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SAYS SLEEP IS LIFE'S TRAGEDY

(By Associated Press) MOSCOW, Mar. 23.—The fact that the human machine requires sleep is one of life's tragedies to George V. Chitcherin, the Soviet Foreign Affairs Minister. Sleep is also a tragedy to those who have to do business with him.

The best hour to have an interview with Chitcherin is between midnight and 8 a. m. The only hours he devotes to rest are between 8 a. m. and noon. The remainder he spends in work, with short 15-minute to half-hour rest intervals when he goes to his bachelor room adjoining his offices and lies down possibly to sleep for a few minutes.

His clerks have a hard time of it, as they cannot adjust their hours to his. They are permitted to work 24 hours at a stretch and then have liberty for two days.

Chitcherin is always on the job, except for the four hours mentioned. He has stated that as he grows older he hopes to eliminate these sleeping hours. He looks well, is round-faced, and but for red eyelids, shows no signs of his sleep wrestlings.

Food is also a material difficulty with which Chitcherin battles. He gets so absorbed in his work that he frequently forgets to eat and when reminded that he must, he takes but a few bits of bread and butter. Sometimes he is indisposed and his doctor invariably finds that it is through lack of eating. When asked if he has eaten anything, Chitcherin is unable to answer.

NEW SPECIES OF BIRD FOUND

(By Associated Press) BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Mar. 23.—Texas' bird sanctuaries, set aside by the last legislature in Cameron and Kleberg counties, bid fair to become world renowned among naturalists inasmuch as one species that exists in no other part of the United States and several species that are very scarce, have been found there.

J. Gilbert Pearson, president of the National Association of Audubon Societies visited the sanctuaries recently. The "bird cities" are located on Green Island, on North and South Bird Island and on the Three Islands—all small bodies of land in the Laguna Madre.

Among the birds that seek refuge on these islands are blue bills, teal, mallards, red heads and canvas backs. The wild birds, according to Mr. Pearson, apparently realize that they are safe on their reservation, for they remain unafraid and unfrightened by visitors or noises that otherwise would frighten them away.

Game birds not found elsewhere in the United States live in this section. The islands are distant from human habitation and rarely are visited by hunters. There are no predatory animals on the islands to destroy the eggs.

Green Island at high tide has not more than 12 acres of ground and 30 to 40 acres at low tide. It is about 30 miles south of Corpus Christi and North and South Bird Island are a little further south. There is a large number of royal tern and laughing gulls on Green Island and a colony of brown pelicans.

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CELLARITES MAY CLIMB

(By Associated Press) PASADENA, Calif., Mar. 23.—Chiefs and players of the Portland Beavers of the Pacific Coast Baseball League, now in training here, say that the team this year will not occupy the cellar position it held last season.

In fact, Business Manager Fred Rivers has so much faith in the team that he says he is thinking of ordering a tall Oregon pine to be placed in the Portland ball park for the 1922 league pennant.

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ons on South Bird Island, according to visitors. Other birds on South Island include Wari's heron, Red-tail egret, Louisiana heron and Great Tall grasshopper.

On North Bird Island, Mr. Pearson found white pelicans, a bird he said the Audubon Society wanted to conserve, and several varieties of falcons, which he said were found no place elsewhere in the United States. The shrikes, resembling a chicken and a member of the pheasant family, is another bird found on the reservation.

The islands are leased to the National Association of Audubon Societies for the purpose of protecting and conserving the birds.

COOKED FOOD SALE
The ladies of the Baptist church will hold a cooked food sale in the Grande Ronde Meat Market, Saturday, March 25th. Eggs, butter, cream, etc., will be gladly received from country members. All friends and members are urged to give either food or money. 3-22-22

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BALL COLONY TO BREAK UP

(By Associated Press) BOYES SPRINGS, Calif., Mar. 23.—San Francisco's baseball colony at Boyes Springs will be broken up when the big city's Pacific Coast league team leaves for home. The Soles open the season at San Francisco April 4 against Seattle. Between now and the opening date the team will play several games on its home grounds against the Chicago Cubs and several San Francisco semi-professional clubs.

ATHLETIC FIELD TO BE DRAINED

(By Associated Press) EUGENE, Mar. 23.—Development of the University of Oregon's extensive athletic field on the university's 35-acre tract has been receiving the attention of the coaches and John F. Bovard, dean of the school of physical education. Dean Bovard will include in his budget for the coming year provision for draining the tract, just below Hayward Field, which will be the first step toward bringing about realization of the pretentious plan.

OAKLAND SAYS IT WILL WIN

MYRTLEDALE SPRINGS, Calif., Mar. 23.—Manager Ivan Howard of the Oakland club of the Pacific Coast Baseball league, which is training here, says his team will win the pennant this year if condition counts for anything.

Right now, according to Howard, every one of the Oak pitchers is ready to go the full nine innings and the rest of the team has been in such good shape that the chief has been letting down with one workout a day.

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DANIEL BOONE HOME DECAYS

(By Associated Press) READING, Pa., Mar. 23.—Deteriorated by the elements it has withstood for 192 years, the stone house in the foothills of Exeter township, Berks county, where Daniel Boone, the Kentucky pioneer, was born, is slowly falling to ruin from lack of care. Until two years ago the house had been tenanted and the necessary repairs made, but now it is deserted, the cellar full of water, windows broken, floors decaying and the 160 acres of estate are unenclosed.

The farm is situated about one and a half miles from Stonerville. The lane leading to the premises is marked by a large white rock placed by the Historical Society of Berks county, on which is the inscription: "One quarter mile to the birthplace of Daniel Boone, Oct. 22, 1733."

In this connection it may be said that some authorities give the date of his birth as 1734 and 1735, and his birthplace Berks county, Pennsylvania.

According to history Boone stayed here until he was 17 years of age, when he went to Kentucky. Tradition has it that it was nearby that he killed his first bear when he was 14 years old, and he was so proud of his achievement that he carved an inscription on a tree with his hunting knife, reading: "D. Boone killed a bear near here."

The house has four rooms on the first floor, six on the second and an attic. The original Boone dwelling had two rooms on the first floor and three on the second, but an addition similar to the original to every respect was made after the family migrated.

One of the original rooms contains a large fireplace made of stones and still in good condition. Here it was on the mantle piece, according to tradition, that young Boone carved a notch indicating his height when he went to Kentucky, and upon his return in middle age was interested to see how much he had grown. However, the historic notch cannot be discovered on the mantle piece.

The shutters and doors of the dwelling are hung on wrought iron hinges and still are in good condition, but many of the windows are broken, permitting rain and snow to enter and causing the floor to decay.

Efforts have been made to have the state purchase the house where the pioneer was born, and still more recently, there have been reports that the Historical Society of Berks county, Ky., has interested itself in the possible purchase of the farm for historical purposes. The farm is valued at \$15,000 according to late estimates.

(By Associated Press) VIENNA, Mar. 23.—The cost of living is still skyrocketing here. It increased 21 per cent in January. Taking 100 as the index for the beginning of 1921, it reached 943 in December and 1,142 by the middle of January, 1922.

READ THE WANT ADS!

SWEDEN NEAR OLD STANDARD

(By Associated Press) STOCKHOLM, Mar. 23.—Sweden is now not far from having regained the gold standard of currency. Bankers and business men here believe that steps will soon be taken toward complete restoration of the pre-war parity. The dollar, which is considered in par with gold has declined in its exchange rate from 4.60 in August to very near its par value in February.

EXPLORER IS IN RANGOON

(By Associated Press) RANGOON, Mar. 23.—F. Kingdon Ward, explorer and author, has arrived in Rangoon from a nine-months trip into China, five months of which were spent in the independent kingdom of Mull, in Chinese Tibet.

Mr. Ward spent most of his time on this trip in collecting plants for Edinburgh University, bringing back with him about a thousand varieties of rare plants, some of which are new and unclassified. He also found four new species of the blue poppy. These, with their seeds, have been shipped to Edinburgh.

After traveling through northern Burma and a part of China, he entered Chinese Tibet and headed for Mull, a small kingdom, covering about 15,000 square miles, with many high mountain peaks, some of which are over 20,000 feet above the sea. Mr. Ward said that was ruled by a powerfully built man, a lama, who lived in an enormous monastery surrounded by a guard of 6,000 warriors.

Mr. Ward found on arriving there that the lama was suffering from disease, but he soon recovered under the explorer's treatment and thereafter

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FIRST BRICK BUILDING SOLD

(By Associated Press) BELLINGHAM, Wash., Mar. 23.—The first brick building in Washington territory, the old "G. A. R." building here, appeared on official records here recently when sold by John B. Steedman post, G. A. R., to J. M. Riddle as trustee for the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, for \$800.

The building is said to have been constructed in 1855. According to one version, the brick for its walls was brought around Cape Horn in a sailing ship. Others say the brick came from San Francisco. Anyway, old timers believe it the oldest standing building in Bellingham.

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