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MANY FAIRS TO BE HELD IN 1922

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FAIRS THAT GO TO PEOPLE

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A Few Old Types Survive. "Where conditions have remained relatively primitive the famous old fairs have continued to function until today. The annual fair at Nizhni Novgorod continued largely to dominate the commercial life of Russia until the revolution, and even since then the distribution of foodstuffs, textiles and furs through this old gathering place of traders has been an important item.

Paris holding the palm for numbers. "But at the root of the world fairs or international exhibitions was the idea of general education, and closely connected with it was the amusement aspect. They served well as occasional more or less sugar-coated demonstrations of the progress of the world, but they failed to measure up to the efficiency standards of the modern distributor. Side by side with them had grown up special international industrial exhibits and sample fairs, and by the outbreak of the World war these had been forged into modern agencies meeting Twentieth century conditions. Now that all nations are girding themselves for an after-the-war scramble for trade such fairs are being held on all sides.

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Dog First Saves Baby, Then Runs for Help

Redwood City, Calif.—The faithfulness and initiative of a Scottish collie saved the life of a three-year-old Jean MacAllister. The child wandered from home and was not missed until the dog appeared in great excitement and began baying at the skirts of Mrs. MacAllister, who was working in the yard. The mother followed "Don," the collie, to a large pond nearly half a mile away, where she found her child lying on the bank with her clothes drenched. Apparently little Jean had fallen into the pond and had been pulled out by the dog.

DROPS HALF-MILE IN CHUTE

Mountain Climber Has Thrilling Experience in Heavy Snow in Washington.

Snoqualmie, Wash.—Stepping out to the edge of a snow-covered precipice to point out some scenery to his wife and little son, Howard Rupert, a salesman, disappeared into loose snow.

Mrs. Rupert quickly notified men nearby, who looked in vain for several hours for Rupert. They were about to give up the search on account of darkness when the missing man appeared. He declared he had dropped into a loose snowdrift and falling through landed directly into an unused log chute to carry timber in summer to the river far below.

Rupert said the chute was filled with ice and that he tobogganed down into the valley at such a high rate of speed he could not yell loud enough to be heard. Loggers found he had taken a ride of fully half a mile in the ice-bound log chute. Rupert was uninjured, but was minus a large part of his wearing apparel.

BISHOP OF ALASKA



Bishop Trymbal Rowe has been bishop of Alaska for 25 years. He recently called at the White House to pay his respects to the President.

FATHER OF 28 BOSSES RANCH

Declares None of His Wives or Offspring Were Allowed to "Talk Back."

Greensboro, N. C.—"Uncle Bob" Austin, an old-time darky living near here, is the father of 28 sons and daughters, 26 of whom are living. All but seven having gone off to themselves, he has taken three other children to rear.

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HAS PORCH AUTOS CAN'T HIT

Postmaster Whose Home Is on Sharp Curve of Road Tires of Being Bumped by Speeders.

Newton, N. J.—Postmaster Lester T. Smith of Layton has a big front porch on his house, which is on Bingham's road at a point where there is a sharp curve, and for many years he has sat there in the evenings and smoked his pipe without anything happening to him. But the other day he was having a smoke when an automobile came around the bend and skidded, smashing into the porch and wrecking one end of it.

The automobilist paid for the damage and went on his way and the postmaster sent for a carpenter, who worked all night and all morning putting a new end on the porch. Late in the afternoon the postmaster went out to have another smoke, but he had hardly tilted his chair back and lighted his pipe when another automobile came whizzing around the curve and skidded.

Once more the machine crashed into the porch and wrecked an end of it, and, since it was the end on which he was sitting, he went down with the wreckage. But he was not hurt, and he got out of the debris in time to collect from the automobilist, who paid and drove on. Then the postmaster called for the carpenter and gave orders, but not for a new front porch. He told the carpenter to tear down the front porch and build one on the rear of the house.

"Maybe I'll have peace there," he said. "Soon as I get my new porch done they can skid all they want to, but to get me they'll have to jump over the house."

BUILDING AT HIGH MARK

Reports From 141 Cities in the United States Show Greatest Activity in Years.

New York.—Building records for June, showing a total construction value of \$218,674,499 in 141 cities, set a new high record for 1922, Bradstreet's reports.

The previous high mark for the year was \$206,804,015 in May. The June figure compares with \$127,671,278 in June, 1921.

The total for the second quarter of 1922, \$683,568,331, makes a gain of 32 per cent over the high-record first quarter of this year and of 63.7 per cent above that recorded in the same quarter of 1921. This second quarter's total, it might be noted, is slightly in excess of the total for the combined first and second quarters of 1921. This total for the half-year, with 23 cities yet to be heard from as to June, is \$1,200,988,472, a gain of 75.9 per cent over the like period last year.

GERMANY EXPELS COUNTESS

Hetta Trauberg, Pacifist, Driven from Native Land for Her Peace Propaganda.

Vienna.—Countess Hetta Trauberg, the German pacifist, who was interned by the Germans during the late war because she condemned submarine warfare, the deportation of Belgian and French women and children and the treatment of allied prisoners, has been expelled from Germany because she still persists in her peace propaganda.

GREATER NAVY FOR SWEDEN

Parliamentary Commission Urges the Building of Fast Cruisers and Destroyers.

Stockholm, Sweden.—A parliamentary commission, supported by navy experts, has proposed for the Swedish navy a building program for the next ten years of four fast armored cruisers, twelve destroyers, six torpedo boats, three mine layers, twenty-two submarine chasers and a number of smaller craft. The armored cruisers are to be 6,500 tons each, with a speed of thirty knots, with eight 21-centimeter and six 12-centimeter guns.

As the proposal is based on parliamentary consideration, there is a probability of its being passed at the coming session.

Board Bill Too Heavy, Prisoner Is Released

Arthur States of Lima, O., literally ate his way out of prison, where he was serving a term because of his inability to pay a fine of \$1,000 on a liquor charge. He served only a few weeks when the county commissioners began figuring out results of the incarceration of States at a fixed amount a day to apply on his fine.

HOLD BIG STORES FOR AIR SERVICE

Uncle Sam Has Immense Supply of Material for Airplanes on Hand.

LARGEST DEPOT IS IN TEXAS

Supplies Worth \$50,000,000 Stored There, While Machinery and Equipment of Plans Represent Another \$100,000,000.

San Antonio, Tex.—Not much has been said about it, but it is a fact that the United States government air intermediate depot, situated on the outskirts of San Antonio, contains army aviation materials valued at \$50,000,000, while the machinery and other equipment that go to make up the plant has an additional value of \$100,000,000.

It is one of the largest aviation and repair centers in the United States. The buildings which comprise the government property are of permanent character. The special purpose of maintaining the depot is to keep constantly on hand a complete and large stock of airplanes and their parts for supplying the army aviation service. The warehouses are filled with hundreds of airplane wings and motors. There are thousands of motors. Every three months these motors must be taken out of their boxes, thoroughly sprayed with a form of grease to prevent rust and then treated to a similar coat of oil on the inside of the cylinders and other internal parts. They are so delicate that they must be carefully handled.

Hundreds on Hand. Several hundred complete airplanes are kept on hand in the boxes in which they come from the factory, and these must also be opened at regular intervals, taken out and gone over completely.

In another part of the warehouse is an assortment of tools that probably surpasses in size and value any in the Southwest. Its value runs into millions of dollars. Every tool that will ever be needed in the air service is in the supply section. Spare parts stored in another part of the warehouse represent another huge fortune. This material goes to supply all the army air service in the United States and, in addition, Panama, Philippine Islands, Hawaii and formerly the air forces in the army of occupation in Germany.

The engineering branch is charged with the repair of airplanes used by the air service in the Eighth corps area and in flying fields as far east as Florida. It is divided into several departments. There is the machine shop, one of the most complete in the country. Then comes the motor repair, fuselage construction, rigging, fabric and upholstery, paint shop, final assembly hangar and the test hangar. Airplanes are built from the ground up at the engineering branch, but for the most part they take the old ones that are turned in by the various fields and rebuild them.

Expert civilian mechanics are employed to do this work. Raw materials are kept on hand for wing and body construction, and whenever a spare part is needed that is not on hand it can be turned out in the shop. Wings, rudders and elevators are constructed in the shops. After the framework is completed it is taken to the fabric shop, where linen cloth is stretched over and nailed down, and then it is painted.

The engineering branch was moved to San Antonio several months ago from Dallas, and took the buildings left by the air service mechanics school. Maj. William H. Garrison is in command of both branches of the depot.

The monthly pay roll at the depot approximates \$40,000, and there are about 400 civilians employed as mechanics in addition to the 12 officers. The supply branch is in charge of Lieut. Myron R. Wood and the engineering branch is in charge of Capt. Edward Laughlin.

THREE PRINCESSES SEEK JOB

1,600 Replies Received to American Woman's "Ad" for Secretary in Geneva.

Geneva.—Indication of the straits of many European noble women after the war is given in the experience of the American wife of a Geneva banker who advertised recently in a Munich newspaper for an educated woman secretary with a good knowledge of languages, and offered a salary of 300 Swiss francs monthly, in addition to a comfortable home.

Thus far she has received more than 1,600 replies, from all parts of Germany and Austria. The applicants include three princesses, nine baronesses and thirty countesses, but the majority are widows or daughters of former high officials.

Snakes in Snow

Pottsville, Pa.—Notwithstanding the deep snow on the mountains, snakes are making their appearance at a number of places. Charles Roeder captured one alive and brought it to Schuylkill Haven, where it has been placed on exhibition. This is the first time snakes have ever been seen here while snow is on the ground.

FARMER FLEES FROM "IMPS"

Tale of Tricks of Evil Spirits Excites People of Nova Scotian Community.

Halifax, N. S.—While no broomstick riding hags of the traditional witch features have been seen hurtling across the face of the moon, there are any number of people in Nova Scotia who will take an oath that imps of no good intent are peeping the fair hills of Antigonish county.

Alexander MacDonald, a farmer, has boarded up his valley home and fled with his family and chattels in the dead of winter. His neighbors say they have seen with their own eyes, and without the assistance of potable spirits, the manifestations of the Evil One.

So much credence is being given to the tales of witches and imps that a Halifax newspaper has assigned a member of its staff to break his way through the inland snows until he reaches the MacDonald house and live there for two weeks.

MacDonald and his family awoke one morning three weeks ago to find that their horses had been driven into a lather and returned to their stalls before dawn. The cattle had been turned out of the barns in a driving snowstorm. The tails of the heifers had been braided.

This was repeated the next morning and the next. The third night, MacDonald says, the fire imps appeared. Unexpected places jets of flame would break out for no apparent reason. The following nights he called neighbors to see for themselves. They swore that they saw fires leap from bare floors and subside, or flare up from a fireless stove and disappear.

In each case a bit of absorbent cotton or highly inflammable calico was found near the source of the fire, but that only deepened the mystery. Where had the cotton and calico come from? After a week MacDonald and his family fled, taking up their home in Caledonia Mills.

LONDON HAS BOBETTES



Meaning policemen of course. Here is one of the uniformed policemen of the London force who is on duty at Trafalgar Square. The London cold and fog hold no fears for her, for she is amply protected by a greatcoat and also a toughened rubber slicker.

CORSET STAY KILLS WOMAN

Bone Pierces Heart When Girl Falls While Skiing in Swiss Alps.

Geneva, Switzerland.—A whalebone corset stay caused the death of a Zurich young woman while skiing. She was making a steep descent with a party of friends when she fell over a ledge, landing 20 feet below in deep snow. Her companions attached no importance to the fall, but on reaching her found the bone had pierced her heart.

This is the second accident of the kind in Switzerland this winter.

"Egg Romance" Cracks; Husband "Hard Boiled"

Frank Olds, of Everton, Mo., wrote his name on an egg and requested the buyer to write to him. It was shipped to a cold storage house in Chicago, and later found its way to a restaurant, where it was boiled and sold to a romantic maiden. She wrote to "the man on the egg," and he replied. More correspondence, and finally they were married.

Now Mrs. Olds is suing for divorce. In her bill she charges her husband with being "hard boiled," a gambler, and a small town sport. She wants to cast him out of the nest.

GHOST HAS APPETITE

Widow's Shotgun Squad Loses Goat to Hungry Spook.

Is Heard at All Hours of the Night, but Is Never Seen—Carries Off Two Sacks of Flour and 50 Pounds of Sugar.

Waukegan, Ill.—Although four neighbors, armed with shotguns, maintain nightly vigil at the home of Mrs. Catherine Milkowich, a hungry ghost, who has domiciled himself there, continues to be heard but not seen. Except on Mondays. He has Mondays off.

They've heard him at all hours of the night. And occasionally he has made his presence felt in other ways. For example, Michael Dezoma, a cigar manufacturer, tells how:

"One Friday morning at 3 o'clock there was a funny noise at the door. The room was in darkness. I was striking a match to light a cigar. The door flew open, the match was blown out, and a hand grabbed me on the neck, choked me, and then hit me on the nose. I called to Jack Schlosser, the teamster, but the hand disappeared before we turned on the lights. I'm a brave man, but it made me nervous."

The ghost has taken ways. He took two sacks of flour and 50 pounds of sugar. The other night Mrs. Milkowich heard him in the cellar. He was making a noise like target practice. When the vigilante squad arrived there the remnant of the winter's supply of coal was tossed all about the place.

And Daniel, her eldest boy, dreamed the ghost walked into his bedroom one night and said: "Hello, kid." Daniel awoke the next morning to find his bed had been moved from one side of the room to the other.

"It all got my goat so," said Jerry Womka, who used to live above Mrs. Milkowich, "that I moved. We couldn't sleep or anything. The ghost used to carry on at all hours of the night."

The shotgun squad now maintaining vigil comprises Antonio Carrison, Waukegan cobbler; James Shanes, George Mastron and Sam Surias. They do not, they aver, believe in spooks. Still, they never separate during the wee sma'.

First information of the ghost was made public when Mrs. Milkowich appealed for protection to Father Joseph Lauerma, pastor of St. Joseph's church, of which she is a member. "He'll eat me out of house and home," said Mrs. Milkowich, who is a widow. "I don't know who he is, but he can't be my husband's ghost. My husband never had an appetite like that."

"HONOR SYSTEM" CANDY STAND



Louis L. Kaufman, sophomore at Pennsylvania State college, has faith and trust in his 2,000 fellow college men. So he has erected a little candy stand with package sweets stacked on it, right beneath the window of Prexy John M. Thomas on the open porch of Old Main building, on the campus. Each morning he sets out an open pasteboard box of change and a fresh stock of candy. Then he gives his business "absent treatment" and attends his classes.

He does a business of from \$3 to \$7 a day and says that the "losses are not worth mentioning."

He is paying his way through college with the profits.

Rooster That Smokes

Jamestown, N. Y.—One of the unique features at the poultry show of the Chautauque County Poultry association, held here, was Warren G., a rooster, which smokes cigarettes. The bird is well trained and rides from city to city with its owner on the top of an automobile. The rooster has been exhibited before President Harding in the latter's private office at Washington, according to the owner.

Seaplane Is Disabled by Hitting Porpoise

Pensacola, Fla.—While landing in Pensacola Bay a seaplane in which were Lieut. J. Smith of the Marine Corps and Chief Machinists Mate Belski hit a porpoise so hard that the plane was damaged beyond use and had to be towed back to the station. The porpoise came up to "blow" just as the plane leveled off to hit the surface of the water.

STORY DIDN'T GET HEADLINE

"Tiruvannamalai" Is Name of Place Where News "Broke" and That's Reason.

IS CHIEF PILGRIM CENTER

Scene of Recent Encounter Between Indian Police and Mob of 10,000 Natives Is Described by Geographic Society.

Washington.—One recent encounter between British Indian police and a mob of 10,000 natives was not "played up" in American newspaper headlines. The name of the town where the disturbances occurred was—Tiruvannamalai.

"This town is one of the chief pilgrim centers of South India but is little visited by Europeans," explains a bulletin from the Washington headquarters of the National Geographic society. "This ostracism is not because the occidental cannot pronounce the name to ask his way, as one way suggests. Tiruvannamalai has 40 large chattrams, or rest houses, while the only provision for the foreigner is a small bungalow of two rooms.

"Two great festivals every year and a fair every Tuesday assure the gathering numbers of natives," the bulletin continues. "During the Kartigal festival in November or December, 100,000 pilgrims visit the finely carved temple or climb the 'Holy Fire Hill' which gives the town its name. At such times cholera frequently takes a heavy toll and for many years attempts have been made to improve the water supply.

A Cross Roads of Religion and Trade. "Four roads meet at Tiruvannamalai, three of them crossing the alluvial plain toward the north, south and east. The fourth road carries a heavy traffic over the Chengam Pass into the Salem district. Thus the town is not only a famous religious center but an important entrepot of trade as well.

"South Arcot, the district in which Tiruvannamalai is found, sweeps up from the harborless Coromandel coast fronting on the Bay of Bengal to the Eastern Ghats, the hills which mark the fall line between the plain and the plateau, which rises south like a wedge from the Deccan and splits Madras Presidency into two widely dissimilar regions. Great expanses of reserved forests clothe these hills and the sandalwood and teak found there form some of the most important assets of the region. Leopards, small bears, deer and wild hogs abound and there are several favorite shooting grounds near at hand.

When the Sun Went Out. "But the main interest in Tiruvannamalai is the fire festival, whose inception recalls one of the famous legends connected with Hindu mythology. Many ages ago, the legend runs, Siva, the destroyer, and his wife Parvati were wandering through Kailasa, the Hindu paradise. It was the twilight hour and the flower garden in which they strolled was filled with the seductive perfumes of the East. In a flirtatious moment Parvati playfully covered the eyes of her lord with her shapely hands and drew the godly head to her bosom.

"The time quickly passed for these two wanderers in Elysium. But what seemed but a moment to them was a period of many years for the hapless inhabitants of the world whose sun and moon had thus been darkened. When Siva realized the hardship which his wife's coquetry had caused, he sent her forth to do penance at the various holy places with which the southern portion of India is dotted. When she at last reached Tiruvannamalai, the famous 'Holy Fire Hill' of South Arcot district, Siva appeared at the top of the isolated peak, as a sign that his wife's thoughtlessness was forgiven.

"At the foot of the hill, just outside the chief town of the region, lies the fine temple of Tiruvannamalai. It is to this place that the pilgrims flock on the occasion of the festival which commemorates the reconciliation of their chief god and goddess. The culminating feature of the celebration is the lighting by the priests of a beacon fire on the summit of the hill, which can be seen for many miles throughout the district.

Campher and Butter Feed Beacon. "So heavy is the rush of pilgrims to see the blaze on the summit that strict police control is needed throughout the 48 hours that the fire usually burns. Campher and clarified butter or ghee, brought as offerings by the pilgrims, make up a large part of the fuel. The festival, which lasts for ten days, ends with this sacrificial fire which commemorates the forgiveness of Parvati by Siva and the return of light to a darkened world.

"The large Siva temple is among the most interesting in South India, for from the slopes of the sacred mountain, which blushes red with the coming of the morning sun, one can look down upon this typical Dravidian temple and see how, with the increasing wealth of the shrine, successive courts were added around the central mandapam. The outer wall, embellished by four large gopurams or entrance gateways, is most impressive of all. These gopurams, or gopuras, which somewhat correspond to the pylons of the Egyptian temples, are in themselves books of mythology. The thousands of figures on their sloping sides picture scenes from Hindu mythology."