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LIFE and GOOD DAYS—He that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile, d Peter 3:16.

Having pronounced history "bunk," Henry Ford is restoring historic shrines.

A visitor to New York reports that they do push you around a good deal there, but they don't butt into your personal affairs.

Referring to the proposed expenditure of seven or eight hundred millions immediately for new warships, William Allen White, sage of Emporia, Kan., says: "Is this expenditure a wise one? Yes; so long as a rifle Bessemer remains the only method for settling international disputes. There should be another way; presently there will be one. And in the meantime we should all get out and hump ourselves in support of a universally recognized and respected international court for the settlement of such disputes." Such humping is much cheaper than war fleets. Also more sensible.

Public libraries in this country have advanced tremendously in usefulness in recent years. Their own statistics show that patrons are borrowing more and more books and are reading along many lines. Yet there is still a surprisingly large part of the public which seems not to have discovered that it may go to libraries for general information as well as for books. Such persons are forever writing to book reviewers and newspaper editors for facts and lists and miscellaneous information which they could easily get for themselves by making use of the library reference works or general card catalog. The crossword puzzle had sent many people to dictionaries who had never used them before. Something that would send them also to encyclopedias and other reference works would accomplish a lot of good.

SANE OR INSANE

The "battle" is on at Los Angeles, over the fate of William Hickman, one of the most cruel of our kidnapers and killers. It is to the credit of this nation that he is still alive, participating in an orderly court trial, instead of dangling from a tree, riddled with bullets. We are making progress in civilization.

Nevertheless, there are features of that trial that make many a law-abiding citizen wonder a little whether it is so much better, after all, than jungle law. The battle turns on the issue whether the prisoner is sane or insane, and therefore whether he is a criminal to punish or a patient to care for. We have seen such battles before, and seen the way clever lawyers and plant alienists make fools of judge, jury and justice.

There is, to be sure, a real problem there. As a correspondent explains: "Hickman is plainly not normal. If he were, there would be no security in society. On the other hand, he may not be insane to the point that he cannot tell right from wrong. The dividing line, which must be drawn with strict exactitude by the law, is so indistinct that even highly specialized medical men may honestly disagree. Yet a jury of 12 average citizens must come to a definite conclusion upon which will depend whether the youthful slayer is to be hanged or treated as a mental invalid."

The public—society as a whole—cares nothing for technicalities and split hairs. The public, perhaps more clearly than those directly concerned in the case, sees that the main point is, as quickly as possible, to get and keep this monster where he can do no more harm.

That would seem, to a man from Mars, a very simple thing. Our court procedure makes it very complicated and uncertain. If Hickman is "found" insane, our court procedure may be judged equally so.

ABE MARTIN



"Anything as tame as he is would get my goat. He don't even curse when a coat hanger falls on the floor," said Mrs. Em Moore, today, in speakin' o' Kenneth Kite. "His hand that rocks the cradle is just as liable to rock the country."

THE OPEN COURT

CORRESPONDENTS MUST SUBMIT THEIR NAMES TO THE EDITOR IF THEY DESIRE LETTERS PRINTED.

To the Editor:

In the leading article in a recent Observer we notice some very interesting matter about the Panama Canal. Apparently it is proving inadequate to meet the demands of trade. If Uncle Sam is ever to reap all the benefits that he is entitled to for cutting that canal, he will have to finish the job by converting it into an open channel and turning the gulf stream into it. That, with its irresistible force, will widen and deepen the channel to any required dimensions as it rushes through it into the Pacific ocean, where it will flow to the northwest and thence out the ice-bound shores of Alaska, converting that land into productive territory for the accommodation of many of Uncle Sam's big family, and thereby will Uncle Sam also establish a prior right to the waters of the gulf stream.

The gulf stream with its irresistible powers and unlimited possibilities presents a problem of deeper interest to Uncle Sam today than any political question before the house. It is of minor importance what the name of our next president shall be, or what shall be the name of the church in which he worships God on Sunday morning, but to understand and be able to utilize the forces of nature is of supreme importance.

Sincerely yours,
L. GARRICK.

Scandal Breaks Out Again; Mat Champ Involved

CHICAGO, Feb. 9 (AP)—Charges of fixing wrestling matches in which Johnny Meyers, middleweight wrestling champion, is alleged to have been involved, have broken out again.

In a suit filed against Ed White, former manager of the champion, Jim Logas, Greek middleweight wrestler, charges White promised him \$1,000 to lose matches to Meyers. He threw the matches, Logas charges, but "White failed to give me the money."

White termed the suit an attempt to "shake me down." Logas recently took his complaint before the Illinois Athletic commission but failed to score a single point, Walter George, secretary of the commission, said.

In these days unless a girl is a bit tomboyish she's put down as a sissy.

COLONIAL

The Family Entertainment

TODAY And FRIDAY

Columbia Pictures presents
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with Helene Chadwick
Harry Myers

with Margaret Gurnea, Ruth Yorkes
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Directed by Frank Strayer

News — Comedy

Beck's Right To House Seat O. K. Committee Says

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9 (AP)—The right of James M. Beck to retain his seat as a republican representative from Pennsylvania was upheld today by a house elections committee by a vote of 6 to 3. Beck's eligibility to house membership was challenged by Representative Garrett of Tennessee, the democratic floor leader, on the ground that the former solicitor general of the United States was not a legal resident of Philadelphia. The house must still pass on the question.

Beck admitted to the committee that his principal home was in Washington and that he owned a summer home in Sealight, N. J., but said that he had leased an apartment in Philadelphia a year and a half ago and had removed his citizenship to that state with intention of re-identifying himself with it politically.

SECOND MURDER IN DETROIT WAR OF UNDERWORLD

DETROIT, Feb. 9 (AP)—Another death by bullets in the feud between extortionists and run smugglers has started police on a general round-up of bad men.

Floyd Beck, 33, whom police knew as a run racketeer, was caught in a volley of pistol shots last night as he and his brother, Troy, 29, were leaving a warehouse. Floyd was killed and his brother probably fatally wounded.

A police theory today was that the brothers, whose joint holdings have been estimated at half a million dollars, were shot in retaliation for the killing Tuesday of Police Officer Vivian Welch, who was said by Police Superintendent Spratt to have been a member of an extortionist gang, was shot nine times. His body was tossed from an automobile onto the steps of his precinct police station.

Welch's connection with the gang came to light when an investigation was conducted to determine if he was killed in line of duty.

Governor to Keep M. D. McAllister In

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 9 (AP)—Governor Patterson, following a conference in his office yesterday, informed representatives of the Guardian Building and Loan association of Portland that he would not remove Mark D. McAllister from the office of state corporation commissioner.

The association demanded McAllister's removal on grounds that he had interfered with its stock sales. J. Moltzen, manager of the association, Homer V. Carpenter, its president, and McAllister were in conference with the governor.

The horse that bolts grain fed to him does not get from it the same supply of nutrition he would if he ate it at a moderate rate. He can be forced to eat less rapidly by spreading the grain over the bottom of a large flat box, by placing several smooth stones about three inches in diameter in the box, or by mixing the grain with bran, cut hay or some similar feed.

A man goes courting to get a wife, and not infrequently later on the wife does it to get alimony.

LINDBERGH WILL RETURN TO U. S. ON NEXT MONDAY

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San Francisco, Feb. 9 (AP)—The army headquarters there charged that press badges issued by Brigadier General Herrera were ignored by officers. A formal accusation was made by the Reporters' Association of Havana against a number of army officers.

Offering Lindbergh his congratulations at the field, Charles Evans Hughes, chief of the American delegation to the Pan-American congress said: "Lindbergh is tracing the route that future commerce will follow. The best part is that it is a route of goodwill and what he is doing is of first importance in the development of Pan-Americanism."

Thousands thronged the plaza in front of the national palace when Lindbergh arrived there. In the great reception hall President Machado and his cabinet welcomed him. To Lindbergh, the president said: "You represent one of the world's greatest nations as an ambassador of the air. I extend to you a welcome from every Cuban."

"You yourself are one of the greatest men of a great nation and will always be considered one of the world's greatest citizens. Every moment of your life, in glory or in sorrow, you will always have a friend in us. You will always find welcome in Cuba."

"We love our liberty and independence. You are an ambassador of the air, but also an ambassador of American freedom."

The president, Lindbergh and American ambassador Nobel Brandt then went to the balcony overlooking the spacious Avenida Missones, where President Coudreau had also appeared at the opening of the Pan-American congress, to answer the applause of the crowd.

As Lindbergh left the balcony he received a motherly blessing in English from Madame Povert Terry, wife of a prominent Cuban who made her way to his side.

Exact plans for his flight to St. Louis Monday have not yet been completed. "I plan to go along the west coast of Florida," Lindbergh explained. "I expect to leave with a comparatively light load. In fact the 'Spirit of St. Louis' has in it now enough gasoline to take it to St. Louis."

While snow is on the ground in an orchard, particularly if it is deeper than usual, there is danger of damage from field mice. They work above the surface. If the orchard is small trapping is possible, but if a considerable area is to be covered, poison is desirable.

An effective breakdown for the protection of buildings and feed yards may be obtained by planting two rows of coniferous trees and then another row about two rods distant. The intervening space will serve as a trap in which the snowdrifts will form rather than to the leeward of the break.



Portland Man Is Elected President

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 9 (AP)—Jas P. Reynolds of Portland, Ore., was elected president of the Fire Underwriters association of the Pacific at the closing session of their two-day convention here last night.

Other officers elected were Thomas Anderson, vice president, and J. H. Martin, secretary-treasurer, both of San Francisco. The session closed with a banquet at which George E. Townsend, retiring president, was toastmaster.

SAYS SPORT MENACED

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 9 (AP)—Not only the sport of game fishing, but the food fish industry as well will be utterly destroyed in Oregon if certain power development permits, for which applications are now on file with the state engineer, are granted, declare officials of the state game and fish commission. All the fishing streams in the state, on some of which are located hatcheries, are affected the officials say.

To protest against the granting of power permits on the McKenzie river to the city of Eugene, for which applications have been made, Hugh Mitchell, superintendent of hatcheries for the state fish commission, and Matt Iyckman, hatchery superintendent for the state game commission, appeared yesterday at the state engineering department.

Galvanized sheet iron may be allowed to weather a year before painting. Usually there are no injurious effects, and this gives the paint a better foothold.

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