

"Depression Flats," New St. Louis Subdivision



For about a mile along the Mississippi at St. Louis may be seen many small make-shift shacks built of old boards and tar paper. This is the new subdivision built and named "Depression Flats." These people have taken the liberty, under their circumstances, to squat on the edge of the Mississippi where living is cheaper and children can romp and play. The photograph shows one of the shacks where a family of six, including three children, make their home.

Plan to Take Gold From Sea Fails

Berlin.—The fantastic scheme of German scientists to pay Germany's reparations debt with gold from the ocean has been abandoned.

For more than eight years Professor Wilhelm Schlenk of the chemical institute of the Berlin university revealed German scientists carried on extensive research in all the oceans of the world in an attempt to extract gold from seawater.

Hope Is Abandoned.

"Our last hope of winning gold from sources other than mines has been definitely abandoned," Professor Schlenk declared to Universal Service.

"The idea of extracting gold from the ocean sprang up during the inflation period when the gold question was so burning. A number of ships equipped with the latest scientific instruments and modern laboratories carried Germany's most prominent scientists to all corners of the world.

"According to Arrhenius, the percentage of gold in the ocean would have been adequate to warrant extracting it. But our expeditions found that Arrhenius was wrong and that only a small fraction of the amount of gold he claimed to have found in ocean water actually existed.

Hard to Extract.

"But even if Arrhenius had been right, it would be practically impossible to isolate the precious metal, owing to its extremely irregular dis-

tribution. Contrary to general belief, ocean water is not a specific solution, but a continually changing mixture.

"Water from the polar regions contains an entirely different percentage of salt, chemicals and minerals than water from the tropics.

"And gold's peculiar molecular formations in ocean water offer an added difficulty in extracting it. We found veritable 'gold streams,' specific currents which contain a higher percentage of gold."

Lipstick Once Classed With Witchcraft Art

London.—Use of lipstick was once a punishable offense in England, according to Dr. Margaret Fishenden, scientific investigator in the department of scientific and industrial research.

Cosmetics were introduced into England by the knight crusaders, she declared in a radio broadcast on "Chemistry and the Housewife."

In 1780, she said, it was decreed that any woman who should "seduce, or betray into matrimony any of his majesty's subjects by scents, paints or cosmetic washes should incur the penalty of the law in force against witchcraft and that the marriage, upon conviction, should stand null and void."

More German Food Served in Paris Cafes

Paris.—The ever increasing number of Germans frequenting Montmartre and Montparnasse, the two gayest night haunts of Paris, has caused restaurateurs and cafe proprietors to substitute German dishes for American ones served as specialties.

In former years the restaurant men catered to Americans with breakfast foods, "hot dogs" and baked beans. The decrease in Americans has resulted in the appearance of German dainties.

Immigration Tide to United States at Ebb

Washington.—Fewer immigrants are now being admitted than at any time during the last 100 years, and immigration has ceased to be "an economic menace," William N. Doak, secretary of labor, has announced.

Only one immigrant is entering the United States where five were admitted a year ago and thirty in 1914. Mr. Doak declared. Swelling the outward tide of migration, there were more than 18,000 aliens deported in the fiscal year just ended on June 30, he said.

Mr. Doak recommended that congress raise the educational requirements for admission to citizenship. Too many persons are gaining citizenship who do not comprehend its responsibilities, he said, also significant in its declaration that "there are now signs of improvement in employment conditions."

Owl "Hypnotizes" Man; Claws Out One of Eyes

Edmonton, Alta.—"Hypnotized" by a vicious mother owl, which clawed his face and body, Albert Hughes of Wainwright, Alta., was at a hospital here after an operation for removal of his right eye.

"I was walking underneath a tree," said Hughes, "when the owl suddenly fluttered from her nest. I didn't fight back or run. I couldn't. All I could see was those two big eyes. I was hypnotized."

Asked If He Wants to Go to Jail, Mute Says "No"

Seattle.—William Leonard, twenty-three, was taken to Police court, charged with begging. He professed to be deaf and dumb. Court attaches tried various ruses, attempting to make him talk, but all failed until Judge John B. Gordon suddenly caught his eye and asked, "Do you want to go to jail?" Leonard quickly replied "No." He was escorted to a cell.

Champion Barrel-Birlers of Paris



Jean Farges, No. 2, winner of the one-mile annual rolling championship race in Paris is accepting the congratulations of Paul Eustache, No. 1, the champion of last year, who finished second in this race, only 20 yards behind the winner.

Petrified Rattlesnake Found on Mountain

Westfield, Mass.—Evidence of what may have been a prehistoric rattlesnake has been found on Mount Teko.

The apparently petrified reptile appears on the face of a cliff a score of feet from the nearest footpath. Scientists who have viewed it estimate that it was about seven feet long and four inches in diameter.

Gen. Washington Knew Pinch of "Hard Times"

Washington.—George Washington arrived at his home from the Revolutionary war practically "broke," recent letters reveal.

He sent his mother 15 guineas with the explanation that these were all he had and that they were due some one else.

"I now have demands upon me for more than 5000, 300-odd of which is due for the tax of 1780, and I know not where or when I shall receive one shilling with which to pay it."

Motorist Arrested When He Offers Chief a "Hip"

Quincy, Mass.—Frank Farrell was motoring through Cohasset when he stopped his car to ask a pedestrian for a match. A girl companion of Farrell offered the stranger a drink. The stranger, who proved to be Police Chief H. J. Pelletier, arrested Farrell. In court Farrell was fined \$100 for drunken driving.

Eagle Believed to Have Attacked Child Killed

Tazewell, Va.—John Murray, a farmer, killed an eagle at Hersepen that had a spread of 78 inches from tip to tip. It is believed that it was the same eagle that attacked a child recently. The bird was found drinking from a creek when shot.



ONE OMISSION

"You know, mum," said little Hector, "dad must have been up to all sorts of mischief when he was a boy like me."

"What makes you think so, my son?" asked his mother.

Hector looked very thoughtful.

"Well," he went on, "he always knows exactly what questions to ask me when he wants to know where I'm going and what I've been doing."



"I asked your father and he said you were old enough to know your own mind."

"He didn't tell you how old I was, did he?"

Out of Order

Mrs. Murphy—I've just asked Mrs. Smith 'ow 'er ole man't gettin' on, and orl 'er sed wuz, "E's out of order." Does 'er mean 'e's bad?"

Mrs. Jones—No, 'e ain't bad. 'E's 'ad that sayin' 'of them broken slot misheens. It's swank, an' means that 'e won't work.—London Answers.

A Little Hint

Smith—What are you cutting out of the paper?

Jones—A report of a man who got a divorce because his wife went through his pockets.

Smith—What are you going to do with it?

Jones—Put it in my pocket."

A Bad Spirit

Count Felix von Luckner, famous "sea raider" of the German navy, ended a toast at a banquet in New York with the words:

"The nautical spirit in many a country is like the wife in many a marriage—a helpmate first, afterwards a checkmate."

MATCHED HER DRESS



Ilyters Kramp—I saw Miss Mill-yuns buying my new book yesterday.

Clerk—Yes, she said the color of the binding just matched her new lounging robe.

Such Paper Is Warming

Professor—Science has discovered that paper can be used effectively to keep a person warm.

Farmer—Yes, I gave a 30-day note once and it kept me in a sweat for a month.—Copper's Weekly.

The Haven

First Clubman—After all, if it wasn't for our wives, would either of us be where we ar now?

Secor'd Clubman—Quite right. Isn't that what clubs are for?—The Humor-ist.

Atmosphere

"I think they might strain the orange peel from this orange marmalade."

"That is put in as a guarantee of good faith."

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**Pneumatic Tires for Trains**  
A railway train running on the rails with wheels fitted with pneumatic tires seems hardly believable, but a tire manufacturer has made experiments which show that they make the trains run silently and far more smoothly, and that freedom from jolting will lengthen the life of the rails. The directors of the big French railways saw experiments carried out recently, and tests with passenger coaches will be made.

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**Roosevelt Memorial**  
An obelisk will be erected this summer in Montana at the summit of Marias pass as a memorial to Theodore Roosevelt. The marker will rise sixty feet in the air at the point where the Roosevelt highway crosses the continental divide.

**One Salesman to Another**  
"Don't you find it hard to sell your goods in a town where they aren't known?"  
"Yes, but it's harder in a town where they are."

**Role**  
"I can only give you a thinking part."  
"Sir—"  
"But this is Ibsen. It requires deep thinking."

**The Panster**  
"What makes you think the automobile has influenced architecture?"  
"Well, haven't you noticed the number of flats?"

**The Final Grinders**  
"Which teeth does a person get last?"  
"False ones, teacher."

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