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PASSED JUNE 3, 1929

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Gratifying State of Bird Life in Florida

While there is no doubt that great damage was done to the bird life of the Everglades by hurricanes in Florida, it is encouraging to know, from a report made to the biological survey of the United States Department of Agriculture, that there are still numbers of beautiful plume birds in this region. An official recently made a trip through the Lake Okeechobee region and had an opportunity to witness a rare and beautiful sight, one that a bird lover might expect to see but once in a lifetime. At a point about ten miles east and north of Belle Glade, Palm Beach county, and as far as Pahokee, in all a distance of about 25 miles, there were thousands of American egrets and snowy egrets, stretching away as far as one could see. It was impossible to estimate the number of these beautiful birds. Within 100 yards of Belle Glade not less than 300 snowy egrets fed unmolested. While there seemed no reason for these birds gathering in such vast numbers in this territory, the sight was positive proof that the plume birds of Florida have benefited by the protection afforded them under the migratory bird treaty act.

Cat Long Considered Emissary of Witches

Cats have bulked large in the thought of both the Old world and the New. During the first of the more notable witch trials at Chelmsford, England, in 1566, it was charged that a white-spotted cat named "Satham," which sucked blood, had taken the form of a toad and caused the death of a man who happened to touch it. An injunction widely followed was that cats must be kept away from a corpse to prevent them from mutilating it or from "taking the soul of the dead." Increase Mather wrote: "There are some who, if a cat accidentally comes into the room, though they may neither see it nor are told of it, will presently be in sweat and ready to die away." In eastern Kansas a cat washing her face before breakfast foretells rain; in western Maine a storm is assured if a cat scratches a fence; in Scilly Cove, Newfoundland, tradition asserts that when a cat drowns in salt water, showers from the heavens may be expected.

British Monarch's Title

James I wished to use the title of "King of Great Britain" instead of "King of England and Scotland," and even went so far as to have it placed on his coins. In 1604 he asked parliament to consent to the new title, but fears were expressed lest the laws and liberties of England might be jeopardized and the commons urged that some agreement as to the terms of union precede assumption of the title. James finally yielded to the advice of his minister, Robert Cecil, and the change was deferred. The title did not receive parliamentary sanction until the Act of Union, 1707.

Regiment's Wooden Sword

Whenever the Tenth infantry of the United States army appears on parade either at its home station, Fort Thomas, Ky., or in Cincinnati, near by, one noncommissioned officer always marches along carrying a wooden sword.

This sword was carved from a tree which still stands at Devil's den, on the Gettysburg battlefield, where the forerunners of the present regiment took part in the decisive struggle. The sergeant who has served longest in the regiment is accorded the honor of carrying the sword.

The Verdict

A prominent politician who has a grand oratorical style is generally known by his Christian name, which happens to be Charles.

One day he rose before a crowded meeting and in a forceful and solemn tone began his speech as follows:

"Heaven is my witness, and you, my fellow countrymen, are the jury."

Here came an oratorical pause, and then the silence was suddenly broken by a high-pitched voice ringing down from the gallery:

"You're guilty, Charlie!"—London Answers.

Her Idea

Little Mary, almost six years old, came home from kindergarten all thrilled, happily saying:

"I modeled in clay today, mother."

"Well, Mary," said mother, "What did you make?"

"Oh, I made the Statue of Liberty."

"Why, dear," said mother, "you never saw the Statue of Liberty."

"I know that," replied Mary. "I just made it anyway and put a pipe in his mouth."

Green All Right

A department store executive relates: "We put a green boy in the shoe department yesterday. A lady came in and said she wanted to see misses' mules. "I don't think Mrs. Mules works here," said the boy.—Exchange.

Banish Worry

Worry is one of the greatest burdens we can carry through life. It saps more of our strength than any other one thing. And it is so cowardly. Care seldom rides on the back of the man who faces his problems with courage. —Grit.

Sand Used as Defense

The expression "Throwing sand in their eyes," is said to have had its origin in southern Siberia, where the tribes depend for safety largely on the fleetness of their horses. The land is very sandy and the method of repulsing an opponent was by means of a handful of sand tossed at him, with the result, if the aim was good, of at least temporary bewilderment and blindness.

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She Was Not L. O. P. H.

By CORONA REMINGTON

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"MARY certainly is painfully plain."

A girl's voice came from behind the screen of palms and greenery and fell on Mary Westfelt's ears with sickening distinctness.

"This is her fourth season and I don't believe she's had a single proposal. . . . I guess she'll be an L. O. P. H."

"L. O. P. H.?" repeated a masculine voice. "What's that?"

"Oh, don't you know? Left on papa's hands, of course. Never heard that? Why, Jimmy, where did you grow up?" the girl laughed a little teasingly, but the man's reply made Mary want to jump through the ferns and hug him.

"Sometimes it's the pretty, quick-witted ones that get left. You never can tell about this marrying business."

It was easy enough for Mary to recognize the voices of the speakers. The girl, she knew, was Virginia Brewster, a pretty, self-confident little debutante who had succeeded in making nearly every eligible man in her set think that he was in love with her; and the man was James Harvey, the despair and delight of every girl in Westway. For nearly a dozen seasons he had bravely and apparently blissfully withstood the charms and wiles of angling young ladies. Every technique known to woman had been tried on him from the modern flapper who boldly professed her love, to the shrinking violet, modestly shy and helpless, but James Harvey was still footloose and fancy free. The most aggravating part was that he invariably refused to discuss marriage with anyone, so no one knew how he stood on the subject. Often on a moonlight night a few romantic remarks seemed appropriate, but in that case, it was always the girl who did the talking. Harvey merely sat, his clear, handsome profile tantalizing near, his long, lithe body relaxed and inert.

"He doesn't know how to make a girl love him," stormed Virginia later. "I never saw such indifference in my life."

"He seems to, though," remarked her mother dryly. "You're about his tenth victim this season."

That evening at the ball at the Westway club when Mary overheard Virginia's remark behind the palms, her first instinct was to flee. She wanted to crawl off into a corner and weep until she died. Hot flashes rushed over her and sent little needle prickings dancing over her skin. A lump rose in her throat and her swift resolution to brave out the evening was as promptly changed when she felt the scalding tears splashing down her cheeks. As the voices moved away from behind the bower of ferns she crept around the other side and hid there herself.

If only she had never been born, she thought. Why had she been, anyway? She was no good, she wasn't pretty, she wasn't even very rich, she wasn't charming, she wasn't anything!

"But I must stop this crying," she told herself, dabbing angrily at her eyes. "I can't get out of here. What shall I do? Thank heaven, the orchestra's started again. They'll all go and dance. Then maybe I can escape. But, oh, I'm so wretched, I'm so miserable and lonely. L. O. P. H.!"

"Why, Mary, why are you crying? I'm going to sit right down here without waiting for an invitation and you're going to tell me. Surely, you can trust your secret with an old man like me," Harvey laughed as he slipped a hand over one of hers.

The girl was too startled and embarrassed to reply. She merely shook her averted head as she struggled to regain control. Not for a million dollars cash would she let him know that she had overheard the dreadful conversation, not for anything on earth. She would die first.

"All right, honey, you needn't tell. I'll just sit here and hold your hand until you feel better," he said.

No wonder everybody loved him, thought Mary. He was a sympathetic angel, a dancing dear, that's what.

"Strange, isn't it?" he went on talking gently. "I'd been looking for you when I ran across you here. Something Virginia said a little while ago made me fall in love with you. It happened almost in the flash of a second. I thought to myself suddenly: 'That's the very girl I want to protect and love. She'd appreciate what a fellow did for her.' After that I was so eager to find you and tell you about it that I could hardly wait for Virginia's next partner to come and claim her."

To this day Mary does not know just when or how her head got on Jim's big protective shoulder, or just when her tears of misery turned to those of sheer joy, but those things did happen and Mary insists that she has never been the same person since.

The people in Westway have not yet recovered from the shock.

"Mary's welcome to him," said Virginia. "I wouldn't have anything as poky slow as he is, myself."

"I never dreamed old Jim would have enough sense to do it," said one of his friends at the club.

"I don't know," answered another, thoughtfully. "It often happens when a fellow gets tired of playing around he chooses a girl that will make a good wife and a real mother to his children. Jim's no fool."

College Men Win Honors

The Nation's Business says that in spite of the fact that less than 1 per cent of American men are college graduates, this 1 per cent has furnished 55 per cent of our Presidents, 36 per cent of our members of congress, 47 per cent of the speakers of the house, 54 per cent of the Vice Presidents, 62 per cent of the secretaries of state, 50 per cent of the secretaries of the treasury, 67 per cent of the attorneys general, and 69 per cent of the justices of the Supreme court.

Facts And Figures On Your Telephone

By EDWIN F. HILL



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How to spend a million dollars is something that would give the average individual cause for much concern. In the first place the average man never really expects to have that much money, but if he should come into it unexpectedly, no doubt finding how to spend this amount judiciously would give him something to think about, and would be cause for much worry and concern.

In some industries, however, a million dollars is a relatively small sum. Take the Bell Telephone System as an example: This great communication utility, which furnishes local and long distance service to every section of the United States and whose lines connect with foreign countries, both on this side of the Atlantic and in Europe, is now spending more than $1,000,000 a day for additional facilities necessary to meet the demands of the public for adequate telephone service. The additions and improvements to the system include the establishment of new central offices, construction of pole, wire and cable lines, and replacements to existing plant.

One of the major items in this gigantic construction program is the extension of cable lines to connect cities and communities. Telephone cables are now being used extensively, not only for local telephone service in cities and towns, but also for long distance lines. Today many of the important cities of the country are connected by storm-proof cable which insures practically uninterrupted telephone service at all times.

In the face of this great demand for telephone cable comes the announcement by officials of the Western Electric Company, manufacturers of the Bell Telephone System's supplies, that the recent spectacular market changes in copper and lead have increased the cost of cable to such an extent that on the present volume of sales, the increased cost of this commodity annually will be more than $5,000,000. In the territory served by the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone system the increased cost of cable will be more than $300,000 each year.

Telephone cables are composed of paper insulated copper wire and covered with lead sheathing to protect them from the elements. Telephone cables are used both overhead and underground. This type of telephone plant has been in use since 1879, but it has only been within the past few years that it has been used in such an extensive manner as at present.

Telephone Employes Steadfast To Duty

'The Message Must Go Through' Spirit Considered Every Day Affair



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Emergencies call for quick action. Accidents, fires, floods, storms and other disasters startle people everywhere, and when such calamities occur the public wants the facts quickly and accurately.

In such times of stress people instinctively turn to the telephone, and it is on the shoulders of the men and women who construct, operate and maintain the telephone system that the brunt of such activities fall.

Disastrous storms and floods have occurred recently in various parts of the country, and in nearly every case mention has been made of the service rendered by telephone operators and linemen. The operators sit coolly at their switchboards sending warnings to those in the path of the rushing waters or call for help in time of storms. On the heels of such disasters come the repair crews, men ready to work day or night, to keep up the lines so that the messages may go through.

The loyal telephone men and women who maintain service, restore broken lines and keep the switchboards in operation in great emergencies seem to consider their actions as all in the day's work. They do not seem to feel that they have rendered any spectacular service or given more than their everyday devotion to duty. It is on these men and women of the telephone system that the public relies, unknowingly in many cases for the news of what has happened in emergencies. Such service is dependable and the public has long since come to accept it as such.

Your Niche

Have you found it? There is something for you to do and you can do it better than anyone else. If you don't know where to hunt for it and are unconcerned about it, then it will never be done and you will be the loser. Don't let anyone deceive or discourage you. When you were created it was for a purpose, and it is up to you to find your field of greatest activity and begin your lifework. You can, if you will determine and shape your own destiny.—Woodmen News.

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Great Diplomat Well Paid, Document Shows

A valuable document, believed to have been stolen from archives of the French government in the revolution of 1789, is included in a special one-copy edition of the life of Talleyrand, which is being bound for a member of the Talleyrand family. The paper orders the payment of 300,000 francs to Charles Maurice de Talleyrand-Periogord, France's most famous statesman, for his services as ambassador to the court of St. James in the reign of Louis Phillippe, a post given him for promoting that monarch's accession to the throne.

The paper is interesting and curious, in that it reveals the astonishing sum paid Talleyrand at this period, 300,000 francs being almost a princely fortune, far above the average reward of ambassadors.

A woman, who gathered the material for the special edition, found the document in the hands of an autograph collector. It is considered the gem of the entire collection, which includes many personal letters and valuable records of intrigue and romance in French life under five Bourbon kings.—Kansas City Star.

Goose Put Forward as Canada's National Bird

Canadian naturalists have been concentrating on the choosing of a national bird for Canada to commemorate the diamond jubilee of confederation. Mr. J. Miner, an authority on bird life, gives his vote to the Canadian goose, which he describes as "the noblest creature that ever lived on land, in air, or in the water."

Wild geese, he says, pair off for life. The male guards his mate on the nest. As soon as the young hatch he protects them from the opposite side of the mother, keeping the babies between the parents. He will leave his family for his mate, and for new brood, but he will die for any of them. When traveling in the air the male Canada goose leads the way, breaking the air for his mate, who is quartering behind him, and his family travel next to her.

"In brief," says Mr. Miner, "he is one of the most self-sacrificing, godly-principled leaders the human eye ever beheld, and to know him is to love and admire him."

Javanese Delicacy

"Rystaffel" is a dish peculiar to Java, writes Nellie M. Scanlan, in John O'London's Weekly. In a Java hotel you order Rystaffel. The waiter brings in a large bowl of rice. You take a generous portion on to the soup plate provided. Behind him in a row are from 10 to 15 other waiters, each with a dish or two, from which you take a sample. There are curried chicken, fried bananas, dried fish, meat balls, hard-boiled duck eggs, preserved ginger, chopped onions, chunks of pineapple, raw herring, sliced cucumber, peppers, chillies—sometimes up to 30 varieties. The diner helps himself to all his capacity will allow.

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