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LIFE STORY OF A GAMBLER

Thirty Hours of Continuous Play Brought on Heart Disease and Death -- Left a Strange Assortment of Belongings in Which There is a Real Object Lesson.

(From The Kansas City Star.)

When a man dies unexpectedly his farm. One letter was from a lieuaffairs crystallize into a cuid patiera traced by eld letters, heve in prehets Taylor, near Louisville, Ky., telling of clothing left hanglag over a chair; of a big stud poker game in which of clothing left hanging over a chair; by half-emptied bottles on the dress- two young millionaires from the east er, by telephone numbers jotted down were "easy picking."

through his tited brain — he proba-bly expected to sleep tea or twelve hours and in the morning renew his active life. But he died of heart that doesn't come often." He in-classes houngit on hy thirty continue chosen of a code for work of disease brought on by thirty contin- closed a code for use in exchanging ting "everybody else doing it" at the mous hours of poker playing. The telegrams, mext morning it was too late to sort In the ministrator found more striking eviont the letters and papers, destroy traces of little indiscretions it was dence of his life, as well as an ex-tos late to gather up the loose ends. planation of how he managed to week." It begins Sunda Ev h 'i - a gambler's legacy.

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. in the afternoon of Monday, No-Nother 24th, last year, a professional k. mbler of Kansas City sat down at a Lew deck of cards. He played all coupped with delicate springs and that afternoon and night and all the adjustments. A slight movement of a ocker table and broke the seal of next day, pausing only to take sandwiches, coffee and whiskey from a instantly into play.

Japanese servant's tray. At eight o'clock Tuesday night, al-ter thirty hours of continuous play. There were twenty-five or thirty decks of marked cards, a machine like a tobacco cutter with a razor be counted his money, pushed back, the counted his money pushed back his chair, bade the other men around There was a catalogue from a firm the table good night and went out. In San Francisco listing more than He walked across the street to a ho-tel, where he lived, got his key at vices - from a tiny thumbuall prick drsk, went to his room on the used to scratch a rough spot on aces. third foor, undressed and went to listed at fifty cents, to a combination Turee hours later he was dead poker and dice table with electric wiring and holdout attachments. bod. 405 8

does a professional gatabler which sold for \$350. Ind him when he dies? Re. lacobs, county administra-

ook charge of the gambler's hotel here, the sky was the fimit 203 the morning after he died. Their "customers" were farmers and gambler had \$1,800 in stockmen and old men from Kanson. 307517 fee \$1,800 in Liberty houds it. Oklahoma, or Texas. Whatever ele-deposit hex in his hotel, gents of protecty surrounds the gale Sec. 1. 1. cake showed he had \$3,500 it at a desureant bruk, its way he built his fortune, as a 1 1-2 carat dumoud. In one of his trucks was an inas a 1 1-2 carat dimmond th about one throward del- recoging collection of books. Ther-

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When the public administrator opened that box at a bank the day after the sambler died there was no correctory or papers of value. The adinistrator learned that a man said to i. the sambler's partner had vis-isted the box earlier in the day, but ther insisted he took out only 100.5 a J . rapers, concerning the partnerat belonged to him.

re is the sixty thousand dol-A little bit of happiness and money; hich the gambler brought from Fars Omaha? The mystery of its disap-paramee is one of the interesting 'p the hill and over to make our whings he teft behind him. Wares are three channel

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Science and Health, with a Key 10

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Insurance Compulsaioner Says Rub-bish and Litter Canses Fires, and tie Wants Spring Cleaning Started.

with business associates in Denves Mr. T. L. Crowell, chief of the and Omaha, posteards from a woman re department, has received the foiwho was spending a vacation on a wing letter from Mr. James R. Young, state insurance columissioner: tenant in the army stationed at Camp "Every new building erected in our town means added responsibility and labor to your position as fire cittel, with practically the same ap Dictures and trinkets in the till of a truck. So it was with the gan dor in the gambler to be ready to take the gambler to be ready to take the gambler to be ready to take the gambler to be train for Louisville when things were it is well nigh impossible under the well night impossible under the second protection and extinguishing service. "It would be a shame to let money

same time by removing tons of fire breeding waste in every district, is the main purpose of "fire prevention" "ciean-up It begins Sunday, Marca accumulate sixty thousand dollars in 28th, lasting through the week uptil April 3rd.

currency. Attached to an old vest was a complicated poker "hold-out," "You know by experience, what a device for slipping cards up the sleeve and concealing them for use in an emergency. The holdout was waste, litter, rubbish and debris, in and out of buildings, can do to start or spread a fire. You certainly have heard brother chiefs tell of fighting a fire successfully when a burning brand would fail into a pile of rub-bish or on an old weather fuzzed or the knee would bring the extra cards rotten roof blocks away, often in the There were twenty-five or thirty heart of the fire district and start another fire, which proved more un-

manageable than the first. "Any of the 'old timers' can talk you blind of such damnable occurrences: Haney of Jacksonville, Ro-zetta of Nashville, Cody of Atlanta, Taylor of Greensboro, Schnibben of Wilmington, Christian of Durham, et id omes genus. 'They know.' Sad experience has taught them. They all and many others have found the scent advantage of clean premises, ran in the upper floors of a small and building upon the experience of fire fighters, the North Carolina in-

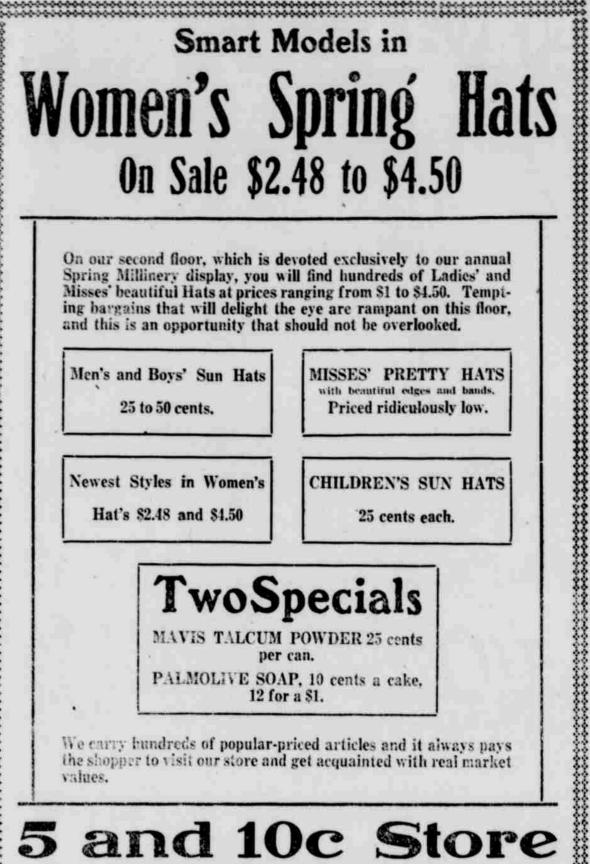
surance department is urging all cities and towns in North Carolina, fficially and otherwise, to join them a this clean-up week's special drive, and to desiroy once and for all accumlated fire breeding and fire spreadne jun

"We have taken the matter up with the other progressive organiza-tions in your town, Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, Women's Club, City Fathers, Ministers' Associations, etc., but you and your department are the ones to blaze the trail. We will furnish the 'dope,' spoken or printed, upon application, and any other help we can render. So let's go to it. Let us hear from you, Will you do 115

"Minutes are to hours what penther are to dollars-and he who wins aves both."

"Be somebody in the Crowd-Count."

g Railroad engineer, 8 years at the throttle, had invested his savings in a printing



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estate; the relatives of the ton's Not much, not much, only all there is Seninte: the relatives of the toal's Nor much, only all there is adeal wife, who live Denver; A Karuss and of beauty in a world like this. Common law wife, and the partner, who seeks a half share on the basis of business partnership. If the game bier had made a will b is probable the wife dispert that his wife dispert them and sent them to him to her betters, for some of them, but is a courth person more of them, but is a courth person are mankene girl in a downtown. mone of them, but to a courth person — a manicure girl in a downtawn huild. As yet she had brought no claim against the estate and it is probable she never will bring one. The supplier had said they would be The gambler had said they would be married in December. That was one be divided between the claimants who of the tragedies he left behind.

morning after he died, the administrator began his examination of persional effects of the dead man. In for room rent from a large hotel. He-

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ourney sweetand yet, we do not ask too much, we ta all we in

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This is another: A little bit of life, a little bit of love,

didn't come and knock me flat; And I didn't have the trouble that

What else did he leave? When the coroner had finished his work in the sambler's bedroom the him. are scrambling for it in the courts,

News From the Sandy Ridge Section

of Buford Township. Monroe, Rt. 4, March 20.-Mr. and Mrs. Geoge W. Moser motored to Concord Sunday, March 15th. Mr. Moser says the first man he saw on arriving in the capital of Cabarrus was Hon. Frank Armfield, one of our good native Union County citizens.

Mr. Charlie Carnes and Miss Nannie Fincher were married Sunday. March 14th at the home of the bride's parent, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Fin-cher. Rev. K. W. Hogan officiated. These are popular young people and have a host of friends who wish them well.

Mr. A. H. Richardson left March 17th for Baltimore where he will take the radium treatment for can-cer at John Hopkins hospital.—Mr. W. T. Moser is preparing to erect a nice residence on his farm which he recently purchased from Mr. M. H. Richardson on the Plyler Mill road. --Mr. Frank Parker of Mouroe town-this ment Friday night with Mr. Steve Richardson.

The people in this section were greatly alarmed on the night of March the 15th when an unusual light was seen in the north-western part of the sky about seven-thirty. There were many surmises as to what it could be. Some thought it an air ship, others a searchlight, and still others thought it was a sign that something was going to happen. As for me, I was busy keeping my hat on and my hair rubbed down. — Farmer.

Items from Around Hope,

where she has been visiting her sis-fer.—Mrs. Jerome Starnes who has been quite II with influenza is able everywhere. been quite il with innueta is and to sit up some.—Miss Mattle Birham of the Roughedge community spent inst Wednesday with Miss Neal Mc-Manus.—Mrs. Julia Boone has moved from Stouts to Mr. Sam Helms' farm.

business.

G Business, ill-managed was on the verge of ruin. The engineer left his engine one day and stepped in as superintendent. Never had seen the inside of a printing plant.

Today it is one of the most successful catalog houses in his section, and ne's rich.

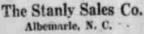
I He was a born executive, not an engine driver, and he found himself. -

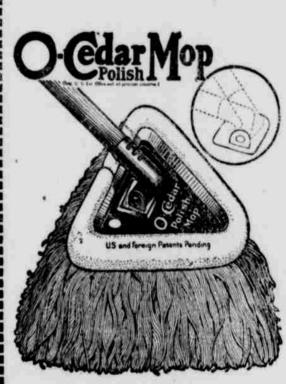
I A want ad will also find your place, old fellow.



Apply a few drops on a sore, touchy corn or bothersome callous. Instantly the soreness leaves. "At Monroe Rt. 4. March 23. — Last Ense" removes hard corns. soft corns. Saturday, although the first day of or corns between the toes, without spring was very cold.—Miss Bessie soreness or irritation. "At-Ease," Moser has returned from Albemarie the guaranteed remover, is sold in

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