

GROW CANARIES IN PRISON CELL

Bank Robber Interests Other Inmates of Michigan Bastille in Aviary.

Marquette, Mich.—The Michigan penitentiary here has become a huge aviary, for many of the "birds" in the state's big "cage" have cages in their cells and keep canaries and other birds for company.

The little yellow canary is more than a singer—it has personality, according to Jud Mehrige, one of the prisoners, who has worked up a thrifty business as a canary breeder during his prison term. He has had ample time to study his pets, for he has lived in the same "room" with them for years.

Mehrige came to the prison here but a short time after he went to Grand Rapids from New York. He was a taxi driver and "got mixed up in a bank robbery." For the error he was sent to Marquette, where he had no friends. When not working time hung heavy on his hands, and he had nothing to do but think "I'm in prison."

Cheered By His Friends.
However, he soon acquired one bird. It helped to cheer him up and take his mind off his loneliness. The two became fast friends. As soon as he awakened in the morning he heard of a cheery chirp, and until he went to his prison labor the two chatted back and forth.

Mehridge soon realized that although "Dickey" was happy he was lonesome, too. Out of his savings Mehrige bought a mate for his bird. It was not long before the two birds had built a nest and the mother bird was sitting on tiny eggs. Soon the young hatched. What to do with them puzzled the owner. He did not want to part with them. He kept them until further increases in the bird population of his shrdium him to get rid of some.

The birds had been a comfort to him; they would be to someone else. Salesmanship can be practiced in prison as well as in the most up-to-date store, so Mehrige employed it to his advantage.

Stars Selling Surplus.
Some newcomers arrived. Mehrige had too many birds and offered to have the new prison arrival take care of a bird for a while. He gave him a few instructions as to feed and water and the bird's bath. Usually the prisoner didn't want the bird, but persuasion won, and he took the little cage with its occupant to please Mehrige. That was what the salesman wanted. He knew he had made one sale and was almost certain of another.

As Mehrige had discovered, the latest bird fancier saw that his bird needed a mate and went to his friend for another. He, too, started raising canaries. Sometimes the two birds were all the inmate wanted. Sales were made frequently to persons "outside." The majority of birds in Marquette homes today were raised by prison inmates, purchased from the prisoner either through friends or through the prison store.

HEAR J. C. B. EHRINGHAUS, at the Shelby court house Thursday night in a Democratic speech. 1

All Democrats should hear Hon. J. C. B. Ehringhaus, a great orator, speak at the Shelby court house Thursday night.

The struggle to make ends meet must keep a flapper's hands busy Record.

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Police Stop His Impersonating



This gentleman—it's a "he" despite the clothes—is one of many female impersonators who were in cast of "Pleasure Man," the Mae West show which was twice raided by New York's Finest. The players were put under \$500 bond each pending arraignment in West Side court.

(International Newsreel)

Big Fight Scenes At Local Theatre

Local prize fight fans are in for a thrill at the Princess theatre. A special picture has arrived at the theatre, which was given a private matinee showing Tuesday, and which will be shown regularly tomorrow and Friday, showing the big moments in all the big fights to and including Jeffries.

It shows this giant in action, then comes along with Willard, and you will see the 255 pounder knocked crooked at Toledo. You see Mr. Firpo and Mr. Carpenter, and Mr. Tunney.

It is a four reeler, with a kick in every foot of it. The picture might

Hears Perfectly Over 3,500 Miles

Mrs. Rush Thompson has talked over long distance telephone twice to her mother, Mrs. Merton Wight, in Bellingham, Washington, about 3,500 miles away, in regard to her father's condition who was seriously hurt by a passing automobile on Saturday. Mrs. Thompson states that the telephone service was perfect and that she could hear perfectly.

She had another message this morning stating that her father was improving nicely from the serious operation.

It is a four reeler, with a kick in every foot of it. The picture might be called a composite of all later day prize fights. It will be worth your seeing.

SMITH DEFENDED IN RACE ISSUE

McSwain Says Negro Seconded Nomination Of Hoover For G. O. P.

Hickory, Oct. 9.—An appeal for the support of the entire Democratic ticket on account of the issues involved in the present campaign, was made here tonight by Capt. Peyton McSwain, elector for the ninth congressional district, who spoke before a large audience in the Highland graded school.

Mr. McSwain declared that the principles involved in this fight are vital to the American public, they are as important as those in the first great political battle of this nation between Jefferson and Hamilton.

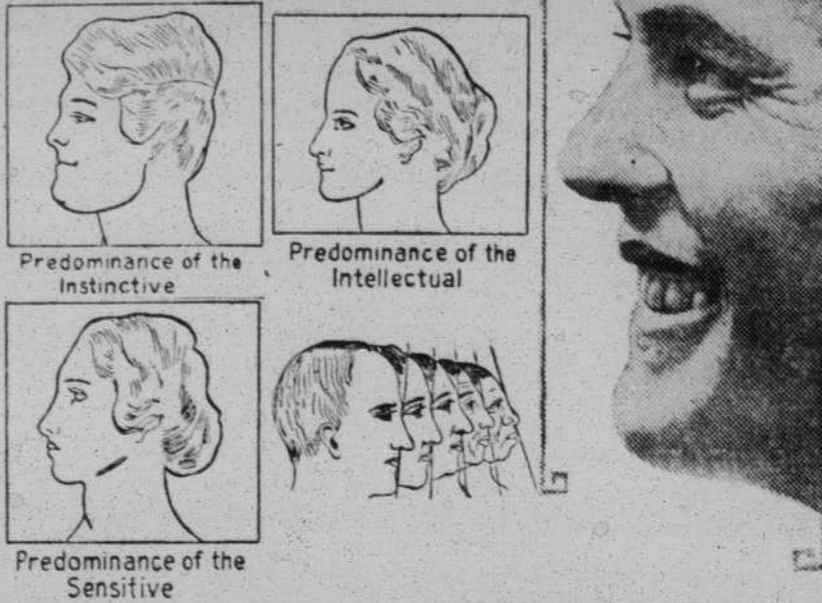
Touching on Smith's church affiliation, Mr. McSwain referred to the constitution of the United States, which guarantees religious freedom to every one and says no religious test shall ever be required as a test or qualification for office in this nation. And the speaker further declared that no one could vote against Smith simply because of his church affiliation without violating the constitution.

Governor Smith stands squarely on the Democratic platform for restricted immigration, the speaker said, declaring that he stated this in his acceptance speech and again in Milwaukee a few nights ago. "This stuff about Gov. Smith favoring the opening of the flood gates of immigration is all bunk and nothing but Republican propaganda."

Claiming that he was not raising the race issue, Mr. McSwain referred to it by saying that Republicans had circulated a false report that Governor Smith had appointed negroes to office in New York. "When the truth of the matter is the only negro ever appointed by the Democratic nominee to any kind of office was a messenger boy at the state house in Albany."

"It does not lie in the mouth of any Republican," the speaker declared "to raise the race issue or talk about appointing negroes to office. I am not going to discuss the record of the Republican party during Russell's administration, but am going to discuss what happened in 1928. No ancient history about that. At the Kansas City convention a negro by the name of John R. Hawkins was called to the platform and he made a speech seconding the nomination of Mr. Hoover as candidate for the presidency. In that convention there were fifty negro Republican delegates and they were all for Mr. Hoover. This fact together with the fact that Hoover abolished the segregation order in his office at Washington, ought to be sufficient to make any Democrat stop and think before he decries his party to support a man like Hoover."

Science Says Love Led Tunney to His "Double"



Diagrams above show remarkable resemblance between the retired undefeated champ and the girl he is to marry. Top, their faces divided so as to bring out striking similarity of features; below, the three principal hereditary traits in humans. Gene and his bride-to-be are types equally balanced between the instinctive and the intellectual. Centre, five types of humans with highest form on left. Right, character profile study of Tunney which compares with figure on left.

Delegates Off To Kiwanis Meeting

Kiwanians Paul Webb, Will Harris and Lee B. Weathers leave this afternoon for Winston-Salem where they will attend the convention of the Carolinas district. Charlie Burrus, J. F. Ledford, J. E. Dorton, Mrs. Paul Webb, Mrs. Lee B. Weathers and possibly others will attend. Mrs. Burrus will stop at Mocksville where she will visit her parents.

Business Improves, Joe Nash Declares

Joe E. Nash, manager of the Paragon department store, home from a business trip to New York, says retail business in the metropolis is brisk. "It is far better, seemingly, than it was this time a year ago, when I was in New York," Mr. Nash said. The undercurrent of business generally he said was optimistic.

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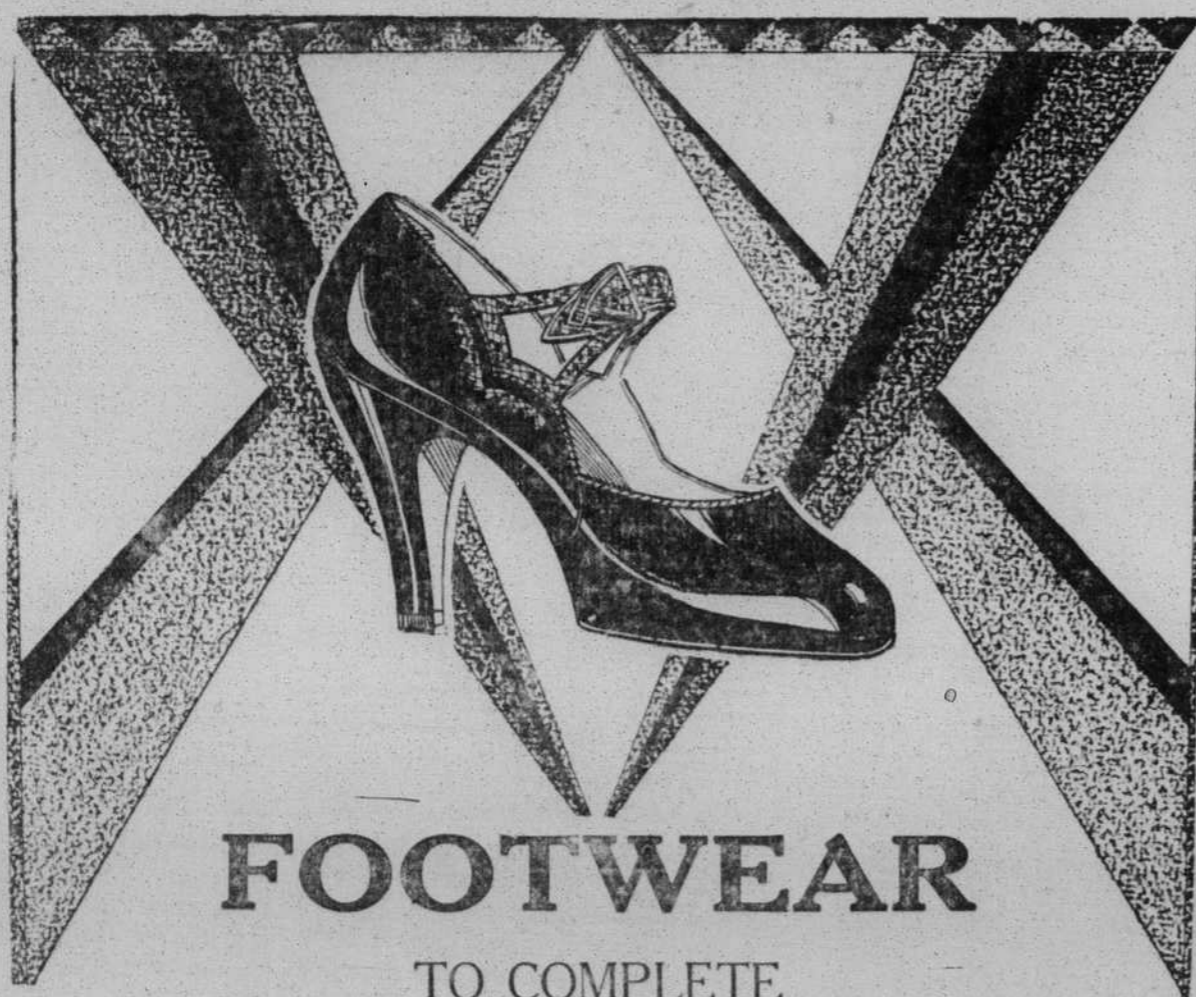
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