

LUCKY AND UNLUCKY DAYS

Study of Statistics Will Enable Almost Any One to Justify His Pet Belief.

Cold, hard statistics prove that the greatest number of premier awards for gallantry were won on Monday. No other day showing anything like the same record, though the much-maligned Friday stands out noticeably.

Which fact gives some color to the superstitions many people have about certain days of the week being lucky, while others are unlucky.

Tuesday seems to be the bad day of the week; calamities are far more common on that day than on any other day. Railway disasters, fires, street accidents—the record in each case is held easily by Tuesday. And it is the day most favored, too, by those who desire to put an end to their existence.

Saturday also has a bad reputation; its specialty is murders; and fully half the petty crime that is dealt with in the police courts occurs on that day. But probably that is because Saturday also holds the record for drunkenness.

There is nothing very distinctive about Thursday beyond the fact that

it is the day upon which the birth-rate is highest; and Sunday is noticeable only for its low death-rate.

Wednesday is, above all the rest, the day of weddings. This applies to all classes, and nearly as many marriages are celebrated on that day alone as upon any three of the others.—Montreal Herald.

WANTED TO "GO IT ALONE"

Many Years Ago Missouri Declared Her Ambition to Become an Independent Republic.

Missouri once had intention of setting up as an independent republic all by herself. The Session acts, state of Missouri, 1838-1839, contain a memorial to the congress of the United States relative to the Santa Fe trade. It tells of an expedition of traders to Santa Fe in 1812 from St. Louis, though it is not specifically stated that they went over the Santa Fe trail.

The early Session acts of the Missouri legislature, starting in 1824, contain many interesting resolutions and memorials to congress on all manner of political and historical subjects. Incidentally the Missouri constitution of 1820 starts with the preamble that the citizens of the state agree to form and establish a free and independent

republic by the name of the state of Missouri.

Missouri was one of the pivotal states in the history of this country. It was made such in the ancient fight in congress over the slavery question, which took up the admission of free and slave states and considered the balance thereof in congress. Missouri was also a pivotal state in yet another and larger sense—she was the jumping-off place for that wild and unknown country called the Wild West—the land west of the Missouri river. She made the midway point between the frontiersmen of Kentucky and those of the great plains, occupying a generation of history herself as a frontier commonwealth.

Simple Telephony.

An interesting development in telephony is a new three-wire wall net which operates on two ordinary dry cells, says the Scientific American. The telephone itself is built for the use and pleasure of youngsters. The installation is very simple, as the telephones fasten to the walls with two screws and there is nothing more technical for the boy to do than to follow simple instructions in connecting the wire with the posts on each telephone box. The set will operate up to 1,000 feet, instead of the usual 100 or 200 feet, if two additional dry cells are employed.

TOWN DIED CENTURIES AGO

Segovia, in Spain, Has Signs of Life Only Part of One Day of Each Week.

Segovia is a dead city of Spain. There are dead towns in this country which both lived and died within half a century, and few that are much more than a century old. But Segovia died centuries ago, and it is as old as civilization in Europe.

The Romans built Segovia. It stands on a rocky ridge between two swift rivers—a compact little city of narrow streets and old stone houses crowded together. A mighty aqueduct, which was built by the Romans, still brings the city its water supply from the Guadarrama mountains. Segovia, high and narrow on its ridge, lies like a great ship in the plain, moored by its aqueduct to the distant mountains.

Segovia is a city of deserted churches. Long ago it lay in a sort of contested land between the region held by the Moors and that held by the Christians. Sometimes one held it and sometimes the other. Both built churches there. Now Segovia has lost so much of its population that most of these churches stand empty, despite the fact that Spain is a pious land. Some of them have been locked for centuries, and only the bats know the secrets of their dark interiors, where neither sound nor sunlight has been for so long. Others have attendants who will open their doors to the curious.

Once a week Segovia awakens. Peasants come to the city from all the surrounding country. They are primitive people who look like figures from the middle ages. There is laughter and color in the streets then. Bells ring and a few of the churches open their doors to worshippers. But by sunset all of the peasants are gone and Segovia goes to sleep for another week.

EASY WAY TO CLEAN CLOCK

Small Piece of Kerosene-Soaked Wool Placed in Case Will Gather Dust Particles.

When a clock stops it is a mistake to suppose that it must at once be taken to the workshop for repairs. In most cases clocks cease running because of the accumulation of dust particles which clogs the bearings. It is not even needful to take the clock to pieces to clean it if a simple plan is followed which will be found to work very well. Soak a piece of cotton wool in kerosene and place this in a small saucer, a canister lid, or anything similar. Then put this in the case of the clock under the works. Close up, and at the end of 24 hours, examine the cotton wool. It will be found to be covered with black specks; these are the dust particles brought down by the fumes of the kerosene. Wind the clock up and it will start away again. Where the works of the clock are in an inclosed case a few drops of kerosene should be poured through the small hole which is present in the metal covering. Turn the clock about a while so that the kerosene is distributed and after an interval it is extremely likely that the works will commence their normal operations again.—Scientific American.

Learn the Art of Life.

Life is so full of beautiful stories that it is inconceivable that there should be any need of fiction or any other form of art. Life itself is an art and requires artists to live it. There are few of these and that may account for written art.

People who can live on the plane of their agreements and avoid the plane of their antipathies make life an art. There was a cobbler friend of ours, poor, honest, witty, a philosopher and withal handsome. He had a wonderfully gifted, beautiful sister and she married a forceful "plute," who was devoted to her and whom she loved as truly as she loved her brother, the shoemaker. The shoemaker was a leader in a radical reform movement; the plute was the leader of the opposition. The shoemaker disdained any sort of financial help from his brother-in-law, but being an old bachelor, lived in the plute's house, sharing a happy family life. There was never a discordant word uttered, because these three tacitly avoided topics on which they did not agree. They knew the art of life.—Chicago News.

Grateful Carlo.

In Kentucky three men were shot to death in a fight about a dog which one of them had killed. Some men never live long enough to learn that when a dog becomes personal property the tie of pride and affection makes the animal a serious proposition to be trifled with, and that many men were born to love dogs. This reminds us that in the happy days of boyhood our most faithful and devoted friend was an old pointer named Carlo. Never did we eat a lunch out of doors without sharing it with the devoted Carlo, and that noble and loving dog invariably manifested his gratitude by shaking himself vigorously and letting us in a reciprocal way have about 50 per cent of his most active fleas.—New Orleans States.

Not a Fixed Opinion.

Lawyer (examining prospective juror in criminal case)—Mr. Juror, have you any fixed opinion as to the guilt or innocence of the accused?

Juror (emphatically)—Now, I ain't got no doubt but the guy's guilty, but they ain't nobody fixed me.

LEGAL NOTICES.

PROCLAMATION

Proposing Amendments to the Constitution of the State, 1920.

Whereas, at the January Session of the General Assembly of Maryland, held in the year 1920, two Acts were passed, to wit: Chapter 319 proposing an amendment to Section 15 of Article III of the Constitution of the State, title "Legislative Department," regulating the compensation of Members of both Houses of the General Assembly; and Chapter 565 proposing an amendment to Section 37 of Article 4 of the Constitution of the State, title "Judiciary Department," regulating the pay of Clerks of Courts, and which said Chapters 319 and 565 are in the words and figures following:

CHAPTER 319.
AN ACT to propose an amendment to Section 15 of Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Legislative Department," regulating the compensation of the members of both Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, and to provide for the submission of said amendment to a period of qualification of the State of Maryland for adoption or rejection.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, (three-fifths of all the members of each of the two Houses concurring), That the following be and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to Section 15 of Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Legislative Department," the same if adopted by the legally qualified voters of the State, as herein provided, to become Section 15 of Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Maryland. 15. The General Assembly may continue its session so long as in its judgment the public interest may require; for a period not longer than ninety days; and each member thereof shall receive a compensation of three hundred dollars per annum, and five dollars per diem for every day he shall attend the session, but not for such days as he may be absent, unless absent on account of sickness or by leave of the House of which he is a member and he shall also receive such mileage as may be allowed by law, not exceeding twenty cents per mile; and the presiding officer of each House shall receive an additional compensation of five dollars per diem. When the General Assembly shall be convened by proclamation of the Governor, the session shall not continue longer than thirty days, and in such case the compensation shall be the same as herein prescribed.

SECTION 2. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That said foregoing section hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Maryland shall, at the next general election for members of Congress held in this State, be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of the State, for their adoption or rejection, in pursuance of the directions contained in Article XIV of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, and at the said general election the vote on the said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendment," and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," as now provided by law, and immediately after the said election due returns shall be made to the Governor of the State for and against said proposed amendment, as directed by said Fourteenth Article of the Constitution, and further proceedings had in accordance with said Article Fourteen.

Approved April 9, 1920.

CHAPTER 565.
AN ACT to amend Section 37 of Article 4, title "Judiciary Department," of the Constitution of the State, and to provide for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of this State for adoption or rejection.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, (three-fifths of all the members of each of the two Houses concurring), That the following section be, and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to Section 37, of Article 4, title "Judiciary Department," of the Constitution of this State, and if adopted by the legal and qualified voters hereof, as herein provided, said section shall supersede and stand in the place and in stead of Section 37 of said Article 4 of the Constitution of Maryland.

SEC. 37. There shall be a Clerk of each of the said Courts of Baltimore City, except the Supreme Bench, who shall be elected by the legal and qualified voters of said city at the election to be held in said city on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, and shall hold his office for six years from the time of his election, and until his successor is elected and qualified, and he shall be re-eligible thereafter, subject to be removed for willful neglect of duty or other misdemeanor in office, on conviction in a Court of Law. The salary of each of the said Clerks shall be forty-five hundred dollars a year, payable only out of the fees and receipts collected by the Clerks of said city, and they shall be entitled to no other perquisites or compensation. In case of a vacancy in the office of Clerk of any of said Courts, the Judges of said Supreme Bench of Baltimore City shall have power to fill such vacancy until the general election of Delegates to the General Assembly to be held next thereafter, when a Clerk of said Court shall be elected to serve six years thereafter; and the provisions of this Article in relation to the appointment of Deputies by the Clerks of the Circuit Courts in the counties shall apply to the Clerks of the Courts in Baltimore City.

SECTION 2. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said foregoing section hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution shall, at the next election for members of Congress to be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November, nineteen hundred and twenty (1920), be submitted to the legal and qualified voters thereof for their adoption or rejection, in pursuance of the directions contained in Article 14 of the Constitution of this State; and at the said election the vote on said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be written or printed the words "For Constitutional Amendment," and "Against Constitutional Amendment," as now provided by law, and immediately after said election due returns shall be made to the Governor of the State for and against said proposed amendment, as directed by the said Article 14 of the said Constitution.

Approved April 9, 1920.

Now, therefore, I, Albert C. Ritchie, Governor of the State of Maryland, in pursuance of the direction contained in Section 1 of Article 14 of the Constitution of Maryland, do hereby order and direct this Proclamation containing a full, true and correct copy of the text of said Chapters 319 and 565 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1920, be published in at least two newspapers in each of the counties of the State where so many may be published and where not more than one may be published, then in that newspaper, and in three newspapers published in the City of Baltimore, one of which shall be published in the German language, once a week for at least three months next preceding the general election to be held in the State of Maryland on Tuesday, the 6th day of November, 1920, at which election the said proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be submitted in form and manner prescribed by the General Assembly, to the legal and qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland, Done at the City of Annapolis, this 23rd day of July, nineteen hundred and twenty.

ALBERT C. RITCHIE.

By the Governor, PHILIP B. PERLMAN, Secretary of State.

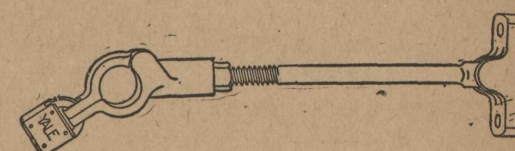
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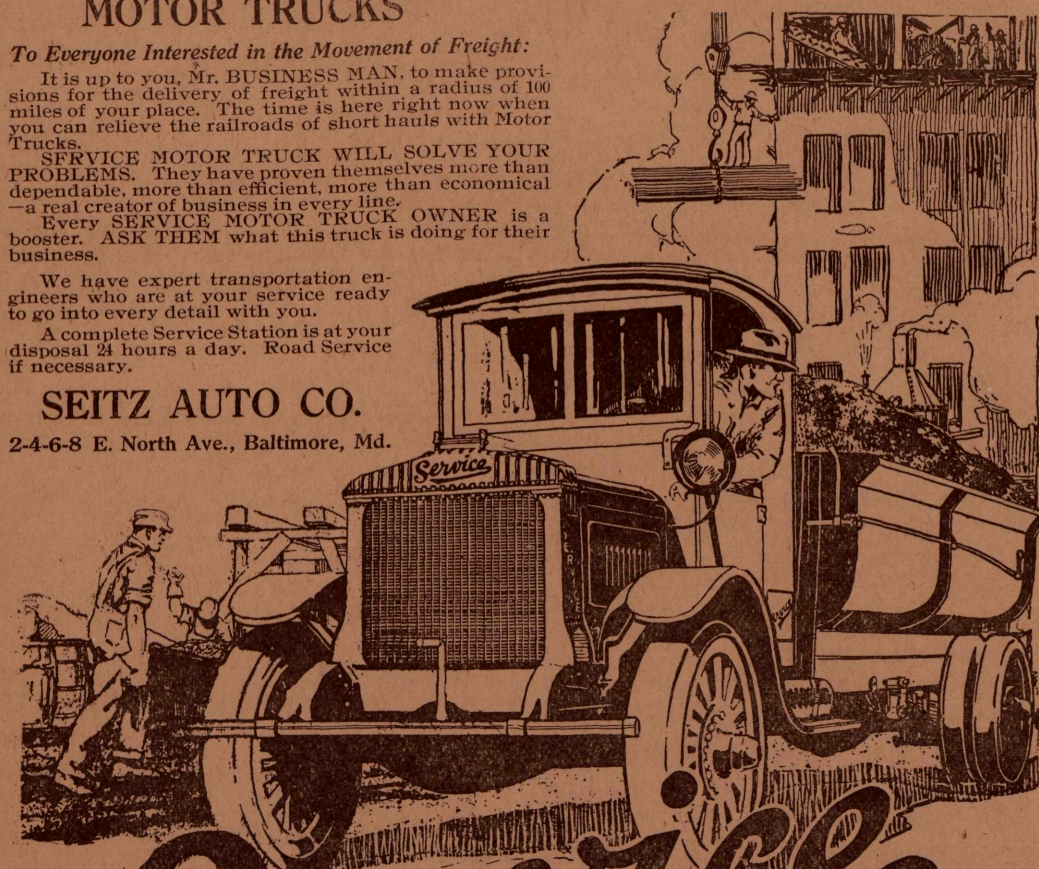
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