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## Way Have Isolated

### Microbe of Cancer

When it is declared by scientists to have been found claim to the discovery of the microbe of cancer is made by Dr. Josef Schumacher, a Berlin investigator.

In a lecture, Doctor Schumacher showed lantern slides of microbes which, he stated, were specimens of the cancer germ. They were made visible by a new method of coloring, and showed up on the screen as blue S-shaped organisms, with bulbs at each end.

The investigator declared that they are vegetable microbes, and that they are found in all cases of cancer. He believes that they are introduced into the human body as a result of eating raw vegetables and fruit, and holds that this is a cause of disorders of the digestive and related organs.

That there are relatively few cases of cancer in northern regions and in the tropics is attributed to the fact that few vegetables are grown in cold climates, while in tropic zones the great heat prevents the growth of the microbes outside the body.

## Veteran Says Actors

### Respond to Realism

David Belasco, the foremost American theatrical director, says that an actor is entitled to realism, just as the audience is. "If a play calls for a cardinal's ring," he writes in Liberty, "I purchase an authentic gem—not something of washgold and glass. I do not substitute satin for satin, near-silk for silk, nor canvas rocks, walls and fences for stable, solid settings built in my own shops."

But when, in a recent play, I wanted the replica of a mean, grimy hall bedroom, I went to the worst of the theatrical lodging houses and bought outright the interior fittings. I know the owner thought I was crazy when I took the tumble-down bedstead and patched chairs, threadbare carpet, tarnished and broken gas fixtures, tottering cupboards and scratched doors and window casings. Yet, when my players found themselves within that setting, they felt its suggestion and actually were more realistic in their roles.

## The Courageous Suiitor

"I'm going to town to call Heck Terry by telephone," said a youthful swain of the Torpidity neighborhood.

"Why—great ginny!—what are you going to do that for?" asked an acquaintance. "His house is right over there, and all you have got to do is stop at the gate and holler for him to come out."

"That's just what I don't aim to have him do till I find how I stand with him. I'm going to tell him I want to marry his daughter, Gloria, and I want him to be well out of reach when I do so. Then if he turns me down I'll drink a few horns of moonshine licker and go over and sass him all I want to."—Kansas City Star.

## Lifeboat for Submarines

A lifeboat which, by reason of its own buoyancy, will reach the surface of the sea when released under the water, has been designed by Daniel Carr of San Francisco.

It is specially suited for submarines, and is in the form of a cylindrical steel compartment that would be accommodated in the superstructure of the submarine walking deck. The floor door can be easily released in the event of an emergency, and once the boat reaches the surface it can be fully opened and an S. O. S. sent out by a small wireless set.

## Mycosis Kills Penguins

A mysterious and baffling disease known as mycosis makes living a highly precarious business for the penguins beloved of Robinson Crusoe and Anatole France. It infests the lungs and respiratory passages, causing death. The disease (for which no remedy has as yet been found) may rage acutely without registering any visible signs.

## Pure Insulin?

Professor Abel of Johns Hopkins university, Baltimore, has obtained a crystalline substance which he believes to be pure insulin. If, as physiological tests appear to prove, it is about thirty times as active as the best products so far obtained, it would require only one ounce to keep a diabetic in health for his whole lifetime.

## KEEPING WELL

### PREVENTION OF BEDSORES

DR. FREDERICK B. GREEN  
FIGHTER OF REALITY

THE healthy human being, who spends from seven to eight hours in bed at a time, will turn from side to side, even unconsciously, during deep sleep, thus relieving any one part of the body from the pressure of the body weight for too long a time. But the chronic invalid, who must sometimes pass weeks, months or even years in bed, has no such ability. So one of the most serious and dangerous complications from which such unfortunate sufferers is what are known as bedsores.

These troublesome sores may develop at any point where there is long-continued pressure or irritation, such as is caused by the patient lying too long in one position, from the pressure of ill-fitting casts or splints, from too tight bandaging or even from such apparently trivial causes as wrinkles or creases in the clothing or bedding, crumbs or other irritating bodies on the under sheet, friction or pressure from two surfaces of the skin which touch each other or any other cause of pressure or irritation on the same spot for a long period of time.

Nurses or those having the care of chronic invalids, especially of older patients, should know the causes of bedsores and should be constantly on the alert to prevent them. Once formed, they are exceedingly difficult to cure and the suffering and exhaustion caused by them may often does prove the determining factor between recovery or death of the patient.

In an excellent article on this subject by Dr. E. K. Marriott in the Trained Nurse and Hospital Review, attention is called to the well-known fact that patients with feeble circulation due to old age, persons suffering from heart disease, from Bright's disease, diabetes or malignant growths are particularly liable to bedsores. In long-continued illnesses, such as tuberculosis and typhoid fever, where the resistance of the patient is reduced, they are also apt to occur. Very thin persons, where the bony prominences press on the skin, and very fat persons, where the skin surfaces come in contact, are equally liable.

Two things are necessary for their prevention: First, scrupulous cleanliness and, second, frequent change of position. The skin must be kept clean and dry. Frequent baths with warm water and mild soap, followed by gentle rubbing until perfectly dry, sponging with alcohol and dusting with a zinc dusting powder, will generally prevent them. The bedding must be fresh, clean and smooth. If a bed sore does develop, it is like any open wound and should be treated by a surgeon.

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## World Still Has Vast

### Deposits of Iron Ore

The Lake Superior district in the United States probably is the most noted of all the iron ore regions in the world. From it come 50 per cent of the entire output. At the rate at which the high-grade ores are being mined in this district they probably will be exhausted within thirty years, but many of the lower-grade ores can be mined for a much longer period. In Newfoundland is located probably the largest body of iron ore in the world for the area it covers. On the west coast of Mexico are important deposits and in almost every country in South America iron ore has been discovered. Sweden long has been famous as a producer of iron, the larger deposits being in the northern part. While in almost all parts of Great Britain there are deposits, the ore generally is of low grade. In Russia there is a large reserve. Germany's reserve was greatly reduced by the loss of the Lorraine field, which was gained by France as a result of the World war.

## Greenland Exploration

The little-known east coast of Greenland will be explored this year by a Danish government expedition headed by Dr. Lauge Koch, the Danish geologist in charge of the Greenland geological survey, who on his last trip brought back important information about the formation and age of the northern part of that great subarctic continent. Preliminary plans for the expedition are now made and it is proposed by Doctor Koch to spend a year on the east coast between 70 degrees and 76 degrees north latitude mapping the geology of the region. Doctor Koch is to be accompanied by an English paleobotanist and a Danish geologist, who is a specialist on Mesozoic fossils. It is expected that the traveling conditions will be good and that there will be opportunity for getting Eskimo assistance, so that interesting results should be obtained.

## South American Fly

### Laughs at Distance

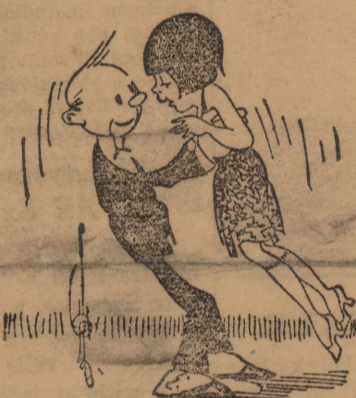
After studying the flight of birds for centuries, man at last has learned to fly; and in doing so he has outdistanced his living models in speed, in altitude and in carrying ability.

Now a study of the marvelous flying mechanism of the world's speediest known creature, a South American fly known as Cephememyia, has led at least one scientist to suggest the possibility that eventually bird-men may nearly triple the present airplane speed record of 300 miles an hour, says Popular Science Monthly.

Dr. Charles H. T. Townsend, American entomologist stationed at Itaquaquecetuba, Brazil, points out that if we can learn to duplicate the action of the Cephememyia we shall be able to fly around the earth between sunrise and sunset of the longest summer day, or in about seventeen hours. To do this over the 13,835-mile circuit at the latitude of New York, we should have to travel constantly at a speed of 815 miles an hour, or about 14 miles a minute! This is as fast as the speed of projectiles of certain types of artillery.

The fact remains that Cephememyia does cover 815 miles an hour, or nearly 400 yards a second. With tremendous power stored in a body of extremely light weight, it moves so swiftly that it can be seen only as a blur or streak of color.

## NOT THE RIGHT KIND



He—Didn't know I could lift you, did you?  
She—No, but daddy wants me to get a hubby who can lift the mortgage on the old home.

## Forewarned

Charles Lane, screen actor, discussed at a dinner a recent slump in the stock market.

"These things are often psychological," he said. "They happen, I mean, without any real rhyme or reason. They are born of nightmare fears."

"The stage manager of a music hall rushed to the proprietor one night and said:  
"Turn Nine refuses to go on with her trained mice. She says she's been reading that newspaper story about the young politician who was devoured by lions in Bechuana-land."

## Caribou Now Extinct

The caribou which once roamed Minnesota forests in vast numbers have been driven from the state and not a trace of the animals has been found this year, according to a report to Governor Christianson by Albin S. Pock, United States district forester.

Superior national forest, until this year, was the habitat of a small herd of caribou and others roamed at large but not one report of the animals has been received this spring and summer.

## Locomotive Speedometer

A speedometer for a locomotive has at last been devised. For a long time there have been experiments with belts, pulleys and gears on long, flexible shafts, but the vibration and swaying of the engine have made them inaccurate.

The new method uses a magnetogenerator driven from one of the engine wheels, with an indicator in the cab, and can be attached to almost any type of locomotive with hand tools.—Exchange.

## Most Important

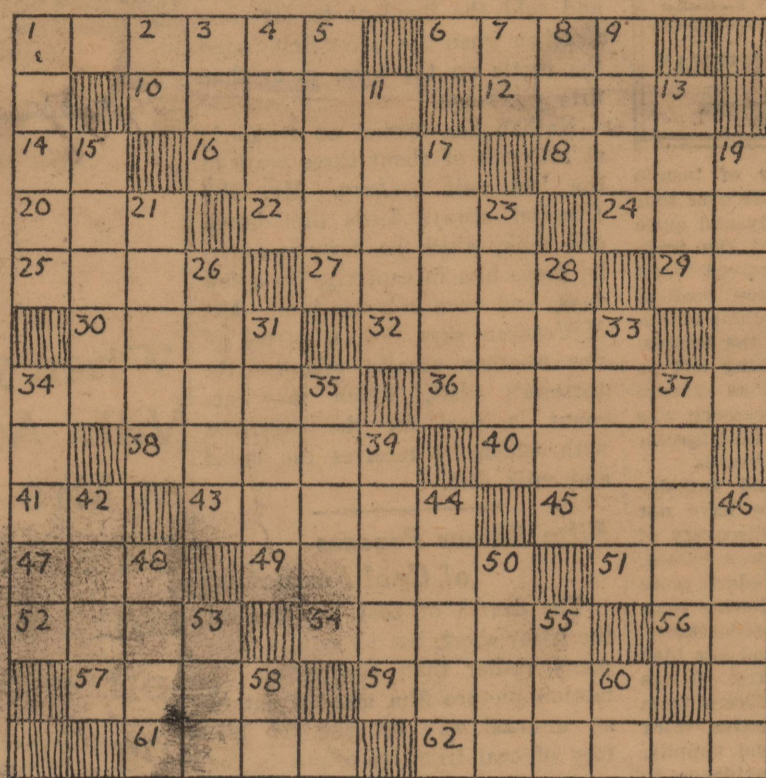
The baby was the sensation of the neighborhood and all the children for blocks around came to view it. Among them was little Philip, whose interest, to tell the truth, centered not so much in the baby as in the multitude of pins, rings and lockets with which it was surrounded.

Philip examined all these gifts carefully, and finally, turning to the proud mother, asked: "Did all these decorations come with it?"

## CROSS WORD PUZZLE

### HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

When the correct letters are placed in the white spaces this puzzle will spell words both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle. Thus No. 1 under the column headed "horizontal" defines a word which will fill the white spaces up to the first black square to the right, and a number under "vertical" defines a word which will fill the white squares to the next black one below. No letters go in the black spaces. All words used are dictionary words, except proper names. Abbreviations, slang, initials, technical terms and obsolete forms are indicated in the definitions.

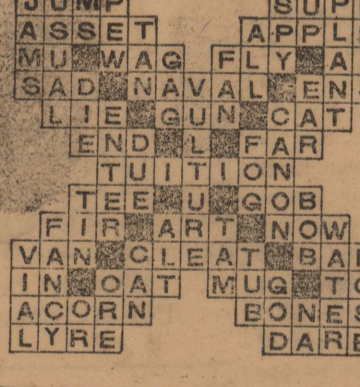


- Horizontal.
- Strand of false hair
  - To utter, or be idle
  - Fatigued
  - To urge on
  - Preposition
  - Portico
  - Woody plant
  - Skill
  - Holes in skin
  - Free, or loose
  - Group of letters
  - Mixture of vegetables
  - Note of scale
  - Was attired in
  - Natives of Poland
  - Changes
  - Wise men
  - To father
  - Preposition
  - Support on a larger vessel for a smaller boat
  - Metal container
  - Place of ground
  - Oleaginous fruit
  - Over there
  - God of love
  - Native of the capital of Italy
  - Sun god
  - At no time
  - To colonize
- Vertical.
- Indian's wife
  - That thing
  - Pea
  - Harvest of grain
  - Central figure in a romance (pl.)
  - Bone
  - Fitting
  - To roll up, as a flag
  - To fight
  - To bore out
  - To skulk
  - Lowest class of serf among ancient Spartans
  - Doors to the outside in a theater
  - Runs along, as a horse
  - Sellings
  - To fear
  - To resign from a Masonic lodge
  - Potential energy
  - Mit
  - To cut in two
  - Lowest voice in a quartet
  - Famous youth who met a plemian
  - Arsenal
  - The jack of a suit of cards
  - To work
  - Part of a church
  - Ocean
  - Meshed material
  - Note of scale
  - Right (abbr.)

Solution will appear in next issue.

## A FAST ONE

Answer to last week's puzzle.



## Ancient Footprints

Footprints of animals which are said to have crawled over the earth more than 25,000,000 years ago in Grand canyon, have been put on exhibition at the new National museum in Washington. The footprints, discovered by Dr. Charles W. Gilmore of the Smithsonian institution, are imbedded in large slabs of shale and sandstone. The tracks were 400 feet below the surface of the earth and had been covered by sediment that grew slowly through the eons.

## British Radio Revenue

Radio users in England paid nearly \$5,000,000 for the privileges of listening-in last year. Revenue to the British Broadcasting company from the collections of \$2.50 each from citizens possessing sets increased more than \$350,000 last year over the previous year. There are now 1,965,000 licensed sets in England. Nearly 300 persons were prosecuted for failing to pay the fee.

## Caught Baby as It Fell

At Danville, Pa., Vincent Griffith, walking along the street, heard a cry. Looking up, half a block ahead, he saw a baby in a second-story window in the act of overbalancing on the window sill. He raced forward, arms outstretched, like a felder at a ball game, and made the catch just as it fell. The baby was not even bruised.

## Farmers' Co-operatives

More than 70 per cent of all the farmers' co-operatives are in the twelve north central states, the largest number reporting from any one state last year being 1,383 from Minnesota, Iowa ranking second with 1,094, and Wisconsin third with 1,092.



## Odd Result of Fall

That modern drinkers sometimes develop delirium tremens after a hard fall was the theory advanced by a doctor at the inquest of William Corser, manager of the Salisbury hotel, Lewisham, England. Corser died of delirium tremens and cardiac failure following a fall from the concrete veranda at Bognor where he was staying. It was stated he was only a moderate drinker.

## Clemenceau Made Holiday

Not every Frenchman knows that M. Clemenceau had a prominent share in the establishment of July 14 as the French national holiday. The fall of the Bastille was for many years unrecognized officially, and it was not until 1880 that the future premier and other deputies introduced and put through a bill making the anniversary a national holiday.

## Moslems Must Not Gamble

Although Turkish government officials are sponsoring the conversion of the former sultan's palace at Constantinople into a gambling casino, no Mohammedans will be admitted to the gaming tables, says the Dearborn Independent. The Koran forbids Moslems from gambling.

## Will Excavate in Greece

Plans have been completed with the Greek government by Prof. Edward Capps of Princeton university to excavate the ancient city of Athens, at the foot of the Acropolis. The enterprise is the greatest in the history of archeology and is expected to occupy ten years.

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**New Method Draws**

**Saltpeter From Air**  
What is described as a new method of making saltpeter, which is used among other things as a fertilizer, from the elements of the air, has been discovered by Prof. K. A. Hofman, of the University of Charlottenburg, Germany. Unlike earlier processes, this method does not require the use of large quantities of electricity and extremely high temperatures. In Professor Hofman's process, ammonia gas, which can be made from nitrogen from the air and hydrogen from water, is mixed with air and passed through a mixture of caustic soda and chalk with burnt clay, to which a small amount of carbonate of copper or nickel is added. This reaction takes place rapidly at temperatures of about 750 degrees Fahrenheit. It is stated that if the gases are compressed the action is hastened and that between 90 per cent and 97 per cent of the ammonia can be induced to form saltpeter.

**High Speed Possible**  
on New Typewriter

One thousand one hundred and sixty keys, comprising forty different alphabets, constitute the keyboard of a high-speed typewriter recently invented by a Washington lawyer, Fred A. Dolph. The inventor, who can write 150 words a minute on the ordinary typewriter, claims he is able to turn out 283 words a minute on his new machine. Each alphabet on the typewriter extends in a single vertical line. Each line carries a capital shift, character shift and release shift. Instead of printing each letter separately, an entire line is assembled at one time and then pressed on the paper by a special lever. The machine has no ribbon, as the special lever inks each line when it presses it against the paper. Mr. Dolph states he has been working on the invention for twenty-five years.

**Another Fish Story**  
We have all heard the old saying "killing two birds with one stone," but "catching two fish on one hook" is a new one to most of us. However, two boys fishing in the Patoka river recently caught a two and a half pound drum perch and a thirty-one-pound cat fish on one hook on a throw line. The smaller fish went after the bait on the hook, and when the big cat fish came along he swallowed perch, hook and all. The boys claim they had a lively time landing the double-header, but finally succeeded. It is said to be the biggest catch yielded by the Patoka in years.—Exchange.

**Machine Darns Stockings**  
Working on the principle of a loom, a new device has been invented to perform the ancient task of darn stockings. This little tool has teeth which lift simultaneously every alternate thread, so the needle can be slipped through with one movement. Then the device is turned on its other side, causing the other set of threads to be lifted, and the needle is sent back to the opposite side.—Popular Science Monthly.

**Should Know Realities**  
As early as fifteen or sixteen, a youth should be brought into contact with realities from that age on. That does not mean that he will make an end of learning then, but only that henceforth he will go on learning—and continue learning for the rest of his life—in relation not to the "subjects" of a curriculum, but to the realities he is attacking.—H. G. Wells, in Hearst's International Cosmopolitan.

**Night Bird's Cool Roost**  
Picking out the coolest spot in Worcester, Mass., a night bird which feeds nightly on insects attracted by the downtown lights, has chosen the weather-vane atop the Piedmont Congregational church tower as a roosting place. From sunup to sundown he may be seen sleeping on the letter W of the N, S, E and W pointers.

**Extraordinary Expansion**  
The draw of the Lincoln highway bridge over the Hackensack river at Kearny, N. J., one day this summer expanded so much from heat that it would not fit into the rest of the structure. Traffic was held up forty-five minutes while the steel beams cooled off and contracted to their normal length.

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**KEEPING WELL**  
THE VALUE OF INSULIN

DR. FREDERICK B. GREEN  
Editor of "HEALTH"

WHEN the discovery of insulin was announced a little over four years ago, it was generally and quite prematurely assumed that the problem of diabetes had been solved. Many newspapers and quite a few medical journals, carried away by their enthusiasm, gave their readers the impression that there was nothing left to learn about this mysterious disease and that all that was necessary was for the diabetic patient to take insulin in order to be restored to health. Unfortunately, time and broader experience and knowledge have not confirmed this view. The discovery of insulin by Doctor Banting was, indeed, a great achievement and added more to our knowledge of this disease than all the efforts of all his predecessors. Its use has entirely changed our idea of the treatment of diabetes. It has enabled thousands of sufferers from this disease to resume active work and to live comfortably and happily. But there is as yet no evidence to justify the hope that insulin has any effect as a "cure" for diabetes, if by cure is meant restoring the patient to a normal condition, as he was before he contracted the disease.

In a recent issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association, this question is discussed editorially. It is unfortunate, the editor says, that the discussion and widespread public interest about insulin at the time of its discovery gave the general impression that it was or would become a cure for the disease and that many physicians are now finding it necessary to disillusionize their patients on this point. Dr. E. P. Joslin, one of the leading authorities on diabetes, says in a recent book on this subject, that he has found no cases in the last four years which he could regard as really "cured." The same overconfidence in regard to various forms of treatment of tuberculosis has from time to time had to be corrected, so that today the best authorities on consumption do not use the word "cured," even for apparently healthy patients but call them rather "arrested" cases, that is, patients in which the disease is making no further progress. So Doctor Joslin suggests that diabetic patients who are apparently perfectly recovered be called "arrested" rather than cured. (© 1925, Western Newspaper Union.)

**Coating Now Applied by Metallic Sprayer**  
It was a Swiss inventor who devised the remarkable process of applying a coating of metal not only to another metal surface but to articles of wood, plaster, cement, leather, glass and even cloth. This process is entirely different from the two metal-coating processes in most extensive use—electroplating and dipping. A thin wire composed of the metal of which a coating is to be applied is melted in the flame of an oxyhydrogen blowpipe, and at the instant of melting is subjected to a powerful blast of compressed air. The article to be coated is held in this air blast a few inches away from the flame and the minute particles of metal coating can therefore be applied to such inflammable materials as paper, cloth and even celluloid. The spraying apparatus resembles a pistol connected by small tubes with reservoirs that supply oxygen, hydrogen and compressed air.

**Beauties Often Do Not Make the Best Matches**  
Pretty girls do not always pluck the most desirable matrimonial plums, is the encouragement given to plain girls by Mary Clare Davron in an article in Liberty. Many a plain woman with charm, says the writer, has taken an eligible bachelor right from under the noses of a bevy of beautiful women. "It is surprising the number of matrimonial prizes that go to plain women," she goes on. "Pick out your successful, popular, handsome man—and then meet his wife. Usually you are in for a distinct shock."

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**Tortoise Believed in Life's Third Century**

A living relic of Colonial days, Nathan, a big tortoise who has been a regular visitor at the farm of William McCracken in Brainard road for a century and more, is now at the farm on one of his periodic visits, says a dispatch from Thompsonville, Conn. Cut in the underpart of his shell is the date "1815" and while this was done 111 years ago, naturalists who have seen the tortoise say that Nathan probably was between seventy-five and one hundred years old when the date was cut.

Besides the date Nathan carries the initials "N. O. W.," standing for Nathan A. Wardwell, who lived on the McCracken farm in the early 1800s. Mr. Wardwell's son, Cephas Wardwell, saw his father cut the date on the turtle's shell and told the incident to Mr. McCracken when the latter first found the turtle on the farm more than fifty years ago.

Nathan has turned up regularly at intervals of about three years in the last half century. Mr. McCracken always feeds him bread and milk, which he devours eagerly, keeps him in captivity for a few days, and then releases him. Mr. McCracken says that a period of dry weather usually precedes the tortoise's visit, which may account in part for the eagerness with which he receives the bread and milk diet.

**Film Shows Process of Coal Formation**

The drama of coal has reached the silver sheet, but by way of Germany rather than Hollywood. A motion picture film marked out in an unusual way showing the history of coal from its origin in the cypress forests of the carboniferous age down to the formation of the newest type of briquette was a chief center of attraction among scientists attending the fourteenth international geological congress at Madrid recently. Before their eyes, long centuries of that ancient Coal age were compressed upon a few minutes of celluloid. The great forests grew, the water level rose, the dead debris of the forest formed peat around the base of the trees, then the trees broke off at the water line and there was left in the deposit that had finally become lignite the stumps of the trees that created it. Wash drawings as well as outline sketches and actual motion pictures of German lignite deposits, mines and briquette factories were used in making the film.

**Early "White Indians"**  
The "white" Indians of the Darien that have caused so much controversy in science circles were observed as early as 1679, according to a reference just unearthed by Dr. Maynard M. Metcalf of Johns Hopkins university. The early volume, published in Dutch in 1699, was the work of one Alexander Esquemeling, a buccaneer who served as opportunity offered both the English and the French and between times turned historian. In his "Buccaneers of America" he records that in 1679 his ship touched at the islands of Zambles, which lie a little to the west of the River Darien, where he notes that several of the Indians were "fairer than the fairest of Europe," with hair as light as fax.

**Distinct Species of Pike**  
The dean of fish scientists of America, David Starr Jordan, has accepted the theory advanced by Prof. Carl Bubs of the University of Michigan that the blue pike of Lake Erie is a separate and distinct species from the wall-eye and states that this classification and change will appear in a volume of American Game and Food Fish.

**Heat Supplied by Radio**  
High temperature furnaces whose heat is supplied by radio for melting metals are now in experimental use. One such piece of apparatus is in the United States bureau of standards laboratory at Washington. A wave length of about 1,000 meters is employed.

**To Study Volcano**  
The national park service has detailed Dr. Thomas A. Jaggar, geologist, to begin studies of the only active volcano in continental United States. This is Mount Lassen, located in a park of the same name in California. Observation buildings will be erected adjacent to the crater.

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**KEEPING WELL**  
COUNTY HEALTH WORK  
DR. FREDERICK B. GREEN  
Editor of "HEALTH"

UNDER our American form of government, the county is the smallest unit. The United States, as everybody knows, is made up of 48 states; each of these states is made up of a certain number of counties, according to the size and population, all the way from Delaware, which has three, to Texas with 254. Cities and towns are, of course, smaller units than counties but they are not considered a part of the general plan of organization. Any city, no matter how large, is under the control and jurisdiction of the county in which it is located.

In the last 57 years there has grown up an almost complete system of state health boards, to oversee and regulate health matters for the protection of the public. The old United States Marine hospital service, created shortly after the Revolution, has gradually been reorganized into the United States public health service. Most of our cities, even those of comparatively small size, have a local health department. The only gap in this chain of health organization, from the federal government at Washington to the small town, is in the county. For some reason, county health organization, which is and should be the most important of all, has been neglected until recently. Interest in county health boards and officers is now reviving.

In a recent bulletin on county health work, written by Dr. Thomas Parran and issued by the United States public health service, this question is discussed at length. The first step, says Doctor Parran, is an educational campaign in each county. Health work is for the general good. Public health work is paid for by the people in the form of taxes. It is, therefore, of the first importance that the people should know what such a county health board is going to do and should approve of the use that is going to be made of their money.

In counties in which the largest city does not exceed 50,000 population, the most effective and economical plan is to combine the city and county health officers and to have one health officer in charge of both. The health officer should be paid a salary sufficiently large to enable him to devote his entire time to the work. For the average county, the cost of such a department, including salaries, is about \$10,000 per year. This will amount to about 20 cents per year per person, surely a ridiculously small amount to pay for health protection. (© 1925, Western Newspaper Union.)

**Track Layers Broke All Existing Records**  
A record was established in laying track on a line in New York near Syracuse, when it became necessary to replace about a mile of "56-pound" rails with "70-pound" rails without interference with the running time of the trains. Nearly three-quarters of a mile of 56-pound rails were removed and replaced with the heavier rails in the wonderfully short period of 21 minutes and 2 seconds.

Before starting on the work the new rails were laid beside the old ones already bonded together, and with the spikes distributed at regular intervals so that the least amount of time would be required to do the work. The feat was accomplished in much less time than was thought possible, and the cars were enabled to maintain schedule time. The removal of a mile of trackage did not interfere with the operation of the road in the slightest degree.

**Picture Labels Save Breakage in Transit**  
One of the difficulties in international trade is that few of the men handling the shipments can read the different languages in which signs on the boxes are written. Breakage through ignorance of the contents is often the result. To eliminate this, the international union of railways has adopted a series of picture labels, a sort of commercial Esperanto in tags, so that everyone concerned will know the nature of the contents of the boxes.

For instance, parcels of perishable goods have a label in blue and white with a design showing a fish, a flower and a bunch of grapes. Live-stock crates carry a tag in the same colors with pictures of a dog, a cow's head and a hen. Articles of a fragile nature are marked with red and white stickers showing a wine glass.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

**A Rush Order**  
John has implicit faith in his mother, but he stepped over the edge the other day. He is in high school and has just reached the age of quick decisions. "Mother," he said, "can you devil me a dozen eggs, fix me ten sandwiches and bake me some beans in forty-five minutes? I've got to have them that quick."

"Well, John," replied the smiling mother, "I've always jumped for you, but I can't do that; I can fix the eggs and sandwiches, but you'll have to get your beans elsewhere. There is a limit to what mother can do."—Pathfinder Magazine.

**Pat Mythical City on Site of Denver**

The vain lure that led Coronado and his followers into Colorado is believed to have been an old map on which was marked the city of Quivira, mythically resplendent with streets of turquoise and palaces of gold. This map indicated that Quivira was located almost on the present site of Denver, the capital of Colorado, says the Denver Post.

Almost three centuries later gold caused Denver to spring up almost overnight. When gold was found in marketable quantities near Denver in Cripple Creek canyon, the present capital city of the Silver and Gold state took root and became an important commercial and trading center.

There are cabins of prospectors for gold still standing in Colorado, and though Coronado probably was the first white man who set foot upon what Coronado's historian, Castaneda, called "Colorado of the colored rocks," Spain's hold on the American continent had been all but shaken off before Colorado boasted any "golden city."

**Chemicals That Seem Really to Have Life**

Making lifeless chemicals act as though they were alive is the feat reported by M. Herrera, a widely known French chemist. M. Herrera made a solution of fourteen parts of caustic soda and one part rhodamine in one hundred parts of water, and poured a few drops of this into a second solution consisting of one part olive oil and two of gasoline. The drops staged a close imitation of the behavior of amoebae, one of the simplest of animal forms. They divided, moved about slowly, elongated, formed vacuoles within themselves and constantly changed their shape. Under proper conditions they kept up this performance for as long as an hour. M. Herrera made no claim that the drops had any properties of life. The phenomenon, he said, is probably due to diffusion currents, changes in osmotic pressure, surface tension and other physical and chemical influences.

**Homes for Legislators**

Building at Canberra, future federal capital of Australia, is going ahead at a rapid rate, according to the Manchester Guardian. About 3,000 workmen are occupied there at present constructing government buildings and homes for housing legislators. To date \$3,000,000 have been spent and it is estimated that \$1,250,000 will be expended during the present year. When the seat of government is transferred there, late in 1927, it is expected that the present population of 4,000 will be increased to 10,000.

**Keeps Up Husband's Work**

Travelers by night through the forest of Senart can look up at the observatory of Juvisy where Camille Flammarion passed his nights looking through his telescopes, and still see a small red light burning at its summit, a token that his widow, after being his assistant for years, is continuing his work. She often remains at her post until dawn on nights propitious to observation and it is her ambition to finish the manuscript that Flammarion left incomplete.

**Find Ancient Aqueeduct**

Workmen excavating at Milford, N. H., made a curious find. At some eight feet below the surface an old wooden aqueduct was encountered. This was found to hold fresh running water of good quality. The wooden pipe line must be at least 150 years old, as no record of such an aqueduct is known. The line was probably laid to supply Milford's first log cabins with water.

**Get Energy From Air**

Windmill turbines are being perfected in Germany for obtaining a large part of its electrical energy from the air by harnessing the wind for cheap electric current. A windmill with a diameter of 45 feet has been developed to generate 21 kilowatts of electricity an hour. A wind velocity of eight miles an hour is sufficient to turn the windmill, a six-bladed device.

**All Princes Barristers**

English princes of the blood royal all become barristers. No examination is undertaken, the chief necessity being to dine with the benchers at the temple. The duke of York is the latest member of the royal family to be "called to the bar."

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**METHODIST CHURCH.**

"And when they grow up," We fathers and mothers! What fond things we imagine for our children. Only we who have tucked little boys or girls into bed, or who have watched the restless, inquiring mind of them develop, can know the longings and the plans that fill a parent's mind. And yet so many of us must qualify even our most reasonable and modest hopes with a big "If" or a forbidding "Perhaps."

Don't you realize that your boys and girls are walking in your footsteps? Don't you know that what you as a parent do right now will have its influence on your child as long as he lives. You want him to be honest, truthful and fair. You realize that the spiritual should be developed as well as the physical. Where can he learn these virtues better than in the church and Sunday school?

Take your children to church and Sunday school. Lessons learned in youth will never leave them. Give your children the best moral foundation. They will go to church most willingly if you go also.

The Methodist church doors are wide open for you and your family, and you are heartily welcome to all of our services.

Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Sunday school at 9:45 a.m.

Intermediate League at 3 p.m.

Senior League at 6:30 p.m.

Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30.

A hearty welcome  
R. W. Fisher, Pastor.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.**

Regular preach services morning and evening.

Sunday School 10 a.m., W. V. Wallace Supt.

Preaching each Lord's day at 11 a.m. and 8:20 p.m.

B. Y. P. A. at 2:30 p.m.

Singing Wednesday at 8:30 p.m.

All are earnestly asked to come to all these services.

The young people are cordially invited to attend the Senior Union.

J. A. Stephen, Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Turney of Del Rio, were visiting friends in Sonora Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. North of Ozona, were here Wednesday on their way home from a visit to Marlin.

Miss Willie Crawford, a graduate nurse is in Dr. Blanton's office to assist him and attend to collections.

Walker & Stites the Chevrolet agents have bought the Smoots machine shop and have placed R. O. Reynolds in charge. They will do all kinds of auto repairing

Joe S.—"I sure feel rotten today."

Floyd—"What's the matter?"

Joe S.—"I woke up twice in geometry class today."

Wesley—"Teachers are worse than immigration officers nowadays."

Ond—"How is that?"

Wesley—"They have swiped the slogan 'They shall not pass.'"

Mr. Bryan—"Is baseball your favorite game?"

Mr. Britt—"No, quail on toast is my favorite game, what is yours?"

Mr. Bryan—"Eagle on twenty dollar gold pieces."

**SCHOOL NOTES.**  
CHAPEL EXERCISES.

The high school and grammar grades assembled for chapel exercises Wednesday and Friday mornings last week. Wednesday morning "America" was sung, led by the music director, Miss Little. Mr. Bryan gave the situation of the football team. After stating the situation, he asked for volunteers to the football team. Immediately twenty boys volunteered. Friday morning the pupils sang "Our Boys Will Shine To Night." After singing, several football yells were given. The yell leaders were Joe Hull and Jamie Gardner, who were elected at the "pep" meeting on Thursday. Tuesday morning of this week the school assembled for chapel again. This meeting of the pupils grew out of Friday's assembly. "Old Black Joe" was sung. Miss Henderson then made a short talk, expressing her appreciation for the football boys and their winning the game Saturday. Mr. Bryan the coach, made a talk concerning the future plans of the football team.

**THE GIRL GLEE CLUB.**

The girls of the Seventh Grade and the girls of the High school, will meet Wednesday afternoon to organize a Glee Club under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Little. The meeting last Wednesday was for the purpose of determining the number desirous of joining the club, and also the day most convenient for meeting. About thirty five girls reported at the first meeting and decided to meet every Wednesday afternoon after school. In the try-out for club accompanist Monday afternoon, Elizabeth Caldwell was chosen to serve in that capacity until Christmas. If the enthusiasm shown thus far continues throughout the year, Sonora may look forward to something really good from the Girls Glee Club.

**Parent Teachers Association**

A Parent Teacher Association is a voluntary partnership of parents and teachers and others whose object it is to surround little children with the environments most favorable for their developments. This organization brings parents and teachers together to study child life in regard to care and proper guidance in the home, in the school, and in the community. It aims to cooperate with educational institutions intelligently; to work for public welfare with regard to health, morals, playground facilities, children's courts, mothers pensions, etc.

What would it mean to the children and to the schools of the U.S., if every school would have the cooperation of a wide awake progressive parent teacher association.

We believe in P.T.A. because of the good it has done and the good it promises to do. An association of fathers and mothers deeply interested in the school is certain to improve not only the school but the entire community

**CO-OPERATION?**  
Oct. 5th 1926.

Leader Mrs. John Sims

1. Instrumental Music, Edwin Sawyer

2. Parents and the school, Mrs. O. G. Babcock

3. Your responsibility to your Parent Teacher Association, Mrs. W. C. Bryson

4. Round Table Discussion, "Obedience of Children." Teachers and Parents.

5. Chorus, Sixth Grade, under the direction of Miss Little.

Refreshments served. H. E. girls under the direction of Miss Castard.

There are six of last year's graduates in college this year. Ray Glasscock, our favorite football star is attending Howard Payne at Brownwood. George Smith, the famous baseball player and Alvis Logan are going to Texas Tech at Lubbock. Billy Caldwell, the honor graduate, is attending the Southwestern at Georgetown. Grover McDonald is attending Baylor School of Pharmacy at Dallas. Ama Fanning is going to school in Weatherford.

Bucks and billies for sale. See G. W. Stephenson, Sonora.

**HOME-MAKER'S CLUB.**

The Home Makers' Club met Thursday, Sept. 23, with a good attendance. The program was on planning the winter pantry. The next meeting will be Sept. 30, the program will be on line, colors and design. We are in hopes every member will be present, and bring with you a colored scarf as we want to find out what colors each can wear.

If you are not a member, join, watch for the wedding of Phyllis and Walt!

**The Purpose of the Library Fee**

The Library Fee is a money saving proposition, made and approved by the Sonora School Board. Each child in the High School is charged a fee of one dollar and fifty cents. This fee covers the expense of all classics for English work, reference books for History work, and outside reading books for English. This is saving of from six to eight dollars a year for every high school student. The fee for four years, the entire high school course, is only six dollars, less than the expense for one year otherwise.

**Bronchos Win Open r.**

In the opening game of the season the Sonora Bronchos won a hard fought fight from Menard Yellow Jackets. The final score was: Sonora 17, Menard 7.

Menard kicked off to Sonora, Turney receiving, but fumbling ball, recovery out of bounds. Two plays failed to gain the needed ten yards. Trainer punts twenty five yards, against heavy wind. After exchanging several punts, the Menard team scores a touch down when the wind blows. Trainey punt back and the ball takes a crazy hop. Decker of Menard scores the touchdown. The extra point is made by place kick.

The second quarter the teams change goals. Sonora has the high wind to their back. Sonora opens up on the passing game completing many pretty passes. Ridley doing the passing. By passing and good end runs Sonora advances the ball to Menards 20 yard line. On a pretty end run Ridley takes the ball 20 yds. for a touchdown. Ridley failed to kick goal. The first half ended Menard 7, Sonora 6.

For the greater part of the third quarter the ball was deep in Menard's territory, but the Bronchos lacked the punch to put it over. At the end of the 3rd quarter the ball is on Menard's 15 yd. line. The punt cut to the 50 yards line. Trainer punts to Menard safely and after safely being rushed fumbles the ball. Archer, Sonora's quarter back, scooped up the fumbled ball and races across the goal for the Bronchos second and winning touchdown. Ridley failed to kick goal.

Until last three minutes neither team was able to gain. But as the game grew to close Menard started a determined march to another touch down, but were stopped on Sonora's 30 yard line by the time-up signal.

The outstanding features of the game were the end runs by Turney, Trainer and Ridley. Also the forward passing game of Sonora was very good. Ridley doing the passing and Trainer being on the receiving end of most of them. Neither team was able to gain on line plays. Each team having weak lines on the offensive.

First downs, Sonora 7, Menard 5. Forward passes Sonora completed six out of eight, Menard completed one out of four.

Referee, Rex of Eldorado. Umpire, Bond of Sonora. Head Lineman, Randolph of Menard.

Time Keepers, Archer and Aldwell, Sonora.

**SONORA LINE UP.**

Left end..... Alvin Heimig  
Left tackle..... Joe Treigler  
Left guard..... James Whidon  
Center..... R. E. Tay or  
Right guard..... Hillman Brown  
Right tackle..... Jack Trister  
Right end..... John McClelland  
Quarter back..... Les or Archer  
Left half..... Bill or Turney  
Right half..... Jody Trainer  
Full..... Floyd Ridley

The following were subs: Harry Pierce for McClelland, McClelland for Pierce. Joe Hull for Whidon, Whidon for Hull.

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Mrs. Sterling Baker entertained Friday afternoon with two tables of Bridge. Mrs. J. W. Wilson won high and Mrs. Murphy won low score. The evening was a very enjoyable one.

Mrs. Ed. Mayfield entertained the Tuesday Bridge club with several extra tables of guests. Mrs. Vernon Hamilton won high score for club and Mrs. W. L. Aldwell low score. Mrs. Ira Shurley cut prize. Mrs. Louie Stuart won high guest prize and Mrs. Murphy low with Mrs. Stuart cut the prize.

Mrs. Mayfield entertained in the evening with several tables of Bridge, it being Mr. Mayfield's birthday. Mrs. A. G. Blanton won high score. Mr. Reasonover high score and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Steen low score.

Bucks and billies for sale. See G. W. Stephenson, Sonora.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Ervin Renfro were in from the ranch near the head of the Llano, Wednesday, for ranch supplies.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Wardlaw of Quana, Texas, are the guests of their daughter, Miss Sallie Wardlaw here this week.

**Art Exhibit at High School**

An Art Exhibit of Fine Art Prints will be held in the Sonora High School some time this month. The Exhibit is being loaned the school free of charge for the benefit of the School's Picture Fund and it is planned to obtain a number of pictures for the different rooms.

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Chas Schreiner of Kerrville it is reported sold Tuesday half a million pounds of mobair at a price in excess of 60 cents for grown hair and better than 70 cents for kid hair

John A. Ward & Son of Sonora sold an Angora buck for \$100 to J. W. Cannon of Sheffield. Mr. Cannon also offered to give Mr. Ward \$200 for an Angora buck if he would save him one for next year.—Standard

The Texas Experiment Station Number 14, near Sonora, John A. Ward & Son, and B. M. Halbert of Sonora, and C. L. Martin were the leaders in the awards made to Angora breeders and growers at the San Angelo Fair this week

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# So Big

It was more than usually unconvincing, and noticeably moody. Paula remarked it. "Why the hell brown?"

"You didn't mean that, did you? Not marrying a rich man. You were kidding, weren't you?"

"Wasn't. I'd hate being poor, or just moderately rich. I'm used to money—loads of it. I'm twenty-two. And I'm looking around."

"You've taken an innocent beet-top with you?" "You like me better than any man you know?"

"Of course I do. Just my luck."

"Well, then, let's take these wags."

"I'll make a pretense of lifting the basket. Dirk snatched it roughly out of her hand so that she gave a little cry and looked ruefully down



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at the red mark on her palm. He caught her by the shoulder—even shook her a little. "Look here, Paula. Do you mean to tell me you'd marry a man simply because he happened to have a lot of money?"

"Perhaps not simply because he had a lot of money. But it certainly would be a factor, among other things."

Six months later Paula Arnold was married to Theodore A. Storm, a man of fifty, a friend of her father's, head of so many companies, stockholder in so many banks, director of so many corporations that even old Aug Hempel seemed a novice from business in comparison. She never called him Tootsy. No one ever did. Theodore Storm was a large man—not exactly stout, perhaps, but bulky. His inches saved him from grossness. He had a large white serious face, fine thick dark hair, graying at the temples. Within three years Paula had two children, a boy and a girl. "There! That's done," she said. Her marriage was a great mistake and she knew it. For the war, coming in 1914, a few months after her wedding, sent the Hempel-Arnold interests sky-rocketing. Millions of pounds of American beef and pork were shipped to Europe. In two years the Hempel fortune was greater than it ever had been. Paula was up to her eyes in relief work for Bleeding Belgium.

Dirk had not seen her in months. She telephoned him unexpectedly one Friday afternoon in his office at Hollis & Sprague's.

"Come out and spend Saturday and Sunday with us, won't you? We're running away to the country this afternoon. I'm so sick of Bleeding Belgium, you can't imagine. I'm sending the children out this morning. I can't get away so early. I'll call for you in the roadster this afternoon at four and drive you out myself."

"I don't think I—"

"I'll call for you at four. I'll be at the curb. Don't keep me waiting, will you?"

## Chapter XII

In town Dirk lived in a large front room and above on the third floor of a handsome old-fashioned three-story-and-basement house. He used the front room as a living room, the alcove as a bedroom. He and Selma had furnished it together, discarding all of the room's original belongings except the bed, a table, and one fat comfortable faded old armchair whose brocade surface hinted a past grandeur. When he had got his books ranged in open shelves along one wall, soft-shaded lamps on table and desk, the place looked more than livable; lived in. During the process of furnishing Selma got into the way of coming into town for a day or two to crowd the clutter rooms and the second-hand stores. She had a genius for this sort of thing; hated the spick-and-span varnish and veneer of the new furniture to be got in the regular way.

She enjoyed these rare trips into town; made a holiday of them. Dirk would take her to the theater and she would sit entranced. Strangely enough, considering the lack of what the world calls romance and adventure in her life she did not like the motion pictures. "All the difference in the world," she would say, "between the movies and the thrill I get out of a play at the theater. My, yes! Like fooling with paper dolls when you could be playing with a real live baby."

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volving door of Dirk's office building fanned him into the street he saw Paula in her long low sporting roadster at the curb. She was dressed in black. All feminine fashionable and middle-class Chicago was dressed in black. All feminine fashionable and middle-class America was dressed in black. Two years of war had robbed Paris of its husbands, brothers, sons. All Paris walked in black. America, untouched, gayly borrowed the smart habitations of mourning and now Michigan boulevard and Fifth avenue walked demurely in the gloom of crepe and chiffon; black hats, black gloves, black slippers. Only black was "good" this year.

Paula smiled up at him, patted the leather seat beside her with one hand that was absurdly thick-fingered in its fur-lined glove.

"It's cold driving. Button up tight. Where'll we stop for your bag?"

He climbed into the seat beside her. Her manipulation of the wheel was witchcraft. The roadster slid in and out of traffic like a fluid thing, an animal stream, silent as a swift current in a river. When his house was reached, "I'm coming up," she said. "I suppose you haven't any tea?"

"Gosh, no! What do you think I am! A young man in an English novel?"

"Now, don't be provincial and Chicagoish, Dirk." They climbed the three flights of stairs. She looked about. Her glance was not disapproving. "This isn't so bad. Who did it? She did! Very nice. But of course you ought to have your own smart little apartment, with a Jap to do you up. To do that for you, for example."

"Yes," grimly. He was packing his bag—not throwing clothes into it, but folding them deftly, neatly, as the son of a wise mother packs. "My salary'd just about keep him in white linen house-coats."

"I'm going to send you some things for your room, Dirk."

"For God's sake don't!"

"Why not?"

"Two kinds of women in the world. I learned that at college. Those who send men things for their rooms and those that don't."

"You're very rude."

"You asked me. There! I'm all set." He snapped the lock of his bag. "I'm sorry I can't give you anything. I haven't a thing. Not even a glass of wine and a—what is it they say in books?—oh, yeh—a biscuit."

In the roadster again Paula maintained a fierce and steady speed for the remainder of the drive.

"We call the place Stormwood," Paula told him. "And nobody outside the dear family knows how fitting that is. Don't scowl. I'm not going to tell you my marital woes. And don't you say I asked for it. . . . How's the job?"

"Totten."

"You don't like it? The work?"

"I like it well enough, only—well, you see we leave the university architectural course thinking we're all going to be Stanford Whites or Cass Gilberts, tossing off a Woolworth building and making ourselves famous overnight. I've spent all yesterday and today planning a drygoods box that's going up on the corner of Milwaukee avenue and Ashland, wes."

"And ten years from now?"

"Ten years from now maybe they'll let me do the plans for the drygoods box all alone."

"Why don't you drop it?"

He was startled. "Drop it! How do you mean?"

"Cluck it. Do something that will bring you quick results. This isn't an age of waiting. Suppose, twenty years from now, you do plan a grand Gothic office building to grace this new and glorious Michigan boulevard they're always shouting about. You'll be a middle-aged man living in a middle-class house in a middle-class suburb with a middle-class wife."

"Maybe—slightly nettled."

They turned in at the gates of Stormwood. A final turn of the drive. An avenue of trees. A house, massive, pillared, porticoed. The door opened as they drew up at the entrance. A maid in cap and apron stood in the doorway. A man appeared at the side of the car, coming seemingly from nowhere, greeted Paula civilly and drove the car off. The glow of an open fire in the hall welcomed them. "He'll bring up your bag," said Paula. "How're the babies, Anna? Has Mr. Storm got here?"

"He telephoned, Mrs. Storm. He says he won't be out till late—maybe ten or after. Anyway, you're not to wait dinner."

Paula, from being the limp, expert, fearless driver of the high-powered roadster was now suddenly very much the mistress of the house, quietly observant, giving an order with a lift of the eyebrow or a nod of the head. Would Dirk like to go to his room at once? Dinner at seven-thirty. He needn't dress. Just as he liked. Everything was very informal here. They roughed it. (Dirk had counted thirteen servants by noon next day and hadn't been near the kitchen.)

He decided to bathe and change into dinner clothes and was glad of this when he found Paula in black chiffon before the fire in the great beamed room she had called the library. Dirk thought she looked very beautiful in that diaphanous stuff, with the pearls. Her heart-shaped face, with its large eyes that shined a little at the corners; her long slim throat; her dark hair piled high and away from her little ears. He decided not to mention it.

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As he undressed that night he thought, "Now what's her game? What's she up to? Be careful, Dirk, old boy."

As he lay in the soft bed with the satin coverlet over him he thought, "Now what's her little game?"

He awoke at eight, enormously hungry. He wondered, uneasily, just how he was going to get his breakfast. She had said his breakfast would be brought him in his room. He stretched luxuriously, sprang up, turned on his bath water, bathed. When he emerged in dressing gown and slippers his breakfast tray had been brought him mysteriously and his contents lay appetizingly on a little portable table. There were flocks of small covered dishes and a charming individual coffee service. A little note from Paula: "Would you like to take walk at about half-past nine? Stroll down to the stables. I want to show you my new horse."

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She greeted him. "I've been out

Emerys in for dinner; and we'll have a game of bridge afterward. Phil Emery, you know, the Third. He used to have it on his visiting card, like royalty."

The Emerys were drygoods; had been drygoods for sixty years; were accounted Chicago aristocracy; preferred England; rode to hounds in pink coats along Chicago's prim and staid suburban prairie. They had a vast estate on the lake near Stormwood.

They arrived a trifle late. Dirk had seen pictures of old Philipp Emery ("Philipp the First," he thought, with an inward grin) and decided, looking at the rather anemic third edition, that the stock was running a little thin. The dinner was delicious but surprisingly simple; little more than Selma would have given him, Dirk thought, had he come home to the farm this week-end. The talk was dead-by and rather dull. And this chap had millions. Dirk said to himself. Millions. No scratching in an architect's office for this lad.

At bridge after dinner Philipp the Third proved to be sufficiently the son of his father to win from Dirk more money than he could conveniently afford to lose.

Theodore Storm came in at ten and stood watching them. When the guests had left the three sat before the fire. "Something to drink?" Storm asked Dirk. Dirk refused but Storm mixed a stiff highball for himself, and then another. The whisky brought no flush to his large white impassive face. He talked almost not at all. Dirk, naturally silent, was loquacious by comparison. But while there was nothing heavy, unyielding about Dirk's silence, this man's was oppressive, irritating. His paunch, his large white hands, his great white face gave the effect of bleached bloodless bulk. "I don't see how she stands him," Dirk thought. Husband and wife seemed to be on terms of polite friendliness. Storm excused himself and took himself off with a word about being tired, and seeing them in the morning.

After he had gone: "He likes you," said Paula.

"Important," said Dirk, "if true."

"But it is important. He can help you a lot."

"Help me how? I don't want—"

"But I do. I want you to be successful. I want you to be. You can be. You've got it written all over you. In the way you stand, and talk, and don't talk. In the way you look at people. In something in the way you carry yourself. It's what they call force, I suppose. Anyway, you've got it."

"Has your husband got it?"

"Theodore! No! That is—"

"There you are. I've got the force, but he's got the money."

"You can have both." She was leaning forward. Her eyes were bright, enormous. Her hands—those thin dark hot hands—were twisted in her lap. He looked at her quietly. Suddenly there were tears in her eyes. "Don't look at me that way, Dirk." She nudged back in her chair. Dirk, she looked a little haggard and older, somehow. "My marriage is a mess, of course. You can see that."

"You knew it would be, didn't you?"

"No. Yes. Oh, I don't know. Anyway, what's the difference, now? I'm not trying to be what they call an influence in your life. I'm just fond of you—you know that—and I want you to be great and successful. It's maternal, I suppose."

"I should think two babies would satisfy that urge."

"Oh, I can't get excited about two pink healthy lumps of babies. I love them and all that, but all they need is to have a bottle stuffed into their mouths at proper intervals and to be bathed, and dressed and aired and slept. It's a mechanical routine and about as exciting as a treadmill."

"Just what do you want me to do, Paula?"

She was eager again, vitally concerned in the matter, so ridiculous. All these men whose incomes are thirty-fourty-sixty—a hundred thousand a year usually haven't any qualities, really, that the five-thousand-a-year man hasn't. Somebody has to get the fifty-thousand-dollar salaries—some advertising man, or bond salesman or—why, look at Phil Emery! He probably couldn't sell a yard of pink ribbon to a schoolgirl if he had to. Look at Theodore! He just sits and thinks and says nothing. But when the time comes he doubles up his fat white fist and mumbles, "Ten million," or "fifteen million," and that settles it."

Dirk laughed to hide his own little mounting sensation of excitement. "It isn't quite as simple as that, I imagine. There's more to it than meets the eye."

"There isn't! I tell you I know the whole crowd of them. I've been brought up with this money pack all my life, haven't I? Pork packers and wheat grabbers and peddlers of gas and electric light and dry goods. Grandfather's the only one of the crowd that I respect. He has stayed the same. They can't fool him. He knows he just happened to go into wholesale beef and pork when wholesale beef and pork was a new game in Chicago. Now look at him!"

"Still, you will admit there's something in knowing when," he argued.

Paula stood up. "If you don't know I'll tell you. Now is when. I've got Grandfather and Dad and Theodore to work with. You can go on being an architect if you want to. It's a fine enough profession. But unless you're a genius where'll it get you! Go in with them, and Dirk, in five years—"

"What!" They were both standing, facing each other, she tense, eager; he relaxed but stimulated.

"Try it and see what, will you? Will you, Dirk?"

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"I used to ride the old nags, bare-back, on the farm."

"You'll have to learn. Then I'll have some one to ride with me. Theodore never rides. He never takes any sort of exercise. Sits in that great fat car of his."

They went into the coach house, a great airy white-washed place with glittering harness and spurs and bridles like jewels in glass cases. It gave Dirk a little hopeless feeling. He had never before seen anything like it.

Paula laughed up at him, her dark face upturned to his.

Something had annoyed him, she saw. Would he wait while she changed to walking things? Or perhaps he'd rather drive in the roadster. They walked up to the house together. He wished that she would not consult his wishes so anxiously. It made him sulky, impatient.

She put a hand on his arm. "Dirk, are you annoyed at me for what I said last night?"

"No."

"What did you think when you went to your room last night? Tell me. What did you think?"

"I thought: 'She's bored with her husband and she's trying to vamp me. I'll have to be careful.'"

Paula laughed delightedly. "That's nice and frank. . . . What else?"

"I thought my coat didn't fit very well and I wished I could afford to have Peet make my next one."

"You can," said Paula.

**France Takes Typewriters**

As a nation, France depends almost altogether on typewriters of foreign make, this, notwithstanding the fact that the use of the typewriter there has gained steadily as in other countries. In 1909 France imported 50,000 units and this number rose to 850,000 units by 1919, after which there was a slump due to the large number of army machines left there, but in 1923 the imports had risen to 250,000 units again.

**Branded Brides**

A law has been passed in Turkey under which all persons who wish to marry must submit to a medical examination. To prevent substitution of a sick person for one who is well, the examining physician must stamp the left forearm of the marriage candidate. This serves as a distinguishing mark to guide the authorities in granting the marriage license.

**School Children's Treat**

Ten thousand school children from the provinces recently visited Bogota, the capital of Colombia. The tour was arranged by the ministry of public instruction, and the children, while in the city attended a session of the national congress, visited schools and other points of interest, and were entertained by organizations and prominent citizens of Bogota.

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## Loyal Colony Stuck to English Spelling

Yes, there are only two X's in the word "Pennsylvania" on the Liberty bell at the entrance to the sesqui, says the Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Thousands of queries have been heard in Philadelphia whether the spelling of "Pennsylvania" on the illuminated bell is proper. Each night hundreds of people read: "Province of Pennsylvania."

But the answer is simple. The wrought iron of the Liberty bell hanging in Independence hall has the same spelling in the word. There in the bronze that carried the message of American liberty throughout the colonies the name of the Keystone state was immortalized as "Pennsylvania."

The history of the incident is as follows: The Liberty bell was cast in England in 1753. The word was spelled "Pennsylvania," and when the bell was brought to this country and recast in 1753, popular opinion was against changing anything that had been done in the mother country of "Pennsylvania." The bell was recast with the letters in the same mold and stands without change.

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