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Seals and Tuna Fish Have Hiding Places

There is a mystery surrounding the fur seal which has never been solved. No one has ever been able to discover where they go in winter. No one has yet been able to make a record of their hiding place.

All that is known, says the Minneapolis Tribune, is that on the Islands of St. Paul and St. George, in Alaska, the seals begin to appear about the end of April or the first of May and toward the latter part of August or in the first weeks of September they disappear as strangely and mysteriously as they came. In this respect they are not less puzzling to scientists than the huge schools of tuna fish which appear and disappear from the waters of southern California regularly each year.

Tuna fish have been caught, marked and turned loose, with the hope that some of them might be caught in other waters during the winter months, but so far none of them has been captured. A similar method of marking seals would do no good, for they are never seen during the winter months.

Years ago the seals numbered 5,000, 000 or more, where today they may be counted only up to four or five hundred thousand. Yet even in the days when they were most numerous, their habit of disappearing suddenly without leaving a trace of their whereabouts and as suddenly reappearing after an absence of several months was just as mysterious as it is today.

Paris Bank Messenger Needs No Armed Guard

The Paris bank messenger wears a cocked hat with an air of dignity. His coat is liberal in cut and you can see the big brass buttons on it glittering in the sunshine quite a long way off. A brass plate over his heart bears a number and under his arm he carries a leather satchel attached to a big chain secured about his waist.

There is an air of prosperity about him. He is of liberal proportions and plants his feet firmly. He inspires confidence and we might trust our fortune to his keeping and still sleep peacefully at night.

We meet him often in the busy morning near the opera pursuing his steadfast way along the crowded pavement. He, least of anyone, is in a hurry. He is picturesque, slow and sure. And that we feel we may confide our treasure to him is due not to the chain of shining steel with which he grapples it, nor his glittering buttons, nor the brazen number on his breast, but he is secure, inviolate because he is fantastic, and treasure walks the streets unguarded save by the fantasy of a glorious cocked hat.—From the Continental Edition of the London Mail.

When Poachers Flourished

As a profession, poaching has fallen off greatly in Great Britain. A hundred years ago the nights between the harvest and hunters' full moons were the nights of the poachers' delight, and there would be a steady flow of game, not killed by shot, to the cellars of dealers in country towns, to the country inns, and to the boxes of such coachmen and guards and country curriers as were willing to do a little business in handling game. A hundred-year-old record shows that no fewer than four-and-fifty poachers were sheltered in Lewes' jail at one time. There were poachers in every town and village, hence the threatening notices, "Beware of Mantraps," still often to be seen in British woodlands.

Fires in Forests

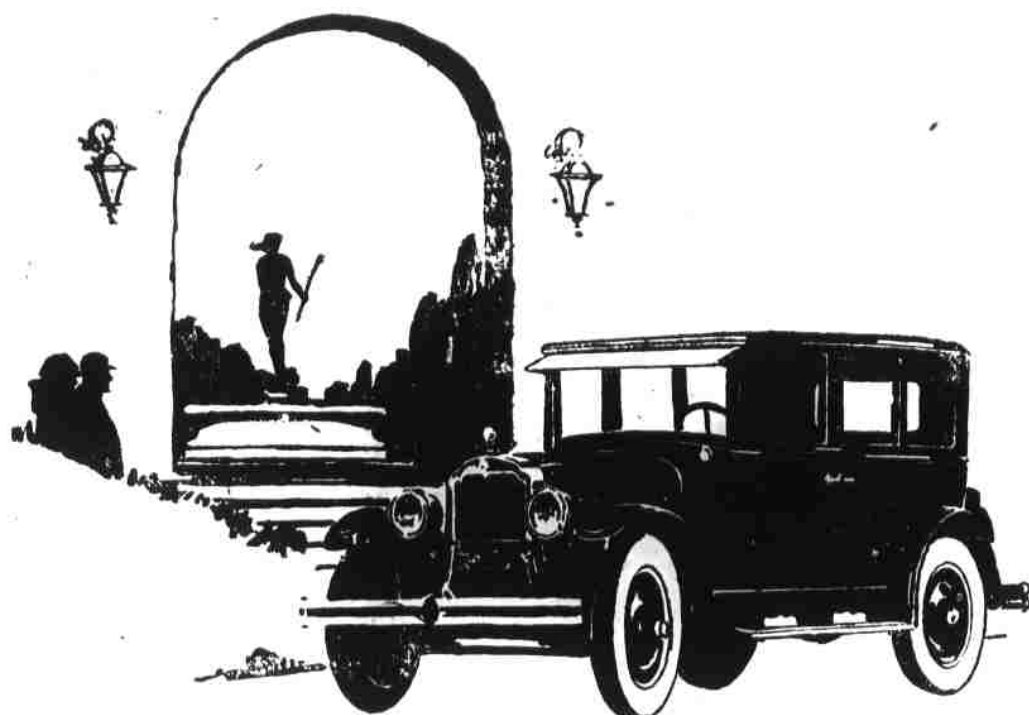
It is not practicable to equip forests with lightning rods. No remedy is now in sight for disastrous forest fires due to lightning, such as have occurred on a vast scale in the western states during the last season, says Nature Magazine of Washington. When lightning strikes a tree the ordinary result is to splinter the wood or strip off bark through the sudden generation of steam. In the great majority of cases the tree is not set on fire. Nevertheless the aggregate number of forest fires started by lightning is, in many parts of the country, greater than the number due to all other causes combined.

Paper in Farming

A 50 per cent increase in the pineapple crops of the Hawaiian islands has been accomplished by use of broad strips of brown paper that completely cover the soil around the plants. The paper smother the weeds, thereby leaving all the nourishment for the plants, which force their way up through the covering. Also, the paper protector conserves the moisture in the soil. The waste fibers of sugar cane, once considered valueless, are used for making the paper. Seventy-five thousand rolls of it at a cost of \$200,000 are used yearly to cover the 8,500 acres of pineapple plantations in the islands.

At Last

How often the wild rose has moved its first flame along the skirts of hornbeam hedge or beech thicket, or the honeysuckle begun to unwind her pale horns of ivory and moonlight, and yet across the furthest elm-tops to the south the magic summons of the cuckoo has been still unheard in the windless amber dawn, or when, as in the poet's tale, the myriad little hands of twilight pull the shadows out of the leaves and weave the evening dark. But when the cry of the plover is abroad we know that our welcome spring is come at last.—Flora Macleod, in "Where the Forest Murmurs."



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