

This is the season for donning non-skid shoes.

A well shod horse and a well chained tire will prevent many a skid.

A submarine commander is often a modest man who invites no publicity for himself.

How hard it seems, to be as good as the good men one reads about in the obituaries.

If it were not for spines the cactus would be the mollycoddle of the world's deserts.

One feels occasionally that the Mosaic law of a tooth for a tooth should apply to dentists.

Perhaps the day will come when saloonkeepers who are now getting by will keep on going.

Instead of making explanations for late trains a railroad now points with pride to the motto, "safety first."

Perhaps billiards is such a satisfying game because any player may be a champion of some division of it.

Rude males who knock feminine apparel are reminded that furled shoe-tops are preferable to a furled tongue.

Berlin landlords have already lost over \$25,000,000 in rents. Somehow or other it's hard to sympathize with a landlord.

China may get so weary of trying governments of its own that any suggestions Japan may have to offer will be welcome.

One group of peacemakers appears to think that as an implement toward bringing peace the bomb is superior to the olive branch.

Another "model young man" has been found to be a bigamist. Why must "model young men" always turn out to be rascals?

Beats all what interesting sights a man sees from a street car window when some woman is standing in the aisle next to his seat.

Philadelphia has decided never to allow the Liberty Bell to be moved again. In other words Liberty Bell is to have no more liberty.

When you see a girl looking into the furniture store show windows, you may bet your pile she has something important on her mind.

The man who imposes a strict censorship on his small talk sometimes wakes up to find himself the most popular member of his set.

About the time a young woman begins to notice how frequently leap year arrives she has attained sense enough not to talk about it.

Ben Franklin missed it by not living in an era of enlightenment when his maxims could be hung up as mottoes on the living-room wall.

Has the fact that the U boats take their name from a letter way down in the alphabet anything to do with their getting under the surface?

A college professor says a spanking leaves no marks except on the memory, but did anyone ever hear of spanking a boy on the memory?

With the pelts of cats figuring in the furs of the day it is not so hard to understand why so many staid ladies are struggling to be kittenish.

A Chicago man wants a divorce because his wife hit him over the head with a beer bottle. Another time when one bottle has grown into a case.

With the approach of winter it may not be amiss to offer the customary advice that exposed nations be particularly careful of their war chests.

Skirts, according to the latest dictum of fashion, must be at least three yards wide. Is it to save material that they are making 'em so noticeably shorter?

A French scientist has written a book to prove that the ocean will never go dry from evaporation. Good news. We shall stop worrying about that right off.

The British censor refused to permit the discovery of a new comet to be reported to the outside world. Maybe he was so nervous he mistook it for a Zeppelin.

A man rarely becomes so brainy that when he reaches the close of a long life he fails to realize that after all he just had about enough sense to pull through with.

When the American farmer announces prosperity he inspires confidence that stimulates every branch of traffic and production. The rural speechmaker has not overemphasized his importance in the affairs of the nation.

Of all the illustrations that fashion delights in jumping from one extreme to another has there ever been one that was more conspicuous than the change from exposing the wishbone to going about even in mild weather with neck muffers of woolen or of fur?

AUSTRIANS TAKE MORE MONTENEGRIN CITIES

PROGRESS CONTINUES WITH THE CAPTURE OF BOTH ALBANIAN AND MONTENEGRIN CITIES.

BOMBS DROPPED IN ENGLAND

Heavy Battleplanes of the Germans Make Several Visits to English Coast and Drop Many Bombs. Heavy Fighting in France.

Latest News From War Fronts.

In their progress southward across the Albanian frontier the Austrians have taken Albania's principal trade city—Scutari—and in addition have occupied Podgoritz, Danilovgrad and Niksic, in Montenegro. The Serbians forming the garrison at Scutari retreated southward without resistance. The Austrian official communication reassures that the Montenegro are laying down their arms, and that the population in the towns occupied are receiving the invaders in a friendly manner.

Air raids have taken place in various localities. Germans again have passed over Dover in an aeroplane which was engaged by all the anti-aircraft guns and pursued by British aircraft.

Whether bombs were dropped is not stated in the official announcement. This was the third venture of the kind in two days.

Two German air raids on the coast of England, the capture of Montenegro's two principal seaports by the Austrians and the taking by Germans of trenches from the French near Arras and in the Argonne forest are told in the latest official communications of London, Vienna and Berlin.

First one German aeroplane and twelve hours later two German seaplanes flew over and dropped bombs on the east coast of Kent. Nine bombs were dropped by the aeroplanes. One man was killed and two men, one woman and three children were injured. Some damage was done to property.

The raid of the seaplanes was without effect, apparently, the London war office declaring that no damage was done and that no casualties had been reported. The aircraft in both instances escaped, although they were fired upon by the British guns and chased by British aviators.

An official account of the first raid follows:

"Taking advantage of the bright moonlight, a hostile aeroplane visited the east coast of Kent at 1 o'clock Sunday morning. After dropping nine bombs in rapid succession it made off seaward."

The raid comes after an interval of several months during which England, so far as has been reported officially, was immune from such attacks. The last previous raid was October 13, when fifty-five persons were killed and 114 wounded by a Zeppelin attack on London. It has been reported by returning travelers, however, that the Germans have made many attempts since that time by aerial attacks, but that their aircraft were turned back by British aeroplanes.

Antivari and Duleigno on the Adriatic coast of Montenegro have fallen into the hands of the Austrians, which leaves to King Nicholas only a few miles of front on the sea and gives to the Austrians command of the coast from the Gulf of Trieste virtually to the Albanian frontier.

Heavy fighting has been in progress in France, a French advanced position on the road between Arras and Lens being attacked by strong German forces. The infantry attack was preceded by nine explosions, a violent bombardment and the Germans captured a first line trench on a front of several hundred yards.

The British forces in Mesopotamia going to the relief of Kut-el-Amara are being hampered by bad weather, but nevertheless fierce fighting with varying success is being indulged in with the Turks. General Sir Percy Lake, the new British commander in chief, reports that the casualties on both sides have been very heavy.

The Russians are continuing their advance against the Turks in the Caucasus. Petrograd says the Turks are making a precipitate retreat in the region of Erzerum and that the Russians are capturing prisoners and ammunition and other supplies. The roads are strewn with Turkish dead.

The Russians also are on the offensive against the Teutons south of Dubno, one of the Volhynian triangle of fortresses, and on the Dniester and Pruth rivers in East Galicia.

A German submarine has sunk a British cargo boat. The crew was saved, says a dispatch from Saloniki.

\$20,000 Fire at Rogers.

Temple, Tex.—Fire at Rogers Wednesday did damage estimated at \$20,000. Three brick buildings were destroyed.

Hydrogen Gas Caused Explosion.

Washington.—Gas generated by the new Edison storage battery and ignited by a spark of unknown origin is held responsible for the explosion on the submarine E-2 at the New York navy yard Saturday in a report to Secretary Daniels Tuesday by the board of inquiry. This board made an investigation preliminary to that now being conducted by the naval court of inquiry to determine the cause of the disaster in which five men lost their lives and nine were injured seriously.

BREWERIES AGREE TO PAY THE STATE \$276,000 FINE

Will Forfeit Charters and Reorganize Under Injunction to Restrain From Future Violations.

Sulphur Springs, Tex.—The taking of testimony in the suits brought by the attorney general's department against six Texas breweries began Monday before Judge William Pierson of the eighth district court. However, before any evidence was introduced a signed agreement, dated December 18, 1915, was read by Attorney General Loney and filed with the court. By the terms of the agreement the six breweries accept this judgment, without appeal or writ of error, "forfeiture of charters, penalties totaling \$276,000, to pay all costs of suits, to pay 87 1/2 per cent of all moneys expended by the attorney general's department in connection with the cases, and an injunction restraining the trustees of the corporations from committing any of the acts complained of in the attorney general's petition."

The breweries signing this agreement are: San Antonio Brewing Association, San Antonio; Lone Star Brewing Association, San Antonio; Houston Ice and Brewing Company, Houston; American Brewing Association, Houston; Galveston Brewing Company, Galveston, and Texas Brewing Company, Fort Worth.

Judge J. J. Eckford, attorney for the Dallas brewery, the seventh defendant, said that he had refused to enter into the agreement. The trial of the Dallas brewery was set for February 21.

The petition, which is very lengthy, recites the alleged offenses of the defendants, charging them with illegal use of corporate funds for political purposes, with violations of the anti-trust statutes by forming a combination in restraint of trade, apportioning territory to be occupied by each of the several breweries, fixing prices and establishing a monopoly. Also charges unlawful use of corporate funds to defeat local option elections, etc.

INCOME TAX VALID, SAYS SUPREME COURT

The Decision Was Unanimous One. Expected Levies on Great Fortunes Will Be Made, Etc.

Washington.—The income tax was declared constitutional Monday by the supreme court in a unanimous decision which swept aside every contention raised against it and, in the opinion of congressional leaders, opened the way for increasing the tax rate on great fortunes to help pay for national defense.

The decision was announced by Chief Justice White and was unanimous. It was rendered in the appeal of Frank R. Brushaber from the action of the New York federal court in refusing to enjoin the Southern Pacific, of which Brushaber was a stockholder, from paying the tax. The case raised substantially every point involved in all the five income tax cases before the court with the exception of the effect of the provision allowing mining corporations to make a 5 per cent deduction annually from gross income for depletion of mines. This provision is regarded as being an amendment to the old corporation tax, rather than a feature of the income tax.

The basic error of those who attacked the constitutionality of the tax, Chief Justice White held, was in regarding the sixteenth amendment as empowering the United States to levy a direct tax without apportionment among the states, according to population. In substance, the court held that the sixteenth amendment had not empowered the federal government to levy a new tax, but that "the whole purpose of the amendment was to relieve all income taxes from a consideration of the source whence the income was derived."

Mayfield Hanged by Mob.

Boston, Tex.—W. J. Mayfield, aged 50, was taken from the jail a few minutes before midnight Monday and hanged. A crowd of about twenty-five masked and armed men having gone to the jail, overpowered the jailer and made away with their victim. Mayfield was held on charges of having killed, with an axe, on December 30 his father, mother and brother at their home a few miles from Boston.

Redfield Heads Education.

Minneapolis, Minn.—William C. Redfield, secretary of commerce, was re-elected president of the National Society for the Promotion of Education at the closing session of its annual convention Saturday.

El Paso, Tex.—An expedition of American physicians will start from Laredo, Texas, south into Mexico to fight the typhus fever epidemic as soon as permission can be obtained from the Mexican de facto government, according to an announcement made this week by Carlos Husk, chief surgeon for the American Smelting and Refining Company. The expedition will be headed by Drs. Liebman and Oltzky of Mount Sinai hospital, New York, and Dr. Husk, it is said.

Use Murlin after Exposure to Cold, Cutting Winds and Dust. It Restores Refreshes and Promotes Eye Health. Good for all Eyes that Need Care. Murlin Eye Remedy Co., Chicago, Sends Eye Book on request.

Men in Switzerland are liable to military service from the age of twenty to that of thirty-two, if physically fit.

Piles Relieved by First Application. Anderson's Ointment for PILES, Hemorrhoids, the surest remedy for all forms of Piles. Druggists Retail money 100¢ each. 50¢.

Of Courts. "I suppose the bridegroom wore the conventional black?" "Yes, and the still more conventional worried look."

WOMAN'S CROWNING GLORY is her hair. If yours is streaked with ugly, grizzly, gray hairs, use "La Creole" Hair Dressing and change it in the natural way. Price \$1.00.—Adv.

Preparedness. "Well, Johnny, did you make any good resolutions for the New Year?" "Yes, mother, I resolved to take boxing lessons so I can learn to lick that boy next door."

THE NEWEST REMEDY FOR BACKACHE, RHEUMATISM AND DROPSY

Kidney, Bladder and Uric Acid troubles bring misery to many. When the kidneys are weak or diseased, these natural filters do not cleanse the blood sufficiently, and the poisons are carried to all parts of the body. There follow depression, aches and pains, heaviness, drowsiness, irritability, headache, chilliness and rheumatism. In some people there are sharp pains in the back and loins, distressing bladder disorders and sometimes obstinate dropsy. The uric acid sometimes forms into gravel or kidney stones. When the uric acid affects the muscles and joints it causes lumbago, rheumatism, gout or sciatica. This is the time to send Dr. Pierce, Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., 19¢ for large trial package of "Anuric."

During digestion uric acid is absorbed into the system from meat

CALOMEL WHEN BILIOUS? NO! STOP! ACTS LIKE DYNAMITE ON LIVER

I Guarantee "Dodson's Liver Tone" Will Give You the Best Liver and Bowel Cleansing You Ever Had—Doesn't Make You Sick!

Stop using calomel! It makes you sick. Don't lose a day's work. If you feel lazy, sluggish, bilious or constipated, listen to me!

Calomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the stomach, with sour bile, crasies into it, breaking it up. This is when you feel that awful nausea and cramping. If you feel "all knocked out," if your liver is torpid and bowels constipated or you have headache, dizziness, coated tongue, if breath is bad or stomach sour just try a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone.

Here's my guarantee—Go to any drug store or dealer and get a 50-cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone. Take a

spoonful and if it doesn't subvert you right up and make you feel fine and vigorous I want you to go back to the store and get your money. Dodson's Liver Tone is destroying the sale of calomel because it is a real liver medicine; entirely vegetable, therefore it cannot silitate or make you sick.

I guarantee that one spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your bowels of that sour bile and constipated waste which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable. I guarantee that a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone will keep your entire family feeling fine for months. Give it to your children. It is harmless, doesn't gripe and they like its pleasant taste.

Too many of the things we wait for are not worth the delay.

STOP THOSE SHARP SHOOTING PAINS "Femurine" is the wonder worker for all female disorders. Price \$1.00 and 50¢ Adv.

Philosophers are men who imagine they are in the foolproof class.

Ec-Zene Kills Eczema.

Let us prove it. Accept no substitute. If your Druggist does not have it, write to Ec-Zene Co., St. Paul, Minn.—Adv.

Since the Chinese monarchy is re-established, the emperor receives an annual allowance of \$12,000.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR.

To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 3 oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.—Adv.

Art Talk.

"Why do you paint pictures that nobody can understand?" we asked. "I'll tell you," replied the artist. "I used to paint the other kind, and people understood them so darned well that they wouldn't buy them."

Setting Her Right.

"I do wish you would quit dabbling in politics," said Mrs. Twobble, fretfully. "My dear," answered Mr. Twobble, in his most dignified manner, "I would have you understand that I don't dabble in politics."

"When a man is up to his neck in anything he may splash, but he never dabbles."

No Such Thing.

John L. Sullivan said in a temperance address in Chicago: "Too many people are like the London navy. In London, you know, the saloons are only open now an hour in the morning, an hour or so at noon, and another hour in the evening. The navy didn't like this. "No, the navy didn't like it, and he was expressing himself very forcibly about it one night at the Marble Arch, when a stranger said: "But, friend, the workin' classess need to economize these 'ere war times. Don't you know there's too much money altogether spent on unnecessary beer?" "Unnecessary beer?" roared the navy. "Unnecessary beer? Why, there ain't no such thing!"

SCANDAL QUICK TO SPREAD

How It Comes That Indianapolis Lady Is Unjustly Accused of Smoking Cob Pipe.

Quite a number of Indianapolis people have cottages in Brown county, to which they go to spend the week-end. Among these are Mr. and Mrs. H—, who have a cozy log house on a hillside near Nashville. Mr. H— is fond of a pipe, particularly of a cob pipe. The other day, having mislaid or lost his solace of his resting hours, he called his boy-of-all work and said: "Josh, go to the grocery and get me a cob pipe. Well, get two while you're at it and pick out good ones."

As Josh came out of the grocery with the pipes in his hand, he was hailed by a group of acquaintances: "Hello, Josh, where did you get them pipes?"

"Mr. H— sent me fur 'em." "Sent y' fur two?" "Yep." "Well, one of 'em mus' be fer the missus. Dinged if I knew before that she smoked."

And now the news is abroad in the Brown county hills that Mrs. H— smokes a cob pipe.—Indianapolis News.

In the Watered Stock.

"Did you take that plunge in the market you were contemplating?" "Yes, went in over my head, all right."

Enthusiasts.

"My wife would rather go to the movies than eat." "Mine would rather go there than cook my dinner."

QUITE A REGULAR ATTENDANT

John Inclined to Resent Insinuation That He Habitually Stayed Away From Church.

"What's that song they're singing now?"

"Rock of Ages." "Rock of Ages? Well, that's the first time I ever heard those words to 'Rock of Ages,' and that's the first time I ever heard that tune to it. Must be something new. Nice window they got there, ain't it?"

"Ye-es, I should say it is!" "I don't think I'll care much for your new preacher—don't like his collar."

"John!" "Well, I don't! And I don't like the way he says 'dear,' neither. If your other preacher hadn't talked like he had a lot of potato in his mouth all the time I'd have come oftener. Lots of time I came here just on your account, and sat here in misery."

"Yes, how many times were you here in the last year?"

"Wasn't I here last Children's day?"

Censors on the Seashore.

Irvin Cobb, looking over an Atlantic City paper when he was there for the trial performance of "Back Home," was reminded of the fact that the seashore papers are as careful never to mention a drowning as a San Francisco paper is to avoid mention of earthquakes, relates the Philadelphia Record, and he told of finding one day the following sentence in a story evidently doctored by the censors: "Mr. So-and-So died of shock, in shallow water. The body was not recovered."

A Food Fact to Remember

Seventeen years ago a food was originated that combined the entire nourishment of the field grains—wheat and barley—with ease of digestion, delicious taste and other qualities of worth designed to fill a widespread human need.

Today that food—

Grape-Nuts

has no near competitor among cereal foods in form or nutritive value, nor has it had from the start.

Grape-Nuts on the Breakfast Menu builds and maintains body, brain and nerves as no other food does. Ready to eat, economical, appetizing.

"There's a Reason"

JOIN THE THINKERS' CLUB

Grocers everywhere sell Grape-Nuts.