

SHEDS HIS OVERALLS FOR A COLLEGE GOWN

NEW YORK, May 6.—For seven and a half years J. C. Jurgenson, a native of Sweden, has worked hard as chief engineer in the hotels by Manager Haan of the St. Regis. Next fall Jurgenson steps from the overalls of his engine room to the cap and gown of a full-fledged college professor, with a chair in the mechanical department of Columbia college.

Jurgenson for years has clung to the old-fashioned method of apprenticing and contracting his oilers, electricians and engine men. His thorough instruction of men under him came to the attention of President Butler of Columbia. The practical methods of Jurgenson seemed to be what was lacking at the Columbia training shops. He has accepted the professorship of mechanical training.

THE MUCKRAKE DRAMATIZED—UNITED STATES SENATE IS GOING ON THE STAGE

BY GILSON GARDNER.
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 6.—The muckrake has been dramatized. The United States Senate is to be put before the footlights. Reform and some of the things that Roosevelt has symbolized have been mixed up with human elements and an articularly good love story, and it has all been made into a play—by one who has gained a reputation already as a professional muckraker—Henry Beach Needham of people's lobby fame.



HENRY BEACH NEEDHAM.

Mr. Needham's political drama, "Senator West," is the play with which Roosevelt's name was identified last winter, so much so that the rumor went abroad that the president was writing a play. It deals with political conditions in Washington and at the capital of a middle western state. Congressman Victor Murdock, the leader of the insurgents in the house of representatives, said of it, "It is the whole alphabet of politics with the love note dominant."

The play has been read by many prominent men in Washington, including ex-President Roosevelt, Postmaster General Hitchcock, Senator Beveridge and Senator LaFollette. On learning that Mr. Needham had placed his play, William Loeb, Jr., collector of the port of New York, and formerly secretary to President Roosevelt, said: "I am delighted to hear that Mr. Needham has placed his play so auspiciously, and I know that Mr. Roosevelt will be glad to hear it, as he was intensely interested in the sincere message which Mr. Needham is sending the country in this drama. We have had a great many Washington plays, but I know that Mr. Roosevelt believes this to be real politics."

Senator LaFollette recently read the play aloud to some friends who were dining at his house, and immediately wrote Mr. Needham: "We were all intensely interested in its vivid and dramatically unique presentation of a true and compelling story. You have in the political theme of your play made a graphic, dramatic cosmos of many of the existing political conditions, and the play will, I think, make a strong appeal to audiences in various parts of the country. It combines so many elements within the personal experience of people in both the large cities and the smaller districts. It is a play with a message for those who choose to hear it, but the strongly dramatic story would hold those who have no interest in politics."

Klaw & Erlanger are to give the play a first class production, with a large and capable cast, in the fall. The play will be brought out in the middle west.

WOLF MOTHER STICKS BY HER PUPS

KNOXVILLE, May 6.—Clyde Morris, a young farmer of Franklin township, brought to the auditor's office four young wolf puppies, which he had found a few miles

TEN YEARS OLD, WEIGHS 210 AND IS GIANT IN STRENGTH

COLUMBIA, Wash., May 6.—That this district can boast of the largest boy, for his age, in Seattle, is the contention of many Rainier valley residents here who have seen Edison D. Fuller, known popularly as "Babe" Fuller, who, at the age of 10½ years, is five feet three inches high and tips the scales at 210 pounds. While "Babe" Fuller is large for size, he is not all fat, but rather he has the strength of an ordinary man. At the age of seven he weighed 160 pounds, and since that time he has been steadily increasing in weight. "Babe" can lift 250 pounds with

ease, and he has often picked up a sack of wheat, weighing about 190 pounds, and carried it from the wagon to the barn.

"Babe," according to physicians, is as fully developed as a man in the prime of life, but beyond this he is normal in energy. He was born in Columbia, weighing nine pounds at birth. He has a brother, Lincoln W. Fuller, 26 years old, who stands six feet one and a half inches in his stocking feet and weighs 225 pounds.

Mr. Fuller appears small beside his son, weighing but 170 pounds. Mrs. Fuller weighs 170 pounds.

Norman Hackett in "Classmates" is the Friday and Saturday bill at the Spokane theater.

PANTAGES

Shale & Cole, in dancing imitations, and Young & Brooks, musical artists, furnish their share of the entertainment in this week's bill.

AUDITORIUM

All things considered, the Shirley play for this week, "The Love Route," is one of the best given by them. There are strong dramatic parts, a good line of comedy, special scenery and a lot of life and action, all of which tend to make a play of this character popular.

ORPHEUM

Ralph Rockway appearing with Miss Ada Conway at the Orpheum this week is making somewhat of a hit with his singing. Rock is a good vocalist and Miss Ada brings out the laughter.

WASHINGTON

Weston & Young and company work hard enough in their sketch to keep everybody interested. Clara Throop is also industriously inclined.

LONGER BOB STAYS STRONGER HE GETS

The longer Bob Fairley stays in the comptroller office the stronger he seems to get. In 1905 he defeated F. E. Michaels by 700, in 1907 his majority over L. F. Boyd was 1640 and 1909 he won over W. J. McKean by 1710. Fairley may not be an expert accountant—originally he was a carpenter—but he seems to have the confidence of the people in the management of the office.

FIXED HER UP WITH NICE STOLEN RUGS

CHICAGO, Ill., May 6.—Kenneth H. Baker, formerly of Elkhardt, Ind., who is said to have wanted to delight his sweetheart, Miss Ada Hankin of Newton, Ky., by fitting up their future home with oriental rugs, is under arrest on a charge of stealing the latter. The rugs, said to have been taken, were worth from \$20 to \$150 each.

WHAT SHE WANTS IS A REAL HUSBAND

REMARKABLE JOURNEY OF MRS. WILDER, WHO TRAVELED LONG DISTANCE TO SEE IF SHE STILL LOVED REV. ALFRED J. WILDER.

Special Correspondence to The Press

SPRINGFIELD, O., May 6.—"Hello, there! Mr. Reporter. Don't get scared at this outfit I'm wearing. It's only my way of doing this. I've got a gold mine here in this little greenhouse and I'm taking care of it."

This greeting was given to the reporter who called at the home of Mrs. Carrie Wilder, estranged wife of the Rev. Alfred J. Wilder, rector of the First Episcopal church at Daytona, Fla. Mrs. Wilder is living with her parents in Springfield. She gained considerable notoriety through a sensational visit recently to the home of her husband in the land of flowers.

Attired in man's full suit of blue overalls and high laced boots, her sleeves rolled up to the elbows, the rector's wife, happy as a lark in springtime, was busy planting carnation slips in her little garden outside the greenhouse.

Mrs. Wilder told about her visit to her husband. "I had a burning curiosity to know whether I still loved Mr. Wilder or not," she said. "I convinced myself that I don't. He wasn't at home when I got there, so I forced an entrance through the window. His photograph was on the mantelpiece in his room. I took it down and gazed at it a long time. I made up my mind that I don't love him any more. I came home satisfied."

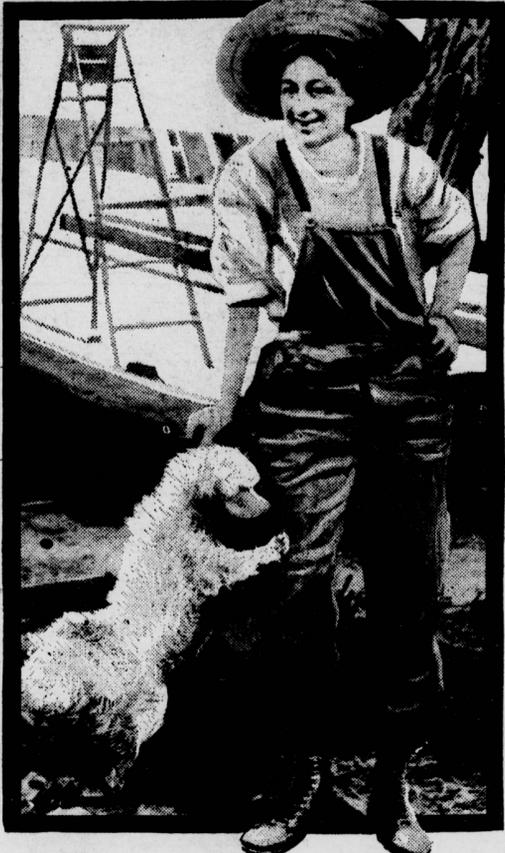
The rector's wife clipped off a few more carnations. Pretty, petite, fascinating and 25, she threw back her head jauntily. The man's broad-brimmed straw hat she was wearing blew aside, revealing a full, round, laughing face that beamed with smiles over the recollection of her invasion of her husband's home.

"When I marry again I won't marry a cigar end," she continued. "That man smokes cigars by the thousands. It was one of the reasons why I left him, but not the principal reason. I am going to push my divorce suit and get a decree. Then I will marry some young man that I am sure will make me a good husband."

"Did you love Rev. Wilder when you married him?" "I thought I did, but I guess I must have been mistaken. You see, our courtship was so short that we did not have a chance to get intimately acquainted with each other. After we were married he began preaching to me about spiritual love. The more he preached the more I became dissatisfied. It made me sick. I wanted real love—the affection of an ordinary husband. I wasn't looking for a heavenly companion—just yet."

"As the days wore on the situation did not improve, so I left him and he went to Florida. "About a month ago I got a desire to see him again and study him. I wanted to know for sure whether or not I really loved him. The desire grew so strong that I took a trip to Daytona, his present home."

"As he was away, I lifted a screen from the window and climbed in, thinking I would wait for him. I took a bath in the rectory and made myself presentable, then sent a messenger to tell him I had come and was waiting to see him. He was cruel enough to send word to me that he could not come and that I might as well go home. "But I remained over night in Daytona, hoping that he would re-



IN MAN'S CLOTHES, MRS. A. J. WILDER WORKS AMONG HER FLOWERS AND FORGETS HER UNHAPPY MARRIAGE

turn. The next afternoon I returned to his room and slept while in his bed. That evening I started to my home in Springfield, thoroughly convinced that I do not love him."

The romance started on Easter Sunday, three years ago. Rev. Alfred J. Wilder, pastor of the Heavenly Rest Episcopal church in Springfield, and "Babe" Howell, as she was familiarly known, started society circles of the city by hurrying to the home of another Episcopal minister and getting married. Rev. Mr. Wilder had just preached his usual Sunday evening sermon. His young bride had appeared in black-face vaudeville in local theaters a few weeks before.

Two months later, Mrs. Wilder suddenly left her husband and was guarded in her home by her parents. She was not allowed to receive visitors or to talk to any one. Within another month, Rev. Mr. Wilder resigned his pastorate and accepted the charge at Daytona. One year later the wife filed suit for divorce in the Springfield courts, alleging gross neglect of duty.

Months passed and the suit was not tried. Wilder fled suit in the Florida courts, asking that the marriage be annulled for the reason that it was never consummated. He claimed that at the time of the wedding his wife's parents were greatly opposed to the union and that he made a secret agreement with his bride that they should live together for three months as man and woman, but not as husband and wife. Before the three months had elapsed he said the woman's parents got her to leave him. On these grounds he hopes to secure his decree in Florida. The wife denies the secret agreement.

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