

Wichita Falls and vicinity: To night partly cloudy to cloudy, warmer Sunday expected.

MUSICIANS REPORT IN LA CASE

ELEVEN ARE INJURED IN A GAS EXPLOSION NEAR BRECKENRIDGE

FRANCE PROCEEDING WITH HER PROPOSED PROGRAM OF ACTION

HOPE TO PERSUADE OTHER NATIONS THEY ARE RIGHT IN MATTER.

BELIEVE GREAT BRITAIN WILL YET COOPERATE

Primer Will Make a Full Statement of His Plans on Next Friday.

By Associated Press. BERLIN, Jan. 6.—Great activity on the part of French aviators is reported from Mannheim. The aviators are said to be crossing over the neutral zone. They are expected to have been over the city for a considerable time last night.

PARIS, Jan. 6.—France is proceeding quietly but firmly on a program of action which she herself is convinced will be able to persuade others is the only right course if the reparations question is to be settled.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—A person in government circles particularly well placed to speak authoritatively, is quoted by the Echo as believing that the neutrality of Great Britain will be transformed to cooperation if the French plan proves successful.

There is no reason why the Americans, this person is quoted as saying, "when we give them an impression of force and energy, and show them that we are engaged in a military maneuver but in a reasonable and well thought out understanding, will not change their opinion."

Premier Poincare is going ahead with his plans for a level headed deliberation betwixt an experienced lawyer.

The premier planned to see Premier Theunis of Belgium again today before going to the cabinet meeting.

M. Poincare has already discussed with President Barthou of the reparations commission before any action is taken on the German demand for a moratorium.

It is understood that the French premier favors the "two parts" plan which is divided into two parts, the first comprising the occupation of Essen, where the Krupp works are located; the second, the occupation of Bochum and the establishment of a customs cord around the Ruhr, together with the posting of receivers for the coal and the transportation companies.

However, nothing will be decided without the approval of parliament acting with a full knowledge of the facts.

Premier Poincare will make a full statement of his plan for the coming week probably on Friday next.

COMMISSION TO GIVE GERMANY A HEARING

PARIS, Jan. 6.—Germany will be given a hearing by the reparations commission before any action is taken on the French proposal to have her declared in default on coal deliveries, the commission decided today.

When the question came before the commission it approved the German request for a hearing.

Germany was immediately notified and asked to send experts so they can be heard by the commission next Monday.

Sir John Bradbury, the British member, attended the session. There was no discussion of the merits of the case. The Germans are entitled under the treaty of Versailles to present their arguments, and Louis Barthou of France, proponent of the default measure, offered no objection to granting the hearing.

The German contention, it is known, will be based on Germany's declared inability to deliver more than eighty per cent of the amount of coal provided for in the commission's program for 1922, as she had to import coal heavily in order to supply her own needs.

Sir John Bradbury took occasion during the session to say that England's deep friendship for France continued unaffected by the differences in judgment over the treaty of Germany. M. Barthou replied cordially on behalf of Germany.

Sir John is under intense criticism by the French press, which attributes to him an important part in the preparation of the British plan for a reparations settlement to which the French took such strong objection.

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TELEGRAPH BULLETINS

PARIS, Jan. 6.—The expression "boche," even if not preceded by the war time "dirty," constitutes a grave insult and is prohibited by a French law. A court entered a sentence to a Frenchman to pay a fine of fifty francs and damages for applying the epithet to a foreigner.

ST. LOUIS.—Members of the Motion Picture Exhibitors league have adopted a resolution against the reinstatement of "Patty" Arbuckle, movie comedian, and suggesting that Arbuckle engage in other work in the motion picture industry.

SOFIA.—Twelve persons were killed and forty injured today in an explosion of old shells at the establishment of a junk dealer. Many persons are missing.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Commercial radio communication between the United States and China has been established, the Federal Telegraph company announced.

CHICAGO.—French invasion of the Ruhr district in Germany would be a signal for war which the United States will support, according to C. O. Lowden, former governor of Illinois, said in an address here last night. The United States, he said, "has a moral obligation" to halt the threatened invasion.

CHICAGO.—Soft coal operators and union miners who conferred here three days in their third unsuccessful attempt to agree on a method of fixing a new wage scale effective April 1, were returning home today expecting the undecided issue to be taken up in a meeting at New York January 17 to 22.

WASHINGTON.—The United States exported 35,555 pairs of shoes to Germany last month, according to a report from the department of commerce.

CINCINNATI.—Once publisher and owner of daily newspapers in Toledo, employed of the handicraft in his town, but now unable to obtain employment in the European country, Richard Stearns yesterday applied for a charity permit to sell pencils on the streets of Cincinnati.

NEW YORK.—Vilhelm Steffensen, Arctic explorer, is through with his time to teaching the world that the polar regions are habitable and have great commercial possibilities. He made the announcement last night at a dinner.

BRITISH KEEPING AN EAR TO GROUND FOR U. S. WHISPER

LONDON, Jan. 6.—The eagerness with which the British public is keeping an ear to the ground to catch the first whisper of possible action by America that may help to blip the European cloud is evinced today in the morning newspapers, all of which prominently display dispatches from Washington.

The attitude of the Harding administration. Most of the papers also comment editorially on the American position in the European situation.

There is no question but that American cooperation in some shape is earnestly desired here. There is, however, great restraint in the press comment and little inclination to speculate on a course for the United States to take.

AGREEMENTS FOR OPEN SHOP POLICY VIOLATE THE LAW

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LARGE POSSE ON TRAIL OF NEGRO RESULT OF RIOT

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DEEDS DISCOVERED TO FIGURE LARGELY IN THE KNOX CASE

CLAIMED THAT THEY REMOVE ALLEGED MOTIVE FOR THE CRIME.

CONSIDERATION GIVEN IS 'LOVE AND AFFECTION'

Transfers All Holdings of Victim Of Killing to Mrs. Knox.

SAN AUGUSTINE, TEXAS, Jan. 6.—Head of \$5,000 pending the meeting of the grand jury in Mexico was served upon this morning for Mrs. Lillian Knox, 36 year old widow of Miriam Knox, wealthy lumber man, whom she is charged with slaying. The filing of the bond ends the habeas corpus hearing before Judge V. H. Stark in the first district court here.

SAN AUGUSTINE, TEXAS, Jan. 6.—Attorneys for Mrs. Lillian Knox, "Lady Bountiful" of Texas, charged with the murder of her wealthy husband, Miriam Knox, were ready today to go before the district court here with a demand for the unconditional release of their client, as the result of the uncovering last night of evidence which they declare removes all motive for the alleged crime.

The new evidence that will be presented in the habeas corpus proceedings is in the nature of a deed, executed by the slain man five days before his death, transferring to his widow, Mrs. Knox, all his property, "personal and real," to his wife. The deed discovered in the county clerk's records at San Augustine by a correspondent of the Houston Post, and was immediately called to the attention of attorneys in the case.

The deed is a voluminous document and lists in detail the great properties over many parts of Texas that are transferred to Mrs. Knox. The deed also lists the man's man's estate had previously been transferred to his wife and that the present document transferred the man's property to her.

The deed was signed before a notary public in Houston on November 21, the exact date is not known in San Augustine the following day. State's attorney intimated that they would question the validity of the deed, but the state's attorney declared today following the arrest last night of Mrs. Noffsinger, 23, and Otis Gibbons, 24, the man's widow was quoted as having named Gibbons as the slayer of her husband and also as having said she knew in advance the killing was to take place.

The couple planned, according to the state's attorney, to be followed by investigators, to kill Noffsinger on behalf of his insurance company. The state's attorney suggested that he buy some poison and place it in Guss' coffee," officials quoted the alleged confession as "I was for the present habeas corpus proceedings only and at the conclusion of the presentation of evidence Judge Stark must decide whether the defendant is to be held further and if so, in what bond."

The discovery of the deed and the mystery as to why it had not been brought forward earlier, served to raise interest in the case to fever heat today.

District Attorney Adams intimated that additional arrests might be made in the case.

Letters found on the slain millionaire probably will be offered in evidence today. County Attorney T. H. Hamilton having stated that he was withholding them only until witnesses who could testify as to their authenticity were present.

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SAYS MEN WERE SUBJECTED TO SPECIAL CONSTRUCTED DEVICE FOR INFLECTING PUNISHMENT

HOOVER OFFERED INTERIOR PLACE; WILL NOT CHANGE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—President Harding today tendered Secretary of Commerce Hoover the place as secretary of the interior which Albert B. Fall will vacate on March 4, but after a conference it was decided that Mr. Hoover would retain his present position.

The president was said to have called Secretary Hoover's attention to the fact that in point of seniority the interior department ranks above the commerce department, Secretary Hoover, however, recalled that on entering the administration he had declared it his ambition to "make a real department" out of the commerce organization. To this purpose Hoover's president he intended to adhere.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Prohibition agents announced today they had found a real beer pipe line leading from a barroom to the bowling alley of the Y. M. C. A. in the city. The pipe line club yesterday and that when they raided both places they were threatened with pins and balls by the bowlers. The women, according to the agents, were having a good time bowling and quaffing beer.

The women jostled the four agents and threatened dire things but the nearest approach to actual violence was when one woman threw an agent's hat out of a window and stamped her foot.

The owner of the hall and the bartender were arrested, charged with violating the Volstead act.

SAYS INVASION OF RUHR WOULD BE 'WICKED'

DOCHTER, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Invasion of the Ruhr by France would be "wicked" in the opinion of Jean Longuet, French labor leader, in an address before the devastated Clothing Workers last night he said:

"I do not believe in the military occupation of the east bank of the Rhine. It would cost France all the money that Germany is paying at present and which ought to be employed to rebuild the devastated areas. I object even more strongly to the wicked suggestion of an invasion of German territory and especially in the Ruhr district."

M. Longuet said that Georges Clemenceau in his speeches in the United States was inspired by a bitter, narrow and sectarian nationalism and that he did not represent the true French attitude.

GYPSY PHRENOLOGIST AGREES TO LEAVE TOWN ON REMITTANCE OF FINE

An old gypsy woman with earnings about as bright as her remarks and all the peculiarities of dress and manner of her race, appeared in the city court Saturday morning to respond to a \$100 fine for a violation of the traffic laws.

The old woman testified that she came here four days ago with her husband and two sons. The two sons were also brought on a vagrancy charge. Since her arrival here she has rented a building and has been practicing phrenology. She was fined \$100 on a plea of not guilty to the charge. After a short conference with her counsel she agreed to leave town if her fine was remitted and the charges dismissed against her two sons. Judge John Martin agreed to the proposal and the three were discharged on condition that they leave town within 24 hours.

Fines in four cases of traffic violation and forfeitures in two charges of vagrancy brought the amount of the fines assessed Saturday morning to \$160. Several cases of vagrancy, speeding, and disturbing the peace were passed until Monday morning.

CHARGE OKLAHOMANS INVOLVED IN SALE OF STOLEN U. S. BONDS

MUSKOGEE, OKLA., Jan. 6.—Indictments were returned by the United States grand jury here late yesterday against Earl E. Knack, former mayor of Muskogee, and Walter and Tampa Atkins of Oklahoma City, charging them with forging and selling \$46,000 liberty bonds stolen from the Bank of Oklahoma City, Kan., it was learned today.

Statements of any character, he stated, must come from Colonel Robert W. Stewart, chairman of the grand jury, who is now on a trip in eastern cities and is expected to return here Monday.

E. G. Seubert, secretary-treasurer, denied all knowledge of the transaction but admitted that such negotiations might have been under consideration by Colonel Stewart.

Bankers declare the merger, if completed, is one of the largest business deals on record, carrying with it the amalgamation of two companies having combined capitalization of \$22,000,000.

ANNOUNCE POSTMASTER ELIGIBLES FOR QUANAH

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Among Texas postmasters nominated yesterday were Arthur C. Gilbert, Bertha; Oliver S. York, Galveston and Ralph E. Hollingsworth, Sunset.

Postmaster eligibles for Quanah announced by the postoffice department are: William H. Crawford, Lawrence S. Beck and Ralph E. McMillan.

WILSON, OKLA., Jan. 6.—Seven frame buildings, housing 12 business establishments, were destroyed in a fire which swept the business section here this morning. The estimated loss is \$100,000. Two men are held pending an investigation of the origin of the blaze.

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SCIENCE TELLS US —

by René Bache

Science Gives Real Credence to the Ghost Superstition

THERE has been so much speculation of late in regard to ghosts that it is comforting to have certain questions definitely settled—in particular, questions which relate to their place of residence and the conditions under which they exist.

On this subject there is no higher authority than Dr. William Danmar, who, in a highly scientific treatise newly published, informs us that the ghost world is in the shadow of the earth, opposite the sun. This shadow, of course, takes no part in the rotation of the earth, but, relatively to the latter, is stationary, being alongside of it, so to speak, in its journey around the solar luminary.

The shadow in question is a sort of spectral "tail" of the earth, and, inasmuch as it is the proper home of specters of the dead, one easily understands why it is in the night time that ghosts are most commonly seen. Dr. Danmar is personally acquainted with a ghost whose residence is in a place where it is always exactly 1 o'clock A. M.

In the ghost world there is a series of zones of vegetable, animal and human ghosts, which float in layers according to their weight, those which are young and "unripe" (to quote Dr. Danmar's phrase) having a greater specific gravity than the older ones. The ghosts are dead in different degrees—as who should say, dead, desecrated; the last being in the highest and most distant zone.

The ghosts of children and young people are still earthbound. They linger about our dwellings, schools, movie theatres, etc., and pursue an existence parallel to our own. Being unripe, they are more material, and are more strongly attracted by the earth.

The older and riper a ghost is, the lighter it is, and the further away it dwells. At about 100 years of age it arrives in the highest zone, where the great mass of old ghosts are enjoying a calm, actionless, worryless happiness. They have reached a condition corresponding to the Oriental idea of Nirvana.

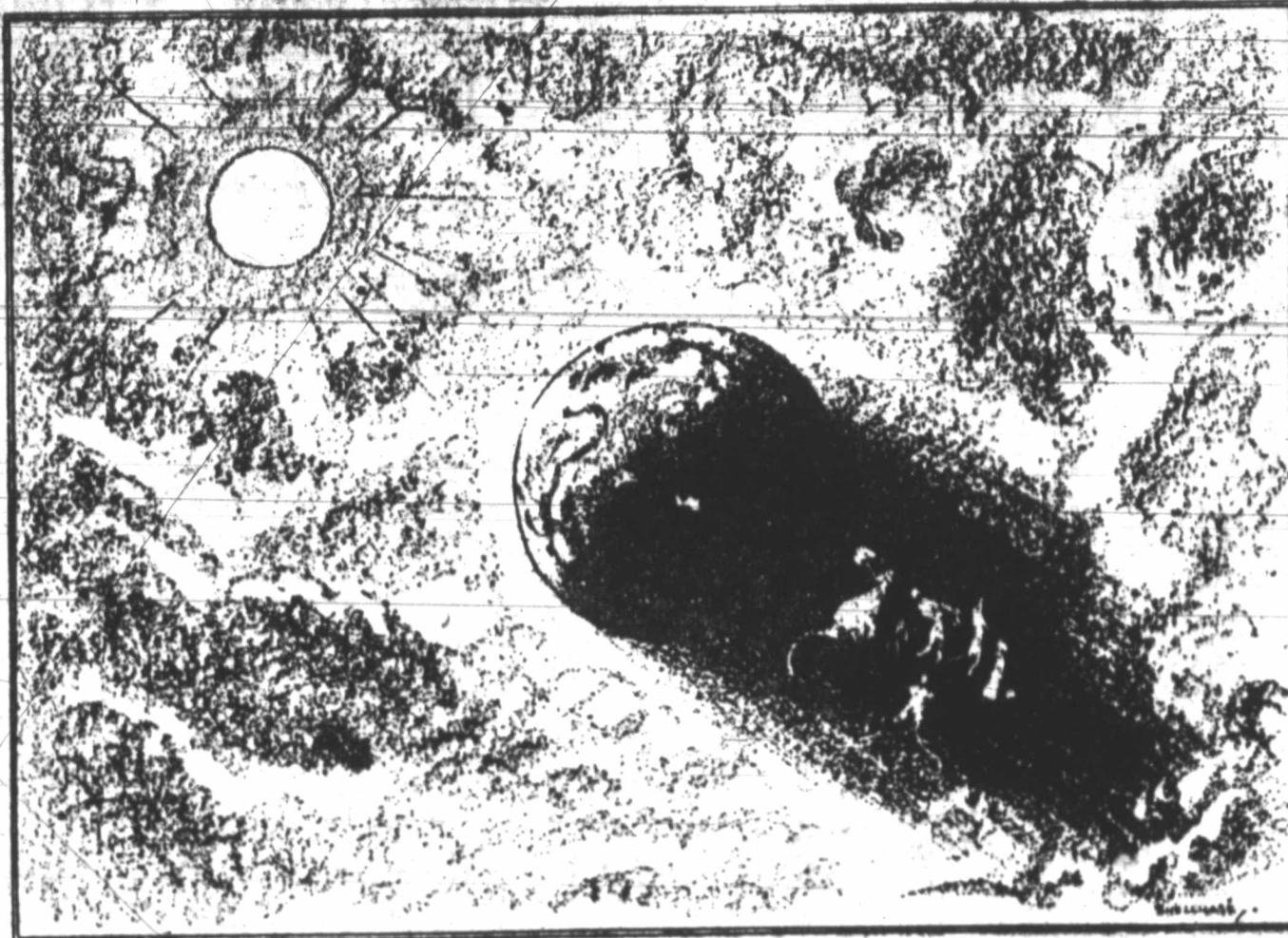
IT IS the unripe ghosts that show up at "séances." Ripe or fully matured ghosts seldom find strength for that sort of thing. They are too far away in the shadowy realm, and too light and weak for mundane activities. The younger, stronger and heavier ghosts "play the apparitions."

Dr. Danmar has measured the time it takes ghosts to get from New York to their shadowy homes and back. For this purpose he employed mediums who did not know the object he had in view, but who noted the start and finish of each trip. It was found that the up and down trips (so to call them) of young ghosts were quicker, faultless because they do not dwell so far away. Old, ripe ghosts made the round trips in forty to fifty minutes. But one thing particularly noted was that the rate of travel became faster as the hour of midnight approached. At midnight a ghost travels twice as fast as at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

This refers to the time we keep. In the middle part of the shadowy ghost land it is, of course, always midnight. The earth rotates, but its shadow remains stationary.

The shadow is a happy place, especially in the upper regions. The ghosts have a good time. They dwell in houses built of spectral materials resembling wood and brick, and are accompanied by ghosts of dogs, horses, cows and other domestic animals.

In our dreams we often feel at all surprised at meeting and talking with persons whom we know to be long dead. It seems a matter of course, because in dreams our own ghosts, temporarily departed from our bodies, are meeting other ghosts—those of living as



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well as dead persons—on what might be called an equal footing.

These remarks may be said fairly to express the ideas of up-to-date spiritists. The theosophists, who are a conspicuous cult today, hold a somewhat different belief.

According to their account, ghosts are the "astral shells" of the dead. When a person dies, his astral shell floats about near the earth for a long time, and eventually disintegrates. For crude comparison, one might liken it to the discarded shell of a crab which one picks up on the beach. It looks like a crab, claws and all complete, but it is empty—a mere simulacrum, so to speak.

Ordinarily such astral shells are invisible. We do not excite our attention; but sometimes they are galvanized into a seeming vitality by coming near to persons who possess what are termed "mediumistic" powers. The mediums are able to use them like automata, so as to make them do what they wish, exhibiting them as "spirits."

When, as occasionally happens, the astral shell of a dead human being makes itself visible to living eyes, it is termed a "ghost." The astral shells of persons who have died sudden deaths by violence go to pieces much more slowly than is the case in ordinary instances. Thus the ghosts of suicides and murdered individuals are apt to linger a long time about the places where the tragedies occurred.

Hence the many stories of haunted houses, some of which are supported by authentic and irrefragable evidence, the value of the latter being not lessened by the purely imaginary character of the phenomena in a great majority of such cases.

Nevertheless, it would seem that the astral shell or ghost may, at the moment of its owner's death be projected to great distances and made visible to the living. And it is particularly in cases of death by violence or tragic accident that this phenomenon, called the "death wraith," occurs.

There is hardly a family in which at least one instance of the kind has not been

recorded. The Society for Psychical Research has collected thousands of them, the total mass of authentic testimony being so great that a twentieth part of it would be deemed in any court of law amply sufficient to establish the fact, if it had relation to any matter not concerning what is called the supernatural.

A typical case of this sort might be that of a soldier killed in battle, his apparition, to his mother, giving notice of his fate weeks before news of the event could be obtained through ordinary channels—the very hour, furthermore, being that in which, as afterward ascertained, he died.

The late Dr. Elliott Coues, one of the foremost naturalists of his day and a member of the National Academy of Sciences, was an intimate friend of the writer. He believed in ghosts, because, as he said, he had seen them.

ACCORDING to his account, the specter of a dead person resembles a magic lantern picture more than anything else to which it is readily comparable. It does not speak or use its limbs; its method of locomotion, when it moves, being a gliding. Usually it is clothed in garments such as were worn by the original in life. It appears by daylight as often as at night, but not with any purpose that is at all comprehensible.

Occasionally it is self-luminous, shining with a superlunary light. It remains visible for only a few brief moments, and then disappears through a door or wall, or simply fades away in a shadowy mist.

I asked Dr. Coues what he supposed that ghosts were made of. His reply was:

"If ghosts exist at all, they must be made of something. In a sense, they must be substantial and possess a material structure. But their substance must be so extremely tenuous as to correspond in character to nothing which meets our definition of physical matter."

"What would happen if one should approach a ghost and try to touch it?" I asked.

"Probably you would walk through it,"

said the doctor. "I never heard of such an attempt. People are too much afraid of specters. It seems odd, because they never do anybody any harm. But a dread of the supernatural is deeply implanted in the human breast."

"Won't you tell me," I said, "about some ghosts that you have seen?"

The doctor was manifestly dubious. He filled his pipe, struck a match and lit it—this talk was in his "den," in his house on N street in Washington—and, after a few moments of reflection, replied:

"You must remember that mine is not the popular viewpoint. It is as a scientific observer that I am interested in ghosts. I do not regard them as supernatural at all, but as natural phenomena which are as yet not understood."

"Science demands proof before accepting a fact. I myself would be entirely skeptical about ghosts if I had not seen them under conditions which convinced me that they were not mere illusions."

"On one occasion, some years ago, I had just gone to bed. I had turned out the light, but was not asleep. Suddenly I became aware of a presence in the room, and, my attention becoming acutely alert, I saw rising slowly from the floor a nebulous mass of what looked like shining white vapor, which began to take shape, gradually assuming an outline more distinct until it presented a radiant image of a friend who had recently died. After a few moments it dissipated and finally disappeared."

"Tell me another," I demanded, after the manner of a small boy who is hungry for stories.

The doctor filled his pipe again, and took a few puffs before responding.

"Another time," he said, "I was lying on the lounge in my library while the dusk of evening was beginning to fall. I was broad awake. All at once I felt a peculiar sensation, and presently I perceived shadowy figures of human beings passing to and fro as in a light mist. They soon became more distinct, and I was able to recognize some of them as dead persons whom I had known in life. It was as if I had been on the street, in a busy throng; but the crowd was of ghosts, and not of living people."

Were these ghosts of Dr. Coues' "astral shells"? If so, according to the theosophists, they were not the souls of spirits of the dead persons they represented. The psychic experts of the theosophical cult declare that at death the spirit, which is the true individuality of a human being, departs into a sort of dreamland where he enjoys the most exquisite happiness, partaking of all the delights that were most gratifying on earth.

THESE pleasures, however, are purely illusory and exist only in the imagination of the spirit, who floats about in the interstellar ether for perhaps thousands of years, disporting himself in fancy with the friends whom he loved most, and indulging in every enjoyment conceivable.

At length the spirit is drawn back to earth again, and is reincarnated in a form that is determined by its actions, good or bad, in its previous state of worldly existence. This is the doctrine of "karma," which is work done in the former life, bringing about reward or punishment in the next incarnation. If you suffer from any affliction now, you may know that it is because you did something wrong in the body you occupied before your present one. On the other hand, if you are well-to-do and happy, it is because you have merited bliss by virtuous performance.

Everything that is done or said, or even thought, is photographed, as it were, and recorded permanently in the thin, elastic medium which we call the ether of space. The ether is everywhere crowded with phantoms of ideas. It is these that are seen in dreams, when the normal threshold of consciousness is shifted during sleep, and what is ordinarily invisible becomes visible.

There are, say the theosophists, a few very remarkably wicked people in the world who are "black sorcerers," and who use their power for evil purposes. Their facili-

ties for working evil are so enormous that they may be regarded as the very architects of crime. Much of their diabolical work is accomplished by the instrumentality of "astral light," which is another name for the ether.

These sorcerers are able to view from any distance the idea-pictures filmed in the ether, so as to perceive what is happening anywhere in the world. They can so control them as to convey into people's minds wicked suggestions.

For their own protection, they have power so to concentrate the astral light around themselves as to be enveloped with an armor impenetrable to any weapon.

It is this fluid to which Bulwer-Lytton (himself an occultist of no mean rank) referred in his novel, "The Coming Race." He called it "vril." It will be remembered how the people of the strange region therein described could launch a discharge of vril with frightfully destructive effect, to kill, or even to burst asunder the mountains.

By means of this vril, or astral light, adepts are able to accomplish things which to the uninitiated seem miraculous. With its aid they can hold conversations, one with another, across any interval of space, and without mechanical apparatus. They find no difficulty in projecting their own ghosts to any distance desired, so as to present their incorporal likenesses to friends on the other side of the world. But, most happily, these remarkable ac-

complishments are ordinarily possessed by individuals who might be called good magicians, and whose powers are utilized for beneficent purposes. They are called the "Illuminated," and the height of knowledge which they have reached has been attained by a lifetime of study and sacrifice of self. The black sorcerers are persons who, after starting to gain the same acquaintance with occult mysteries, have gone wrong and turned to wickedness.

These sorcerers, instead of enjoying ages of happy dreams after they die, are conveyed to a region of extreme suffering and misery. It is true that this hell is purely an imaginary one, but their wretchedness is not less on that account.

It may be asked how the adept, while himself alive, can manage to project his ghost to a distance. The answer is that each one of us carries his own ghost within him, and that under certain circumstances it may go out of the body for a time and make itself visible elsewhere and in the same manner as does the specter of a dead person.

A very great deal of seemingly reliable testimony has been adduced to prove that phantoms of living human beings—i. e., simulacra resembling them in form and features—do actually appear sometimes in places far away from the persons to whom they belong. Usually, when such a thing happens, it is without any consciousness of the matter on the part of the owner of the specter.

Mast Houses on Ships

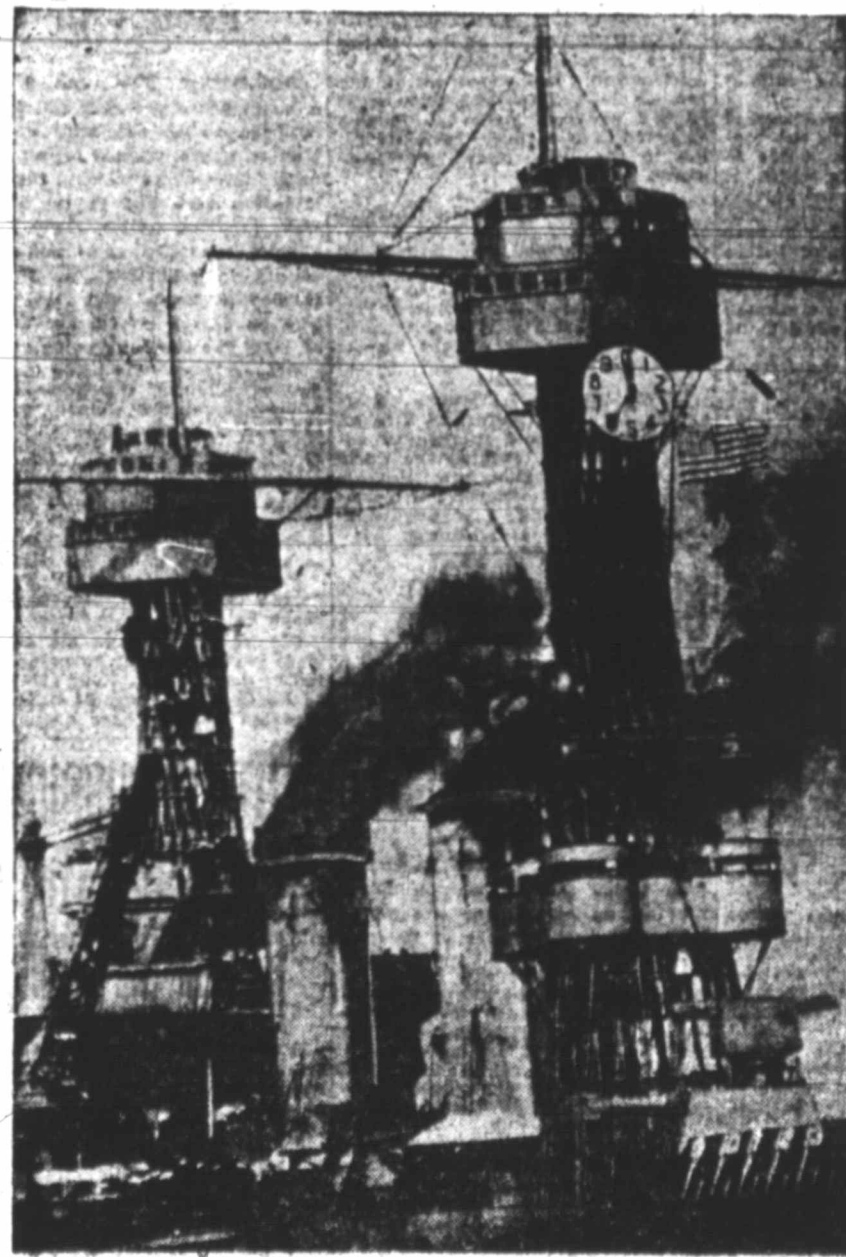
AN AMERICAN superdreadnought of the California type, which represents all that is newest in the architecture of a sea-fighter, carries a clock-face high up in the front of her foremast. It is an idea we adopted from the British during the great war.

The clock has two hands, but a second look at it convinces the observer that time could not be read by it, inasmuch as the numbers on its face run from 0 to 0. That seems odd; but the explanation is that the clock is used for signaling, especially with relation to gunfire.

The small hand indicates thousands, the big hand hundreds. The two together give the range for the guns of a fleet in battle, as directed by the admiral in command.

business is demanded not only a thorough education in mathematics and ballistics, but familiarity with such details as the allowance to be made for erosion of big guns by each shot, and the effect of damp weather upon the explosive power of gun powder.

If two opposing fleets were to come within 6000 yards of each other, the houses on top of the masts would be promptly deserted, because at that range the enemy's six-pounder guns, throwing twenty explosive shells a minute, would be directed at the range-finding installations up aloft, demolishing them in short order. Under such circumstances ranges would be determined by apparatus on top of the turrets or elsewhere, but under modern conditions, in a



Masts and mast houses of the battleship California

If, for instance, the small hand points to eight and the big hand to four, it means that the ascertained distance of the enemy vessels is 8400 yards. The gun-pointers adjust their sights accordingly.

On top of each of the two masts is a three-story house—itsself a novelty in naval architecture. The lower story is twenty-three feet in diameter and eight feet high; the second story is smaller and the third story is hardly more than a cupola. There are glass windows all around in all three stories. Inside the house are range-finding instruments, by the help of which distances are determined. There have to be two houses, one on each mast, in order to provide an angle for the mathematical reckoning of the ranges.

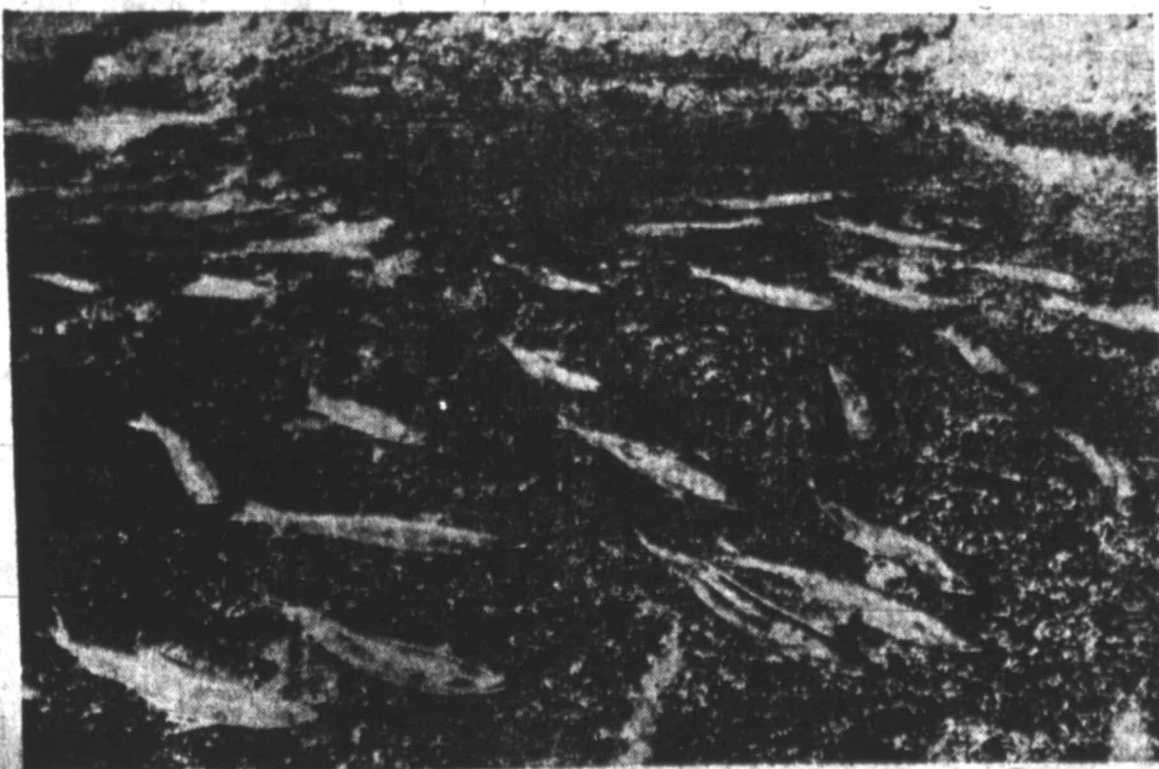
In a battle, the most important individuals on board of a fighting ship are the "spotters," who stand in the cupolas at the mastsheads, watch to see where the shells strike and correct the range accordingly. They are in direct communication by telephones and voice-tubes with the batteries. To be a good spotter requires a long and highly specialized training; for in that

weight it is hardly possible for big ships to get so near as that.

The masthead houses have taken the place of the old-fashioned "fighting tops," which were a feature of our warships as late as the Spanish War. At the period of that conflict the masts were cylindrical, built of steel plates, with a spiral staircase running up inside. Machine guns were mounted on top. But those weapons were of no use whatever, because there was no longer any possibility of coming to close quarters in a battle at sea; and there was always danger that the mast might be knocked over by a single armor-piercing shell. Hence the adoption of the new-fangled "wire" mast, which, constructed of steel rods, will continue to stand though a dozen projectiles pass through it.

The "fighting top" in naval warfare dates back at least as far as 1000 B. C. In the sixteenth century warships sometimes carried three such tops on each mast, with men in them to fling spears or throw down big stones at close quarters. Only within the last few years has the idea gone out of fashion, presumably forever.

Sacrifice of the Salmon



Salmon going up an Alaskan river

Photo by U. S. Forest Service

ON ALL the multitudes of salmon that run up the rivers of Alaska and the north-west coast, not one ever goes back to the sea. Their business is to reproduce their species and die.

They do not spawn in the rivers. Those which escape capture on their way up ascend to the headwaters, where there is usually a lake—perhaps several lakes. They do not spawn in the lakes. For

that purpose they seek streams that flow into the lake, and there deposit their eggs, scooping out nests in the gravelly bottom with their fins.

Andrew Carnegie said that he believed in the policy of putting all of one's eggs in one basket, and then "everlastingly watching that basket." It is, in effect, what the salmon do, guarding the eggs and the young hatched from them until the latter are big

enough to take care of themselves. There are many predatory enemies to be feared.

After a while the young salmon go out into the lake, seeking food. And, later on, they travel down the river to the sea—not to return again to fresh water until they are mature and ready to spawn. The parent fishes, having fulfilled their function, perish.

It is a wholesale tragedy.

THE JACK



THE DAILY TIMES' PAGE OF LEADING COMIC FEATURES

JACK DAW IN MIDGETVILLE

By ELTON



When the party reached the Midgetville well, Jack started to pump the handle. Some water came pouring out. It was like maple syrup. "Why, this is Tummy water," said Jack. "Don't drink any of that," shouted one of the midgets. "That is dream water and it will put you sound asleep."



"-yell," replied Jack, "I think I need a good nap." And he picked up a little dipper of the fluid. The midgets stood around and watched him closely. "If you take one sip, it will be the last time you will see Midgetville," one of them shouted, so Jack drew the dipper to his lips.



"Oh, you are feeling me," laughed Jack. And with that he swallowed what the dipper held. It was only a mouthful, but it made him feel drowsy almost immediately. "I'll have to sit down and rest," said Jack, as his eyes grew heavy. "All of you run away and let me have a good sleep." (Continued.)

BUGHOUSE FABLES

HENRY, WAKE UP - YOU'RE TELLING SECRETS IN YOUR PAST LIFE WHICH I DON'T WANT TO HEAR



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TAKEN FROM LIFE - By Martin

First Aid



TOOTS AND CASPER

And Now Toots Isn't Likely to Forget for Some Time

By J. E. MURPHY



I'VE ASKED TOOTS A DOZEN TIMES TO DRAW THESE SOCKS OF MINE, BUT SHE ALWAYS SAYS SHE FORGOT TO DO IT!



I HEAR TOOTS'S COMING NOW! I'LL HIDE AND WATCH HER EXPRESSION WHEN SHE SEES WHERE I PUT THE SOCKS! I LEFT 'EM WHERE SHE CAN'T FORGET THEM THIS TIME!



THE HELL! ?

BR-ER I DON'T KNOW TOOTS'S WHY SHE'S BRINGING COMPANY HOME!



THAT YOU, TOOTS? CASPER SAYS TO TELL YOU NOT TO WAIT UP FOR HIM TONIGHT? WELL, HE'S DETAINED AT THE OFFICE 'TILL LATE!

POST! SAY I'M IN CONFERENCE NOW!

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

Finders Keepers

By ALLMAN



I'LL SAY THIS MOVING BUSINESS MAKES A GOOD WAY TO REDUCE - CLIMB UP - STOOP OVER - REACH DOWN - IT'S GREAT EXERCISE!



I GUESS I'LL PUT IN A BILL AGAINST TOM FOR MOVING SERVICES RENDERED - I OUGHT TO GET SOMETHING FOR ALL THIS LABOR!



SOMETIMES WHEN YOU DO THE MOST YOU GET THE LEAST THANKS FOR IT - I KNOW - WHAT'S THAT? MONEY! A WHOLE FLOCK OF IT!



THAT'S UNADULTERATED LUCK, I'LL SAY! LET'S SEE NOW - FIFTY - SEVENTY-FIVE - DOLLAR - TWO-DOLLARS - FOUR DOLLARS AND SIXTY CENTS - I'LL JUST KEEP THIS AND CALL IT SQUARE WITH TOM!

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Ought to Be Easy

By BLOSSER



WELL, WELL, WHAT'S THE TROUBLE?



CHAMBER-MON! YOU PLEASE FIND ME? I'M LOST.

SALESMAN SAM

Mistaken Identity

By SWAN



OH SAM - WONT YOU GO OVER TO THE ME STORE FOR MY NEW HAT - I WANT TO WEAR IT TO THE DANCE TONIGHT - DO HURRY, PLEASE!



IT'S DARK AND LATE, MARY, SO I GUESS I'LL TAKE GUESSING AUTO - HELL, NEVER FIND IT OUT



OH THOSE FOUR FEET - YOU MUST HAVE RUINED BOTH YOUR MACHINES AND THEM!



THOSE TWO MOTORCYCLES WAS A TRUCK!

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

By AHERN



SAY - NO POETRY NOW, BUT THIS POGO STICK IS A VAST SUM OF FUN - AN' NOT ONLY THAT, BUT IT'S A GOOD STUNT FOR REDUCING! - WOOP!

YEH, AN' MRS. HOOPLE IS TRYING TO REDUCE TH' INSTALLMENTS ON THIS RUG! - IF SHE CRACKS AN EYE AT YOU POKING AROUND ON IT SHE'LL GIVE YOU A SCALP TREATMENT WITH A LONG HANDLED PAN!

YOU MAKE A CUTE LOOKING LOLLYPOP ON THAT STICK - IF YOU FLOP, TH' CLOCK WILL GAIN AN HOUR! - LEMME TRY IT ONCE BUG - I HAD PROG SHING FOR LUNCH AN' FEEL FULL OF HOPS -

BUS DEMONSTRATES THE DARWIN THEORY

THE OLD HOME TOWN

By STANLEY



BE CALM SARAH!

GET FIER SOME REMIND!

YOU SAY OTEY IS A REGULAR BEAT?

NO-NO- I SAY ITS AS GOOD AS A SHOW!

AFTER AUNT SARAH PEABODY HAD SMASHED HER THUMB, MARSHAL OTEY WALKER VOLUNTEERED TO OPEN UP THE MYSTERIOUS BOX OF FREIGHT THAT HAS KEPT THE TOWN GUESSING FOR DAYS

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TODAY'S TALK

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS

A STRETCH OF GOD'S PARK

I would that you might see them as I saw them, and only as October is able to show them in all their flowering gold—

The Canadian Rockies!

Long before I had even reached Banff, I knew that I had come into a new world. Peak after peak of white crowned mountains of lost ages silently stared into my face, melting me into stillness, but presently rebuilding me and giving to my mind such a giant spectacle of wonder and mystery as I had never seen before.

There they sat, thousands of feet in height, these mountains, clad in coats of pale gray, brown, purple, blue—with skirts of green, formed by the never-dying pines at their feet.

Half a mile after mile of huge formations, perhaps millions of years old, slanting layers of rock, craggy tops, endlessly white with their dippings from the snow, great gorges and canyons into which empty the waters of scores of melting glaciers, and the rush and fall of these waters against millions of polished stones—such and all stirred me to the depths of my feeling.

Here was a vast studio in which the artists of Heaven alone might worship!

Now the train stops. I look into a valley, perhaps a thousand feet below. A winding river picks its way through a gorgeous path of autumn color. The poplars are all in their purple gold. And looking arms with them are the great pines, perfect in symmetry, and how green—how very green. I look up. The sun streaks paths across the pointing peaks, like the reaching fingers of a huge hand, casting long shadows that creep down the sides of the entire range. Such vivid contrasts of color—such beauty! I ask myself if this is not the "Garden of Eden," and I hear women saying out loud: "Oh, Oh, Oh!"

I notice that the waters of the snake-like rivers are all as clear as crystal and cast in a greenish blue.

Now and then I note a stream far up the sides of some mountain, gushing forth and dashing its life to the endless flow of waters below. On either side what appear to be deep veins are nothing more than paths cut by the melting snows and falling rains.

Here and there a fertile plain is seen. What look like tiny dog houses from the distance, are really houses where hardy folk are living—happy in their valley of dreams.

The bite of the air is cold, though wondrously refreshing. Every view stimulates. And never did cloud formations have a nobler setting, as they wrap these proud, identified masters of nature with their blankets—now like filmy lace, now like thick coats of pearl.

No words are adequate for this is a stretch of God's park—a sample of Heaven here and now!

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At the Churches

First Baptist Church.

Surprise of God to be Dr. Powers' Sunday evening theme.

First Methodist Church.

Whispering Prayers will be sung by Mediamas Friday and Saturday.

First Presbyterian Church.

Unusually good musical program have been arranged for the morning and evening services at the First Presbyterian church Sunday in addition to the afternoon and evening services.

First Evangelical Church.

Corner Fifteenth and Broad, Sunday school 9:45 a. m. All teachers and parents are requested to be present on time to take charge of their classes.

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W. G. BRALLEY IS NAMED JUVENILE OFFICER BY JUDGE

Judge D. D. Martin announced Friday night at 9 o'clock that he had appointed W. G. Bralley, former police commissioner of this city as juvenile officer.

The school board Friday evening submitted the same three names as they had done following a letter from the board of the city council.

It was after Judge Martin had received the decision on the part of the school board that he made the appointment.

Mr. Bralley is well known in the city having served a number of years in the city council.

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SENATOR LODGE TO HAVE CONFERENCE WITH SEC. HUGHES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Chairman Lodge of the senate foreign relations committee was expected to confer today with Secretary Hughes to obtain the administration's opinion on the resolution offered by Senator Robinson, democrat, Arkansas, to authorize official American representation on the reparations commission.

The committee decided at yesterday's meeting to adopt this course, before taking action on the resolution.

The administration's position on the proposal, however, was regarded as clearly indicated in advance by the statement made at the white house yesterday that the question of representation on the reparations commission had ceased to be of pressing importance in view of the position in which the commission apparently has been placed by the rupture at Paris over the reparations problem.

The statement also was made at the white house that the administration had in contemplation of plan for calling an international conference.

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CAPTAIN BLOOD

by Rafael Sabatini

(Continued from our last issue) The colonel looked more closely at the Spaniard and turned the tables on those dogs! It was heroic!

"Colonel Blood considered them. 'His excellency shall write home an account of your exploit, and maybe some portion of your sentences shall be remitted.'

"The generosity of King James is well known," sneered Nathaniel Hawthorne, who was standing by, and amongst the ranged rebel-convicts some one ventured to laugh.

"Colonel Blood started up. He was pained by the first pang of unreason. 'It occurred to him that all have might not be as friendly as appeared.'

"And now another intervened—the heavy, one-eyed Waverstone, less mercifully disposed than his gentlemanly fellow-convict.

"'Striving him up from the yard,' he cried, his deep voice harsh and angry, and more than one of the slaves standing by their arms made echo.

"Colonel Blood trembled. Mr. Blood turned. He was quite calm. 'I'll please to understand that aboard a ship there is one captain. He is your captain. You'll please to obey him. I promise you your life, I must—as you've heard—keep you aboard as a hostage for the good behavior of Governor Sted and what's left of the fort until we get to sea.'

"'That you?' Horror prevented Colonel Blood from echoing the remainder of that incredible speech.

"'Just, no,' said Peter Blood, and he turned to the officers who had accompanied the colonel. 'The best of sailors' gentlemen. You'll have heard what I said. Convey it with my compliments to his excellency.'

"'But, sir...'' There is no more to be said, gentlemen. My name is Blood—Captain Blood, if you please, of this ship the Cinco Lagas, taken as a prize of war from Don Diego de Espinosa y Valdes, who is my prisoner aboard."

ting position on the red velvet couch. 'Who the devil are you?' he asked. 'And what the devil are you doing in my clothes and aboard my ship?'

"Mr. Blood's black eyebrows went up. 'Faint smile curled the lips of the long mouth.

"You are still delirious, I fear. This is not your ship. This is my ship, and these are my clothes."

"Your ship?" quoth the other, aghast, and still more against he added: 'Your clothes? But...'

"Then...'' Wildly his eyes looked about him. They scanned the cabin once again, scrutinizing each familiar object. 'Am I mad?' he asked at last. 'Surely this ship is the Cinco Lagas?'

Suddenly now Captain Blood dispersed the mystery by a relation of the facts.

"And my son? What of my son?" "Your son is safe; he and the boat's crew together with your gunner and his men are snugly in iron under hatches."

"With the utmost calm he inquired: 'And now, Senior Captain?'

"Would you be willing, sir, to earn life and liberty—for yourself, your son, and the other Spaniards who are on board?'

"To earn it?" said Don Diego, and the watchful blue eyes did not miss the quiver that ran through him. 'To earn it, do you say? Why, if the service you would propose is one of the higher mysteries of navigation, could I be guilty of that?'

"The only man among us schooled in the art of navigation is fevered, delirious, in fact, as a result of cerebral congestion."

"No!" The Spaniard's tone was easy. "But you tell me Mr. Pitt he is your navigator?"

"For lack of a better," laughed the captain, good-humoredly contemptuous. "Now I am ready to wager him a hundred pieces of eight that that is the north star."

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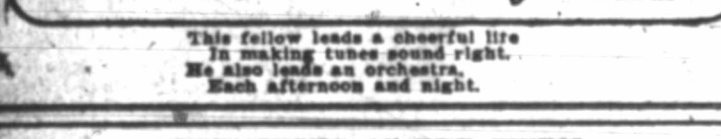
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ADVENTURES OF THE TWINS BUSTER IN DREAMLAND

By Olive Roberts Barton



"I like this one best," she said. Buster Cinnamon Bear was asleep for the winter. Nancy and Nick and Dusty Coat, the dwarf badman, had tucked him and covered him up.

"That's all over!" said the voice. "Who do you think you are, crowding in like this without being asked? Move over!"

"I didn't ask to come here and I'm just as crowded as you are. Where am I, anyway?"

"Well I declare!" said the voice. "Say, fellows, this teddy-bear wonders where he is. He's had a good job."

"I don't know," said the other teddy-bear. "It's daylight now and the store is being opened. Soon they'll take our cover-off and customers will come and look around and buy."

"Will they buy me?" asked Buster. "Perhaps," said the bear. "Just then the cover was lifted and a little girl with curls stood beside the shopkeeper. She looked over her ears, then picked up Buster. 'I like this one best,' she said. 'I wonder if I'm dreaming,' said Buster happily as the little girl tucked him under her arm."

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