

A Newsy Trip Around The World

By Elizabeth Saunders

In Philadelphia, Jack Smith stepped up to police Sergeant Keitt and said, "I'd like very much to go to jail if you don't mind. I'm one of the guys you are looking for in that \$17,000 mail truck holdup in Conshohocken recently."

At the station Smith explained: "My wife got mad at me and I decided I'd rather be in jail."

This sounds like Kinston and it is in Kinston. Isaac Wilson's son Willie found a way to keep his four small brothers and sisters out of mischief. He poured molasses over their heads and gave each some feathers to play with. Willie got spanked.

Their wings stuck together by oil discharged by passing ships, 80 sea gulls starved to death recently near Girvan, Scotland.

Tom Shallenberger, 85, Knoxville Iowa, pursuing his hobby of visiting the sick and leaving home grown flowers in the summer and fruit in the winter, has called upon 15,000 ill persons in the last 25 years.

Bleuse Paris had a mental shock over the appearance of fingernails varnished in shaded rainbow tones, accompanied by crystals bracelets in all colors of the rainbow.

Abdul Hassen of Niles, Ohio, has 16 differena shades of wallpaper in his 10 by 12 foot home.

The sweet potato is used in making glue for postage stamps. Mucilage, ideally suited for stamps, is made from starch contained in the sweet potato.

In Seville, Calif., when one of the inmates of the lunatic asylum was allowed to go to the Seville Fair, he struck up an acquaintance with a stranger with whom he had several drinks: "Come and pass the night with me at my place," said the inmate, when his companion discovered that he had missed his last train. The stranger accepted. Next morning he was flabbergasted to find waddens bending over him. It was several hours before the mistake was explained.

Pottery once was a hobby with Mrs. Susan Field Conran of Shenandoah, Iowa. Now it has become an industry. She has begun manufacturing pottery buttons and buckles from varicolored Iowa clays.

In Denver, Colo., after a funeral in a bar room, pall bearers downed glasses of strong whiskey over the Casket of George Deibel, 90-year old eccentric rag picker who died recently. It was at his request that the odd funeral be held when he died. Bishop Frank Rice of the Liberal Church served the drinks. The Bishop said Deibel was the 13th member to join the church 13 years ago—and he died on Friday the 13th.

In Berlin, Germany in a roundup of "scorchers" police detained 5,253 bicyclists. The purpose was to show them that bicycling speeding will not be tolerated. All were warned and 2,832 were fined.

Fred Smith, 60-year-old fisherman of Greenville, Maine, catches fish by trolling with the line between his teeth, claiming that his teeth are more sensitive to a "strike" than his hands.

In Montreal, Mont., Walter Demer paid \$4 for a turkey. When the turkey was prepared for the oven a gold nugget, worth about \$25 and a gold crown from a tooth were found in the gizzard.

The International Dairy Council, which says 142,000 Philadelphia children have never seen a cow, is taking steps to show them some. The council will sponsor erection of a barn at the city zoo and ask dairymen to send sows for exhibition purposes.

Springs of mineral water near boiling temperatures were discovered recently on the Kamachatka Peninsula by an expedition from the Academy of Science of Khabarovsk, U. S. S. R. The party reported that the temperature went as high as 205 degrees Fahrenheit.

In Moscow, Russia, crowded housing conditions led to a decision that G. S. Millukov might marry but might not live with his wife. A marriage license was refused to Millukov until he should have obtained consent of the committee operating the apartment house where he lived. He brought back a certificate: "Comrade Millukov may marry, but he is not permitted to bring his wife into his living area."

H. G. Cherry, Director of Hairdress

Health, was for many years employed to curry, polish and curl hair on prize cattle that were entered in the American Royal Livestock Show in Kansas City, Mo.

Minneapolis, police closed a night club where Fan Wancer Ruby Fey worked because they said she wore too few clothes. More modestly attired, she now is with a Works Progress which will tour Minnesota's 87 C. C. C. camps.

In Montreal, Que. Roger Porie, nineteen years old, was sentenced to four months imprisonment for breaking into a reform school.

In Warsaw, an unemployed man barely got a suit of clothes from a relief office. He was turned down flatly when he asked for it. He left the office and returned a short time later—naked. A suit was hurriedly tossed across the counter to him.

Eddie Cantor is not only a famous actor but says it all came out of a ten cent can of white bathtub enamel that was upset and went over the frame of his black goggles. He wore them as a contrast to his blackface makeup in an act in a small Brooklyn variety theatre. Since using white-frame spectacles on the stage, Eddie has had a better outlook on life.

Thirteen years ago on the 13th of December at 13 minutes past three o'clock, a daughter, Ruth Lewis, was born to Detective Sergt. and Mrs. Elmer Lewis of Washington. So last Friday the 13th, Ruth celebrated her 13th birthday with a party of 13 boys and 13 girls, beginning at 13 minutes past 8 o'clock.

Raising 700 turkeys had proved to be a losing venture for Victor Van Meter, Gypsum, Kansas, farmer. Hearing that other farmers were having trouble with grasshoppers over-running their crops, he hired out his gobblers at \$2.50 a day to gobble grasshoppers. As a result his feed bill was reduced to nothing and he had a clear profit.

In Milwaukee, the County, Court held that Sarah Hathaway's \$38,000 estate was more than enough to care for her cats and ruled that \$16,500 be divided among 11 relatives of hers. Miss Hathaway left her entire estate to her 18 cats, which, since her death have dwindled to 12.

Reclaim Swamp Lands With Copper Sulfate

RALEIGH, Dec. 23. Applications of copper sulfate will increase the productivity of reclaimed swamp lands in eastern North Carolina.

The copper sulfate corrects a soil defect that, in many fields, causes the crops to be shallow rooted, unthrifty, and low in yield, said L. G. Willis, soil chemist for the N. C. Experiment Station.

Most of the trouble is found in peat soils with a high organic content and a dark brown color. The surface of the soil may be black, but the upper subsoil is brown.

Where no lime has been applied previously, two tons of finely ground limestone should be broadcast on each acre, Willis said, as these soils are highly acid.

The application should be made at least six months before planting time, with the lime being disked into the soil. Every fourth year thereafter an additional ton of lime should be applied.

Approximately 50 pounds of copper sulfate should also be added to each acre before planting time and worked well into the soil if convenient, it may be applied with the lime.

Finely ground copper sulfate, such as used in Bordeaux mixtures for spraying, is the type recommended by Willis. But he warned against using it too often, as an excess will make the soil sterile.

He also urged growers not to apply copper sulfate on a large scale until they have tested it on their land.

Willis also stated that an application of 50 pounds of muriate of potash to the acre will improve the corn yield on new grounds. On older fields it may be necessary to apply 200 pounds of superphosphate.

Superphosphate is dangerous on new ground, he warned.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations as follows:

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Certain specified education and experience are required in connection with these examinations.

Full information may be obtained from Howard C. Jones, Secretary of the U. S. Civil Service Board of Examiners, at the post office in this city.

Stanley 4-H club members have ordered 500 black walnut and 1,000 loblolly pine seedlings through the Extension Forester.

Side applications of 100 pounds of soda to corn in Stokes County this year gave increased yields of 20 to 25 per cent over where no nitrate was used in this way.

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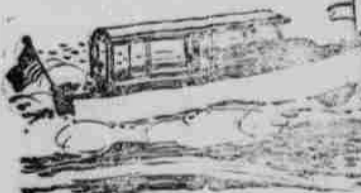
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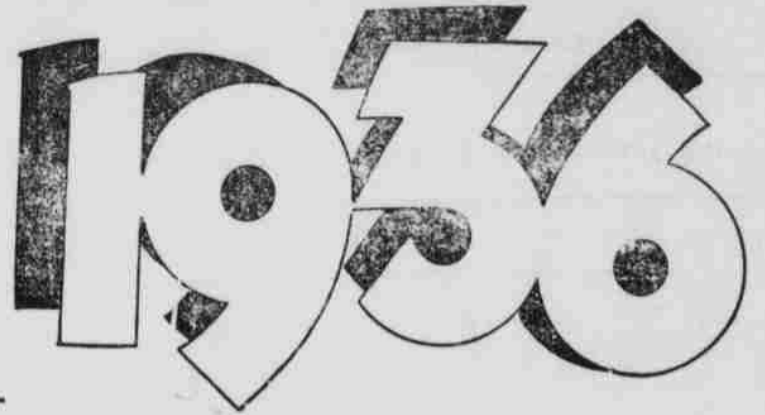
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