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Mayflower Is to Sail This Year

New One Will Cross Atlantic in the England-Holland-United States Celebration.

SHIP'S 300TH ANNIVERSARY

Plans Announced for Celebration in Honor of Pilgrim Fathers—Main American Events Will Be in Boston and Plymouth.

New York.—The three hundredth anniversary of the Pilgrim Fathers, tentative plans of which have just been announced here, will include celebrations in England, Holland and the United States, and will continue from May to December, 1920.

A four-day program in Leyden, Amsterdam and Rotterdam, whence the Pilgrims sailed three centuries ago to the American wilderness, where they might find "freedom to worship God," will start on August 30, when committees from the United States and England will be received at the University of Leyden.

Scholars Will Deliver Addresses.

Addresses commemorative of the occasion will be delivered by scholars from the three countries, including the rector of the university, Dr. Rendel Harris of Manchester, England; Viscount Bryce, and a famous American who has not yet been designated.

The next day, August 31, the birthday of the queen of the Netherlands, will include, besides a congress in the town hall, a religious memorial service in the Pieterskirk, in which Rev. John Robinson, who led the separationists from the Church of England (the Pilgrims) to Holland in 1609, was buried.

One of the features of the holiday at Amsterdam, September 1, will be a meeting in the Rijksmuseum, the unveiling of a memorial window in the Bagijnekerk and a reception. The next day there will be an aquatic pageant in Rotterdam, the visitors traveling in the morning from Leyden to Delftshaven if possible by boat along the way the Pilgrims went.

Then there will be trips to the religious havens of Rotterdam, a memorial service in the church at Delftshaven, and at 7 p. m. the English and American contingents will depart for Southampton.

The celebration in England will start in May, 1920, with meetings in Scrooby, the home of Robinson; Austerfield, Boston and Sheffield.

From August 4 to September 20 there will be cermonies in Cambridge, London, Southampton and other places, culminating in the sailing of the new Mayflower, which will carry the returning American committee and British delegations who are to participate in the program on this side of the Atlantic.

Main events of the American celebration will be in Plymouth, Mass., and Boston, where historical pageants will be held, followed by a big reception in New York. Vice President Marshall is honorary chairma of the committee having the local pogram in charge.

The foreign visitrs will then be taken on a tour of he United States. On November 24, 190, there will be a universal observance of Thanksgiving day in England, Holland and the United States.

Sight Fails As Artist Paints Heroic Nurse

London.—While engaged on a large picture deing with the fate of Edith X. avell, Mr. Van Ruith, a veteral painter, discovered that his eyesight was failing. Oculists predicted that the painter, who s eighty years of age, would lo his sight in a few months. Nevertheless he persevered and ided the last touches to his wk on the anniversary of the rmistice.

Soap Bubbles Kept Intact Whole Year

Scientific Society Gives Information on Sir James Dewar's Test.

ALWAYS MYSTERY TO SCIENCE

When Bubble Becomes Very Old It Offers Only Possible Example of the Molecule Visible to the Naked Eye.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Facts about the prodigious strength of soap bubbles, proved by experiments in which bubbles were kept intact for more than a year and subjected to all sorts of weight strains, were made public here for the first time by the Franklin Institute, one of the oldest scientific societies in the United States.

Important to Chemists.

Coming on the heels of the announcement of Einstein's discoveries of the gravitational bending of light, the exploitation of the soap bubble is on the other end of the scale as to size, yet, according to scientists, is of tremendous importance to chemists, physicists and research workers in the strength of materials and essential elements. The man who made the experiment is universally recognized as one of the leading scienists in the world He is Sir James Dewar, LL. D., D. Sc. F. R. S., Fullerian Professor of Chemistry, Royal Institution of Great Britain, and an honrary member of the Franklin Institute.

The soap bubble s a simple thing yet it has always een more or less a mystery to scientists. They consider it perhaps the best phenomenon existing for the study of the habits and idiosyncrasies of the molecule.

Scientists now claim, on the strength of the experiment made by Sir James Dewar, that when a soap bubble becomes very old, say in three or four days, it offers the only possible example of the molecule visible to the naked eye. Most parts of the bubble are estimated to consist of about one hundred layers of molecules. But by various methods of treatment the bubble is induced to perform "stunts" until in black spots which appear it represents only a single layer of molecules.

Remarkable Strength.

This layer is so thin that Sir James estimates it would take one and one-third million like it, superimposed, to make an inch. Yet, when the soap bubble is permitted to mature in air that has been freed of its natural enemies, it is so strong that it will support drops of water many times its own weight before breaking. Sometimes a bubble is torn from its supporting ring by the weight before the molecules release their bulldog grip.

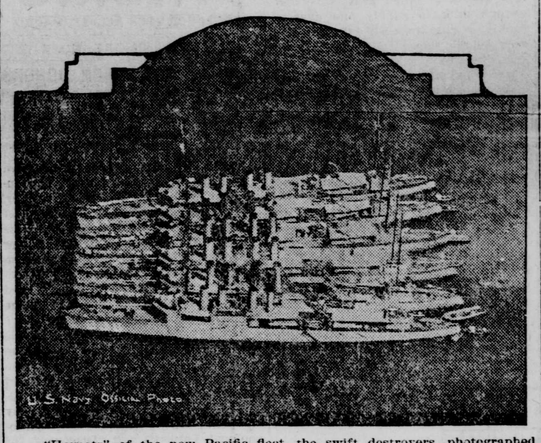
Bird in Jail.

Bath, Me.—Cramped quarters were furnished in the Bath jail recently for the oddest prisoner ever harbored there. The inmate had been arrested in the neighboring town of Woolwich and turned over to the Bath police for safe keeping. He was not a tippler, but a crippled crane, and measured from ten to twelve feet from tip to tip of the wings. After being on exhibition for 24 hours the bird was liberated, all fines being remitted on condition of good behavior.

Peculiar Bird.

Stanford, Ky.—Mrs. Roberts, who lives just beyond Rowland, caught the other day a peculiar member of the bird or fowl species, known as a grebe. It has something of the appearance of a duck, but can neither walk nor fly. It is carried from one place to another on land by heavy wind and is much more at home on water than on land. It was brought to town and exhibited by N. W. Fowle and was later purchased by Sam Gentry.

DESTROYER NEST ON THE PACIFIC COAST



"Hornets" of the new Pacific fleet, the swift destroyers, photographed from an airplane flying over them at anchor in San Diego harbor.

INDIAN PAINTINGS ON CLIFFS

Owner Offers Them to State or National Authorities to Include in Park.

Austin, Tex.—The most remarkable Indian paintings or photographs in the Southwest have been offered to state or national authorities, provided the cliffs upon which they are drawn are inclosed in a park and adequately guarded, according to J. E. Pearce, associate professor of anthropology of the University of Texas.

These paintings, which are owned by E. D. Sims of Paint Rock are located along the banks of the Concho river near Paint Rock, upon every available surface for a half-mile. They are in deep red, with an occasional black figure or character.

All phases of the early tribes are represented, Mr. Pearce declares, and so much valuable historical material is included in these paintings that Mr. Pearce will have them copied in scale for a report to the Smithsonian institution, for which he is doing research work.

BIRDS SHOW INCREASE

Beneficial Effects of Migratory Act Being Felt.

Waterfowl Have Been Breeding Rapidly Under Protection, the Bureau Declares.

Washington.—The beneficial effects of the migratory bird treaty act are beginning to be felt. The United States department of agriculture, through its bureau of biological survey, has conducted investigations of the breeding areas of ducks in North Dakota and Nebraska. Compared with former years, a gratifying increase of breeding waterfowl, particularly in North Dakota, is evident. The fifth annual series of counts of birds of all species breeding on selected areas in various parts of the United States contained a large proportion of reports showing increases in bird population. The total number of reports received, however, was not large. Many of the persons who had formerly taken part in the annual bird counts were unable to find time for the work required by the fifth count.

"Many species of migratory birds," reports the chief of the bureau of biological survey, "have had a marked increase under the existing treaty act. Waterfowl formerly driven to the far North by spring shooting have remained in steadily increasing numbers to breed in localities where none had previously nested for many years."

Grasping Landlady Sentenced.

Budapest, Hungary.—Dr. Charlotte Szecsi, a physician, has been sentenced to two months' imprisonment because she refused to rent an apartment to a tenant unless he would buy her furniture for 100,000 crowns (nominally $20,000). The action of the court is in line with the effort to provide housing for the over-congested city.

Old Convict Is Let Out

Released From Pennsylvania Penitentiary After Passing 33 Years for Wife Murder.

Harrisburg, Pa.—After serving thirty-three years in the Western Pennsylvania penitentiary on the charge of murdering his wife, William Josiah McMeen, who went to the institution as a youth of twenty-four, was recently released, a gray-haired, feeble man, old before his time.

Convicted upon purely circumstantial evidence, at the time when Grover Cleveland was serving his first term as president, McMeen has been a model prisoner and the pardon board of the State has recommended that he be liberated.

By a trick of fate John J. Patterson jr., a boyhood chum of McMeen's, is district attorney of Juniata County, from which county the prisoner was sent to the penal institution. Under the law Patterson was compelled to appear before the state prison board and oppose his friend's release, but it was granted despite the objections. McMeen has served longer in the penitentiary than any man in the custody of the state today. A position is awaiting him in a coal yard in Juniata County when he is finally given his freedom.

In 1885 McMeen purchased some strychnine in Harrisburg and sent it to his wife to kill rats, as he said. His wife put the str. chnine in grape jelly, which she was making, ate some of the jelly and died.

Designed for garages is a new fire pail made to contain two chemicals in separate compartments which, thrown together on an oil fire, unite and form a flame-smothering foam.

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Chimney Is Found Choked With Honey

Orland, Cal.—A chimney of the W. E. Spence residence here, idle during the summer months, was found to be choked with honey when an attempt was made to start the first winter fire. Bees had chosen the spot as their home and had completely sealed the chimney top after storing pounds of honey.

Bear Meat's Worth.

Ladysmith, Wis.—Even bear meat is sky high these days. A few years ago Bruin was so common in this district that a big chunk could be had almost for the asking. Two big bears were killed near here a short time ago and the carcasses were brought to a local butcher. He got 25 cents a pound for the choice cuts. Sheep owners have suffered considerable losses from bear raids this fall.

CITY'S LURE STILL STRONG

Movement From Rural Districts Declared to Be Menace to Welfare of the Race.

Every city in the United States is decrying a shortage of residences. In fact, the cities of Europe, like the cities of America, are suffering from a house famine. There simply isn't shelter in the cities for the great numbers of people crowding into them.

These people do not come from the skies. They have not been born and grown to manhood and womanhood over night. They were in the world yesterday, somewhere. Today they are crowding into the cities. That they are coming from the farms there isn't the shadow of a doubt. And thereby hangs the most terrible menace the race has faced for centuries, declares the Columbus (O.) Dispatch.

Not only are cities becoming overcrowded, but in the small towns it is the same. The farmers are giving up their places on the farms and going to the cities and towns and villages. The chances are next year's census will show a tremendous decrease in the rural population of this country; it is bound to do so, for there are more people leaving the farms than are taking their places on the farms—and it isn't necessary to explain the reason. High wages in the cities, the world's war, the unrest, the uncertainty of everything—these things are operating to bring about a condition of affairs that is going to cause the world a tremendous amount of trouble.

We hear a great deal about improved conditions upon the farm. The telephone, rural free delivery, good roads, the automobile, improved machinery and labor saving devices—these things all go to make life upon the farm more attractive. High prices for produce go to make farming more profitable. Yet in the face of all of this the people are leaving the farms and coming to the cities in such numbers that shelter cannot be provided rapidly enough to keep the rain off their backs. In the final day of reckoning—well, we have no desire to indulge in pessimism. But who is going to raise the food for the people of the world if the exodus from the farms continues?

She Needed Them.

Another subway story! Lawsee, the woods is full of them—so is New York. This one has to do with another fat woman. She was so fat that she palpitated while she stood hanging on for grim death to the strap above her head. Her short, stubby arm was tired; so was the rest of her.

A wee bit of a kid, about ten, we judge him to be, looked up and saw. His training had evidently been of the right sort. Jumping to his feet, he doffed his cap and proffered his seat to the fat woman. A girl of perhaps eight became indignant at once. "Robert," she said in her severest tone of voice, "what do you mean by offering the lady one seat? She cannot sit in it." Then turning to the woman, she said in all seriousness: "Madam, you can have my seat, too; then you will be able to sit down."

The fat lady stood the smiles of the passengers until the next stop was reached. Then she made herself conspicuous by her absence.—New York Times.

Australia's Young Citizens.

The problem of destitute children was recently considered by the emigration sectional committee of the British national council of women at Caxton hall, when Kingsley Fairbridge described the work of the children's farm schools in western Australia. Mr. Fairbridge, who is headmaster at the schools, explained that the institution was started in 1909 by the Child Emigration society, when a party of destitute children was sent out from England to Western Australia. The school dealt with the poorest children they could find. In addition to their education, which was supplied by the government of Western Australia, they received instruction in agriculture, and each child turned out by the school was a new citizen for Western Australia and a potential farmer.

Japanese Paper Underclothing.

An excellent and durable quality of underclothing has been made of a fine-grained paper by Japanese manufacturers. After the paper has been cut to a pattern, the different parts are sewn together and hemmed, and the places where the buttonholes are to be formed are strengthened with calico or linen. The paper is very strong and at the same time very flexible. After a garment has been worn a few hours, it will interfere with the perspiration of the body no more than do garments made of cotton fabrics. The paper is not sized, nor is it impermeable. After becoming wet the paper is difficult to tear. When an endeavor is made to tear it by hand it presents almost as much resistance as the thin skins used for making gloves.

Found Ancient Texas Fort.

The fort built in Texas by the lost colony of the explorer, La Salle, was not located on the La Vaca river, as has been commonly believed, but was further west on the Garcia river, Dr. Herbert E. Bolton, history professor at the University of California, announced recently.

Doctor Bolton, while doing research work, found a map which confirmed a theory he had developed that the colony was not located on the La Vaca. He went to the spot indicated and found the remains of the old fort. It was 90 feet square with walls 2½ feet thick of red adobe bricks. The ruins were almost completely buried.

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