# Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lee Page, whose wedding was a fashionable event of the past month, have been spending their honeymoon cruising in Southern waters, and have spent some time at numerous resorts of interest on the Atlantic Coast. Mr. and Mrs. Page visited in Charleston, S. C., Jacksonville and St. Augustine, with a stay of several weeks at Palm Beach and Miami, Fla. They are now in Washington, where they expect to remain until after the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson, and will later be at home in Charles Town, W. Va., where Mr. Page is engaged in business.

Mrs. Page was formerly Miss Alice Dudley Powers, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Dudley Powers, of Virginia and Flint, Mich., and has spent a great deal of time visiting friends in this city.

**At the University.**

Miss Betty Booker, of Covent Garden, London, Eng., is expected at the University of Virginia this week to spend some time there with her mother, Mrs. L. L. Booker. One of the features of Easter week at the university will be a concert given by Miss Booker before the students. She will later come to Richmond to be heard in concert here, and several entertainments will be given by her friends in her honor during her visit. Miss Booker's voice has aroused the most enthusiastic and unstinted praise, and her appearance in Richmond will mark an important event in musical circles of the city.

**Visiting Relatives.**

Misses Anna and Mary Burnley Gwathmey, of "Burlington," King William County, are the guests of their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gwathmey, at their home, 9 North First Street. The Misses Gwathmey have been in Richmond for the past several weeks, and expect to leave on Monday of next week for their home in King William.

**Vaughan—Craddock.**

A pretty wedding took place at "Fergusonville," the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Craddock, near Crewe, on Wednesday, when their daughter, Lucy, became the bride of James Henry Vaughan, of Burkeville, the Rev. R. G. James officiating. Miss Hilda Snead Garbee, of Lynchburg, was maid of honor and Joseph Leigh Vaughan, brother of the groom, was best man. The bride wore a blue tailored suit with a hat of the same shade, and the maid of honor wore a gown of Copenhagen blue messaline finished with pearls.

After the ceremony a handsome reception was given at the home of the groom. Among the guests from a distance present were Miss Myrtle Hillsman, of Rice; Joel T. Hillsman, of Richmond; Miss Mary O. Fore, of Lawyers; Miss Hilda Garbee, Joseph Lee Vaughan and William Watson Hillsman, of Lynchburg; Captain and Mrs. Harding, of Crewe; Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Noble, of Rice; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilson, of Crewe, and Clifford Flannagan, of Powhatan County.

**Quiet Wedding.**

A quiet wedding took place on Wednesday afternoon, February 26, at 4 o'clock at the bride's home at Winterpock, Chesterfield County, when Miss Flossie Ann Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Clark, was married to J. B. Sims, Jr., of Skinquarter. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Nettles, of Beach.

The bride was gowned in a blue cloth suit with hat and gloves to match, and carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley. She entered the parlor with her father, by whom she was given in marriage, and was attended by Miss Vernell Cersley, of South Richmond, as maid of honor, who wore a white charmeuse dress and carried a bouquet of sweet peas. Miss Goldie Clark, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid and wore a cream-colored messaline and carried sweet peas. The groom was attended by W. A. Sims, of Skinquarter, who acted as best man, and Ralph Goode was groomsman. Miss Ora Cersley presided at the piano and played a march from Mendelssohn. Mr. and Mrs. Sims left for the North, and will stop in Baltimore, Washington and New York, returning to Skinquarter about March 8, where they will make their home.

**Marriage Announced.**

Cards have been received in Richmond announcing the marriage of Miss Katherine Armstrong Cartwell, sister of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Calloway Williamson, and George Griffith Smith, the ceremony having taken place on Wednesday, February 26, in Baltimore. Mr. and Mrs. Smith left at once for a wedding journey, and will be at home after March 12 at Gresham Court, in this city.

**Meetings To-Day.**

There will be a called meeting of the Mothers' Club of Chimborazo School, held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, at the schoolhouse. Business of importance will be discussed at this meeting, and all members are urged to be present.

Members of the Richmond Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, are requested to report all tickets for the dinners recently served on Main Street by the chapter to Mrs. Norman V. Randolph, at Lee Camp Hall this morning at 11 o'clock.

**Leaving for Washington.**

Mrs. E. C. Walthall and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Walthall, Jr., will attend the inauguration in Washington next week, where they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Roberts will also be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roberts at their home in Washington for a short stay next week.

**Invitations Out.**

Mrs. John Rose Ficklen, of New Orleans, La., has issued invitations for the marriage of her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Fitz Hugh Ficklen, to Thomas Hilton, the ceremony to take place on Wednesday evening, March 12, at 6:30 o'clock, at New Comb Chapel, New Orleans.

The bride-to-be is a daughter of the late Professor J. R. Ficklen, of Tulane University, New Orleans, and Mrs. Ficklen, and has many relatives here.

Miss Mary Custis Lee, daughter of Captain and Mrs. D. M. Lee, of Stafford, will be one of the bridesmaids.

**Important Meeting.**

The general meeting of the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities will be held on Tuesday morning, March 4, at 11 o'clock, in the John Marshall House. All members are urged to attend this meeting.

**Lecture Postponed.**

The lecture on the "Letter in Literature," which was to be given this evening at the Woman's Club by Dr. J. C. Metcalf, has been postponed. The lecture will probably take place some time next month.

**In and Out of Town.**

Miss Lucy Armistead will leave in a few days for Birmingham, Ala., where she will spend some time with relatives.

Miss Georgie Green has returned to Richmond, after a visit to her sister, Mrs. F. A. McMillan, in Newport News.

Miss Mary Catlin, who has been visiting Mrs. H. E. Parker, in Newport News, has returned to the city.

Miss Anne Fletcher has returned to Richmond, and is now at her studio, at the corner of Fourth and Franklin Streets.

Miss Lucille Massey, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. William S. Connelly, in Alexandria, has returned to Richmond.

Mrs. S. Parker Marston and small son, of Newport News, are the guests of relatives here.

Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Mann will leave shortly to spend a few days in Washington.

Mrs. J. H. Fleury, of Newport News, is now visiting relatives in Petersburg, before coming to this city.

Sidney Buford Scott has returned to Baltimore, after a short visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Scott, here.

Miss Jean Kinney, who spent the week-end at the University of Virginia, as the guest of Miss Isabel Perkinson, has returned to Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Taylor Seay, who have been guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. George Allen Rady, have returned to their home at Shores.

Mrs. L. R. Dashiel has returned to the city, after a short visit to friends at Blacksburg.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Rady have returned to the city, after spending the week-end with relatives at Shores.

Miss Anne Darsie, of Pittsburgh, who has been visiting in this city, left yesterday for Washington.

Miss Nellie Talbott has been the recent guest of friends in Staunton.

Alfred Patride Qiots is now stopping at the Hotel Belvedere, in Baltimore.

Dr. and Mrs. Stuart Michaux have returned from Norfolk, where they have been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Warner were in Richmond yesterday at the Jefferson Hotel, en route from Old Point Comfort to their home in Erie, Pa.


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# SAVES $3,500 ON CEMENT CONTRACT

## Administrative Board Makes Award to Stephen A. Ellison Company.

## TANNER TELLS ABOUT OIL

### Was Standard Make and Came Here Direct From the Refinery.

A saving of approximately $3,500 a year to the city in the purchase of cement was effected by the Administrative Board yesterday, provided the new brand will stand the analytical tests to be made on its arrival in Richmond. The board awarded the annual contract for supplying the city with cement to Stephen A. Ellison Co. for 20,000 barrels, more or less, of Tidewater Portland cement, at its bid of $1.46, in wood barrels, or $1.49 in bags, the city to have a rebate of 10 cents for each bag returned. There are four bags to a barrel, and if proper care is taken by contractors, the net price to the city of the cement will be $1.09, by far the lowest price at which it has ever been purchased on a city contract.

The contract specifies as a condition that the cement furnished must meet all standard tests and requirements on delivery in Richmond.

**Boiling Prefers Old Brand.**

City Engineer Charles E. Bolling opposed the purchase of the cheaper cement, holding that the city had better stick by a brand which has proved satisfactory in actual use. The city has been buying cement from C. P. Lathrop Co., at $1.62 per barrel. Agents for the Ellison company exhibited contracts showing that the Tidewater cement was being used by many cities from Philadelphia to Jacksonville, and that it had met United States government tests. It was explained that cement is subject to certain variations, and that even the best and most expensive brands will sometimes turn out a shipment that will not meet chemical analysis. It is the rule of the city to have the City Chemist examine samples from each shipment.

In order that there may be no incentive to contractors to stint the proper mixture, the city buys and furnishes to all contractors all of the cement used, the Mayo Bridge, Broad Street paving and similar contracts specifying that the city will furnish all cement used. Last year the city used 27,000 barrels, in all classes of public work.

The City Engineer was instructed as far as practicable to use the cement in sacks, because of the lower price, convenience in handling and convenience in making exact proportionate mixtures without waste.

**Tanner Tells About Oil.**

John F. Tanner, of the Tanner Paint and Oil Company, appeared before the board in regard to a report of the City Chemist of injurious acids found in a sample of black engine oil furnished by his company to the City Engineer's Department under annual contract. He stated that the oil was a standard make, sold by all dealers, and that if there was acid in it, it must have been there when it came from the refinery, and was through no fault of his, and that he would endeavor to see that all future oil furnished to the city is free from injurious substances. The board took no action. Mr. Tanner said that the sale of a small quantity of acid oil had been unjustly criticized by the newspapers. The board was sympathetic. It had not altogether escaped criticism itself, and assured him that he would get used to it. There was some laughing reference to the fact that the oil occasioning the dispute was to be used for the city's steam roller, and as the board was once accused of "steam roller methods," Mr. Folkes insisted that only the best grade of lubricant should be used. The Building Inspector was authorized to buy in the open market one barrel of cylinder oil for machinery at the City Hall.

**Beck to Look Into It.**

The report of City Electrician Thompson on a private branch telephone exchange for the City Hall was, on motion, referred to Mr. Beck for examination and report. The request of Miss W. C. Young that her resignation as head nurse of the Colored City Hospital be withdrawn, was granted. The City Engineer reported the discharge of H. Fisher, an employe of his department and on Mr. Bolling's recommendation, Charles Crumlee was elected to the vacancy. The board recommended to the Council a special appropriation of $2,297.30 to pay balances due on the new fish and vegetable market building at the First Market, and of $4,684.91 to pay balances due on the new Street Cleaning Department stables, not carried forward in the pending budget.


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**Daniel—Smith.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Christiansburg, Va., February 27.—A beautiful wedding was celebrated at the Baptist Church this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, when Miss Iva Lucille Smith, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Hugh C. Smith, and William Horton Daniel were united in marriage.

The church decorations consisted of potted plants and ferns. The impressive ceremony was performed by the bride's father, Dr. Hugh C. Smith.

Mrs. Henry Stone was at the organ and rendered the usual wedding marches. Miss Blanch Thomas, of Richmond, sang "Tell Me Again, Sweetheart," and "The Sweetest Story Ever Told."

Miss Helen Vincent, of Emporia, was maid of honor, and George Warren, of Bristol, was best man.

The ushers were Conrad Kearfoot, of Martinsville, and T. J. King, of Bristol.

Immediately after the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel left for an extended tour. They will be at home after March 20.

Mrs. Daniel is a graduate of the Woman's College, Richmond, and prominent in sorority circles. The groom is a well-known young lawyer.

Dr. and Mrs. Hugh C. Smith have entertained a number of house guests in honor of the marriage of their daughter.

# FORTY-EIGHT MILE STORM HITS CITY

## Highest Velocity in a Year Attained by Wind From the Southwest.

The wind which swept through the city yesterday, often accompanied by a driving rain, was the strongest that has struck Richmond in nearly a year, attaining a maximum velocity of forty-eight miles an hour at 4 P. M.

According to the Weather Bureau, the storm originated somewhere in the Mississippi Valley, being reported from that region about 8 o'clock in the morning. It rapidly reached a high speed and maintained it all the afternoon, whistling shrilly about the tall buildings and drenching pedestrians with the wind-blown showers.

The rain was one of the most general that has fallen in months, covering three-quarters of the United States, according to the weather man. In many of the Southern States, and especially in the Mississippi delta, the rains were heavy and continuous. Here only .71 of an inch fell in twenty-four hours.

The centre of the storm passed over Richmond late in the afternoon, when the wind was strongest, and at that time both the barometer and the temperature began to fall. It was really warm all day, the thermometer remaining steady around at 67 from 8 o'clock in the morning until late afternoon. By 8 o'clock last night it had dropped to 55, however, and was still falling at latest reports. The "foredope" is that it will be cold to-day and to-morrow, and that winds from the West are coming. The prevailing direction of yesterday's wind was southwest.

# GOMPERS THINKS THEM INNOCENT

## Expresses Confidence That Convicted Dynamiters Will Get New Trial.

Indianapolis, Fberuary 27.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, had a conference with several officials of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers here today, and also addressed a meeting of the iron workers' convention. Precautions were taken to admit only accredited delegates to the convention to hear Mr. Gompers. Guards stationed at the doors carefully scrutinized credentials of each delegate before admitting him.

Mr. Gompers declined to make known the proceedings except to say he had expressed a belief that all of the thirty-three men a belief that all of the thirty-three men sentenced to the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth for dynamite plots, were innocent. He said, in addressing the iron workers' delegates, he told the men he was confident the United States Circuit Court of Appeals would grant new trials.

Mr. Ryan, who received a sentence of seven years and who presided over the session addressed by Mr. Gompers, is a candidate for re-election. Several days ago, when plans for reorganizing the union came up at the convention, the delegates decided to defer action until Mr. Gompers had addressed them. Mr. Gompers's expression of confidence in Ryan as president; John T. Butler, Buffalo, vice-president, and in Eugene A. Clancy, San Francisco; Philip A. Cooley, New Orleans; Michael J. Young, Boston, and Frank C. Webb, New York, as members of the executive board, was said by the delegates to have strengthened the probability that these men would be re-elected. The election is not to be held for several days.

# ANTROBUS SELLS HIS WILTSHIRE ESTATE

## Made Conditional That Stonehenge Be Preserved in Present Condition.

BY LA MARQUISE DE FONTENOY.

STONEHENGE is to England what the pyramids are to Egypt, being indissolubly bound up with the history of the nation, its age, however, antedating the dawn thereof, since its origin has been accorded by the most eminent scientists of the day to an epoch nearly two thousand years before the birth of Christ. Standing alone, in strange circles, far from human habitation, in the midst of a vast open rolling plain, these immense stones were regarded as prehistoric already a thousand years ago, when Henry of Huntingdon wrote of them. Caxton, the inventor of printing, referred to the mystery of their origin. Sir Philip Sidney sang of them in the reign of Queen Elizabeth. Charles II. beguiled a day, after the disastrous battle of Worcester, in endeavoring to count the stones, while hiding at Heke House, and Daniel Defoe, of "Robinson Crusoe" fame, likewise described his pilgrimage to the spot.

The cable dispatches published on Sunday last to the effect that Sir Edmund Antrobus has sold his entire property in Wiltshire, which includes Stonehenge, are calculated to arouse widespread interest, not only in England, but also on this side of the Atlantic, and it is a relief to learn that he has made the sale conditional on Stonehenge being preserved in its present condition for the nation.

Sir Edmund Antrobus endeavored some years ago to sell the ruins and the twenty acres of land on which they stand to the British government or to any public body organized for their preservation, the sum he demanded being $750,000. There has always been a dread lest Andrew Carnegie, J. Pierpont Morgan, or some other American multi-millionaire, should take advantage of this offer, purchasing the whole property and ruins, and shipping the latter off to America, at the same time subjecting their present site to an exhaustive exploration by means of excavations which would probably reveal wonderfully interesting relics of the creators of the temple and possibly also treasure.

During the reign of the late King Edward, his policy of causing the British government institutions to restore to the national museums in Ireland the historic relics and antique treasures of one kind and another pertaining to the Emerald Isle, led to the formulation of an extraordinary demand from the Land of Erin, namely, for nothing more nor less than the surrender of Stonehenge. The contention was boldly put forward that Stonehenge was originally an Irish temple, and was purloined by the Sassenach. Of course, this claim, which was supported by all sorts of arguments and alleged authorities of a historic and legendary character, led to an angry protest and outcry in England, where the Irish pretensions were indignantly repudiated. The controversy even spread to France, where the sentiment, especially in scientific circles, was in favor of the Irish, it being pointed out that Stonehenge was essentially a Celtic monument which had its counterpart at Carnac and various other places in Brittany.

Any efforts on the part of the Irish Nationalists to carry off Stonehenge at night were rendered impossible of execution by the action of Sir Edmund in surrounding the temple of Stonehenge with a barbed wire fence. His action in doing this and in charging people a small admission fee for the right of entering the inclosure and visiting the temple, raised a good deal of outcry and caused legal action to be instituted against him by societies organized for the avowed purpose of protecting the rights of the public in the matter of national monuments.

The suit resulted in the establishment of the fact that Sir Edmund's ownership of Stonehenge, of the monumental stones, and of the land on which they were situated, was unassailable and that he was not only free to inclose it, but also to sell it and do anything with it that he pleased. Sir Edmund also made clear his position, namely, that if he had surrounded Stonehenge with a barbed wire fence it was for the purpose of protecting the stones from the injurious treatment to which they were formerly subjected by people without any reverence for the hoary past; and he added that as some of the stones were in danger of falling, he feared that in the event of anybody being injured he might be held financially responsible.

That the ruins underwent the most shameful treatment before he adopted these steps for their protection and preservation it is impossible to deny. Some of the giant stones were brought down to the ground through holes dug at their base by gypsies and while many tourists contented themselves with merely chipping the stones in their anxiety to secure relics, there were others who actually attempted to blow them from their position by means of gunpowder and dynamite, with the view of ascertaining whether there were any treasures held underneath.

Sir Edmund Antrobus has sold, along with Stonehenge, his country seat of Almesbury, standing on the site of a once famous convent, identical with the Almesbury of Lord Tennyson's "Guinevere." In the eighteenth century it belonged to the third Duke of Queensberry, the friend and patron of Gay, the poet and fable writer, of Dean Swift, and of Prior. In fact, Gay and the very reverend author of "Gulliver's Travels" were frequent visitors at Almesbury and spent much of their time there. Another visitor was George III. The Duke of Queensberry having lost both his sons, one through an accidental pistol shot, and the other in the great earthquake at Lisbon, Almesbury passed at his death, along with the dukedom, to his cousin, the late Duke of Queensberry the famous, or rather infamous, "old Q." The next owner of Almesbury was the first Lord Douglas and grandfather of the present Earl of Home; and his fight for the Douglas estates against the then Duke of Hamilton became known in legal annals as "the great Douglas case." It was this Lord Douglas who sold Almesbury to Sir Edmund Antrobus.

Sir Edmund Antrobus is officially known as "of Rutherfurd," the first holder of the Antrobus baronetcy having received royal permission to assume this style as owner of the Rutherfurd estates belonging to the Scotch barony of Rutherfurd, in Roxburghshire. This barony became dormant in 1724, and if genealogists are to be believed, there are in America people who have very strong claims thereto, among them the Rutherfurds of New York, whose armorial bearings are identical with the old-time Lords of Rutherfurd. There is no family connection between the Rutherfurds and the family of Antrobus, and if Sir Edmund makes use of the same supporters as the former Lords of Rutherfurd, namely, two horses, it is because they were granted to the first baronet by the crown on purchasing the lands and estates of the Rutherfurds.

The story of the latter is rather peculiar. Their peerage was one of those dozen whose holders, failing issue of their own, were privileged to nominate their successors. The original Lord Rutherfurd was a cadet of the house of Rutherfurd of Hunthill, who attained the rank of lieutenant-general in the French service, and was strongly recommended by Louis XIV. for titular promotion, to Charles II., who created him Lord Rutherfurd in 1660. He was later Governor of Dunkirk, and arranged for the sale of that fortress by England to France. He was then created Earl of Teviot, but without special remainder, and was killed in action while in command at Tangier. He had, by virtue of his right to nominate his successor to his Scotch barony of Rutherfurd, appointed a distant kinsman, a Rutherfurd of Hunthill, to succeed him, and this Rutherfurd was succeeded by his brother, who died without issue.

If the Rutherfurds or the children of the late Rutherfurd Stuyvesant, of New York, could show that one of their ancestors had been nominated for the barony of Rutherfurd by one of its last holders, they would be able to establish their right to this Scotch peerage.

Sir Edmund Antrobus is a distinguished soldier who served with much gallantry in the Guards in Egypt and who, since retiring from the army, has assumed as partner the representation of his hereditary family interests in Coutts's Bank, London. He is married to Florence Sartoris, niece of Mrs. Nellie Grant Sartoris, and his uncle, the late Mgr. Frederick Antrobus, was for many years secretary of the British legation at Washington during the presidencies of Lincoln, Johnson and Grant. He retired from the diplomatic service as first secretary, entered holy orders of the Roman Catholic Church, and became a superior of that exceedingly aristocratic ecclesiastical establishment in London, known as the Oratory, at Brompton.

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# FACES EXECUTION WITH CALM MIEN

## Roy M. Sullivan, Murderer of Guard Howard, Now to Pay Penalty in Death Chair.

Apparently in an equable frame of mind and ready for the end, Roy Maxwell Sullivan, the young convict who murdered Guard John Howard last summer at a convict road camp, prepared himself last night to go to his death this morning at sunrise in the electric chair. Spiritual consolation was given to the young man yesterday evening by ministers, and he spent the final hours in quiet meditation.

To Major Wood, Superintendent of the Penitentiary, and the guards of the death cells, Sullivan expressed himself as ready to expiate his crime this morning, having made peace with God. He exhibited remarkable fortitude and allowed no sign of his mental stress to escape him.

Roy Maxwell Sullivan, who looks thirty years old, but is much younger, was arrested last winter for forgery, found guilty and sentenced to a term on the public roads. His murder of Guard Howard, his escape and consequent recapture created a seven-days' sensation last summer. Sullivan's defense was alleged cruelty on the part of the guard. He shot Howard to death with a revolver which he persuaded a discharged negro convict to procure for him.

He was originally condemned to die last month, but after refusing commutation, Governor Mann respited him until February 28. Sullivan spent his last hours in a cell opposite Floyd and Claude Allen, the Hillsville murderers, condemned to die on March 7.

**LIFELESS BODY FOUND.**

**Farmer Kills Himself During Absence of Family from Home.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Cape Charles, Va., February 27.—During the absence of his family P. Belote, thirty years old, a prominent farmer, residing one mile from Keller, committed suicide this afternoon by blowing out his brains with a shotgun. Neighbors hearing the report of the gun forced an entrance into the dwelling and discovered the lifeless body. A letter which he had written, addressed to his wife, was found, but the contents have not been made public. He leaves a wife and two small children. No reason can be assigned for the act.

## STOLE ON GRAND SCALE

**Four More Warrants for Benny Braxton, Alleged Clothes Thief.**

If the charges made against him by the police are substantiated, it is evident that Benny Braxton, the negro who was sent on to the grand jury yesterday morning from Police Court for stealing clothes, has made away with enough haberdashery to stock a store. In addition to the charges entered in Police Court, four warrants were sworn out against him last night by Detective-Sergeants Wren and Wiltshire, all alleging the theft of garments. In two instances Benny was charged with having entered homes, which is classed under the law as felony, and is punishable with enforced residence in the penitentiary.


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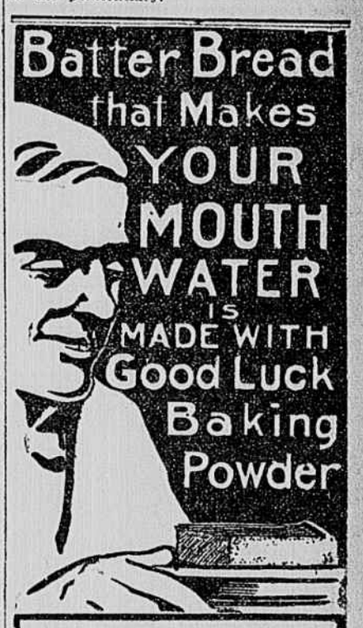
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