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SEVERE BREAK IN COTTON PRICES AT OPENING OF MARKET
MEXICAN FEDERAL TROOPS HAVE EVACUATED SAN MARCOS

State Closes Rebuttal Testimony in Case Against Murphy and Court Delivers Charge Saturday Morning

Report Wife of Rupert Hughes Is Suicide in China

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 15. (AP)—Details concerning the reported suicide of Haiphong, Indo-China, of Mrs. Adelaide Manola Hughes, were reported today by her husband, Major Rupert Hughes, author, playwright and motion picture director, who was informed of her death in a brief cablegram received at their home here late last night.

METHODIST BISHOPS ARE READY TO MAKE REPORT

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 15. (AP)—Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, having supervisory jurisdiction over the annual meeting of the conference of bishops were expected to make their reports today to the general conference of the denomination for the second day.

COOLIDGE EXPRESSES HIS APPRECIATION OF SOUTH DAKOTA'S VOTE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15. (AP)—President Coolidge writes a letter to Samuel Elrod, former governor of South Dakota, expressing his appreciation of the action of the recent South Dakota Republican proposal convention in granting him the preferential presidential endorsement.

MURDER AND SUICIDE AT HOTEL IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Dec. 15. (AP)—Miss Emma Martin, 24 years old, a waitress, was shot and killed last night by Ray Blannock, 39 years old, a hotel employee, who then killed himself. The shooting occurred after the couple had quarreled.

FRANCE CONSIDERS EARLY FUNDING OF DEBT DUE TO U. S.

PARIS, Dec. 15. (AP)—The possibility of an early funding of France's debt to the United States is being considered in French official circles, it was learned today.

CREAGER DECLINES AMBASSADOR POST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15. (AP)—R. H. Creager of Brownsville, Texas, has declined for the present an offer of an appointment as ambassador to Mexico.

COMMISSION HAS JURISDICTION OVER GAS COMPANIES

DALLAS, Dec. 15. (AP)—Constitutionality of the law giving the state railroad commission jurisdiction over natural gas companies was upheld in the court of civil appeals in Dallas today.

DALLAS PAPER COMPANY IS DAMAGED BY FIRE

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 15. (AP)—Loss of approximately \$150,000 was caused by fire here early today which destroyed the three-story building of the Dallas Paper Company.

Cotton Drops 95 Points Over Night Making Decline of \$14.50 Per Bale Since Government Crop Estimate

NEW YORK, Dec. 15. (AP)—A severe break in cotton prices, sending March down to 32 1/2 and May to 34 1/2 occurred on the local market today. The break represented a point, down over night and practically \$14.50 per bale loss since the government crop estimate was reported.

ARREST MRS. WEAVER IN CONNECTION WITH PHILIP E. FOX CASE

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 15. (AP)—Mrs. Margaret Weaver, trained nurse, whose home is said to be in Cleveland, Ohio, under indictment on a charge of accessory before the fact in connection with the slaying of William S. Coburn by Philip E. Fox, is under arrest in Thomaston, Ky. It was learned at the trial of Fox here today.

MAN SHOT BY TWO ESCAPING CONVICTS DIES FROM WOUNDS

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15. (AP)—David W. Burns, parole officer of the Kansas penitentiary, died today from bullet wounds inflicted by two escaping convicts who were returning to the prison. The shooting occurred on a Missouri highway at about 10 o'clock.

NEFF IS ENDORSED FOR PRESIDENT BY STATE COMMITTEE

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 15. (AP)—The Texas state Democratic executive committee today endorsed Governor Pat M. Neff for president.

WEATHER FORECAST

Wichita Falls and vicinity: Temperature maximum 41 degrees, minimum 21 degrees, temperature at 1:30 p. m. Saturday, 47 degrees. Barometer 30.24. East Texas: Tonight and Sunday generally fair; slightly warmer in west portions tonight and Sunday.

REPUBLICANS HAVE CONFERENCE OVER COMMITTEE ROW

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PRESIDENT HAS ORDERED RELEASE WAR PRISONERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15. (AP)—President Coolidge today ordered the release of 100 American prisoners of war held in Germany.

HUNT BOUTLEGGERS DISCOVER BIG PLOT TO SMUGGLE ALIENS

MALONE, N. Y., Dec. 15. (AP)—While searching for bootleggers along the Canadian border federal agents and the "black horse" troop of the state police have stumbled on what is evidently a gigantic plot to smuggle aliens into the country.

SEARCHING FOR WOMAN IN "PANAMA BUBBLE" CASE

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CINCINNATI PUBLISHER AND DAUGHTER VICTIMS AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 15. (AP)—Sidney Mullikin, 55, Cincinnati publisher of text books, and his 19-year-old daughter, Elizabeth, were killed when their automobile was struck by a train at a grade crossing here last night.

Rebel Headquarters Announces Mexico Insurgents Have Captured Uruapan in State of Michoacan

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 15. (AP)—Revolutionary headquarters announces the capture of Uruapan in the state of Michoacan, and of Acambaro, in Guanajuato. The latter is an important railroad center a few miles south of Celaya and its control, according to the communique, will facilitate operations by the divisions commanded by Generals Estrada, Alvarado and Diegues.

FOUR DEAD RESULT OF BATTLE BETWEEN POSSE AND A NEGRO

DREW, Miss., Dec. 15. (AP)—This little village, nestling in the swamps of the Mississippi delta awoke today and counted its dead—the human toll exacted yesterday in a peculiar gun battle between Joe Pullen, negro tenant farmer, and a posse of several hundred men.

BATTLE WITH NEGRO FOR MORE THAN SEVEN HOURS

Trouble Starts When Man Who Attempts to Collect Debt Is Killed. The posse, including the negro, lost their lives in the battle, which raged until 1 o'clock this morning when Pullen, riddled with bullets, was captured and brought back to Drew.

SMALL PARTY IN HAVANA

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COALITION THREATENS TO UPSET SLATE OF PARTY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15. (AP)—The hitch in house organization plans was precipitated by the sudden flaring up of Democratic and insurgent opposition to the rules committee slate which caused Republican leaders to change their plans and put off submitting the membership list for approval until next week.

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SEMI-WEEKLY BUSINESS REVIEW

Wichita Falls Luncheon Clubs
 MEET AS FOLLOWS:
 Kemp Hotel at noon Monday; Kiwanis Tuesday; University Club Wednesday; Ladies Thursday; Rotary Friday; Chamber of Commerce (Members Council) first and third Tuesday of each month; Technical Club, 7:30 p. m. Wichita Club.

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Republican Committee Told That It Was Dealing With Dynamite in Reversing Action on Delegations

By MARK SULLIVAN
 Correspondent, New York Times
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 WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—When the Republican national committee was at the height of its excitement, one member, Senator Robert Nease of Nebraska, said: "You are dealing with dynamite here. Everybody knows he was right. And on the day when it was realized by the delegates that the resulting explosion may be more than political, and may even over into that broader national life, which expresses itself in the Ku Klux Klan, and on the other hand, in the efforts to suppress the Ku Klux Klan."

SENATOR JOHNSON DENOUNCES ACTION OF PARTY LEADERS

By Universal Service.
 WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Senator Hiram Johnson has denounced the action of the Republican national committee enlarging the apportionment of delegates from southern states as "compensation of instructions given by the last national convention." He declared that this procedure marks the formal ending of the campaign between him and President Coolidge for the nomination.

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To a person who thinks in terms of the past, it seems grotesque for the Republican leaders to be intimidated by a group of colored men and to vote the Democratic ticket. But some of the Republican leaders say that events have actually come to this pass, and believe there is real danger that the northern negro might next year vote Democratic. McAdoo has the kindly feeling of the colored people to a greater extent than any other Democratic leader since the Civil War, because when he was in control of the railroad he directed that colored men be paid the same wages as white men for the same work. The scenes that attended the election in today's meeting and which approached high excitement and occasionally tended to assume an observer to reflect on some things that go to the heart of American life.

Victim and Accused
 MRS. ORA BELLE TOMPKINS
 E. RAY TOMPKINS
 A shallow grave in a swamp at Dozier Bay, north of Milwaukee, Wis., has given up its secret. From it authorities removed the desecrated body of Mrs. Ora Belle Tompkins, wife of E. Ray Tompkins, wealthy real estate operator and former normal school instructor, who confessed to the murder, according to police. One of his former pupils was arrested and questioned on another charge, growing out of her alleged association with Tompkins. The later was released on bail.

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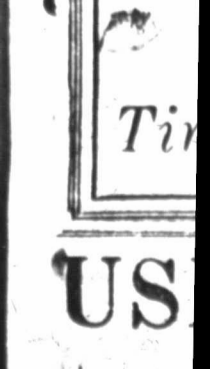
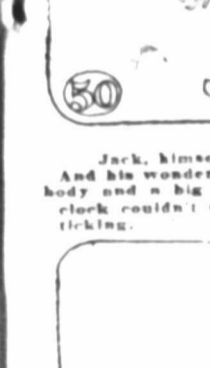
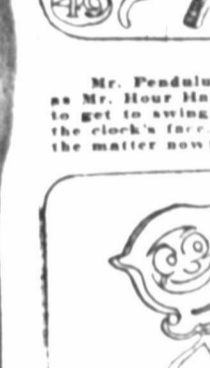
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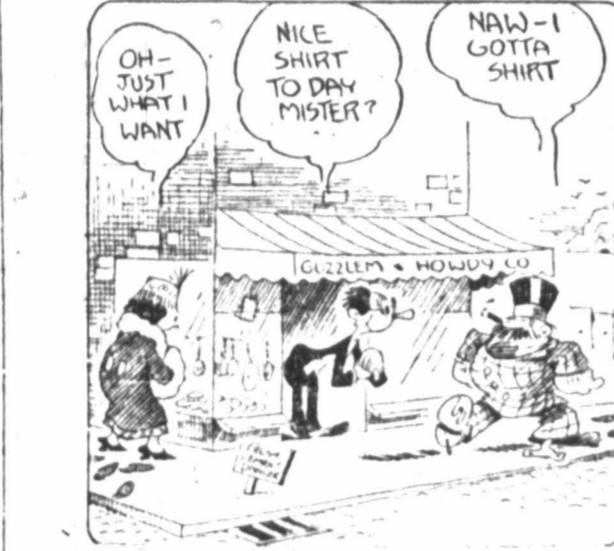
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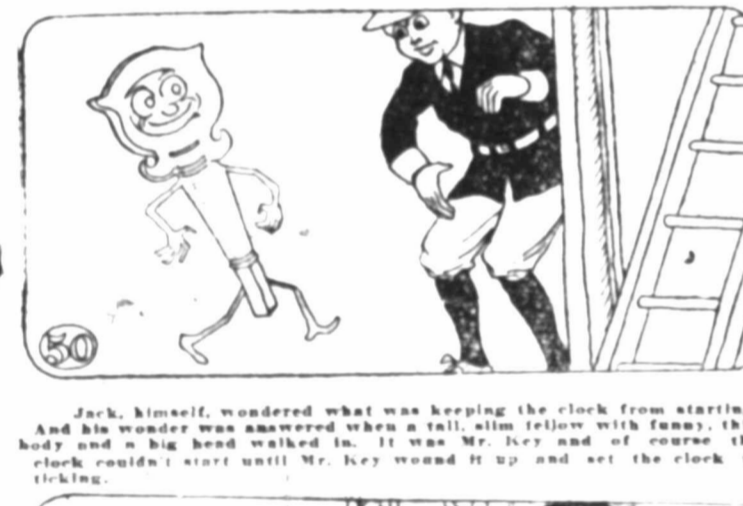
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Convicts out of the death house looked to the song and the music with uproarious laughter...

You read about Mexicans fighting "on a 48 mile front" the rebel endeavoring to capture the City of Mexico...

When the jury was called back at 10:40 o'clock the defense asked and was granted permission to reopen the case and place F. T. Knauth...

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TESTIMONY CLOSED IN MURPHY CASE

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The defense pushed the witness for a direct answer to the question put. The judge then answered, "It is immaterial to the case whether you had confidence in his honesty and integrity."

Commissioner J. P. Jackson was called to the stand in the order named. Both testified that the defendant had been in the county jail on January 1, 1933, and stated that he was paying the salary of \$40 a month.

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THE MARKETS

COTTON-GRAIN-FINANCIAL-LIVESTOCK-PRODUCE

COTTON MARKET TABLES

Table with columns for New York Cotton, Open, High, Low, and Close. Includes data for December, January, February, March, April, May, and July.

COTTON MARKET

Leal Cotton Market. Cotton: Middling 31 1/2 cents; receipts nominal.

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Judge Kay Elected President Wichita County Bar Association at Annual Banquet; General Crane Is Speaker

Members of the Wichita County Bar Association, with their wives, met Friday evening at the Wichita Club in annual session.

The 150 people who were present were greatly pleased with the meeting in general and the banquet in particular.

Judge John C. Kay was elected president of the association for the coming year.

General M. H. Crane of Dallas was the principal speaker at the banquet.

Charles I. Francis, vice-president of the association, presided as toastmaster for the evening.

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MAN PLUNGES NINE STORIES TO STREET TWO ARE ARRESTED

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—An all-night investigation failed to clear up to the satisfaction of the police some of the circumstances connected with the death of Charles W. Nevins II, who plunged last night from a ninth story window of the St. James Hotel in view of scores of on-lookers.

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THE TIMES' PAGE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

SPORTS, GAMES, STORIES, ADVENTURE

A Little Fun For Every One

JOKES, SCIENCE, PUZZLES, CARTOONS

A STRANGE CHRISTMAS TRADE

THE STORY SO FAR: Warren Kowalski, making an auto trip to spend Christmas with his uncle, was stalled by a sudden snowstorm, and had to take refuge in a lonely house where a queer old man and a strange, shy boy lived. Rags, Warren's dog, became terror-stricken on entering the house, and Warren himself felt strangely uneasy. He was awakened in the night by a weird cry, and when he tried to investigate the old man came along and shoved him back into his room. Soon after, he heard a noise, and saw the strange boy coming in the window.

Budge slipped noiselessly into the room, while Warren looked on, wondering how he could have entered from the outside. The first words Budge said explained that. "Don't look so startled," he grinned, and then went on in a whisper, "I pulled myself up to the eaves out of my window and then slipped down to your window."

"But I don't see how—" "Oh, it ain't so hard. I'm used to climbing around. But I sneaked in to tell you you'd better go. Heat it see?" The old man's suspicious of you and I don't know what he's likely to do. It's stopped snowing.

Warren took his bag and tiptoed down the hall. He left his way down the stairs, through the parlor, family lit by the dying coals in the little stove, and out into the narrow passage-way which led to the kitchen. He stopped to strike a match, for there wasn't a single glimmer of light, and he was sure he heard some one moving softly nearby.

By the flicker of light he saw there was an open door opening off the side of the passage. He raised his eyes and noticed in the top a square opening and across this three bars of iron. The door was fastened by a sliding iron bolt. He bent over curiously to try to look in the crack at the door, but could see nothing.

He went into the kitchen, where Rags lay close to the door. As he opened the door he suddenly realized that his watch was missing from his pocket. He thought he'd dropped it when he stooped over in the passage-way, so he went back.

The watch was on the floor. He picked it up and hesitated a minute. His curiosity was always greater than his fears, and he was burning up to see behind that mysterious door. He held his breath and pulled the bolt cautiously. It slipped easily.

Suddenly something threw itself against the door and the door flew open, pinning Warren behind it. He pulled himself out just in time to see a big, black shape hurtle through the back door, which he had left open.

He rushed to the door. He heard the car chugging and Budge screaming at him. The black thing was out of sight. Warren grabbed Rags under one arm and his bag under the other and leaped into the car. They reached the road just as the old man opened a window and yelled at them. "Now you've done it," he shouted Budge, and shot down the road. "I don't know what'll happen now!"

(To be concluded next week.)

SNOPPYQUOPS

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This family calendar album of the great house of Quop includes all the indoor and outdoor varieties. It is the most famous border in the world rivaling the Canadian and Mexican borders. Color it, cut it out and mount it on cardboard. Send it for a Christmas gift to a friend with a sense of humor, inclosing the following sentiment: "Pray send a telegram (collect), for every Snoppy you detect."

FUR TRAPPING

The Otter

The lumbering otter, with his whiskers and webbed feet, is something of a stunt performer. Living beside the water as he does, with his diet composed almost entirely of fish, he soon becomes an expert swimmer and diver. Like the beaver, when the March sun shines strongly upon the woods, the old otter takes delight in climbing crated slopes and sliding on a snow chute to the bottom. The trick is not one of which the trapper approves, for it is harmful to the fur, just as is the otter's habit of basking for hours in the hot rays of the sun.

Otters Differ Little

The otter is found from Alaska to Labrador from the Arctic to the southern United States, a distance of 3,000 miles from north to south, but no matter from what locality he comes, he differs very little from the others. This is in marked contrast to other animals, as the mink or coon, whose size and appearance depend so largely upon the region where they live.



Caught in Many Ways

The animals are caught by spearing, by clubbing or with nets. Sometimes they are even shot with rifles. In Alaska five thousand people obtain their living by capturing them. The largest are four and one-half feet long, but because of the rolling looseness of the skin, as you will notice in the picture, the pelt may be stretched even larger. Few animals are as hard to skin as the otter. Its hide is tough and cannot be pulled or peeled off, but must be carefully cut.

All water animals caught for their fur—otter, mink, beaver and muskrat—change the looks of their pelts three or four times during the twelve months. In the Summer, the pelt is a burnt gray color and the hair is thin. The hair grows thicker in early Autumn, while the pelt turns blue. By the time the cold months come, the pelt has become white and the hairs are luxuriant. In Spring the fur declines again to the thin coat of Summer. Otters caught in Winter, when the fur is prime, are the best, are consequently most valuable.

(Next week: "The Raccoon.")

OUR CHRISTMAS GIFT TO YOU

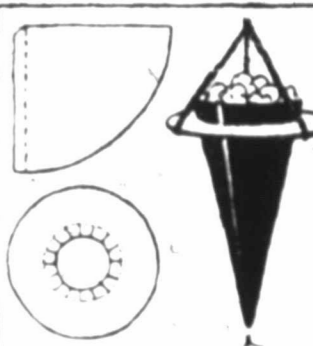
The Christmas present the Boys' and Girls' Sunday Page gives you is the Snoppyquop Calendar. It's the best kind of a Christmas present because it's one you're supposed to improve by mounting on stiff cardboard, coloring with crayons or paints, and giving away as your gift to someone else who loves Snoppies.

There are Snoppies for every season, Snoppies for every mood—some to make you laugh a little and some to make you cry from laughing a lot—a Snoppy for every day in 1924.

A CORNUCOPIA FOR CHRISTMAS

The pink sugared pop corn, candy nuts and what-not that is the duty of every member of the family on Christmas Day might just as well be hung on the Christmas Tree in cornucopias instead of crowding out room in the stockings that might otherwise be filled with more presents!

To make a cornucopia, tie a piece of chalk in the end of a string. Hold the string six inches from the chalk with your thumb. With the other hand swing the chalk around on a piece of dotted paper to make a circle. Use one-fourth of this circle for the cornucopia with an extra flap on one side for pasting. Fasten it in the cone shape.



Make a four inch circle for the cornucopia. By tracing around the top of the cone on the circle you will get a line corresponding to the dotted one in the diagram. Cut out a smaller piece from the center of the holder, then cut uniform flaps almost to the dotted line. You find that the cone will slip inside and you may paste the flaps underneath to hold it in place. Hang the cornucopia to the tree by red strings.

CHRISTMAS IN OTHER LANDS



In Germany in the olden days Christmas presents came only to good children. A naughty child was very likely to find upon a waking Christmas morning a stout bird rooster instead of toys. Sometimes it was the custom for the parents to lay all the gifts they had prepared for the young people on a table in the great parlor. They would wait while the children unwrapped their gifts and then the mother would take each of her daughters, and the father tell each son, that which had been observed in his conduct during the year that was worthy, naming as well that which was faulty.

Another old custom in Northern Germany was for all the parents of the village to send their children presents to one person who dressed up on Christmas Eve in high boots, a white robe, a mask and a wax wig to personate King Casper, who it was thought, was the servant of Jesus Christ.

A GUESSING TRICK

Mystery games are good ones for a party. You may have some time been baffled one in the trick which two people—a leader and a guesser, who are "in cahoots" play on the crowd.

The guesser leaves the room, the leader agrees on an object. When the guesser returns and the leader asks "Is it this? Is it that?" The guesser never fails to point out the object.

Here is the secret of it. The two "in cahoots" know that objects on the left side of the room, which the crowd has selected, are indicated by the word "that." Of any object on the left which is not the correct one the leader asks, "Is it this?" The guesser says "No." But should the leader say, "Is it that?" the answer is "Yes." Things on the right side of the room are indicated in the opposite way. The correct object is indicated by saying "Is it this?"

It is small wonder that an audience never is able to solve it, unless partners work.

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IN SNOPPYQUOP LAND WHERE NOTHING SEEMS QUITE



Who sees the man with the skates? "I see!" "Icy" is right—brrr—brrr—shiver—shiver—how'd you like to be in his fix—skating along on an iceberg? See how this Snoppy has pushed ahead in the world. His feet are skates, he pulls the skates along by holding a magnet in front of them. Simple, isn't it? Simple is right; if he goes faster than the iceberg, there's one less Snoppyquop within the Arctic circle. What's that in his mouth? A candle, dearie. Eskimo chew candles when they run out of pies, and this is the source of the Northern Lights which you find in your arithmetic book moral—"If you chew the candle at both ends, you'll only singe your whiskers," or "All roads lead to Grease."

A VOCABULARY GUESSING GAME

When days are too cold for outdoor play, you may wish you knew an indoor game to while away the time. "I speak your language" is a game that will test your wits. To play it, one of the group thinks of a word with two meanings. Without telling what it is, he begins to describe the word. First let one meaning; then for the other, and back to the first meaning until the word is guessed.

Suppose, he says, "I am thinking of a word that is a small section of ground. It is what detectives try to solve; it is something that thickens; it is what gardens are made in; it is found in a story." When some one in the group realizes that the word described is the word "plot," he does not tell, but crying, "I speak your language," assists the describer with hints of his own.

PETER PUZZLE AND RANDY RIDDLE SAY—

A Word Square
Each word has four letters. 1. A river of Egypt. 2. A bright light. 3. A king made famous by Shakespeare. 4. To make money.

A Word-Square
My first is something that grows on trees; my second means leisure and rhymes with trees; my third is a country covered with trees, and my fourth is what you've performed when you climb a tree. The whole forms a four-letter word-square.

Detective Work
Find in this sentence the names of two well-known characters of juvenile fiction, and the title of a poem. "Said try Tim to the captain, 'January will find us snow bound.'"

Fractions
Two-fifths of a wreath, one-half of a chip and three-fifths of Italy make a town in Kansas.

Cancellation
If you mark off letters in this sentence with an equal number of letters between, beginning with the first letter, they will spell a month of the year: "Fred bars up a gray pigeon."

Some Questions
Why would a Chinaman make a good actor?
What type of vessels did Salem harbor in the old days?
What tree grows the warmest in winter?

Answers
Answers to today's word puzzles: The words that form the square are Lead, case, Ace, feet, Tiny Tim, Capt. January, "Snowbound." By cancelling the letters in the sentence you get the word February. Two-fifths of wreath, one-half of chip and three-fifths of Italy equals Wichita. The word square is Nile, Idea, Lear, Earn.

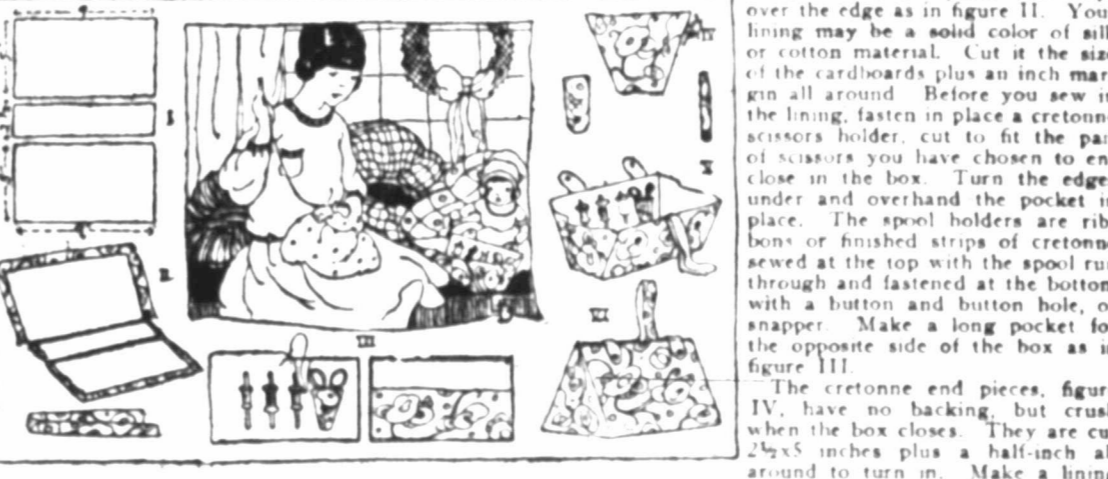
Answer to today's riddle: Because he always has his cue. Withcraft. The fir tree keeps warmest in winter.

HOW TO CARTOON



Children
When drawing a baby or young child the head it will be well to keep sized heads on your children. The sketches in the accompanying chart show a few simple positions that you may often be able to use. In drawing the entire body remember that the head is much larger in comparison to the rest of animals will come next in this study.

LET'S GET READY NOW FOR CHRISTMAS



A Sewing Box
The sewing box is such a worthwhile gift to give, and so much fun to make, that the girl who is interested in handicraft may find herself making two or three or four of them.

Put a light coating of paste on the backs of the boards, pressing and keep the box closed when it is backing. Cut the sides and bottom as in figure I.

A THINK-QUICK GAME OF COPS AND THIEVES

How's for a big game of cops and thieves, a good old game that keeps you moving and watching out for yourself all the time?

Choose up equal sides and let the two captains decide, by the flip of a coin, which side will be cops and which thieves. The thieves, once chosen, are given a five-minute start and then the cops go after them, in order to round them up.

Every thief has a paper heart pinned on his coat, outside, and every cop has a paper star similarly placed. If a cop is to capture a thief, he must get the paper heart from the thief without losing his own star. A thief, once caught, is given a star and becomes a cop. A cop, deprived of his star, is given a heart and becomes a thief.

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BY SAX ROHMER

HEGINS HERE TODAY
 Sir Charles continued efforts upon Paul Harley, criminal investigator, and tells him he is much disturbed by parties who were in the Abingdon house when he arrived at the appointed time, the better informed him the master is calling at the house of a sick friend.

When Abingdon returns home he tells Harley of a false message sent to call him to the house of the sick friend. Dinner is served and during the soup course Sir Charles becomes suddenly ill and falls from his chair in a dying state. Dr. McMurdoch pronounced a heavy disease but Harley, Abingdon's last words are "Fire-Tongue!"

Key Go On With the Story.

In view of the fact, he said suddenly, that Sir Charles clearly apprehended an attempt upon his life, are you satisfied professionally that death was due to natural causes?

"Perfectly satisfied," replied the physician, looking up with a start; "perfectly satisfied. It was unexpected, of course, but such cases are by no means unusual. He was formerly a keen athlete, remember. This often so. Surely you don't suspect foul play? I understood you to mean that his apprehensions were on behalf of Phil."

Paul Harley stood still, staring meditatively in the other's direction. "There is not a scrap of evidence to support such a theory," he admitted, "but if you know of the existence of any poisonous agent which would produce effects resembling these familiar symptoms, I should be tempted to take certain steps."

"What had he eaten?"

"Nothing but soup, except that he drank a portion of a glass of water. I am wondering if he took anything at Mr. Wilson's house." He stared hard at Doctor McMurdoch. "It may surprise you to learn that I have already taken steps to have the remains of the soup from Sir Charles' plate examined, as well as the water in the glass. I now propose to call upon Mr. Wilson in order that I may complete this line of inquiry."

"I sympathize with your suspicions, Mr. Harley," said the physician slowly, "but you are wasting your time." A touch of the old acidity crept back into his manner. "My certificate will be withdrawn due to unusual excitement; and I shall stand by it."

CHAPTER IV.
 Introducing Mr. Nicol Brinn.

At about nine o'clock of the same evening, a man stood at a large window which overlooked Pica-

career. He paused and smiled in a very grim fashion. "A supposition begins to dawn upon my mind that if I fall it will also be my last case. You understand me?"

"I understand absolutely," replied Nicol Brinn. "These are dull days. It's muggy and drink to me to smel big danger."

Paul Harley lighted a cigaret and watched the speaker closely while he spoke.

"I have come to you tonight, Mr. Brinn," he said finally, "to ask you a certain question. Rules of the theory upon which I am working is entirely wrong, then, supposing that you are in a position to answer my question? I am logically compelled to suppose, also, that you stand in peril of your life."

"Good," said Mr. Brinn. "I was getting sluggish." In three long strides he crossed the room and locked the door.

"You are out after one of the big heads of the crook world," he said. "He knows it and he's trailing you. My luck's turned. How can I help?"

Harley stood up, facing Mr. Brinn.

"He knows it, as you say," he replied, "and I hold my life in my hands. But from your answer to the question which I have asked here tonight to ask you, I have concluded whether or not your danger at the moment is greater than mine."

"Good," said Nicol Brinn.

"My question is simple but strange," said Paul Harley. "It is this: What do you know of 'Fire-Tongue'?"

CHAPTER V.
 "The Gates of Hell."

If Paul Harley had counted upon "Fire-Tongue" to have a dramatic effect upon Nicol Brinn, he was not disappointed.

"Fire-Tongue," he said tensely, following a short silence. "For God's sake, when did you hear that word?"

"I heard it," replied Harley slowly. "He fixed his gaze intently upon the slow face of the American. "It was spoken by Sir Charles Abingdon."

"Sir Charles Abingdon?" echoed Brinn. "And in what way is it connected with your case?"

"In this way," answered Harley. "It was spoken by Sir Charles a few moments before he died."

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Church of the Good Shepherd. (Episcopal.) Holy communion at 8 a. m. Sunday school 9:30. We are having some fine sessions of the school. We want you present if you have no other affiliation. Classes for all ages. Morning prayer 11. The pastor will take for his subject, "Some of the Things That Are Right With the Church." You are hearing and reading a great deal about "What is wrong with the church." Now listen to some of the things that are right. "Mrs. L. B. Thompson will sing for the offertory. Followed by the music by the church. "What is the most practical method for securing new members?" by W. J. Scofield. "What is the benefit of the Pre-Trayer Service?" by W. S. Martin. "Where and when should the intermediate societies be organized?" by Clara Scofield. Special vocal solo, Mrs. Helen McGuire. "What is the best method to break away from the clipping society?" by Don Keyser. "Work of the Lookout Committee," Mrs. Morgan. "How Can We Get the Members to Take Part in the Meetings?" by R. E. Wallace. "The

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