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LOCAL BREVITIES

Hartford fair next week. See ad.

Arvin Myers has a new Dodge sedan.

Mrs. Ernest Green is visiting in Niles.

Rev. Williams plans to move today.

All roads lead to Hartford fair next week.

Lloyd Van Voorhees is attending Western Normal.

Marjorie Gilchrist is attending Western Normal.

Whyle and Paul Wilcox are attending Albion college.

Gobles sent about \$40 to the Florida sufferers yesterday.

Bloomington township fair Sept. 24, 25 and 26 at Bloomington.

Mrs. Esther Middleton of Kalamazoo is visiting Mrs. Kirk Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Hayden have returned to Kalamazoo for the winter.

Walter Goble sent up 4 fine peaches that attracted much attention.

Clifford Bingham and Bernard Rich will attend the U. of M. this year.

Preparations are completed for the greatest fair ever at Hartford next week.

The Baptist Ladies Aid will meet with Mrs. Wichman next week Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Taylor visited their daughter at Lake Odessa the first of the week.

Covert schools contributed \$25 to the Red Cross for the benefit of the Florida sufferers.

Willis Styles and family have returned to Chicago after spending a week with the former's sister here.

One 10 cent ad in the Gobles News two weeks ago sold a piano. Why not try a few lines yourself?

Gretchen Gilchrist, who has completed her course in nursing is home for a few days. She will locate in Kalamazoo.

In the notice of drain meeting as published last week the type said section 13, and should have been section 12 as is in this week's notice.

Mrs. F. E. Baker attended a meeting of her sorority at Hillsdale college last Saturday and had the pleasure of witnessing the initiation of her niece, Miss Betty Deyoe in the same.

The dog poisoner got in his work last Friday and the two fine big dogs of McElheny and Mrs. L. E. Churchill were the victims. Two more inoffensive dogs could not be found than these and we cannot believe there is anyone in our midst so depraved as to intentionally poison them, so we believe it must have been done accidentally. Were it done intentionally we sure would be glad to assist in removing the party as we would any other menace.

Notice of Meeting of Drainage Board

To Whom It May Concern:

Notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of August A. D. 1926 a petition was filed with the undersigned, County Drain Commissioner of the County of Van Buren asking for the Deepening, Straightening, Cleaning Out and Tiling of the Carpenter Drain, located in the townships of Bloomington and Pine Grove, County of Van Buren and township of Trowbridge, county of Allegan.

Now, Therefore, in accordance with Sec. 2, Chapter 5 of Act No. 316 P. A. 1923, a meeting of the Drainage Board of said drain will be held at NW Corner Sec. 12 in the Township of Bloomington, County of Van Buren, on the 28th day of Sept., 1926 in one o'clock in the afternoon, to determine the necessity of said improvement.

All interested in the proposed improvement are requested to be present, if they so desire.

Dated at Hartford, Mich., this 4th day of September 1926.

A. D. ROBINSON,
Drain Commissioner of the
County of Van Buren.

School Notes

Dr. George Bronson of Hawaii gave a forty-five minute talk last Wednesday morning in Chapel on Hawaii. His lecture was supplemented by some very fine stereopticon slides.

The first call was made for Debaters last Thursday after school. Eighteen responded. Beginning next week regular meetings will be held, work assigned and practice debates scheduled. The schedule will be announced at a later date.

If fair weather prevails tomorrow morning, Chapel exercises will be held on the school lawn around the new flag pole. A short patriotic program has been planned. This is to celebrate the erection of the new flag pole on the school lawn. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

See the First State Bank's advertisement in this issue.

All classes have organized and the general entertainment committee, consisting of a committee from each of the three upper classes, will soon start preparations for the annual Freshman reception.

The efficiency of your school will be greatly increased, if we can keep the absent and tardy list to a minimum. Your continued cooperation is appreciated.

Watch for announcement about Parent Teachers' Association. Only by close cooperation between parents and teachers can the best results be obtained. The Parent Teachers' Association gives everyone a chance to become better acquainted and helps the teachers to do better work in the classroom.

You are cordially invited to visit school at any time.

A "School Savings Plan" has been worked out for all children in the first eight grades. The object is to teach a practical lesson in thrift. Each teacher keeps a record of the money brought by each student in a special book furnished by the Bank. Until the pupil has \$1.00 a deposit slip only will be issued to the student.

After he has a \$1.00, a regular pass book will be issued and all deposits entered therein. At the end of the school year, the sum total deposited by each student with proportional amount of interest earned on the General School Fund will be opened in a separate account at the Bank. An opportunity will be given periodically for the student to make withdrawals, providing application is made one day in advance. However, withdrawals should be discouraged until the end of the year, at least. We believe that this is a practical plan, and we ask your cooperation in making it a success. It is the largest percentage who bring money that counts and not the amount they bring. A penny to a beginner means as much as a dime to a fifth grader. For additional information ask a teacher, or Mr. Graham at the Bank.

In a well played game Gobles defeated Bloomington 5 to 4. Holmes set the first nine men down in order. Hits coupled with errors gave Bloomington 4 runs in the fourth. Daines featured the game for Bloomington with a nice catch, while Travis took honors for Gobles. Friday we play at Bloomington.

The orchestra is now under the direction of A. W. Wauchek. New music has been received and everyone is enthusiastic about the work.

The Sophomore Class met last Monday and elected officers for the coming year. Those chosen for the offices are: President, Charles Smith; Vice President, Marie Waber; Secretary, Martha Waite. Treasurer, Lulu Shryock; Class Advisor, Miss Nicolai.

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BASE LINE

Jim King and family and nephew of Madonna, Ill. spent Sunday afternoon on and evening at W. Pullen's.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jacobs, Elmer Forster and family called at L. Woodruff's Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Enos and Mrs. Alma Parker spent Saturday night and Sunday at M. Wilmot's cottage at Duck Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin McAlpine of Grand Rapids were week end guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dannenberg.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. James and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Woodruff were in Kalamazoo Thursday of last week.

Obituary

Edwin Mason was born in Erie County, Ohio, March 6, 1847. He came to Michigan with his parents when ten years of age and has lived in this vicinity all his life. He passed from this life Sept. 13, 1926.

He leaves one sister of Jonesboro, Ark. and one brother, John Mason of Gobles and many nieces and nephews.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the friends and neighbors for all kindness and assistance, for the beautiful flowers, the undertaker for his kindness and Rev. Epley for his message.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mason and Family.

Order for Publication

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Van Buren.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Paw Paw in said County, on the 15th day of September A. D. 1926.

Present: Hon. Wm. Killefer, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Jennie LeMahieu, Incompetent.

David E. Rich, Guardian of said estate, having filed in said court his petition, praying for license to sell the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described;

It is Ordered, That the 18th day of October A. D. 1926, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted;

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Gobles News, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

WM. KILLEFER,

Judge of Probate.

A true copy: Mamie L. Shaefer, Register of Probate.

Important

"Red Cross mobilizing all resources for relief disaster sufferers Florida hurricane. Local chapter should give immediate attention to great loss life, large number injured and homeless and announcing readiness to receive and forward contributions for relief."

Contributions from your city should be handed to Mrs. Al Wauchek at once.

By order of County Chapter.

Ola Killefer, Secretary.

BROWN DISTRICT

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Gilbert spent Saturday night at Geo. Fritz'.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Camfield and Mr. and Mrs. Loren Camfield and family visited in Bloomington Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sevey of Kalamazoo called at Dell Camfield's Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sackett of Kalamazoo spent part of their vacation at the Andy Sackett home.

Taxi Service

I have an enclosed car and can give you very good service at reasonable prices. I will appreciate your business. Will take you anywhere. Call Ruell's Grocery.

We are ready for your job work. Bring it in today.

Last Nights at the Tent

The last of everything must come so we take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the cooperation we have received. Gobles and community have heartily responded and we have greatly enjoyed our stay here. We hope to make these last three nights the best. Friday night the subject will be, "Angels, are they Real?" Saturday night "Our Younger Generation, Is It Really So Wicked?" We also have Sabbath school at 2:00 and preaching at 3:00 with baptism following. Our last night will be Sunday and the subject will be, "Why I Am a Seventh Day Adventist." Welcome.

Grape Growers Meeting

The meeting of grape growers held at the Barrett vineyard near Lawton, on Friday, Sept. 17, devoted to the relation between pruning and quality, was well attended. At this meeting an inspection of the plots that have been under pruning tests since 1923 by Dr. N. L. Partridge, of the Horticultural Department, M. S. C., was made by those in attendance; the following points brought out being plainly visualized:

1. Earlier maturity on the vines when the pruning was severe, although the crop is heavier.
2. Larger clusters, tighter clusters and larger berries and better color when pruning was severe.
3. Larger crop where pruning was severe. Dr. Partridge stated, the crops of 1924 and 1925 were also larger on these vines where relatively few buds produce the crop in 1923, however, the first year this type of pruning was practiced the yields were much smaller and the quality little better than where longer canes were left.

BELL SCHOOL

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Carter of Lansing were over Sunday guests of Ed Carter.

Mrs. Gladys Kesler entertained her brother, Wayne of Paw Paw a part of the week. Saturday afternoon he and Lyle Ryder went to Paw Paw, Lyle visiting his mother over the week end.

Lucille Martz starts school at Paw Paw this week in the Junior year, Miss Alberta Ringle freshman.

Dorothy Ringle has accepted a position in Paw Paw.

Clifton Walters is working at the Fruit Exchange at Bangor and for once is seeing all the apples he cares to.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Carter entertained her sister and family of Glenn Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hyames enjoyed the Kalamazoo fair Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Deyo Thayer of Paw Paw spent Sunday at Mark Kesler's. In the afternoon they went for a ride and called on Geo. Johnson near Plainwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Richardson entertained her sister, Helena Fenton of Paw Paw over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Walters were in Kalamazoo Sunday to see her sister who is ill.

Sunday visitors at Glenn Markillie's were: Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Cuddeback and daughter, Delilah, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Snyder and four children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Larson and two children of Paw Paw and Mrs. Orissa Markillie of Gobles.

Twenty-eight relatives of Elmer Davis gathered at his home Sunday to help him celebrate his 81st birthday.

Milton Brown and family spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Allen entertained company Sunday.

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Business Locals

A 14 qt Granite dishpan for 35c; One of those famous steel clad brand large dairy pails 55c at Lancaster's Variety Store.

Canning peaches for sale at \$1 per bu. John Stech, 3 1/2 miles northeast in Kendall. Bring baskets.

Black and tan female pup came to my place about three weeks ago. Owner can have same by paying for this ad and keep. Ed Mann, 3 1/2 mi southeast of Gobles.

Millions of peaches are rotting from rain on the Lake Shore! Are your cans full? The Home Nursery sells at 50c up for seconds; firsts in proportion. Firsts we take also to \$1 50 territory away from the Peach Belt, which will be all picked next week.

Starting Sunday will deliver milk mornings only. M. Tychsen.

Experienced grape pickers wanted, also man to drive team in grapes. Inquire or phone at once and will advise you when we start. The Kerntop's farm, 5 miles south of Gobles and 1/2 mile west, phone 31F15.

For rent or sale—9-room house the Geo. W. Bush house, and 130x132 foot lot, barn, etc., at very reasonable price. Inquire at News office.

Dry wood for sale. Noble Stoughton, Kendall.

Another Chevrolet truck for sale cheap. Mrs. L. E. Churchill.

KENDALL

David Bowers and family were over to see his father, Mr. John Bowers, Sunday.

Beach Bowers and family took dinner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Osman, at Pine Grove Sunday.

Louis Bowers, who is driving a truck at South Haven, was home Sunday.

Mrs. Clara Chamberlain spent Wednesday in Kalamazoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Waber and Louise spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. M. K. Waber.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Freeman and Mr. and Mrs. Gus Mahlon of Oak Park spent Saturday night and Sunday, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rose of Kalamazoo spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Miller.

Little Beverly Jean, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Knowles, was badly cut in the eye a week ago with a broken saucer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kellar and Mr. and Mrs. Royal Kellar and family spent Sunday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Scott of Trowbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wagner of Texarkana, Kansas, are visiting at Mr. and Mrs. Willard Ray's.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Leversee and Mr. and Mrs. Allan Kellar and Beatrice took a ride Sunday evening, going through Marcellus, Dowagiac, Decatur and Paw Paw.

Olin Kane is attending Normal at Kalamazoo and driving to school every morning.

Word has been received from Mrs. Wilkinson that they will leave for Detroit Sept. 26.

Mrs. Elsie Sweet returned Saturday from a week's visit with Mrs. Allie Coman at Waldron. While there they visited several other cities. Mrs. Hazel Kellar kept house for her father while Mrs. Sweet was away.

Ivan Ray and brother Dean were both quite badly hurt Wednesday last when they ran into each other while at play at school. Ivan's face was cut so badly they had to take him to Dr. Riley at Gobles to have some stitches taken in the wound.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Leversee spent Saturday afternoon and Sunday at their home here.

Mr. Howard Eldredge is driving a new Paige.

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Business Locals

See Frank Roberts of painting interior decorating and roofing. Citizens' phone.

Earn board and room while attending the South Bend Business College. Write for reservation.

A fine line of box stationery from 10c a box up at the Variety Store.

5 good cows, brood sow and 7 shoats and 1500 pound gelding for sale. See George Johnson, 1 mile west and 1/2 mile south of Grand Junction, on Jake Puhlman farm.

Cupboard for sale. See Mrs. A. Webster.

Just received direct from the factory a shipment of fresh assorted chocolates, cream centers, 39c lb, at the Variety store.

House and barn painting and interior decorating. See Nash Bros, Pine Grove.

9 six-weeks-old pigs for sale. Otis Stoughton, farmers phone.

Wanted—You to know that we are buying new potatoes again, the same as usual. Bishop Feed Line. Call W. H. Ferguson.

Veal calves wanted. See or phone Lester Woodruff.

Indian relics wanted. See Vap Ryno.

Wanted—Boarders during grape season in Lawton. Home cooking. First house east of National bank.

12 qt. Gal. pails 25c each at the Variety Store.

7 nice shoats and good second hand corn binder for sale. Cash Supply Store.

S. R. Powers will open his new General store at Armstrong's Corners Saturday evening, Sept. 25, and will give a free Ice Cream Social on that night.

Cut flowers for all occasions, banquets and set pieces. Mrs. A. J. Foelsch.

Will buy veal and chickens every day. Will come and get them. O. J. Rhoades.

Full blood Polled Durham bull for service, \$1.50. Elmer Simmons.

Buy Miller tires at Dorgan's filling station.

For Sale—5000 pullets, white leg-horns, Barred Rocks, R. I. Reds, 8 to 16 weeks old. Prices \$1.25 each and up. If you want pullets don't wait as pullets are scarce and eggs will be high soon. W. H. Ferguson Gobles or write Lyle Bishop, LaPorte, Ind.

Fresh cow for sale, T. B. tested. See Alex Zywielski.

Washings wanted. Phone Mrs. G. Keeler.

8-foot band saw for sale cheap. Arthur Nash.

See Luther Howard for radio repair work and battery charging.

The finest pure Red Rock seed wheat, re-cleaned and raised by F. T. Forster. This wheat has been kept absolutely pure and is the finest seed obtainable. Went 33 bushels to the acre this season. For sale at the Gobleville Milling Co.

Hercules single buggy, nearly new, for sale or trade for good cow. Rolla Eastman, farmers' phone.

For Sale—About 1000 bushel crates 1/2 mile west of Armstrong Corners. Ed. Crippen.

Good heating stove, wood or coal, for sale. Ed. Youderian. 3t

Always something new at the Variety Store. Be sure and step in.

OUR RADIO DEPARTMENT

LISTENERS TO SETTLE BROADCASTING QUESTION

"Now that the unfounded fear of 'chaos in the air' has passed, it might be a good time for the public to decide on the best way to regulate broadcasting," says Frank Reichmann, member of the Chicago Radio Commission, and director in several radio organizations.

"If at any time there are too many broadcasting stations and some of them must be eliminated, why not leave the question as to who shall broadcast to the listeners?" asks Mr. Reichmann. "A broadcasting station is a total loss to its owners if it has no clientele among the listeners. Many stations are in that fix right now, and some of them don't know it. You can't make a listener listen unless he or she wants to, regardless of how the government may regulate wavebands and broadcasting licenses.

"It is entirely up to the listener and it is my suggestion that a vote of the listeners should be taken in every community, especially where there are too many broadcasting stations, to determine which ones are wanted and which ones are not. This vote should be taken by some disinterested party, possibly the federal supervisor of radio in the district.

"A station which would object to this test would be admitting its own weakness. After the vote had been taken it is reasonable to believe that stations which were not wanted by the listeners would voluntarily close down.

"Efforts of politicians at Washing-

ton to control radio, either directly or indirectly, for political purposes are bound to fail, regardless of what kind of a law may be enacted. Any laws that are passed must please the listeners. The listener is the one who is going to settle the question finally."

NO PLACE FOR A TOM CAT

Tom cats should remember the old adage, "Curiosity killed a cat" when they investigate radio stations. One old big yellow tom cat probably will hereafter.

One night while the operator of WENR, Chicago, was watching his meters and controls, a stray tom cat, attracted by the glare of the big tubes and the hum of the generators, strolled in the operating room. He paused and arched his back against the framework of the transmitting set, then came over to make friends with the operator, who extended his hand to stroke his head.

The cat started to smell the operator's hand and a large, healthy spark, coming from the charge of electricity he had accumulated when rubbing against the transmitter, snapped between the end of his nose and the operator's fingertips. After massaging his nose the cat eyed the operator suspiciously and retreated behind the transmitting panel again. He emerged to smell of the large copper ground strip nailed along the floor, and received another shock.

That confirmed his suspicions about the place, and according to the operator's story, he scratched the floor considerably in his haste to depart.

OUR POULTRY DEPARTMENT

WHY SHE MOULTS

An old hen may be moulting now for two reasons; first, she may be a poor layer who figures that the spring of the year is the only time of year she needs to work, and second, she may get her feed so irregularly that she really thinks hard times are coming and she might just as well shed her old dress and get a new one made for the winter. If she is a poor layer, she is through work for 1926 and ready to take a trip to town. If she has been turned loose to shift for herself and to get feed from the hog yard and the grain field and her water from the dried up mud hole, she should not be expected to lay many eggs. A dry mash feeder in the hen house and a regular feed of grain twice a day for hens kept in a yard is a far more profitable practice than letting the hens hunt for their summer feed.

LIME FOR CHICKS

An adequate supply of lime in the ration is important for the growing chick, declares the poultry specialist at the State Agricultural Experiment Station at Geneva. Extensive feeding experiments made at the Station have revealed the fact that lack of this important element in the food leads to a drain on the reserve supply in the bones and soft tissues of the young birds and interferes with their proper development. Even in the case of mature hens, it is said, a lack of lime will lower egg production.

Attempts to substitute other mineral elements in the ration for lime, such as magnesium which occurs so generally with lime in nature, showed that nothing will quite take its place, and that if it is lacking the demands of the body will be met by drawing on the lime stored up in the bones and muscles. The Station tests also showed that both lime and phosphorus are taken from the bones of the living bird more easily than from dead bone ash which may be fed to the flock.

Many rations commonly fed to poultry contain much less lime than is required for the proper functioning of the body, says the Station specialist. Poultrymen are advised to meet this shortage for growing chicks by adding lime in the form of vegetable foods, such as young clover, alfalfa, etc. For mature fowls, oyster shell or other inorganic lime compounds will suffice.

Most grains are deficient in lime, it is said, and the birds cannot eat enough to meet the lime requirements of their bodies. Mature fowls can use lime in inorganic form fairly well, but young chicks cannot supply their needs from this source to such good advantage. For this reason, says the specialist, it is highly desirable to provide a regular supply of vegetable foods rich in lime for the young stock in the flock.

YOUNG CHICKS SUFFER FROM FATAL DISEASE

One of the most serious maladies which poultry farm owners have to combat is coccidiosis, a destructive disease, especially prevalent on poultry farms where a large number of birds are raised on a limited area.

Chickens between the ages of 4 and 14 weeks are the most likely to contract the infection; and suffer the greatest mortality, according to B. A. Beach of the veterinary science department at the Wisconsin College of Agriculture, in a recent circular published by the college. He says that although adult birds often con-

tract the disease, they seldom die directly from it.

The disease is the result of infection by a small parasite, known as the coccidium, which is spread in the droppings of infected birds. Beach, in outlining the symptoms of the trouble, says that the first to be noticed is the appearance of blood in the droppings; following this, the chick usually becomes listless; its feathers become ruffled, and its wings droop. Contaminated soil and water are the chief carriers of infection, as are certain adult birds, which are infected, though show no outward signs of the disease. Such hens are a continuous source of infection and a menace to all chicks that are permitted to run with them.

"No medicinal treatment has yet been found of sufficient value to warrant its use," Beach declares. "Sanitation is both the preventive and the cure," he says.

As soon as coccidiosis is diagnosed, Beach says the steps to be taken are to remove all of the apparently healthy chicks to clean quarters, feed the chicks inside brooder houses, remove all litter from the brooder house twice weekly, withhold all mash, and feed lightly on scratch feed—and keep sour milk before the chicks at all times.

SKIMMILK FEED BEING MADE BY NEW PROCESS

Large quantities of skimmilk formerly wasted or inefficiently used are being converted into a marketable product by a number of companies utilizing a process recently perfected by the Bureau of Dairying, United States Department of Agriculture. One company has sold more than a million pounds during the last year for poultry and hog feed. At Grove City, Pa., this manufactured product—concentrated sour skimmilk—is made under the direction of department dairymen and sells at 4 cents a pound, netting 62 cents a hundred pounds of skimmilk.

Briefly, the process consists of the use of a culture containing a mycoderma, which is a yeastlike organism, and an active culture of the bulgaricus type. When used in combination they are able to develop more than double the amount of acidity in the skimmilk produced by ordinary lactic cultures alone. The use of this mixed culture has made it possible to create an acidity of 2 per cent in skimmilk which when concentrated at the rate of three to one gives the finished product an acidity of 6 per cent. An acidity of 2 per cent removes the difficulties formerly experienced in concentrating skimmilk in the vacuum pan, and 6 per cent acidity in the finished product prevents spoiling. The product has been kept in good condition more than a year.

Concentrated sour skimmilk is a pasty, semifluid product. As poultry feed it is mixed with water or dry mash. Good results are obtained with the product when fed to baby chicks in a dilution of one to eight; when fed to laying hens either in paste form or in a mixture of one pound of paste to one pound of dry mash; and when fed for crate fattening at the rate of 40 pounds of the paste to 100 pounds of mash.

The utilization of surplus skimmilk in manufacturing this concentrated product promises a greater outlet to the dairymen for his products and assures the poultryman of a uniform supply of a good feed that has excellent keeping qualities.

EXTENDING THE SEASON FOR WEALTHY APPLES

By H. H. PLAGGE and T. J. HANEY

The Wealthy apple is one of the leading varieties in northern Iowa, northern Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan, and is grown to some extent in most of the important commercial apple regions of the United States. According to the Bureau of Crop Estimates the Wealthy variety not long ago comprised 4.3 per cent of the total apple crop of the United States, ranking seventh in order of importance. Wealthy in its season is highly prized as a dessert and culinary apple, especially in northern apple regions. After the Wealthy season passes, there is a period in the marketing of apples when there are no first class varieties available until the Jonathan season opens late in September. During this time the few Wealthy which have been held in storage, bring excellent prices and during years when there is a crop failure of Jonathan, stores Wealthy usually bring Jonathan prices.

Wealthy ripens late in August or early in September and has a very short harvest season. It changes from a green immature condition to a well colored, fully ripe fruit in one week to 10 days. Sometimes the fruit ripens prematurely and drops badly. As a large acreage of this variety is grown in the north central states, a great quantity of very desirable fruit is suddenly thrown upon the market during the harvest period. Frequently this causes a glut which results in heavy losses to growers and dealers. Under such market conditions, the fruit may be picked or may be allowed to spoil in the orchard. Under certain conditions the fruit may become severely affected with apple-scald, breakdown, soft-scald, shriveling, mealliness and apple-rot. It is generally assumed that Wealthy is inherently susceptible to these disorders, but there is a question whether these disorders may not be due to incorrect methods in picking, handling and storing.

The experiments carried on at the Iowa Station for a number of years indicate that this variety may be stored successfully under cold storage and common storage conditions. The results for two seasons show that when wealthy was well ripened on the tree and carefully handled, that it kept well in cold storage until late in February. Other Wealthy stored under air-cooled storage at Ames kept in a satisfactory condition until late in December.

Experiments in 1923

In 1923 an experiment was carried out on Wealthy grown in northern Iowa from the Iowa Apple Growers Orchard. The fruit was packed in standard bushel baskets and was subjected to a total of 60 different conditions, including combinations of (a) maturity at time of picking, (b) delay in placing in storage, (c) amount of red color, (d) and the use of oiled wraps. The picking dates were chosen to secure samples before and after the normal picking season for the year. The apples were stored at 32 degrees F. in the experimental cold storage rooms at Ames, Iowa, and were sent from Charles City by express at weekly intervals. The samples which were delayed after picking were held in a cellar at Charles City at a temperature of 50 degrees to 60 degrees F.

Results of Experiments and Recommendations

Apple-scald occurred only on apples which were picked on August 28 when the fruit was considered somewhat immature. Furthermore the scald present was nearly all on the fruit which was stored immediately after picking. The fruit which was delayed had very little apple-scald. However, the lots of fruit which were wrapped in oiled paper did not scald enough to be of any commercial significance, even tho it was picked green and stored immediately. Oiled paper wraps were then very beneficial in the control of apple-scald on Wealthy.

Another storage disorder which was under observation was soft-scald. This disease is similar to apple-scald

but differs mainly in that it cannot be prevented by oiled paper wraps. As its name implies it affects the pulp cells of the apple just under the soft-scalded skin, making the soft-scald. The disease usually penetrates to a depth of approximately 1/4 inch. It practically never goes much deeper and does not reach the core of the apple. The soft-scald areas are usually noticed in peculiarly shaped patterns having rounded margins. They appear at some distance from either the calyx or stem of the apple. The disease is most common under cold storage and appears to be associated with low temperature as

as much fruit had dropped from the trees. Fruit picked on September 3 and 9 was considered to be more nearly near the optimum maturity for Wealthy.

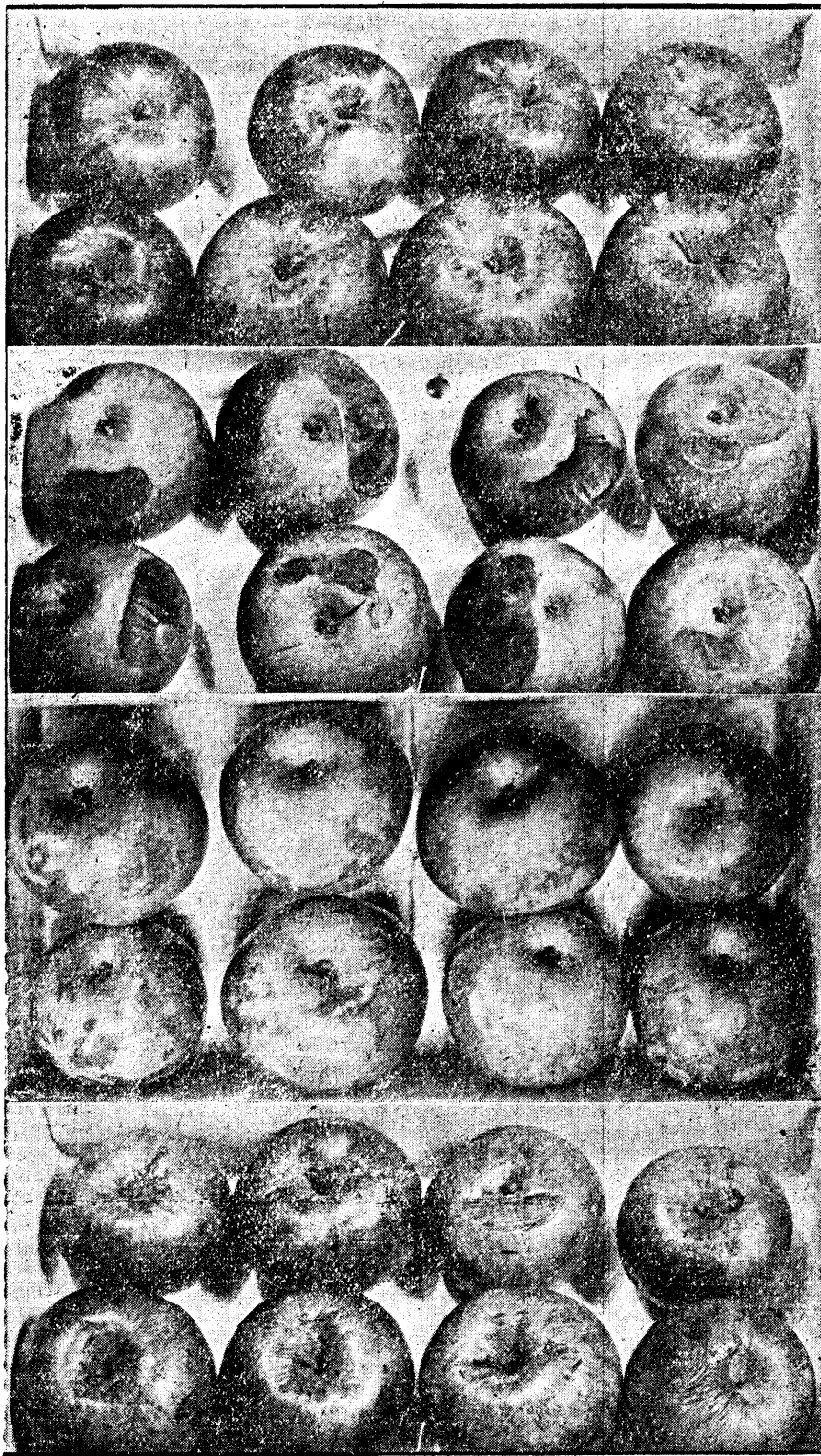
As in 1923, considerable apple-scald was present at the end of the storage season, on lots of fruit which had been picked in an immature condition. However, the fruit which had one week of delay at the ordinary temperatures at the orchard, were nearly free from apple-scald. In comparing the different lots which were stored immediately in each of the four pickings, it was observed that apple-scald decreased with late pick-

ing. Therefore the maturity of the fruit as conditioned by time of picking and time of storing, greatly influenced the susceptibility of Wealthy apples to apple-scald.

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(From top down) 1—Sound Wealthy apples removed from cold storage in February. 2—Soft scald on the Wealthy apple. 3—Apple scald occurs on Wealthy, especially on fruit which is slightly immature when it is stored. 4—Excessive shriveling of fruit due to growth cracks. Wealthy is subject to this injury after a prolonged period of dry weather.

well as maturity. It is entirely distinct from freezing injury. Wealthy, Jonathan and Northwestern Greening are commonly affected. With Wealthy the best control measure appears to be to store the fruit immediately after picking, without permitting it to ripen much after removal from the tree.

Storage Experiment in 1924

Further experiments at the Iowa Station were conducted in 1924. This year the fruit came from southwest Iowa, from the state orchard at Council Bluffs. A maturity experiment was carried on over the period from August 28 to September 7. The first picking was made on August 28 when the fruit was immature and when it did not have full color. On September 17 the fruit was considered to be in an over-ripe condition,

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Hardness of Wealthy Apples Attached to the Tree as Compared to Those Removed, During the Harvest Period. Hardness in Pounds Pressure

Picking Date	Fruit Stored Immediately	Fruit Delayed One Week	Fruit Delayed Two Weeks
Aug. 28.....	18.1	13.8	10.1
Sept. 3.....	16.3	11.8	12.1
Sept. 9.....	14.8	16.8	18.8
Sept. 17.....	16.7	18.6	11.7

The above pressure tests show that Wealthy softens at a very rapid rate after they have been removed from the tree, but that they change very slowly in hardness while attached to the tree. The figures given are for pared fruits so that differences in the tests due to color variation and to shriveling of skin have been for the most part eliminated. The fruits tested were all very nearly of the same size so the data as presented represent very closely the true hardness values of the fruit. The importance of handling Wealthy with as little delay before storing, cannot then, be too strongly emphasized, since this fruit does rapidly become soft after picking.

A study of the comparative hardness of Wealthy with some other commercial varieties at the harvest time was made during the same year. The data presented below show that Wealthy was considerably softer than Grimes or Winesap and several pounds softer than Jonathan when harvested.

Comparative Hardness of Wealthy Apples with Other Varieties at Time of Harvest. Average Hardness in Pounds Pressure

Variety	Date Picked	Fruit Picked Immediately	Fruit Delayed One Week	Fruit Delayed Two Weeks
Wealthy.....	Sept. 3.....	16.3	11.8	12.1
Grimes.....	Sept. 20.....	26.2	21.2	14.1
Jonathan.....	Sept. 30.....	19.7	16.3	12.1
Winesap.....	Oct. 23.....	31.5	24.2	20.1

** Picking date was practically the optimum date of picking season.

Grimes is considered a difficult variety to handle because of the fact that slight bruises become very noticeable due to its light colored skin. Should not we be even more careful in handling Wealthy when the latter may be as much as 10 pounds softer at the time of harvest, than Grimes? These data further emphasize that Wealthy should be carefully handled in the various phases of harvest operations. Other varieties also need to be carefully harvested and packed and with these the importance of early storing is also important.

The Kiefer Pear

By DAVID RUST

The Kiefer pear originated as a seedling among a batch of Chinese Sand-pears, the botanical name of which is *Pyrus serotina*. The Sand-pear grows wild in Central China and is cultivated in the form of a number of named varieties throughout China and Japan.

The Sand-pear is remarkable for its vigorous and rapid growth, its comparative freedom from diseases and its hardness. The fruit is hard and generally rough, the flesh gritty and tough, and the flavor very poor. The species is of particular interest to us on account of the hybrids that have been produced between it and the common pears. These hybrid varieties possess the many good qualities of the sand pear, together with better flavor inherited from the common sorts. They include Le Conte, Garber, Smith and Kiefer, the latter being by far the most important.

The Kiefer inherited most of these desirable traits from its Oriental parent. Although it is not free from blight, this disease makes much slower headway with the Kiefer than with the common varieties.

Peter Kieffer, the originator of the pear, lived at Roxborough, a suburb of Philadelphia, until his death in 1890. The property consists of twenty-seven acres and was left to his son,

George Kieffer, who died in 1918. The property is now owned by Mr. David Fulmer Keeley, who is greatly interested in the fine specimen trees on the place which include many Kieffer-pears, Sand-pears, many grand specimen Beech trees, part of an original Hornbeam hedge, a grand old specimen of *Taxodium ascendens* nuts or Weeping Pondeypress. The original Kieffer tree, hale and hardy, nearly seventy years old and looking as if it were good for another hundred years, stands a couple of hundred feet from the house and close to the roadway. The facts that follow were obtained from George Kieffer and his wife:

Peter Kieffer was born in 1912 in Alsace. In early life he developed a liking for plants and was apprenticed into the plant-growing business, working twelve years in the King's Garden in Paris. In 1834 he emigrated to America, arriving in New York with fifty cents in his pockets. Failing to find work in New York he went to Philadelphia by foot, and there found a position as gardener on the country place of James Gowen at Mt. Airy. Later he started a small nursery on Cresheim Road, Mt. Airy. Some years later, in 1853, he moved his nursery to the present Kieffer place in Roxborough.

At his Roxborough nursery he grew a great variety of plants. Much of his original stock he imported from abroad, a great deal coming from

Van Houtte, of Ghent, Belgium. From him Kieffer probably imported seeds of the Chinese Sand-pear. This Pear he grew in fairly large numbers, not for ornamental specimens, as is usually stated, but as stock on which to graft the common varieties of pears.

It so happened that there was a nursery row of about fifty Sand-pear seedlings that had become too large to graft. Eventually these seedlings started to bear, and in looking them over one day he noticed that one of them had fruit that was much superior to any other Sand-pear he had ever seen. He instructed his son, George, then a lad of fifteen, to destroy all the seedlings except this one.

The new variety first bore in 1863, when it had one fruit; in 1864 it had three fruits; in 1865 it had a quarter peck, and in 1868 it had a fairly large crop.

Recognizing the superior qualities of the new pear, Mr. Kieffer began to propagate it and sell it in a local way under the name it now bears. As a token of his own faith in the variety he set out a great many trees in orchard rows on his place, many of which are living and in bearing today. The Kieffer pear first attracted public attention in a large way when it was exhibited at the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia, in 1876. The originator received a bronze medal and a certificate of merit in recognition of his important contribution to horticulture.

Control of Japanese Beetles

The Gilbert Watts farm in Pennsylvania sells 40 per cent of the vegetables raised on 65 acres at its model roadside market. The vegetables are all marked, graded and packed in the farm's own packing house nearby. Attractive packing, quality vegetables and attractive surroundings which stress the cleanliness and care taken with the vegetables, pay good profits. The Raines farm near Boston—one of the "millionaire farms" the folk thereabouts talk of—began wholesaling and was forced by its friends into roadside marketing. Again quality goods, attractive packing and variety grown right on the spot pay handsome profits. The owner frankly admitted he was opposed to roadside marketing at first—seemed to think it was rather a come down for a large operator, shipper and wholesaler. The motorists demanded fresh farm produce, however, and after the first year he had to add 100 acres to grow the crops the public wanted. And it didn't interfere with his wholesaling either.—From Market Growers' Journal.

Druggist—What kind of soap do you want, lad

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State News Briefs

Grand Rapids—The Grand Rapids division of the Pennsylvania railroad in August handled 22,372 loads of freight compared with 20,345 for the corresponding month of 1925. The total number of cars, loaded and empty, handled on the division the past month was 35,540 compared with 32,001 for August, 1925.

Cadillac—With the tuberculin test on 80 per cent of the cattle of Wexford county complete, Dr. X. B. Shafer, county veterinarian, reports the percentage of reactors low. The percentage is 1.58 or about one reactor for each 63 animals. The figures show an average of about two reactors per farm where infection has been found.

Olivet—Miss Lura Durham, graduate of the Columbia College of Expression, Chicago, will have charge of the work in dramatic interpretation coaching of plays and other expression work at Olivet college this year.

Sparta—Hundreds of dead fish found in Rogue river recently are believed to have been killed by poisonous material having been dumped into the stream. The state department of conservation is investigating.

Lowell—Increase in capital stock from \$75,000 to \$250,000 is set up in a notice filed with county clerk by the Lowell Specialty Co. of this city, of which Dexter G. Look is president. Of the capital, \$120,500 is paid in. At the annual stockholders meeting Aug. 3 a stock dividend of 100 per cent was declared and this applies on the paid in capital, the notice indicates, \$60,250 having been transferred from the surplus account to the capital stock.

Charlotte—The fall of a barrel as it slipped out of a freight car door caused the dislocation of a bone in the neck of Don Satterly of Chester township when it landed on him as he opened the door. Satterly had come to town to get a carload of barrels for his dill pickle industry.

Grant—The fourth annual community fair will be held in the Community building here Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 28, 29 and 30. Premiums are being increased in value this year, several departments are added and everything possible is being done to better the exhibit. Leading speakers of the state will appear on the program.

Lansing—Northwest Airways, Inc., was granted a corporate charter by the secretary of state and authorized to operate airplanes between Detroit and St. Paul. The corporation is organized as a private utility. Doubt as to the legal status of the corporation has been expressed by officials of the state public utilities commission and the state securities commission. The

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corporation wants to sell \$300,000 worth of stock to individuals who have already subscribed and it has not been decided which of the two commissions has jurisdiction.

Grand Haven—Grand Haven's coastguard station is to have a new boathouse, according to word received here authorizing the taking of bids for its construction.

Cadillac—The Michigan Potato Growers Exchange sold approximately 50,000 bushels of certified seed potatoes during the past season and paid growers an average of \$2.75 a bushel.

Allegan—Glen Overton, former proprietor of the large Overton condenser here, has perfected a machine to make powdered milk out of skim milk. It is said to be the only practical machine of its kind.

Olivet—Pullets on the farm of Mrs. R. W. Ely, R. F. D. No. 3, have started to lay at the age of 4 months. Mrs. Ely purchased 300 Plymouth Rock chicks last April.

Lansing—The corn borer has moved westward approximately 75 miles this season, the largest westward movement since the pest first invaded the United States, according to information received here from government entomologists. Fifteen counties in Ohio, five in Michigan and three in Indiana are included in the belt which the corn borer has invaded this year.

Middleville—The fourth annual free chautauqua closed here with record crowds. The chautauqua proved to be one of the best which has been given here as to entertainments and their presentations. Business men and other citizens have assumed a fifth free chautauqua for next year. No contributions are accepted from outside the village.

Mackinac Island—Improvements planned here include extension of the board walk two and one-half miles along the shore of the harbor, extension of the Grand Hotel grounds, extension of the hotel golf course to 18 holes and of the Country Club course to 12 holes and improvements of the grounds.

Paw Paw—The states of Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska and Tennessee and also The Netherlands are represented by teachers in the public schools here. The fall term begins Sept. 20.

Traverse City—Contract for construction of the new Eighth street bridge has been granted to the National Concrete Co. of Indianapolis at a price of \$21,500. Work has been started on wrecking the old structure.

Ionis—The postoffice at Shiloh, Fenwick, Sheridan and Stanton are to get improved service from the south. A contract with a bus company serving those towns with passenger service has been made and the bus will meet the early morning trains at Ionis and take all classes of mail for delivery to those points.

Traverse City—The explosion of a dynamite cap which Ernest Lehn was ramming into a toy pistol with the aid of a nail and hammer cost the 9-year-old boy a part of his left hand. Edward Lehn and Howard Campbell, both 11, who were standing near by, were cut and burned.

Sparta—The Grand Trunk Rail way company has been granted permission to discontinue service at Gooding station, four miles west of Sparta. Lack of patronage is the reason.

Three Church Groups Are Bequeathed \$5,000

Holland.—Three boards connected with the Reformed Church in America have been made beneficiaries by the will of Mrs. Virginia Marquard Monroe, who died recently at Tarrytown, N. Y.

Legacies of \$5,000 each are bequeathed to the board of foreign missions, board of domestic missions and board of education and also to Rutgers college. Mrs. Monroe's estate is estimated at \$3,000,000.

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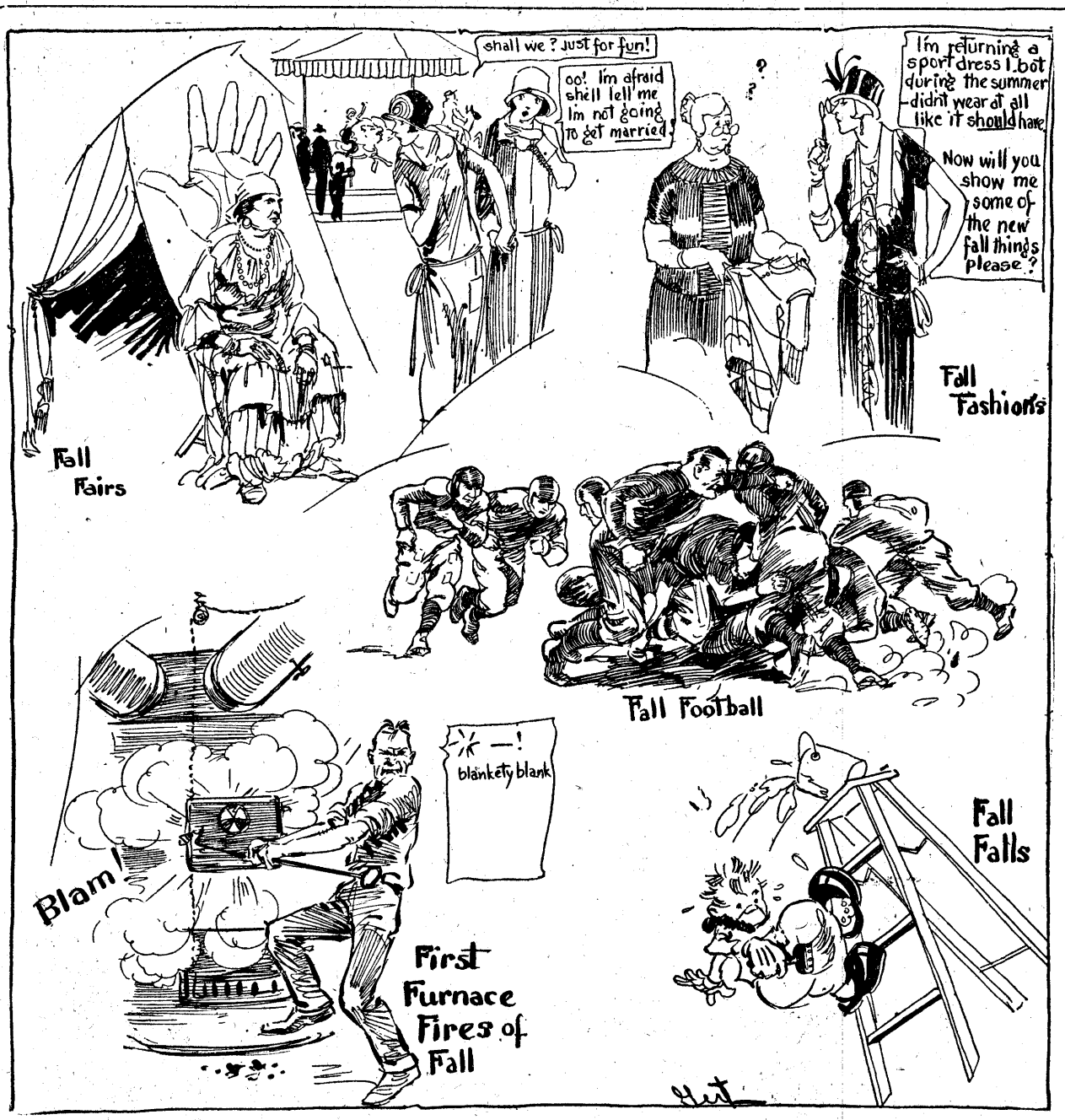
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THE FALL OF FALL



THE STORY OF GROSSE ILE

By REV. JOHN R. COMMAND

Detroit

(Continued from last week)

The first title we find to the island, a part from the natural right the Indians possessed, is when in 1707 Cadillac as the French governor of Detroit deeded all the lower river islands to his daughter. This was under date of March 10, 1707. Cadillac after the fashion of his day was anxious to become a member of the nobility and to be made Le Marquis de Detroit.

With a shrewdness befitting his history he wished to protect his family in case his ambitions should or should not be realized. Hence to his daughter did he as master of the country deed the whole of Grosse Ile. Four years later in 1711 Cadillac was removed from office. All the real estate transactions to which as governor he was party, were rescinded save such as pertained to those who had improved the land by tillage or cultivation. While not concomitant, the decrees of revocation and those of new title are sufficiently close to reveal that the revocation was aimed at Cadillac.

Grosse Ile then reverted to its original state. Nobody held title to it as far as records reveal and no one claimed it. In 1740 Beauharnois then in control of the district, gave to Father de la Richardie a title to the island to provide a home for the Huron Indians. The title was never used and the reason why is not clear. It seems that between him and the governor there was some sort of difficulty and Father Richardie settled with the Hurons on Bois Blanc.

Grosse Ile seems to have been forgotten until 36 years later when the immediate ancestors of many island people came into title. Alexander and William Macomb were large merchants in Detroit, who had extensive dealings with the Government amounting to well nigh a half million of dollars a year; in those days certainly such was a very successful firm.

The Declaration of Independence was signed on July 4, 1776. Two days later on Grosse Ile, under an old tree about half way down the island on the Canadian side, the chiefs of the Pottawattomie Indians gathered and there signed a deed to the islands of the lower Detroit river, particularly Grosse Ile, giving the same to Alexander and William Macomb. The chiefs and their sons signed the deed.

What right to the island the Pottawattomies had I have been unable to ascertain. It is a fact that the British government made every effort to stop the transfer of real estate by the Indians to individuals. Many of such transfers the government refused to sanction. Nevertheless in the final event the title to the whole Grosse Ile was vested in William Macomb who died in 1796. Since then the title has never been questioned. Many of the direct descendants of William Macomb are still on the island.

How Alexander Macomb and his interest disappeared is not evident. Titles in those days were not as clear or solid as now and it may be that since the title of the Pottawattomies was not crystal clear, Alexander dropped away and let William attend to it himself. There is no record

that Alexander gave to his brother William his share in the original title. The original deed fell to David B. Macomb, son of William Macomb, Jr., grandson of the original William. David B. Macomb was a retired commodore in the United States Navy and died in New York. He left the deed to his daughter, a Mrs. Bull. When she died David B. Macomb's will directs that the original deed be given to the Michigan Pioneer and Historical Society at Lansing.

Woodward Avenue is An Unusual Highway

Detroit.—Woodward avenue, which soon is to be widened into a 200-foot highway from Detroit to Pontiac, is said to be the longest business street in the world.

It is a true polyglot. Along this thoroughfare may be found the contradictions of smart shops and second hand tailors; \$1,000,000 theatres and cheap burlesques; exclusive jewelers and pawn shops.

Starting at the Detroit river this street leads directly through the heart of Detroit's business district; out the five miles to Highland Park; again taking up its course on the outskirts of that city it goes the two miles to the city limits, where it merges with M10 to Pontiac.

Best and Worst Blended

Woodward avenue is the haunt of the religious zealot, the faker and the charlatan. On one corner, a group of ardent evangelists hold forth; in the next block a show window demonstrator pantomimes the advantages of a particular brand of facial mud; farther up a strident-voiced street doctor is announcing a new cult, which combines spiritual health, wealth and happiness.

Sunday evening finds religious sects grouped on many corners. Usually the onlookers are the smallest of any of the street corner gatherings; and the audiences listen dully to the earnest speakers and singers.

Woodward is a street of contradictions. It is narrow and wide; squalid and prosperous—a colorful blending of the old and the new; the best and the worst in Detroit.

Asks Holland Fair Site for Cemetery

Holland.—Realizing the urgent need of additional land for cemetery purposes the board of parks and cemeteries has addressed a communication to the council suggesting the purchase of the Holland fairgrounds at a cost of \$120,000.

The fairgrounds adjoin the township cemetery on the west and are considered by the board as ideal for the addition.

May Go on Ballots

Criticism repeatedly has been made against the location of the fairgrounds adjoining the cemetery as the most undesirable place for entertainment.

The proposition likely will be submitted to a vote of the electorate by the ways and means committee, to which the question has been referred for final solution.

Confused Issues Defeat Charlevoix Bond Plan

Charlevoix — Charlevoix's taxpayers voted 176 to 121 against bonding the city for a new high school building. The poll was taken at a special meeting of the school board called for the purpose. The sum of the bonds voted on was \$250,000.

A confusion of issues was injected into the meeting, which apparently had much to do with swaying many voters otherwise favorable to a new building. Further dissatisfaction was expressed by many who want a new building over the fact the plan did not contemplate new housing for the lower grades. But for these influences, the contest might have been close. Many who voted no at the meeting now are urging reopening the issue.

Emmet Seed Spuds Pass 100 Per Cent Test

Petoskey.—The certified seed potato growers of Emmet county passed the second certified field inspection at practically 100 per cent, according to S. J. Culver, county agricultural agent.

There are 32 fields in the county, widely scattered all over the best potato growing area. The country's total for certified seed potatoes this year is 216 acres.

The crop condition at this time is very good from a disease standpoint, but the total yield has been seriously cut down by the long period of rainless days during August.

Battle-Scarred Indian Canoe Is On Exhibit

Cadillac—An ancient Indian dugout 13 feet long, bearing many scars of battle, is being exhibited by Charles Manktelow, local Indian interpreter and collector of Indian relics. The canoe was the gift of John Hall, leader of a small band of Indians on the Houghton lake road east of Lake City. John Hall says the battered old canoe was made by an artisan more than 100 years ago and was used by Chief Sag-git-to of the Ottawas.

It was in service on Houghton lake and also on the Tittabawassee river, in battle with the Sag-o-nash. In each end of the dugout is a raised seat on which the warriors knelt while they paddled.

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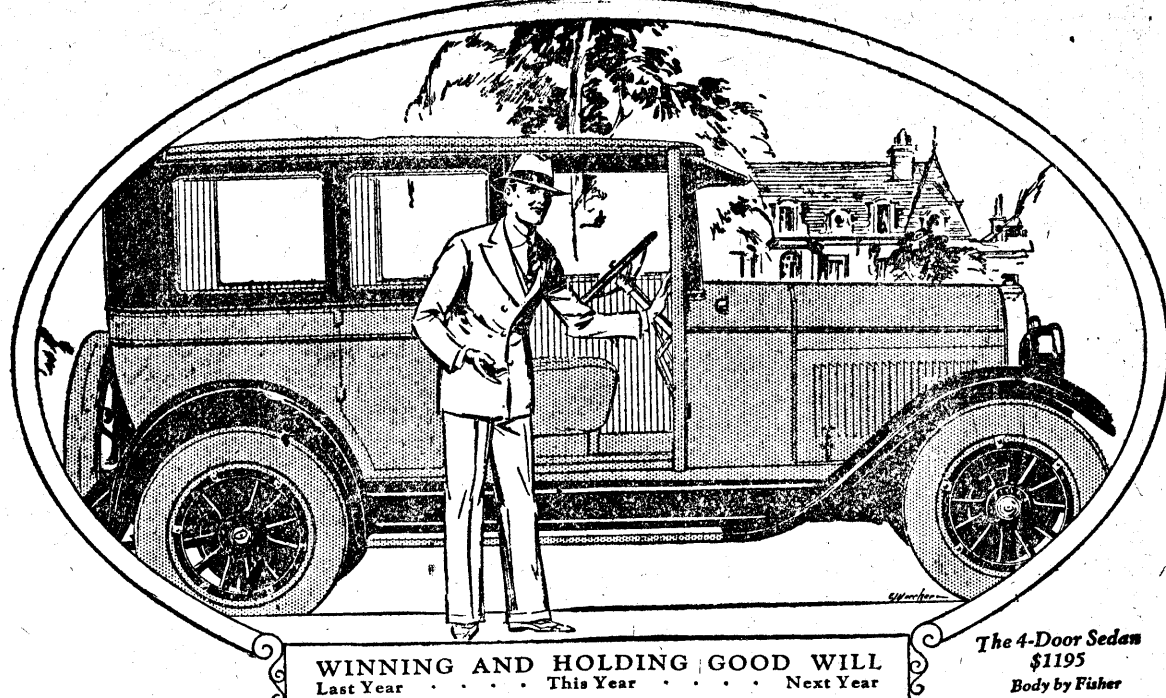
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The Florida Disaster

One of the worst hurricanes in history visited the Florida coast this week, leaving a trail of death and disaster in its wake. From the meager reports yet available it is gathered that the loss of life and property damage is enormous. Various reports give the known dead from 500 to 1000 and a property loss from \$50,000,000 to \$150,000,000.

Florida property owners in this section are anxiously awaiting news from their properties, but to date no local citizens have received any word from there. It is reported that E. A. Aseltine of Paw Paw who owns 5 cottages and a home there received a report that all his cottages were completely demolish-

ed and that his garage could not be found.

This community is responding generously with cash donations to relieve the suffering in the devastated area.

WAGERTOWN

Grange Saturday evening, Sept. 25.

H. B. Brant spent the week end at George Leach's.

Ladies Aid will meet Wednesday, Sept. 29 with Ethel Eastman.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Goble spent the week end at Geo. Leach's.

Mrs. Ethel Eastman and Bernith visited Sunday in Kalamazoo.

Born, Sept. 15 to Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Brant, a daughter, Eloee Ethel, at Bronson Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John Beeman spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Day in Gobles.

Mr. and Mrs. Fields of Chicago spent the week end with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. John Beeman spent Sunday eve at Arch Holmes.

Rex Brant of Kalamazoo is spending two weeks with his grandmother, Ethel Eastman.

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Whereas, Marion Fox, a Single Man, of the City of Kalamazoo and the State of Michigan, made and executed a certain mortgage, bearing date the 16th day of January, 1923, to Charlotte M. Fox, of Richland, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, which was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds in the County of Van Buren on the 20th day of January, 1923 at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon, in Liber 127 of Mortgages, on Page 219, and

Whereas, the amount claimed to be due upon said mortgage at the date of this notice is the sum of Forty-two (\$42.00) Dollars and no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law 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 Court House, at the Village for Paw Paw, in said County of Van Buren, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court within said County, on the 8th day of October, 1926, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, Central Standard time; the description of which said premises contained in said mortgage is as follows:

The West One-half of the Southwest Quarter of Section Eleven, Township Two South, Range Thirteen West, Township of Almena, Van Buren County, Michigan.
Dated June 30, 1926.

CHARLOTTE M. FOX,

Mortgagee.
Weston & Fox, Attorneys for Mortgagee. Business Address: 503 Hanselman Bldg., Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Notice of Hearing Claims

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Van Buren.

In the matter of the estate of Martin J. Buckner deceased.

Notice is hereby given that four months from the 20th day of September, A. D. 1926 have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court for examination and adjustment, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court at the probate office in the village of Paw Paw in said county, on or before the 24th day of January, A. D. 1927, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Monday, the 24th day of January, A. D. 1927, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.
Dated September 20th, A. D. 1926.
Wm. E. Miller, Judge of Probate.

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we have done

Something
Some Way

that will cause you to
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and return—soon

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The Weekly Fashion Hint

COLLEGE COAT USES SQUIRREL TRIM



By MME. LISBETH

Velour is among the popular fabrics for coats this season. The coat above, suitable for campus wear, is of brown velour and trimmed with dyed squirrel. It has style to recommend it for dress purposes and it will also serve for wear to classes occasionally since it is not too elaborate for school nor is it likely to grow shabby quickly. The squirrel always has a tendency to wear thin in spots but it can easily be matched at no great cost.

The side blouse is being featured by one manufacturer who shows several different manipulations of this line, although in general it is achieved by means of inverted tucks, the placing of these tucks giving variation. In some instances they are set at a low line, almost below the hips, on other models the line is higher. Sometimes they are augmented by a simulated belt or the tucks are continued farther down the side and trimmed with motifs of fur. In one interesting model, box pleats are set down each side from the bloused effect and a narrow fabric belt is tied across the front.

Pile fabrics are the rule throughout the showing, and a varied assortment of furs is used as trimming. The shoulder treatment is, as a rule, closefitting, the set-in sleeve or the saddle shoulder prevailing.

Thanks to a Ben Ali Haggin tableau in Ziegfeld's American Revue and to Adolphe Menjou's discerning eye, Susan Fleming has been cast for a leading role in Menjou's starring picture, "The Ace of Cads." That the part is an important one is shown by the fact that first Lois Moran and then Clara Bow were cast for it.

When other pictures kept Misses Moran and Bow from playing the part, a search for a suitable ingenue to be Alice Joyce's daughter resulted.

The Paramount casting office files were scanned, and a score of girls were interviewed and screen-tested. None suited Mnjou and Director Luther Reed, who in the meantime had started work on scenes in which the girl does not appear.

No woman may justly accuse her sisters of being "high hat" this fall, for all of us are in the same category. The general tendency is for millinery crowns to go higher and higher. The wee woman will be in luck and her taller sister who has sufficient roundness of face and figure will not fare so badly, but a question arises as to what the very tall, slender person is going to do.

All three of the hats shown have the high crown, although the model at the top of the picture is modified somewhat by a drooping brim, however slight, and by the trimming at the side. It is an exclusive model of red velvet "patched" with lighter shade of bengaline. It is mentioned as a mushroom shape with a unique trimming of feather tulips.

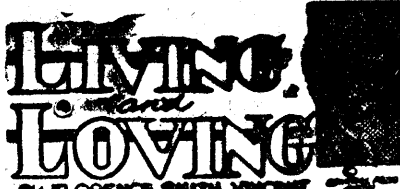
The crown of the chapeau in the center is not only high but square and quite severe. Its high, rolled brim and tailored trimming taken with this square crown cause it to resemble the Alpine hat of twenty years ago. It is strictly modern, however—a 1926 model—and very smart.

Another Parisian creation of the milliner's art (below) gains its appearance of height from a fan-shaped



ruffle of the material standing erect at the back of the crown. Fabric manipulation and a large crystal hatpin are the only trimming features of this model which is developed in Saxe blue velvet.

A new Paris modiste was represented in one of the recent showings by a hat which reflected the popular Tyrolean tendency.



PEAS AND PEOPLE

Fill a can with peas, shake it, and all the little peas will sift down to the bottom.

This method is symbolic of life itself, which, by a succession of jolts and jars is not adverse to thus assorting humans—the great from the small.

And as with peas, so with people. The really fit, despite their at first unadvantageous position at the bottom, rise above circumstances and environment to their rightful place.

The Chinese, profoundest of philosophers, in a setting phraseologically exquisite have placed one of wisdom's pearls:—

"In walking through life keep in mind the thought of yielding precedence to others. If they deserve to pass you it is not only right that they should do so, but no effort on your part can hinder them from going ahead. If, however, their merit does not warrant progress they will soon fall back where they belong, being unable, through ignorance, to maintain their advanced position."

Perfectly simple and simply possible to the Oriental fatalist.

But the Occidental formula for finding and retaining one's place in the sun contains more of punch and less of passivity.

Without hurt to and with regard for the rights of others it advises: "Fight, and if you must lose 'tis better than never to venture!"

"If at first you don't succeed, try, try again!"

"You've got to have the push to get the pull!"

"Do what you can and you can do what you will!"

"Drifting along with the tide seldom carries one to his desired destination. Striking out against the current demands the bold, masterful strokes that make man rider of the waves!"

"There's plenty of room at the top, but one reaches there only by unflagging zeal!"

"The elevator to fortune is not running. Try the stairs!"

Short and long, however expressed, in these latter precepts the element of effort is never lacking.

It may be that values in the New World—wealth, fame, material fortune—are not measured by the same philosophical yardstick of the Old World, which accounts him blessed who has won from life tolerance, love, contentment; that therefore not contentiousness, but peace, is the instrument of progress.

At any rate, it is interesting to reflect upon the fundamental differences between the two when East meets West upon even so general a question as success.

Hints for the Housewife

MENU HINT

Breakfast

Sliced Oranges
French Toast with Syrup
Cookies Coffee

Dinner

Fried Pork with Apples
Creamed Potatoes
Sliced Cucumbers and Onions
Caramel Pudding Cookies

Iced Tea

Supper

Cheese Souffle
Toasted Whole Wheat Bread
Apple Sauce Cake Tea

TODAY'S RECIPES

Soft Molasses Cookies—One cup brown sugar, one cup molasses, one cup shortening, two eggs, two teaspoons ginger or one of cinnamon and one of ginger, one-half teaspoon salt, two teaspoons soda in one-half cup hot water (sour milk may be substituted for water). Flour to roll soft. Bake in moderate oven.

Fried Pork with Apples—Fry pork chops or pork steak until well done. Slice sour apples across quite thick without peeling, fry in the hot lard until tender. Place around the pork on the platter.

Caramel Pudding—One quart milk, one cup sugar, two heaping tablespoons cornstarch, one teaspoon vanilla. Brown sugar over fire, pour heated milk into it, add cornstarch dissolved in a little milk. Flavor with vanilla.

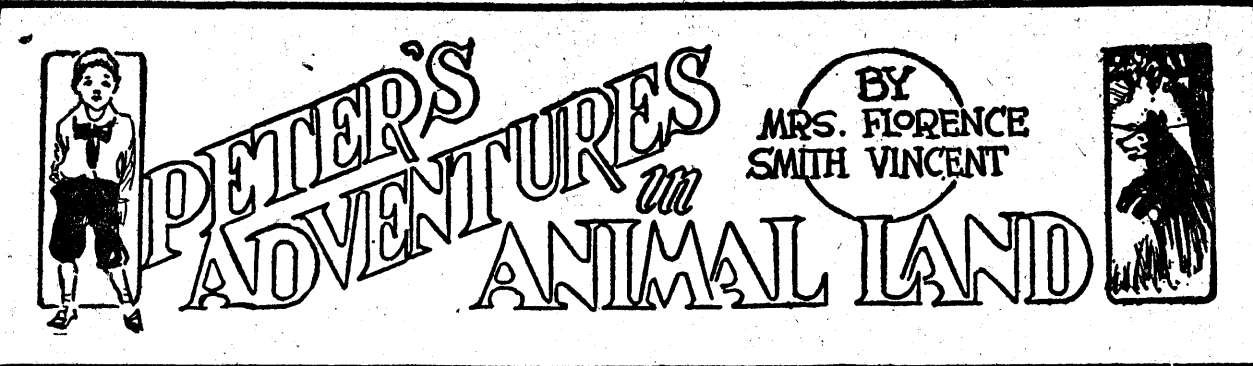
SUGGESTIONS

Queen Anne period furniture or any of its adaptations can be upholstered correctly in a number of different materials such as velvet, damask, brocade, wool tapestry, silk, linen, needlework and leather. An upholstery is oftentimes finished with large brass-beaded tacks which show.

A country house without gas or electricity needs many lamps and candles. For this purpose nothing could be more suitable than colored glass candlesticks and lamps that are copies of early American designs. Shades are very simple, often of cretonne or decorative papers.

TO CLEAN KITCHEN TABLE

First wash with soap and water then rub with a cloth on which has been sprinkled a quantity of salt. This will make the table much whiter.



TURN ABOUT, FAIR PLAY

"Grrr! What fun can there be in slipping about in icy water? I know all about seal-catching and I'd rather take my chance on being stung by a swarm of Bees than on catching one fat seal. I know how 'tis done, too. Oh, I could tell you all about it if I wanted to," declared Father Growly suddenly.

All this while the Father Bear had been straining that one ear of his to hear what his mate was saying, and he'd found it so interesting that he had been backing up, a step at a time, until now he was one of the little group.

"Oh, Daddy, Daddy, tell us how the



White Bear goes hunting for a Seal!" clamored Roly-Poly and her little brother. But Daddy started just as though he had suddenly remembered something and shook his head.

"Can't!" grunted he, and somehow Peter the boy knew Father Growly really wanted to very much any more.

"Haven't time. I'm on duty, you know. It would never do for you?"

Mother and I to be off guard both at once."

Mother Growly looked up at her kicked you out.

mate and grinned her wide Bear grin. "Let's change places, mate!" growled she. "I have grunted so long that my throat is sore. Now you take your turn at using your tongue and I will take mine at testing my eyes."

Setting her Cubs on their little flat feet, Mother Growly stood up, stretched herself and walked slowly to the edge of the clearing, and Father growly took her place as storyteller, a Cub upon each knee.

"When I was a youngster 'bout as big as you," began he, and cuddled his little boy close, "I had a friend named Trot-Fast. Now Trot-Fast was a gypsy he loved to wander, but when we were Cubs together he promised me that once a year he would come back to the old home in the woods, meet me beneath the big horse chestnut tree and tell me of the wonderful sights he had seen and the friends he had made since we parted. And he always has. 'Tis from him I heard the story of the Seal hunt. I will tell it to you just as Polar Bear told it to Trot-Fast."

Next: "How Polar Bear Got His Name."

LOOK AND LEARN

1. What city in the United States is known as the "Monumental City?"
2. How many cabinet officers are there in the U. S. Cabinet?
3. In what place is reported the greatest rainfall in the world?
4. Who wrote "Poor Richard's Almanac?"

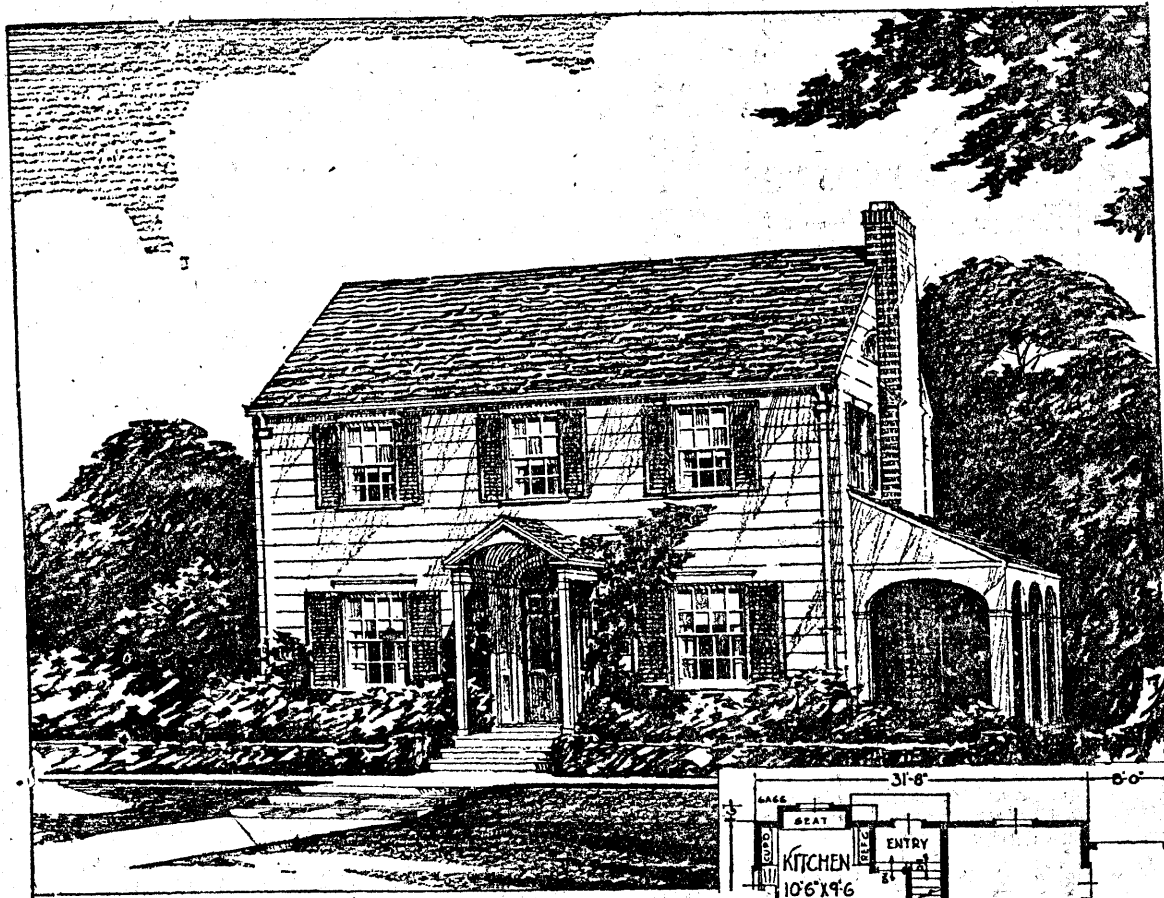
5. What little animal is a well-known nest robber?

- Baltimore.
- Ten.
- Bengal, a province of British India.
- Benjamin Franklin.
- The mink.

WANING AFFECTION

She—I don't believe you love me any more. I haven't time. I'm on duty, you know. It would never do for you? Mother and I to be off guard both at once."

A Small Colonial Home of Distinction



There are few things more attractive than the small frame house painted in some pleasing color-scheme. In suburbs or country, it always adds a note of brightness and cheer to the landscape.

For more than two hundred years the Colonial style of architecture has been a favorite in America. It is now copied even in the small house, yet seldom so successfully as in the six-room design shown in the accompanying picture. The exterior of this house is remarkable for its finely proportioned walls and openings. It has an appearance of spaciousness greater than its actual measurements.

The distinctive features of the design are the beautiful entrance detail and the side porch with its graceful arches. The hooded front entrance is an outstanding characteristic of the New England Colonial, as contrasted with the great, pillared portico of the Southern Colonial.

The brick chimney, which goes through the porch at the side of the house has a door on either side of it. It would be well to have these doors largely of glass, or to have French windows, so as to admit plenty of light and air to the living-room, which occupies that entire side of the house

A brick fireplace is an attractive feature of this room.

Across the hall are the dining room and kitchen, each lighted by windows on two sides. On the second floor there are three full-sized bedrooms—two over the spacious living room and one over the dining room. The good sized bathroom is over the kitchen. There are six closets on this floor—two in the largest bedroom, one in each of the smaller ones, one in the bathroom, and a linen closet in the hall. There is generous attic space at the top of the house.

The house is planned to be built of frame, with exterior finish of siding, a shingle roof and a brick base course. It requires only to be painted in an appropriate color-scheme to make it one of the most attractive small houses imaginable. White, with green roof, shutters and trimmings, is the style of decoration characteristic of the Colonial type, while the red brick chimney gives a pleasing note of contrast.

If, however, one does not care for the white and green color-scheme, a picturesque substitute, equally suitable, is light yellow with white trim and the roof painted with the same red as the brick chimney. Grey with green trim would also be harmonious.

Children's Pictorial Cross Word Puzzle



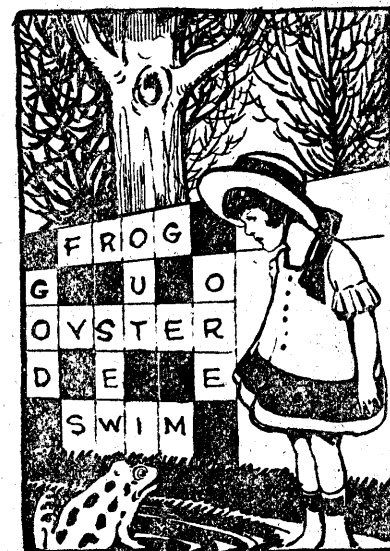
Running Across.

Word 1. In the picture.
Word 4. Fast.
Word 5. A musical instrument.

Running Down.

Word 1. Loose earth or soil.
Word 2. Not occupied.
Word 3. Not busy.

Last Week's Puzzle Answered



Fashion Speeds Up Girls' Basketball



Members of girls' basketball team at O'Keefe High school, in Atlanta, Ga., are originators of a new style of playing uniform for girls. Bloomers are discarded in favor of mannish trunks, and sweaters replace middies. Greater freedom in action is allowed by the uniform, as you see in this closeup of an incident in a practice session. Dorothy Rainey is at left and Helen Broome is at right.



THAT TERRIBLE THORNE GIRL

BY FREDERIC ARNOLD KUMMER

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There was still another experience in store for Sylvia before she reached the refuge of her father's shop. A well-built, rather florid man of about forty, emerging from the portals of the Penn Trust Company's new building, approached her in a hurried and rather shamefaced way, pulling mechanically at the brim of his grey slouch hat. It was Alvin Mercer, one of Millersburg's most eminent legal lights.

"Why, hello, Miss McKenna—Sylvia," he stammered, reddening a bit as he shook her hand. "When did you stride town?"

"Last night," Sylvia told him. Mr. Mercer had, on the occasion of her last visit home, been a keen rival of Howard Bennett in showering attentions on her, but they had been camouflaged by an assumption of fatherly interest, owing to the fact that Mr. Mercer possessed a middle-aged but rather jealous wife. Even now, as he stood there in the busiest part of Main Street, he assumed a dignified professional air, somewhat impaired by the furtive way in which he glanced about from time to time, as though fearful of being observed. Mrs. Mercer was downtown, doing Christmas shopping that morning, and Mr. Mercer knew it.

"I've been reading the stories about you in the newspapers, child," the lawyer went on hurriedly, "and I'm convinced that they have presented only one side of the case. As an attorney, it is my opinion that, if innocent, as I feel sure you are, you have good grounds for an action of defamation of character. Now, if you will let me handle your affairs for you, I shall be glad to do so without charge."

This seemed to Sylvia a kindly suggestion, at least, and in her relief she smiled. It did not occur to her rather trusting nature that Mr. Mercer was engaged in constructing an alibi for himself in case this, or subsequent meetings with Sylvia were reported to his wife. It would be so easy to explain them by the statement that Sylvia was one of his clients. Observing her smile, he became a trifle more confident.

"Tell you what you do," he whispered. "Come to my office—in the Lackawanna Building, you know—any day around six. I always work late, after the others have gone, clearing up the odds and ends of the day. We'd be alone, and you would have a good chance to tell me all about yourself without danger of our being interrupted. Why, not come this evening?" he added persuasively. "The sooner we talk things over, the better. I'll be waiting for you. Good day." With a hurried dab at his hat brim he left her, and a moment later Sylvia saw him approach the door of a shining town car which had just driven up in front of Hecht's, the big department store next to the bank.

She went down the street; a flame of anger in her heart. "Wolves—wolves," she kept repeating to herself, ready on the slightest sign of encouragement to eat her up. The bookstore was filled with customers when she got there, and she slipped through them quickly and mounted the stairs to the apartment above. It was deserted. Going quickly to the telephone in her father's little study she called up Howard Bennett. It would be interesting at least, to find out the attitude of one who less than a month ago had pleaded with her to marry him.

The offices of the Union Railway & Power Company, of which Mr. Bennett, Senior, was president, and Howard now assistant manager, were located in the Union Building, Millersburg's one and only skyscraper, and Sylvia was obliged to give her name to both the switchboard operator and a crisp-voiced secretary before she was permitted to reach Howard over the phone.

"Hello," she said softly. "This is Mary. I got in from Hollywood last night. When am I going to see you?"

TWENTY-SIX

Howard's voice as he answered Sylvia's call over the phone, was as cool as the December morning, and lacked its sunshine. Its businesslike tones, however, did not seem strange to Sylvia; Howard was always like that when speaking from the office. "Hello," he said, "I have a dinner engagement. Sorry. Suppose I drop around for a few minutes later on—say about nine."

"I'll be expecting you," Sylvia replied, without enthusiasm. Howard Bennett meant very little to her now after Steve Hollins; she did feel that she would like to retain him as a friend.

"I don't think we can talk very well, at your place," she heard him saying. "I'll have my car. If you don't mind, we will take a little drive."

Perhaps that would be best, Sylvia thought, as she assented. There was no place she could receive him, at the little flat, except in her father's study, and she knew the latter was too firmly wedded to his evenings over his books to think of ousting him. But when she had hung up the receiver a sudden anger filled her. For a man who claimed to love her, a dinner engagement was rather a flimsy excuse. Was he afraid of being seen with her, that he suggested a drive under cover of night, in a closed car? It was with rather a heavy heart that Sylvia sat down to her lunch.

Mr. Stephen Hollins spent the brief journey from New York to his mother's home in Rosemont thinking of Sylvia, who to him was just plain Mary, and bridging in his imagination the interval of four interminable hours which must elapse before he would see her again.

He was in a very gay humor when

he greeted his mother, his sisters, but although they noticed his gaiety of spirits, commented upon the fact, he vouchsafed no explanations. Mary, he decided, should be withheld as a surprise, allowed to burst upon his family a vision of unbelievable loveliness.

As matters turned out, his reticence proved to be a blessing. The surprise he had planned for the family was shortly to become his own. Within an hour of his arrival, when he was scarcely through unpacking his grips, Sylvia's telegram was handed to him.

He read it first, in shocked amazement, read it again, unwilling to believe its impossible message. Only on a third reading did he find consolation in Sylvia's message of love. There was some mystery here, he decided, some fancied obstacle to their marriage, on her part, which it became his immediate duty to remove. Without offering any explanations to his astonished family, he announced that he was obliged to return to New York at once.

Just what he expected to accomplish by so doing was not exactly clear in his mind, but one thing was certain. Any pursuit of Sylvia, any attempt to trace her movements since their parting so short a time before, would necessarily have to begin at the hotel.

Disappointment, however, awaited him. The register told him precisely nothing. Nor were the clerk, the porters who had attended to the removal of Sylvia's baggage, able to tell him anything more. The young lady had gone to the Pennsylvania Station. She had not said what train she meant to take. She had bought her ticket, seen to the checking of her baggage, herself. At least no one at the hotel had seen to it for her. Mary McKenna, of New York, had disappeared as completely as though a cyclone had swept her from the face of the earth.

It seemed incredible. He was unwilling to believe anything so fantastic. "What room did she have?" he asked the amused clerk.

The latter told him, smiling. "Has it been rented?" Steve asked. The clerk consulted his room rack. "Not yet," he replied. "Why?"

"Do you mind if I go up there for a moment? I'm quite ready to pay for it. The young lady might have left some papers, some message."

What Steve expected to find in the room Sylvia had occupied so short a time before, he did not know. Perhaps he only wanted to satisfy himself that she had really gone. What he did find, lying on the immaculate bed, was a magazine with a gay blue and red cover, from the center of which the face of a woman stared at him—the face of the woman he sought.

With a queer, unbelieving groan he snatched up the book, glanced swiftly about the room. No other evidence of its recent occupancy met his eyes. Handing the curious and staring bellboy a dollar, he went to the elevator, descended to the lobby. A comfortable chair met his bewildered gaze and he fell into it, began to search rapidly through the pages of the magazine.

The article about Sylvia was headed "A New Star's Total Eclipse." Steve read it with horrified eyes. Could this be his Mary, the sweet and unsophisticated girl he had held in his arms the night before? There was nothing to prove it, except the astonishing likeness on the cover. Yet something told him that Mary McKenna and Sylvia Thorne were one and the same; that the girl he loved was a celebrated, a notorious actress, a screen star, now besmirched by the mire of Hollywood's latest divorce scandal. With a groan of despair he crushed the magazine in his powerful fingers, allowed it to slip noiselessly to the floor. The hotel detective, observing his peculiar actions, strolled with elaborate carelessness past his chair, but Steve did not even see him. His love for Sylvia had been a rare, a beautiful thing—the most rare and perfect experience of his life. Now it lay in the mud at his feet, broken, bruised, defiled. In his agony of mind he sat in the chair for what seemed hours, scarcely feeling the energy to rise. Life, so far as Steve Hollins was concerned, had come to an abrupt end, for the time being, utterly wretched end.

TWENTY-SEVEN

The little apartment over the bookshop which Sylvia's father called home could be reached through the store, but there was another entrance, from the street, leading to a narrow hall and staircase.

Sylvia went down the stairs rather slowly, certain that the bell announced the arrival of Howard Bennett. He would call about nine, he had said, and the clock in her father's study was just chiming the hour as she emerged from her bedroom to the landing.

She had dressed for the street, since it had been Howard's suggestion that she take a ride with him, and in her one-piece gown of black velvet, with fur-trimmed coat to match, her wide hat, drooping a plume of bottle-green, she seemed the embodiment of youth, of gay adventure. There was little gaiety, however, in Sylvia's heart. The events of the day had been too deplorable; it was not surprising that the ardor which had brought her so swiftly home was by now largely evaporated.

There was her interview with her sister Kate, for instance, terminated so abruptly when Mrs. Sollers had told her with sisterly frankness that it might injure her husband's business, as Millersburg's leading photographer, to have his family associate, on terms of intimacy, with one who had been so publicly disgraced. That

had cut deep—very deep.

Then there were her astonishing talks with Sam Miller, and Alvin Mercer, the lawyer, both of whom had treated her precisely as her father had predicted, had shown plainly enough that they looked on her as fair game, to be run to earth at the earliest possible moment (always provided that the pursuit could be carried on in secret, without the knowledge of observing friends or jealous wives). Wolves, she termed them in her anger. Certainly no one, with the exception of her father, had welcomed her with real understanding. Even the Reverend Dr. Wharton had proceeded on the assumption that she was a fallen woman, a lost sheep, a brand to be snatched from the burning, instead of the innocent victim of an unfortunate scandal. Everyone, it seemed, went on the theory that she was guilty. It outraged her sense of justice. Why did they not ask for her story first and judge her afterwards?

She had said nothing to her father about her experiences of the morning. When she mentioned the fact that Howard Bennett was to call for her, take her for a drive, Mr. McKenna had remarked merely that he hoped she would enjoy herself. In his heart he thought young Bennett a cad and his plan to take Sylvia for an unnoticed drive but proof of it.

It took Sylvia perhaps twenty seconds to descend the stairs and open the door, but during those twenty seconds she thought of a great many things.

One was her parting with Howard in the Los Angeles station a month before. He had said then that he was going to marry her—that nothing could ever change the state of his feelings. She was curious to know how he would greet her now. If he loved her as deeply as he said, he would believe in her as her father had believed in her asking no explanations. But Sylvia thought to herself, if he had felt that way, he would have rushed to her side the moment he learned she was in town, have lost not an instant in assuring her of his sympathy and love. Instead, he had spoken of a dinner engagement, had put off seeing her until nine o'clock at night.

With a twisted smile, Sylvia thought of Steve Hollins. It made little difference to her now whether Howard loved her or not. Only—and in this she was entirely human—she did want to retain his friendship, his respect, and her own respect as well. She was to give him an answer to his proposal of marriage—a negative answer, it is true, but Sylvia would not have been a woman had she not desired to treat that proposal seriously—to retain the right to decline it.

It was one thing to say, "I'm sorry Howard, but I can't marry you because I love someone else," and quite another to find that now, after what had happened, the question required no answer at all. She somehow hoped, without being at all confident of it, that Howard would be sufficiently gallant to go through the form of asking her, in spite of what had occurred.

TWENTY-EIGHT

Perhaps Sylvia would have grasped the situation had she thought of Howard's feeling. Having begged her to marry him, Mr. Bennett was now in a state of terror lest she might accept. He would have been glad enough of an acceptance a month ago, but it was something entirely different to go through with a proposal of marriage to a girl who had been publicly pilloried as an immoral woman. Not reasonable at all. As his father, his friends, had pointed out to him, to marry Sylvia now would be to ruin his social and his business career, to cut him off from his former associates to invite, in short, utter disaster.

Of course, the girl might be the victim of circumstances, be less black than she was painted, but even that possibility, his father assured him with cruel cynicism, would make very little difference in the net result. A woman's reputation, he asserted, depended on what people thought her to be not on what she really was. No sensible man would be foolish enough to try to combat, single handed, the devastating force of public opinion. The Bennett women, he told his son proudly, had always, like Caesar's wife, been above reproach. It was almost as bad for a girl, by loose conduct and associations, to invite suspicion, as it was for her to be actually worthy of it. Clever women knew how to protect their good names, keep their skirts out of the mire—only fools, whether innocent or guilty, got blamed. Sylvia, he maintained, was a fool, and in the opinion of Mr. Bennett, Sr., all fools were utterly damned.

Quite unaware of the cynical advice which had been poured into Howard's ears, Sylvia opened the door. There was a single gas jet in the hall, and beneath it she saw him standing, an impressive figure in his well-cut evening clothes.

His ruddy, rather fleshy face wore a troubled look, and a gleam of apprehension lay in his small grey eyes. Sylvia, staring at him for a quick moment, realized with blinding suddenness how greatly she loved Stephen Hollins, and why. Howard, in spite of his money, his position, was just a machine-made product, a Babbitt, as her father had said, one of a hundred thousand like him, standardized, stamped out by the great god of convention, wearing conventional clothes, thinking conventional thoughts, doing conventional things over and over, utterly incapable of any original ideas or convictions.

She knew, as her eyes measured him, that he would greet her in a perfectly conventional and unemotional way, would shake hands, murmur

something about being glad to see her—and he did. True, the sight of Sylvia's lovely face, a white flower against its background of velvet and fur, gave him a moment of flaming desire, but he checked it.

"Hello, dear," he said pleasantly, in the manner of one friend to another. "Awfully glad to see you. I'm on time, I think." Absurdly he glanced at his watch. "Sorry I couldn't come earlier, but Dad had a man at the house to dinner—a big hydro-electric expert from New York. We're thinking of putting in a power plant on the river, where the old mills used to be."

"Yes," said Sylvia, not in the least interested in power plants. "I'm glad to see you, Howard." She allowed him to help her into the shining closed car. "Where are you thinking of taking me?"

Mr. Bennett had been thinking of that very thing for the past hour and consequently was prepared with a ready answer.

"Why—I thought this. It's pretty cold and cheerless, driving around at night. And we want to talk, of course. So it occurred to me we might run out to the Log Cabin Inn. 'Log Cabin Inn?' Sylvia asked. 'What's that?'"

"Oh—rather a decent little joint, about ten miles down the river. Run by a fellow named Burger, from Philadelphia. Chicken dinners, something to drink, if you want it, nice log fire, snappy orchestra. Everybody goes there, on parties, you know."

By everybody, Mr. Bennett meant the gay flappers of Millersburg and their escorts, in search of excitement, of a place to take supper and dance, after the theater, to consume their Scotch and gin in more comfortable surroundings than those afforded by motor cars. Mr. Bennett did not add that he had chosen the place as their destination because at this hour of the evening it was almost certain to be deserted.

One of the most standard and conventional qualities which Mr. Howard Bennett possessed was his fear of public opinion. It was well known in Millersburg that he had been eager to marry Sylvia. All the mothers of marriageable daughters, not to mention the daughters themselves, looked on him as the town's most eligible bachelor—its greatest catch. All of them had been on the watch, since news of Sylvia's return reached them, to see what Howard Bennett would do—what attitude he would take toward a girl now thoroughly discredited.

His predictions had ranged all the way from his refusal to see her at all, to his possible marriage in spite of his father's objections. Howard did not wish to afford the town any food for gossip. He knew exactly what he meant to say to Sylvia, and he meant to say it promptly, before she could bring up the question of his proposal. In addition, he intended to say it privately, discreetly hidden from public view. What better place than the Inn, at nine o'clock in the evening.

The wide dining room was, as he had anticipated, practically deserted. One or two couples, people he did not know, lingered over late dinners. The orchestra was absent, being fed, in anticipation of a long and strenuous evening. Howard chose a table in a sheltered nook, ordered ginger ale, then plunged into the business of the evening.

TWENTY-NINE

"Sylvia," Howard said, "the last time I saw you I asked you to marry me."

"Why, yes, Howard, so you did," Sylvia told him, rather surprised by his abrupt beginning. "And I said I would give you my answer when I came home around Christmas."

"Exactly. Well, here's the situation. Since I last saw you, you've got into this mess. Personally I don't believe all I've read about it, but that isn't the question. The old man, as you know, has always been against my marrying you. Naturally this newspaper story hasn't made him any more enthusiastic. Now he says that if I marry anybody, before I'm thirty, I'm out, so far as he is concerned. They've made me assistant manager of the business, you know, and Dad says if this new hydro-electric company goes through I'm to be president of it. A big opportunity, of course. But he says I can't have it unless I agree to stay single for another five years, so of course—"

"What you mean, I suppose," Sylvia interrupted coldly, "is that you want to take back the offer you made me."

"No. Not quite that, dear," Mr. Bennett, in spite of the standardization of his emotions, could not keep a tremor from his voice as he glanced across the table at Sylvia's lovely and altogether desirable person. "Not exactly that. I'm not withdrawing anything I've said. Only, I want you to understand the situation. As president of this new company I'd be a big man—a rich man. If Dad, for any reason, were to withdraw his support, why—I wouldn't be anything at all. Probably have to go out and look for a job. And most likely he'd make a new will, leaving everything to my sister. So it seems to me that marriage, right now—"

"Don't worry, Howard," Sylvia said, an icy tinkle in her voice. "I'd made up my mind to refuse you."

This was a most unexpected shock to Howard Bennett's pride. After all his careful preparations, he had not thought to be rejected with so little ceremony. There had even been a shade of contempt in Sylvia's cool voice. He took up the glass of ginger ale and drained it at a gulp. He had visualized an angry Sylvia, a tearful Sylvia, even a seductive Sylvia, but certainly he had not reckoned on contempt. And as he felt the sting of her refusal, certain pagan desires, still existent within him in spite of his conventional shell, flamed up. Quite suddenly he realized that he was talking to one of the loveliest creatures in the world, and, in addition, to one who had fallen from grace—a woman who had thrown aside the protecting garment of virtue. The more spiritual forms of Howard's love, if any such existed, had disappeared with the knowledge of Sylvia's wrongdoing. According to conventional standards, he could not love a woman who had "gone



Week of September 26

There will be a general lack of storminess at the very beginning of the week of September 26 in most parts of Michigan. During both Sunday and Monday the sky will be generally clear and the temperature slightly below the normal for this time of year.

By Tuesday temperatures will have risen considerably in most parts of the state with the results that the skies will become overcast and the weather threatening. While we are not expecting any general heavy rain storms at this time there will be, in all probability, several heavy thunder storms or, at least, indications of such. This weather will continue over most of Wednesday.

About the last day of September will be mostly fair or at least with a minimum of storm activity but about the first of October and continuing over Saturday of this week we expect renewed threatening conditions with some heavy showers, thunder and wind.

October Changeable

Not many of the farmers will forget the weather of last October, the coldest of any similar month in the state since 1887. There will be some who will dread to see this coming October expecting a repetition. We are not expecting similar conditions this year that occurred in 1925 yet October this year will not be ideal in many respects. Probably the greatest drawback, especially for late maturing crops, will be the changeable weather conditions and numerous extremes, which, we are inclined to believe, will be rather spotted throughout the state.

wrong." But that did not prevent him from waiting her. With a quick movement he reached across the table, laid his hand on Sylvia's bare arm.

"Look here, sweetheart," he whispered. "This business about my not marrying at present is the old man's idea, not mine. Can't we be friends, just the same? I'll have all kinds of money, if I do as he asks. And there's nobody I'd rather spend it on than you. What's the good of your sticking around here in Millersburg? These people all know you, and they aren't going to make your life any pleasant. Why not move to New York? You'll be free there—able to live your life in your own way and all that sort of thing. If you need any money I'd be tickled to death to help you out. You know that. And of course I'd run down every weekend to see you, and we'd have no end of fun."

He spoke slowly, trying to determine from Sylvia's expression just how far he dared to go. He had never really loved her in the real sense of the word; his passion remained as vigorous as before.

Sylvia found herself thinking of Sam Miller. The motion picture man's words had been strangely similar to those with which Howard was favoring her now. And as she realized what was in her companion's mind, she knew that he had dealt her the hardest blow of all. Howard Bennett, the man she had thought loved her, suggesting that he furnish her with money enable her to maintain herself in New York. The thing was humiliating beyond words.

"You could take a little apartment down there," she heard him saying, "and go in for some sort of work—the stage, maybe. They're not so fussy as the pictures."

It seemed clear, from his words that he believed everything that had been said about her. Up to this moment she had intended to tell Howard just what had happened that night in Hollywood, to set herself right with him, as a friend. She had supposed that he would invite, even ask for, such an explanation, but it appeared that, like all the others, he had already judged her. Pride now held her silent—pride and a keen hot anger.

"You evidently believe the things they've been saying about me," she exclaimed, her cheeks suddenly white. "And without having heard my side. I guess that ends any possible friendship between us."

A startled look came into Howard Bennett's eyes. That she was guiltless had not occurred to him. Like all the other Babbitts, he took his thoughts, his opinions, his judgments, from the newspapers. Ready-made of course. Public opinion was his god. What people, other people, said, or might say, was far more important than any independent thought of his own. Standardized mentalities, his kind possessed, originating nothing, creating nothing, following blindly like sheep in a flock.

"But—don't understand," he gasped. "Do you mean to say all these stories they've printed about you have been lies?"

Sylvia sat staring across the table at her companion, wondering how she could ever have thought she loved him. She did not even like him now. A man whose so-called affection wilted, shriveled up, died, at the first cold breath of criticism. Steve Hollins, she hoped, would have told the world and its opinions to go to the devil. A sudden disgust for her position, for herself in having been placed in it, came over her. To explain herself to such a man as Howard Bennett had shown himself to be was demeaning. Let him think what he pleased. What difference did it make? She stood up, very slim and lovely.

"I don't mean to say anything," she told him, nor did his frantic efforts change her. "What's the use?" she asked wearily. "Everything's finished so far as we are concerned. Take me home."

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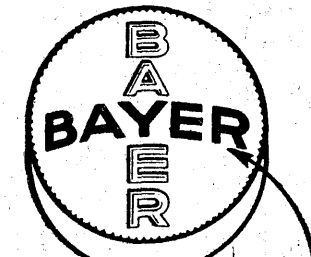
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