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The Arizona Sheriff

Tales of his adventures, his courage, his humor, his keen intelligence—as collected by Major Grover F. Sexton, "The Deputy from Yavapai County." How with nimble gun and motor car he brings swift and sure justice to evildoers.



THE LAST GANG

Last of the train-robbing, man-killing gangsters of lower Arizona were Billy Stiles and Bert Alvord, and nothing the James boys or the Daltons ever attempted had more of bravado than the career of crime they led.

For both of them obtained jobs as deputy sheriffs and worked their evil plans from the comparative safety of the sheriff's office. Billy Stiles, under-sized, hatchet-faced, with beady eyes, started on his life of outlawry when a mere boy.

He didn't get on well with his step-father in the little ranch house at the north outskirts of Florence, county seat of Pinal county, just across the Gila river a bit from the sheriff's office. In a fight he killed the old man and buried him at the foot of Poston butte, named for the state's first congressman.

He disappeared for a number of years, and next showed up in Cochise county, down on the Mexican border, where he became a deputy sheriff under famous old Scott White, oldest living Arizona sheriff, now secretary of the state penitentiary at Florence.

Sheriff White put him on as guard and express messenger, running over the Southern Pacific from Yuma to El Paso. At this job he learned when shipments of currency and gold were sent over the lines.

Bert Alvord, another deputy sheriff, was his pal. They figured out together a plan to rob the Southern Pacific train while Billy was off duty; the place selected was near Cochise, about

20 miles south of Wilcox, where the Southern Pacific bends south to run around the Pinaleno mountains.

The robbery was pulled off in true Al Jennings style. But Billy had miscalculated the date, and all they got was \$1500 in cash and some jewelry.

They reported back for work and were sent by Sheriff White to "hunt the train robbers."

Sheriff White soon came to suspect them, but couldn't get any definite evidence, so he kept them right at work as deputies, and put a watch over them. Through a slip they learned they were being watched.

So, working as sheriffs, and with a watch over them, they coolly planned a second robbery with Matt Burch and Three-Fingered Jack, whose surname is lost to memory. But, to keep clear themselves they arranged that they would not take actual part, but would have other official work to do nearby.

Burch and Three-Fingered Jack made a mess of it. Jack got into a gunfight with Sam Milton, the express guard, and shot Jack through the abdomen.

Stiles and Alvord didn't show up, but went out to "hunt the robbers." Jack, thinking himself double-crossed, "squealed" to Sheriff White, telling of the part Alvord and Stiles had in both robberies.

The pair was locked up at Tombstone. Stiles sent for the sheriff.

"Scott," he said, "I guess I slipped a little, but you've been a square man, and I'll not only turn state's evidence, but I'll go out and get you the evidence to get convictions in both these cases."

White pondered a moment, then said:

"All right, Billy; I'll let you out, but if you go wrong on me, I'll kill you like a rattlesnake."

And Stiles, leader of the train-robbing gang, did go out and get the evidence on which the convictions were made. But meanwhile he foresaw imprisonment for himself, and, having no taste for it, walked into the Tombstone jail at noon one day, drew out his big 45 pistol and shot the jailer dead.

He released every prisoner in the jail and invited them to go with Alvord and himself. Most of them stayed, but Stiles and Alvord got into Mexico and there robbed a mine train of \$100,000 worth of bullion. They stole a Studebaker car in which to make the run to Sonora, and no other car could be found that could overtake them in a race through the cactus-studded rocks.

Alvord went to Central America and died there, a fugitive from justice. Stiles went to China and several years later, under another name, returned to America and went back to his old haunts. A robbery and a shooting scrape in which no one was hurt landed him again in jail.

He beat the jailer with a chair, got out of jail and fled to Nevada, often coming back down near Florence, having a rendezvous with old cronies back of Papago butte.

He married a Mexican woman, who traveled with him. One day a quarrel arose over her between Stiles and Ed Wellington, up near the Nevada line, and Wellington, who knew nothing of his past, killed him. Wellington is today a life prisoner in the state prison at Florence.

But Wellington has one stout friend at the prison. The friend

is Scott White, the sheriff whose trust Stiles and Alvord betrayed, now prison secretary. To White Wellington isn't a desperado; for he terminated the career of the last of the Arizona train bandits.

paraded about the capitol building carrying a banner emblazoned "Senate Unfair to Organized Labor."

The incident followed the defeat last night by the senate of a bill modeled on the federal Clayton act, which declares labor unions lawful organizations and grants the right of peaceful picketing.

Senator Charles E. Myers, of Davenport rose in the upper house to denounce the picketing, while Representative O. F. McCall, Tacoma, spoke against it in the lower house.

UNIONS PICKET CAPITOL DEFEAT OF CLAYTON ACT BRINGS LABOR RESPONSE

OLYMPIA, Dec. 18.—(By Associated Press.)—Cognizance was taken in both houses of the legislature today of the picket who's house.

December 19, 1925
 THE GOD OF PEACE:—Now the God of Peace, make you perfect in every good work to do His will. Hebrews 13:20, 21.

GREAT AND HEALTHY TRADE

In the short period of ten years the trade of the United States with its insular possessions has doubled—An amazing growth.

Our trade with Hawaii is seven times larger than it was the year preceding its annexation to the United States. In 1898 our shipments to Porto Rico were valued at \$1,500,000, and this year they were \$79,000,000; and shipments to continental United States from Porto Rico, valued at \$2,500,000 in 1898 were this year valued at \$84,000,000. Our trade with the Philippines, valued at \$4,000,000 in 1898, this year was valued at \$161,000,000.

The great growth noted shows the advantages of direct free connection with the best markets in the world—

But our trade with the rest of the world is showing a healthy growth; though the free trade propagandists said, when the present tariff law was being considered, that its enactment would kill our foreign trade.

They were dead wrong, as some of them knew they were—

For our foreign trade has come up to proportions never before known, and in the first ten months of this year our imports increased in value \$473,083,848, and from Europe alone the increase amounted to \$116,777,868. Precisely what free traders wish us to do, we are doing, buying more from Europe and increasing our foreign trade—and we are able to do it because of our adequate protective tariff.

And our exports have increased in value during this year's first ten months, as compared with the first ten months of last year \$342,194,553, and of this increase our exports to Europe have increased in value \$253,156,057—Europe has absorbed nearly three-fourths of our increased exports—"impoverished Europe," which continues to buy from us merchandise of a value twice as great as we buy from Europe.

With such a showing, one would naturally presume that the free trade propagandists would be discouraged and give up their fight in despair—

And it would seem unnecessary for protectionists to keep up their work.

But neither supposition is correct. The fight is going on, and will go on until the South becomes fully safe and sane on protection.

The time is coming, but it is not here yet.

CHRISTMAS TREES FOR ALL

Bright eyes, the holiday spirit, and the gay laughter of children—Christmas time the golden, glorious climax of the children's year. And the central symbol of this ecstatic moment of childhood stands the Christmas tree of evergreen, its branches laden with glimmering lights, glistening ornaments, goodies, gifts and mysterious packages.

At the dawn of the Christian era this venerable yuletide custom of the ancient forest dwellers was adopted into our gentle Christmas festival with its message of "Peace on earth, good will toward men", and the Christmas tree has continued with us through the years laden with touching sentiment and tradition.

Who would purposely deny the children of this age-old symbol of the Christmas perpetuity? Who looking back upon his or her own childhood-thinks of Christmas as best without a tree?

But we must save our forests, cries the alarmist. Conserve wood by depriving us of our Christmas trees? And what for? Shall we save them for furniture, for dancing floors, and for paper on which to write the news and to wrap parcels? But there are varieties of trees for these purposes not used for Christmas trees. And there will be plenty of trees for all purposes including the Christmas varieties if wanton waste of trees is eliminated. Conservation is defined as "wise use." To what better use can trees be put than to bring joy to the hearts of children and even grown-ups who love the Christmas symbols and decorations? So much for the sentiment and tradition of the matter.

Economic study of the present forestry situation justifies proper harvesting of Christmas trees. Less than one-tenth of one per cent of the tree area cut in the timber operations of the country annually is cut for Christmas trees. And this harvest of young trees provides also a seasonal industry of real value.

The United States Forestry service and the state Forestry Board endorse the use of Christmas trees and declare that they can be "thinned" out from the forest areas to advantage to other growing timber. They may also be cut from waste lands or from areas soon to be cleared.

Save the country from vandalism practiced in indiscriminate cutting or haggling trees and from the ravages of fire. There is a law in Oregon which provides for the punishment of those who cut or carry away from land not their own, Christmas or larger trees and it should be enforced. Let not the homes, the hospitals, schools and offices be deprived of this type of holiday cheer. With reasonable conservation there may be harvested annually a tree for every child and every adult desiring it in America.

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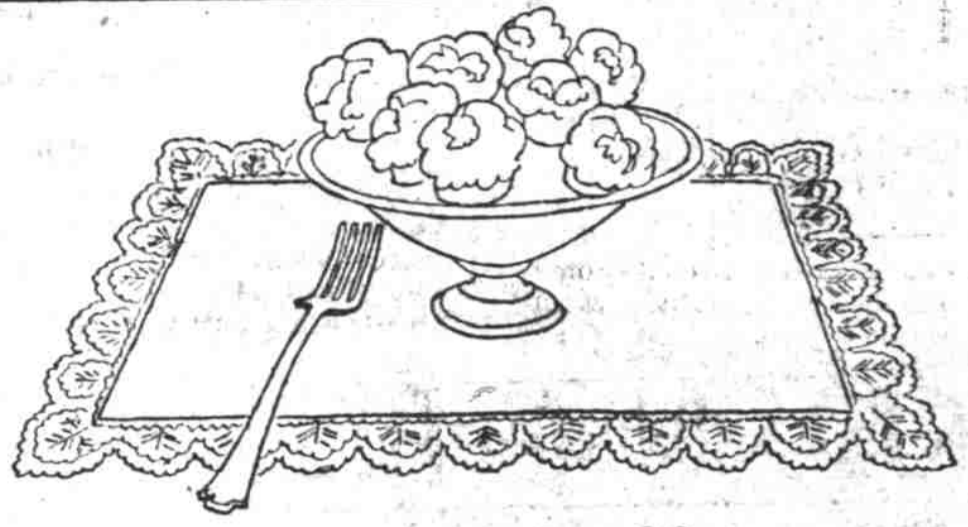
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3/4 cup Wesson Oil or Snowdrift (melted)
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 3/4 teaspoonful salt
 4 eggs

Put oil and water in saucepan and bring to a boil; remove from fire and put flour and salt into hot water and oil and mix thoroughly. Return to fire and stir and cook until paste does not stick to pan. Then while mixture is hot add the unbeaten eggs one at a time. Beat each egg into the mixture well before adding another. Drop mixture by spoonfuls on a greased baking sheet and bake at 450 degrees F.

and then bake for 25 minutes longer. When cool or ready to serve make a slit inside of puff with sharp knife and with a spoon insert the filling. If desired powdered sugar or frosting may be placed on top of each puff. From the above ingredients, 12 cream puff shells can be made. Whipped cream or cream custard filling may be used if desired, as per recipe below:

CREAM PUFF FILLING

2 cups of milk (scalded)
 3 eggs
 1/2 cup sugar
 3/4 cup sifted flour
 3/4 teaspoon salt
 1 teaspoon flavoring extract

Beat the eggs slightly and mix with hot milk, cook on fire, stir constantly sugar, salt and flour. Add slowly to until thickened; add extract, let cool.

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LICENSES GOING FAST
 OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 18.—
 (AP)—Over \$600,000 had been collected by the state treasurer's office at the close of business to night for 1926 automobile license, the total number of plates approximating 40,000. The amount is \$140,000 ahead of last year's figures.