

Snap Shots Of The

HUMAN SIDE OF LIFE

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Did you ever stop to think that nine-tenths of the adult human race are victims of diseases that all begin, odd as it may seem, with the letter "P"?

For instance, who of us that does not have slight twinges of Prostration pains? We feel the tug of conscience pulling us to go ahead and do what we know we should be up and doing but we put it off until some more convenient time.

Along comes one of the most insidious and disgusting afflictions known to mankind. It has reached epidemic stage and you find its evidence on every side.

The next illness is of a somewhat segregated order; it is not generally unpleasant and the sufferer does not make himself obnoxious to the public.

Here is another sickness that entirely too many people are victims of; in this respect you may find that over eighty per cent of those

afflicted with Perversitis are men, although many women acquire it after marriage. The symptoms are stubbornness, clash of wills, a deep-seated aversion to co-operating with others and a general air of cussedness.

Palaver agony is mostly amongst the idle but it can easily be contacted and victims of this illness should be avoided.

It might be a splendid idea for each one of us to isolate ourselves from any persons suffering with maladies mentioned above; clean up our own premises and thus avoid a Pandemia.

Germans Get Back Big Total Of Realty

BERLIN — American Military

Government authorities announced here that they were turning over to German administrative agencies for safeguarding and administering approximately 7,000,000,000 marks (\$700,000,000) at the military rate of exchange worth of property which had been taken over in the American occupation zone.

The bulk of the property was real estate, the greatest value being represented by confiscated factories including some I. G. Farben plants. Also included were properties of the former German government; the Nazi Party and its affiliates, Allied neutral nationals and persecuted persons.

Military government officials said the action was taken in accordance with the policy of giving German authorities greater responsibilities in handling internal affairs.

Have You A Job For A Veteran? Here's One

(Editors Note: In an effort to place all returning veterans in positions suitable to their qualifications and skills, many of which were developed during the war through special training — The Mountaineer, in cooperation with the local Re-employment office, is giving this space to set forth the talents of some veteran each issue who is seeking employment.

Registration Of Automatic Guns Is Mandatory

Are you one of the owners of the 200 automatic souvenir guns or pistols brought back from the war?

Uncle Sam is wanting to have every automatic registered. In fact, he is demanding that the owners register them immediately, or steps will be taken to slap a fine of a mere \$2,000 on any owner failing to give the required information.

Every owner should write to one of these two addresses, and give their name and address. In a short time an inspector will come out, check the weapon and properly register it on official blanks.

The law reads that it is mandatory to register firearms of the automatic type, such as machine guns, sub-machine guns, or any type of gun from which a number of shots or bullets may be discharged with one continuous pull of the trigger.

The law further sets out that there is a tax of \$200 to transfer such a firearm unless it has been properly registered.

The National Firearms Act provides a penalty of a fine not to exceed \$2,000, or imprisonment not to exceed a year, or both, in the event any person is convicted on a charge of violating any provision of the Act, which includes failure to register a firearm of the type described and transfer of such firearm without payment of the \$200 tax.

Mr and Mrs Joe C. Howell and four children of Biscoe have been spending a week here as the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Howell.

Library Notes



MARGARET JOHNSTON County Librarian

It has been gratifying to see the parents come in with their children to see about the Reading Club. It means so much more to your child if you know what he is doing and what we are attempting to do in the Library this summer for our boys and girls.

Our purpose in a summer reading club is to interest them in reading under directed supervision, to introduce them to the Library and to the many types of books available in the Children's Room.

I hope you, Fathers and Mothers, will come in and see the pictures and certainly you will want to see the Indian Head for your child, each teacher in his cap will represent a book your child has read.

The children whose parents are interested and help them to be good members of the Cherokee Indian Reading Club will be the ones who will get the most benefit from their reading.

For you parents there is available at the Library a list called "Parents Magazine Suggests Summer Reading for Children". There are 100 copies for distribution so don't delay asking for one.

Peace Bell Bill Is Pealing Forth In House

A great bell, ringing every day in gratitude for world peace—the dream of a little German seamstress in the palace of Bismarck in a Europe filled with wars and rumors of wars—is coming nearer to reality today because of the work of her son, Neal C. Miller, of Elmore, Ohio.

The bill would pave the way for erection of a 550-foot tower of star-shaped cross section, on a 100-foot hill near Washington.

Mr. Miller, who is now in Washington, at work on this project, has had preliminary plans prepared for this tower, which would house, in addition to the great Peace Bell itself, a 54-bell double carillon, with a bell representing each nation, together with radio equipment for transmitting the tones of the bells around the world.

Mr. Miller's crusade in behalf of the Peace Bell Tower, which he proposes to finance by inviting gifts of old rings, jewelry, silver, and gold—kept for the sake of associations whose memories would be revived for donors each time they heard the bell on their radios—goes back to the voyage of his mother to the New World, where she sought a land of freedom and peace, and where she appreciated what she found.

Twenty-Five Men Left Italy For U. S.

LEGHORN, ITALY. Twenty-five U. S. Army officers and enlisted men from the state of North Carolina departed from this port today on the S. S. General Muir enroute to the port of New York for separation from the Army.

Almost all of the 1,097 passengers served with the Peninsular Base Section, the Army Service Force in Italy. PBS served and supplied Fifth Army and the ground crews of the U. S. Air Force and Navy during the entire Italian campaign.

A small group of passengers is from the 88th Division, now on occupation duty in the Trieste area.

Peninsular Base Section has a record of uninterrupted service in this Theater extending over three years. PBS rehabilitated the ports of Naples, Anzio, Civitavecchia, Piombino and Leghorn in support of Fifth Army's drive up the Italian peninsula. PBS also played a major part in the mounting of the Southern France invasion.

18 Scouts Promoted At Court Of Honor Monday

Eighteen Boy Scouts received promotions and nine Merit Badges were awarded at the monthly Court of Honor for the Pigeon River district Monday, held at Long's Chapel at Lake Junaluska.

The highest honor awarded by the court went to Gene Yarborough of Lake Junaluska Troop 8, who received the rank of Life Scout.

Three Scouts, all of Canton Troop 4, were awarded the rank of Star Scout by Hallett Ward. They were Bobby Cogburn, Carroll Shaver and Billy Myers.

Francis "Smoky" Smith of Asheville, assistant executive officer of the Daniel Boone Council, conducted the investiture ceremony for ten tenderfeet.

Kenneth Whitaker and Carrol Mease, of Canton Troop 16, were promoted to Second Class. They received their rank from Wayne Rogers.

Charles Edwards awarded the rank of First Class Scout to Martin B. McClure and Billy Welch both of Crabtree Troop 11.

Merit badges were awarded by Hesse Terrell to David Deas, of Canton Troop 1, Billy Welch of Crabtree Troop 11, and Earl Sealey, Joe Byers, Bobby Cogburn and Max Smathers of Canton Troop 4.

Mr. Smith and C. C. Poindexter presented special awards to the following Scouting leaders for their assistance at the Camporee at Camp Daniel Boone: C. C. Poindexter, Camporee director, Woodrow Robertson assistant director, Howard Moffitt, M. H. Bowles, Alfred Cable, Floyd Lowrance, Earl Poe, Malcolm Crisp, W. P. Whitesides, James Lysterly, Garrett Smathers, C. H. Green and Frank Early.

W. P. Whitesides, advancement chairman, presided at the Court of Honor and Hallett Ward, Jr., acted as court clerk. The colors were advanced by Scouts Jerry Limer and Teddy Jones. Scout Gene Yarborough led the pledge to the flag and the invocation was by the Rev. Cecil L. Heckard.

It was announced that the July meeting of the Court of Honor would be held at the Champion YMCA in Canton.

Prairie dogs frequently share their burrows with owls, weasels and rattlesnakes, according to the Encyclopaedia Britannica. But this does not indicate a happy family arrangement, for the visitors often ent the young prairie dogs; and although the prairie dogs eat only grass, they destroy the young owls and sometimes bury the rattlesnakes alive.

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