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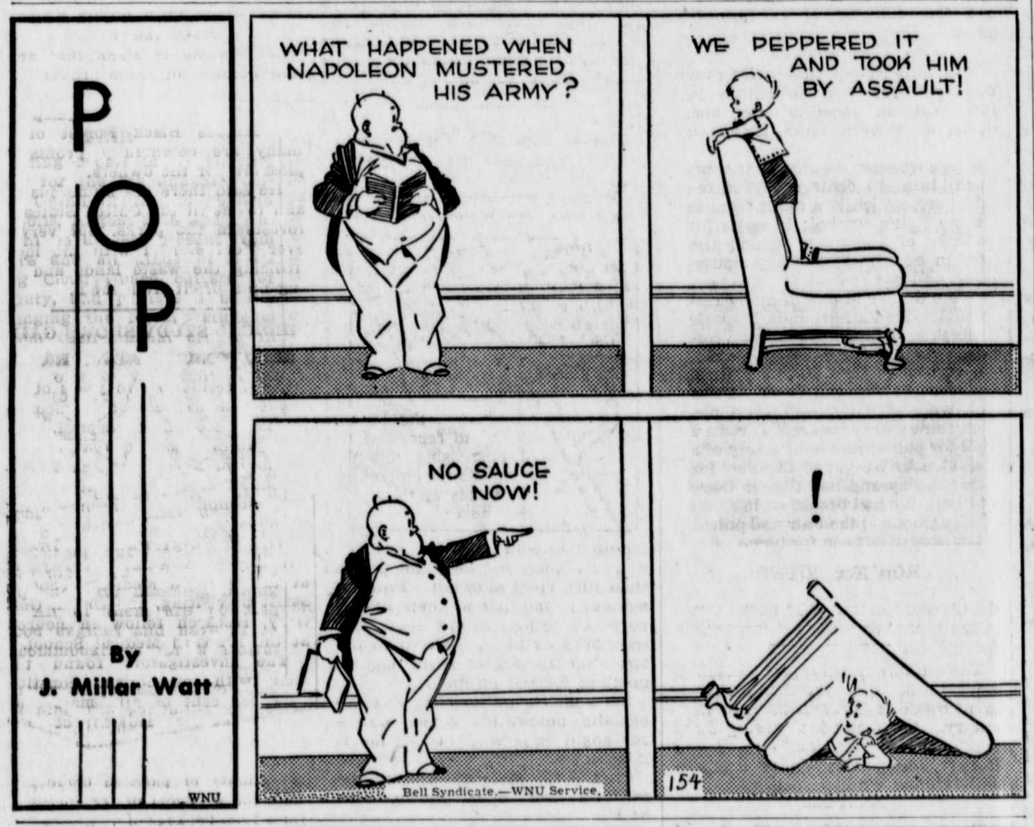
Events in the Lives of Little Men



YOU CAN'T TELL 'EM NOW

"There's Jones ahead of us with a swell dame. Pretty nifty girl, eh?"

"Girl nothing—that's his grandmother, man!"

Mystery

"It is funny I do not remember limping when I left home," said the absent-minded professor, as he walked down the street with one foot on the curb and the other in the gutter.

Change of Bosses

Diner—You advertise that this restaurant is under new management, but the same manager is still here.

Waitress—Oh yes, but he got married yesterday.

AN IDEA

Hubby—My brain is on fire.
Wife—Why don't you blow it out?

ADVENTUROUS AMERICANS

By

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Peter Pond, Pathmaker

THEY say that when Peter Pond was born to the wife of a Milford, Conn., shoemaker in 1740 he "arrived in a restless mood" and from that time until the end of his life he was constantly on the go. His father wanted him to "stick to the last" but the boy's restlessness led him into the British army at the age of 16. He served under Lord Howe, Sir William Johnson and General Amherst in Canada and there learned of the wealth of the country he was helping to conquer. It was furs and he was destined to become one of America's greatest fur traders.

After the French and Indian war was over, he went to sea and after a successful voyage to the West Indies returned to Milford to find his mother dead. So he took charge of his eight younger sisters and brothers until his father returned from a trading trip to Detroit.

When his father died Peter assumed his debts and in 1765 went to Detroit to engage in the Indian trade. He spent one winter at Michillimackinac, then "took another turn to ye West Indies." But he was soon back in the West—at Prairie du Chien and Green Bay, Wis.

About 1775 he gave up the trade in the Mississippi valley and went up into Canada. He is said to have been the first white man to reach the Peace river country and when the North West company was organized in 1784 he was one of the shareholders. He helped wrest the valuable Chipewayan trade away from the Hudson's Bay company and he inspired the famous exploring expedition of Alexander Mackenzie to the Pacific. Pond sold out his interests in the North West company in 1790 and is said to have died in poverty a few years later.

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A Dumas Hero

WHEN Irish-born Thomas Phelan died in Bremerton, Wash., in 1909, at the age of 72 it marked the passing of a character who might have stepped out of one of Dumas' novels. When he was 21 Phelan came to America, seeking adventure, and arrived in Kansas in time to take part in the border wars as a follower of John Brown of Osawatomie.

In Jackson county, Mo., he was captured by pro-slavery bushwhackers, who shot him and left him for dead. Upon recovering, he enlisted in the Union army, rose from sergeant to the rank of captain and served throughout the Civil war. Once he and several of his company were captured by Quantrill's guerrillas and sentenced to be shot. Their lives were saved by a Federal commander who threatened to hang an equal number of Southern sympathizers if they were harmed.

After the war, Phelan, with his sword-cane, was a picturesque figure on the streets of Kansas City where he became noted for his skill as a swordsman and his readiness to settle any quarrel on the duelling grounds with rapier or pistol. Then he enlisted in the fight for Irish freedom, joined the Fenians but quarreled with some of their leaders because of their terroristic methods. As a result, three "dynamiters" in 1885 attacked him in his office and almost slashed him to death with their daggers before he beat them off. After many months in the hospital he finally recovered from his wounds.

In 1894 Phelan won international fame when the French captain, Alfred Dreyfus, was courtmartialed and sentenced to Devil's Island. Phelan immediately denounced Count Esterhazy as the forger of the documents which convicted Dreyfus and challenged him to a duel. The charges of the Irish soldier of fortune were ridiculed but later events proved that he was right.

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'Thirty-Thirty' Jack

BACK in 1898, when Jack Pratt was 26 years old, he left the States for Alaska and settled near Wrangell. There was no monotony in his far-north life—he became a deep-sea diver, prospector, game hunter, "mountie," saloon-keeper and government agent. They called him "Thirty-Thirty" Jack after the rifle he carried instead of the usual six-shooter.

Up in Nome, for a while he went into partnership with Tex Rickard, the famous prize-fight promoter. Their business interests were centered solely in running a saloon, so instead of promoting fights, they were interested in stopping them. There, too, "Thirty-Thirty" knew many later notables including Rex Beach, Robert W. Service, Texas Guinan and Jack London.

A few months ago he made a trip to Chicago which was his first return to "civilization" in 38 years. He said he was disappointed, however, because, although 66 years old, he guesses he is still a pioneer at heart.

He returned to Wrangell and put on a big party to celebrate his "deliverance" from derby hats and other signs of formal living.

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Col. Phillips Named Food Advisor To Byrd Antarctic Expedition

Prominent Food Executive Given Entire Responsibility For Provisioning Three Ships Soon To Leave On Polar Venture.

Cambridge, Maryland—First official action by Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd, following his designation by President Roosevelt as head of the important new United States Government colonization expedition to the Antarctic, was the appointment of Colonel Albanus Phillips, president of the Phillips Packing Company, this city, as Food Counselor of the expedition.

Immediately following the announcement from the White House in Washington that President Roosevelt had named Admiral Byrd to command the expedition which will stake out American claims to a vast area of the Antarctic continent, the latter wired Colonel Phillips:

"I was today appointed to command the United States Government Antarctic Expedition. The first thing I am going to do is appoint you food counselor for the undertaking—a position of utmost importance and responsibility, for which your nearly fifty years of experience in foods so eminently fits you. I sincerely hope you can honor the expedition by accepting this designation. The warmest personal regards."

The telegram announcing his appointment was delivered to Colonel Phillips when he returned from a week-end cruise on Chesapeake Bay, and he immediately wired his acceptance to Admiral Byrd. An early conference will be arranged between Admiral Byrd and Colonel Phillips to discuss plans for provisioning the three ships, headed by Admiral Byrd's flagship, Bear of Oakland, which will make the trip to Antarctica.

The appointment of Colonel Phillips is regarded as a highly signficant tribute to his many years of successful experience as a leader in the food field. The food company he heads packs over fifty varieties of canned foods now marketed from coast to coast and in numerous foreign countries.

Cause of Red Nose

Vienna doctors, after a study, have concluded that a red nose may indicate unbalanced hormones, and may have nothing to do with drinking. Other causes may be poor circulation, changes in temperature, nervousness or congestion from over-indulgence.

Hub of Scotland

Stirling, "in the midst of Scotland," is also described by its citizens as "between east and west and between north and south," and they claim that it has "looked down on more history, seen more armies advance and retreat than any other town in the world."

'Indians' in Poland

No two Goral women of Zakopane, the famous tourist resort of Poland, dress alike. The tourist here will see mountaineers who will remind him of American Indians. They wear moccasins and carry a tomahawk-like cane, while they dance like Ojibways.

Pheasant Kills Snake

State highway patrolmen noticed a pheasant hopping about excitedly alongside the road north of Scottsbluff, Mont. Investigating, they discovered the bird had killed a giant bull snake by pecking its neck full of holes.

The Rise of the Nile

A rather pretty Egyptian legend tells that a drop from heaven, a tear of Isis, an ancient Egyptian goddess, falls into the Nile on a certain night of the year and causes it to rise. One of the great Nile annual festivals is the "Night of the Drop."

Ferry to Sweden

Sweden and Denmark lie nearer to each other than many people realize. At some places in northern Denmark you can go to Sweden in 20 minutes by ferry, and the Swedish coast is distinctly visible from Elsinore in Denmark.

Warm Holidays in Iceland

Reykjavik, the capital of Iceland, has the same average annual temperature as Milan in Italy. Warm sea bathing is found in Iceland due to proximity of hot springs near the beaches.

Duomo of Milan

The second largest Gothic cathedral in Europe is the Duomo of Milan. As part of its massive architecture the visitor can count more than 4,000 statues.

High Survival

Forest service officials estimate that 61 per cent of all trees planted in farm shelter belts and field wind breaks of the prairie plains last year survived.

Corn Pays Boy

Cleon Best, 20-year-old North Carolina farm boy, harvested 432 bushels of corn from 2.6 acres in 1938 and made a profit of $209 from the project.

Wartime Fact

The Negro National Guard unit was the first battalion in Washington to be mustered to war strength in 1917.

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Our Intellect

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