

BORE IN TELEPHONE CABLES

Beetle Causes No End of Trouble to Telephone Companies in California.

Washington.—When telephone girls in California find their wires are "shorted," a bug may be on or in the wire, for California has a wood-boring beetle that goes through wood and also through alloyed substances...



This Beetle Bore Through Lead Sheathing of Aerial Cables—Magnified Ten Times.

holes in the cables that carry the wires. Water enters the cables, mixing wire connections useless until the bored places are found and repaired.

HIGH HEELS CAUSE DEATH

Pittsburgh Woman Mangled by Elevator After Her Shoe Catches in Door.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—High heeled shoes dragged Mrs. C. Steffler, aged forty-two, to a slow death when she was crushed beyond recognition between an elevator cage and the shaft wall in the North Park apartments, No. 204 East North avenue, where she resided.

Mrs. Steffler was hurrying through the hall going to the elevator when John Gibson, the elevator operator, informed her that he would carry her up after he had answered a telephone call. As Mrs. Steffler stepped into the waiting car her high heeled shoes caught between the elevator and the floor.

GETS HISTORIC TOM-TOM

Oklahoma Society Presented With Property of Geronimo, Famous Apache Chief.

Lawton, Okla.—A tom-tom known to have been constructed and used by the famous Apache chieftain, Geronimo, recently was presented by Frank Harrah to the Oklahoma Historical society.

The tom-tom was given to Harrah by Geronimo in 1909, while the chief was a military prisoner at Fort Sill.

The tom-tom, a circle of rawhide about the size of a dinner plate, is decorated in bright red and green paints in a design symbolic of the compass and is fringed with feathers attached by rawhide thongs.

DOCTOR FLIES TO ICE-BOUND

Airplane Carries Medical Aid to Sick Children on Island in Susquehanna.

Harrisburg, Pa.—An aviator from the Middletown (Pa.) aviation reserve depot took a doctor by airplane to give medical aid to the family of John Pfaunmiller, a farmer on Duffy's island, in the Susquehanna, cut off by ice from the shores.

Word reached the depot that three children in the family were ill with pneumonia, and when the machine, piloted by Lieutenant Ray Brown, reached the farm on the island, it was found an infant had died Monday and two others were seriously ill.

"Immortals" Tackle Job They Will End in 2020

The holiday season set the French academy back two weeks in the work of revising the French dictionary which, according to the best estimates, will be completed in the year 2020 or 2025.

The two holidays this year happened to fall on Thursday, the only day of the week on which the Forty Immortals assemble.

Academy members began the present revision in 1878, 41 years ago.

Tobacco Use Increasing.

Ottawa, Canada.—Revenue receipts from tobacco transactions throughout the Dominion indicate that the weed is being burned up in increasing quantities since Canada's fighting men returned from overseas. Inland revenue returns for October show an increase of nearly \$500,000 over October of 1918. Total receipts for this October were reported as \$2,767,885. Tobacco revenue constitutes the largest source of revenue for this department.

Natural Inquiry.

Our little four-year-old girl went with me to feed the chickens. The food was quite hot and the chickens grew their bills out quickly. I said: "They ought not put their noses in that hot food." "Have chickens got noses?" she asked. I told her they had, and her next inquiry was: "Where do they carry their handkerchiefs?"—Exchange.

Original "Uncle Sam."

During the revolutionary war there was a man by the name of Samuel Wilson, who was engaged as an inspector of provisions. He was known by his friends as "Uncle Sam." In his work he stamped inspected goods "U. S.," which initials happened to stand for his nickname as well as his government. Thus the two became identical. Uncle Sam as an old man with whiskers was taken from Samuel Wilson.—Exchange.

Strange Animals.

Those quaint box hedges, which one sometimes sees nowadays in the British Isles, cut out on the top into curious little shapes of birds and animals, are of exceedingly ancient lineage. Pliny the Younger in describing the garden of one of his villas mentions "animals in box, facing each other," and this was perhaps in about the year 100 A. D.

Snake's Changes of Skin.

It appears that snakes change their skins several times a year before reaching the adult state. The main reason why snakes cast their skins is to provide for increased growth. The skin of a snake does not grow with the growth of the body, as is the case with warm blooded creatures. So when it begins to get too tight it is discarded.

Just What Did He Mean?

"Here, my dear husband," said a loving wife. "I have brought you a dear little silver pig for luck! It's a charm, you know, dear, to bring happiness to a house." "Ah, how kind of you, darling! But why should I need a little pig to bring me luck when I have you still?"

Painful.

Geniis is the capacity for making somebody else take infinite pains.—New York Evening Sun

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Under and by virtue of the power of sale conferred upon me by the last will and testament of the late Anna R. Walker, deceased, I will offer for sale to the highest bidder for CASH, on the premises at or near PLEASANT RIDGE, South of Gastonia, N. C., on the York road, on

Thursday, the 19th Day of February, 1920, at 11 o'clock, a. m., the following described real estate, beginning at an iron stake on or near the Carolina & North-Western Railway track, and runs thence South 10 2 3 W 643 1 2 feet to a stake or stone at or near the crossing of the York road and the railroad; thence S 61 3 4 W 209 1 2 poles to a stake or stone in or near the road; thence S 48 3 4 W 42 1 2 feet to a stake or stone; thence S

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale conferred upon me by that certain Deed of Trust executed by J. L. Price and Dora E. Price, his wife, dated August 1st, 1917, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Gaston County, N. C., in Book 121, page 116, to secure an indebtedness mentioned therein, default having been made in payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, in compliance with the provisions and stipulations thereof, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, at the County Court House Door, in the city of Gastonia, N. C., at 11:15 o'clock, a. m.,

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7th, 1920, all that certain piece or tract of land lying and being in Cherryville Township, Gaston County, N. C., bounded and described as follows, viz:

Adjoining the lands of J. H. Rudisill, Kendrick and others, and bounded and described as follows, viz: Being in the Southeastern part of the town of Cherryville, N. C. Beginning at a stake on the macadam road leading from Bessemer City to Cherryville, 142 1 2 feet from the corner of church lot, and runs North 30 East 198 feet to a stake in Rudisill's line; thence in a Northwestward direction with Rudisill's line 95 1 2 feet to a stake in Rudisill's line; thence South 30 West 206 1 4 feet to a stake in the macadam road; thence in a Southward direction to said macadam road 85 1 2 feet to the beginning. Being a part of two certain tracts of land conveyed to Mildred and Eula Wellman (now Eula Dunlap) by Wesley Mauney and J. W. Wellman and wife by deeds dated June 6, 1910, and December 28, 1911, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Gaston County in Book 93 at pages 81 and 82 respectively. The same being a part of the land deeded to J. L. Price by Mildred Wellman and Eula Dunlap on August 7, 1916, said deed recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Gaston County in Book 120, page 138.

This 5th day of January, 1920. A. E. WOLTZ, Trustee. Carpenter & Carpenter, Attorneys for Mortgagee. W2864 W-F-11 c1w

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29 1 2 W 338 feet to a stake or stone; thence N 7 1 2 E 1170 feet to a stone; thence N 23 1 2 E 698 feet to a stump and pointers; thence S 65 1 2 E 1006 1 2 feet to the beginning, containing 22 6 10 acres, more or less. This description is taken from a map or plat made by A. W. Hoffman, in June 1919.

This property as will be seen from the description has a frontage on the Carolina and North-Western Railway track and the Yorkville road. This property was a house on the same.

This January 17th, 1920. J. LEE ROBINSON, Executor of the Estate of Anna R. Walker, deceased. I will also sell to the highest bidder for cash the personal property of the said Anna R. Walker, deceased, on the premises above described to the highest bidder for cash, at 12 o'clock, M., on February 19th, 1920. This January 17th, 1920. J. LEE ROBINSON, Executor of the estate of Anna R. Walker, deceased. Carpenter & Carpenter, Attorneys for Executor. W-F-11 c1w

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

North Carolina, Gaston County. Under and by virtue of an order or judgment of the Superior Court of Gaston County, North Carolina, in action entitled James Patton et vs. A. E. Woltz, trustee, and the authority vested in me by that certain deed of trust executed the 15th day of July, 1915, by J. L. Price and wife, Dora E. Price, to secure certain indebtedness therein mentioned, the same being registered in the office of the Register of Deeds for Gaston County, N. C., in Mortgage Deed Book 112, at page 473, default having been made by breach of conditions therein contained, demand having been made upon me to sell, by the holder of the indebtedness secured, I will on

Monday, February 2nd, 1920 at the hour of 10 o'clock, A. M., at the front door of the Court House for the above County and State, to satisfy said indebtedness, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate, lying and being in Gaston County, in said State, adjoining the lands of Fronberger, Mangum & Woltz and others, bounded as follows, viz:

Beginning at a stake in the middle of the road in Fronberger's line and runs with said line South 41 2 West 71 1 4 poles to a stake in the branch, Fronberger's corner; thence with said branch as it meanders South 87 West 198 feet, North 81 1 2 West 28 feet; thence a new line North 41 2 East 113 1 4 feet to a stake; thence 78 1 3 East 235 feet to the beginning. Containing six acres more or less.

Said tract of land being part or parcel of land conveyed to J. L. Price by Mangum & Woltz Nov. 11th, 1914, said deed being duly recorded in the office of Register of Deeds for Gaston County in Book 110, at page 348.

The same being deeded to B. D. Hooker and Nettie Hooker the 14th day of January, 1914, said deed being recorded in the office of Register of Deeds for Gaston County in Book 110, at page 388.

This 20th day of January, 1920. A. E. WOLTZ, Trustee. A. C. Jones, Atty. W-2128 c-2

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF LAND.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale conferred in the Mortgage executed by A. L. Mauney and wife to Samuel O. Murphy, which is recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Gaston County, N. C., there having been default in the payment of the note or bond secured by same, I will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash at the Court House door in Gastonia, Gaston County, N. C., on

Saturday, the 21st Day of February, 1920 at the hour of 12 o'clock M., the following described lands, lying and being in Dallas Township, Gaston County, N. C., beginning at a black gum, now a corner of the Church lot and runs N 82 W 11 poles to a stake in the center of the macadam road; thence with a line of the Gold Mine tract S 23 W 188 3 4 poles to a stone on said Mine's line; thence a new line S 59 1 2 E 78 poles to a stone in the swamp; thence another new line N 29 1 2 E 164 poles to a stone in the old Lincolnton and Dallas road; thence with the road N 48 1 2 W 19 1 2 poles to a stone in the old road; thence N 58 3 4 W 20 poles to a stone in the center of the old road; N 40 1 4 W 32 3 4 poles to a stone in the old road a corner of the Church lot; thence S 64 W 4 poles on East side of the macadam road; thence with East edge of said road N 28 1 2 W 25 3 4 poles to a stone on the East side of said road; thence N 85 E 5 poles to the beginning, containing 94 acres more or less, hereby saving and excepting that portion that is sold off, namely, 46 acres.

This 20th day of January, 1920. SAMUEL O. MURPHY, Mortgagee. Carpenter & Carpenter, Attorneys for Mortgagee. W-F-11 c1w

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