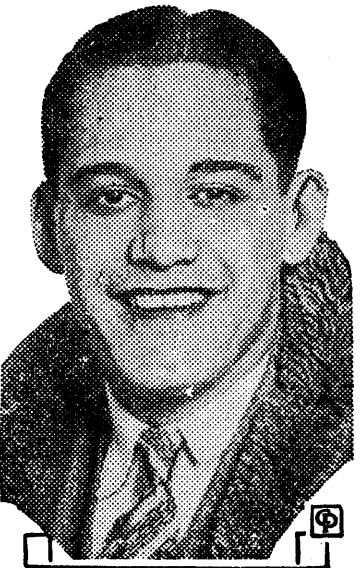
This is the latest photo of Mrs. O. O. Hammonds, who, as confidential secretary to Gov. Henry S. Johnston, has been the storm center in the Oklahoma political disturbance culminating in both branches of the legislature organizing to investigate the office of the governor.

## Freshman Scores



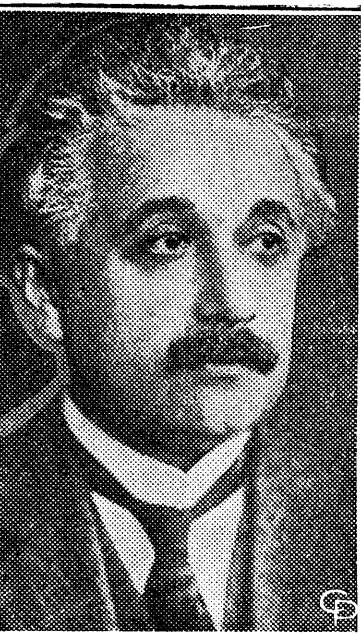
"Only a freshman" is Miss Helen Raabe at Wittenberg college, Springfield, O., but she is a real contender for beauty honors in a contest conducted by editors of the year book.

## Pitching Hawaiian



A contract to play baseball in San Francisco has brought the great grandson of Princess Like-like, Henry K. Oana, from his native Hawaii to the United States. He is 18 years old and is said to be one of the best athletes in the Hawaiian islands. In competition in Japan, Oana pitched seven games, winning six.

## New Brain Teaser



Professor Albert Einstein, German scientist, whose theory of relativity changed century old scientific notions, has promised another brain-teasing idea for the gasping world. The new theory, showing the relation between the laws of gravitation and electricity, is to be made public shortly.

## GARDNER "HORT" SOCIETY HEAD

Prof. V. R. Gardner, head of the horticultural department at Michigan State College and director of the state experiment station, has been elected president of the American Society for Horticultural Science in New York city, it was announced Wednesday. This organization is for professional horticulturists of America.

During the past 25 years seven Michigan State men have served as president of the association. They are Liberty Hyde Bailey, now dean of agriculture at Cornell University; W. A. Taylor, chief of the United States bureau of plant industry; U. P. Hedrick, director and horticulturist of the New York experiment station; C. A. McCue, director and horticulturist of the Delaware experiment station; M. J. Dorsey, professor of pomology at the University of Illinois; E. J. Krause, professor of botany at the University of Chicago, and C. P. Close, pomologist in the United States bureau of plant industry.

## Seed Stock Is Improved By Trade System

Members of the Cadillac Potato Growers Exchange are improving their seed stock through an arrangement which enables the growers to trade a bushel and a half of table stock potatoes for a bushel of certified seed.

The plan has been in operation for two years. This year the exchange placed two carloads of certified seed with 15 members of associations which are affiliated with the exchange. The seed produced 15,000 bushels of excellent potatoes which will be used for seed by other members of the associations.

Each of the 15 growers produced his crop under the supervision of the farm crops department at Michigan State College and each field was sprayed five times. Check plots left unsprayed in each field demonstrated that the spraying increased yields 42 bushels per acre.

Trials were also conducted to determine whether closeness of planting had any effect upon the percentage of hollow heart in the potatoes. It was found that when the seed was planted 36x36 inches apart, 10.1 per cent of the potatoes were hollow, while a planting distance of 36x18 inches produced a crop in which only 1.9 per cent of the potatoes were hollow.

The use of fertilizer increased the yields 39 bushels per acre on the farms of the 15 growers. The analyses used were 2-12-6 and 0-10-10.

## Indian Summer Is Not a Season, But Just a Warm Spell

There is an erroneous popular belief that Indian summer is a definite period occurring more or less regularly every autumn. This idea is not based on accurate meteorological observations, according to the weather bureau of the United States Department of Agriculture. Indian summer is the name applied in this country to a period of mild fall weather following a spell of unseasonably cold weather known as "squad winter." As a matter of fact, Indian summer is not a fixed season in the calendar, but varies in date and duration. In many years it is intermittent; that is, there may be several Indian summers in one autumn. Strictly speaking, Indian summer is not a season at all, but merely a type of weather in contrast to the usual weather for fall or early winter. Thoreau, in notes on weather conditions at Concord, Mass., from 1851 to 1860, records the occurrence of Indian summer on dates ranging from Sept. 27 to Dec. 13.

In Europe as well as in this country mild weather occurs every autumn, and it is popularly believed that a removal of the dates of its supposed occurrence are more definitely fixed than is the case in America. The period is associated with the names of various saints who have fixed dates in the ecclesiastical calendar. The mild period is accordingly known in different parts of Europe as "St. Martin's summer," "St. Luke's summer" or "St. Michael's summer," and tradition fosters the idea that it is always mild and warm about the time of these various saints' days. Climatological facts, however, do not always check up with this belief.

## Counties Still Pay Bounty

Despite the fact that state trappers wage ceaseless warfare against predatory animals in the upper peninsula, there are several counties in this section which pay a bounty on wolves, coyotes, wild cats, weasels and other forest killers.

In counties where these bounties are paid the kill of predatory animals has been heavy. In Marquette county, 4,000 weasels were destroyed in 1928, along with 416 hawks and 160 owls. This county paid \$2,400 for bounties on coyotes and \$200 on wolves. The results in Marquette county are believed to be similar to those in other counties where the bounties are paid.

In spite of hard work by state trappers it is difficult to hold predatory animals in check. Especially is this true of small killers like the weasel to which the wolf trappers pay little attention because of a lack of time.

## Helping Feathered Friends Pleasant Winter Diversion

The ground is now carpeted with snow making it almost impossible for different winter birds to secure food, especially the beautiful "Blue Jay" who stays north during all the winter months. The Blue Jay is largely a ground worker finding most of his food on the ground, that is, during the cold winter months. When the ground is covered with its thick white blanket it is difficult for the Jay to secure food, and consequently anyone may enjoy a worth while hobby of supplying food for beautiful creatures.

It is not necessary to go to any expense whatever. Just place a board about 2 feet by 2 feet on top of a post and then take whatever food one may have and place it on the platform. Then watch for results. It is a real pleasure to look out of a convenient window and watch the little fellows go after the food which was obligingly prepared for them, and what is more one is nicely rewarded at times with their songs, especially that of the Cardinal.

It is not necessary to go to any great bother with them although any that have already indulged in it no doubt have found it a very interesting and pleasant privilege.

Another method is to nail the food such as suet or hardened bread to the trunk of a large tree or station a board in the branches of a tree and fasten the food to the board. This is being done by a local citizen, who reports very successful results.

The Brown Creeper and various species of Wood Peckers secure their food from the bark of trees, but they also will be frequent visitors at the food station. This is an excellent opportunity for bird enthusiasts to observe various birds that are otherwise difficult to get close to.

The Cardinal is a rare bird in this territory and is very shy, out in the winter they are driven by hunger to resort to almost anything rather than starve, and have been known in various cases to come upon porches in search of food.

Among the principal foods of Jays and Cardinals is field corn. If a few ears of corn can be procured take a piece of rope and anchor the ear on top of a large branch in a tree, and the birds will do the rest. It is indeed a pleasure to stand and watch the Jays pull and struggle with a kernel of corn until they free it from the cob. Then they will place the kernel under their foot, and stand on it and use their beak to peck at it until it is entirely gone. Should they drop any to the ground they fly down and gobble it up, so there is very little of the food placed out that is wasted. The Cardinal will eat corn, but seeds, very fine seeds, would be more appreciated because the Cardinals are more or less "Seed Eaters."

Those that can spare a few minutes to feed the birds each day will find that their time will be spent in a worth while way and will be rewarded by the very best gratitude which the birds can give.

## Civilization Is Killing Off Game

That civilization has much to do with the falling off of wild life, is the opinion that many conservationists are holding as a result of thorough study of problems that have arisen. Almost every day some fact comes to light that seems to uphold this belief. Recently the department of conservation was notified that six prairie chickens were found dead between two power line towers in Gladwin county. After a careful examination, Dr. M. D. Pirnie, the department's bird specialist, declared that the prairie chickens had positively met their death through collision with the power lines.

No evidence of disease or parasites was found on the specimens examined by Dr. Pirnie. It is his opinion that power and telephone lines are at just the right height from the ground to constitute a menace to this bird. P. S. Lovejoy, in charge of game refuge development, said that boyhood experience in Illinois would seem to support this statement. He related that during excursions afield he often found birds wounded or killed by the wires.

Destruction of pheasant and quail nests by man is another item that goes on the debit side of the books. These birds frequently nest in second growth alfalfa or in fields that are to be plowed. The farmer inadvertently destroys the nests while reaping his harvest or preparing the ground for planting. It is a situation that is difficult to remedy.

For instance, a farmer wrote the department that in one field he destroyed three nests. They were broken up before he could prevent it. Had these eggs been hatched and the birds raised to maturity they would have furnished game for more than one sportsman. In New York State a farmer kept account of eggs destroyed on his farm. The year's total was 600. When the sportsman pauses to consider the many repetitions of such instances he may easily realize where some of the game is going.

Last summer Fred A. Westerman, head of the fish division, counted the number of dead specimens of wild life that he found over an 80-mile section of state highway. They had been victims of automobiles. The total multiplied by the number of similar multiplied by the number of similar gave an astounding figure.

## Poultry

### VITAMIN E ESSENTIAL FOR BREEDING FOWLS

For many years chemists have known that some substance in the germ of corn and wheat vitally affected the growth and development of animals. Just recently the discoveries of Herbert W. Evans and George O. Burr, published in the proceedings of the National Academy of Science, gave official recognition of this substance as a vitamin.

It is called Vitamin E. It is found abundantly in nature; its chief source being in the seeds and green leaves of certain plants as well as in some of the glands of animals, as for instance the liver.

This vitamin has a great deal to do with the reproductive ability of animals. Some authorities claim that it is solely responsible for the very existence of living organisms. Researches indicate that animals, either male or female, that are deprived entirely of foods containing vitamin E appear to be absolutely incapable of reproduction.

### X-RAY EUGENIC HENS UPSET SCIENCE!

The poultry farm of Paul R. Hadley at Fanwood, New Jersey, boasts artificially sexed hens, hatched on the farm, which have upset the prognostications of scientists that they would not lay.

These artificially sexed hens are said to have proven their superiority to their naturally sexed sisters in many ways.

The artificially hatched hens began producing eggs 25 days earlier than the average hen. They grew faster, and proved immune to the germ disease that sometimes cause the death of 50 per cent of a hatching. In addition, they eat less than the normal average hen.

Mr. Hadley is the inventor of the X-Ray sex determining machine. The same rays that kill the male germs in the egg also kill disease germs and produce a sound chick. The early maturing of the artificially produced pullet means a great deal to the poultry industry, explains Mr. Hadley, saying that the saving in feeding alone would amount to \$300,000,000 annually.

### HOW BIG IS OUR BUSINESS?

The poultry industry in the United States, as well as in the corn belt and Iowa, has climbed from its position as a sideline industry to a place of prominence in the agricultural world. For years poultry was kept on the farms to supply eggs and a few spring friers for family consumption. As a rule no income was derived from this portion of the farm enterprise except during the season of heavy production—the summer months when egg prices were low and when someone else's hens were laying, as well as those on the home farm.

That situation has changed materially, however, as a few figures will show. In 1920, according to census figures, Iowa had 25,680,000 poultry. In 1927 this figure had risen to 33,000,000, showing an increase of 28 per cent. In the United States as a whole the egg crop produced in 1926 was worth \$620,000,000 while the market poultry produced amounted to \$561,000,000, giving a total value for the poultry and egg crop during the year of \$1,181,000,000. It should be remembered that these figures are based on farm poultry flocks alone and do not include the numerous small town backyard flocks. No one knows just how important a place these backyard flocks occupy in the total egg and poultry production of the nation, but even if we disregard them, as the government has done in its estimates, we find that the value of the poultry products produced in the United States in 1926 amounted to 16 per cent of the total value of livestock and its products for that year. The income derived from poultry ranged third among all sources of livestock income. The dairy industry ranked first with 40 per cent of the total and the swine industry second with 22 per cent of the total, while, as mentioned before, poultry came third with 16 per cent.

A government report calls attention to the fact that 50 per cent of the total eggs produced in the country and only slightly less than 50 per cent of the chickens raised are produced in the north central states, and calls attention to the fact that Iowa leads all other states in total chicken and egg production. The total income from poultry and eggs in Iowa in 1926 amounted to \$78,896,000. This was equal to almost 10 per cent of the total agricultural income of the state in that year and ranked poultry in fourth position. In Iowa the hog income amounted to 41 per cent of the total; the dairy cattle and dairy products income, 17.5 per cent, and the beef cattle income 16.8 per cent. These figures show that poultry production occupies a very important place in the agriculture of Iowa and the nation.

It will be some time before the new small-sized currency gets into circulation, authorities say, especially among farmers. We don't know whether this is on account of geography or economics.

The sad-looking man stopped at the lunch counter and said: "Five ham sandwiches, please." "Will you eat them here or take them away?" asked the counter man. "I hope to do both," was the reply.

## BENTON HARBOR, BAY CITY SEEK P. O. FUNDS

Bay City and Benton Harbor are fighting to see which will get an allocation of money from the five-year public building fund for improvements in their present postoffice facilities.

Bay City wants an allocation of \$150,000 for an addition to the post-office which has been badly needed for years past. Congressman Roy O. Woodruff has taken the matter up with postoffice and treasury department officials and is confident that if any Michigan city is given consideration it will be his home city.

The matter was brought to a head when a delegation composed of Stanley R. Banyon, editor of the News-Palladium, James H. Pound, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, and Mayor Stouck of Benton Harbor went to Washington. With Congressman John C. Ketcham they visited the postoffice and treasury departments and made their pleas.

Benton Harbor never has had a government owned federal building. A site has been purchased and Benton Harbor was long ago recommended for a building. The tentative amount agreed upon as necessary for the new building was \$120,000. Benton Harbor now wants more. Whether it will get anything this year is doubtful.

"I just came from Jack's funeral." "Is he dead?" "Well, if he isn't, they certainly played a dirty trick on him."



### SAME PRESCRIPTION HE WROTE IN 1892

When Dr. Caldwell started to practice medicine, back in 1875, the needs for a laxative were not as great as today. People lived normal lives, ate plain, wholesome food, and got plenty of fresh air. But even that early there were drastic physics and purges for the relief of constipation which Dr. Caldwell did not believe were good for human beings. The prescription for constipation that he used early in his practice, and which he put in drug stores in 1892 under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, is a liquid vegetable remedy, intended for women, children and elderly people, and they need just such a mild, safe bowel stimulant.

This prescription has proven its worth and is now the largest selling liquid laxative. It has won the confidence of people who needed it to get relief from headaches, biliousness, flatulence, indigestion, loss of appetite and sleep, bad breath, dyspepsia, colds, fevers. At your druggist, or write "Syrup Pepsin," Dept. BB, Monticello, Illinois, for free trial bottle.

## Guarding Against the FLU



Any cold can mean the flu; the surest way to avoid flu is to avoid colds.

To avoid coming down with a cold make prompt use of Bayer Aspirin.

Don't wait to see if that first sneeze or cough is going to be a cold. Take Bayer Aspirin at the first sign of any cold, and be safe.

And whatever you do, don't neglect a sore throat these days; gargle with Bayer Aspirin and remove the infection.

Guard against the flu by guarding against the colds that make you susceptible to the flu germs that lurk in crowded and poorly ventilated places.

## The Mysterious Stranger



## WILL EXPAND PRISON INDUSTRIES

Michigan's prison industry at Jackson penitentiary is to enter the textile field on an impressive scale. The prison commission has decided to equip the building with textile manufacturing machinery at a cost of \$100,000. The new industry will furnish employment for from 500 to 700 convicts, and products, to be made from raw cotton, will range from sheetings, shirts and blankets to overalls, socks and towels.

As a means of minimizing competition of prison-made articles with similar products produced by free labor, it was decided to offer a bill at the impending session of the legislature designed to compel all institutions of state political subdivisions to patronize the prison industries. In this way it is hoped that nearly the entire output of the prison factories will be absorbed.

## New Kroger Plant to Serve 680 Detroit Stores

The Kroger Grocery & Baking Company, chain store operators country-wide, have acquired a tract on Dix avenue, Detroit, west of the Garvey Hotel, and joining the Michigan Central stock yards, upon which it will shortly erect a large meat producing house.

The plant will be applied to the production of all the lines of meat products including beef killing and dressing facilities, a sheep house, and a hog-killing, dressing and production house, including the preparation of swoked pork products. Sausage and other by-product machinery will be installed. It will represent an investment of approximately \$1,500,000, it is said.

The Kroger company has 680 retail grocery stores in Detroit, of which nearly all have retail meat counters, and to the remainder of which meat-selling facilities are already available, and others will be added soon. In addition the company has 475 stores and 440 meat shops in the state served from Detroit, and 150 other stores and 100 meat shops which are directed from Grand Rapids. These will provide outlets for more than a quarter of a million pounds daily.

The adventure is no new thing for the Kroger company. It already has meat-producing facilities at Cincinnati.

Sales of Kroger in 1928 increased to \$207,244,465 from \$161,252,649 in 1927.

## Kalamazoo to Be Host To Winter Convention Of Reserve Officers

The annual winter convention of Michigan department, Reserve Officers' association of the United States, will be held in Kalamazoo, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 2 and 3, according to an announcement of Col. George W. Blackinton, president of Michigan department. All the arrangements and entertainment for the convention are being made by Kalamazoo chapter, R. O. A.

The principal guests of honor at the convention will be United States Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg; Maj. Gen. Paul B. Malone, commanding general of the sixth corps area of which Michigan is a part; Col. Nathaniel F. McClure, in charge of organized reserve affairs of the sixth corps area; Col. Frederick L. Knudsen, chief of staff of the 85th division, who will command Camp Custer next summer, and several other officers from the sixth corps area headquarters.

All reserve officers in Michigan are invited to attend this convention.

## Chandler New VanBuren Court Commissioner

Attorney J. E. Chandler, Paw Paw, has been appointed circuit court commissioner to succeed Merle H. Young, who was named judge of probate to succeed the late William Killefer. A committee consisting of County Clerk Leo Mather, Prosecutor Lewis R. Williams and Probate Judge Merle H. Young made the appointment.

## VAN BUREN TO CELEBRATE CENTENNIAL

Van Buren county becomes 100 years old in 1929! This year, generally regarded as just another span of 365 days is most significant to the county's native residents for this milestone marks the county's centennial. The county of Van Buren, named in honor of Martin Van Buren, was formed by act of the Legislature Council of Michigan October 29, 1829.

Effort is being made to arouse citizens to a realization of the historic date. That the anniversary celebration should be held in Paw Paw seems appropriate since it is the county seat and one of the oldest villages in southwestern Michigan.

It was in Paw Paw on March 27, 1837, that the first board of supervisors met and organized. The business of the meeting was for the purpose of locating the place for the circuit courts of the county. It was decided that the said courts should be held in the Paw Paw school house. Epaphroditus Ransom was the first judge. In 1929 when the January term of the circuit court convenes there will be 19 different attorneys pleading cases before Circuit Judge Glenn E. Warner, while in 1829, Aaron W. Broughton, grandfather of the present commissioner of the poor, Roscoe Broughton, was the only lawyer in Van Buren.

It is at Paw Paw that the county buildings, consisting of the court house and jail, have always been located and most of the county's legal history has been transacted there. In Paw Paw still may be seen the first court house, a frame structure, with a steeple, built by Churchill and Godfrey in 1844, and the first fireproof building erected in 1875 for the county records.

Although it appears that the county seat is the logical scene for the festival, it is not intended that it shall be a local affair. The townships of Lawton, Mattawan, Decatur, Hartford, Lawrence, Bangor, Alma, Gobles, Bloomingdale and other vicinities rich in their own lore and historic background are to consider the occasion their own.

Although the shades of the Pottawatomie chieftains and the wild paw paw must be shocked to witness the old winding Indian trail where the red man used to wait in ambush for his enemy converted into a paved highway where the merry bootlegger shoots the tires from the car of the pursuing motor cop and the road-side stand now dispensing refreshments where the wild fruit tree used to nod at the traveler, certain public spirited citizens still maintain that the county has progressed in the last 100 years and that fitting tribute should be paid to that evolution.

### Excess Tongue

The priest was busy spreading oil on the troubled waters of Casey's marital sea. "Now, Casey, you know that a married couple should pull together like a team of horses." "Sure, father, an' they probably would if they had but one tongue between them."

## 5 Days for Workers; 6 Days for Machine

The Ford Motor Co. will continue the 5-day week, but will operate on the six-day basis. An additional 30,000 employees will be needed under the new plan.

The above is a summary of an official statement issued by the company. The new system means six days for the machine and five days for the employe.

The company will assign six men to five jobs to provide for two rest days for each employe. The five-day week has been in operation since 1926.

## Ionia Vote for Levy For Sanitarium Asked

A resolution was presented to the Ionia county board of supervisors, in a recent session, asking that voters be permitted at the April election to pass upon the matter of a half-mill tax levy for a sanitarium in connection with the county farm. The proposed addition would cost \$60,000, the half-mill levy producing approximately \$20,000 a year. The plan, as submitted, would provide adequate care for the county's infirm, many of whom are now cared for at state supported institutions.

## Grand Rapids Port To Have Air School

Curtiss Flying Service, Inc., proposes to start a school of flying instruction at the Grand Rapids airport in 1929 and is prepared to put from \$50,000 to \$100,000 into the project, it has been announced by Carl T. Batts, president of the flying club and manager of the airport.

## Flint Charter Nearly Prepared for Voters

Flint's proposed new charter, providing for the commission-manager form of government, which will be submitted to the voters next summer, is nearly completed. Only the taxation provisions and designation of the number of commissioners and their salaries are undecided.

Harry G. Gault, vice-president, made the announcement recently, in the illness of John J. Carton, chairman of the revision commission, that only a few weeks remain before the completed draft will be ready for discussion and correction before submitting it to the voters.

The regular city primary and election will be held this spring, as the law requires that the charter draft be laid on the table 90 days before submission to the voters.

## Water System Sale Up To Voters of Benton Harbor on Feb. 18

Voters of Benton Harbor will decide the fate of the Benton Harbor waterworks and sewage system at a special election Monday, Feb. 18. The question involves the sale to a private concern, the General Utilities and Sewage Corporation, which has proposed to purchase the waterworks. The sale price, according to the resolution set by city commission, is to be fixed by a board of arbitration. Three-fifths of the total vote cast must be in favor of the move in order to indorse it. The question of selling the waterworks has been under discussion for some time.

## Ford Plans Huge Tunnel

Detroit City Council was informed recently by the Ford Motor Company of a plan for the construction of a 12,000-foot tunnel from the company's power plant to the mouth of the old Rouge River outlet into the Detroit River, which project would permit the doubling of the electrical power plant of the Fordson factory. Ownership of the intake tunnel, which will cost \$2,500,000, will be vested in the City of Detroit, but the construction cost will be paid for by the company.

## DETROIT TO HAVE LARGEST HANGAR

Detroit will soon be able to boast of the world's largest airplane hangar as a result of the action of the Common Council in awarding the contract for its construction to Louis Kamper, Inc. This million dollar project was approved by Mayor Lodge, and the funds for its construction are to be taken from the appropriation that was voted last fall to complete and equip the municipal airport at French and Lynch road. It was stated that construction would begin immediately in order to have the building completed in time for the national aircraft show, which will be held in Detroit the first week in April.

This huge building will have a capacity for 300 planes in addition to a large exhibition hall.

The east side and particularly the Gratiot avenue district are indeed fortunate in having this great airport located where it is, as it is hoped that this unsurpassed equipment will make the annual aircraft show a fixture in Detroit, and the east side will therefore become the "aircraft center of the country."

## Detroit Edison Co. Plans Expenditure of \$1,500,000

Detroit Edison Company will spend more than \$1,500,000 in the St. Clair River district in 1929, announces D. W. Hayes, manager of the Port Huron district. The Port Huron gas division of the company, which supplies gas from its Bunce Creek plant to Port Huron, Marysville, St. Clair, Marine City and Algona, will spend \$775,000 in additions and improvements during the year. Of this amount \$675,000 will be used to extend gas service to New Baltimore, Anchorville, Smiths Creek, Memphis, Richmond, Armada, Romeo and New Haven, and \$100,000 will be expended for improvements to equipment and mains in the territory now served by the company.

## What Will you do



## When your Children Cry for It

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### Odd Trinkets Sealed in Statue of Buddha

A bronze statue of a seated Buddha at the Nevada museum was found to have a round place in the bottom, evidently for the purpose of reaching the interior. This cover was removed recently, revealing a great collection of small articles which had been sealed up in the statue, centuries ago. Each trinket, according to Albert E. Andre, orientalist on the museum staff, represented a real sacrifice on the part of some native of the interior of Tibet.

Articles found in the figure included a heavy, well-worn jade ring of a size to fit a feminine finger, a wooden bowl, a wooden bowl, ivory chop sticks and knife with scabbard, a ivory carved from wood about 14 inches high, several pieces of homelike china of various colors, silk and cotton scraps, several manuscripts written on parchments and wrapped in silk, a silver image of a seated Buddha, three beads, a piece of rock salt, beads made of human bone colored red and strips of copper, tin foil, silver and gold.

Mr. Andre said the statue had come to the museum about ten years ago. According to the records, it was in the lot taken from the temple of Tsando in Tibet when Chinese soldiers sacked the temple in 1916. The exact age of the statue has not been determined.

### Mercuric Bromides for Rhe of Human Body

Thomas Beddoes, an alert physician of 125 years ago in England, noticed there was something peculiar about the breath of a cow and decided that it must be a good medicine for human beings. For some time he administered this remedy in large doses by tying up a cow and standing the sufferer in front of her to inhale the cow's exhalations through a large funnel. No great cures were recorded but the unique treatment recalls the Baltimore physician's patient, who, according to a tale of pre-Civil war days, became discouraged with the little progress being made in banishing his tuberculosis and asked the doctor for permission to try a treatment he had thought of.

The physician, believing the case hopeless, told his patient to go ahead if the method required no great exertion and was much surprised when, six months later, the man came back the very picture of health. Asked what he had done, the patient said that each morning he had risen and with nothing but a bathrobe around him had run a mile to an ice-cold spring, leaped in and stood there immersed to his neck for 15 minutes. The story, a writer in the Detroit News comments, has few believers in medical circles.

### Gradation of Heavens

To be in the seventh heaven means to be supremely happy. According to Mohammed, there are seven heavens. The seventh, says the Koran, is formed of divine light beyond the power of description. Each inhabitant is bigger than the entire earth, and has 70,000 heads, each head 70,000 months, each mouth 70,000 tongues, and each tongue speaks 70,000 languages, and all of them are continually engaged in chanting the praises of the Most High. It was in the seventh heaven that Mohammed met Abraham. The Cabalists also believe in seven heavens, each rising in happiness above the other, the seventh being the abode of God and the highest class of angels.

### All Menace Akin

This is the most important lesson that a man can learn—that all men are really alike; that all creeds and opinions are nothing but the mere result of a chance and temperament; and that no party is, on the whole, better than another; that no creed does more than shadow imperfectly forth some one side of the truth; and it is only when you begin to see this that you can feel that pity for mankind, that sympathy with its disappointments and follies and its natural human hopes, which have such a little time of growth, and a sure season of decay.—J. H. Shorthouse.

### What Became of That?

Elizabeth was a spoiled girl, and when she married the celebrated city cotton magnate all her friends decided that it was just a means of satisfying her extravagance.

They had not been married very long before the husband found that Elizabeth was spending a great deal more money than he allowed her.

"Do you know, Betty," he said one day, "your dressmakers' bills eat up nearly three-quarters of my income?" "Really? Do they?" replied his extravagant wife. "And what do you do with the rest of your money, Monty?"

### Oysters of Old Times

The suggestion made to transplant the large oyster of Europe into American waters where it is thought they will thrive has called for the following from a scientific writer: Perhaps careful cultivation of oysters might bring back, if we desired it, such oysters as grew in the Oligocene and Miocene periods 19,000,000 to 23,000,000 years ago. If we had lived then we should have asked for a plate of oyster, not a plate of oysters. Fossil shells have been found from 6 to 12 inches across and weighing as much as 16 pounds. Oysters were oysters in those days.

### Animals Gifted With Instinct Denied Man?

Animals seem to be gifted with prophetic instinct, and have foreknowledge of impending disaster.

An hour before the Thames flood, says an article in Pearson's Weekly, which did such dreadful damage in London, mice were noticed running up a curtain on the ground floor of a house in Westminster. Some have attempted to explain this by saying that water was already penetrating the mouse holes in the basement, but that is not likely, for it will be remembered that the flood came with one rush when the embankment wall gave way.

Besides, there are other cases of premonition—as it is called—on the part of animals, which cannot be explained away. One day in August, 1922, an army of squirrels, numbering several hundred, was seen traveling through the trees in the Fox hills near Aldershot.

They crossed a road and took up their quarters in a wood half a mile beyond. Two days later a fire broke out a mile away from the wood which the squirrels had vacated, and reaching that wood it burned it out completely, but stopped on reaching the road which the squirrels so short a time previously had crossed.

### Weighty "Volumes" in Library of Long Ago

The sight, in ancient libraries, of books—whose wooden bindings are chained to the desk does not imply that books were so hard to come by, even in medieval times.

Lending libraries, available at least for students, existed in many monasteries, and the chained volumes were, many of them, reference books, which have a certain tendency to go astray.

Perhaps the real pioneer of public libraries was Sardanapallus, the Assyrian, who, six and a half centuries before the Christian era, collected at Nineveh 10,000 works, written in cuneiform on tablets of clay, for all to read.

The man to whom, however, we more directly owe the library which every self-respecting town maintains is William Ewart, who, among his other reforms, succeeded in abolishing the death penalty for cattle stealing and the punishment of hanging in chains.

### Choice of Two Evils

Gossip had it that Gagne was crazy on amateur theatricals, but such was not the case, and Gagne tried hard to deny the rumor.

"But," said a friend in the club, "you are always in these amateur plays. You've played all sorts of parts in the last six months. If you don't like it, what do you do it all for?"

Another man spoke.

"Yes," he agreed. "How is it that you never seem to be tired of appearing in every private theatrical performance?"

"I do get tired of it," protested Gagne. "As a matter of fact, I'm sick of the whole thing; but if I'm not on the stage I shall have to sit in the audience."

### Arm Round Waist Illegal

A young man who puts his arm around the waist of the girl with whom he is walking, commits a technical assault, according to the law in England. This was brought out in a case where a youth who had put his arm around the waist of a conductor of an omnibus at Stirling was charged with assault. At the trial the sheriff, agreeing that the young man was legally guilty of assault, caused laughter when he said, "But if the girl immediately condones the act, it is not assault." The young man, however, escaped with nothing more serious than a judicial warning.

### Uncertain About Thunder

John, the three-year-old son of a North side family, is very fond of Sunday school. His teacher had told the children that Jesus sends the sunshine and the rain. One evening John sat very quietly watching a thunder storm. Finally he said: "Say, mother, Jesus sends the rain, doesn't He?" Mother answered: "Yes, John, and the sunshine."

All was quiet for a few minutes, then an unusually hard clap of thunder came and John said: "Say, mother, what do you 'spose He is a pound- ing on now?"—Indianapolis News.

### Cats Foresaw Earthquake?

In November, 1922, an appalling earthquake shook Chile. At Copiapo half the town was totally destroyed. Hundreds were killed, 35,000 people left homeless. Eighteen hours before this disaster cats at Copiapo became strangely uneasy. They wandered about, mewling pitifully, many of them ran out of their homes and some were seen to go up the hill above the town. Undoubtedly they had some sort of warning of what was going to happen.

### Habit

Bertha, age ten, had been taught that habits were things to be watched and that a bad habit once acquired was very hard to get rid of.

Observing a couple passing her home in a car, enjoying their petting and drive at the same time, Bertha remarked: "That boy and girl better be careful or that is apt to become a habit, isn't it, mother?"

Mother agreed that she was right.

# AUCTION

At my farm 2 miles south and 1-4 mile west of Alamo or 9 miles northwest of Kalamazoo

## TUESDAY, FEB. 5

Commencing at 10:00 o'clock sharp, the following described property:

### 2 Horses

Bay mare, weight 1100  
Bay gelding, weight 1000

### 5 Cows

Cow, 2 yrs old, calf by side  
Guernsey, 4 yrs old, fresh in March  
Holstein cow, 7 yrs old, fresh in March  
Holstein cow, 7 yrs old, fresh January 26  
Cow, dry, for beef  
3 young heifers

### Hogs

11 head of Shoats, good feeders

### Feed and Grain

Quantity of Oats  
5 tons timothy in barn  
Lot of straw  
Corn and fodder in shock  
Quantity early seed potatoes

Quantity of corn  
Stack of alfalfa hay  
Large pile of manure  
Seed corn  
Late seed potatoes

On account of the death of my wife I am forced to sell. Everything must go. Nothing reserved

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Spring harrow  
30 gallon crock  
Good corn sheller  
Power saw  
Forks, shovels, log chains and all small tools  
A quantity of household goods  
Other articles too numerous to mention

Hay rake  
Wagon  
Double buggy  
Open buggy  
Wagon box  
Single cultivator  
Spike harrow  
20 gallon crock  
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### Mortgage Foreclosure

Notice is hereby given that the mortgage dated February 26, 1927, given by Harriet E. Dahlman as mortgagor to the First State Bank of Gobles, Michigan, a Michigan Corporation as mortgagee, covering the land described as

The East Half (1-2) of the Northeast Quarter (1-4) of Section Fourteen (14), Town One (1) South, Range Thirteen (13) West, Van Buren County, Michigan,  
which Mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Van Buren County on February 28, 1927, in Liber 122 of Mortgages on page 586, will be foreclosed by sale of said premises at the North Front Door of the Court House in the Village of Paw Paw, Michigan (that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in said county), said sale to be held on the thirtieth day of March, 1929, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day.

The amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice, is the sum of \$1128.33 besides costs of foreclosure and attorney fees.

Dated December 30, 1928.  
THE FIRST STATE BANK  
OF GOBLES, Mortgagee.

David Anderson, Attorney for Mortgagee.  
Business Address: Paw Paw, Michigan

### Plants' Baths

If your ferns, Jerusalem cherry trees and other plants look peaked, put them in the bathtub and turn the shower on gently. Plants need baths as much as humans.

### Many Species of Grasses

There are about 6,000 distinct species of grasses in the world. Of these about sixty are important cultivated plants.

### Silver Standard

The standard 0.925, for sterling silver, was first adopted in 1851 by Charles Lewis Tiffany, founder of the Jewelry firm which bears his name.

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### Effective Fly Poison

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### Happiness Secret

I have lived to know that the secret of happiness is never to allow your energies to stagnate.—Adams Clarke.

### Famous Phrase

The phrase "the melting pot" was coined by Israel Zangwell, the dramatist.

### Notice of Mortgage Sale

Whereas, Maxwell M. Benton and Carrie A. Benton, husband and wife, made and executed a certain mortgage bearing date the 29th day of October, 1923, to Mrs. Carrie L. Benton, which was recorded in the office of the register of deeds, Van Buren county, Michigan, on the 31st day of October, 1923, in Liber 128 of Mortgages on page 358, and whereas the amount claimed to be due upon said mortgage at the date of this notice is the sum of eight hundred and forty eight dollars and eleven cents and no suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured thereby or any part thereof and whereas default has been made in the payment of the moneys secured by said mortgage whereby the power of sale contained therein has become operative.

Now Therefore, Notice is hereby given that by virtue of said power of sale and in pursuance thereof and of the statute in such case made and provided the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises at public vendue to the highest bidder at the north front door of the courthouse, at the Village of Paw Paw, Van Buren county, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court within the said county of Van Buren, on the 2nd day of March 1929, at ten o'clock in the forenoon (central standard time) the description of said premises contained in said mortgage is as follows: The following described land and premises situated in the village of Gobles, county of Van Buren, State of Michigan, viz: commencing forty five rods, fourteen and one-half feet East and thirteen rods South of the Northwest corner of section thirty, town one south, range thirteen west; thence south twelve and one-half rods; thence East forty feet; thence North twelve and one-half rods; thence west forty feet to place of beginning.

Dated November 19, 1928.  
MRS. CARRIE L. BENTON,  
Mortgagee.

Carleton W. Benton,  
Attorney for Mortgagee.  
Business Address, Lawton, Mich.

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WEEK OF FEBRUARY 3

As predicted in last week's forecast we believe temperatures will be above the seasonal normal at the beginning of this week. This condition will be due to a weakening low pressure area that will probably move into the southern states during the early part of the week and thus dragging colder weather out of the north.

Unsettled weather with some rain or snow storms are to be expected during the first two or three days of this week, but this condition will soon be followed by a change to much colder.

During the middle days of this week the sky will have a tendency to clear, as much as it is generally possible over a state surrounded by so much water.

About Thursday temperatures will range close to the seasonal normal in most parts of Michigan with a rising tendency to be noted. During this and the next day we expect some storminess of rain or snow.

Although there will probably be a clearing of the weather about Saturday of this week there will be renewed storminess again at the beginning of next week.

**Less Beans Per Acre, 1929**  
Michigan knew its beans during 1928, but failed on potatoes. Notwithstanding we predicted a good potato year for 1928, farmers persisted in planting too large an acreage, which greatly reduced prices and profit. On the other hand, the Michigan bean crop was a huge success with large yield and good profit. As a result it is likely farmers will generally go in for beans during 1929.

It is our forecast it will take a good bean farmer to make a good bean yield for 1929 in Michigan. The weather enters strongly into the life history of the bean and for this year climatic conditions are not propitious for as large a harvest as in 1928 with the same acreage.

**Short Fishing Season Urged**

Eighty Lake Michigan commercial fishermen, representing ports from Manistique to Ludington, met with William Loutit, executive chairman of the state conservation commission at Traverse City and agreed upon longer closed seasons for white fish and Mackinaw trout.

The closed season on trout is now October 10 to November 4. If the legislature accepts the recommendation the closed season in Lake Michigan will be from October 20 to November 22.

The closed season on white fish is now November 20 to December 15. The meeting agreed that in Lake Michigan it should be from November 5 to December 15.

New closed seasons for Lake Huron were agreed upon at a similar conference at Bay City recently.

"Are you engaged to him?"  
"Yes," answered the prudent girl.  
"But I have requested time to verify reports on his title and fortune."  
"That is not an engagement. That is an option."

---the public now demands

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Jars of Vicks daily

Compared with 1918, this epidemic, so far, is mild and yet, in spite of vastly increased capacity, the Vicks Laboratories are once more operating night and day to meet the emergency demand for more and more Vicks VapoRub. Over 375,000 jars are now being produced daily.

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Several times a day, insert Vicks up the nostrils. Also melt a little night and morning in a bowl of boiling water and inhale the steaming medicated vapors. This helps to ward off germ-infection.

2. IF A COLD STARTS

If possible, go home and go to bed. Take a laxative and a hot lemonade. Apply hot, wet towels over throat and chest until the skin is thoroughly reddened. Then rub vigorously with Vicks. Spread on thickly and cover with warm flannel. Leave the bed-covering loose, so that the vapors, released by the body-warmth, may be freely inhaled. At the same time, Vicks acts through the skin like a poultice.

Repeat this treatment every four hours, eat lightly, and stay in bed until the cold is broken. Complete rest helps the body throw off the cold more quickly.

3. AFTER A FLU ATTACK

Physicians advise that the chief danger in this epidemic is after influenza. Then, more than ever, colds, attacking the weakened system, may lead to bronchitis, sinus-trouble or pneumonia. This is especially true of children or old folks.

Heed even the slightest cold as a danger signal. Vicks is especially valuable here, because it is applied externally, and so can be used freely, as often as needed, without upsetting delicate digestions, as too much "dosing" is so apt to do.

**VICKS VAPORUB**

**JACK and JILL**

By CLIFFORD WEBB.

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"Well, I'll be jiggered!" exploded Tony, who, quite naturally, had been following the recital with ever-increasing interest. "If it isn't 'Our Jack's Oil Well!' Whoever'd a-thought it? But go on, Mike. Who did he find as th' owners of th' property?"

"He didn't find," replied the girl, a whimsical smile twisting one corner of her pretty mouth. "That is, he didn't find th' lawful, legitimate owner. He found a tax title had been issued jointly to a Mr. Jack M. Stuart and a Mr. Anthony L. Justin, both of Elliston, West Virginia.

"But," continued Mike, her smile fading, "there is a shell-shocked soldier, who was discharged from a hospital in Ohio a year ago, who is, according to law, th' real owner. This soldier was supposed to have been killed in France—but he wasn't. He has an uncle, Dad learned, who lives now in Elliston. This uncle is an old skinflint, everybody says. If he were to get so much as an inkling of th' truth about this ore, well—"

"Anyhow," went on the girl, "a tax title isn't worth much where there is no abstract accompanying it. But it isn't a question of th' property just at present. It's th' pile of ore on th' property that carries th' value.

"And now, from what I've told you, I'm sure you can figure out th' other possibilities. Dad wants to see and talk with you. But he wants, at th' same time, to be able to show you something of what he had done to safeguard not only his own but yours and Mr. Stuart's interests. He could do that only by having you on th' spot—either you or Mr. Stuart. I was commissioned to bring either of you out here."

"But Jack—my brother-in-law—said there was oil all around that rock pile!" expostulated Tony, whose knowledge of tungensten was far too slight for him to be greatly enthused as yet, even though Mike's remarkable statements were correct. But the possibilities attaching to an oil well were within the focus of his understanding. An oil well was a get-rich-quick proposition close to home—something he had seen and knew about personally.

"And Jack," he continued, "has had a lot of experience around oil wells, and he says—"

"We're not interested in th' oil on that property, Tony," cut in the girl, quickly. "Th' important thing right now is for you to talk with Dad. So c'mon!"

And again they were on their way. Suddenly the tunnel where they walked merged into a huge chamber. The girl drew a quick breath, and stopped short. Tony recognized the chamber as an immense coal drift. It was well timbered, wall and ceiling. Along one wall he noted what looked to be at least a hundred heavy canvas bags filled, as he could see, with small pieces of rock averaging the size of a hen's egg. He turned to ask Mike about these bags, and suffered another jolt. The girl was gone!

He stared around the big chamber, which was almost square and measured probably 50 feet from wall to wall. It was well lighted, and contained no exit that Tony could see, save the tunnel, and he could look back in that for 100 feet. He began to walk around the walls, seeking a possible opening. He found nothing. Again his gaze fastened on the row of canvas bags. What was the purpose, he wondered, to which they—

"Here's Dad, Tony!"

He whirled. There she stood, less than eight feet from him! In her gray-

green eyes sparkled a light of mischief. But she was smiling as unconcernedly as though it were perfectly natural for a girl to disappear from right under one's gaze and then pop up again a moment or so later like a jack in the box!

Standing close by her, also smiling sociably, was a red-faced, red-headed man of aldermanic proportions and the map of Ireland spread all over his jovial countenance.

CHAPTER XI

You would know at a glance that he was "Dad" to a "Mike" or a "Pat," even if both were girls!

Tony glared at the "Mike" girl. He felt that he had a grievance, and

served an ordinary door. She opened this. Instantly the short passage was illuminated by a brilliant violet-colored light. He followed through into the chamber, or laboratory, a room some 15 feet square, fitted with retorts and all the paraphernalia of chemistry and for assay work. In one corner was a gasoline motor which evidently furnished light for the place. Attached to the ceiling, and some eight feet apart, were two vacuum mercury lights.

"Dad has had four experts besides his friend, Mr. Guernsey, and several laborers at work here ever since last December," explained Mike. "The laborers have a camp, a log house, near the old mine entrance. The



He looked at the girl, vital, alluringly pretty and glowing with health.

she wanted to give it an airing. But she was too quick for him.

"This is Dad, Tony," she repeated, grinning at him. "Dat Pat, th' only living Jiggs, th' one strange specimen outta captivity! And this, Daddy dear, is my friend Tony, Mister Tony Justin."

She led "the one strange specimen" forward. The "only living Jiggs" made obeisance and extended a purple paw. Mechanically, as if impelled by a force over which he had no control, Tony reached out his hand and felt the mighty digits of "the strange specimen" wrap around it. The clasp was warm and friendly, and Tony experienced an oddly soothing sensation, a sudden feeling of confidence in the man before him.

"Tis roight glad Oi am, me bye, t'meet yez," said Pat Sweeney, his steely gray eyes looking straight into Tony's with a disconcerting steadiness. "Me gyrl, Mike—who oughter been born a bye, but wasn't—tells me she posted ye a bit about th' raysoun ye were fetched here!"

"I just gave Tony a mere outline, Dad," spoke up the girl. "You must tell him everything. But let th' first thing you tell me," she added swiftly, "be my alibi for being here—that you promised me this would be your last 'speculative' deal, if I would help you with it!"

She spoke with a passionate vehemence, there was no mistaking. It was evident that "his gyrl Mike" had little liking for Pat Sweeney's speculating proclivities.

"Yis, yis," me gyrl, I'll fix thot, niver fear," hastily promised "the only living Jiggs." And he did.

"Ye see, me bye," he went on, with a portentous wink at Tony, "it's jist loike this: Mike here has consaived a virtuous ann-tip-pathy for what she calls 'speculative deals.' So, jist to plaze her Oi've promised this shall be Pat Sweeney's "swan song" in speculation lullybies. After this I'm to confine meself to more loidy-loike pursuits!"

Again the girl interposed her voice in the proceedings.

"Tony is half sick with curiosity, Dad, as to th' manner in which I disappeared so suddenly," she said, with her brief gurgle of a laugh. Then she turned to the young man.

"When Dad started in here with his experts to make his investigations," she continued, "it was necessary to do some of th' assay work on the spot. In order to be safe from the curiosity of any person who might accidentally stumble on th' place they fixed up a small chamber leading off th' main tunnel which was closed here. This chamber is equipped as a laboratory and reached by th' secret door I used. I'll show you how that operates."

She led him across to the near wall, and reaching up, placed her hand on a slightly projecting stone. Instantly a space six feet wide and six feet high turned on a pivot, giving an opening on each side of about two and a half feet. Beckoning him to follow, she stepped through the right hand opening and as he joined her she gave the huge block of stone a light push. Without the slightest noise it swung on around and into place again.

He looked around. An incandescent bulb in the ceiling showed him they stood in a short passage six feet wide. At the opposite end of this he ob-

would start with th' first trip, for which you would receive \$10,000 apiece on your return to Elliston with a receipt for delivery from Mr. Guernsey!"

Tony tried to speak. The best he could accomplish at the first attempt was an inarticulate gasp. Finally he managed to get it out in a kind of a way.

"Sixty-three — th-thou — th-thousand dollars!" he stuttered, incredulously, "is that—?"

CHAPTER XII

"Sixty-three thousand, three hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents!" corrected Mike, with her ready smile. "Ten thousand for every trip save th' last, and on that thirteen thousand, three hundred and thirty-three and. And now, since I've given you th' substance of th' proposition, let's go back to Dad!"

"Oi was jist thinkin' o' comin' after yez; Oi thot mebbe yez hod strayed off into some drift an' got lost," was the greeting vouchsafed the two by "the only living Jiggs" upon their reappearance in the big cavern-like room.

"I've been trying to enlighten Tony," explained Mike, "as to th' why and wherefore of things. What worries him now is why he is to keep the story of 'How he Got Rich Quick' to himself. You'd better tell him, Dad!"

"Well, it's loike this, me bye," said Pat Sweeney, turning his keen glance on the young man. "It's unfort-nate, but a fact nevertheless, that a tax title to a piece of property is very often a poor title! Frinstance: "If th' uncle of this unknown, or unlocated soldier, who was thot fr several years to hov' been killed in France—but wasn't—if this uncle got wind of our work he could put an in-junct-ion on us in th' name o' his nephew, of whom he is said to be th' guardian. Thot would tie us up in-def-i-nitely. Then, if th' soldier showed up he could re-claim his property he might—I say he might—force yez to settle wit' him for th' ore. But, if he knew nothing about th' ore, why, he would do nothing. D'yuh see, me bye?"

"I see," said Tony, reflectively, and wondered at the same time in what light Jack Stuart, who was peculiar in some ways, and owned a rugged Scotch honesty that had shown itself to be fairly unpuncturable, would view the matter. Pat Sweeney, like "his gyrl, Mike," seemed to be able to read Tony's thoughts.

"Ye are wonderin' how yer brother-in-law will look at th' situation?" he said, tentatively.

"Well, Jack is a bit queer in some ways," admitted Tony, a trifle ruefully. "However," he added, "I reckon we'll be able to make him see th' light th' same as we do. And if we can," he queried rather hurriedly, "how soon would we be able to start on th' job?"

A close observer would have noted the glint of satisfaction in Pat Sweeney's keen eyes at the question. That the young man had been fascinated by the alluring rhythm, the smooth run of consonants in the words—"Sixty-three thousand, three hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents"—was plainly indicated. Pat Sweeney, wise in the ways of human nature, and the workings of the human mind, had known just the psychological affect those words would have. That's why he had instructed Mike to play them up in the best way possible. It remained now to be decided between Tony Justin and Jack Stuart, with Tony on the "money side." Thus matters stood, as he gave answer to the young man's question.

"e-lapses of time." He wants to begin t' move th' junk!" he replied, in the form of an inquiry. "Well," he proceeded thoughtfully, "thot depends, av course, on th' amount av toime thot e-lapses durin' th' in-ter-val betwixt th' prisent moment an' thot w'ich sees us riddy t' start. In th' ev-vent thot we lose no toime at-all at th' start, I would say, we sh'd be riddy t' start jist as soon as circum-stan-ces will per-mit. Does thot answer yez quistion, me bye?"

Tony was not quite certain, but there was a nebulous sort of an idea trying to shape itself in his mind that Pat Sweeney's answer to his question was a masterpiece of ambiguity. In the sum and substance of its voluminous ramifications it told everything and—told nothing at all. The "gyrl Mike" snickered.

"You're good, Dad Pat," she said, with an emphasis on the "good." "You're like th' man who gave away straw hats in th' winter time; you're giving something nobody wants. Tony doesn't want to hear about the 'e-lapses of time.' He wants to know 'what time?' When? How soon before th' 'ghost begins to walk?' In other words, what is th' earliest date on which your job can start, and how soon will you pay?" She turned with a flapperish grin to the young man. "Isn't that about what you mean, Tony?" she asked.

He donned, laughing, both amusement and admiration vying with each other in his contemplation of this girl. She was a multiplicity of personalities, a "little of this and a little of that, and a lot of the best of them all." The man who was representative of "the only living "Jiggs" chuckled an aldermanic chuckle.

"Well, thin, Oi'll giv' it to yez straight," he announced, turning again the light of his beaming countenance on Tony. "Today is Saturday. I'll giv' a party nixt Winsday an' take yez all to Pittsburg, where we'll com-plate arrange-ments. Oi think we'll be able to start on th' job by nixt Sat-ur-day. How's thot?"

The two nodded. Then upspoke the "gyrl Mike" and she said: "I'm certainly glad that matter is settled!" Having relieved herself of this momentous observation, she addressed Tony directly.

"In the not improbable event," she continued, thoughtfully, "that th' soldier comes back and wants to re-claim his property, you can ease your conscience by returning it to him without any litigation."

Tony smiled. His conscience was an abstract commodity that bothered him very little—if at all. At

the same time he couldn't help being amused at the ingenueness of this girl's suggestion—the ease with which he was going to evade all responsibility, enrich himself, and feel no compunctions whatever. He believed he had a better suggestion.

"Supposing," he said sociably, "that we let th' matter stand as it is until I've talked with Jack Stuart and my father? So far as I'm concerned, I'll tell you frankly I'm distinctly in favor of your proposal."

"But, ye are not so certain about yer brother-in-law?" said Pat Sweeney, in a tentative tone. "I hov' heard," he went on, "thot Jack Stuart was a bit close-hauled fer riddy cash jist now. Isn't that a fact?"

(To be continued.)

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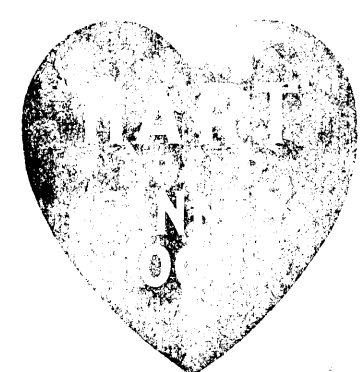
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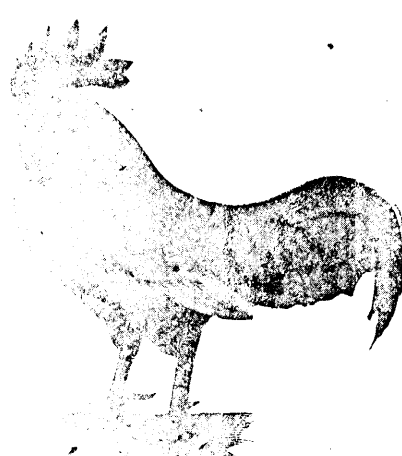
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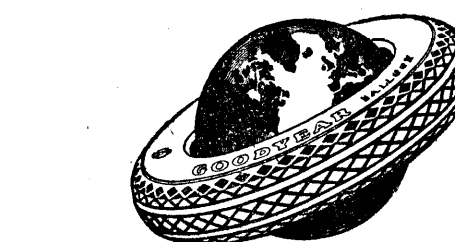
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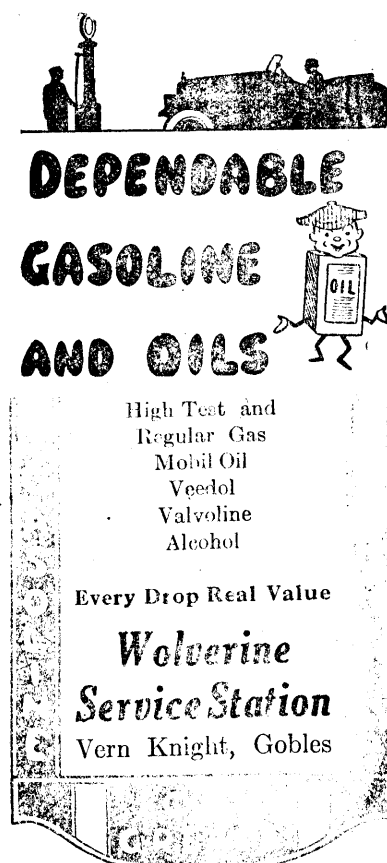
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