

"Tinker Bob" Stories

by Carlyle H. Holcomb
ANOTHER FLYCATCHER.

When Tinker Bob's attention was called away from Phoebe, he saw Silky, the Monkey, talking with someone over on the other side of the river. The King hurried over to see if it might be one of the Forest Dwellers whom he had not yet seen since his return from the South. It might be because his mind was then dwelling on him, that the first voice Tinker heard when he crossed the river was that of Chebec. Of course the King knew who it was for Chebec was the greatest fellow you ever knew to be always calling his own name. Chebec! Chebec! Chebec! he repeated over and over, jerking his tail with every note. He too would now and then dart into the air and snap at something that the King or Silky could not see, as they looked up from the ground.



He darted out after another fly.

"How-do-you-do Chebec?" cried Tinker Bob. "I am delighted to see you back again. Are you going to build a nest in the forest this year?" "To be sure I am," replied Chebec, as he darted into the air. "Mrs. Chebec has built her nest in about this same place for two or three years, and no one could get her to go any where else. She is looking for a place now that she thinks no one will discover. I suppose she ought to have some help in locating a good place. But a long time ago, O King, I learned that it was wise not to have an opinion about some things. If she ever finds the place she wants, I suppose I'll help her build a nest. I can tell you we are mighty glad to be back here in the forest again. It seems a long time since we were here. We've made a journey from the land farther South than where Silky lived."

"I just happened to see Mr. and Mrs. Phoebe. They belong to your family don't they?" "They already have a nest full of eggs," said Tinker Bob. "The Phobeas are funny folks," said Chebec, "they are the only members of the family who can stand cold weather. I never could see what

Next—A Barn Fighter.

OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS
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Horace vs. Walt Mason

We admit the stuff of Horace Was a bit too hefty for us, (Though with his writings we're not finding fault) But the foreman of this colyum Would much prefer a volume Of the simple, rustic songs by Uncle Walt.

That independent looking gink you see, washes and irons his own soft collars.

Wanted—Stenographer to work part time. Apply at once, etc.—Classified ad. There are times when even an employer loses patience.

Judge—"Madam, have you anything to say?" "Prisoner's Husband—"Now you've done it, my lord."

An unfortunate motorist smashed into one of those concrete traffic signs with his car the other day and was removed to the pail. His car, we presume, was removed to the junk heap.

Antagonistic Anthem

Oh, how I'd love to throttle that guy And wind up his incessant chinning; The reason is this, if you care know Why: Because he says "ending" for "inning."

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Free Advice to Young Men

Don't kiss a girl on the hand unless she has been catin' garlic.

Never yell "What Hoe?" to a man working in the garden.

Five hundred ultimate consumers march in parade as protest against high prices.—News item.

The pageant, no doubt, was much enjoyed by profiteers who witnessed it.

When a doctor gives a patience hope, he expects pay for it.

NICHOLS TO REPORT ON PINEVILLE BANK

The report of John G. Nichols, appointed by Judge W. F. Harding as temporary receiver for the bank at Pineville, will be made to Judge Harding Friday morning. For several days an auditor has been going over the affairs of the bank and it is expected a complete statement as to the condition of the bank will be available.

Mr. Nichols probably will be made permanent receiver of the bank, with the duty of liquidating its resources. He was formerly chief state bank examiner and now is a vice-president of the American Trust Company.

Henry C. Dockery is attorney for Mr. Nichols and for the Corporation Commission, which asked Mr. Nichols' appointment to the receivership.

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YOUR OWN CAREER

GWENDA'S SCOPED.

In a few words Gwenda did explain to the men her cousin's accidental presence in the studio, also the relationship between herself and Fern, and everything that she knew about Natalie and her life. The largest laetive smiled down at her reassuringly as she came to the end of her story and said, "Sure, lady, we know all about this one; we've had her on our hands several times already. She's been getting the dope smuggled in to her, and we've been laying for the smuglers. This afternoon we rounded up a gang of 'em, and now, here she is, dead! She's better off, this way, too. The husband in St. Christopher's hospital on Tenth street, and he'll be well again in a week or so. The shot only went through his left shoulder. Take your cousin away from here and we'll rectify the matter a few minutes more, to get the rest of the details from one and another of them. Gwenda gathered up her cousin and her notebook and together the two girls hurried to the waiting taxi, and were driven home.

Once home, she saw to it that Fern lay down, and became quiet once more, and soothed with spirits of ammonia, and started down for the office again.

Tired but satisfied, she then hurried back to her chief, who was in high feather when he heard that she had been the first and in fact the only representative there. He made her sit down and tell him all about the murder and seemed a wee bit disappointed to hear that there had been nothing in the other woman's story at all. Merely a young detective's mistake.

"Too bad, too bad, from the news point," he said, "would have made a fine triangle story, you know. Still we've got a 'scoop'—now go ahead and write it up for all your worth and make it as vivid as you know how. Guess we'll have to be raising your salary again, Miss Channing, if you keep on getting us scoops this way. I can just see old 'Beefy' swearing at everyone of his reporters on 'The Star' for letting us beat them to it!" And he roared with laughter as he thought of this.

Gwenda, still very much shaken, now that everything was over, and her cousin's name saved, dashed out to a private telephone booth and called up St. Christopher's hospital to inquire for Neddy before she started her story.

She was told that he was doing well and would be able to see visitors in a day or so. This cheered her considerably, and with an easy heart she went back to her desk and started to write her story.

At five-ten she laid it, finished, on Davis' desk and noted with an inward satisfaction that he was more than pleased with what she had written.

"Great stuff, Miss Channing, great stuff. You've got all the facts here and plenty of punch. Now, for goodness sake, take that worried look out of your eyes and go and eat a beef-steak. And don't you dare to show up here at all tomorrow. You need a rest."

(To be continued)

MOTORCYCLIST WAS HEAVILY ASSESSED

Salisbury, June 1.—In county court Tuesday Ralph Orr, a Spencer youth, was assessed \$100 and costs in a case charging reckless driving of a motorcycle, and in a case of running a machine without a license tag was let off with the costs. Two months ago a team of horses became frightened when Orr passed them on Fulton street, and running away, threw Mrs. Moses Lenny out of the wagon inflicting injuries from which she is still suffering. For some weeks she was unconscious in a local hospital. Young Orr gave notice of appeal. A civil action is to follow the criminal case.

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If the movie reformers had their way, says A. A. Thomas, about the most thrilling thing we could see on the screen would be husband and wife seated at the opposite ends of a sofa, hands neatly tied, and with their framed marriage certificate propped up between them. Doubtless the rules would require the sofa to be not less than six feet long, and the marriage certificate would have to be clearly legible at a distance of at least one hundred feet.

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SHOWS PROFIT OF \$11,900

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