

This Ever-Changing World

Excerpts from Popular Science.

A double-deck Pullman of the highways, providing berths for 26 people and hot meals during the long journey, recently was completed for service between Los Angeles, Calif., and Philadelphia, Pa. Each of its 13 compartments has, among other conveniences, a wash basin with running water and a built-in thermos bottle. At the back of the coach is a lavatory.

The coach is 34 feet long and 8 feet wide. Although it has two decks, it is only 10 ft. 3 inches high. A unique feature is its detachable motor. At certain points during its long run, the motor will be removed and a new one substituted. This requires but a short delay and eliminates long stops for overhauling during the trip. Besides the driver, a porter and a chef are included in the crew.

In magnitude of preparations, Commander Byrd's Antarctic expedition is without doubt the most stupendous undertaking in his-day have spanned the continent during daylight. It will be no wider than that for all of us when there are

tory of exploration. The bill for deg biscuits alone, nearly \$8,000, was greater than the cost of discovering America! Forty tons of them were taken to feed Byrd's 100 sled dogs. . . . On the lonely wastes of the Antarctic a little village of some 80 inhabitants will be set up, with houses laid out on a street, gasoline engines supplying electricity for lights, and with a public library of 2000 volumes.

The latest use for the X-ray is to peer into the heart of a tree. With the new apparatus perfected by the Eastman Kodak company, experts determine the extent of decay, thus safeguarding against damage from falling trees or telegraph poles. The apparatus also is useful for inspecting wooden parts of airplanes.

Which wear more sensible clothes, men or women? The noted German hygienist, Dr. Ernst Friedberger found the answer by placing thermometers and other precision instruments beneath the clothing of both men and women, and so measured the temperature and humidity next to their skins. He found that the temperature next to a woman's skin is as much as ten degrees lower than next to a man's and that the humidity is from a third to a half less.

"The average modern man," he concludes, "spends most of his life, winter and summer, in the debilitating climate of the tropics. Only his face and hands are allowed to stick out into healthier surroundings. The average woman, on the other hand, lives in a climate like the cool, dry air of the Alps."

"Billions of dollars" is the value placed upon the recent discovery, at the University of Illinois, of a method of coating metals with aluminum by electroplating. So many are the uses to which aluminum has come to be applied in industry, that it has come to be known as "the modern metal." Yet, pure aluminum lacks strength and toughness. It dents and nicks easily. But now, with aluminum plating made practicable, steel or tough aluminum alloys can be given a coat of the corrosion-resisting metal.

Milk bottles soon may disappear, along with bottling machines and the daily rounds of milk wagons. According to Prof. Victor E. Lamer, of Columbia university, chemists are at work to produce milk in powdered form to simplify the problem and save costs of distribution.

Within the last few weeks, two young jobbers of hosiery have seen their invention of an amazing stocking repair machine valued at \$20,000,000. Thanks to their device, a disconsolate maiden with seemingly ruined stockings may soon walk to the nearest store and for a quarter or more, depending on the damage have the pair returned to her as good as new. The machine automatically weaves a broken thread back into the fabric. It can make 300 repairs a day.

"Hit-and-run", drives and traffic law violators generally will not escape so easily if new luminous automobile license plates, now being tried in Melbourne, Australia, are required by law. The numbers shine out visibly for several blocks.

Lumber in "packages" is now put out by an enterprising producer. The ends of the boards are accurately squared and finished, saving carpenters much time. The "packages" are fiber caps put on the ends to prevent marring in transit.

A phonograph record, invented by an Englishman is flexible so that, no matter how it is folded or bent, it can be restored to its proper shape and the fine impressions which reproduce sound are unchanged.

By this time next year America will have more than 1700 airports. At the close of the Civil War, America was a continent more than three months wide; today, by the best trains, it is three days wide; in a few years it will be half a day wide. A few adventurers already suitable airports in every American community.

During the World War, and for a time afterward, a person's equilibrium was tested for flying by an elaborate turning chair. This now has been replaced in the Army and for commercial flying by a much simpler test. The candidate is told to stand on one foot, flex the other leg at a right angle at the knee (keeping it away from the other leg), close the eyes, and maintain the position for 15 seconds.

In the recently perfected outfit, a plane need carry only a short pole antenna and a receiver winking but a few pounds. All of the expense and powerful equipment is on the ground. Two white lines on a black instrument dial shrink or extend unequally before the pilot's eyes to show him whether he is flying to left or right of his course. When they are equal, he is directly on it.

Try Sar Wants Ads

Beauty Who Escaped Kidnapers



Pretty Doris Turner, 16, Atlanta, Ga., high school girl, stolen by a "man who carried a cane and treated me nice," came back with her hands tied, a gag in her mouth and story of the weirdest kidnaping in Georgia police annals. Physicians who attended girl say she had been kept under influence of a drug.

Some Folks Will Regret Leaving Of Coolidge From White House

Especially Newspapermen. He likes To Be "Shot," Mr. Hoover Does Not.

(By Allene Summer NEA SERVICE WRITER.)

Washington—A lot of people in Washington are going to regret the departure of President Coolidge from the White House next March 4, but none will regret it more than the capital's small army of newspaper and movie reel photographers.

For Mr. Coolidge is regarded by them as one of the best of "subjects" — while they think President-elect Hoover is about the worst.

Mr. Coolidge doesn't mind being photographed; Mr. Hoover does. Mr. Coolidge is willing to pose in almost any way requested; Mr. Hoover isn't.

One learns a lot about big men from the fellows whose job it is to photograph them on all sorts of occasions and under all kinds of conditions and circumstances. They come to know them well.

"Yeah, Coolidge is okeh," one of the picture hounds will tell you. "He always sees to it that every one of us gets our pictures. Some times several of the boys are late and they'll come running up just after the pose is finished. The president will wait for them and do the handshaking stuff all over again. He never leaves but what he turns around and smiles: 'Well, boys—got all you want?'"

But Hoover's entirely different, according to these fellows. They have known him as food administrator, secretary of commerce, food relief director and many of them were with him in Belgium. And they call him the hardest man in Washington to photograph.

An outstanding complaint seems to be that Mr. Hoover, when being photographed, dislikes to remove his hat, always prefers to look the lens full in the face and utterly refuses to button his famous double-breasted coats.

"He should know better than to wear double-breasted, a big fellow like him," said one of the cameramen. "And if he must, he ought to keep 'em buttoned—but he won't."

And, to prove his point, he drew forth a file of Hoover pictures. All were in the double-breasted coats and the double-breasted coat was open to the breeze, regardless of the weather.

Another difference — from the cameramen's standpoint — is that Mr. Coolidge is willing to wear clothes that make good pictures, and Mr. Hoover isn't. For instance, when he goes traphooting he dresses as a traphooter should dress.

But with Mr. Hoover, regardless of the occasion, it's nearly always the slouch hat and the double-breasted coat. Once, in the west, he was fishing and the west of him in fishing togs—and half of them wanted to frame it, right then and there.

Romance Crashes



Alimony of \$1,000 a month is asked of court by Mrs. Percy C. Healy (above), who is fighting annulment of her marriage to Percy C. Healy, Wall street broker. She told the judge he proposed to her during an airplane ride.

An expert has figured it out that the electrical energy developed by five million persons, all talking at once, would keep just one incandescent light going. That helps to understanding of how little illumination comes from most conversations.—Manchester Union.

War-clouds have no silver lining except for profiteers.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

Chicago has an "Awkward Club." It is for gunmen who miss their targets?—Tampa Tribune.

Railway President to Testify in Union Suit.—Head-line. At a very informal hearing, one imagines.—Arkansas Gazette.

When a man begins to feel that his wife doesn't understand him, the chances are he'd be lucky if she didn't.—San Diego Union.

HARRICK BELIEVES CITY MIGHT TAKE OVER SCHOOL HERE

(Continued from first page.)

are high enough and that economics could be exercised to some extent.

"The school election was also held at the wrong time. That is, it was held in December, just when taxes were due, and a tax election of any kind at that time isn't looked at very favorably. Another thing, it was held in the middle of the school year and people couldn't quite understand that—as the tax books were already made up and no tax could be levied for this session.

"I believe I am safe in saying also that many people believed the school board has gone ahead, blindfolded as it were, and got themselves in a hole and decided suddenly to call on the people to help them out, which I feel sure they would have done had they taken the people in to their confidence and published a statement of receipts and disbursements and proved to them by figures, the exact situation.

"Many people believe that salaries could be cut and many expenses cut out. Whether that would be a good idea or a safe thing to do must be explained. Another thing the people cannot become reconciled to, is the twelve months pay for nine months service—even though the nine months salary is divided into twelve payments. I would suggest to the school board that they close the school when the money gives out and that they hand in to the mayor and city council an estimate of the cost of continuing the high school to a finish, and if it isn't too excessive, they can bear the expenses without any criticism. The city council has of course made up their budget without any provision for such an expense, but it's the custom to include an emergency fund and from that it could be paid.

"His Suggestion. The city council has come to the rescue of the school board quite a number of times in the past and I don't believe they would refuse this time. Another thing I would suggest is, that they call for another school election in May, at the same time the city election is held, as that usually brings out the voters and they will be in better spirits by then.

"Another school board will be elected at that time and whether it's the same board or a new one, they will know from the election just what the people expect them to do.

"T. W. HAMRICK."

(Editor's Note: In connection with the suggestion of publication of school expense figures it is recalled that the board decided to do this before Christmas and an auditor is now working on the figures which will probably be ready for publication in The Star this week, according to B. H. Kendall, chairman of the school board.)

Wants Profit Split Of The County Fair

Editor Cleveland Star: Many farmers and business men who own stock in the Cleveland Fair association have been talking to me of the injustice done them by the present management so far as distribution of surplus and payment of dividends is concerned. In fact I have for years been reading of the profits made by the association, and at the same time have been listening to the curses of stockholders because they got none of those profits. The stockholders are still complaining. Some want an auditor to investigate the whole business. This is the wise course to pursue. I urge that the stockholders demand this at the annual meeting.

D. A. TEDDER. Shelby, Jan. 7, 1929.

Mr. Gillespie Buries His Mother Saturday

The many friends of Rev. J. C. Gillespie, former pastor of a number of Cleveland county Baptist churches will regret to learn of the death of his aged mother, Mrs. Johnnie Gillespie, age 89. Mrs. Gillespie who lived at Henrietta had gone on a visit to her son at Reidsville where she died. She was buried Saturday at High Shoals church in Rutherford county. Mrs. Gillespie is survived by three children, Rev. J. C. Gillespie of Reidsville, Mrs. J. W. McGinnis of Chase City, Va., and J. H. Gillespie of Henrietta.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF SHELBY, N. C.

The stockholders of the First National bank of Shelby, N. C., will hold their annual meeting for the election of directors, to vote on a proposed increase of capital stock, and any other business which may come before the meeting, at eleven o'clock a. m. Tuesday, January 8, 1929 at their banking room, Shelby, N. C.

I'll never fly until it is possible to keep one foot one foot on the ground.—Al Smith.

Thinking is hard work. That may be the reason so few engage in it.—Henry Ford.

Eat, Drink, Smoke and Be Beautiful, Artists Iconoclastic Recipe



L. to r., Miss Gladys Cooper, of London; Mlle. Jacqueline Schally, of Paris, and Mrs. Esmond O'Brien, of New York, whom Artist Styka says are three of five of world's most beautiful women.

Styka Says American Girls Are Over-Painted But "Full Of Living"

(By International Illustrated News) New York—Eat, drink, smoke and be beautiful!

This iconoclastic recipe for American women, striking at the very roots of generally accepted prohibitions, is pronounced by no less a craftsman than Tada Styka, who is said to have painted more noted beauties than any other living artist, and who believes, therefore, that he is competent to analyze charm.

Mr. Styka is a native of Warsaw and a resident of Paris. In addition to painting stage, screen and society belles, he has achieved distinction and critical praise for his portraits of Foch, Flammarion and the late Senator W. A. Clark. But it is beauty that he likes best to delineate.

"It is ridiculous," he explained, "to say that smoking, eating candy or drinking is detrimental to beauty. Of course, there is the right way and the wrong way of doing everything.

"In smoking I like to see a woman use a cigarette holder. She should hold it gracefully, avoiding any jerky motions or any contractions of the face in exhaling.

"In America everybody drinks, much more than in any other country," he continued, "and I think it is very charming, although, of course, a woman should drink in moderation."

Mr. Styka holds that the American girl is the most beautiful in the world, says that her greatest attribute is charm and regrets that he is unable to furnish a formula for it.

FOR RENT: TWO HORSE farm, good house and good out-buildings, near Bolling Springs. A. R. Hamrick, R-3, Shelby. 3t 7p

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING.

The stockholders of the Union Trust company will hold their annual meeting for the election of directors and any other business coming before the meeting, at 11 o'clock Tuesday, Jan. 15, 1929. FORREST ESKRIDGE, Cashier

Her Troth Plighted



Announcement of the engagement of Miss Mary Virginia Nellis (above), of Rochester, N. Y., to Richard Kidston Law, youngest son of the late Premier Bonar Law of England, has been announced in the London papers. Their wedding is scheduled to take place in the Spring.

Hungary's King?



The Archduke Otto (above), whom the Legitimist party in Budapest contends is already king of Hungary under an ancient hereditary statute. He is living with his mother, the former Empress Zita, in the tiny fishing village of Legueito, Spain.

According to Will Irwin, we could promote better relations with South American countries if we had better manners. Well, may be if those countries had better manners two of them would not be on the verge of war.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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