

# HOTEL HAS NO ATTENDANTS

American Automatic Eating Houses Are a Step Behind Japanese House

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TOKIO.—Paris, New York and other great cities of the world have their self operating lunch rooms, other places of importance have their various automatic devices where a customer merely pushes a button and receives the purchase he desires. But it remains for Japan to begin the operation during this winter season of the self-operating hotel, a place where there is neither geyser, nor matre de hotel, where the table boy, the bath boy and the dozen or more other varieties of servants are absolutely lacking.

The Japanese self-operating hotel was inaugurated during the month of November by the keepers of mountain inns in the north of Tokyo—inns called upon by the winter mountain climber and in every winter in the past closed to business. These mountain inns, in the "Japanese Alps," a section where beautiful scenery abounds, are popular all during the summer months, as Japanese go to them in crowds, and many foreigners, attracted by the scenery and delightful climate, spend their vacations climbing among the mountains. In past summers it has been customary to close the mountain inns after a successful summer's business had been concluded, and consequently those who have traveled through the Japanese Alps in winter have had to seek shelter in huts or wherever they could find it.

This year the inns, minus proprietors and staffs, will have the latchkeys out. The guests, arriving after a hard tramp through the mountains, will find a well-stocked bin of charcoal for the tiny Japanese stoves, clean rooms which they will be expected to leave as clean as they find them, and a well-stocked larder, which will provide them with all necessities in the way of foodstuffs.

A price list will announce the price of each sort of canned goods in a big pantry, and the price per catty of charcoal, and all the other articles which will be available. When the guests leave it will be up to them to deposit the money for the amount of goods they have used, and what they think is right for their hotel bill, in a big metal money box, which will stand in a corner of the office.

Skiing, mountain climbing and tobogganing in the snow around Kamikochi have become more and more popular in North Japan, and around this centre will operate these self-operating inns. The inn-

keepers around Kamikochi are in hopes that their self-operating inns will do a thriving business during the winter months, and innkeepers in other parts of Japan are watching this new venture, with the idea of adopting the system if it proves successful in the north.

## Blames Hunger for Student Aid Revolt

MUNICH. (AP).—Students in the university have always been a turbulent lot, and they played such an important part in the recent Hitler-Ludendorff-von Kahr revolution that there is a great diversity of opinion among Bavarians about the worthiness of the student body as a whole. The students were so nonarchical, for the most part, that the monarchists are warm in their praise, while the anti-monarchists have nothing but condemnation for the excitable youngsters.

A professor in Munich University recently made a contribution to the fund for feeding Munich students and in turning the money over to the commission for feeding students said: "The demeanor of Munich students, which is to be deeply regretted, suggests to the Munich doctors the fact that the cause of the student action was the physical privations which the students have undergone. He who wants to calm youth must appease hunger."

The Bayerischer Courier takes issue with this statement and declares the leaders of the student riots were not hungry.

## Blackfoot Indians Are Aristocratic

GREAT FALLS, Mont., (JNS).—Blackfoot Indians of Glacier National Park Reservation, Montana, have shown more progress toward self-support than any other tribe in the United States, according to the Department of Indian Affairs.

The Blackfoot Indians, in their wild life, were the aristocrats of the red race, living as they did in the shadows of the Rocky Mountains, where buffalo and deer always found the greenest pastures. This furnished the Blackfoot with the best food and clothing supply offered by nature any place upon the face of the earth.

Adverse weather conditions of recent years affected the Blackfoot in their civilized careers of reservation life, but they now have come back through their agricultural efforts and today raise the best of food for their own use. Under arrangements now in effect with the tribe, the Government has purchased 200 heifers, 500 sheep, 200 pigs and 100 chickens for distribution among the tribe.

Last Fall five threshing machines were used to thresh the grain raised by the Indians on the Blackfoot Reservation. Two flour mills are in operation on the reservation—one of 25 barrels capacity at Heart Butte and another of 50 barrels capacity at Brown's Agency.

Recently there was completed a road from Glacier Park to Old Agency, known as the Birch Creek Road, six miles in length. This stretch is a unit of the National Park-to-Park Highway and was built by the Indians.

Dail Defends Effort to Abolish Irish External Affairs Ministry  
DUBLIN. (AP).—A recent attempt in the Dail to abolish the Free state ministry of external affairs and place the duties upon the president was defeated by a three majority. President Cosgrave declined to undertake the work and justified the existence of the ministry, which costs \$200,000 a year.

The Freeman's Journal, supporting the decision on the ground that Ireland has important individual foreign interests said:

"For example, Washington at present seems to be settling the quota of immigrants from the territories that were lately the United Kingdom without reference to the Free State. Washington may make a similar mistake with regard to tariffs."

## MY, OH MY! ISN'T HE THE PLAYFUL RASCAL?



Youth Gets 6 Months.  
GRANTS PASS, Ore.—A unique sentence was passed upon Oliver Neubert, a local youth who was found guilty of pilfering from the office of the Pine Box factory. Circuit Judge Thomas gave him six months in the county jail, then paroled the youth to the court.

Young Neubert must report the first of each month, presenting an itemized account of his expenditures during the previous month. The rest of the money he has earned must be turned over to the judge, who will put it in the bank for him, returning \$2.50 for personal use. For every item of over 50 cents the youth must get a receipt. He can not smoke cigarettes or attend a show offener than once a week.

Mexican Lad on Trial  
KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.—Pablo Montez, 19-year-old Mexican youth, was placed on trial for his life in circuit court for the alleged murder of Jose Felix, a country man, who was beaten to death with an iron bar and his body submerged in Klamath lake early last month.

Difficulty was experienced in qualifying 12 men for jury duty in this case owing to the widespread publicity which followed the Felix murder. The regular panel was exhausted and a special venire called for.

Slim Returns Discourage Playwriting in Germany  
HAMBURG. (AP).—Alfred Dool, playwright, is not over-enthusiastic about earning a living in Germany by writing for the stage. His "South Seas," recently put on in this city, yielded him in royalties a sum in paper marks equal to five gold pfennigs, or one and a quarter cents. Brust bought a postage stamp and sent it to the theatrical agency which had put on his play, with his thanks for the manner in which the product of his imagination had been handled.

Every man should know enough about Mah Jongg to understand the new jokes in the magazine.

## Unfavorable Weather Causes Poor Quality of German Wine

COBLENZ. (AP).—Wine makers along the Rhine and Moselle rivers have been hard hit this year because of unfavorable weather during the spring and summer. The grapes were small and scarce and in addition were sour and acidic. The result is that the wine output is only about one-tenth of the normal.

The poor crop is attributed to a cold, wet spring and the absence of sunshine during the summer. Growers in the vicinity of Lake Constance report a splendid crop of grapes and a good output of finely flavored wine, which however, is quite different in taste from the usual Rhine and Moselle wines.

Correct this sentence: "I'm going to keep my ankles warm," said she, "if it makes them look as big as a barrel."

## U. S. Envoy Pleases South Africa

CAPE TOWN. (AP).—The appointment of Clinton Poole as United States consul general for South Africa has created a favorable impression here. The Cape Times regards the appointment as leading to the day when the United States will accredit ministers to and receive ministers from the dominions.

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