NOW AND THEN

The quoted poem was found in an old scrap book. It was written by James Terry White, after the death of Mark Twain whose last words were: "There Isn't any one for me to play with any more."

"No One to Play With Me"

The glow is fading from the western sky.
And, one by one, my comrades, as of yore,
Have given up their play and said good-bye.
There isn't any one for me to play with any more.

Don't cry, dear heart! for I am worn and old,
No longer have I largess in my store.
E'en love's best gifts to me I could not hold.
There isn't any one for me to play with any more.

I miss the tender hand-clasp of old friends,
The kisses of the loved ones gone before.
'Tis lonely, when the heart first comprehends,
There isn't any one for me to play with any more.

I need these loving hearts, so fond and leal;
I want them in my arms, as heretofore;
When they are reached, I shall no longer feel,
There isn't any one for me to play with any more.

SPRING IS EARLY

That Spring is just around the corner is shown in many ways. Although his majesty, the ground hog retreated to his hole for another six weeks on the 2nd of Febraury, many signs show that Spring is early this year. The robin has come, we heard his note this morning and from Oregon comes the news that the seals, in quantities, are going up north, as sure a sign with the Oregonions as the robins call is to us. Everything be tokens an early spring.

MRS. MONROE

Among the many at the employment bureau in Baltimore was Mrs. Monroe. She wishes to get a job that will net her $200.00 which she wishes to spend in searching records and going to the places where John Floyd had been. John Floyd was a confederate soldier who spent the time during the civil war in running the blockade, and carrying to the Southern army, what he could, to supply its needs.

He was engaged to a lovely Southern girl, but while he was busy in the dangerous occupation of running the blockade, she heard of the illness of her brother, who was also a soldier in the Southern Army. She hastened to his side, and nursed him during a spell of typhoid fever.

She contracted the disease and died before the war was over. When John Floyd came back and found she had passed away, he was inconsolable. His friends did all they could to comfort him, but one day they found him lying by her grave with a large bunch of white flowers in his hand. He had died of a broken heart.

Mrs. Monroe is the daughter of Dr. Mudd. He had been imprisoned many weary years for setting the broken leg of John Wilkes Booth, who had just assasinated Lincoln.

It was long after he had set the leg that he heard of Lincoln's death, but they accused him of being one of those who had planned the murder. Although he was afterwards released, he was a broken man, and only lived a few years more.

Yesterday was St. Patrick's Day. Did you wear green and had a shamrock in your button hole?

IRISH PROVERBS

Here are some Irish proverbs which are well worth recalling in connection with St. Patrick's Day:

"You cannot run and bark."
"Quarrelsome dogs get dirty coats."
"Folly has a fall before it."
"There is no secret which is known to three."
"An Irishman carries his heart in his hand."
"God never closed one gap but He opened another."
"The day of storm is not the day for thatching."
"The heaviest ear of corn is the one that lowliest bends its head."
"Never put out your hand farther that yo u can draw it back again."
"Don't say everything you like lest you bear a thing you would not like."
"A spade and a thought should never be allowed to rust."
"A person that's made a pet of, and a pig that's made a pet of, are the two worst pets of all."

"Where is your chivalry men?" asks the Christian Science Monitor.

"We need the money!" cry Representatives in the House in extenuation of their denial to head the "powder puff bloc" and repeal the 10 per cent cosmetics tax. The women even pleaded: "Be sporting!" But the men shout "No"! vehemently, crassly. Cosmetics are a $17,000,000 tax item and with the budget in its present condition, they prefer the shekels to powdered noses. Boors! Morons!

More Jefferson Faces—The likeness of Thomas Jefferson, which is to grace a new United States nickel, has likewise been chosen to appear on a new three-cent postage stamp. The change is one in a complete postage stamp revision. If they'd only picture the Vice-Presidents, maybe we could learn to remember them.

PEACE BULBS

Even a bulb may play its part in uniting the nations.

At the close of the World Jamboree in Holland last August, Dutch bulb growers presented each Scout with three hyacinth bulbs to take home, with instructions how best to grow them indoors. The bulbs, which were in the colors of the Dutch flag—red, white and blue—were intended to serve as reminders of the Scouts' stay in Holland, and of the happy times they had spent among the youth of the world.

Since there were 25,000 Scouts at the Jamboree—and since Dutch bulbs are said never to fail!—there should be 75,000 blooms in 32 different countries this spring, giving out their perfume of peace.

LINDY TO LIVE IN U. S., REPORT

PLAINFIELD, N. J., March 15—(A. P.)—The Plainfield Courier News said in copyrighted article today it learned from a source regarded as authoritative that Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh, now en route to England, planned to return to the United States soon and make their permanent residence at the Lindbergh estate, near Hopewell.

The newspaper said it learned the famous couple spent a night at the estate during their recent visit in this country and expressed pleasure at the manner employees had kept it in condition.

Colonel Lindbergh, it said, sought to purchase 40 adjoining acres from an aged man at the time, but was told the man wished to keep his home as long as he lived. He died Sunday, the newspaper said, making it possible for the deal to go through.

REVIEW OF SOME OF THE BEST SELLERS

ACTION AT AQUILLA, (pronounced Ak-wy-la) by Hervey Allen and published by Farrar and Rinehart seems to be the March title receiving most attention. The Bentztown Bard sums up the opinions of reviewers in this fashion, "The general concensus of opinion is that the book is a fairly good magazine story, perhaps written with the view of off-setting the note of Southern feeling as conveyed in Gone With The Wind, and other novels of the period, with a demonstration of Northern feeling."

Certainly no other book in recent years has had the publicity and the ballyhoo before publication as has been given this book. One instance of high pressure selling was the offer to all book sellers to pay for all telephone calls to prospective buyers, if the calls were made the first day of publication. The offer being the guarantee of each customer a first edition copy.

An outline of the story is as follows: Colonel Franklin is on leave in Philadelphia, then returns to his command. There is a Maryland episode thrown in that is both well handled and fresh in material. In Virginia he meets the woman who is to be his wife while engaged in burning down her house under orders of Phil Sheridan and helps her and her family afterward in their mountain retreat. At the battle of Aquilla, which is a vivid of description of battle with a generous dose of the horrors of war, the Colonel loses a leg. He is taken to the cabin of his Southern friends and there promptly snowed in for the Winter, luckily enough in the company of a fine Confederate surgeon from Charlestown. He recovers with excellent medical care and nursing, and marries the widow in the Spring. This will do for an outline of the story. It has some humorous incidents, moves along easily, goes very occasionally and quite simply philosophical about war in general, and may be read so one reviewer states, without endangering anyone's blood pressure.

A reviewer of the New York Post says, "The battle of Aquilla", is unusually well done and, like all the rest of the book, will be duch soup for Hollywood. In fact, I have read few novels of recent years that seemed headed so srtaight for pictures as this one and with remarkably few changes at that. You can see some of the scenes on the screen as you read Mr. Allen's description of htem, a tribute to his skill with the typewriter."

"One will naturally be comparing or contrasting this book with Anthony Adverse. It is only about one-fourth as long. Yet it is held together in the same fashion by the personality of the leading character. He wanted to get away from automobiles and hot dog stands and he did. He wanted to be honest about war and he was. He knew some sort of a story was necessary, and he provided it. He will have two kinds of readers—those who adore the romance and those who do not mind it. Mr. Allen makes an honest blend, like certain pipe tobaccos a little of the strong and bitter, a portion of the sweet. This book will be a best seller, but hide it carefully in the hay or the mattress, the realists will get you if you don't watch out."

As a presentation of the Civil War the book recalls Winston Churchill and Mary Johnston, and it should command such popularity as those earlier romances enjoyed.

The American Booksellers Association Book Honors Award presented these winners. Booksellers Favorite Fiction; "The Citadel." Favorite Non-Fiction: "Madamae Curie". The Booksellers Find: "On Borrowed Time". The Most Original Book: "Four Hundred Million Customers."

The Children's Aid Society

The following is an example of what becomes of a child under the supervision of the Kent County Board of the Maryland Children's Aid:

Not many years ago, there was a sensational trial in a county. An unmarried mother was accused to trying to murder her own child. That girl, we now know to be mentally unbalanced. She is being cared for by relatives outside of the State.

The child has been most happily placed. We believe she will be adopted soon by her foster parents. She is blonde and blue-eyed, with a lovable smile—answering the requirements of nine out of ten foster parents! But when we first saw her, she was 20 months old, wieghed 18 pounds, and couldn't stand alone. Her best smile was a sickly grin.

One of our prize boarding mothers "groomed" her for adoption and she thrived on the diet of orange juice, milk, spinach, etc., prescribed for babies. The foster parents, who lived close by, watched her progress, and then asked to take her into their home.

We feel that she is a lucky little girl—and know that they are lucky foster parents!

"The woman has two children and two pigs—and the pigs are as dirty as the children." Thus the visitor, friend of children, described John and Joan.

John only went near the schoolhouse, when on his nocturnal wanderings, he chose to sleep there. In the coldest weather, he wore no shoes.

John and Joan snatched candy from the groceryman, laughed, and ran. Sometimes, with a mendicant's shrewdness, they would assume long faces and beg from strangers at the hotel. Since the death of their crippled father, a respected man, the mother had kept company with rowdy friends who gathered at her cabin for all-night revels. A psychiatrist later said the mother was mentally deficient and should have permanent institutional care.

The Maryland Children's Aid Society found a new home for John and Joan with a kindly farmer and his wife. On the whole, the children have done well. They are too busy with their friends and interests to make trouble.

John isn't so bright in his books, but hsi foster father says he has the makings of a good farmer. Last summer he earned enough to buy a Sunday suit. Joan, with the doctor's help, is now a sturdy child. Once a little hermit, she plays with other children, and even took a part in a school play, wearing a costume the foster mother had made. The Maryland Children's Aid Society paid their board until the other day when the foster parents said, "Don't send any more checks. We love them as our own."

John and Joan are children with a past; but we believe, with a future, too. Why? Because they, like other normal children, will respond to wholesome influences and happy surroundings. We were glad we could in intervene before it was too late. Otherwise, the children might have followed their mother in failure; or their childish pranks might have developed into adult crime.

Ratification Nisi

In the Matter of the Trust Estate of William T. Lusby, Decd.

In The Circuit Court for Kent County In Equity, No. 1880

Ordered, this 10th day of March, 1938, by the Circuit Court for Kent County in Equity, that the Auditor's Account and Report, stated and reported by Stephen R. Collins, Special Auditor, in the above entitled cause, be Ratified and Confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown within three weeks from the date of the first publication of said notice, viz: April 2nd, 1938; Provided, a copy of this Order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent County, once in each of two successive weeks before the 21st day of March next.

True Copy.
ROBERT A. SHALLCROSS, Clerk.
Test:
ROBERT A. SHALLCROSS, Clerk.

Notice To Creditors

FOR REAL ESTATE ONLY

Thsi is to Give Notice, That the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent County Ancillary letters of Administration C. T. A. on the estate of

EUGENE M. HANSON

late of said county deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to file in said Court their claim against said decedent, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, on or before the 5th day of September, 1938; they may otherwise by law, be excluded from all benefit of said estate. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment.

Given under my hand this 1st day of March, 1938.

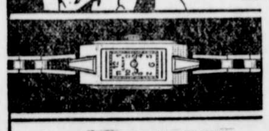
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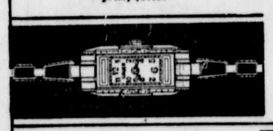
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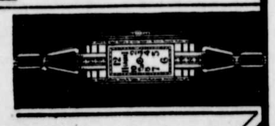


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