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Reprints Copied From An Old Issue Of The Galveston Daily News

From an old issue of the Galveston Daily News, of Tuesday April 22, 1879, the following reprints are taken. The old paper belongs to Mr L. D. Roberts of this city. The paper is 8 columns, four pages and printed entirely in small, 6-point type.

From one of the veteran visitors the information is gleaned that on Saturday about eight miles this side of Eagle Lake, a storm of hail and large sheets of ice prevailed for a short time. The storm confined itself to a narrow strip of land, but was very severe. The damage to corn was comparatively slight, but the cotton will have to be replanted."

A considerable portion of the paper is taken up with an account of a meeting of Mexican war veterans. Though the article takes three or four columns, it is given a single one-line heading, "San Jacinto Day."

San Jacinto Day opened with the firing of cannon by the Galveston artillery in the public square, and with their booming everyone was thrown in recollection to the same day forty odd years ago when Texas independence was achieved. The day was the more especially observed because of the meeting in this city of the Texas veteran state association. Indeed their presence was made a feature of the day, and the processes of the various parties were so arranged as to conform to their movements. The committee on association met in the Masonic office where they were met by the Washington Guards. This King made a magnificent appearance with over forty men in ranks. Their drilling was fully up to the standard with which they have held the championship of the state for several years. The paper gives names of veterans in attendance and names battles in which they took part, among which appear: Battle of Velasco, Emory Darst, Richmond; battle of Coleto, Dillard Cooper, Columbus, Colorado county; Battle of San Jacinto, Lt. John B. Borden, Borden, Colorado county, Samuel Damon, Columbia, Brazoria county, on detail duty in the service previous to October 13, when he was sent in the battle named; Mentor Northington, Spanish Camp, Wharton county; George Herder, High Hill, Fayette county.

Under railroad news, from San Antonio Herald: The cost of transportation for a bale of cotton from Austin to Galveston is $2.25, from this city to Galveston $6.25. Quite a difference in the expense if not in the distance.

From Richmond Reflector: Until now the connection of the G. C. & S. F. railroad sufficiently to insure regular communication by its rail with Galveston has been uncertain. Now, however, we have every reason to expect regular trains behind the first of May next.

The Dallas Herald calls upon H. S. Brooks, of the Elmira Gazette, a fanatical sanitarian of foul," because the Gazette man wrote from Dallas: "There is no Sabbath here. There are churches but no congregations. A minister around the corner preaches to empty benches, while a beer garden on the principal street is crowded to the utmost capacity. The sidewalks are thronged with a motely crowd, made up from all classes of society, from the self-conceited cotton broker down to the colored bootblack with his box hung over his shoulder, and his breath smelling of stale beer."

Cotton market, Galveston: Middling, 11c, good middling, 11½c.

An editorial reads: "The new editor of a Texas contemporary, in his salutatory uses the pronoun "e" only 76 times. It is his first attempt. He will do better after a while, but 76 times in one article is not such a bad beginning."

From Albany, New York: "The assembly today passed a bill for the appointment of a joint committee to tender the hospitalities of the state to Gen. Grant on his return to his country."

LYNN CHRISTIAN, AVALON OPERATOR, TO ROSENBERG

Lynn Christian, who has been projectionist at the Avalon Theatre here for the past two years, left Saturday for Rosenberg, where he will continue his duties as operator.

Lynn has made many friends during his stay in Eagle Lake who regret to see him leave but they are glad to know that his transfer is in the nature of a promotion.

Fred Smith of Rosenberg has been transferred to Eagle Lake and will be the regular operator.

TROUBLES EDITORS HAVE

The publisher of a newspaper in a nearby city has been recently threatened with a libel suit by an indignant citizen because of an erroneous statement regarding him which had been permitted to get into print. The editor decided he had better read up on the law of libel and after much study he came to the conclusion that the weather was the only subject about which he would be safe in making positive statements. Therefore he determined to steer clear of legal embarrassment in the future. The next morning the readers of the society column of his paper were greeted with strange reports of social functions, of which the following is a specimen:

"A woman giving the name of Mrs.—W. C. Jones, who is believed to be one of the leading society leaders of the city, is said to have given what purported to be a reception at her home yesterday afternoon.

"It is understood that a considerable number of so-called guests reported to be ladies of distinction in local society, were present. And some of them are quoted as saying they enjoyed the occasion.

"It is claimed that Montagni Bros. caterers, furnished the refreshments said to have been served, and the Bon Ton orchestra the music.

"The hostess is said to have worn what was alleged to be an expensive pearl necklace which she declared was given her by Mr. W. C. Jones, a gentleman with whom she is said to be living, and who, it is generally believed, is her husband."

Mr. and Mrs. Eldin Kveton of Bunkie, La., are spending the week in Eagle Lake with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Kveton. Elvin is connected with a Gulf Company exploration crew at Bunkie.

She's In The Navy Now!

What star in the movie firmament would not be proud of this court of honor? Useful scalloons in the Texas Centennial celebrations by Ginger Rogers, Texas girl whose next Hollywood picture is his "Follow the Fleet." She was sworned by Governor James V. Allred in her appointment as Honorary Admiral in the Texas Navy. It's a real commission in a real navy, Texas having once been an independent republic with its own national fleet patroling the seas, modern statutes perpetuate the naval forces of the University of Texas as were in the capitol when the commission was signed, and the Governor promptly appointed them holding the signed commission and the girls are posing with the six dolls that have flown over Texas. Left to right: Katherine Frank of Dallas, Eloise Ely of Abilene, Kathryn Grifen of Corpus Christi, Governor Allred, Janie Pilcher of San Angelo, June Ross of Fort Worth, and Isabelle Thomason of El Paso. Inset is Ginger herself.

Snake Hunter Finds Mummified Giants And Pygmies Together And Grains of Red Corn Twelve Thousand Years Old In Mexico

A handful of withered red grains of corn, grown possibly 12,000 years ago, and a strange tale of an ancient civilization that may be the oldest in North America were brought back last week from the interior of Mexico, by a thin, deserted man whose hobby is hunting snakes.

The corn-finder is Paxon C. Hayes, gray-eyed, 42-year-old entmologist, who spent the last seven years prowling through the parched plateaus of Sonora, Mexico, on a snake-hunting mission for the San Diego Museum.

He came back with corn seeds and pictures of crumbled ruins and mummified human forms of a strange civilization, in which seven foot giants and three-foot pygmies apparently lived together, at an era twice as old as the pyramids of Egypt.

"I believe I have been in the ruins of the oldest culture of which there is any any known record, on this continent," Hayes said.

The region of his explorations was the high plateau country in the southeastern tip of Sonora, 400 miles from Hermosillo, capital of Sonora.

"One of the most remarkable discoveries—and one which will lead him back to the desolate fastness of the high Sierra Madres, Hayes said—was a strange city, apparently a pygmy colony, which he could see but not reach, lying on the floor of a deep volcano crater.

"It was possible to see tiny buildings from the rim," he said. "The crater has an overhanging edge, and the Yaqui Indians of that region said, as far as is known, no one ever has been able to climb down the crater cliffs."

The antiquity of the lost civilization, apparently antedating the Mayan culture of Yucatan, was estimated from geologic strata and relics, Hayes said.

He said he was led to the ancient city by talks with Yaqui Indians, wild nomadic desert natives, who have lived for centuries in the bleak plateaus of Southern Sonora.

Leaving his battered car on the edge of the desert, he traveled afoot the last 250 miles of the journey, with a burro his only companion.

Among the ruins he uncovered stone crypts in which crumbled mummies of giants were found side by side with three-foot pygmies. Cobs of ancient corn were found in these relics, Hayes explained.

The seeds have been turned over to the California Institute of Technology, which will attempt to germinate the seeds and see if it is possible to raise the strange corn.

Hayes said a rift apparently had been created by a recent earth disturbance in the rim of the crater, and he believed it would be possible, with proper equipment, to scale the overhanging precipice and enter the pygmy city below.

Ten Gulf Coast Counties In Texas Raise 2,405,130 Bags of Rice During 1935 and Given Government Aid of Ten Million

Rice farmers of ten Texas Gulf Coast counties in the Houston trade territory, have both paid approximately $10,000,000 including government AAA benefits, for their 1935 crop of 2,405,130 bags of rice according to a report in the Houston Chronicle. Each bag holds 3½ bushels.

Harris County rice farmers were exceptionally favored with a total of 22,226 acres, which produced a total of 311,164 bags. Including government benefits of $1.03 a bag, the Harris County farmers were paid a total of $1,333,911. The market price was $3 a bag in addition to the $1.03 paid by the government.

The government paid its benefits only to those rice farmers who cooperated with the federal Agricultural Adjustment Administration crop reduction plan.

These facts were given out by L. C. Trousdale of Houston, manager of the local branch of the American Rice Growers' Co-operative Association. Mr. Trousdale is a veteran of the Texas Gulf Coast rice industry.

He said this year's rice crop was of fair quality. Certain areas suffered too much from rains. On the whole, he said, farmers were very happy with the outcome of their labors.

A total of 194,139 acres were planted to rice in the ten rice-growing counties and of the total amount, 146,775 acres were planted by farmers who were co-operating with the AAA in making a 22 per cent acreage reduction under the base years of 1931-33.

A further reduction of 13 per cent will be made in 1936 with the view thereafter of gradually increasing the acreage. Mr. Trousdale explained that the growers and the government eventually wanted to increase acreage so that production at no time in the future will ever glut the market to cause a vicious sag in the market prices, and bring financial ruin to growers. They want to regulate supply with the market demand.

"I believe practically all growers of rice in the Texas Gulf Coast eventually will co-operate with the AAA," Mr. Trousdale said.

He gave acreage, production and money paid in all the ten counties during 1935 as follows:

Brazoria, 18,066 acres, produced 252,924 bags, which were sold at $758,772.

Chambers, 12,070 acres, 168,980 bags, sold for $506,940.

Colorado, 23,547 acres, 329,658 bags, sold for $988,974.

Fort Bend, 7993 acres, 111,762 bags, sold for $335,286.

Harris, 22,226 acres, 311,164 bags, sold for $933,492.

Jackson, 2664 acres, 37,296 bags, sold for $111,888.

Jefferson, 28,302 acres, 396,728 bags, sold for $1,188,684.

Liberty, 14,604 acres, 204,456 bags, sold for $631,368.

Matagorda, 25,387 acres, 355,218 bags, sold for $1,074,654.

Wharton, 16,746 acres, 234,444 bags, sold for $703,322.

The above figures do not include government benefits of a total of $2,556,495.50.

A total of 25,800 acres planted outside the AAA control program did not get government benefit payments, Mr. Trousdale said.

HELPFUL HINTS TO START CARS WHEN TEMPERATURES LOW

Owners of cars several years old can minimize their winter starting difficulties by following a few suggestions made by C. W. Wood, service station manager of the Chevrolet Motor Company.

"In very cold weather," said Mr. Wood, "even a well-charged battery will seldom withstand more than a short period of continuous cranking of the engine. In order to insure the quickest possible start, it is a good plan to pull the choke rod out before the ignition is turned on or the starter operated at all. Advance the throttle slightly, but not enough to cause racing when the engine starts. Then step on the starter, and after the engine has made two or three revolutions to draw in the mixture, flip the ignition on. A quick start will usually follow. The clutch pedal should be depressed until the engine starts, to reduce the cranking effort required.

"There are, of course, certain precautions which should always be taken to make sure that the ignition system is at top efficiency. Distributor points and spark plugs should be kept clean. Night repairs should be made with the lights and other electrical apparatus off, to leave maximum power available for turning the engine over.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown and family of West Point, Miss Audrey Jolly, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Kelso of Simonton, Misses Lena and Ella Breitkreutz were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Breitkreutz.

CONCERNING COACHING OF DISTRICT 37 TEAM

"District No. 37 is training its team at Wharton under Coach Hinton of Eagle Lake, who will not be in attendance at the game in person, as he had previously made arrangements to attend the Sugar Bowl game in Louisiana. Tom Driscoll, coach of the district champion Bay City team, was not named as head coach of the district although he was present at a meeting called at Eagle Lake by Supt. W. C. Reed on the day of the Columbus-Lockhart game, but was placed far down the list of those who were to be permitted to assist the Eagle Lake coach. Coach Bollard of Wharton is assisting in the coaching of the team."

The above comment was printed in last week's issue of the Columbus Citizen.

The writer of the article was evidently misinformed.

Following selection of all-star players from this district, Coach W. B. Hinton of Eagle Lake suggested that Tom Driscoll of Bay City be in charge of the coaching of the 37 District boys.

Tom refused the honor, stating that this work had previously fallen to his lot. Practically ever coach in the room insisted that Coach Tom Driscoll be the coach. Tom contended, however, that he had already had his share of it and insisted that someone else relieve him of the work this year. And not until Tom Driscoll had agreed to give some assistance in the work did any of the other coaches suggested agree to take the job.

This is not hear-say with this newspaper. The editor of the Headlight sat in the room when all-district selections were made and during the entire discussion of the coaching problem.

Tom Driscoll, himself, we believe will substantiate the above as true in every word.

Mr. and Mrs. David Zahradnicz who live north of town, are rejoicing over the arrival of a nine and one half pound girl on Monday morning. The little miss has received the name of Daphene.

Mrs. M. E. McCreary, mother of J. H. McCreary, came in Monday night for a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Orbery. She had spent the past month visiting her son, Fisher, in El Paso.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Gimble of Brownsville left last Friday for their home after a four day visit to Mr. and Mrs. E. Ross and son, Pasley.

Misses Mary Katherine and Alice Mae Brisbois are spending the week in Rosenberg with Mr. and Mrs. Alton Land and family.

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Looking Backward

Items of more or less interest from the Headlight file of Twenty-Four Years ago.

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Ed. Evans, manager of the Eagle Lake Motor Car Co. garage, killed himself in his room over the garage some time Monday night. He was found in bed, with the covers over him and still gripping tightly in his hand a .45 Colt's revolver. He was 29 years old and came to Eagle Lake four years ago from New York. John Tatters at one time a resident of Eagle Lake, died at his home in San Antonio Friday after a lingering illness. Interment was made here Sunday.—A pet dog belonging to A. L. Baring's mother, bit Mr. Baring and his sister, Miss Johanna Baring, last week. Both Mr. and Miss Baring are in Austin taking the Pasteur treatment, since an examination of the dog's brain showed the animal to be suffering from rabies.—Joe Frazar this week purchased a five-passenger Overland from Brosig & Harbert. Thursday evening, a masquerade party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reed at Nottawa. About thirty were present. The prizes were awarded to W. O. Dirby and Mrs. C. L. Camp. Master Howard Fitzgerald has been very sick with an attack of grip this week.—Charlie White of Brady spent Christmas here with his best girl—Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Sanders of Stuttgard, Ark., spent the holidays here. They were in a head-on collision on the T-P at Texarkana, in route. Both were pretty badly shaken up and Mrs. Sanders neck was severely sprained. — Warfield Watts and Miss Maud Nickens were married here on Christmas Eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Baughman. Rev. John Nickens, father of the bride, officiated.—Mrs. C. P. Hoyo and little Miss Christine Hoyo returned yesterday from a Christmas visit to Weimar.—We are in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Emma Derman Nickels, enclosing remittance for subscription. She says they are delighted with their new home at Lavernia and that "son" is the brightest, cutest baby in the world.—One of the delightful entertainments of the season was enjoyed at the Welford home Tuesday, when Miss Gladys entertained. The personnel included, Misses Simmons of Brenham, Hardy of Virginia, Watson of San Antonio, Pansy Green, Madeleine McRee, Ray Wilson, Mary Williamson, Ethel Davis, Bessie Harris, Beaulah Jean Moore, Lillian Bentley, Pearl Lee, Mary Baker Gordon, Katie Pegram, Nell Sheppard, Gladys Baughman and Messrs. Max Conner, Vic Engelhard, J. W. Westmoreland, Dick Clements, Curtis Dewberry, Robert Pegram, Charlie von Lengerke, John Guynn, A. F. Mitchell, Algernon Harbert, Jim Douglass, Ben McElhinney, Isadore Nathan, Oscar and Charlie Westmoreland, Joe Frazar, Sam Strahan, Prof. John Cruse, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Balhorn and Mrs. W. T. Beard.—J. K. Callahan, the Headlight's expert job man, was a visitor to Houston during the holidays.—W. Y. Westmoreland expects to leave for Temple today where he will undergo a major operation at a hospital at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Hodde are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine eight and one half pound girl on Sunday.

Miss Mary Jocheiz is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Roesner in Bissel this week.

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"IT CAN BE DONE"

Quoting a personal message from President Roosevelt, in which he points out that "the wide dissemination of articles and other information depicting the horrors of reckless driving" has stirred millions of motorists, and citing their own experience in publishing the horror article "— And Sudden Death," which revealed automobile slaughter in stark terms of blood and anguish, the editors of The Reader's Digest in its January issue explain why at last they are convinced something can be done about the appalling situation which to many has seemed beyond human control.

Some 3,500,000 pamphlet reprints of "—And Sudden Death" have been ordered for distribution by individuals, corporations, traffic authorities and judges, while over 2,000 newspapers and magazines have reprinted it in their own columns. A total printed circulation exceeding 35,000,000 has clearly indicated that the public is being awakened to the gravity of things.

"Can such a wave of universal response sweep the country only to subside without leaving constructive achievement?" asks The Reader's Digest.

"Recent American history shows that when we are fully aroused to a national menace, we act. When the gangster terror became insufferable we finally swept the worst offenders from the stage. In 1898 typhoid was a raging killer; even in 1911 it was still claiming 21 lives out of every 100,000 population. We put our scientists and educators to work; by 1932 fewer people were dying of typhoid than of whooping cough—less than four in 100,000."

Other outstanding achievements are cited—all brought about by nationwide awareness followed by organized, widespread action. The figures for diphtheria and scarlet fever, diseases which once ravaged this country, are listed, as well as the remarkable improvement in railroad and industrial safety.

"Industry has made an equally impressive record," points out The Reader's Digest. "Between 1926 and 1934 accidents in all industries were cut 57%. Even taxis have reduced deaths 60% since 1929."

The experience of a number of cities in reducing motor fatalities in recent weeks through planned, organized and determined campaigns, backed by aroused sentiment, is cited by The Reader's Digest as proving "It Can Be Done."

Says The Digest, after referring to the fact that over 36,000 people were killed by automobiles last year, "If the entire nation had applied the available knowledge as effectively as Milwaukee has—and Milwaukee safety crusaders consider their work only begun—22,800 people who were killed by automobiles last year would be alive today.

"Plainly the thing can be done generally, since such results have been achieved here and there. The tools are at hand. The job calls for unstinting cooperation of every public official; of every school teacher; of every police officer—and, as the President points out, it calls for the conscientious acceptance, by every individual, of his personal responsibility to drive safely, as a social duty."

Judge John C. Hoyo of San Antonio spent Monday here visiting the family of his uncle, C. P. Hoyo. Mrs. Hoyo and John C., Jr., stopped in Seguin for a visit to relatives during the Judge's visit here.

Claude V. Barrow and Mrs. Barrow of Ada, Oklahoma, spent Christmas Day here at the home of his mother, Mrs. Nannie Barrow.

Clyde Garrett of Hempstead is spending the week in Eagle Lake, visiting his sister, Mrs. J. R. Laughlin.

Miss Maybell Burdick of Columbus was a guest of Miss Berta Mae Porter for the week end.

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Jackson—Ever pick a quarrel with your wife?

Johnson—No; I leave that to her; she picks better ones.

"Who was the life of the party?"

"I was," answered Father William. "Nobody noticed me. But I paid all the bills."

"When are you going on vacation?"

"When I die."

"I don't suppose you know where you are going?"

He: "If I had a million dollars, do you know where I would be?"

She: "You'd be on your honeymoon."

"What's the difference between vision and sight, pa?"

"Well, son, you could call a woman a vision, but don't call her a sight."

The sad news came by postal. "Dear Ma and Pa:" wrote he. "I've tried out for the football team.

"And they've made an end of me!"

"How did George break his leg?"

"Well, he was see those steps over there?"

"Yes."

"Well, George didn't."

Naomi—Does your husband ever take any hard exercise?

Dorothy—Well, last night he was out seven nights running.

Maude sent me home at 10 o'clock last night."

"What's the idea?"

"She's on a strike for shorter hours."

Kari—So your baby is sick? What seems to be the matter with him?

Jack—Almost everything, I guess, except sleeping sickness.

Jimmie—Promise me you won't tell anybody we're engaged.

Elsie—I don't know anybody you have not told already.

Cuthbert — Honey-bunch, when did you first realize that you loved me?

Honey-Bunch—When I got annoyed because people said you were an idiot.

Father—Young man, last night I saw you kissing my daughter. What have you to say in explanation?

Young Man—Only that I thought you had gone to bed, sir.

"So your grandfather is a sure-enough old-timer?"

"Yeah. He says he can remember when baking powder outsole face powder!"

A little girl asked her school chum how she liked her new father.

"Fine," was the reply.

"We liked him, too," said the first. "We had him last year."

"Let me show you something new in a snappy sedan," suggested the salesman.

"It won't do you any good," she replied, "and besides I don't think you could."

Boss—Do you believe in life after death, Robert?

Office Boy—Well, sir, I—er—er.

Boss—Because while you were attending your grandfather's funeral yesterday afternoon he called here to take you out to lunch.

"This is a hard world," remarked one weary laborer as he concluded his day's work.

"Yes," agreed his fellow workman, "I think the same thing every time I put my pick into it."

Fred—Have you ever loved before?

Mafilyn—No dear. I have often admired men for their strength, courage, good looks or intelligence, but with you, Freddie, it is all love—nothing else.

"Where'd you-all get that derby hat?"

"Hits a surprise fum mah wife."

"A surprise?"

"Ah cums home de other night unexpected an' found hit on de table."

Helen—The way that new publicity man looked at me was most insulting.

George—Did he stare?

Helen—No, that's the trouble. All he gave was a casual glance—after all the time I spent fixing up for him.

"My friends," said the campaign orator, "I am full of uncertainty."

A number of people in the audience looked at one another and hoarsely whispered: "He must have been eating hash."

"Now," said the school teacher, "give me a definition of space."

Junior stood up flustered and red. "Space," he began, "is where there is nothing. I can't explain it exactly, but I have it in my head all right."

Recruiting Officer—So you want to enlist, do you? Are you sure?

Candidate—Yes, sir. I belong to the fighting Macguires and we never miss a scrimmage. I want to enlist for the duration of the war—or longer if it keeps up that long.

Her Father—I do hope you appreciate that in marrying my daughter you are getting a very big hearted and generous girl.

Young Man—I do, sir. And I hope that she has acquired those fine qualities from her father.

Toni—At the party the other night I won the prize for being the homeliest man present.

Karl—Well, you chump, what did you want to attend for and take such chances?

Toni—Because I thought you were going to be there.

Judge—Well, Jim, I can give you this divorce, but it will cost you exactly $30.

Jim—Thirty dollars, boss?

Judge—Yes, that's the court fee for expenses.

Jim—Well, judge, I don't believe I wants no divorce. There ain't $30 difference between dem two wimmen.

The grade for conduct on Helen's report card one month was "B" with the word "whispering" after it. The next month she received an "A." Her mother explained that "A" was higher than "B" and meant improvement. That evening when Helen's father came home she ran to him and exclaimed:

"Oh Daddy! I've got my report card today and I've improved in my whispering!"

A shoe dealer was hiring a clerk. "Suppose," he said, "a lady customer were to remark while you were trying to fit her, 'Don't you think one of my feet is bigger than the other?' what would you say?"

"I should say, 'On the contrary, madam, one is smaller than the other.'"

"The job is yours."

"How did you receive those injuries?" asked an adjuster of a claimant under an accident policy who had a badly battered head.

"My wife hit me with an oak leaf."

"An oak leaf?"

"Yes."

"Where did she get an oak leaf that would inflict such injuries?"

"From the dining room table."

He was on the point of being refused. Dramatically he exclaimed: "If you will marry me, darlin' I'll lay my fortune at your feet."

"Oh, but," she said smilingly, "you have only very little money."

"Yes," came the quick reply, "but think what a lot it will look like beside those tiny feet of yours!"

They were married last week.

Judge—On what grounds do you ask for a divorce?

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

Judge—Is that all?

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

"Now that you are going through college, what are you going to do?" one of his relatives asked.

"I shall study medicine and become a great surgeon," replied the youth.

"The medical profession is pretty crowded already, isn't it?" ventured the relative.

"Can't help that," snapped the youth. "I shall study medicine, and those who are already in the profession will have to take their chances, that's all."

In the North there lives a farmer whose sense of humor failed him on his wedding day. He lived some distance from his bride-elect, and on the eventful morning he set off for the station in good time, but he met one friend after another, with the result that he missed the train.

Naturally he was very much upset, but bethought himself of the telegraph. This was the message he sent:

"Don't marry till I come. William."

Eliza, the belle of Birmingham's darktown, on her wedding day received no gift from the bridegroom. But Sambo, after the honeymoon, attoned for his negligence by bringing to his bride a wash-tub, a washboard and a hand mirror. As Eliza eyed the strange medley of gifts, Moss said:

"Liza, you can hab yo' choice ob dese presents. Yo' can take dis tub and washbo'd an' go to wuk—or take de mirror, an' sit down in de corner an' watch yo'self starve!"

Q—Who was the first Democrat in the world?

A—Christopher Columbus.

Q—How come?

A—When he left Spain his trip was government financed, was it not?

Q—When he left Spain, he didn't know where he was going, did he?

A—No, he didn't.

Q—When he got to America, he didn't know where he was going, did he?

A—That's right.

Q — When he got home, he couldn't tell where he had been, could he?

A Union Pacific shopman had been drawn on a federal grand jury and didn't want to serve. When his name was called he asked Judge Pollock to excuse him. "We are very busy at the shops," said he, "and I ought to be there."

"So you are one of those men who think the Union Pacific couldn't get along without you?" remarked the judge.

"No, Your Honor," said the shopman. "I know it could get along without me, but I don't want them to find it out."

"Excused," said the judge.

Brown went to Scotland for a holiday this summer, and, wishing to let a friend know of his safe arrival, he entered the postoffice and inquired if he could send a telegram direct to London, and how long it would take.

The attendant, a young lady, cut short his inquiries with:

"I am not paid to answer silly questions."

Imagine her feelings, however, when she found herself compelled to wire the following:

"Arrived safe. Girls here ugly and bad."

CHICKENS—$1,000 TO THE ACRE

A poultry farm near Cockeysville, Md., employs factory methods, condensing what ordinarily would require 610 acres into single acre of ground. There an average of 51,000 chickens live in tiers of wire cages, with as many as 2,500 laying hens in one large, air-conditioned, disinfected, thermostatically heated and cooled, photoelectrically-lighted room. The daily production of laying hens is 58% of conventional methods.

There are no nests. The hens never reach the ground, never go outdoors. They live, single in batteries of little wire cages in tiers six or seven high. The floor of each cage is of the same wire mesh as the sides and tilts toward the front. Eggs, when laid, roll down into a little rack outside to be picked up by attendants on hourly collection rounds.

A conveyor belt runs on each tier, affording a constant supply of food within easy reach at the back of each cage. From a metal cipple at the top there is a constant drip of water. Under the cages runs a second conveyor belt which catches the waste and carries it to a bin, from which is drawn a supply of all. Outside each layer's cage is a card, which gives the entire record of the hen and her production. There are also elaborate electric incubators and hatchers.

Once started, infection would spread rapidly through such a mass of poultry. Cleanliness therefore is most important. In addition to the automatic elimination of waste the floors, walls and ceilings are kept spotlessly clean, each room being disinfected once a day. All cages are subjected to live steam at short intervals.

As neat and clean as their surroundings are the 21 employees. The women wear spotlessly white uniforms and caps, much like those of hospital nurses, and the men wear clean striped linen trousers and coats.

Several thousand visitors pass through the plant each Sunday—many of them chicken farmers from distant lands, including South Africa and Egypt. But these week-end crowds are becoming something of a problem, because of the fear of disease from the outside. So they are being separated from the cages by walls of glass!—Avery McGee in the Baltimore Sun.

PENSIONS COME NEXT

The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun notes that the American Legion at its last convention adopted a policy of securing pensions for widows and orphans of war veterans and that it is now reorganizing its Washington office to effect that purpose. Not so long ago the Legion is clamoring for the bonus affirmed that it had never demanded pensions, too. It had not. But that pensions would follow in due course was a forecast the trend seems to bear out. It can be safely assumed, too, that the pensions will in the long run be granted. That has always been the case. The bonus is the extra lagniappe of the World War case.

Surely it becomes increasingly evident that the Nation should adopt a permanent policy in regard to compensation, not for a single war, but for all wars. It should write it if necessary in its Constitution and adhere to it. The pension system as it has operated from the Revolution to the present day is a growing evil. It is a political creation and it has been politically operated. Yet it should be possible to write a conservative, constrictive law, under which it would be clearly understood what responsibility the country is willing to assume for the men it calls into service.

Until the pension policy is made permanent, there will be eternal raids on the Treasury, sometimes supporting men and women who deserve well of their country and all too often merely pensioning the undeserving.—Dallas News.

Bub and Miss Ruth Burger returned to Halletsville Sunday to resume their school work.

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