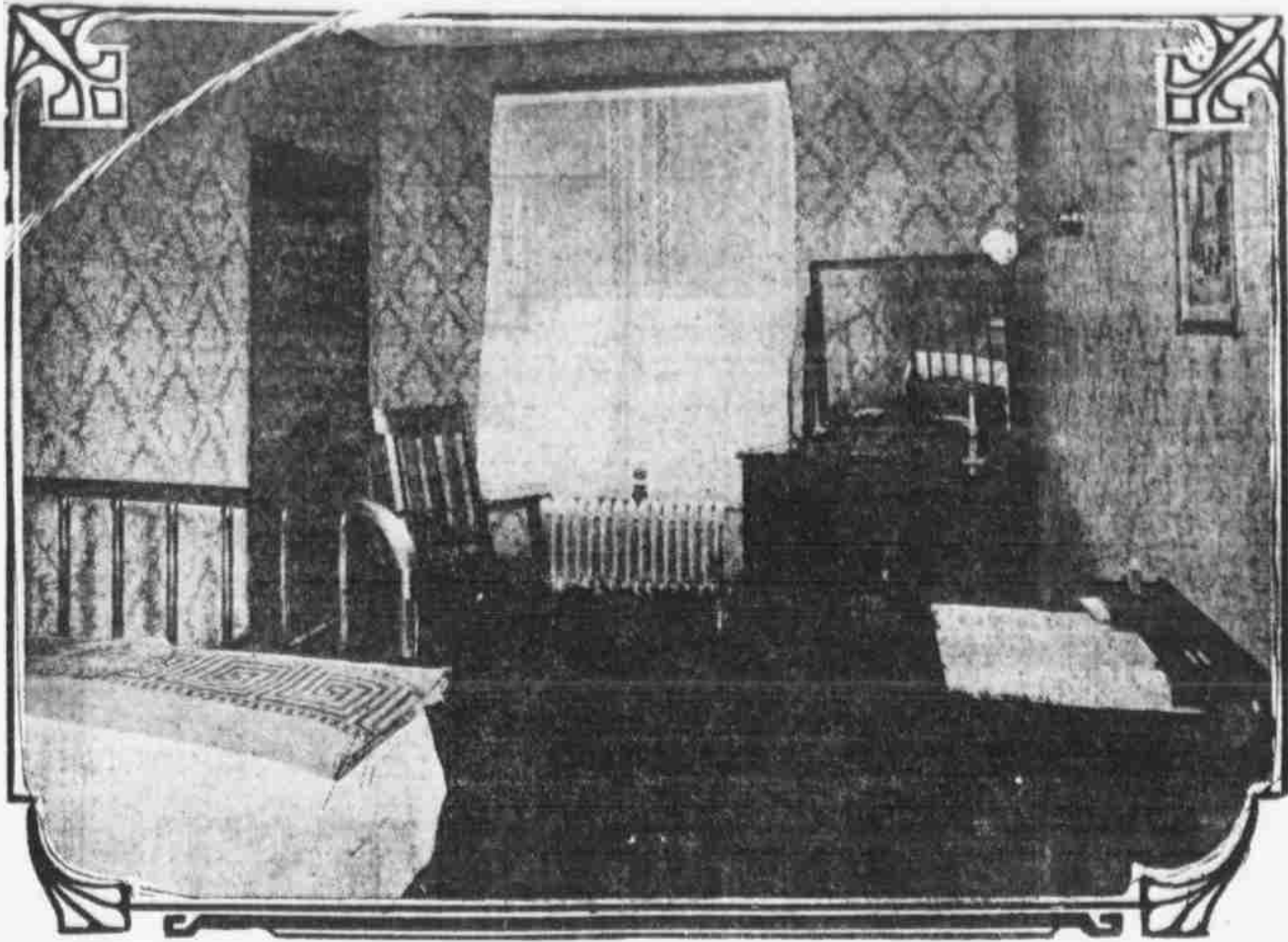


Room With Double Bed at the Hotel Castle



SOME GUESTS TO BE BARRED

Messrs. Rat, Mouse and Bug and Their Families to Find No Homes Here.

NOT EVEN SLIGHTEST CHANCE

There are certain residents of old-time hotels for whom no quarters have been provided in the Castle.

Nor will any quarters be provided for them. In fact, special pains were taken to see that there should be no place for these customary residents to live in the Castle, because it was well known that they would not have to be invited. They are "buttnicks" and they need no invitation. They pay neither board nor lodging, and yet they take both. And besides they are not popular with the other guests—the paying guests.

And so special care was exercised to see that there should be no place for these customary residents to live. Who are they, these unwelcome guests, who will find no place for them in the Castle hotel?

All Are Barred. They are Mr. and Mrs. Rat, and the little rats, Mr. and Mrs. Mouse and the little mice, and Mr. and Mrs. Bug and the little bugs.

It is rumored that they have been watching the erection of the new hotel from neighboring buildings and planning to move into it.

"Just wait, my dear," said Mr. Rat to his spouse. "Wait till the new building is done and we will move into it and live in luxury, with plenty to eat."

"Mebby it's a church," said little Oswald Ruffon Rat.

"Ab, no, it isn't," said Papa Rat. "Quite the opposite of that, my son."

"What is the new building, Edgerton?" inquired Mamma Rat, with an admiring look at her lord and master.

"Listen, my dears," said Papa Rat, with shining eyes and twitching whiskers, in anticipation of delicious meats and cheeses that he saw in the future.

"Listen; it is going to be a hotel."

All the little Rats danced for joy, and some of them ran off to tell the good news to their neighbors, the Mouse family.

Papa Rat spent all the time he could out at the door of their home watching operations on the new Castle and figuring out just what part of the kitchen he would move his family into.

But as time passed a look of disappointment passed over his little brown face. Mamma Rat noticed it and asked him what was worrying him.

Cause for Worry. "Oh, nothing," said Papa Rat, "nothing at all. What a silly idea! What would I have to worry me?"

"There is something worrying you just the same," said Mamma Rat with a searching look. "Has that big maltose cat been around again?"

"No, no, I haven't seen any cat," said Papa Rat looking uncomfortable.

"Well, then, what is it?" insisted Mrs. Rat.

"Well, my dear," confessed Mr. Rat, "I see they are putting concrete floors and walls in the new Castle hotel."

Mrs. Rat said nothing and all the little Rats were silent and stopped eating. Finally little Oswald's shrill voice rose in a wail.

"Now we can't go an' live in the new hotel," he cried.

Mrs. Rat wiped her eyes on a corner of her apron.

"Just there any hope?" she asked.

"There's just one chance," said Mr. Rat. "They may put some fixtures in the kitchen that will give me a chance to establish a home under them or between them and the wall. We'll see."

But a few days later even this hope had vanished. Mr. Rat came home and reported that they would not be able to move into the big hotel where they had counted on living.

Kitchen New Fangled. "The kitchen is one of these new-fangled sanitary ones," he said. "Even the plate warming arrangements and the steam tables are set up from the floor on iron legs. Ah, things were different when I was a little rat. I remember well the place my father had in a hotel. And we were a big family, too. But we lived on the cream of the land, had the finest of everything to eat. I'm very sorry, dear wife and children, but we must do the best we can."

"Can't we go an' live in the new Castle hotel?" wailed little Ruffon Rat.

"No, that is impossible," said his father.

And the sad news was soon communicated to the Mouse family and the bug family. They can never live in the Castle.

The kitchen has four big ranges and all the most modern machinery for doing the work of the kitchen. It is located behind the cafe dining room in the most convenient place.

Just down the stairs from the kitchen is a large room with shower and bath. This is for the exclusive use of the chef, so that he can quickly take a bath and rub either before or after his work.

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