

Every-Day Happenings, But Which Are Out of the Ordinary

HERE ARE SOME ODD STORIES

Queer, Quaint and Peculiar Affairs Which Will Interest You

DANCED IN MORGUE COFFINS AS SEATS

Caskets Used as Tables and Sandwiches Served Upon Coffin Plates.

COFFEE DRANK OUT OF FORMALDEHYDE CANS

Cold Joints Imposingly and Temptingly Arranged on Marble Slabs.

The recent transfer of the B. L. Grant property in Wardner, Idaho, and the demolition of the building by the new owners will remove one of the principal landmarks of Wardner, and one of the instruments that tended to give the town as much notoriety almost as the world-famed Bunker Hill & Sullivan donkey, says the Wallace, Idaho, Press. The old building has been used for many purposes during the time it has stood in its place and now that it has finished its usefulness a few of the old-timers now left in town recall to mind some of the stirring events that have occurred within its walls. The house was erected for use as a morgue, and the opening of this house of the dead was celebrated by a reception, followed by a dance given in the morgue itself and attended by many of the principal inhabitants of the town.

Coffins served equally as tables and seats for the guests; sandwiches were served on coffin plates, coffee was drunk out of tins similar to those used for embalming fluid, and the cold joints were imposingly and temptingly arranged on the cold slabs which were later destined to receive dead bodies. In such gruesome environment the feet tripped as lightly and the laughter and conversation were as gay as if the ball-room were a bower of roses.

The morgue has long since been given over to other purposes, but the memory of that night's experience will live long in the minds of the remaining dancers who took part in the gruesome affair. The very freakishness of the occurrence soon caused it to be known all over the country and made a topic for conversation in many lands.

Such an occurrence was never before heard of and in all likelihood will never be heard of again, but for the gruesomeness of the occasion Wardner certainly gained an unenviable reputation.

FROZEN ON HOT DAY

Narrow Escape of Kentuckian in an Ice Chest.

Despite the fact that Louisville was one of the five hottest cities in the United States Tuesday, Albert C. Weber, a grocer at Webster and Washington streets, came near being frozen in an icebox in his rear yard, in which he became imprisoned. He was saved by his pet dog.

BRAVE KANSAS WOMAN SHOCKS FASTIDIOUS BY SHOCKING WHEAT



Mrs. Bradley Lloyd.

Stalwart, handsome and 28, Mrs. Bradley Lloyd, wife of a Highland, Kas., farmer, has secured a position through the state free employment bureau in St. Joseph to shock wheat in the Kansas wheat fields at \$3.50 a day. Love for husband, a mortgage on their little farm and native girl are the factors in Mrs. Lloyd's determination to do men's work. "My husband is going to work in the wheat fields, and if I do not go with him we would be apart many weeks," said Mrs. Lloyd. "He has worked hard to pay the mortgage on our farm, but somehow or other we have been unable to make headway, and

he has been driven almost to desperation by the thought that we would lose the place. I think a woman should be willing to make any honorable sacrifice to help a husband that is true to her and whose only ambition is to make her happy. Some people might sneer at my working with men, but I can do the work and am not a bit ashamed of being willing to help out." Mr. Lloyd, while at first reluctant to allow his wife to work, is now proud of her and says he loves her the more for her willingness. She will leave here in a few days with a party of fifteen harvest hands for the central Kansas fields.

DEAD MAN'S HAND GUIDES A BIG AUTO

Fingers Clutch Wheel and Drive it After the Heart Ceases to Beat.

Death rode at the wheel of an automobile Sunday morning at Vallejo, Cal., and steered the machine with the hand of Charles Boylen, a watchmaker employed on Mars Island, whose heart was still. He had been out in his machine with a friend and was motoring along the Sulphur Spring road when he suddenly pitched forward and died almost instantly from heart trouble. Unversed in the mechanism of the auto, Boylen's companion was unable to set the brakes for some moments, and meanwhile Boylen, his dead fingers clutching the wheel, drove it for a quarter of a mile. Assistance was hastily summoned and the body brought to Vallejo and taken to the morgue.

"I'M GOING TO DIE TODAY" SAID WOMAN

Told That Her Race Was Run, Aged Ohioan Fulfills Prophecy.

"I'm going to die today, Jacob," remarked Mrs. Kolb, 90 years old, of Akron, Ohio, to her son Thursday morning as he started to work. "What's the matter, mother?" he asked. "Are you sick?" "No," was the answer. "Something seems to tell me that my race is run." And when the son came home at noon he found his mother dead in her armchair, where he had left her. Death was caused by the excessive heat. Mrs. Elizabeth Bingle, an aged woman, who had lived in Akron for years, often commented upon the habit of physicians and undertakers in entering "exhaustion" upon their reports as the cause of death. While Mrs. Bingle lay dying, and just before she passed away she urgently requested the attending physician to refrain from recording the hated word on her death certificate. It later appeared Mrs. Bingle had died of "arterial sclerosis."

TEDDY BEAR DOOMS RACE

Is Destroying Motherly Instincts in Little Girls, Says Priest. The Teddy bear fad was severely scored by Rev. Michael G. Esper from the pulpit in St. Joseph's Catholic church at St. Joseph, Mich. He held that the toy beasts in the hands of little girls are destroying all instincts of motherhood, and in the future will be realized as one of the most powerful factors in the race suicide danger. Father Esper spoke earnestly to his congregation for fifteen minutes on the subject, exhorting parents to replace the doll in the affections of children and discard Teddy bear forever. "There is something natural," said Father Esper, "in the care of a doll by a little girl. It's the first manifestation of the feeling of motherhood, and the development of these motherly instincts is the hope of all nations. It is a monstrous crime to do anything that will tend to destroy these instincts. That is what the Teddy bear is doing, and that is why it is going to be a factor in race suicide problems if the custom is not suppressed. It is terrible enough that the present generation of parents in this country are leading us into grave danger by the practice of race suicide. If we cannot awaken them let us at least save the future generations."

GRANDMA'S PRESENT

Four Attend Wedding of Grandchild in a Pennsylvania Town. It isn't often that a pair enjoys the attendance of four of their own grandmothers at their wedding, but this was the happy lot of William A. Wehr and Mary A. Cole, who were married in Darlington, Pa., this week. In order to make things a trifle more complicated, the bridegroom was attended by a brother of the bride and the bride by a sister of the bridegroom. The mutual and paternal grandmothers of both the bridegroom and the bride were in attendance, and each of the old women took a keen interest in the marriage itself at which two ministers officiated. Mr. Wehr is superintendent of the Phoenix Glass company at Richester.

UNIQUE WEDDING OF CENTENARIANS

All the Guests Will Be Persons Who Are 90 Years Old.

CEREMONY TO OCCUR IN MOUNTAINS OF TENNESSEE

Couple Make Known a Strange Story of Love Long Deferred.

Persons all over the world who are over 90 years of age have been invited to attend an unusual wedding that will take place in the mountains of Tennessee August 15, when Miss Rose McGuire, aged 100, will be united in marriage to John B. Bundren, aged 101. Calvin Smith of Kansas City has accepted an invitation to attend the wedding and made known a strange story of love long deferred that is to end in a most happy culmination.

It appears that three-quarters of a century ago the courtship of Miss McGuire and Mr. Bundren began. They were separated because Miss McGuire's parents disapproved of the match, but the devotion of each for the other has not faltered, though for 75 years they have lived in different parts of the world. Fortune has been good to Mr. Bundren, and the condition—poverty—which prevented marriage in his youth has disappeared. Mr. Bundren is wealthy now and is so anxious that his wedding be well attended that he is willing to pay the traveling expenses of every person over 90 years of age, no matter from what part of the country he or she comes. The invitations ask that the guests give certain facts regarding their habits, their families, their idea of how long they will live and what they believe induces longevity.

ICE FALLS ON HOT DAY

Empire State Scene of Most Remarkable Storm on Record.

Newburg, N. Y., was visited Thursday afternoon by the most terrific storm ever seen here. It was not an ordinary hail storm, but an ice storm, nuggets of solid ice as big as butterknives coming down for fully five minutes. They covered the lawns and fields like a blanket of snow and were afterwards gathered up in large water pails. The day was hot and sultry. The storm came from the northwest and for ten minutes before the rain and ice stones fell, the wind blew a gale and the thunder and lightning were playing so fearfully that timid persons took to the cellars. The downpour of rain filled some of the streets from curb to curb three inches and more deep, tore up the paving, flooded cellars and did other damage. The ice falls did great damage, such fruits as cherries and strawberries, bushes, small trees and plants being destroyed. Hundreds of panes of glass were broken by the excessive heat. Mrs. Elizabeth Bingle, an aged woman, who had lived in Akron for years, often commented upon the habit of physicians and undertakers in entering "exhaustion" upon their reports as the cause of death. While Mrs. Bingle lay dying, and just before she passed away she urgently requested the attending physician to refrain from recording the hated word on her death certificate. It later appeared Mrs. Bingle had died of "arterial sclerosis."

HEARD DOUBLE

Death of Man Who Had Two Ear Drums.

David M. Smith, aged 50, a wealthy citizen of Parkersburg, Va., died from heart trouble. He was one of the few men who have had two ear drums in each ear. His hearing was so acute that he could detect the drop of a pin across the street.

MILLIONS OF BIRDS BATTLE WITH BILLIONS OF LOCUSTS

The second great battle has been fought at Hop Hollow, north of Alton, Ill., and near the Mississippi river, and millions of locusts have perished before the greatest bird army ever assembled, and the wild songbirds and other forest dwellers that survived the first great conflict with the insects three weeks ago have regained their wood and homes. The great floor of the forest battlefield is strewn with the insect enemy exterminated in a single day. Farmers say that the battle was genuine and no tale of a nature faker. Two months ago millions of locusts, known as the seventeen-year variety, settled in Hop Hollow and took possession of the forest. In a battle that lasted for two weeks most of the forest songsters were annihilated, and the survivors hastened to neighboring woods to reinforce their shattered forces. Almost a week was required for the vast multitude of feathered warriors to assemble from distant forests, glades and dales. The sparrows deserted the city streets and winged hastily to the scene of battle. Every day great troops of bird warriors would arrive and quarter themselves in neighboring hollows to await the great battle day. The vigilant buzzards, floating easily at dizzy heights, acted as spies. The brave blue-jay, the fierce-fighting crossbeak and the bright-coated cardinal assumed command of the feathered warriors. The red sun appeared just in time to review the plumaged host before the cardinal could be heard as he flitted from tree to tree. The red crested crossbeak flew swiftly from one com-mandant to the other to deliver the messages of the commander-in-chief, the bluejay. When the battle call was sounded the great bird army, clad in a thousand gorgeously plumaged uniforms, rose from the neighboring forests and flew swiftly to Hop Hollow, where they were to fight to win back the homes of the defeated songsters. The dormant locusts not expecting the sudden attack were slain by the millions. Thousands of the sweet songsters, fatally stung, fell shrieking to the ground. But the birds were countless in numbers and they made great gaping holes in the ranks of the insects. At night the bright stars lighted did not end up-land and in the hollow was crushed lifeless. The birds which formerly had their homes in Hop Hollow are rebuilding their nests and restoring the forests to its natural beauty.

ALIVE AFTER LONG DROP

18-Months-Old Infant Fell 5 Stories From Window, but Will Recover.

Rosie Fliegenbaum, an 18-months-old child living with her parents on the fourth floor of the flat house at 321 East One Hundred and Twenty-first street, Harlem, N. Y., was playing about a chair in a bedroom. When no one was looking she climbed on a chair and from that to a window sill, and almost instantly toppled down an airshaft to the basement. Policeman Roke, of the East One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street station, sent in an ambulance call, bringing Dr. Fisher from Harlem hospital. The doctor said that aside from contusions on the right hip, right side and right side of the head, and a possible fracture of the skull, the child was all right, and he expected it to recover.

PRIZE DUCKLINGS EAT HAIL, TURN UP TOES

Flock of Twelve Swallow Frozen Pellets and Freeze to Death.

Although the temperature for the past week has been hovering in the neighborhood of 90, Thomas Lawrence of South Manchester, Conn., is mourning twelve prize ducklings who met their death by freezing. The ducklings were well and happy until the phenomenal arrival of a hailstorm on Saturday afternoon. With many awful quacks they dashed for shelter when the first pellets touched their fluffy backs. One, attracted by the glittering globules, swallowed one. Its example was followed by others. A few minutes later the original devourer fell over stiff and cold. One by one the ducklings dropped and the driving hail pelted their soft little bodies. When Lawrence came to the rescue he found them all frozen as thoroughly as if they had been in cold storage.

Both Die on Same Spot

Jacob Stambaugh, 62, a prominent resident of Sharon, Pa., was killed by the Erie flyer at noon Wednesday on the same spot where his son met death a year ago. Stambaugh did not hear the flyer's approach as he was crossing the tracks near his home. Another son was killed in the steel yards by an engine, while a third met death under a train at Youngstown.

FORGOT HER ON TRIP TO

Iowa Woman Leaves Pled Darling in York Hotel.

DISCOVERS FACT JUST AS SHE BOARDS

Big Liner Is Held Mother Returns Her Child.

Hendrick Van Sloek of and his wife, almost left on the steamship Nieme Amsterdam to the Holland-America line, without their baby, says the Herald. He had forgotten infant, and had left it at the hotel. They had stopped overnight, but it was not until just as the vessel was about to be launched that the child was discovered. The vessel was delayed long enough to get the child on board. Mr. and Mrs. Van Sloek, who were on the hotel Amsterdam, did not leave until late and just in time for breakfast. They hurried to the hotel dining-room to find their baby asleep. Breakfast over and his wife hastily packed baggage, and, followed by children, hurried across the pier to the Holland-America steamship. The gangplank was drawn up when the party was on the gangplank, and as his wife gave a cry of alarm, she screamed as she saw the pier back across the hotel. Van Sloek hastily called an officer of the steamship wife had gone for her baby in her arms. It was the infant, and when the maid across the park. Her husband to revive her, and as she consciousness a maid from the running across the park was in her arms. It was the infant, and when the maid the arms of its mother and husband and the three little returned to the pier and on the ship, the gangplank was on the moorings were cast off.

STALLED IN MD

Boy Aeronaut Has a Close Kept His Nerve.

Cromwell Dixon, 14 years stilled 2000 feet above the Columbus, O., and after an skyeycle made a thrilling descent from the Driving park and flight was a success, the skyward until it and its appeared as a tiny dark spot. discovered that he would descend, as his ballast was. An attempt to ballast the prove fatal, he feared, and that death would be certain not act. Leaving his saddle he climbed along the light from the cycle until he reached then let out enough gas to airship the proper ballast. he tied the end of the back into the saddle and life.

Slowly he descended and heard the shouts from the throats, which indicated near earth. He kept on where he landed safely a short where he had started. Mrs. Obuchon's Delicate Second South, will open

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