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anday School st 9:45 a m. C. E Sohnson, Superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m. R T 8 at 7:90 u m. Presching at 8 80 o. m. V. M. S. m et donday at p m ; Y. W A. at 4:00.

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M. E. Wells, Pastor.

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tible Classes every Sunday m .rning from 10 to 11 n'e osk. E-ryone is cordially invited to attend

REDLEY CIRCUIT

Rev Dennis Lawson Pastor First Sunday: Letta Lake at 11 00 a m. and 8:80 p. m. recond Sunday: Giles 9:80 a

McKnight 11:00 a m. and 8:30 nird Sunday: Quail 11:00 a

m and 8:30 p. m. Pleasant Hill

Fiorth Sunday: Ring 11:00 a. m 3rav 8 80 p m.

Special

We request your presence in our Shoppe Fri- ble among them was the seab day, Oct. 26, to see and bard containing the bow and arhave demonstrated to row of the Apache chief Geroniyou a new

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GUNMAN CAPTURED

Virgil Stalcup, gunman, said to be wanted in a number of carnival, aponsored by the P. T. towns in the Panhandle, was A See the get-something for captured Tuesday south of Clar- nothing booth. Step right no. endon after a five mile foot lacies; the show always loses. members of a posse The chase boon to starving mankind, the occurred after Staleup, having hamburger Dunk your dough wrecked his car, set out on foot note in the dunking parlor.

jacked a Ponca City, Okla. cigar crowning of the carnival queen

LECTURE

Rev A & Butterfield, a re tired Methodist minister who lives at Childrens, gave an interesting lesture at the Methodist Charch Sunday night on his missionary work am og the Kiowa, ing his lecture The most notamo. The church was filled with an appreciative audience from in getting to isten to a man who 1509 bales of cotton. has spent 52 years of his life in Texas and Okiahoma, as a pio neer pr scher and missionary He left Poseday morning for Lubbock and the South Plains country, accompanied by R v Dennis I awaon, wio will state his bem- folks at - mver. Tex.s

HOOKER GIFT SHOP

Pretty gifts for showers, and bi tt day toys Boys caps cheap.

Hooker Gift Shop

B. T. S. MEETING

The associational B. Y. P. U. good, meeting was held at Estelline Gan give you a becoming coffeur Tuesday night. The Hediey un. Which they most assuredly ion had charge of the program. should the new line of infants Twelve attended from Hedley, Lest you have an artist shape clothing and gifts goods at the eight of whom had parts on the program. Those present report s very enjoyable time.

GO TO AUSTIN

A committee of Panhandle citi sens left Monday night for Austin to appear before the Senate Centennial committee Tuesday We'll shape your hair in the la to sak that historic sites in this section of the state be included in the state's proposed celebratien in 1986

The committee members will urge the Senate to provide funds for adequately marking historic sites in the Panhandle and as-ist in financing one or more regional pre centenniai celebrations in this territory

Among those in the group which left Monday night were George Briggs of Pampa; Sam Braswell, Clarendon; L F. Shet fey of Canyon and T. E Johnson of Amerille

Mrs. J M. Clarke is visiting her daughter. Jennette, who is attending T. W. C at Ft Worth the McKnight school house on She will also visit at Red Oak pefore returning home.

L E. Thompson and family visited relatives in Memphis Sun

P. T. A. CARNIVAL

Don't miss the Hedley school chase by Sheriff Pierce and Eate! Sink your teeth in that across country, He was finally Take your troubles to Madam halted by County Attorney R Y | Xjicking She sees all and tells too much. Come see the hum-Stalcup escaped from the bug booth, the spook room the state prison at Hentsville on 101 different performances we April 4 while serving a 45 year offer you. And last, but by no term He is alleged to have hi- means least, don't forget the salesman near Hedley on Oct 10. Don't forget. Friday. Oct 26 Carpival on the school grounds, beginning at 6 30 p m

LEGION AUXILIARY TO ENTERTAIN HUSBANDS

The ladies auxiliary of the American Legion will entertain their husbands and all ex sol-Commanche and Apache Indians diers and wives Wednesday in Oklahoma. He carried with night, Oct \$1, with a masquer him a number of Indian relics, ade party at the Legion ball. which he showed while deliver- Everyone cordially invited. No admittance unless masked

COTTON GINNED

Up to Wednesday noon, the the other churches of the town, three Hedley gine and the Me who felt that they were well paid Knight gin had ginned a total of

FOOTBALL GAME

The Hedley Owis will play the Claude team here Saturday sitermoon Ocs 27, at 2 o'clock Everybody c me out and boost your home team

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ATTENTION

ories at Phillips Service Station. We give Trades Day tickets.

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A pie supper will be given at Friday, Oct 26, at 7:80 p. m., sponsored by the McKnight woman's missionary society. A suitable program will be ar-

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Turn to Lotteries to Expand Incomes

Many European Nations Find tions from more than 100 countries. Profit in Them.

London.-A number of hard-pressed European governments are helping to balance their top-heavy budgets through the medium of legalized lot-

The vision of sudden fortune, by the simple expedient of buying an inexpensive ticket, lures millions of dollars each year from the pockets of rich and poor alike. And in every instance the national exchequers are benefited.

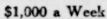
The principal countries where lotteries are permitted in Europe include France, Italy, Spain, and the Irish Free State, the last of which, in its racing sweepstakes, has the largest and most widely known of all.

For Different Purposes.

The rules of conducting lotteries wary in each country as do the stated purpose for which they are run. The Irish Free State hospitals benefit under the sweepstakes which are run in connection with three outstanding British horse races each year.

The Red Cross and the University City in Spain are allowed certain extra drawings for their own profit, while France and Italy allocate their shares to governmental departments as they think fit.

The biggest lottery of all is the Irish Sweepstake. Run three times a year, on the occasions of the English Grand National, Epsom Derby and Cesarewitch Handicap, it receives subscrip-





Little Mickey Rooney is here seen holding his new contract with MGM entitling him to receive \$1,000 a week for his work in the movies. No wonder he smiles.

TATTOGED INDIANS -

TATTOOED THEIR BODY USING

CERTAIN AMERICAN TRIBES

Since 1930, when it was started under the registration of the Irish Hospital Trust, Ltd., lucky ticket holders have

been paid more than \$100,000,000. By far the greatest number of tickets in this sweepstake are purchased in Britain, where it is illegal for any person to sell them. However, the tickets are smuggled in and sold. The money goes back to Ireland.

Out of these receipts and those from ther countries, the Irish hospitals have benefited by more than \$30,000,-000 during the past four years. The government itself received 25 per cent of the hospitals' share, and in addition, since 1932, has also realized \$2,500,000 in taxes on the "sweep."

Has Longest Record.

The Spanish National Lottery has the longest record of consistent performance. It dates back to 1763, when Charles III, looking for new means of supplementing his privy purse, hit upon this method.

In Spain, three draws are held regularly each month, in addition to five extraordinary draws, two of which are for the special benefit of the Red Cross and the University City. The lottery has grown to such an extent that last year the gross receipts amounted to \$57,750,000.

Of this amount prize-winners received \$40,356,100, wages and administration expenses took \$1,513,480 and the remaining \$15,888,240 went to the government.

The popularity of the lottery in France is shown by the fact that it is practically impossible to buy a ticket for as many as five days before a drawing. It is only recently that the lottery was legalized, and its object was to pay war veterans' pensions with the government's share of the proceeds.

Prize money takes 60 per cent of the total receipts; expenses are estimated at 5 per cent and the remaining 35 per cent goes into the national treasury to be applied to war pensions. The participant in the lottery has a one to nine chance of winning a prize, the highest of which is \$320,000.

In Italy the government reaps about \$6,380,000 a year from the lotteries which are conducted weekly by the state. The drawings are made in the eight principal cities, and large returns are possible from very small outlay.

Norman Town Turns Its

Back on Coeducation Coutances, Normandy.-By unanimous vote, this town has taken a united

stand against co-education. The reason given for this action is that "male school teachers cannot teach girls their future roles of wife and mother," and that "children of

France are disconcertingly precocious." Despite this anti-co-educational feeling in Normandy, there are 3,520 "mixed" schools in France. Wherever possible it is the principle of the French school system to keep boys and girls separated.

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THE STORY OF **DEMETRIUS**

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WORK"

LEONARD A. BARRETT

There is an ancient story regarding silversmith named Demetrius. He was at the head of a group of crafts men who made silver shrines for heathen temples.

stance there may be Most of these shrines were dedicated to the goddess Diana. It was a very lucrative business, perhaps the most prosperous of that day. The business continued to advance and every person connected with the enterprise was happy for the reason

that his living was secured and there was plenty of money available for the luxuries of a pagan world. All went well until something happened! The business of the company gradually began to fall off. When activity was almost "nil" Demetrius decided to call a meeting of the directors of the corporation for the purpose of discussing the serious condition which confronted them. Demetrius addressed his directors something like this: "Sirs, ye know that by this craft we have our wealth. Not only is our business in danger of being destroyed, but also the great temple of Diana despised." His address indicates a very hostile and vindictive attitude of mind. He cannot understand why any other force has the right to interfere with the

Benyon in Action



Jack Benyon, co-captain of the Illinois team, is on the job again. He is a sensational passer and is considered the pivot man of the team.

financial progress of his company. Having ascertained the cause of the financial calamity, Demetrius relates that a certain man lecturing to the people down in Ephesus, the center of the heathen world, told them that, "There were no gods made with hands." The influence of this man became so great that many persons were turning away from the heathen temples and abandoning their loyalty to the heathen goddess, "and the image which fell down from Jupiter."

When all this news spread about the ancient city of Ephesus excitement rose to a very high pitch. A riot was finally prevented by the wisdom of the town clerk who persuaded the strikers and their sympathizers to appeal to the courts where justice would pre-

vail While the conditions related in this story occurred nearly two thousand years ago it reads like a bit of news gleaned from our morning newspaper. When any force injects itself into the economic world which dries up profits or thwarts justice to labor, something happens - Discontent, riots, strikes, bloodshed! "There is nothing new un der the sun." 8. Western Newspaper Union.

Turk, 154, With Son, 11. Claims He Is Oldest Man

Adana, Turkey.-Claiming an age of one hundred and fifty-four years, and that he is the father of a boy of eleven, Hadji Boz Agir, a resident of the village of Mardin, said he considered himself the world's oldest and best pre-He claims to be the successor of

the late Zaro Agha, who died recently at a proclaimed age of one hundred and sixty-four.

Hadji Boz Agir went to Mardin about 30 years ago, where he acquired a small farm. He then was already consired a centenarian.

He maintains that when Turkey still exercised control over Egypt he served the sultan there as a gendarme, and that he took part in the suppression of a Wahabite uprising in 1821.

DARENTS and school teachers or any | ousness, and with no wrong intent person whose duty it is to govern others, whether children or adults, gain their respect and love or esteem, as the case may be, if they are good disciplinarians. They may even be strict, good disciplinarians are apt to be, but they are also prone to be just. There is a vast difference between being se vere and being strict. In the first in-

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no measure of justice, or actual relation or balance between the offense and the punishment. It, is particularly noticeable in governing children, where it will be found that a slight unruliness often brings an unmerited, severe correction, and a real offense goes with but slight punishment. The state of mind of the parent or teacher, often has as much to do with

the lightness or severity of the punish

ment as the misdemeanor itself. When a person is a good disciplinarian there is not found this fickle Children and others know where they stand. Consequently they consider whether or not it is worth while to do the thing which will bring down upon them a severe punish-ment. What is more, they will be inclined to realize their wrongdoings would deserve the penalties meted out to them. There is a fine sense of justice in children. There is also an in-bred respect for authority, until they find it is mis-applied even when the rules seem arbitrary rather than, to them, reasonable,

Promotes Affection.

Parents do well to recall families in which respect and genuine affection exist between children and their fathers and mothers. They will find in most instances that the discipline is good. It is just, and it is respected. It is very hard on children to be subject to the whims and the tempers of parents. One time the youngsters can do almost anything they like and it is unnoticed, or brings very slight punishment. Again they do the smallest prank, it may be in pure mischiev-

Moon Over Cow Shed Caused Fire Alarm

West Chester, Pa .- A big and bright September moon caused a false fire alarm here. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Seeds, farm-

ers, looked out their bedroom window and saw a glare in their barn. Thinking the building was ablaze, they called the fire department. When the firemen arrived, they discovered it was only the moon "coming up over the cow shed."

and they get a punishment so severe that it is far from just or right.

There is nothing harsh or unkind in the idea of good discipline. There is nothing pleayune or trifling either. Good disciplinarians appreciate the fine qualities of those whom they are Commendation should go guiding. hand in hand with correction. Both are needed to bring out the best in children. It is when they receive the right measure of each that young folk understand that justice is the foundation of their management and that affection is the ruling power.

Children's Allowances. Children's allowances may prove helpful to the youngsters in teaching them how to handle money, or they may prove opportunities for extravagance. Whether they are an aid or a hindrance depends as much on parents as children. It should be determined before apportioning allowances whether they are to be for little luxurles apart from any demands for necessities or accessories, or whether they are to include definite needed or wanted things with some luxuries.

Sports Ensemble



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Animals With Vertebras Animals with vertebrae never have more than four legs.

These Boots Will Tramp in Congress



Judge P. L. Gassaway captured the congressional Democratic nomination Judge P. L. Gassaway captured the congressional Democratic nomination from the veteran Tom McKeown in the recent Oklahoma primaries, and as this is equivalent there to election, the boots the judge is shown wearing will soon be clomping in the chamber of the lower house in Washington. Gassaway is a cow hand and never wears any other style of footgear.

By Charles Sughroe Little Girl Allure PATTERN DOGG

This little frock is so cute it would add to the charm of a Shirley Temple-nothing more could be said for a frock! It is the essence of littlegirl allure with its dropped-shoulder yoke, its cunning little collar and big buttons running down to that devas tating point. The sleeves are short and puffy-exactly as they should be, and the box pleats are there so that its wearer can run fast as well as look pretty. It has well-fitting bloomers, as do all right-minded frocks for little girls in this year of grace!

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A SUPPOSITION

"Some of us congressmen are thinkin' a great deal we don't say," said the representative from Shuckville "Didn't know it could be done," an swered Farmer Corntossel. "Allus s'posed your specialty was saying a great deal you didn't think."

Machinery

"What do you intend to do about

the political machine?" "I meant to use it to make hay while the sun shines," answered Senator Sorghum. "Only I'm afraid some of the boys out home have taken a fancy to the idea of a vacuem cleaner instead of a lawn mower."

Spectacular

"I suppose you regard all your display of eloquence as beneficial to the cause?"

"Well," answered Senator Sorghum. "to be candid, that eloquence isn't so much for the cause as for the ef-

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WEST BAPTIST CHURCH

Byron F. Todd, pastor Sunday School at 10:a.m. Preaching every 2nd and 4th Sundays and on Saturday before the 2nd Sunday. Morning ser vice 11:00 a m. Brening service 8:00 Visitors are always wel-

B. Y. P. U. and adult Bible Sunday at 7:00 P. M.

and Mrs. P L Dishman and enidren visited in Memphis Sun

HEDLEY P. T. A.

The following P T. A pre Memphis. T xis gram will be given Thursday afternoon Nov 1

Leisare Time Activities Leader, Mrs R W Alegine

Ma i mother singers Kending for lessure, Mrs J.

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HELLO, OLD CHAP - YOU WOULDN'T BITE THE HAND THAT FED YOU. WOULD YOUR IF YOU WERE A MAN YOU WOULDN'T TAKE THE MONEY YOU MADE IN WOULD YOU, NOW?

RODEO AT MEMPHIS

The local pest of the American Legion has contracted with Roy Mayes, roden promoter, to stage Pains first of the week a rodeo and roping event here on Nov 10 and 11, as a part of the Legion's Armistice Day Program

Mr Maria has stage! three roders here in the past and is Worth white letaure activities known over western Feresand and low to provide them, are. Oklahoma as a successful rodeo!

> Other entertainment features asked to communicate with Roy Mayes at Memohis. Texas

> See our National tires and sured batteries Battery rechar-Doris Marshall

> Mrs 8 R Tominson of Lelis



Mrs Donley Ball and Miss Bibel Hell of McLean visited hom foks here Sunday

J M. Whittington ard J D Masten made a trip to the South

L Moffice of Clovis N Mex visited in the W L. Moffitt home the past week end

H M Webb and son of Clar endus were Hedles visitors Mon

Mrs Charles Baldwin of La will be combined with the rodeo. mess and Mrs. Joe McCluskey of new Lee tires and tubes Get and all persons interested in of Throckmorton visited here entering any of the conte-te are first of the week with their daughter and sister, Mrs. G. Z Sherman. and family

> Mrs. T & Moreman left Sun tubes. The most value for the day night as a delegate to the least money We also sell in Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star lodge which was held in Ft. Worth first of the work

> Mrs U G Key and daughter, Lake visited in the L B. Chunn Chancev Ruth, are visiting in Dallas this week

> > The Informer, \$1.00 per year.

W. M. SOCIETY

Joint missionery society meets Menday, Oct 29 at 2 p m at Nazarene society as hostess.

Program Song

Seriotore by leader Sentence prayer.

Chinese letter, lesder. Reading, Theresa Webb. Daet. selected. Mrs Weldon Bennett and Sarah Hendricks. Paper, Chinese missions, Me-

Knight soxiliary. Paper, Lepers of Haugchow,

Closing prayer, Mrs. Duncan. Leader, Mrs. Whiteside. Rusiness

You are invited to come and worship with as in a few min utes of inspirational service.

Golden Holland visited in Me Lean Saturday

the past week end

NOTICE

In order to avoid a possible outbreak of typhoid, every citithe Nassrene Church with the sen of Hedler is arged to co operste with our city and beath anthorities in cleaning up all allers and tellets and burning, burying or hauling out of town all so-b refuse.

De this at once and help no keep our town clean.

An inspection will be made and those who fail to clean up their premises will be reported to the State authorities

J. W. Webb, M. D, city health

By order of L E. Thompson.

P. L. Dishman spent Sunday

THE METHODIST CHURCH

A V. Hendricks, Pastor Sunday School Sunday morn ing at 9:45, Clarence Davis, Supt. Ned Grimslev and family vis Epworth League at 8:00, Martha ited Jewel Grimsley, who is at Sue Noel, Pres. Church service tending T W C at Pt Worth, morning and evening each Sun-





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HOT STUFF

By FLOYD McCRACKEN ©. McClure Newspaper Syndicate. WNU Service.

AN MAGIN pulled his worn cap low over a troubled brow. He had not known the Skeet iong or comfortably, and with him, even here in the speakeasy, the bey felt impelled to conceal his iden-

Though, goodness knows, no one here in the city ever would recognize him.

The Skeet was speaking. "It's hot stuff. Y'understand? Hot!" The Skeet muttered, peering impressively from slits of eyes into the agitated face of the youth sitting across the narrow service table.

If Dan flinched it was against his

"Y'u aia't gettin' frosted toes? That's the h-| of you kids. No perve!" If the Skeet knew one thing

well it was how to handle his man. "No, no," Dan rushed to deny. "Not cold feet, Skeet. It's nothing to me but a job, you know. You give me the -the suitcase and a five spot. I take

the suitcase to the mayor's house." "Just that easy." The Skeet eased back in his chair with obvious relief and satisfaction. "An' after that scram, see? Scram an' forget. I'm leavin' town myself. Goin' out on my

The two rose tensely.

Dan accepted a neat brown suitcase gingerly. The older man slipped the bey a five dollar bill, at the same time repeating directions and muttering a

final warhing. "An' none of your funny stuff. The gang's wise and if you don't earn that

The Skeet left Dan to imagine the dark consequence of failure. It was nine o'clock.

The errand must be completed before midnight.

Plenty of time, Dan decided, but the sooner it was over the better. He did not question the nature of his burden, though the Skeet never

had discussed that with him. Alone in the night, the boy shivered with revulsion.

For an instant he was tempted to turn the thing over to the police, but only for an instant.

Thoughts of the Skeet's gang quickly drove away that idea.

He glanced nervously over his shoulder to see if he might be followed as he boarded a street car. Finding a seat alone, he held the

suitcase carefully on his knees until a policeman came and sat beside him. k seemed unnatural to be holding

the thing in this manner. Dan was afraid the officer might notice and ask questions, so he shoved his burden carefully under the seat.

"Moving?" the policeman asked, smiling with warm friendliness as he glanced toward the disappearing suit-

"Yes. Yes, moving," Dan muttered deeply.

felt weak, partly partly from fear. "Hot stuff," the Skeet had warned.

"From the country, aren't you?" the officer asked.

Dan didn't want to talk to anybody. least of all to a policeman.

How could a cop tell just by looking at him that he was from the country? "Excuse me, my street," the boy blurted, bolting suddenly from the car

with his precious sultcase. He felt the surprised glance of the officer bore into his back as he hurried down the aisle. He was glad when he reached the street.

He had gained one shing at least by

making his sudden move. No one else left the car with him. and he felt sure that if he had been followed he now had shaken pursuit.

Dan glanced at the suitcase. It was an ordinary oblong affair with brown leather finish. Neat but cheap. Nothing about it to attract attention. Nothing on the outside to iden-

Signalling the next outward-bound ear, he climbed aboard apprehensively. What he feared he did not know, but he was relieved when a quick survey revealed no policeman aboard.

The car was almost filled. Dan slunk into a seat beside a halfeleeping man he judged to be a seaman, and slid the suitcase carefully

under the seat. A newsboy working through the car spread a paper before Dan's eyes, and the youth's heart jumped into his mouth as he read:

MAYOR DEFIES STRIKERS

Suddenly the seaman leaped to his feet as the conductor called a street

natched at the leather bag and lurched nto the aisle. "Hey, you've got my suitcase," Dan

uted, grabbing at the thing. "Your suit-say, didn't I just buy is piece of cowhide? And don't I now what's in it?" the sailor de-anded thickly. "I got me a new arm clock in there. Listen, hear it

Dan put his ear attentively to the leather cover.

Sure enough, tick, tick. The sound quieted his thumping heart.

He reached under the seat and

brought out a suitcase exactly like the

What if the seaman had taken the wrong suitcase!

What might have happened to the sailor, and what would the Skeet bave said? Whew!

The boy wiped a great bead of perspiration from his brow.

Dan had known the Skeet but a short time.

The acquaintance had not been of his own choosing. He had known the older man only

by that odd name, the Skeet, and he never had met him except at night. The boy had been out of work for weeks. His money gone, he stood at a street corner the evening of their first meeting, wondering what he should do next.

"Smoke, buddy?" a voice had said at his elbow. It had been the first friendly word Dan had heard in days, and his heart warmed. Even then he sensed an antagonism against the thick, squat man.

"Thank you," the boy had said, accepting the proffered cigarette. "I'd rather have a plate of beans, though," he had smiled wryly.

For a week after that the Skeet had supplied Dan with a place to sleep and meager rations.

During that week Dan never escaped the feeling that he was being studied, watched. And yet one must eat, he argued to overcome his uneasiness.

With the money he had collected for this night's errand he would leave the

He would go as far into the country as the money would take him,

Perhaps he would be able to find work on a farm. He always had been able to make

a living in the country, and he could do it again, he vowed now, Reaching the street indicated in the

directions received from the Skeet Dan left the car. The mayor's mansion was as he had

expected. It was a large structure set well back amid luxuriant shrubbery.

Dan's task proved comparatively Put the suitcase against the easy. front door and then scram, the Skeet had said.

Dan boarded the next car into the He sat nervously, tensely watching

the shadows rumbling by the win-He had almost reached the business

section when a blinding flash against the sky brought him to his feet with He looked at his cheap wrist watch,

puzzled. Only a little past ten o'clock. Twelve had been the hour-And besides that, the errand he had undertaken had led him to the outskirts of the city, while the explosion he had just heard plainly was at the waterfront.

He hurried to the depot where he learned the next train into the country would not leave for an hour and

He decided to eat.

Fears that overwhelmed him on an empty stomach fied as he mastered the food. He would never let himself get so hungry again, he told himself, never. Twelve o'clock and the suitcase would be far away. By midnight he would be well on his way from the city.

As he crossed the waiting room to the ticket window a newsboy burst noisily into view, waving a late edi-

"Mystery blast kills gangster!" the

"Read about it. Mystery blast kills the Skeet!"

Avidly Dan snatched a paper from the urchin.

Hot, bleary eyes raced across the

bold-faced type as he read: "Victim of a mystery blast, the

Skeet, notorious gangster, was killed tonight while assisting a seaman in loading a small boat preparatory to going aboard the gangster's yacht. The seaman, who was seriously injured by the explosion, told the police the blast came when the Skeet dropped a suitcase tossed to him as he stood in the boat. The police said they can find nothing they can regard as a clue."

Oldest Town in U. S. Is Located in Arizona

St. Augustine, Fla., settled about 1565, and Santa Fe. N. M., founded about 1537, each insists it is the oldest town in the United States, the town actually oldest has no chamber of commerce to proclaim or defend its title, according to Dr. Paul S. Martin, assistant curator in charge of North American archeology at the Field Museum of Natural History. This town. Doctor Martin states, is the Indian set-

tlement of Oraibi in the Hopi reservation of Arizona. Oraibi, Doctor Martin contends, is the oldest continuously inhabited community in the United States so far recorded. It probably dates back to at least A. D. 1200, and is thus a good 300 years older than any other town in the country, the museum

archeologist declares. Recent archeological work on the Oraibi site indicates that the present pueblo or town is erected on top of older habitations, built, lived in and deserted many centuries ago. According to tribal legends, Oraibi was founded as a result of a quarrel between two factions of another village, now abandoned. Probably this schism was a result of the age-old perennial battle between the old and the young, which even in more recent times has often resulted in splitting a population and causing a new settlement to be founded, Doctor Martin says.

Mean Thing! "I take half an hour's beauty sleen ery afternoon."

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FINNEY OF THE FORCE Numb WHUT ARE THEY ARE-WELL, NOW-WHUT NICKLES! TH' FOIVE SEEIN'-WAN COULD A SENSES 7 HEARIN'-HEH! HEH! BODY DO WITH-SMELLIN'-OUT BEST? TASTIN'-KNOW AND FEELIN ! BEGORRAH AND BEJABBERS-FER WILL YEZ CUT COPPER LOIKE ME-YEZ KIN ALL RIGHT! THAT OUT ? STHOP MARK DOWN FEELIN, NO LESS-I WILL-ACTIN' LOIKE A CAUSE IF'N OI GOT IN A RIO I'LL STOP AGIN - OI WOULDN'T GIT HURT FOOL! -IMERTATIN'



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The Man Who Hit the Bull's Eye

MOONSHINING flourished long before the prohibition amendment was made to the Constitution of the United States.

Twenty years ago it was carried on in the mountains of West Virginia on a scale that made the government authorities gasp for breath.

The general impression of the moonshiner is that of a poor white man who is willing to take big chances in order to make a little illegal money. This is true of some sections, but at the time mentioned there were bold and unscrupulous distillers who carried it on as a business in a big way and who made fortunes by the opera-

Wayne Gooch was one of these men. He was called "the King of the Moonshiners," and there is no reason to doubt that he was entitled to the distinction.

The scandals grew to such proportions that the commissioner of inter-nal revenue at Washington determined it would have to be stopped at all hazards.

The man he assigned to the job was a fearless agent named Tom Kennedy. He had several advantages. One was that he knew the mountains of West Virginia.

Another was that he was a crack These things were important, be-

cause the moonshiners placed small value on human life. Most of them boasted that they would not be taken alive, and by the same token they would kill anyone who attempted to Interfere with their

Kennedy determined to confront the lion in his den.

He made up his mind to go to the Gooch stamping grounds in the guise of a government forester.

Merely to be known as a person who was connected with the government in any capacity was taking a big chance, but Kennedy was a man who had been taking chances all his life, and one additional chance meant little

He had two capable assistants with him, and he went direct to the cabin where the king of the moonshiners made his headquarters.

He introduced himself by his real name, and he wanted to know what the authorities could do to help the cultivation of trees in that part of the country. Gooch, who was a big. bluff fellow, received him cordially enough, even though he kept his weather eye on this curious stranger. He said the soil in that part of West Virginia was not particularly adapted to forestry, but he cheerfully offered to escort Kennedy about

the country. It was just what the revenue agent

He kept his eyes and his ears open and at the end of 24 hours was forced to confess that there was not even the sign of a still in operation.

During that time the king entertained the agent in a royal fashion. One day they had a shooting match, with a big target set up near the cabin. Kennedy participated, and to the great delight and admiration of the king the visitor hit the bull's eye nine times out of ten.

Gooch said that was the best record ever made in that locality. He parted with his guest with apparent reluctance.

Kennedy had played his cards so well that he was not even suspected by the king of the moonshiners. They parted one night with expres

sions of mutual esteem. Kennedy had no misconception of his man. He knew that If his true character had become known he would have been shot down like a dog.

Driven to It

This thought keyed him up to the game he was about to play. He left the cabin and the vicinity. but he had proof that distilling was going on on a great scale.

sent to the depot in a truck at about midnight each night. So he lay in wait with his two men and when the team arrived at a certain part of the road he appeared in

the highway with a loaded and primed The driver and his assistant, taken

unawares, surrendered. In the meantime, Kennedy sent for re-enforcements and before another day had gove by the king of the moonshiners and his men had been taken

into custody.

Counterfeit Wampum Counterfeit wampum came into be-ing with the white man's arrival in America when a family of European aid of steel drills and lathes, became preficient in making wampum from the cheap, plentiful shells of the common Busycon conch of the Gulf coast. This counterfeit Indian money circulated as far west as the Mississippi valley.

Hawaii's Tomperature

Hawaii, lying in mid-ocean just within the tropics, has a warm climate throughout the year, though high temperatures are prohibited by the northeast trade winds, which blow for about nine months of the year. The mean annual temperature is 71.5 degrees. The extremes are 54 degrees

THE GAS STATION



1-The gasoline pumping station is | the very keynote of the American true.

2-The United States is really a large body of people entirely surrounded by gas stations.

3-There are more gas stations in schools and libraries. 4-And they have decidedly better

locations.

6-This seems incredible, but it is to tear it down and replace it with a

frankfurter stands and waffle restaurants. Which is plenty thick.

8—It looks like a great plot by the mercenary incentives, because there oil interests to eliminate all old-fashthe country than there are churches, loned residences, especially the cor- are automobiles.

seized with a maniacal determination it and with iron deer on the lawn.

Spanish mosque with six pumps, free asked. 7-But today they are thicker than air and a rest room.

10-Why he behaves this way is

11-But there are signs that the 9-The minute a gasoline baron tide is turning. The other day a hears of a fine old American home couple of American home lovers 5-Once upon a time there was with spacious lawns in a nice resi- bought up a gasoline station, tore it quite a distance between them. You dential district with birdies and down and erected a colonial home-could walk two or three blocks and posies all around it, he becomes stead on it with lilac bushes around

"But you rang, madam. Rang

"Later Marie complained repeated-

"After that we accepted the bell, certain spot would be appointed for

"My eldest son, who came home for pose was to establish a temporary "Nome is only about 120 miles in the autumn of 1898. When the city grew like a mushroom. Thou- floor had been painted, and the furni-

A TRUE CHOST STORY By Mary Roberts Rinehart "In 1922, after the death of Bois | moved without stopping. We ex-Penrose, my family took occupancy amined the floor and found on the

"One night we gave a dinner. The

the Penrose apartment was haunted,

ment came from the senate office

after his death, two short sharp peals. Also a page from the senate

later told me that the boys would

not go into his office if they could

help it, that there was a ghost in it.

turbances to the so-called earth-

bound spirit of Mr. Penrose. But

we have never found an explana-

on such things as the ringing of the

terminated in my mother's death.

"Suddenly, dreadfully, the matter

"One night Marie turned on the

And in the few moments of absence

my mother did the supposedly im-

Convright .- WNU Service.

in Eighteenth Century

Camping, as an American practice,

originated in the Eighteenth century

for a different purpose than did the

contemporary outdoor recreation,

families attended. Then there were

few churches and communities, so a

services at a specified time of year.

would participate in the three or

four days' services, and during this

by in tents or shacks. Their pur

In 1885 churches were well estab-

lished in all organized communities.

and pioneering in the United States

was virtually ended. People became

weary of the city, especially the

conceived the idea of establishing s

community.

in the tub, there to die from it."

"I have never laid any of the dis-

of his apartment in Washington, freshly painted surface a series of From our first night there a strange new scorings around a heavy leather phenomenon pervaded the place," re- chair. These scorings were very lated Mary Roberts Rinehart famous deep.

of the apartment which was locked. to end with my mother's death. "The account of the phenomenon When we returned we found to our has been told before, and I am tell- amazement the pandanus plant siting it now, not because I believe in ting neatly upright on the living any physical manifestation of sur- room floor, minus its crock, and some vival after death, but because I know thirty feet from where it belonged. one cannot say that because he or she cannot see a thing, it does not next day the papers ran a tale that

novelist. "The distraction was only

"Perhaps the disturbances were and that the dead Senator was ringwarning us of danger to my mother; ing his bell. Whereupon a stateperhaps some child, incarnate, was playing around our rooms. Whatever building, that the bell from his priit was some strange phenomenon did vate office had rung for some time exist.

"The scene was set there, of course,

for the rumor of a ghost. "Immediately after Senator Penrose's death the colored maids were stating that the dead man was walking. On our first night in the apartment, after we had turned off our lights, there was a rush of something through the room. The effect tion. We even had a special type was as if a large black curtain had of Yale lock on the entrance door been drawn swiftly across us. Doc- to our apartment. I myself checked tor Rinehart sat up in bed. "What on earth was that?" he bedroom bell, and that repeatedly.

"We turned on the lights, but everything was as it should be. The to get into her bath without help; hard to understand. It can't be from windows were open, but there was it was considered an impossibility for no wind, and the narrow curtains her to do it. were held flat to the wall by heavy bands that could not blow under any hot water, and then was called away. circumstances.

> "The next morning brought an unusual incident. We had no servants possible, got into the scalding water save Marie, the personal maid for my mother and myself. At seven the next morning Marie entered with my coffee. I reproved her for coming Camping Out Started

ly of my ringing the bell which connected my room with hers, when I did not ring. One day I myself heard the says the Tulsa World. In the early bell ringing in her room, when I was days "camp meetings" were religious in the study opposite her room. We festivals which all the neighborhood called in an electrician to examine for a short circuit; there was none.

and in time became accustomed to many lives were lost through typhoid, it. But other queer happenings tool: All the farmers from miles around place; curious and unexplainable and stirrings disturbed not the imaginations of such writers as only Marie, but myself, two aunts time the families would lodge near who came to visit us, and my sons.

a visit was unwarned of the situation. Just before his arrival the hail ture had been set back for the first

"The following morning he called me, and I found him in the hall youths, so a New York business man staring at something. He had come in late, and gone to sleep at once, camp. From the first year of operto be awakened with a feeling of in- ation, which included six boys, to the tense cold and a sense of terror he present date, the total number in all "After the golden sands of the could not explain. Following that, camps has swelled to over 2,000,000. beach were exhausted, dredges were as he lay there, outside his door in Older people became interested in brought in and the mining took on an the hall, a heavy piece of furniture this back-to-nature movement; now

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Nome Named by a Mistake

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which marks the American side of society headquarters in Washington. For years it has been the nearest town of any importance to the Old World. The town sprawls along the sea shore and the Snake river where that stream flows into Bering sea.

A Town Built of Wood.

been an autumn exodus from Nome the Nome sands. to 'the States,' This was particu-

Crocheted Rugs in Quilt Designs

quilts have been the big article of rugs in quilt designs contains 20 rugs

Washington.-Nome, Alaska, re- swept Bering sea close to the Arctic cently almost entirely destroyed by circle, and is frozen in and snowed fire, is an outstanding example of a in for about seven months of the town named by mistake. In early year. At times the snow drifts up maps of Alaska one cape was left to the eaves of the houses. Since nameless and an official to whom the placer mining, the community's chief had time to think of sanitation, so transcribed the scrawled question as water congeals. Nome's last boat usually leaves for Seattle about Octhe gold rush came in 1899, the little tober 15, and none arrives until the middle of the following June.

"Gold was discovered in one of the creeks inland from the site of Nome, southeast of Cape Prince of Wales ice released its grip on the Bering coast the following spring, thousands Bering strait, and less than 150 miles of gold-seekers rushed in. Then came from the mainland of Asia," says a the astounding discovery by a United bulletin from the National Geographic | States soldier that he could pan gold from the sands of the beach. Glamor and Tragedy Marked Nome's

Life. "News of this paradise for the poor miner, where it was not even necessary to file claims, spread rapabout midway of the Alaskan west idly over the world even in those radioless days. Miners in other Alaska settlements and western "The buildings of Nome have al- United States, dropped their picks, ways been predominantly of wood, store clerks quit their jobs, seamen deand even the streets were pared with serted their ships, gamblers left their boards to combat the almost bottom- old haunts, laborers laid down their less mud of the tundra on which the tools, and even women left comforttown sprang up. There has always able homes to seek their fortunes in

"In two years Nome became the larly marked in the early days of largest city in Alaska territory. In the town's life when the proportion the summer of 1900, it had 20,000 inof fair-weather citizens was large. | habitants. They came from all parts "The town lies wholly approtected of the world-a colorful group who on the north coast of the icy, storm emblazoned Nome's name indelibly

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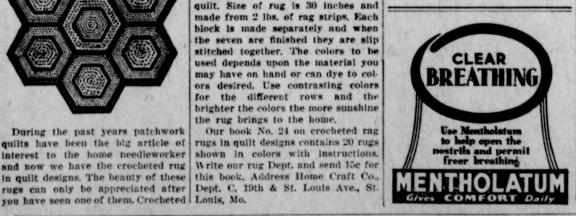
on the pages of Alaskan history. "Life in Nome was at once glamor ous, sordid, thrilling, and tragic. Unscrupulous adventurers plied their shady tricks on innocent prospectors. Claim jumping, sometimes with the connivance of officials, was common. Gamblers grew rich from miners' gold bags and pocketbooks by the use of crooked gambling devices. No one

"Meanwhile Nome's glamor aroused Rex Beach and Jack London. And why not? The Nome gold rush ranks with the most remarkable stampedes in American mining history. The sands streamed in by boat and wagon and afoot. Hotels, banks, and stores, time. all of wood, rose along muddy lanes. Increased traffic on the streets made them knee-deep mires, so the town covered them with sturdy boards for safety of pedestrians.

One of the Greatest Gold Stampedes. industrial aspect in the creeks some miles inland. Nome's population beard for an hour it had creaked and shares in this recreation. gan to dwindle. By 1903 thousands of gold seekers had died or vanished. -some with purses bulging; others poorer than when they arrived. Many could not stand the cold climate, for Nome is 600 miles farther north than the southern tip of bleak Greenland, and lies in the same latitude as frigid Arkhangelsk (Archangel), Russia. The 1903 census accounted for about 7,000 people during the summer and half as many in the winter. In 1910 there were 2,600 residents. The town's population reached its low mark in 1920 when it was only 852. In recent years the

"Altogether, between \$90,000,000 and \$100,000,000 in gold has been taken from the sands and creek beds of the Nome region. And the great dredges, eating away some miles inland, continue to pour out a sizable stream of the yellow metal each sum-

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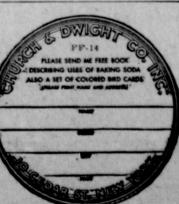
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HOT STUFF

By FLOYD McCRACKEN

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N MAGIN pulled his worn cap low over a troubled brow. He had not known the Skeet iong or comfortably, and with him, even here in the speakeasy, the

Though, goodness knows, no one here in the city ever would recognize him.

The Skeet was speaking.
"It's hot stuff. Y'understand? Hot!" The Skeet muttered, peering impressively from slits of eyes into the agitated face of the youth sitting across the narrow service table.

If Dan flinched it was against his

"Y'u aia't gettin' frosted toes? That's the h-1 of you kids. No perve!" If the Skeet knew one thing well it was how to handle his man. "No, no," Dan rushed to deny. "Not

cold feet, Skeet. It's nothing to me but a job, you know. You give me the -the suitcase and a five spot. I take the sultcase to the mayor's house."

"Just that easy." The Skeet eased back in his chair with obvious relief and satisfaction. "An' after that scram, see? Scram an' forget. I'm leavin' town myself. Goin' out on my

The two rose tensely.

Dan accepted a neat brown suitcase gingerly.

The older man slipped the bey a five dollar bill, at the same time repeating directions and muttering a final warhing.

"An' none of your funny stuff. The gang's wise and if you don't earn that

The Skeet left Dan to imagine the dark consequence of failure.

It was nine o'clock. The errand must be completed be-

fore midnight. Plenty of time, Dan decided, but the sooner it was over the better.

He did not question the nature of his burden, though the Skeet never had discussed that with him.

Alone in the night, the boy shivered with revulsion.

For an instant he was tempted to turn the thing over to the police, but only for an instant.

Thoughts of the Skeet's gang quickly drove away that idea. He glanced nervously over his shoul-

der to see if he might be followed as he boarded a street car. Finding a seat alone, he held the

suitcase carefully on his knees until a policeman came and sat beside him. it seemed unnatural to be holding the thing in this manner.

Dan was afraid the officer might notice and ask questions, so he shoved his burden carefully under the seat. "Moving?" the policeman asked,

smiling with warm friendliness as he glanced toward the disappearing suit-

"Yes. Yes, moving," Dan muttered He felt weak, partly from hunger,

partly from fear. "Hot stuff," the Skeet had warned. "From the country, aren't you?" the

officer asked. Dan didn't want to talk to anybody,

east of all to a policeman. How could a cop tell just by looking

at him that he was from the country?
"Excuse me, my street," the boy blurted, bolting suddenly from the car with his precious suitcase.

He felt the surprised glance of the officer bore into his back as he hur ried down the aisle. He was glad when he reached the street.

He had gained one shing at least by making his sudden move.

No one else left the car with him and he felt sure that if he had been followed he now had shaken pursuit. Dan glanced at the suitcase.

It was an ordinary oblong affair with brown leather finish. Neat but cheap. Nothing about it to attract atten tion. Nothing on the outside to iden

Signalling the next outward-bound ear, he climbed aboard apprehensively. What he feared he did not know, bu be was relieved when a quick survey revealed no policeman aboard.

The car was almost filled. Dan slunk into a seat beside a halfeleeping man he judged to be a seaman, and slid the sultcase carefully under the sent.

A newsboy working through the car spread a paper before Dan's eyes, and the youth's heart jumped into his mouth as he read:

MAYOR DEFIES STRIKERS

Suddenly the seaman leaped to his feet as the conductor called a street Reaching under the seat, the man

snatched at the leather bag and lurched into the aisle. "Hey, you've got my suitcase," Dan

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his own choosing. He had known the older man only by that odd name, the Skeet, and he

never had met him except at night. The boy had been out of work for boy felt impelled to conceal his idenweeks. His money gone, he stood at a street corner the evening of their first meeting, wondering what he should do next.

> "Smoke, buddy?" a voice had said at his elbow. It had been the first friendly word Dan had heard in days, and his heart warmed. Even then he sensed an antagonism against the thick, squat man.

"Thank you," the boy had said, accepting the proffered cigarette. "I'd rather have a plate of beans, though," he had smiled wryly.

For a week after that the Skeet had supplied Dan with a place to sleep and meager rations.

During that week Dan never escaped the feeling that he was being studied, watched. And yet one must eat, he argued to overcome his uneasiness.

With the money he had collected for this night's errand he would leave the

He would go as far into the country as the money would take him, Perhaps he would be able to find

work on a farm He always had been able to make a living in the country, and he could do it again, he vowed now.

Reaching the street indicated in the directions received from the Skeet Dan left the car.

The mayor's mansion was as he had It was a large structure set well

back amid luxuriant shrubbery. Dan's task proved comparatively easy. Put the suitcase against the front door and then scram, the Skeet

had said. Dan boarded the next car into the He sat nervously, tensely watching

the shadows rumbling by the win-He had almost reached the business section when a blinding flash against the sky brought him to his feet with

He looked at his cheap wrist watch, puzzled. Only a little past ten o'clock. Twelve had been the hour-And besides that, the errand he had undertaken had led him to the outskirts of the city, while the explosion he had

He hurried to the depot where he learned the next train into the country would not leave for an hour and a half.

just heard plainly was at the water-

He decided to eat.

Fears that overwhelmed him on an empty stomach fied as he mastered the food. He would never let himself get so hungry again, he told himself, never. Twelve o'clock and the suitcase would be far away. By midnight he would be ell on his way from the city.

As he crossed the walting room to the ticket window a newsboy burst noisily into view, waving a late edi-

"Mystery blast kills gangster!" the lad shouted.

"Read about it. Mystery blast kills the Skeet! Avidly Dan snatched a paper from

the urchin. Hot, bleary eyes raced across the bold-faced type as he read:

"Victim of a mystery blast, the Skeet, potorious gangster, was killed tonight while assisting a seaman in loading a small boat preparatory to going aboard the gangster's yacht. The seaman, who was seriously injured by the explosion, told the police the blast came when the Skeet dropped a suitcase tossed to him as he stood in the boat. The police said they can find

Oldest Town in U. S. Is Located in Arizona

nothing they can regard as a clue."

While St. Augustine, Fla., settled about 1565, and Santa Fe, N. M., founded about 1537, each insists it is the oldest town in the United States, the town actually oldest has no chamber of commerce to proclaim or defend its title, according to Dr. Paul S. Martin, assistant curator in charge of North American archeology at the Field Museum of Natural History. This town, Doctor Martin states, is the Indian settlement of Oraibi in the Hopi reserva-Gon of Arizona. Oraibi, Doctor Martin contends, is the oldest continuously inhabited community in the United States so far recorded. It probably dates back to at least A. D. 1200 and is thus a good 300 years older than any other town in the country, the museum archeologist declares.

Recent archeological work on the Oraibi site indicates that the present pueblo or town is erected on top of older habitations, built, lived in and deserted many centuries ago. According to tribal legends, Oraibi was founded as a result of a quarrel between two factions of another village, now abandoned. Probably this schism was a result of the age-old perennial battle between the old and the young, which even in more recent times has often resulted in splitting a population and causing a new settlement to be found ed. Doctor Martin says.

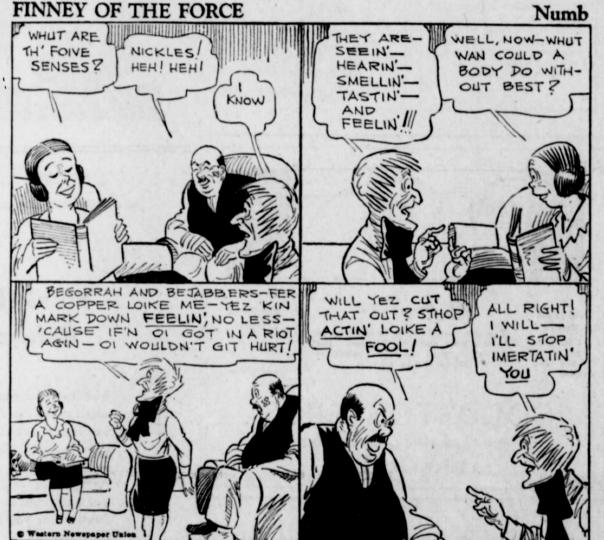
Mean Thing! "I take half an hour's beauty slee

"You should make it is

OUR COMIC SECTION

Events in the Lives of Little Men









The Man Who Hit the Bull's Eye

M OONSHINING flourished long before the prohibition amendment was made to the Constitution of the United States.

Twenty years ago it was carried on in the mountains of West Virginia on a scale that made the government authoritles gasp for breath.

The general impression of the moonshiner is that of a poor white man who is willing to take big chances in order to make a little illegal money. This is true of some sections, but at the time mentioned there were bold and unscrupulous distillers who carried it on as a business in a big way

Wayne Gooch was one of these men. He was called "the King of the Moonshiners," and there is no reason to doubt that he was entitled to the

and who made fortunes by the opera-

distinction. The scandals grew to such proportions that the commissioner of internal revenue at Washington determined it would have to be stopped at

all hazards. The man he assigned to the job was a fearless agent named Tom Kennedy. He had several advantages. One

was that he knew the mountains of West Virginia. Another was that he was a crack

These things were important, because the moonshiners placed small

value on human life. Most of them boasted that they would not be taken alive, and by the same token they would kill anyone who attempted to interfere with their

business. Kennedy determined to confront the

He made up his mind to go to the Gooch stamping grounds in the guise

of a government forester. Merely to be known as a person who was connected with the government in any capacity was taking a big chance, but Kennedy was a man who had been taking chances all his life, and one additional chance meant litttle

He had two capable assistants with him, and he went direct to the cabin where the king of the moonshiners made his headquarters.

He introduced himself by his real name, and he wanted to know what the authorities could do to help the cultivation of trees in that part of the country. Gooch, who was a big, bluff fellow, received him cordially enough, even though he kept his weather eye on this curious stranger.

He said the soil in that part of West Virginia was not particularly adapted to forestry, but he cheerfully offered to escort Kennedy about the country.

It was just what the revenue agent

He kept his eyes and his ears open. and at the end of 24 hours was forced confess that there was not even the sign of a still in operation. During that time the king enter-

tained the agent in a royal fashion. One day they had a shooting match, with a big target set up near the cabin. Kennedy participated, and to the great delight and admiration of

nine times out of ten. Gooch sald that was the best record ever made in that locality. He parted with his guest with ap

the king the visitor hit the bull's ever

parent reluctance. Kennedy had played his cards so well that he was not even suspected by the king of the moonshiners.

They parted one night with expressions of mutual esteem. Kennedy had no misconception of his man. He knew that if his true character

had become known he would have been shot down like a dog. This thought keyed him up to the game he was about to play.

He left the cabin and the vicinity. but he had proof that distilling was going on on a great scale. He discovered that the stuff was

sent to the depot in a truck at about So he lay in wait with his two-men and when the team arrived at a certain part of the road he appeared in

the highway with a loaded and primed

revolver. The driver and his assistant, taken unawares, surrendered.

In the meantime, Kennedy sent for re-enforcements and before another day had gone by the king of the moonshiners and his men had been taken into custody.

WNU Service.

Counterfeit Wampum Counterfeit wampum came into be-

ing with the white man's arrival in America when a family of European Immigrants of Paskack, N. J., with the ald of steel drills and lathes, became preficient in making wampum from the cheap, plentiful shells of the common Busycon conch of the Gulf coast. This counterfeit Indian money circulated as far west as the Mississip-

Hawaii's Temperature Hawaii, lying in mid-ocean just within the tropics, has a warm climate throughout the year, though high temperatures are prohi

THE GAS STATION



1-The gasoline pumping station is | the very keynote of the American true. scene.

2-The United States is really a frankfurter stands and waffle restaularge body of people entirely sur- rants. Which is plenty thick. rounded by gas stations.

the country than there are churches, loned residences, especially the cor- are automobiles. schools and libraries. 4-And they have decidedly better

locations.

7-But today they are thicker than air and a rest room.

ner sites.

seized with a maniacal determination it and with iron deer on the lawn.

6-This seems incredible, but it is to tear it down and replace it with a Spanish mosque with six pumps, free

10-Why he behaves this way is hard to understand. It can't be from windows were open, but there was 8-It looks like a great plot by the mercenary incentives, because there no wind, and the narrow curtains her to do it. 3-There are more gas stations in oil interests to eliminate all old-fash- are more gas stations now than there were held flat to the wall by heavy

bands that could not blow under any 11-But there are signs that the circumstances. 9-The minute a gasoline baron tide is turning. The other day a hears of a fine old American home couple of American home lovers 5-Once upon a time there was with spacious lawns in a nice resi- bought up a gasoline station, tore it save Marie, the personal maid for my quite a distance between them. You dential district with birdies and down and erected a colonial home- mother and myself. At seven the next could walk two or three blocks and posles all around it, he becomes stead on it with lilac bushes around morning Marie entered with my coffee. I reproved her for coming

on the pages of Alaskan history.

"Life in Nome was at once glamor-

ous, sordid, thrilling, and tragic. Un-

scrupulous adventurers plied their

shady tricks on innocent prospectors.

why not? The Nome gold rush ranks

miles inland. Nome's population be-

gan to dwindle. By 1903 thousands

of gold seekers had died or vanished.

-some with purses bulging; others

poorer than when they arrived.

mate, for Nome is 600 miles farther

north than the southern tip of bleak

Greenland, and lies in the same lati-

counted for about 7,000 people dur-

ing the summer and half as many in

the winter. In 1910 there were 2,600

residents. The town's population reached its low mark in 1920 when

it was only 852. In recent years the

taken from the sands and creek beds

of the Nome region. And the great dredges, eating away some miles in-

land, continue to pour out a sizable

population has been about 1,200, "Altogether, between \$90,000,000 and \$100,000,000 in gold has been

"'But you rang, madam. Rang

tor Rinehart sat up in bed.

asked.

"What on earth was that?" he

"We turned on the lights, but

"The next morning brought an un-

usual incident. We had no servants

everything was as it should be. The

"Later Marie complained repeatednected my room with hers, when I did not ring. One day I myself heard the bell ringing in her room, when I was in the study opposite her room. We called in an electrician to examine for a short circuit; there was none.

and in time became accustomed to many lives were lost through typhoid, it. But other queer happenings took All the farmers from miles around place; curious and unexplainable poises and stirrings disturbed not usually leaves for Seattle about Oc- the imaginations of such writers as only Marie, but myself, two aunts time the families would lodge near

"My eldest son, who came home for a visit was unwarned of the situation. Just before his arrival the hail in the autumn of 1898. When the city grew like a mushroom. Thou- floor had been painted, and the furniture had been set back for the first

"The following morning he called bulletin from the National Geographic States soldier that he could pan gold them knee-deep mires, so the town staring at something. He had come covered them with sturdy boards for in late, and gone to sleep at once, to be awakened with a feeling of in-One of the Greatest Gold Stampedes. tense cold and a sense of terror he and for an hour it had creaked and shares in this recreation

By Mary Roberts Rinehart "In 1922, after the death of Bois | moved without stopping. We ex-Penrose, my family took occupancy amined the floor and found on the of his apartment in Washington. freshly painted surface a series of From our first night there a strange new scorings around a heavy leather phenomenon pervaded the place," re- chair. These scorings were very

novelist. "The distraction was only "A few days later we were all out of the apartment which was locked. "The account of the phenomenon When we returned we found to our has been told before, and I am tell- amazement the pandanus plant siting it now, not because I believe in ting neatly upright on the living any physical manifestation of sur- room floor, minus its crock, and some

one cannot say that because he or "One night we gave a dinner. The she cannot see a thing, it does not next day the papers ran a tale that the Penrose apartment was haunted. "Perhaps the disturbances were and that the dead Senator was ringwarning us of danger to my mother; ing his bell. Whereupon a statement came from the senate office perhaps some child, incarnate, was playing around our rooms. Whatever building, that the bell from his priit was some strange phenomenon did vate office had rung for some time after his death, two short sharp "The scene was set there, of course, peals. Also a page from the senate later told me that the boys would for the rumor of a ghost.

A TRUE CHOST STORY

vival after death, but because I know | thirty feet from where it belonged.

lated Mary Roberts Rinehart famous deep.

to end with my mother's death.

not go into his office if they could "Immediately after Senator Penrose's death the colored maids were help it, that there was a ghost in it. stating that the dead man was walk-"I have never laid any of the dising. On our first night in the apartturbances to the so-called earthbound spirit of Mr. Penrose. But ment, after we had turned off our we have never found an explanalights, there was a rush of something through the room. The effect tion. We even had a special type was as if a large black curtain had of Yale lock on the entrance door been drawn swiftly across us. Doc- to our apartment. I myself checked

on such things as the ringing of the bedroom bell, and that repeatedly. "Suddenly, dreadfully, the matter terminated in my mother's death. to get into her bath without help: it was considered an impossibility for

"One night Marie turned on the hot water, and then was called away, And in the few moments of absence my mother did the supposedly impossible, got into the scalding water in the tub, there to die from it." Convright .- WNU Service.

Camping Out Started in Eighteenth Century

Camping, as an American practice originated in the Eighteenth century ly of my ringing the bell which con- for a different purpose than did the contemporary outdoor recreation. says the Tulsa World. In the early days "camp meetings" were religious festivals which all the neighborhood families attended. Then there were few churches and communities, so a "After that we accepted the bell, certain spot would be appointed for services at a specified time of year. would participate in the three or four days' services, and during this by in tents or shacks. Their pur pose was to establish a temporary

community. In 1885 churches were well established in all organized communities. and pioneering in the United States was virtually ended. People became weary of the city, especially the me, and I found him in the hall youths, so a New York business man conceived the idea of establishing a camp. From the first year of operation, which included six boys, to the present date, the total number in all "After the golden sands of the could not explain. Following that, camps has swelled to over 2,000,000. sea shore and the Snake river where poor miner, where it was not even beach were exhausted, dredges were as he lay there, outside his door in Older people became interested in that stream flows into Bering sea, necessary to file claims, spread rap brought in and the mining took on an the hall, a heavy piece of furniture this back-to-nature movement; now about midway of the Alaskan west idly over the world even in those industrial aspect in the creeks some had apparently commenced to move, 10 per cent of all the population

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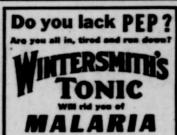
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Nome Named by a Mistake

cently almost entirely destroyed by circle, and is frozen in and snowed connivance of officials, was common. fire, is an outstanding example of a in for about seven months of the Gamblers grew rich from miners' town named by mistake. In early year. At times the snow drifts up gold bags and pocketbooks by the use maps of Alaska one cape was left nameless and an official to whom the placer mining, the community's chief had time to think of sanitation, so draft was submitted penciled beside industry, depends on the use of wait the query "name?" A copyist ter, all activities must close when the dlphtheria and other diseases. "Nome," and the name stuck. When the gold rush came in 1899, the little tober 15, and none arrives until the Rex Beach and Jack London. And who came to visit us, and my sons. settlement which had previously been ealled Anvil City, adopted the name of the cape, 11 miles to the east.

"Nome is only about 120 miles southeast of Cape Prince of Wales which marks the American side of Bering strait, and less than 150 miles of gold-seekers rushed in. Then came all of wood, rose along muddy lanes. from the mainland of Asia," says a the astounding discovery by a United Increased traffic on the streets made society headquarters in Washington. from the sands of the beach, "For years it has been the nearest Glamor and Tragedy Marked Nome's safety of pedestrians. town of any importance to the Old World. The town sprawls along the

A Town Built of Wood.

ways been predominantly of wood, store clerks quit their Jobs, seamen deand even the streets were pared with serted their ships, gamblers left their less mud of the tundra on which the tools, and even women left comforttown sprang up. There has always able homes to seek their fortunes in been an autumn exodus from Nome the Nome sands. to 'the States.' This was particularly marked in the early days of largest city in Alaska territory.

Washington .- Nome, Alaska, re- swept Bering sea close to the Arctic Claim jumping, sometimes with the middle of the following June.

"News of this paradise for the Alaska settlements and western "The buildings of Nome have al- United States, dropped their picks, boards to combat the almost bottom- old haunts, laborers laid down their Many could not stand the cold cli-

the town's life when the proportion the summer of 1900, it had 20,000 inof fair-weather citizens was large. | babitants. They came from all parts "The town lies wholly approtected of the world-a colorful group who

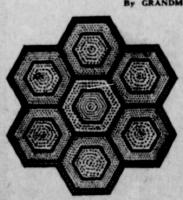
to the eaves of the houses. Since of crooked gambling devices. No one transcribed the scrawled question as water congeals. Nome's last boat "Meanwhile Nome's glamor aroused

> "Gold was discovered in one of the with the most remarkable stampedes creeks inland from the site of Nome, in American mining history. The ice released its grip on the Bering sands streamed in by boat and wagon coast the following spring, thousands and afoot. Hotels, banks, and stores, time.

Life.

"In two years Nome became the tude as frigid Arkhangelsk (Arch-In angel), Russia. The 1903 census ac-

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SYNOPSIS

Philo Vance, crime expert, is called Philo vance, crime expert, is called to investigate the supposed suicide of Archer Coe. With District Attorney Markham, he goes to Coe's house. They find Wrede, a friend of Coe's, there; also a Signor Grassi, a guest. The door of the death chamber is bolted from the inside. They force it. Coe is seated, a revolver in his right hand and a bullar hole in his right than and a bullar hole in his right than and a bullar hole in his regular has been seated. let hole in his temple. He is clothed in a dressing gown, but wears street shoes. Markham thinks it is suicide. Vance says it is murder.

CHAPTER II-Continued

Vance yawned and strolled between Hilda Lake and Markham. Again he held out his cigarette case. "Oh, do have a cigarette," he plead-

ed. "Sometimes they quiet the nerves, don't y' know." The woman looked up at him and gave a hard, questioning smile. Then,

after a moment's hesitation she took one, and he lighted it for her. "What do you think of this affair,

Mr. Vance?" she asked casually. "Dashed If I know." He spoke lightly. "Your suggestion of a Chinaman is most fascinatin'. I wonder if there are any objets d'art missing from the house."

"I wouldn't be surprised." She blew 4 long ribbon of smoke toward the ceiling. "Personally, I hope they're all gone. I'd infinitely prefer Wedgwood and Willow ware.'

Markham again took the floor. 'I'm afraid we're all talking a bit If your uncle's dramatically. . . . death was not suicide, Miss Lake, how do you account for the fact that the door of this room was bolted on the inside?"

Hilda Lake rose to her feet. a puzzled look on her face.

"Bolted on the inside?" she repeated, turning toward the door, "Ah! So you had to break in!" She stood still for several moments looking at the hanging bolt. "That's different."

"In just what way?" asked Vance. Maybe, after all, it was suicide!" A bell sounded downstairs, and we could hear Gamble opening the front

Markham stepped quickly to Hilda Lake's side, and put his hand on her "The medical examiner is probably

coming. Will you be so good as to go to your room and walt there?" 'Right-o." She strode to the door. Before she went out she turned. "But

please send Gamble up with my tea and muffins. I'm positively starving." A minute later Dr. Emanuel Doremus was ushered into the room. He was a wiry, nervous man, cynical, hard-bitten, and with a launty manner, He resembled a stock salesman far

He greeted us with a wave of the hand, and glanced about the room. Then he teetered back and forth on his toes, and pinned a baleful eye on

"More shenanigan," he complained. "I was in the midst of hot cakes and sausages when I got your message. You always pick on me at meal time, Sergeant. . . . Well, what have you got for me now?"

Heath grinned and jerked his thumb toward Coe's body. He was used to the medical examiner's grousing. Doremus turned his head and let

his indifferent eyes rest on the dead man for several moments. "The door was bolted on the inside, doctor," Markham volunteered, "We

had to break it in." Doremus drew a deep sigh and turned back to Heath with a grunt

of disgust. "Well, what about it?" he asked impatiently. "Couldn't you have let me finish my breakfast? All you needed was an order to remove the body." He reached in his pocket and drew out a small pad of printed blanks. "If you'd have given me the lowdown, I'd have sent an assistant." His voice had be-

"Mr. Markham told me to call you personally, doc," Heath explained, "It ain't my funeral."

Doremus, holding his fountain pen poised, cocked an eye at Markham. "Straight case of suicide," he an-nounced breezily. "Nothing to worry

about. I'll give you the approximate time of death, if you want it. And

the routine autopsy. . "I say, doctor," Vance asked languidly: "would it be unprofessional if you look at the body?"

Doremus spun round. "I'm going to look at the body," he enapped. "Im going to dissect it-I'm going to give it a post mortem. What

more do you want?" "Just why, Doctor," pursued Vance,

"do you jump at the conclusion that it's suicide?" Doremus sighed impatiently.

"The gun's in his hand; the bullet wound is in the right place; and I'

know a dead man when I see one. Furthermore, the door—"
"Was bolted on the inside," Vance finished. "Oh, quite. But what about

the body?" "Well, what about it?" Doremus began filling in the order. "There's the

-look at it yourself." "I have looked at it, don't y' know." "You pre, Doc," Heath explained,

with a grin of satisfaction, "Mr. Vance and I made a bet. I said you'd say suicide; and he said you'd say mur-

"I'm a doctor, not a detective," Doremus returned acidly. "The guy's dead, with a bullet hole in his right temple. He's holding a gun in his right hand. It's the kind of wound that could have been self-inflicted. His position is natural-and the door was locked on the inside. The rest of it is up to you fellows in the homicide bureau. If the bullet from the gun don't fit, the autopsy'll show it. You'll get all the data tomorrow. Then you can draw your own conclusions."

Vance had sat down in a chair near the west wall and was smoking pla-

"Would you mind, Doctor, taking a close look at that bullet hole before you return to your hot cakes and sausages? And you might also scrutinize the dead man's mouth."

Doremus stared at Vance a moment : then he approached Archer Coe's body and bent over it. He inspected the wound carefully, and I saw his eyebrows go up. He lifted the hair from the left temple, and there was visible to all of us a dark bruised indentation on the scalp along the hair line. Then he lifted Coe's upper lip slightly, and seemed to inspect his teeth, which appeared bloodstained from where I stood. After a close inspection of the dead man's mouth, he again focused his attention on the bullet wound in the right temple.

Presently he stood up straight and fixed a calculating gaze on Vance. "What's in your mind?" he asked

truculently. "Nothing at all-the brain's a mere vacuum." Vance took his cigarette from his lips and yawned. "Did you find anything illuminatin'?" Doremus nodded, his eyes still on

Vance.

"Yeah. Plenty!" "Oh, really, now?" Vance smiled ingratiatingly. "And you still think it's suicide?"

Doremus crammed his hands into his pockets and made a wry face. "H-l, no! . . . There's something

queer here-something d-d queer." His eyes shifted to Coe's body. "There's blood in his mouth, and he's got a slight fracture of the skull on the left frontal. He's had a dirty blow by a blunt instrument of some kind. D-d queer!"

Markham, his eyes mere slits, came forward. "What about that bullet wound in

bis right temple?" Doremus looked up, took one hand from his pocket, and pointed toward the dead man's head.

"Mr. Markham." he cise solemnity, "that baby had been dead for hours when that bullet entered his head!"

The only person in the room who was not staggered by this unexpected announcement was Vance. Heath stood staring at the corpse as if he almost expected it to rise. Markham slowly took his cigar from his mouth and looked vaguely back and forth between Doremus and Vance. As for myself, I must admit that a cold chill ran up my spine. The sight of a dead man sitting with a revolver in his hand and a bullet wound in his temple. coupled with the knowledge that the bullet had been fired into him after death, affected me like a piece of African sorcery.

Vance, as I say, was unaffected. H merely nodded his head slightly and lighted another cigarette with steady

"Interestin' situation-eh, what?" he murmured. "Really, Markham, a mau doesn't ordinarily shoot himself after death. . . . I fear you simply must eliminate the suicide theory."

Markham frowned deeply. "But the bolted door-

"A dead man doesn't ordinarily bolt doors, either." Vance returned. Markham turned, with slightly dazed

eyes, to Doremus, "Can you determine what killed him, Doctor?" "If given time." Doremus had be

come sullen: he did not like the turn of events. "I say, Doctor," drawled Vance "what's the state of rigor mortis in our

"It's well advanced. Dead eight to

twelve hours." "Can't you come closer than that?" asked Heath sourly.

"Give me a chance." The medical examiner was irritable. "I'm going to take a closer look at this guy before Lend me a hand, Ser geant, and we'll put him on the

"Just a moment, Doctor." Vance spoke peremptorily. "Take a look at the hand on the desk. Is it clutching the revolver tightly?"

"He's clutching the gun tight, all With difficulty Doremus bent Coe's fingers and removed the revolver, taking great care not to make fingerprints on it.

Heath came forward and gingerly in spected the weapon. Then he droppe it in a large pocket handkerchief, and

"And, Doctor," pursued Vance, "was

Coe's finger pressed directly against | the trigger?"

"Yep," was Doremus' curt answer. "Then we may assume that the revolver was placed in Coe's hand before rigor mortis set in, what?"

"Well, I'll tell you. He"-pointing to Coe's body-"may have had the gun in his hand when he died. I wasn't present, y' understand. And if the gun was already in his hand, then nobody put it there later." "In that case how could it have

been fired?"

"It couldn't. But how do you know it was fired? There's no way of telling until the post mortem whether the bullet in his head came from the gun be was nolding."

"Do the caliber of the revolver and the wound correspond?"

"Yes, I'd say so. The gun's a .38, and the wound looks the same size. "And." put in Heath, "one cham-

ber of the gun's been fired." Markham nodded, and looked at the medical examiner.

"If it should prove to be true, Doctor, that the revolver in Coe's hand fired the shot in his head, then we could assume could we not as Mr. Vance suggested, that the revolver had been placed in the dead man's hand before rigor mortis set in?"

"Sure you could." Doremus' tone was greatly modified. "Nobody could have forced the gun into his hand and made it appear natural after rigor mortis had set in." Though Vance's eyes were moving

idly about the room, he was listening closely to this conversation. "There is." he remarked, in a low voice, "another possibility. Far-fetched,

I'll admit, but tenable. . . . Men have



"Men Have Been Known to Do Queer Things After Death."

been known to do queer things after death. There are recorded instances of suicides who have shot themselves and then thrown the weapon thirty feet away. Dr. Hans Gross in his 'Handbuch fur Untersuchungsrich-

ter'-" "But that hardly applies here." "No-o." Vance drew deeply on his cigarette. "Quite so. Just a fleeting

Markham studied Vance a moment; then turned back to Doremus. "Did Cee die of that blow on the

bead?" The medical examiner teetered on

his toes, and pursed his lips. "There's something funny here. There's been an internal hemorrhage -what might be expected from a severe blow on the head. Blood in the mouth and all that. . . . But, Mr. Markham,"-Doremus spoke impressively-"that blow on the left frontal wasn't powerful enough to kill a man. A slight fracture, but nothing serious-just enough to stun him. . . Nope, he didn't die of concussion or s

fractured skull." "And he didn't die of the revolver shot," added Vance. "Most fasci-

natin'! . . . Still, the johnny's dead, don't y' know." Doremus swung jerkily about to Heath.

"Come on, Sergeant." He and Heath lifted Coe's body and carried It to the bed. Together they removed the clothes from the dead man, hung them over a chair by the bed, and Doremus began his examination. The body was lying on its back, and as Doremus pressed his hand over the right side we could see him pause

and bend forward. "Fifth rib broken," he announced. 'And a decided bruise.' "Did it happen before or after death?" asked Markham.

"Before. Otherwise there'd be no epidermal discoloration."

"And that blow on the head was also before death. I take it." "Sure thing. He got a little bunged up before he died, but that isn't what

killed him." "Perhaps," suggested Vance, "the blow on the head and the broken rib are related. He may have been stunned and, in falling, struck his rib

"Was the blow on the head powerful enough to have rendered him unconscious?" Vance was looking around the room at the various pieces of furniture, and there was a velled interest in his eyes. "Oh, yes," Doremus told him

'More than likely." Vance's gaze came to rest on a heavy teakwood chest near the east windows Going to it he opened the lid and looked in. Then he closed it almost

have regained consciousness very soon

immediately. "And," pursued Vance, turning back to the medical examiner, "would Coe

after that blow on his head?" "That's problematical," Doremus straightened and screwed up his face into a perplexed frown. "He might have remained unconscious for twelve hours, and he might have come to in a few minutes. All depends. . . . But that's not what's bothering me. There are a couple of small abrasions on the inside of the right-hand fingers and a slight cut on the knuckle-and they're all fresh. I'd say he'd put up a scrap with whoever cracked him over the head. And yet his clothes were cer-

slicked down. "Yeah, and there was a gun in his hard, and he was sitting restful-like and looking peaceful," added Heath with puzzled disgust. "Somebody musta dolled him up after the battle

tainly neat-no sign of having been

mussed-and his hair's combed and

A swell situation." "But they didn't change his shoes," put in Markham.

Which explains his still wearing his street shoes with his bathrobe.' Heath addressed this remark to Vance. Vance gazed mildly at the sergeant

"Why should anyone re-dress a person he has just knocked unconscious, and then comb his hair? It's a sweet, kind-hearted thought, Sergeant, but somehow it's not the usual procedure. . . No, I'm afraid we'll have to account for Coe's coiffure and sartorial

condition along other lines." Heath studied Vance critically. "You mean he changed his clothes himself and combed his hair after his

bead was bashed in?" "It's not impossible," said Vance. "In that case," Markham asked, "why did he not also change his shoes?"

"Something Intervened." During this speculation Doremus had turned Coe's body over so that it now lay on its face. I was watching him and I saw him suddenly lean for-

"Stabbed, by George!" he announced excitedly.

We all drew close to the bed and looked down at the area on the body at which Doremus was pointing. Just below Coe's right shoulder-

blade end near the spine was a small diamond-shaped wound about half an inch in diameter. It was a clean-cut wound etched with black coagulated blood. Apparently there had been no external bleeding. This fact struck me as unusual, and Markham must have received the same impression, for, after a moment's silence, he asked

Doremus about it. "All wounds do not bleed externally," Doremus explained. "This is especially true of clean, quick stabs that pass through thin membranes into the viscera: they frequently show little or no external blood. Like contusions, The bleeding is internal. . . . This stab closed immediately and the lips of the wound adhered. An liternal hemorrhage was caused. Very simple. Now we have an explanation of

everything."

Vance smiled cynically. "Oh, have we, now? We have only an examination of the cause of Coe's death. And that explanation compilcates the situation horribly. It makes the case even more insane."

Markham shot him a quick glance. "I can't see that," he said. "It at least clarifies one point we have been discussing. We now know what stopped him in the middle of changing clothes."

"I wonder. . . " Vance crushed out his cigarette in an ash-tray on the night-table, and picked up the dressinggown which Coe had been wearing when we found him. He held it up to the light and inspected it minutely, There was no cut or hole of any kind in it. We all looked on in stunefied silence.

"No, Markham," Vance said, placing the gown over the foot of the bed. "Coe didn't have on his dressing-gown when he was stabbed. That change

"Still and all," Heath argued, "the guy mighta had his hand under the robe when he did the stabbing." Vance shook his head ruefully,

"You forget, Sergeant, that the gown was buttoned tightly and that the belt was neatly tied around Coe's middle. But let us see if we can verify the matter."

He walked quickly to the clothes closet in the west wall, whose doo was slightly ajar. Opening the door wide, he stepped inside. A moment later he emerged with a clothes hanger from which depended a coat and waistcoat of the same somber gray material as that of the trousers Coe had been

Vance ran his fingers over the coal in the vicinity of the right shoulder. and there was revealed a slit in the material the exact size of the wound in Coe's back. There was a similar slit in the back of the waistcoat, coisciding with the one in the coat.

Vance held the two articles of clothing close to the light and touched the slits with his fingers.

"These holes," he said, "are slightly stiffened at the edges, as if some substance had dried on them. I think that substance will be found to be blood. . . There's no doubt that Coe was fully dressed when he was stabbed, and that the blood on the dagger, or knife, solled the edges of these two cuts when it was with-

After a moment Markham expresse the thought uppermost in all our minds.

"That being the case Vance the murderer must have taken Coe's coat and vest off, hung them in the closet, and then put the dressing gown on the stabbed man."

"Why the murderer?" Vance parried. "The indications are that so one else came here after Coe was dead and sent a bullet through his head. Couldn't this other hypothetical person have made the change in the

corpse's habiliments?" "Does that theory help us any?" Markham asked gruffly.

"Not a bit," Vance cheerfully admitted, "even if it were true-which, of course, we don't know. And I'll admit it sounds incredible. I merely made the suggestion by way of indicating that, at this stage of the game, we should not jump at conclusions. And the more obvious the conclusion, the more cautious we should be. This is not, my dear Markham, an obvious

Doremus was becoming bored. He gave a cavernous yawn, stretched himself, and reached for his hat which he had placed on the floor beside the "Well, that lets me out." He squiat-

ed at Heath. "I suppose you want a quick autopsy." "I'll say we do." The sergeant's head was enveloped in a cloud of cigar

smoke. "When can we get it?" "Tonight-if you must have it." Doremus drew a sheet over the prone figure on the bed, and made out an order for the removal of the body. He

shook hands cordially with every one and walked briskly toward the door. "Just a moment, Doctor." Markham's voice halted him. "Any remote

possibility of suicide here?" 'What!" Doremus wheeled in surprise. "Not a chance. That bird was stabbed in the back-couldn't possibly have done it himself. He died of laternal been dead eight or ten hours-maybe longer. The bullet in his right temple don't mean a thing-he was already dead. . . . Suicide? Huh!" And with a wave of the hand he went out.

Markham stood for a time looking unhappily at the floor. Finally he made a commanding gesture to Heath, "You'd better notify the boys, Sergeant. Get the fingerprint men and

the photographer. We're in for it. . . And you'll take charge, of course." "I hope, sir," Heath said a bit plead ingly to Markham, "that you are not going to step out on this case. I don't like the way things stack up. Almost anything mighta happened here last night." (I had rarely seen the sergeant so perturbed; and I could not blame him, for every phase of the

crime seemed utterly contradictory and incomprehensible). "No. Sergeant," Markham assured him; "I shall remain and do all I There must be some simple excan. planation, and we're sure to find it sooner or later. . . Don't be discouraged," he added, in a kindly tone.

yet." Vance had seated himself in a lowbacked chair near the windows and was smoking placidly, his eyes on the

"We haven't begun the investigation

TO BE CONTINUED

Crabs "Shed" Quickly

ceiling.

The transition of crabs through the three stages from peeler through soft shell to hard shell is only a matter of a very few hours under natural con ditions. The hardshell crab, having outgrown its shell and with a new or soft shell developed beneath, gradually breaks out of the hard shell. Dur ing that stage it is known as a peeler Once out of the shell the new shell is soft and will remain so if the crab is shipment to market. However, if the crab remains in the water for two or three hours after sloughing the she entire process may not require more than four or five hours.

The Letter "D"

Although the sound which "D" repremains unchanged from earliest times, the form of the letter has undergone much development. The rounded form as we know it, passed into Latin from the Chalcidic alphabet. This form has come down to us. In the early Phoenician and Greek, as the chart

Sparrow and Linnet Take Turns Sitting on Nest

recent issue of the British pub-Meation, Cage Bird World, related an extraordinary story of a hen hedge sparrow and a linnet that insisted on nesting in the same spet. Since neither would give in, the two birds finally constructed a foint nest and both deposited eggs in it. During the incubation period the birds were observed to take turns on th nest, but when it was time for th to hatch the linnet was drive off. Two baby sparrows and on linnet were hatched in the nest.

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The following article appeared

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Texas for the past month and mothers present for October were returning to their home The local post of the American here at the time of the accident. carnival All parents are urged Night 10 15c Completely demelished, the to attend

> Mrs. Radetich was formerly! Miss Cordis Holland of this city.

BAPTIST CONVENTION

Report that Texas leads the world in Baptist young people's Other entertainment features work will be made by T. C. Gard. Hall will be combined with the rodeo, ner of Dallas at the eighty sixth and all persons interested in annual session of the Baptist and how to provide them, Mrs. entering any of the contests are General Convention of Texas at Owens. asked to communicate with Rey San Antonie Nov 6 to 9. Mr. Gardner will present the Baptist Training Service report.

A two day convention of the the general convention The con | ging. dents of West Texas State teach ference of pasters and laymen ers College was held last Friday also will precede the convention. and Saturday at Canyon. These The general convention will be called to order Tuesday night, Messrs, and Mesdames Levell Nov. 6, by Dr J. C. Hardy, Bel

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