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Hollow Log Is Wireless Set of Wild Jungle Tribes

Long before the first modern radio set came into being the wild South American tribes that live in dense forests and grass-

tribes that live in dense forests and grass-covered plains near the equator, had "wireless" outfits made from the trunks of hollow trees. For years the jungle and tundra have echoed the booming of these have drums. By means of code systems, auch tribal chieftain keeps in touch with his people, calling his warriors, ordering raids against enemies, warning of maraud-ers, or aunouncing the approach, of strangers. The sound emitted by one of these instruments which, it is said, can be heard for many miles, is like the dull, dis-

heard for many miles, is like the dull, dis-tant boom of a cannon.

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Flying Fur-Bearing Animal Reported Found

Without wings and heavier than air, a by discovered type of fur-bearing ani-the bird that can fly, was reported re-with to the French Zoölogical Society the wilds of French Cochin China.

the size of a cat, the creatures are nice to a height of several yards by the their stomachs until they ap-

pear like small balloons. Off the ground, Useful Clamp for Stepladder

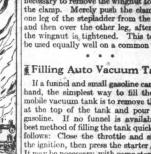
they remain either motionless or slowly paddle themselves along with their weibbed fest, not unlike the flight of a dragon fly. They have bills like ducks.

Fighting Fire with Steam Saves Many Oil Wells

In the great oil fields of the West, where the ever-present danger of fire flaunts the drillers, steam has been found to be one of the most effective means of combating the flames. As a flash of lightning, a spark from a piece of metal, or a lighted match, may start a blaze that will result in the destruction of millions of dollars' worth of Droperty, caseless grand is minimized destruction of millions of dollars' worth of property, ceaseless guard is maintained over the wells. Nevertheless, fires are fre-quent, and batteries of steam boilers are kept in readiness to fight them, as water would only aid their spread. When a gusher turns into a volcano of liquid fire, it is surrounded by a said embankment to catch the blazing oil; then huge boilers are



about 2½ ft. long, with a bolt passing through the center of both as shown; a wingput is provided on the bolt. It is not necessary to remove the wingput to attack the clamp. Merely push the clamp own one leg of the stepladder from the inside and then over the other leg, after which the wingput is tightened. This tool can be used countly well on a common laddes



be used equally well on a common lad Filling Auto Vacuum Tank If a funnel and small gasoline can are an hand, the simplest way to fill the auto-mobile vacuum tank is to remove the plug at the top of the tank and pour in the gasoline. If no funnel is available, the best method of filling the tank quickly is a follows: Close the throttle and shut of the ignition, then press the starts with

brough up, and jets of live steam arc turned into the heart of the fames, slowly smothering them. Hail to the King!

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• When Babe Ruth completed his first home run at the Polo Grounds in the second inning of the s game of the world series, the cheers from the stands were so great that the Babe just couldn't keep doffing his cap. If a bailplayer ever registered "happiness," he is doing it in this photograph of Ruth.



