Fire Fighting Is Losing Much Of Its Old Glamor

And Great Army of "Buffs" Who Used to Flock to All Big Fires in New York City Dwindles With Passing of Fire Horse and Mascot

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New York, Jan. 10.—An epidemic of big fires in the past few weeks with more big blazes than have been known here for some years, has brought a severe strain of work for New York firemen, tremendous financial loss and a large toll of injured by collapsing, burning buildings. There has been an average lately of more than 100 fires a day.

Firemen—professional and voluntary "fire buffs"—have been kept busy running from big blaze to big blaze. There was a three alarm fire in 42nd street near Sixth avenue which held up traffic for two hours Wednesday. From $500,000 to $1,000,000 a day have been lost in property, it has been estimated, and scores of people have been injured and made homeless.

Some of the most valuable work in fire fighting, which has helped to keep up the morale of the over-worked firemen, has been done, according to fire department officials, by the rapidly diminishing army of "buffs" who swarm to every sizeable fire in New York and environs. A few years ago, they attended fires hundreds strong. Today there are but a score of them, including such men as Dr. Harry M. Archer; W. F. Kenney; Robert H. Mainzer, a banker, with a fortune; M. F. Loughman, deputy state tax commissioner; Louis and Max Bamberger, brokers; Manfred Neumoegen, W. W. Cohen and Frederick H. Smith, bursar of the Museum of Natural History.

Most of them have telegraphic alarms next their beds or in their offices, or both, which ring the larms just as in any fire station. Whenever the instrument signals a second, third or fourth alarm fire, the 'buffs spring into action.

Dr. Archer when no fire is in the offing, is chief surgeon for a big life insurance company. But his proudest possession, he avers, is the Bennett Medal of the department he won not long ago for heroic work at personal risk. It is his third fire medal. Dr. Archer, who is tall, well built and only slightly gray, was the first honorary officer of the fire department and was made honorary medical officer and chief in 1907. The Bambergers, Mr. Kenney, Mr. Smith and several of the others, it is said, are little less "religious" in their attendance upon fires.

Dr. Archer has countless stories of experiences at fires. But it is with difficulty one makes him admit his escapade of last March, when, daring death under swaying beams, he made his way thru the debris at No 39 Elridge street, and directed the rescue of several men entombed in the wreckage.

But the ranks of the "buffs" are fast thinning. The romance of fire chasing has gone. The fire house mascot dogs who used to run under the apparatus to answer every alarm cannot keep up with the automobiles and their absence makes the run less picturesque. Still, "the most ardent firemen in America" is what old timers call the score or so of "mufty" fire runners who hustles out at any hour of the day or night, however zeroic the weather, to experience the thrill of each fire and offer what help they can.

To Pacific

Rear Admiral H. J. Ziegmaier has been assigned to command Battleship Division No. 3 in the Pacific He formerly was commander at the Norfolk Navy Yard.

SPEEDERS GAIN VERY LITTLE TIME

Tests Made of Reckless and Careful Driving Show Haste Makes Waste

Los Angeles, Jan. 10.—A series of tests made here by the Automobile Club of southern California has demonstrated that the two old proverbs, "More haste, less speed," and "Haste makes waste," might well be given serious consideration by the modern motorist.

In making the tests scouting cars were operated on three different routes in the city of Los Angeles. Each route was first traversed at the highest speed possible and yet escaped arrest, and advantage was taken of every opportunity to make time. The same driver went over the same route a second time, observing all traffic laws and conforming to the rules of safe driving.

A summary of these trips shows that the driver who hurried saved only a total of ten minutes out of two hours driving, or five minutes to the hour. The total distance of the three routes across the city was 31.5 miles, or an average of 10.5 miles to the trip. One trip showed a saving of five minutes, another three minutes and the other two minutes.

Club officials point out that in driving to save a possible five minutes over a ten mile trip, the small amount of time saved will not compensate the average driver for the extra gasoline used, the increased wear on brake linings, the risk of arrest with fine or jail sentence and the increased liability of collision.

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ESKIMOS RECEIVE HOME EDUCATION

Taught Canning and Curing of Fish and Other Practical Tasks

Anchorage, Alaska, Jan. 10.—While public schools, universities and colleges in the United States are forging ahead into the winter term's work, a widely scattered little band of pioneering educators in isolated sections of Alaska is laying the ground-work for the home education of Eskimos.

Scarcity of manual training material has resulted in the introduction of teaching of hair cutting, ivory carving, and iron work such as the making of dog chains, skates from old steel shoes and knives from old files.

Under a plan worked out by J. H. Wagner, chief of the Alaska bureau of the United States Bureau of Education, with headquarters at Seattle, and approved by Dr. J. Tigert, commissioner of education, industrial schools are to be established at Kanakanak, Bristol Bay, White Mountain, Seward Peninsula, and Ekaluna, 28 miles north of here. Courses to be taught include:

Animal husbandry—Study of reindeer problems, with special attention devoted to methods of slaughter and preparation of meat for cold storage and market.

Fishing—Operation of a small cannery, curing, smoking, salting and drying of fish.

Ivory Industry—Making buttons, beads, and curios such as butter knives and napkin rings.

Tannery—Curing of skins and manufacture of leather.

Boat building—Construction of boats and operation of gasoline engines.

Tailoring—Particular attention to fur garments.

Commercial-Training of Typists, stenographers and managers and clerks for native co-operative stores.

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China Ousts Last Of Ching Dynasty with Scant Civility

Without Word of Warning Agents of General Feng Swoop Down Upon Defenseless Court Armed With Abdication Papers for the Emperor to Sign

Peking, Jan. 10.—The sitting away under duress by Hsuan Tung, the boy emperor recently of the empty title of emperor and the right to preserve within the limited precincts of the Forbidden City the pomp and ceremonies of the old Catchu court, brought to a final end the Ching dynasty founded in 1644 by the emperor Shun Ching.

While the Manchu reign actually ended with the abdication in behalf of the infant emperor as a result of the revolution in 1912, the founders of the republic agreed that members of the imperial family and the lesser nobility, by whom they were surrounded, would be permitted to retain their titles, their court ceremonials and generally would receive treatment in their retirement such as is usually accorded to a foreign sovereign. A yearly allotment of $4,000,000 of the country's currency was to be made for their support. A large portion of the old imperial precincts within the quarter known as the Imperial City was set apart for their exclusive use and residence, and there a virtual prisoner, the young emperor has grown to manhood.

The terms of the agreement for favorable treatment, so far as it concerns the yearly payments, has long since become a dead letter, if it ever was kept. The imperial family today faces impoverishment. The marriage of the emperor two years ago, conducted with much ceremony, was probably the zenith of his glory and marked his last emergence into the limelight of newspaper publicity until his eviction by the Christian general, Feng Yu-hsiang.

The new reigning cabinet saw fit, according to Dr. C. T. Wang, the foreign minister, to rectify the anomalous situation growing out of maintenance of an imperial court within a republic. Accordingly, without a word of warning, agents of General Feng swooped down upon the defenseless court; presented a new abdication document for the emperor to sign; demanded the imperial seals which had been in possession of his family, represented by himself and 9 predecessors for 180 years, and forthwith expelled him from the only home he ever had known. He had to plead to be allowed to send back for his own and his wife's clothing.

A commission has been announced whose duty it will be to determine how much of the property seized in the imperial quarters belongs to the ousted Manchus, and how much to the state. There are reports of the existence of antiquities and documents of immense historical value which it is proposed to place in a museum to be established for the purpose. In the future the ex-emperor, as plain Mr. Pu Yi, so designated in the regulations governing the investigating commission, may reside where he will by the letter of the abdication agreement, but he must live where the government authorities can keep an eye on him since they reserve the right to "safeguard" him.

Famous Nurse

Anna C. Maxwell, internantionally famous nurse, has returned to America after a long vacation in Switzerland. She will take an active part in a campaign to obtain a new building for the Presbyterian School of Nursing, which she founded in 1892.

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A MARRIAGE OF UNUSUAL INterest will take place at the Womans Club Tea Room in the very near future. Anybody guessing the names of the popular contracting parties will receive a prize of $5 in gold given by the Carolina Banking & Trust Company. Go to Selig's, the Apothecary Shop or H. C. Bright Co., deposit 10 cents and write your name. Be quick about it as the date of the marriage is to appear very soon. jan10-23np

Special Notices

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

By virtue of an order of Resale to me directed by the Clerk of the Court of Pasquotank County, N. C., I will offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder, at the courthouse door in this county at 12 o'clock M., on the 17th day of January, 1925, that certain property described in that certain Mortgage and Deed of Trust from Jerry Murden and wife, dated respectively the 20th, 1913, and Jan. 8th, 1921, and recorded respectively in Books 38 and 52, on pages 311 and 380, and described as follows:

First Tract. Beginning on the east side of the road leading from Weeksville to Elizabeth City at a small ditch 2.63 chs. from Prince White's S. W. corner, on said road, then along east side of said road, S. 32 1-2 E., 133 chs., to Jerry Murden's south gate road gate post, thence N. 77 E., 16.40 chs., to the ditch, thence N. 87 E., 10 chs., to a stake, thence along a line of marked trees, N. 11 W., 7.15 chs., to Prince White's line, thence along said line S. 72 W., 11.82 chs., to a marked cypress tree, thence S. 25 E., 3.64 chs., to a stake at a fence, thence S. 73 1-2 W. 10.68 chs., to beginning, containing 9.95 acres, and marked as lots 3 and 4 in plat of land sold by Jacob Spellman to Jerry Murden.

Second Tract. Bounded on the north by lands of E. Copperasmith, heirs of James White, on the east by E. Copperasmith's land, bought of Jerry Murden, on the south by lands of Elisha Boon, on the west by Brick Road, and being the same land bought of Jacob Spellman, containing 11 acres, more or less.

This land is sold subject to deed to E. Copperasmith for land recently sold to him by Jerry Murden.

E. COPPERSMITH, Mortgagee and Trustee.
jan.9,12 Per J. R. LEIGH, Attorney.

SALE Of Valuable Real Property

By virtue of a certain DEED OF TRUST executed to me by A. Potter and wife, Mary Elizabeth Potter, dated March 1, 1921 and recorded in Book 53, page 141, office of Register of Deeds of Pasquotank County, N. C., I shall sell to the highest bidder for cash at the Court House door of Pasquotank County, N. C., on Saturday, February 7, 1925, at 12 o'clock M., the land conveyed to me in said DEED OF TRUST; to-

Lying and being in Nixonton Township, Pasquotank County, N. C., and bounded on the South by the lands of F. P. Markham, on the East and North by the lands of John Williams, formerly owned by W. H. Sherlock, and on the West by the Brothers Road, situated in what is known as Ellintown Neighborhood and nearly South of Brothers Schoolhouse, containing one acre.

Also certain personal property, to-wit, one bay mule named Kate traded from John A. Cartwright; also one horse cart.

This January 6th, 1925.

GEO. J. SPENCE, Trustee
jan.9,12,19,26

NORTH CAROLINA
CAMDEN COUNTY.
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.
MARY MILLER
vs.
RICHARD MILLER

NOTICE OF SUMMONS

The defendant, Richard Miller, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Camden County, North Carolina, for the purpose of obtaining a divorce of A-VINCULO and have declared the bonds of matrimony now existing between this plaintiff and defendant declared null and void;

The said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Camden County, in the Court House in Camden, North Carolina, on the 7th day of February, 1925, at Ten O'clock A. M., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action within the time allowed by law, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This January 5th, 1925.

(Signed) W. J. BURGESS,
Clerk of Superior Court of Camden County.
W. I. HALSTEAD, Atty. jan.9,12,19,26

NORTH CAROLINA:
CAMDEN COUNTY.
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.
MARY LIZZIE BLOUNT
vs.
LEMUEL BLOUNT

NOTICE OF SUMMONS

The defendant, Lemuel Blount, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Camden County, North Carolina, for the purpose of obtaining a divorce of A-VINCULO and have declared the bonds of matrimony now existing between this plaintiff and defendant declared null and void;

The said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Camden County, in the Court House in Camden, North Carolina, on the 7th day of February, 1925, at Ten O'clock A. M., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action within the time allowed by law, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This January 5th, 1925.

(Signed) W. J. BURGESS,
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