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INDIANS MEND SKULLS

Prehistoric Medicine Men of South America Were Skillful.

Scraped the Bone With Knives of Stone or Obsidian and Covered Hole With Gourd.

New York.—Prehistoric Indians of South America had crude medicine men who removed splinters of arrowheads and stone bludgeons from wounded warriors by cutting through the skull with knives of stone or obsidian and other simple instruments wrought from copper and bronze. Sometimes the patient lived; frequently he went to the happy hunting grounds.

These uncomfortable treatments of serious casualties from tribal skirmishes still continue in remote areas of Bolivia. Evidence of this has been gathered by field workers from the American Museum of Natural History.

Of nearly 1,200 skulls collected in South America by the late Dr. Adolph Bandelier for exhibition in the museum, about 5 per cent has been operated upon. To surgeons the practice is known as trephining. It consists of removing a disk or button of bone from the skull with a saw called a trephine.

Complex fracture of the skull with depression of the bony plates must have been common occurrences during the ancient tribal wars when clubs headed with stone and copper along with slings, the "bola" and the "llulul" were offensive weapons, said the reports of the museum's investigators.

A natural procedure, they opined, with victims who survived skull fractures must have been attempts to remove the splinters of bone that pricked the brain, or to cut out fragments pressing upon it.

Warlike clans fight intermittently even today in the wilds of Bolivia and skull fractures are common. Other heads are perforated now and then in the bacchanals and festivals whooped up occasionally with great quantities of intoxicants, the investigators reported.

When the laughter and the free-for-alls quiet down, the medicine men get out their sharp pocket knives and make incisions into the injured skulls of the sufferers, frequently covering the aperture with gourd. During the operation they scrape around the wound with a chisel.

Modern anesthetics are unknown to the medicine men. They put their patient into insensibility by constant use of the "coca" plant. This also is employed for healing purposes and is commonly applied to wounds, bruises and contusions.

TRACES TB. TO BAD TEETH



Dr. Thomas J. Ryan, noted dental scientist and writer on dental topics, declares in his latest book, "Teeth and Health," that he has traced tuberculosis to decayed teeth and foul mouths. His experiments also show that Bright's disease and epilepsy can be the result of infected teeth. Doctor Ryan urges the establishment of municipal dental X-ray clinics to check these perils.

A Real Constable on the Job.

Louisa, Ky.—Mose Maynard, constable, delivered J. D. Brownning to the Wayne jail, but only after an exciting experience. Brownning jumped from a train near Coleman and plunged into a river. Maynard followed. The constable had the fastest stroke and caught his man as he scrambled out on the opposite shore. Then together they walked eight miles in their wet clothes to Wayne.

BERLIN PLOTTERS TO PRISON

Eleven Reds Nabbed in Blast Attempts Given Long Terms of Imprisonment.

Berlin—Eleven communists, convicted of having made the recent attempt to blow up the victory monument in the Koenigsplatz, were sentenced to long terms of imprisonment in the penitentiary.

The evidence implicated Hoelz, one of the alleged leaders of the communist uprising in middle Germany who was arrested in Berlin April 15, and now is locked up in the Meabit jail in this city. The attempt to blow up the victory monument was frustrated by the police, who discovered a box containing four pounds of dynamite and other explosives some distance up the monument and tore away a lighted fuse leading to the box.

Herr Talheimer, editor of the Rote Fahne (red flag) the organ of the communists, has been placed under arrest.

Jail for Life Saving.

Omaha, Neb.—Saving a man from death in a water-filled hole beneath a burning shanty at the Dietz club here the other day may result in a prison term for C. M. Wallace, who was arrested by the police, charged with automobile theft after they had read of his heroic deed in the papers. Wallace escaped the police recently and had been in hiding. When summoned by the screams of a woman calling for help from a manhole he ran to the rescue. Two hours later he was in jail.

SUNFLOWER SEED GOOD FEED

For Growing Animals or Laying Hens Material Is Considered Superior to Grain.

Limited feeding tests with sunflower seed compared to grains show them to be of about equal value. From their composition sunflower seed should have about the same value as mixed corn and oats. The sunflower seed is higher in protein than corn or oats, but is also higher in crude fiber than corn or oats grains. For growing animals or laying hens probably the sunflower seed would be somewhat better than grain.

Solons Send Pages to Witness Circus

Sacramento, Cal.—"Mister Speaker-r-r!" "This is circus day," said Assemblyman Frank L. Coombs, when the assembly convened. "I think that if this assembly could take a day off yesterday to go to the ball game it might let the pages have the afternoon to go to the circus. We were all boys once, except those of us who were girls." Then Mr. Coombs, whose suggestion was approved unanimously, gilded the lily by taking up a collection to pay the pages' admission, buy their peanuts and otherwise make the day bright, and five small boys sporting high and smiling widely to face the hair of the shagging behemoth.

Notice

North Carolina
Yadkin County
S. G. Miller and
T. F. Miller
vs
M. H. Branon

In Superior Court

Service by Publication

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior court of Yadkin county, arising upon a promissory note, dated October 16th, 1919, for two hundred and fifty dollars, given by the defendant to the plaintiffs, and that the plaintiffs have taken out a warrant of attachment against the property of the defendant; and the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Yadkin county, at his office in Yadkinville on Tuesday, the 7th day of June, 1921, at 2 o'clock p. m. and answer or demur to the complaint, or the plaintiffs will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This the 3rd day of May, 1921.

J. L. CRATER,
Clerk of Superior Court.

State News Items

Larkin Smith, colored, fell from the top of a 40-foot tower at Carthage the other day. He landed on his head, got up and scratched his head and returned to work, unhurt.

Marcus Edwards, serving a life sentence for killing his wife in Wake county in 1918, has escaped from the penitentiary.

The 75-foot flag pole and monument on the courthouse square at Winston, erected in memory of the men from Forsyth county who lost their lives in the great world war, will be unveiled May 30th.

The Morganton News-Herald says that the School for the Deaf has a Holstein-Fresian cow six years old that gives over nine gallons of milk a day.

Statesville capitalists are to erect a modern 70-room hotel in that city.

James G. Stikeleather, formerly of Iredell, now living in Asheville, was seriously injured last week when his car went over an embankment near Canton.

James Thompson, a mail carrier of Alamance county, was killed recently when his horse became frightened at a passing motor cycle and threw him from the buggy, breaking his neck.

Thieves broke into a store in Lexington a few nights ago and stole 35,000 cigars. Nothing else in the store was disturbed.

Carl Talley, a member of the gang of blockaders that killed Policeman McCuiston of Greensboro, is reported to hiding near Danville, Va., disguised as a woman.

Mrs. Effie Scott was divorced from her husband, Lin Scott, in Lexington last week and married another man in forty-five minutes. She gave her age as 15 and stated she was married to Scott before reaching 14.

Postoffice clerks in several cities have been given pistols by the government. This is done on account of so many postoffice robberies.

David D. Lindsay, of Marion, Indiana, has bought the Fayetteville Observer from John A. Park and has taken charge.

A cyclone passed through the eastern part of the state Friday afternoon. Around Lumberton, Clinton and Wilson great damage was done. Near Wilson a house was blown down and all seven of the inmates badly hurt.

George L. Keller, a Charlotte grocer, was shot and killed Saturday night in that city as he was passing a dark place. His body was robbed. Two negroes are suspected.

General News

At the Southern Baptist Convention at Chattanooga last week Dr. E. Y. Mullins, president of the Theological Seminary at Louisville, was elected president of the convention.

Mrs. Ora Painter, aged 50, was caught by revenue agents operating a blockading plant at her home near Luray, Va., the other day. She had a complete plant rigged up in her smoke house.

Mrs. Helen Cox Mahoney, aged 25, daughter of Ex-governor James M. Cox of Ohio, died suddenly at her home in Dayton Monday.

ROAD COMMISSION

HERE; INTEREST HIGH

Today is a big day in Yadkinville and as we go soberly to press the town begins to take on war paint from many factions, and it looks like now that shell holes will be plentiful before sundown. Road advocates of all descriptions and from all sections, from Charlotte to Mount Airy, are here with a "proposition" to place before the State Highway Commission which will hold a meeting here at 10 o'clock today to hear arguments.

We say to hear arguments for lack of a better word only; the fact is it looks like the arguments were settled in Raleigh last winter when the road law was passed with a map attached to it, providing for a hard-surfaced road from Winston-Salem to Boone, by way of Yadkinville, Brooks' Cross Roads and Wilkesboro.

But now comes the substitute roads—by Booneville, by Farmington, by Huntsville, by Mount

Airy and the Charlotte way. And the State Highway Commission is coming today to hear them talk and scramble.

"Stand by the Map"

Winston-Salem, through the Kiwanis Club and several other organization has become interested in the matter and their slogan is "Stand by the Map" as adopted by the legislature which provides for a through line from Winston to Boone by Yadkinville, Brooks' Cross Roads and Wilkesboro. These commercial organizations and Winston generally will be here today in great numbers with a single aim in view and their next cry, is to build this road first of all in the seventh district.

Then there will be delegations from Farmington, Statesville, Booneville, Elkin, Mt. Airy and the saints only know where else all wanting it to go their way.

Programme of Yadkinville High School Commencement

Thursday, May 19th, 11:00 A. M.

The commencement exercises of Yadkinville High School will begin on Thursday, May 19, and last through the 20th. On Thursday morning Rev. J. Kenneth Pfohl, of Home Moravian church, Winston-Salem, will deliver a sermon, and on Friday morning Dr. D. D. Carroll, principal of Chair of Economics of Chapel Hill, will deliver the annual address. The school and community are fortunate to have these able men visit us.

Below is Program of Exercises.

Hymn Come Thou Almighty King
Invocation N. E. Gresham
Chorus God is My Refuge
Scripture Reading
Hymn All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name
Sermon Rev. J. Kenneth Pfohl
Hymn

Class Exercises, 7:30 P. M.

Class Poem Lorena Wooten
Class History Della Mae Williams
Solo The Pixes Gavoth
Class Prophecy Rufus Crater
Last Will and Testament Robert Logan

Children's Exercises, 8:00 P. M.

Class Motto To Live Nobly, To Speak Truly, To Serve Gladly
Class Colors White and Gold
Class Flower Daisy

Fishermen Ask Supreme Court of United States to Pass on Age-Old Question.

Washington.—The age-old question of whether a clam is a migratory fish came to the Supreme court for decision.

Mussel fishermen operating on Little river, Mo., appealed for a review of decisions holding that removal of the shellfish from a public stream passing through private property was "trespass," despite state laws vesting all rights to game and fish in the public.

The lower court held that "the fresh-water mussel is a shellfish capable of locomotion sufficient to bring it within the category of migratory fish."

California Woman Also Calls Him Dog-Catcher; Will Serve 150 Days.

San Diego, Cal.—County Justice J. Edward Keating was hounded with eggs in his court here by Mrs. Bertha Polak of East San Diego, who was arraigned on a charge of having violated her parole following conviction for disturbing the peace. Judge Keating asked if she had anything to say.

"Yes, I have," she replied. "You think you're a judge, don't you? Well, you're not; you're a dog-catcher."

Before the court attendants could reach her, she threw three eggs at the judge, all taking effect.

The judge ordered that she serve the 150 days' full sentence originally imposed on her.

Parsonage Matter

May Go to Court

White Booneville and her legal advisors go ahead with plans to build a parsonage that should remain in Yadkinville, this end of the Methodist congregation, that is those who were not picked up body and soul and thrown out of the church that they might have no voice in its proceedings, are going quietly along with proceedings that before long may throw a bombshell into the Booneville plans.

Local attorneys, as well as some of state wide reputation, have been employed, so we understand, to take the matter of the sale of the parsonage to the courts. This action, they say, is based on the discipline of said church which plainly says certain things must be done which it is alleged, have not been done.

Center News

We are sorry to say that Mrs. Julia Whitaker has moved to Winston-Salem.

Glad to say Mr. Lee Sprouse, of Winston-Salem, has moved to our town and opened up a store. We are glad to have Mr. Sprouse with us again. He is a jolly good fellow.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnet Smith and family were visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Long Sunday.

Miss Ruth Whitaker visited Miss Della White Sunday.

Mrs. J. M. Helton and children spent Saturday in Booneville shopping.

Several of our young folks attended the ice cream supper at Brannon's Saturday night.

Mr. John Bates and son, Fletcher, went to Winston Saturday on business.

Miss Dora Ireland and mother visited Mrs. Sarah Pendry Sunday.

Mr. Marvin Wagoner and children visited in Winston Saturday.

We are sorry to say that Miss Adelia Whitaker is confined to her room. Hope she will soon be out again.

We are glad to say Mr. Will Gentry, of the bank, was a visitor here Sunday.

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