

A Newsy Trip Around The World

By Elizabeth Saunders

John J. Pope, Bay City, Michigan, 55, weighing 135 pounds, is a human cork. With his hands and feet lashed securely he can float hours on end in fresh water, and after being pushed under always bobs up again.

Bloodhounds were put on the trail of Nehemiah Butler, colored, wanted for theft in Stowah, Tenn. When Butler was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Ray Carver one of the dogs was being used by the fugitive to hunt rabbits. The dog's name was Sherlock Holmes, Jr.

In Pittsburgh blood was streaming from Carl Bomb's right hand and there was a baffled look upon his face when a patrolman found him on a street. The patrolman found the middle finger lacerated.

"How in the world did you ever cut a finger like that?" asked the policeman.

"Finger? Finger?" questioned Bomb. "You know, I thought that was the funniest tasting hot dog I had ever eaten."

Bomb had gone into a cafe, purchased a sandwich and taken it outside. He said he had mistaken his finger for the weiner. After fifteen stitches had been taken in the finger Bomb was arrested on a charge of drunkenness.

A single row of corn 20 miles long was grown on Grady Orr's farm in Alabama, and he cultivated his corn by proceeding spiral fashion until three days later his one-row farm was plowed.

Free coffee costs as much as regularly imported coffee, in Vienna, Austria! The Brazilian government donated free of charge, a quantity of coffee to relief organizations in Vienna—but it cost 70c a pound in duties and transportation to get the coffee from the Port of Trieste, on the Adriatic, to Vienna!

Summers Autumn Winters, lives in Sunbury, Pa.

While taking a shower Ruth Driver, 28, of East Orange, N. J., fainted, falling face downward in the shower stall so that her body covered the drain. Water filled the stall to the height of the six inch sill and she drowned.

E. C. Robbins, blind Oregon editor recently climbed Mt. Hood (11,253 feet) with the aid of his specially trained police dog.

Because her husband complained that he didn't like to be burdened by a wife, Mrs. T. F. Goldrich, of Angeles, Calif., won a divorce and \$20 a week alimony.

An intoxicating, but non-alcoholic beverage named kava is prepared in the South Pacific islands from the roots or leaves of a variety of the pepper plant.

Poultry was originally bred only for fighting purposes! Only within the past 50 years has it been bred for eggs production.

Pal, a 3-year old white Spitz, with three tails, is leading a dog's life these days at Buffalo with people continually hounding him for a good look at the unusual caudal appendage.

In Oakland, Calif., Merrit Hospital pretty, amiable Martha Hale Molen-dyk, who has trained herself to embroider, paint, write, knit, eat, type, brush her hair and wash herself with her toes gave birth to a hale girl.

In Buenos Aires, Argentina, fifty policemen were arrested for not wearing rubber overshoes while on duty in the rain.

Hairdressing is the latest treatment for women mental patients. The London Severalls Mental Hospital has instituted a hairdressing room on the theory that the restoration of a patient's self-respect has a strong psychological effect for the better.

O. J. Benjamin, of Haskinsville, N. Y., a hamlet of only 40 people, sells on the average of 60 guns of various types a month. Because of his reputation as a gunsmith, sportsman from all over the world come to his door.

Twice in 22 years has B. H. Little, of Xenia, Ohio, failed to remove the receipts of his general store at the end of the day's business. Each time the store has been robbed. Little's loss from the second burglary recently was \$50.

A California husband charges his wife with being interested in at least 45 other men. Perhaps the lady's trouble is merely inability to concentrate.

Meat from bulls killed in Mexican bull-fighters is never sold, as it is thought that the "heated blood" engendered by the bulls' blind rage at the time of the killing poisons its flesh for human consumption.

In Denver, Colo., Mrs. Florence Miller, marriage-license clerk, looked at the man in amazement when he asked for a license to wed his present wife. "I want to get a license in each of the 48 states and marry her 48 times," said the man.

Dr. Henry Cutler, 74, retired headmaster of the Mt. Vernon School for Boys, Summit, N. J., is now in his sophomore year at the University of Paris, France, studying medicine.

To prove to his grandfather that he could write a 7 year old boy in Newport, England, filled in part of a prescribed form in the last general election and was then taken to the polls by his still doubting grandfather and made to deposit his ballot. Since a voter is required to be over 21 years of age, and the boy is a minor, his father was fined \$15 for his son's "voting."

Believe it or not, but John Herculio of New York, has not brushed his teeth in 20 years, yet all of them are perfect and at the age of 50 he lifted 180 lbs. with his teeth.

Through 53 years in the postal service, William L. Bartlett, who has just retired as assistant postmaster at Westfield, Mass., never missed a day's work because of illness.

Milk cows were not known in Japan until 1870. A cow was then imported from America, and two men, selected for their strength were assigned to wrest the milk from her.

In St. Louis, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. White, both deaf mutes, were divorced on the husband's plea in sign language that his wife "nagged" him.

There is an old law on the books in Portland, Maine, saying that tickling a girl under the chin with a feather duster is contrary to the law. The oldest person to be granted a driver's license in North Carolina is Jim Jordan, 85, of Siler City.

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State's Farm Income Increased Under AAA

Raleigh Jan. 15—During the two and a half years of the AAA, the total increase in North Carolina farm income was more than \$416,785,000.

This figure is the sum of the AAA benefit payment plus the increased valuation of farm crops since 1932.

In 1932, before the AAA, the value of farm crops in this State was \$104,362,000, said Dean I. O. Schaub, of State College, who had charge of the programs in North Carolina.

With the inauguration of the AAA in 1933, the valuation of farm crops rose to \$194,390,000. The following year it climbed up to \$262,973,000, and in 1935 it was 246,348,000.

The total increase over 1932 during the next three years amounted to \$390,625,000. In addition, the farmers cooperating in the crop control programs received more than \$26,160,000 in benefit payments.

Up to September 30, 1935, the benefit payments had reached a total of \$26,159,193. Since that time other payments have been made, and yet others are now due, the dean pointed out.

The benefit payments, classified by commodities, were distributed to North Carolina farmers thus: tobacco \$14,515,189, cotton \$10,689,546, corn-hogs \$848,005, and wheat \$97,451.

From the summer of 1933 up to September 30, 1935, farmers in Craven county received a total of \$36,610.52 in AAA rental and benefit payments.

Payments to growers in near-by counties were: Craven County, \$318,029.12 Onslow, \$248,251.47 and Jones \$229,064,781.

Henry Gibbs of Dana, Henderson County, reports killing a hog weighing 1,515 pounds net and therefore claims producing the largest hog in this State.

Moonshine corn liquor used in raditors of the terracing tractors in Orange County served as an adequate anti-freeze mixture during the recent severe weather.

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ELECT TWO DIRECTORS AT SESSION

NEW BERN, Jan. 8—Annual reports of officers and election of two directors will take place at the annual meeting of the New Bern Production Credit association to be held at the courthouse here Friday.

A large crowd of farmers from Craven, Carteret and Pamlico counties, served by the association, are expected to attend the meeting which will begin at 2:30 o'clock, according to R. F. Allen, secretary.

Not only are all of the members invited and expected to be present at the meeting, Mr. Allen said, but a most cordial invitation is also extended to all non-members who are interested in securing short-term credit for production purposes.

"Our association is anxious that every farmer in our territory shall have the opportunity of knowing of the credit service which we have to offer," said Mr. Allen, "and we also are anxious that they shall attend this annual meeting to see how the business of the association is conducted."

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C. T. Rogers.
In Anson County, 1800 cotton growers received 60,000 in parity checks in time for the Christmas holidays. Tenants and children shared in the happiness created.

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