

EDISON BUSY WORKING ON NEW WAR DEVICE

Has Model of Baby Submarine While Toiling in Guarded Building.

Orange, N. J.—A special laboratory has been established by Thomas A. Edison at Eagle Rock, West Orange, overlooking New York city, the upper bay and part of Staten Island, at which he is working in conjunction with experts from the United States government. Their labors are being prosecuted far into the night, but what they are working on is a secret, and a guard patrols the grounds at all times.

Mr. Edison is chairman of the naval consulting board.

In Columbia street, West Orange, a block distant from the main Edison plant, is a big corrugated iron building, with the window glass coated and the windows barred. On good authority it was learned that Mr. Edison had in the building a sixteen foot working model of a submarine which, it is said, was the basis of Henry Ford's statement that he could build 1,000 one man submarines a day if he was called on to do so.

The Eagle Rock laboratory is the big casino erected by the Essex County Park Commission in the Eagle Rock reservation. Some time ago the commission gave to Mr. Edison permission to use the building. Much machinery has been installed, and a heavy cable indicates the use of considerable electric power. One of the pieces of apparatus is a telescope that, to quote one man who had peered through it, "brought New York so close it seemed you could reach out and touch the buildings."

DOG RESCUER PERISHES.

Saved Eighteen Men and Was Then Burned to Death.

Frankfort, Ind.—The couch dog that saved the lives of eighteen colored men employed on the construction gang of the new Indianapolis-Frankfort railroad perished in the flames that destroyed the house in which the men lived.

One of the men, who slept with his clothes on, was on fire when awakened by the barking of the dog. The man rushed from the burning structure and the last man out closed the door, unintentionally holding the dog a prisoner.

A few minutes later one of the men remembered the animal, but the house could not be reached because of the flames, and the dog was burned to death.

Bird's Ashes From Aeroplanes.

San Diego, Cal.—The body of Tina, a pet canary belonging to Colonel William Gainsford, commandant at the North Island aviation school, was cremated and then taken aloft in an army biplane by instructor Albert Smith and scattered to the four winds from an altitude of 5,000 feet.

FOOLING HENS, THEY LAY MORE THAN EVER

Los Angeles.—About 120 hens on the California state farm at Davis to lay more eggs than ever in a day, and, as for sleep, that's out of the question. Professors experimenting to increase egg laying, held the lights in the rooms at 5:15 a. m. and then turned them off again. At night they turned them from sundown to 3:45 a. m. And the poor, deluded hens have laid more eggs than ever!

ONE MATCH FOR THREE CIGARETTES, DEATH SIGN

Superstition, Coming From the Front, Takes Firm Root In England.

London.—With every month of the great war new superstitions are continually finding their way among the ranks and life of the British soldiery. These superstitions are speedily introduced into civil life and London is rapidly becoming one of the most superstitious cities in the world.

The claps from the trenches say that the lighting of three cigarettes with one match means the speedy death of one, if not all three of the group, and they will cite you a hundred and one instances to prove their contention. They will tell you of an instance last fall near St. Eloi. A group of men was billeted in a house far back from the battle line. There had not been a shot or shell dropped in the villages for several weeks.

A new recruit, just over from "Blighty," as they call England or home, had passed a box of cigarettes among his new found friends. He struck a match and before any in the group had realized it three cigarettes had been lighted. When it suddenly dawned on the group what had occurred there was deep silence.

"Too bad, old chap," finally remarked Tommy to the newcomer, "but it means lights out for you, if not the three of us."

The offender tried to laugh his fears away, but he couldn't. Two hours later the first shell in weeks struck the billet, and when the Tommies had extricated themselves from the ruin they found that all but the newcomer from "Blighty" were safe. The lighter of the three cigarettes with the one match had been instantly killed.

When Novels Were Really Long.

Though William de Morgan wrote some of the longest novels of recent times, his efforts were considered himself compared with the works of some of the seventeenth century romancers. Mlle. de Scudery's one famous story, "Le Grand Cyrus," for instance, fills five folio volumes of 500 pages each in the English translation, and her contemporary, La Calprenede, was even more diffuse, his "Ulcopatre" running into twenty-three volumes. The leisurely method of the early novelists is well illustrated in "Parthenissa," by Roger Boyle, earl of Orrery, in which the eight hundredth page finds the two chief characters still engaged in the process of introducing themselves to each other, begun on page one.

Where the Guns Kick Hard.

Duck shooting at an altitude of 14,000 feet, on the Junin pampa, along the shore of the lake of that name, is a sport that can be followed in Peru. Very peculiar effects are noted in this rarefied region, probably the highest altitude for this sport in the world. The guns kick viciously, and the shot does not scatter promptly, making long shots successful. This phenomenon is due to the lack of density of the air, which is only about eight pounds to the square inch against fifteen at sea level. Another interesting fact is that the ducks have no webby feet, as fish do not exist in this altitude.

"The Almighty Dollar."

The idea of the proverbial phrase "the mighty dollar" is much older than the time of Washington Irving. Ben Jonson's "Epistle to Elizabeth, Countess of Rutland," commences thus: "What that for which all vices now is sold, And almost every vice, straightly sold."

—London Notes and Queries.

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DAMAGE TO SOFT FRUITS HAS BEEN EXAGGERATED

H. S. Wayne of the Inter-Mountain Nursery of Payette was in Ontario Monday on business. Contrary to the reports that have been current in Ontario during the past few weeks, Mr. Wayne says that the extreme cold weather of December did not injure the soft fruits save in a few spots.

"The peaches, apricots and cherries will go at least a half crop, or better. Of the sour cherries there will be very nearly a full crop. If nothing else happens to change prospects, the apple trees were not affected in the least by the cold weather," says Mr. Wayne.

"PEACH BASKET" MASTS OF UNCLE SAM'S BATTLESHIPS

Every Time Salvo Is Fired They Sway From Side to Side.

Washington.—The strange cage or "peach basket" masts of United States battleships and larger cruisers are unlike those of any other naval ships afloat. No seaman of wooden ship days would recognize these odd structures as masts. They are really observation towers of steel.

The cage mast is the result of years of experiment by American naval officers in an effort to create a light tower that could be shot full of holes and still stand up.

The cage mast is built of a large number of slender steel rods, so arranged that every one of them could be pierced by shells and unless these hits were closely grouped the mast would stand. So far no other nation has copied the United States style of mast.

Each cage mast is capped by a "spotting top." This is a platform from which observing officers work out ranges and with powerful sea glasses "spot" the shots as they land. Corrections in the ranges are telephoned to the fire control stations if a white spurt of water on the surface of the sea shows the shots are falling short or overreaching the mark.

The spotting top of a battleship in action is no place for a faint hearted man. Every time a salvo is fired the mast whips from one side to the other with a sickening sway. The men in the top are whipped back and forth like kids playing the game of "crack the whip" and must hang on for their lives to the shoulder high rails. In some cases the men are strapped to the rails.

Robin Stays All Winter.

La Crosse, Wis.—Robin redbreast has lost his reputation as a harbinger of early spring in La Crosse. One of his brood has been stopping near the post-office all winter, and there have been numerous cold waves with temperatures from 22 to 28 below, blizzards and storms, making it the coldest winter in thirty years.

KILLS PET HORSES RATHER THAN LEAVE THEM BEHIND

Schmidt, Farmer and Post, Regarded Animals as His Personal Friends.

Jerseyville, Ill.—Rather than see his beloved horses, the companion of years of toil on his farm, go to strangers Charles Schmidt, a farmer near here, had his three pet animals shot. Schmidt is preparing to leave his farm and engage in rice farming in Arkansas, an occupation in which he will no longer need horses.

Schmidt regarded his horses as his personal friends, and the dread that if he sold them others might be cruel to the animals was more than he could bear. The animals were valued at more than \$20 apiece.

Known as the "town poet," Schmidt kept a diary in time of the happenings of his life. He was a favorite among the young people of Jerseyville because he kept open house on his place three evenings a week and Sundays. He permitted card playing, but no gambling, and no matter who came he was welcome at the Schmidt home.

After the guest departed Schmidt would write a rhyme about the visitor and put it with his collection. A trunk full of these verses will be taken to Arkansas by Schmidt. Several years ago Schmidt donated baseball grounds to the boys of Jerseyville for Sunday ball games, but stipulated that the players would have to attend church first.

Quail Aids the Farmer.

"The meat value of the quail is inconsiderable—negligible—when compared to the services these birds render to the farm," a bird expert of the University of Oklahoma says. "They prey upon 145 different kinds of destructive insects and consume no less than 120 varieties of noxious weed seeds. They stay on the job twelve months in the year and labor continually when weather conditions permit. I do not believe that the landowners should permit a multitude of so called sportsmen to destroy this powerful ally of the farmer."

A Lily of Asia.

The lily chalcidionium is supposed to be the lily indicated in the sixth chapter of Matthew, twenty-eighth verse, where it is compared with the gorgeous robes of Solomon, and its color was scarlet or purple. This lily grows profusely in the moist parts of Asia Minor.—Indianapolis News.

Husbands.

"The majority of husbands complain that their hands are always in their pockets."

"They do, do they? Then why don't they find there the letters they have forgotten to mail for their wives?"—Baltimore American.

Poetic Theme.

"I read your ode to Milady's Hair?"

"Well," said the poet.

"I thought maybe we could hire you to write an advertisement in poetry for our hair goods department. There's where she bought that hair."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

CHURCH NEWS.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

March 18th is "Sunshine Sunday." Come with it sunny inside no matter what is going on outside.

Morning subject, "A Step From Fog to Sunshine," and in the evening at 7:30 the pastor will tell an original story, "The Sunshine Chaser." If you are not well employed somewhere else Sunday evening come and see us. We will make you feel at home. And don't forget the Sunday School at 10 o'clock sharp.

Rev. Herbert Livingston, Pastor.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sermon topic, Sunday, March 18, 11 a. m., "Intellectual Problems." 7:30 p. m., "Saul, a Big Man Who Falled."

Epworth League 6:45 p. m., Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Mid-week service Thursday, 7:30 p. m. The topic will be the third lesson on the subject of Prayer.

The public is invited to all of the above services.

EARL HANNA, Pastor.

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Lenten Services Sunday and Friday evenings at 7:30.

Regular Services: First Sunday of each month—Low Mass at 8:00 a. m., High Mass, 10:00 a. m.

All other Sundays—High Mass at 10:00 a. m. Hospital Chapel—Mass daily at 6:30 a. m.

Saturdays—Catechism, 3:00 p. m.

REV. H. A. CAMPO, Pastor.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. D. E. Baker who has been conducting revival services at Cove, Oregon, for some time will return to Ontario this week and will occupy the pulpit at both services Sunday. At that time a full report of the meetings at Cove will be given. All are welcome to these services.

Proaching 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 Sunday School, 10:00 a. m. B. Y. P. U. 6:30 p. m.

D. E. BAKER, Pastor.

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