

This Week



By Arthur Brisbane

RAILROADS AND SOMEDAY. SEMI-FLYING MACHINE. HEARING THE ATOM. HER AFRICAN BLOOD.

President Coolidge will ask lower railroad freight rates and suggest that the roads can make up the difference by practicing economy.

That is not the railroad idea, however. President Coolidge will find that railroad management and railroad wishes are a department of our Government, though not listed as such in the Constitution.

The voters, when less prosperous times make thinking necessary, will decide to have a government running the railroads, instead of railroads running the government.

This is not said unkindly, or by an agent of bolshevism. The writer has a few thousand shares of railroad stocks, a few hundred thousands in railroad bonds. But it is desirable for railroad men to realize that it is not going to be mid-Summer for ever.

There is cold weather coming. Admirers of the late Theodore Roosevelt will be interested in the statement, made by the authority of the family, that a newcomer from the mysterious realms of the infinite is expected in the Longworth family.

Mrs. Longworth was Miss Alice Roosevelt. Those who have read Galton's Heredity know that the greatness of the father is handed down through the daughter, not through the son. The new little Roosevelt-Longworth may prove to be the reincarnation of Theodore. It will be interesting to see how his little teeth develop.

Monsieur Laur, eighty-four years old, has invented the aero car, and the French government will build a sample "aero line." The car, 7 feet high, 7 feet wide and 40 feet long, is suspended below a cable forty-two feet in the air, slung from poles far apart. Each car carries 100 passengers and the speed is fifty miles an hour.

Most interesting of all, the car, hanging below the steel cable, is driven along a flying machine is driven. A powerful propeller, nine feet in diameter, worked by electric current taken from the cable overhead, pushes the car.

With power enough, and a big propeller, the car might as easily go 100 miles an hour as 50 miles. Then "New York to Chicago above the railroad, in 9 hours, for \$9."

Dr. Mary Walker cared little about fashion, but the latest news from Paris would interest her. The new "dress" is to be more like trousers than dress, a sort of slit skirt. Politics, athletics and common sense will finally do away with the cumbersome skirt. That impediment was all right in the harem, where it was born. It is all wrong on the public street, collecting germs, preventing free movement.

A lawsuit raising interesting questions is coming. A young man named Rhineland, whose people for several generations have not worked for a living and are, therefore, called "aristocrats," married a young woman with negro blood. Her people have always worked hard; therefore she is no aristocrat. The young man, annoyed by publicity and by the Ku Klux throwing stones through his window, now sues for annulment of his marriage, saying he was deceived as to his bride's race. She told him nothing about the negro blood.

If the young woman in the case fights, the question of her constitutional rights might be taken to the United States Supreme Court. New York State legalizes marriages between Africans and whites. The young woman in this case is nearly white. A man in New York could not get a divorce on the ground that his wife had deceived him about a British or Celtic strain of blood. What will the Supreme Court say about a few drops of colored blood?

Atoms of iron, so small that you wouldn't notice ten thousand of them in the corner of your eye, make a roaring noise as they rush to a magnet held near them.

Scientists of the General Electric Company have perfected a device that makes the roaring sound audible. If that's possible, may we not some day hear voices of our distant relations on neighboring planets? It isn't impossible. Nothing is impossible that men can imagine.

Find Slayer of Grimsley

J. D. Norton, wanted in Guilford county for fatally injuring William E. Grimsley, prominent Guilford resident on July 21st, was arrested Monday at Metter, Ga., and will be brought back to North Carolina for trial. Norton is expected to plead self-defense. It will be recalled that Grimsley was found lying in front of the Norton home suffering from a fracture of the skull on the night of July 21st. No member of the Norton family was at home. Later Mrs. Norton and the children returned, but Norton himself was not heard from until a few days ago when he was seen in the vicinity of his old home, Metter, Georgia.

Man 124 Years Old

Zora Agari, of Constantinople, Turkey, who is claimed to be the oldest man in the world, celebrated his 124th birthday a few days ago. He is now looking for a suitable wife and a young girl has been suggested regularly. She has always been regularly married.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT BY THE TOWN OF ASHEBORO ON NORTH FAYETTEVILLE ST.

To each and every owner and person interested in real estate situated on that part of N. Fayetteville street in the Town of Asheboro, N. C., hereinafter particularly designated, and to all other parties and persons whomsoever. You and each of you are hereby required to take notice that the surfacing with concrete pavement of North Fayetteville Street from the North end of the asphalt pavement Northward to the corporate limits of the town, which said street has been and still is designated as a part of the State Highway System, has been completed (30 feet wide with granite curbing, by agreement with the board of Commissioners of the Town of Asheboro, N. C., by order of the State Highway Commission, which directed that the additional expense of constructing same, as aforesaid, over and above the cost of constructing same (18) feet wide, as originally contemplated by the said State Highway Commission, be paid by the Town of Asheboro.

And Whereas, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Asheboro, N. C., has declared an assessment district as to the street improvement, as aforesaid, without petition by the owners of the property abutting thereon, and ordered and directed that the cost thereof to be paid by the town, as aforesaid, exclusive of so much thereof as incurred on street intersections, there being no railroads or street railways whose tracks are laid in said street, be specially assessed upon the lots or parcels of land abutting directly on the improvement according to the extent of their respective frontage thereon, by an equal rate per foot of such frontage, all pursuant to and in accordance with Section 16, Chapter 2, of the Public Laws of 1921, as amended by Section 4, of Chapter 160 of the Public Laws of 1923.

And Whereas, the said local improvement has been completed and the Board of Commissioners has computed and ascertained the total cost thereof, pursuant to the provisions of law, and has made out an assessment roll in which are entered the names of the persons assessed, as far as they can ascertain the same, and the amounts assessed against them, respectively, with a brief description of the lots or parcels of land assessed, that the assessment roll has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the Municipality for inspection by the parties interested; that the 29th day of December, 1924, beginning at 4:00 o'clock, P. M., has been fixed as the time, and the Town Hall as the place at which a meeting of the Board of Town Commissioners of said Municipality will be held for the hearing of allegations and objections in respect to the said assessments.

Take notice and govern yourselves accordingly. By order of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Asheboro, N. C. the 8th day of December, 1924. JAS. R. NEELY, Clerk.

NOTICE—LAND SALE

By virtue of an order of resale entered by the Clerk Superior Court of Randolph county, under date of December 9, 1924, in the Special Proceeding entitled, "Wm. B. Lowe et al. Defendants vs. Laura W. DeCamp et al. Defendants" the undersigned will, at 2 o'clock P. M., on the 27th day of December, 1924, on the premises in New Market township, Randolph county, North Carolina, sell at Public auction to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lot No. 1. Adjoining the lands of Stanley Spencer, W. B. Lowe and others. Beginning at a stone, Spencer's corner, running North 8.12 chains to a stone corner of the Marlboro school house lot; thence South 67 degrees, West 14.63 chains to a stone; thence South 3.20 chains to a stone; thence East 13.64 chains to the beginning, containing 7.67 acres, more or less.

Lot No. 2. Adjoining the lands of W. Gould Brokaw and others. Beginning at a stone, Spencer's corner, running North 8.14 chains to a stone; thence South 10 degrees East 11.11 chains to a stone; thence East 7.11 chains to a permission tree in W. B. Lowe and Miriam Lowe's line; thence East 16.50 chains to a stake in Brokaw's line; thence North on his line 16.06 chains to a stone, Brokaw's corner; thence West 10.75 chains to a stone; thence North 12 chains to the beginning, containing 39 1-10 acres, more or less.

Lot No. 3. Adjoining Shuba Farlow and others. Beginning at a stake in Brokaw's line; running West 16.50 chains to a permission tree; thence South 10 degrees East 30 chains and 76 links to a stone; thence South 75 degrees East 5.26 chains to a stone in Farlow's line; thence North on Farlow's line 9.89 chains to a stone, Farlow's corner; thence East about 2 chains to a stone, Brokaw's corner; thence North with Brokaw's line 21.44 chains to the beginning, containing 33 46-100 acres, more or less.

With right of ingress and egress to and from parcels 1 and 2 above described, along the East side of Marlboro School House lot all the way to Lot No. 2.

Terms of sale one-third cash, one-third in six months and one-third in twelve months, with interest on deferred payments from day of sale, or in cash at purchaser's option. Said sale will be subject to the confirmation of the court.

This the 9th day of December, 1924. W. B. LOWE, Commissioner.

NORTH CAROLINA POWDERS NOSES OF ALL THE STATES

"North Carolina powders the nose of these United States," says Ben Dixon McNeill in an article in a recent issue of the News and Observer. This State boasts of one of the biggest talcum mines in the United States. It is in Moore county. The men who discovered this talcum mine were looking for gold. They had been mining in Mexico when the Madero-Villa revolution broke out, and these revolutionists made things so hot that the miners had to move on.

Paul Gerhardt and C. F. Gerhardt were the two men, who looking about for a mine, remembered that prior to 1849 North Carolina produced the entire gold output of the country. This was before gold was discovered in California and before prospectors began to dig out gold in great hunks in Alaska. These men came prospecting in North Carolina, and brought great tracts of the Burns land in Moore county. A lot of gold had been removed from this land. But times and conditions had changed in the last 75 years and these prospectors couldn't find dirt that would pay. The best it would do was to yield about \$7.00 in gold per ton. This wasn't a large enough percentage to pay. The prospectors began to look for something else.

They found talc within fifty feet of the place the elder Burns used to dig up great nuggets of gold. And now the talc mine is paying better than the gold mine ever did. The talc had been there for ages. The only use it had been put to was for headstones. Nobody before ever thought it would be worth more than gold.

Talc is a rock akin to soapstone, white with a greenish cast, impervious to water, soft enough to be cut with a knife, and with a certain slickness that makes it somewhat like mica in its powdered form. It is in this state when it is taken from the ground and carried to the mill for the finishing processes.

Its insolubility is the quality that makes it unique among the minerals. Water can pour on it, forever and ever, and it never changes a whit of it. It was made dry, and though water has been pouring in on it down there for eons it is still as it was. It is the mystery stone among the stones and until lately has not been esteemed of great value.

They bring it out of the ground in great hunks and dump it into a machine, in a process not unlike the manufacturing of cement, until it is purified and reduced to the finest powder that can be measured. In its final state it passes through shifters with 40,000 to the square inch. Finer than that ingenuity has not yet gone. It would take 80,000 particles to measure an inch.

Not satisfied with that fineness, a newer process has been developed for taking only that part of the mass that will float when agitated by fans. It is finer even than that passing through the sieves. This is the powder that goes into the young lady's powder can and which, after it has been dyed and perfumed, is prized as the finest talc in the world. None of the process is intricate. It is ground, water that has seeped in is removed, and then separated according to grades.

The coarser grades go into the making of roofs. One of the largest makers of roofs. One of the largest makers of Moore county talc is the Barrett roofing manufacturers. Another is the Johns-Manville and another is Henry Ford. Rubber companies take other grades, and the manufacturers of talcum powders for toilet purposes take the finer grades. Colgate and others buy their raw powder from North Carolina and finish it.

THE HAIRPIN

The comprehensive merits of the hairpin are practically unknown to unobservant man. For instance, few outside the pale of surgery, know that an adroit surgeon can utilize a hairpin to an almost unlimited number of cases, often wiring bones, probing and closing wounds, pinning bandages, compressing blood vessels, and many other things when he's in a hurry and hasn't the necessary surgical appliances at hand.

But women—Ah woman!—She can do even greater wonder with this versatile implement. In woman's hand it is mightier than the sword—everything doable can be done by her with a hairpin—pick locks, pull a cork, crack a safe, drill a hole, peel fruit, beat eggs, hang pictures, cut a pie, make a fork, fish hook or tooth pick, open letters or use it for a button hook. She can improvise suspender, nut picker, or use it to jab mashers, doctor an automobile, button tight gloves, inspect a faulty gas burner, test a cooked joint of beef, utilize it as an ice pick, tack puller, fruit pruner—or anything else. She could even wire a house if she had enough hairpins!

If Robinson Crusoe had been a woman, he would have built his hut and made a goatskin coat via the hairpin route. Now that the hairpin is becoming almost extant, one wonders what woman-kind will do when she has anything to fix around the house.—Wall Street Journal.

This Truly is Economy

A \$12 overcoat has been worn every winter for the past forty-four years by R. F. A. Baker, prosperous farmer of Forsyth county, according to a sworn statement by Mr. Baker. The overcoat was purchased at a Winston-Salem clothing store in the fall of 1880 when Mr. Baker was 18 years of age. The coat is still in very good condition.

Few Slayers Are Hanged In the American Courts

Out of every 146 homicides in the United States, only one person pays the death penalty, according to J. F. Hand, supreme vice chief ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters, in an address in Chicago.

"In a recent survey of 146 typical homicide cases," said Mr. Hand, whose society has 165,000 members in the United States and Canada, "thirty-two were classed as justifiable. In the other 114 instances, cases of unjustified murder, indictments were returned in only sixty-nine cases, or 60.5 per cent. Of the forty-five undicted cases, one third of the assailants remained at large, twenty-two committed suicide, and in eight the evidence was insufficient to warrant indictment.

"Among the sixty-nine indictments eleven were no trial cases. In the remaining fifty-eight trials, verdicts of not guilty were rendered in sixteen cases, or 27.6 per cent. Of the forty-one adjudged guilty, thirty-five served time, with appeal pending for a new trial, one was paroled and one was executed.

Two Held For Murder

Mrs. Annie Snipes, widow of Bruce Snipes, who disappeared four years ago and Peter Phillips, a family friend, are being held in the Forsyth county jail without privilege of bond pending the investigation into the death of Snipes, whose skeleton was found in an old well on a farm, near Wallburg, in Davidson county, several years ago. The verdict of the coroner's jury was to the effect that Snipes was killed by a blow on the head with some heavy instrument. It is said there was some family trouble before Snipes disappeared and that Phillips figured in the matter.

30,477 U. S. War Dead Lie Buried Abroad

In American cemeteries in France, Belgium and England, 30,477 American soldiers who gave their lives in the World War are now buried, according to the annual report of the Quartermaster General of the Army, Major General William H. Hart.

The American graves are grouped as follows: Alsne-Marne, Belgium, 2,176; Brookwood, England, 434; Flanders Field, Belgium, 660; Meuse-Argonne, Romagne, 19,969; Ouse-Aisne, Serres-et-Nelles, 6,038; Summe, Bony, 1,825; St. Mihiel, Thiaucourt, 4,139; Suresnes, Paris, 1,503.

The number of bodies returned from overseas during the year was 34, making a total of 46,256 which have been brought for burial in the homeland. During the year 207 identifications of graves of unknown dead were made.

The report also reveals that 397,859 bodies are buried in 83 national cemeteries in this country, 244,443 known and 153,416 unknown.

Bennie Womble, aged 22, son of G. W. Womble, Nash county farmer, disappeared last Sunday afternoon from his home and has not been heard from since. Foul play is feared since the youth had a considerable sum of money on his person at the time of his disappearance.

John L. Thompson, aged 19 years, of Dunn, was burned to death Monday morning when his car, a Buick, overturned and caught fire pinning Thompson under the machine.

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