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An Exceptional Exception

Any time you see an editor who pleases everybody you're going to be looking at him through a glass plate, and he won't be standing up. And it will be no exception if there is odor of flowers while the neighbors walk slow. — Wall Street Journal.

Just at present the editor of The Polk County Post is an exception. — [V. S.]

Nipponese Gets Fish; Law Nips Nipponese

S. Okamoto, a Japanese of this place paid a \$25 fine at Dallas last week for angling in the waters of Lost lake without a license. Roy Bremmer of Salem, deputy game warden, made the arrest, and in addition to being without a fishing license, Okamoto was also without an alien license.

JAVA'S ODD "WISHING CHARM"

Spot Attracts Crowds of Visitors Who Have Implicit Belief That the Place is Holy.

One of the strangest "wishing charms" in the world, writes a correspondent in the London Morning Post, is situated near Batavia, in Java. The revived patronage of Scottish wishing wells can scarcely provide such a sight as may be seen any day barely a stone's throw from the town.

Interest there is centered upon an ancient cannon, half imbedded in the earth, to which tomes a multi-colored procession of Javanese, Malays and other orientals, bringing gifts of painted lanterns. Each visitor circles three times round the cannon, places his lantern beside it and silently makes his wish. The solemnity of the rite is enhanced by a belief that the cannon is one of a pair, of which one has been lost, and that, if ever the two are brought together again, the whole course of the country's future will be altered.

Watson, the Needle.

With visions of a mysterious murder or somethin', the editor of the Itemizer accompanied Coroner R. L. Chapman and Sheriff John W. Orr to Monmouth late Tuesday afternoon. An excited individual who had visited his family lot in the K. of P. cemetery, south of Monmouth had found what appeared to him to be an extra grave on the plot. It apparently was but a few weeks old, whereas the only member of his family buried there was interred many years ago. Investigation with a shovel disclosed the fact that, while the mound of earth did have all the appearances of a grave the earth had only been removed from a depth of about a foot. Continued excavation to a depth of three feet or more failed to disclose any corpse, and the officers and spectators reached the conclusion that the most reasonable explanation of the mystery is that some one had started to dig a grave there and had learned before completing the same that he was on the wrong lot and had filled it up again. — Dallas Itemizer

THE WISDOM.

A blare of brass and a throb of drum—
And Solomon comes! Solomon comes!
A thousand guards and a glint of steel,
Every wrought in his chariot-wheel,
A silken standard which hides the sun,
A mantle of Tyrian purple, spun
By the cunningest hands in the wise old East,
So Solomon goes to his mighty feast.
The breath of lutes and the twanged strings sigh—
And the Queen goes by! The Queen goes by!
The Lady of Sheba in cloth of gold
With her hennaed nails and her dark eyes bold.
A peacock perches behind her chair;
The sun lights diamonds in her hair;
The music glows like the heart of wine,
For Sheba goes with the King to dine.
Rattling hoofs through the city's heat,
The shepherd passes along the street!
And his nut-brown maid is at his side,
He has his pipes and the skies are wide;
His chest is bare to the breeze's kiss;
The thought of eating is honest bliss;
He knows content and his spirit sings—
So a fig, I say, for all your kings!
— Dale Collins in Sydney Bulletin.



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Matrimonially Dull Month; Possibly Psychological

Dallas, July 25—Roland Truax aged 19, and Goldie A. Bevens of the same age, both residents of Airlie, were licensed to wed by County Clerk Floyd D. Moore this morning. This has been an unusually poor month with the county clerk in the matter of issuing marriage licenses, this morning's license being the first one issued since the first of the month when two were issued in one day.

HISTORICAL AMERICAN FORT.

The secretary of war has recommended that nearly a dozen old army forts, including four in Maryland, be abandoned. Among these four is Fort McHenry, which bears the name of an early secretary of war, James McHenry, who had been secretary to General Washington. It had its beginning as a fortified area in 1776. It was then that construction of the first fortification, a water battery, was started. Later, in 1794, it was developed into an inclosed, bastioned fort. The fort gained immortal place in American history in 1814, when it withstood intense bombardment for two days, and repulsed the British fleet.

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Stolen Car at Dallas Turns Up In Short Time

Dallas, July 25—An automobile belonging to Tom Delaney was taken from near the Chautauus tent Saturday night here Mr. Delaney had parked it prior to attending the evening lecture. The case was reported to the sheriff who, after sending deputies to various parts of the county and telephoning officers of nearby towns, found the machine near the Woodman hall. Evidences of hard driving were on the car but the persons who took it were missing.

WEDS GIRL PICKED FOR HIM

Gypsy Bridegroom Has No Choice in the Matter of Selecting His Life Partner.

Although it is the custom among the gypsies to have the parents of the prospective bridegroom purchase a wife for their son, covetous wealthy candidates are not always successful even when bidding larger sums for the maiden's hand. When the mother of a girl among the gypsies takes a liking to a young man and considers him suitable for her daughter, a nominal price will always get the bride-to-be, even though there are other offers much higher by men not so well liked.

Under the traditional customs of the gypsies, the younger generation have no voice in determining their mates and the matching is a matter for the parents only. Generally, the mother of a young man, usually around his nineteenth year, picks out a girl, dickers with her parents and buys her outright. Then they are married according to gypsy law, after which the groom's parents, in almost every case, start him in business of some kind to make a livelihood.

STEAK COMES HIGH.

At one of the market stands a farmer stopped to buy two small steaks. And they were small indeed.

As the butcher was wrapping them up he said: "Those are very fine steaks for 50 cents."

But somehow the farmer did not feel that he was getting a bargain, for he replied: "Well, I think that they should be fine steaks, for it took a bushel of corn to buy 'em." — Indianapolis News.

GREAT BLOW TO PROFESSION.

"You used to travel about the country on railroad passes."

"Yes," said the editor as he sighed heavily. "Those were the halcyon days of journalism. It is no longer worth while to cultivate the acquaintance of prominent railroad officials in the passenger traffic department." — Birmingham Age-Herald.

CONCRETE FOR MINE TIMBERS.

Hollow concrete posts for use as mine timbers have been devised by a Belgian engineer. The new system, which is designed to permit of settlement if the support is overburdened, consists essentially of a hollow reinforced concrete column filled with sand or some other slightly compressed material through which the load is transmitted.

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