

A Newsy Trip Around The World

By Elizabeth Saunders

Among the world's pitiful sights are the "Baby Towers" on the outskirts of many Chinese cities. They are small, one-story structures where poor parents leave the bodies of their infants for municipal disposal. When the collecting carts are overdue, the towers often become surrounded by piles of these tiny coffins.

Attacking a mail barge on a river near Sioma, Northern Rhodesia, a hippopotamus sank the craft, causing the loss of two mail bags. The beast tore a large piece out of the vessel.

What is believed to be the first wedding in an American nudist colony was performed last week in a sylvan valley near Los Angeles, when Miss Susie Wise and Jim Goodman were married by the Rev. Clarke Irvine. The bridal couple, minister, and all the wedding guests were nude at the time of the ceremony. The pretty auburn-haired bride held a large bouquet of wild flowers and ferns. After the ceremony she wore only a diamond ring.

Two years ago Harry Derboort of New York found the name of Miss Ethel Murphy of Hickory, N. C., in a box of men's hose shipped from the mill where she worked. He wrote her. They're married now.

Cattle that die unless given brackish water to drink have been found on several of the small Philippine Islands. They are of little commercial value because they can not live on fresh water.

If you ever go to the little town of Russnagh, Italy, you won't have any difficulty remembering names. All people in the town have a last name like that of the town, and all the males are christened Felice, and all the females Felicia.

Animals are permitted to enter Christian churches in only two cities. In Provence, France, small lambs are carried to the Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve, and in Siena, Italy, each horse entered in the annual Palio is blessed before the altar of its owner's church just before the race.

Policemen of Temuco, Chile, South America, have the problem of saving the horses' tails on their hands. Horsehair has become so scarce that thieves are stealing tails of all horses, irrespective of the owner's rank.

Soap is being made from locusts in North Africa. The pests are dried in the sun and treated with carbon bisulphide or ethyl chloride.

Although blind, Mrs. Jennie Cate, 85, has written the history of Auroraville, Wis., on her typewriter.

The race track officials in Urga, Mongolia, have benched all experienced jockeys and now allow only small children to ride in the regular horse races. The children have neither a "price" nor the strength to hold in a horse and lose a race.

Before Oscar Brockschmidt, of Quincy, Ill., set out on a duck hunting expedition, he halted at a filling station to get gasoline. As the car came to a stop a wild duck flew into his arms.

There is no love like a dog. King, faithful German police dog, has ended his four-year vigil at the church door in Great Falls, Mont., through which his master's body was carried. He died this month.

A new shell that pierces a foot of armor plate from a distance of nine miles has been developed, and a poison gas that is fatal even when diluted to one part in 5,000,000 parts of air.

Missing teeth are hard to find when they are in some one else's head. In Ionia, Mich., Bobby Schaefer and playmate, Edwin Schneider, ran into each other, and Bobby missed two teeth. Later they were found imbedded in a deep wound in Edwin's forehead and were extracted.

In Cincinnati's Zoo last week Superintendent Sol A. Stephen examined the inflamed gums of his two-month-old hippopotamus, Zeeko, got her an old automobile tire to use as a teething ring.

According to Ripley, the King Penguin builds no nest but carries its solitary egg on top of one of its webbed feet—male and female relieving each other at intervals.

The tragedy of motherhood has

fallen heavily on Mrs. Nanny Hartfield, 80, of Croyden, England. She had 22 sons and lost them all. Ten were killed on the World War, three were killed by a runaway horse, and the other nine have died of various illnesses.

In Columbus, Ind., Sheriff J. W. Foust had 44 prisoners in the county jail and only 16 bunks. How do they sleep? Sheriff Foust has divided his prisoners, and assigned each to a bed on three eight-hour shifts, and the problem is solved.

About half the persons who die in certain types of accidents may be revived if treated within a few minutes. Adrenalin or the "peacemaker" is used for heart failure and electric shock; artificial respiration for asphyxiation; and methylene blue for cyanide poisoning.

TOBACCO GROWERS IN N. C. PROSPER

Large Crop of Good Tobacco; Governor Ehringhaus Is Praised

By M. R. DNNNAGAN

RALEIGH, Dec. 4.—Just how much effect the efforts to bring tobacco prices to a parity, and particularly, to have the increased prices apply to the 1933 crop is having on the tobacco growers of North Carolina have already been fully realized by the eastern Carolina growers, and are now beginning to be realized by the central and piedmont growers as the prices are now hanging around an average of 20 cents a pound.

It is further brought home to the growers by the fact that they will, on the basis of sales so far, receive more than twice as much for this crop than they received for the 1932 crop, and that the 1933 crop is considerably larger and better than the crop of the year before. North Carolina growers are receiving and will receive a much greater percentage return than the growers of any other State because of the better and larger crop.

Eastern growers have been giving Governor Ehringhaus full credit for the higher prices this year. They realize, and are expressing it, that there was very little chance of having increased prices apply to this year's crop, even if there was every indication it would bring greater returns in 1934 and 1935 because of the reduced acreage sign-up. They attribute the application to this year's crop to the untiring and unceasing efforts of the Governor in Washington.

The Wayne county committee, headed by Lionel Weil, sent him a cord-bound book of letters from 45 Wayne citizens, committee members, expressing their appreciation of what they credit him with accomplishing for tobacco growers. Governor Ehringhaus is justly proud of those letters, and lauded the spirit.

He says very little about another that has come in and is attached to that Wayne book, in which the writer admits that he opposed Mr. Ehringhaus for Governor, for which he expressed hope that he has been forgiven, and expresses a very hearty wish that the present Governor runs for the United States Senate when the time comes (and he wishes it were at once) so he can support him wholeheartedly.

Governor Ehringhaus went to Washington again over the week-end to see if he can do something for peanut growers, and he will not overlook the early Irish potato growers, both of which are numerous in his section of the State. He wants to see that those two groups are benefited, as well as tobacco growers.

Tobacco Underweighed
Tobacco warehousemen in three or four market towns in North Carolina have been under-weighing farmers' tobacco by about two pounds to the basket to, supposedly, take care of the drying out and consequent loss of weight when it has to stay on the floors a day or two, in case of block sales, C. D. Baucom, weights and measures inspector, reports.

In spite of the law which requires that the tobacco be weighed in warehouses and accepted by the buyers at the same poundage, some buyers are weighing behind the warehouses and demanding that the warehouses accept the figures they get, often a pound or more less than the warehouse figures, and, if the warehouses decline to accept these figures, then the buyers threaten to withdraw from that particular warehouse, Mr. Baucom said his investigation shows.

On more than one warehouse floor, Mr. Baucom said, he had found piles that weighed two or three pounds more than they were marked. On one

occasion he started to have every pile on the floor re-weighed, but decided there would be such an uprising from the growers as to endanger the warehouse operators, and probably result in a boycott that would force them out of business.

Mr. Baucom reports that a variation of one pound both ways is the limit for tare on baskets and trucks, but that on occasions the growers are not getting their full poundage, due to the baskets becoming lighter from wear or parts of them breaking off. Most of the supervisors watch this carefully and eliminate the baskets or require that they be brought to the proper weight, he said.

At one warehouse Mr. Baucom reports that he found two sets of scales, one of them four pounds different from the other. He called attention to the difference and was informed that the scales weighing four pounds heavier were not used for weighing growers' tobacco, but only the tobacco belonging to and to be sold by the warehouse, res tated.

All of the operators of warehouses where the scales were off, Mr. Baucom said, were given fair warning that if he found them wrong again he would bring indictments under the proper weights and measures acts.

He has had about a dozen indictments the past month, for 11-ounce pound loaves of bread and for 15-ounce pounds of meat he purchased.

AUTO SALES IN OCTOBER INCREASE 300 P.C. IN YEAR

Washington.—Figures just made public by the Census Bureau of the Department of Commerce show that sales of automobiles during October nearly trebled those of October 1932. A total of 138,475 vehicles, including passenger cars, trucks and taxicabs were sold by factories in the United States last month as against only 48,702 in October of last year. The figures were tabulated from statistics supplied by 207 manufacturers.

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