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ST. PATRICK'S DAY

And today is St. Patrick's Day in the Morning—the day when legend has it that St. Patrick, patron saint of the Emerald Isle, chased the snakes from the Ould Sod. It is a day that every loyal Irishman and friend will wear the Green. It is also a day that is marked, or has been in times past at least, by much argument, with Irish confetti, buckhorn cudgels and other items between the Irish of conflicting religious belief.

POLITICAL WISDOM

The public is becoming thoroughly disgusted with what might be called "party wisdom" or political wisdom. It is tired of the method of legislators who approach every question that concerns the public on a basis of consideration of political expediency.

There has been enough of the policy of considering the effect of any measure on the personal fortunes of legislators or of public officers rather than acting solely on the basis of the effect on the public welfare.

It is time that all legislators and all officers recognize this, it is true that they realize that the public good is the best political expediency.

It is past time that every question for the public good be considered on the basis of the future candidacy of any one of any party.

It is past time that measures for the public good be subjected to a struggle for credit therefore, a struggle that too often defeats the purposes of such measures or weakens them.

In time of war the "personal fortunes" of officers are not considered. The country's fortunes are the only consideration. That same principle applies with equal force at times of peace.

AN ALABAMA BATTLE

Senator Oscar W. Underwood's rating as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the presidency has been improved considerably by the Alabama primaries. The people of his own State have given him a send-off that would warm the heart of any favorite son. But gaining a large majority vote for his delegation to the convention was not the only victory won by Mr. Underwood. He was opposed by the McAdoo machine and by a newer political group organized by Col. Bryan. The latter took a personal interest in the fight to discredit the Alabama Senator, but without avail. The McAdoo forces were routed, while the set-back given Col. Bryan—his first political reverse of the year—will make him more cautious in the future in the matter of challenging a popular native son to combat upon the latter's own health. In appealing to Alabama voters Col. Bryan charged that Senator Underwood is too close to Wall Street and that he is no friend to the eighteenth

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amendment. Either the Bryan thunder along these lines has lost its potency, or Alabama did not care. At any rate Senator Underwood comes through the ordeal a stronger candidate than he was before his enemies challenged him to battle.

INTERESTING!

In view of the fact that last week's snow storm barely reached the southern limits of Nolan County and remembering that it has now been several months since funeral services were held for J. Willis Johnson of San Angelo, the following item which appeared in the Sunday edition of the Star-Telegram, will prove most interesting:

It snowed in San Angelo Thursday.

Nothing especially remarkable about that, for snow covered all West Texas at that time.

But San Angelo likes to go other towns a little better, so the snow there was 4 inches, while on the Door Key ranch nearby it measured 21 inches deep. J. Willis Johnson, San Angelo rancher and banker, told about it Saturday at the Texas Hotel, saying old residents at San Angelo claimed it broke all records for that section.

A 21-inch snow is unusual even for the Panhandle.

THE "PATRIOT"

Mr. Doheny, oil magnate, has withdrawn his offer to the government to cancel the leases, which he holds upon naval oil reserves in California. It is now announced that he will "fight to the last ditch" the government's efforts to restore the oil reserves to public ownership. To effect this last ditch fight Mr. Doheny, accompanied by a party of friends and lawyers, arrived Saturday at Los Angeles. He is traveling in his private car, the "Patriot." Mr. Doheny may retain this misleading name upon his private car, but it is a term that no longer befits his career as a citizen. To such a low state of patriotism has the oil promoter fallen that if he wants to carry on as usual as a large contributor to political campaign funds, he will have to make the conveyance by suit case, as he did to Mr. Fall, instead of the usual check book route. To the degree that it has relieved American politics of one of its most debauching influences, the wealthy offenders who imagine that government favors and contracts are things to be bought instead of to deserve, the senate oil investigation has been a wholesome influence for the country. But in their zeal for inquisition into public wrongs the statesmen at Washington have overlooked an opportunity. Why hasn't some congressman proposed an inquiry into the names that appear on the sides of the nation's private cars? If the flag may not be misused for advertising purposes, why should a Mr. Doheny be permitted to roll luxuriously at will throughout his vast dominions in a private car designated as "Patriot?" Such a perversion is a libel upon the trade of honest patriots who make a few billion waving the flag and saving the country in time of war.

MODERN CITY

Every project, every enterprise, every crusade must have a definite goal towards which it is working if progress is to be made. It will not do to be simply going somewhere; even if we think we are happy on the way, we must have a definite destination toward which we are working, day by day and year by year.

If we but study history we shall find that the great men and women of the past have either made some outstanding sacrifice or performed some great service in the interest of humanity. Sacrifice and service are

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—A community in which every ound-hearted, right-minded man and woman has learned the art of the co-operation in everything that makes for community life;

—A community in which every citizen is contributing fairly of his or her physical, moral and financial strength, in proportion as God has given him or her health, strengt and means, towards the upbuilding of the community through the support of its established institutions;

—A community in which, through the generosity and co-operation of its citizens, every needful facility known to modern civilization that will add to the life, liberty and safety, the moral intellectual, social and educational advancement, and the happiness of its people as a whole, is provided and maintained;

—A community in which no worthy human being, man, woman or child, is denied such human assistance or sympathy as may be needed to aid him or her over days of distress;

—A community in which love, loyalty, and duty to neighbor, city and nation are an all-consuming ambition, and where the "brotherhood of man" in its highest interpretation is practiced more than it is preached;

—A community in which moral, material and educational advancement always go hand in hand.

A people striving for such a goal will be lifted above the many humdrum and more or less grinding experiences of daily life and toil to a plane of living in which work becomes ennobled, and service to friend, neighbor and community a privilege and a pleasure.

Miss Althea Brooks returned home with her aunt, Mrs. Belton Frost it Rseoe to spend the week.

Prof. L. T. Litsey, who is teaching the Royston school drove his horse and buggy, as well as himself and two small girls into a ten-foot tank of water at Royston. All escaped being drowned.—Roby Star Record.

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M. V. Santos who has been engaged to serve as instructor for the Big Spring band arrived Monday morning from Sioux City, Iowa, and has entered upon his duties here.

Mr. Santos is an experienced band leader and instructor in wind instruments and harmony and we feel that Big Spring is especially fortunate in securing his services.

We are banking on the new leader whipping the boys in shape so that Big Spring can be represented at Brownwood in May by a "peppy band."—Big Spring Herald.

Capper's Weekly of Kansas City carries the picture of the oldest son of William Lackey, of Winters, Texas, who is old enough to be the grandfather of his father's youngest child. Lackey was 100 last December. He is the father of 23 children, 12 of whom are still living, the oldest 83, the youngest 14.

Charley Bruton and Ham Holloway mad a raid on a rattlesnake den in the Seale pasture near Belle Plaine. They killed 98 rattlesnakes, many of them over five feet long. Fifty of these rattlers were killed in one den and the others in a den near by. Charley says that he and his brother, Enoch, eight years ago, killed 117 rattlers in the same den.

Charley says that there is a den of rattlesnakes in the Hickman pasture that he is satisfied has three hundred rattlers in it, if they could all be gotten out.—Baird Star.

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J. A. Floyd, 55, took his own life at Floydada on a charge of incest on his 20-year-old daughter. He had just been released on \$1,500 bond and went to the Boren hardware store where he bought a single barrel, 12-gauge shotgun from Mr. Harris, together with a box of shells, stating that he wanted to kill some dogs. On his way home he entered an old maize shed and pulling the trigger of the gun with a piece of bailing wire, instantly ended his life. The muzzle of the

gun was pressed against his breast and the gun discharged.

Kidd had been billed by the grand jury of Floyd County, which convened this week. His son, Jesse, 16, is now being held in the Floyd County jail on a similar charge and another son, Jessie, 19, is held in the Plainview jail, having been transferred here by Sheriff J. A. Grigsby to prevent communication with his father.

Kidd's wife has been dead about five years.—Claude News.

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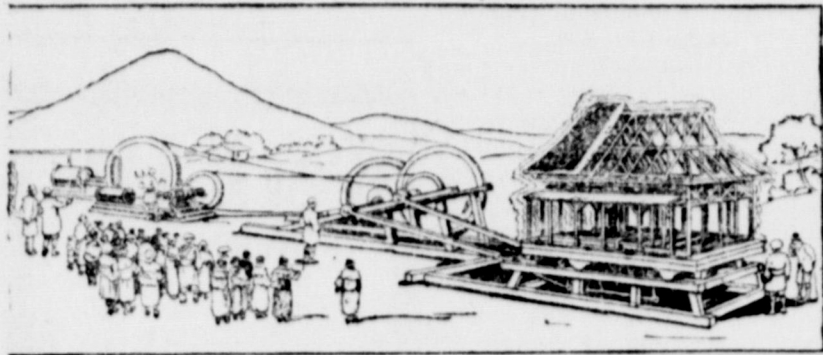
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AS SEEN BY POPULAR MECHANICS MAGAZINE



Man-Made Quakes Test Building's Stability

Tests to determine the type of building best adapted to withstand earthquakes are made on a machine which reproduces, with realistic intensity, the horizontal and vertical vibrations caused by a genuine tremor. The device is the invention of two Japanese professors, and consists of a platform on which a model house is constructed on a reduced scale. The base is then made to sway and shake as the surface of the earth does in a seismic disturbance, by means of levers. The longer

the house is able to withstand the vibrations, the better suited it is to resist the earthquake's power. Results of the recent disaster and of many previous occurrences like it, have proved that fires, gaining rapid headway in crumbled buildings, have frequently caused more damage than the actual vibrations of the earth. A type of construction that will be immune in heavy shocks is sought by builders in countries where such disturbances are likely to occur.

Laughter-Proof Tribe Found in Wilds of Ceylon

For more than 2,000 years, it is said, laughter has been unknown to the Veddas, a tribe of aboriginal inhabitants of Ceylon, who have maintained a secluded existence in caves and jungles of the region. Cut off from other peoples and subsisting on bats, owls, and crows that they shoot with arrows, these strange people are said to have lost entirely the sensation of laughter. They are thin and bony, and a fat man is unknown to them. Efforts of a scientist, who recently visited them, to produce smiles by tickling them on the soles of their bare feet or in the ribs, met with no success. Their stony countenances did not even wince.

(Hawaii is reported to have more than twice as many motor cars and trucks as there are in the state of Ohio.)

Women Play Part in Building of Modern Skyscrapers

That the needs of women must be given as much attention as is accorded the sinking of the foundations of a modern skyscraper, is disclosed in the report of the National Association of Building Owners and Managers. This consideration is reflected chiefly in planning for adequate and attractive rest rooms which, it is declared, can no longer be classed as luxuries. Also human frailties must be taken into consideration, including the habits of messenger boys penciling corridors and jumping down the stairs. The pencil habit has given rise to the term "pencil line" for the height of marble wainscoting, which is raised to such a level that marks may be easily cleaned from the walls. Awning fires are being prevented through dipping of the fabric in a fireproofing substance.

"Automatic" Car Jack

When working on the rear end of an automobile, or under it, it is usually necessary to jack up one end of the car to provide more space to work. The illustration shows a pair of simple home-made jacks for this purpose. They are made of 2 by 6-in. unplanned lumber, and constructed as shown in the upper figure, each consisting of a 2 by 6-in. base, two support blocks, and a top board of the same material. The top board is pivoted on one of the support blocks by means of a piece of 1/2-in. iron pipe, loosely held in place by large staples; it must be about twice as long as the base and beveled at one end as shown, this end being slightly heavier than the other so that the board will fall to the position indicated in the upper figure.

The jacks are placed close to the wheels at the front or rear, and the car driven on.



A hook is provided on one support block to keep the top board down, and a short length of iron pipe or rod, fitting loosely in holes drilled through the sides of the top, prevents the wheels from running off the jack while the work is being done, thus making the work perfectly safe.

(A can of crushed coke placed in an ice box or basement is highly effective in absorbing odors.)

ROTAN BUILDING

Activity at Site Universal Gypsum Company Plant Continuing—To Add Rock Crushing Plant

ROTAN, March 17.—The building activity at the site of the Universal Gypsum Co., continues and the work there becomes more noticeable as the building appears. It takes a lot of work to construct the large building and lay the foundations for the heavy machinery to be used.

At the beginning of plans for the mill it was announced that the mill would probably be in operation in April of this year, but since that time the size of the mill has been increased and it will not be in operation as early as first planned.

Investigations of gypsum rock is now being made and it is probable that the manufacturing of this mill will include crushing and manufacturing the products of the rock, adding another mill for this purpose of considerable proportions.

It is known that the Universal Gypsum Co., considers the Rotan Mill and site as one of their most valuable possessions, if not the very best. Officials of this company have stated that their land here contains the best gypsum deposit they know of in the United States, consequently the mill is to be one of their best holdings.

Notice

The American Legion Committee to meet with the business men tonight will please take notice to meet at the Hotel Wright Thursday night, March 20 at 7:30 instead of tonight.

E. E. Harrington.

See Clifford Weston, a lyceum entertainer and a magician of ability Tuesday evening. Le Maire's orchestra will be at their very best Tuesday evening at the Library Benefit at the Palace Theater. Be there to hear them.

Dinner Party

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. McDonald entertained twenty-eight guests Sunday at a four course dinner party. Violets and jonquils were used as table decorations.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Henthorne of Colorado; Mr. and Mrs. B. T. McDonald and Miss Lucile Henthorne of Dallas. Following dinner Miss Henthorne sang several numbers which were enjoyed very much.

Miss Nettie May Hunnicut is convalescing from an appendicitis operation early in the week.

"Freckles" will be at the Library Benefit Tuesday evening, with "bells on." Wesley Barry would weep at his "freckles" but you will laugh. Tickets on sale at Bowen's drug Store or Public Library.

Eastern Star Will Meet

The Eastern Star will hold their meeting Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the Masonic Hall. All members are urged to be on time promptly in order to enable the members to attend the Library Benefit at the Palace Theater. All visiting members are extended a cordial invitation to be present.

Inquisitive Man Finds B. V. D.'s But Not Deserted Babe

A striking illustration of the fact that at least a wee bit of sentiment is contained within the human breast, even among dollar-chasing mortals in this fast-stepping 20th century, was given in an unostentatious manner early Friday morning by a citizen who used to rub noses with buffaloes ranging in what is now known as Nolan County.

With the memory still fresh that a priceless bit of human flesh was heartlessly deserted and deposited unceremoniously on a certain front porch recently—but, let's get to the point.

Picture a kind-hearted old man wending his way toward his daily toil. The milk of human kindness flowed within his soul. His thoughts dwelled upon the better things of life.

He nodded a friendly greeting to every passer-by and with the aid of his trusty cane was proceeding along—when, behold, a curiously shaped bundle on the steps of a neighbor's porch attracted his attention.

"Jumping Jehosephat," exclaimed the old man. "It's another deserted baby and I shall claim it as mine."

With bated breath the kindly old gentleman approached the bundle with a fluttering heart and trembling fingers, began gently to unwrap the bundle that supposedly contained a hu an life.

Picture again the kind-hearted old man when he finally unrolled the



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bundle and found—a pair of B. V. D.'s belonging to a certain young banker, and destined to the Sweetwater Laundry, marked "special rush."

The old gentleman's name? Oh, his initials are "A. B."

A prairie fire, starting on the north west corner of the Spade ranch, and covering an area of something like 25 sections of land, swept everything before it. The strong west wind drove it in an easterly direction. The fire divided the head fire going down the draw, and the back fire going east and north, toward Olton. Fire fighters kept the blaze from reaching the homes of Wicker, Becker, Hooper, Eby and McLains, which were in much danger. The fire did untold damage to the grazing section. During the fire a great many wolves, coyotes and rabbits were driven from cover. Origin of the fire is unknown, but supposed to be from a camp fire or carelessness with matches.—Lubbock Avalanche.

Messrs. F. C. Hairston and H. V. Richards began the work of remodeling the St. Clair Hotel and of erecting a large annex there to adjoining the old building on the west.

The old building will be remodeled throughout and converted into a stucco structure. The annex will likewise contain twenty rooms, which will make the hostelry a forty room building. It will be furnished with baths and hot and cold water throughout, and when completed the St. Clair will be a handsome, commodious structure.—Lynn County News.

Miss Thelma Howard returned this morning from Dallas where she has been visiting friends several days.

T. G. Shaw, manager and proprietor of the Panhandle Cigar Company, reports that the cigar business is not entirely immune from tricksters, and has something to back up this belief.

Just recently Mr. Shaw received a case of cigars, and upon breaking into the case he found that huge sack containing sawdust and a block of stock salt had been put in the case after boxes containing 850 cigars had been removed.

The shortage was reported to the shippers of the cigars and a claim was placed with the railroad.—Lubbock Avalanche.

Judge and Mrs. C. S. Perkins Jr., were Sunday guests of relatives at Snyder.

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