

ODDITIES

... in the News

ONEONTA, N.Y.—(AP)—Last fall someone hurled a ripe tomato at republican Presidential Candidate Wendell L. Willkie's picture in a window of the Donald Baird home.

Now a healthy plant under the window provides fresh tomatoes for the Bairds' dinner table.

ST. LOUIS, (AP)—Leonard Wehrle is only an unarmed clerk in the traffic bureau at police headquarters, but he is now the toast of the marksmen.

A bat flew in a window and disrupted office routine as patrolmen and clerks attempted in vain to shoot it out. Finally Wehrle fashioned a rubber band sling shot, inserted a bent pin and took aim. Bingo, the pin felled the bat from a chandelier the first shot.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn.—(AP)—Mayor Maury Maverick of San Antonio, Tex., gave this advice to Jasper McLevy, Bridgeport's socialist chief executive who plans writing a letter to President Roosevelt on a matter connected with federal housing here—keep it to half a page.

Said Maverick, a former congressman and now special agent for the US housing authority: "That's the trouble with a lot of congressmen and mayors. They write a damn long letter and expect the president to read the whole thing through."

WASHINGTON, (AP)—Those smart dogs which act as eyes for blind persons who operate vending stands in postoffice buildings, hereafter may lie round in postoffice any old time because "Lady" out in Kingman, Ariz., is "a lady."

Postal inspectors barred "Lady" from the Kingman postoffice, where her master, E. H. Hill, operates a stand, but today Postmaster General Frank C. Walker ruled that seeing-eye dogs on lash might remain with their masters in postoffices. "Lady" was described as all that her name implied—a "symbol of good manners."

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The war department has ordered enough neckties and cap braid to supply every man in the army with two ties and a yard of braid and have some left over.

Orders were placed for 1,400,000 black ties, 2,300,000 khaki ties and 1,740,000 yards of cord braid for caps.

TIFTON, Ga.—(AP)—Here's something else the boll weevil (cotton pest) is not good for.

An electric company's meter-reader couldn't understand why an educational institution here used no current during the month. Checking further, he found a boll weevil had attempted to use a disc in the meter for a merry-go-round—and stopped it.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—(AP)—A man shoved a leather bag full of money across the counter to a bank teller.

Suddenly five shots rang out and sulphurous fumes poured from the teller's cage. The teller staggered back, three customers flattened to the floor and others fled to the street.

Calm was restored when it developed the money bag was one of those trick snatches designed to fool anyone trying to snatch it. The teller, new on the job, didn't know about the gadget and set it off.

PORTLAND, Ore.—(AP)—Floyd Patton has seven sons in the US navy—but that's only part of the story.

Patton has decided to follow in the footsteps of his boys. Although he is 53, Admiral G. W. Nimitz, chief of the bureau of navigation, held Patton was not too old for duty and sent him to San Francisco for enlistment.

He probably will be placed in recruiting service.

TACOMA, (AP)—There's a bottle-neck in juries in Tacoma and it looks as if priorities might be required to keep the courts at full production.

Take the case in federal court recently. Four separate jury calls were necessary to empanel manpower enough to handle next week's cases.

Fortnight ago, 45 jurors were summoned for duty. The list was riddled by discharges—for such reasons as public service, and defense jobs—and a score more had to be called.

The same story appeared again. Judge Lloyd L. Black found he had to make two more jury calls. So if you know 12 good men and true—

TILLAMOOK, Sept. 1—(AP)—Button, button, who has the button? can be answered by L. W. Judd of Milwaukie.

Two years ago he started collecting buttons as a hobby to pass the time which hung heavily on his hands since being confined to a wheel chair because of an accident 19 years ago.

In the two years he has collected 7000 unusual buttons and added 600 to the collection, he said at Nehalem while vacationing there recently.

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The government wants to use Marlene Dietrich's legs.

Robert W. Horton, publicity man for the office of emergency management, said that something has to be done to popularize substitutes for silk stockings.

"We are engaged in correspondence on that subject with Mar-

lene Dietrich," he said. "We could use her legs."

(However, the government will have to wait awhile, because Miss Dietrich fractured an ankle when she tripped over a toy fire engine on a Hollywood movie set recently.)

MIAMI, Fla.—(AP)—It wouldn't have surprised Dorothy Cole, Hialeah park race track employe, if someone had suggested moving the grandstand to California.

A telephone call from Hollywood went something like this: "This is the Alexander Korda studio. We need some flamingos. Pack up all you have and send them right out. We'll buy them or rent them."

Hialeah spent years of effort developing the only flock of the pink birds in the US. The 400 flamingos are still wading in the infield lake.

McGREGOR, Ia.—(AP)—Do you suppose there ever will come a time when dandelions will be cultivated instead of exterminated?

W. H. Elwell, herb buyer here, has added dandelion roots to his list. He says 25 cents a pound is being offered for them. The roots have medicinal value for the treatment of digestive diseases, he declared.

WOOD RIDGE, N.J.—(AP)—Deputy Tax Collector Peter Post has been charged in a civil suit with breaking into a home, raiding a bedroom bureau for the amount he was supposed to collect and leaving behind the correct change and a duly executed receipt.

Mr. and Mrs. August W. Streichert seek return of \$23.72 as the amount of taxes and \$476.28 in trespass damages.

BROOKFIELD, Mo.—(AP)—Prairie Mound rural school where General Pershing held his first job as a teacher has been closed. The few children in the district will be brought by bus to nearby Brookfield.

NEWARK, N.J.—(AP)—Ambrose F. Dougher, locked up for two days while police suspected he might be an automobile thief, won scant apology when the real thief confessed he had put stolen registration plates on Dougher's car in exchange for the rightful pair. Said the police: It was Dougher's own fault that he was caught with the stolen plates. He had been driving with them, but not seeing them, for eight days.

INDIANAPOLIS—(AP)—As Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Cummings stood at a window of their apartment admiring their new convertible coupe parked on the street below they saw two boys gazing at it.

"Those boys seems to like our car, too," said Mrs. Cummings. "Well, let them have it," said Cummings jokingly.

As he spoke, the boys got in the car and drove away.

CHICAGO—(AP)—A woman investigator for the Illinois department of registration breezed into a beauty shop to have her hair washed and asked innocently:

"Who's the man shampooing those two girls?"

"Oh, he's the bartender from next door," she was told. "We call him when we need help."

The story was recorded in Cook county court today as a warrant was issued charging unlicensed practice of beauty culture.

HARRISON, N.J.—(AP)—Without any intention of sabotaging Great Britain's "V for victory" campaign, RCA Manufacturing company is going to put reverse English on the "V" which stands for "v" in the telegraphic code and turn it into the "..." that means "B."

The idea of the "B" campaign is to "beat the promise" on national defense deliveries.

OKLAHOMA CITY—(AP)—Fearlessly, County Treasurer William F. Vahlberg strode daily to the bank with office funds.

He was sure no one could get the money.

But the other day the official reached for his trick money bag a bit too carelessly.

"Bang." The explosive charge secreted in the bag to frighten away any potential thief shattered the glass top of Vahlberg's desk—to say nothing of his aplomb.

McKEESPORT, Pa.—(AP)—Hundreds of tin cans littered a street intersection here recently because of a false rumor.

Fifty youngsters got the idea from somewhere that a collection of cans would earn them free admission to a theatre.

When the theatre management explained the report was untrue, the children flung the cans into the street—and a few of them at a policeman sent to the scene.

ALLENTOWN, Pa.—(AP)—The Rev. Alfred S. Smeritz's two-week vacation trip won't keep the congregations of his two Reformed churches from hearing him preach.

EVERYTHING for BACK-TO-SCHOOL

AT Penney's

WARM WINTER COATS For Smart Girls 5.90

Mothers will appreciate the long wear and warmth in these coats and girls will like the smart lines and good-looking fabrics!

Felt Skirts 1.49
Smart flannels and wool plaids!

Washable Blouses 59c
Tailored broadcloth! Pretty trimmed cottons.

If She's Between 7 and 16...

Leather Oxfords Smart Rayon Dresses 1.79

Crepe soles, heels! Rich golden brown.

Felt Rollers 1.00
Fall colors with feathers, ribbons!

New 1/4 Socks 19c pr.
Stripes! Sug cuffs!

Rayon Panties 25c Cotton Slips 25c

Interlined! Smart Coats 6.90
Rugged tweeds, soft fleeces, others!

If He's 7 to 16...

Trentwood, Jr. Boys' Suits 9.90 to 14.75

Double and single breasted styles in herringbones, stripes, overplaids! Economy priced!

Super-Sturdy Shirts 79c
Slub poplins, herringbones, tweedy stripes. Favorites!

New Ties 25c
Ready tied!

Dress Caps 49c
Low priced!

Oxfords Durable! 1.98

32-Oz. Melton Jackets 2.79

Zip-front style with buckle straps at the waist for fit! Roomy slash pockets! Warm!

Slide Fastener Polo Shirts 79c
Colorful stripes!

Shirts, Shorts, Briefs 19c ea.
Ribbed cotton shirts, briefs! Broadcloth shorts! Save!

If They're Older...

For the Boy...

For Casual Smartness and Easy-Going Comfort! 9.90

Sport Jackets
Newest fall colors in cassimeres, tweeds, herringbones! Plaids, diagonals and plain weaves!

Pleated Drap Slacks 2.98
Colorful gabardines, tweeds and other smart fabrics. Dress or sport.

Campus-Clad Suits 16.75
For style! For several!

Topflight Shirts 98c
Bright New Ties 49c
Antiqued Oxfords 3.49
Handsome Pajamas 1.19

For the Girl...

Your Campus Uniform! Bright Jackets 3.49
Part wool flannels in bright colors! Plaids! Classmates to Jackets!

Sport Skirts 1.98
Knock out fabrics. Buy styles, colors. Buy several!

Smart Blouses-Rayon 98c
crepes or sueded! Super-fine cottons.

Glen Row* Dresses 2.98
Smart, wool and rayon!

Sub-deb Fall Coats 9.90
Antiqued Oxfords 2.29
Sporty Felt Hats 1.98
Gaymode* Budget Hose 58c
Adonna* Underwear 49c

Young Men's Knock-About COACHER COATS 5.90

A style hit that's sweeping the country! Unbeatable tailoring and smart styling at this low price! Of water-repellent cotton gabardine, with zipper fly front, three patch pockets and a red plaid cotton lining! Railroad stitching on collar and bottom.

A Masterpiece in Smart Sportswear! SPORT SHIRTS 1.98

These long sleeve sport shirts are favorites with active and spectator sportsmen! Excellent selection of fine materials perfectly styled and designed!

Young Men's Majestic BELTS AND SUSPENDERS 49c ea.

For Longer Service! The belts are made of tough top-grain pluckin-lined and stitched Stretchy rayon elastic webbing makes these suspenders long wearing! Leather ends in clip or button on models.

Extra Value! Men's Pajamas 98c

Made of fast color percale in drawing or elastic styles. A choice of slipover or notched collar coat type. Novelty patterns or stripes. Excellent values!

New Fall Fashion Hit for Well Dressed Young Men! Sportclad* SWEATER 1.98

If you're strolling on the campus or staying right at home you'll need one of these sweater vests to wear with sport coats or slacks. All wool—knit in a panel ribbed stitch. With smart leather buttons up the front and two handy pockets. New, practical colors for fall!

For the Young 'Uns (Under 6 Years!) Girls' Cotton Tub FROCKS 49c

Butterfly sashes, flouncing skirts, peasant and nautical styles! Good buys at this price!

Smart Winter Coats 4.49

Princess styles, warmly interlined.

Sunny Tucker* Hats 1.00
Colorful fall felts.

A Sunny Tucker* Value! SERVICE OXFORDS 1.98

Boys' Crew Neck Polo Shirts 49c

Knit of bright colored spun rayon and combed cotton.

Boys' Corduroy Jimmies* 1.19
Rugged, long wear-ing bib type overalls.

Leather Oxfords 1.98
Hard-to-scurf tips! Value!

Rough-and-Tumble Caps 25c
Shirts, Shorts, Briefs - 19c ea. Sturdy Sock Socks 15c ea.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Pen Hit 8c
Comp. Book 8c
Pen Hi Steno Book 8c
Penant Binder 8c
Pen Hi Note Book 4c
Pen Hi Spelling Tablet 4c
Flexible Binder 25c
Zipper Binder 98c

MEN'S SHIRTS, SHORTS AND BRIEFS 25c ea.

Fast color broadcloth shorts with "Laster" side inserts, buttons or "Grippers" Swiss ribbed shirts of combed cotton! Ribbed cotton briefs with fly front!

MEN'S TIES 49c

The bright colors college men want! Mogadores and rayon satins! Pick your favorite from our many patterns including stripes and Scotch type plaids!

Young Men's SLACK SOCKS 25c
Long Wearing!

As smart looking as they are durable! And at this price they are a bargain!

Military Heels—The Smart Style Note! MEN'S OXFORDS 3.49
Wing Tip!

For young men who want to be style-right, yet have an eye to economy! These black oxfords with smart military heels can be worn the year 'round and still be first in fashion!

Sturdy leather soles and heels. Goodyear welt construction.

Back to School Cottons! SALLY LEA FROCKS 98c

Crisp, colorful checks, heather-bright plaids and glowing new prints to wear right now!

Slim little waists and graceful skirts mean lots of figure flattery and the exceptionally nice trimming details make these dresses look much more expensive!

Be sure to see these most-for-your-money frocks! Sizes 12 to 20.

SWEATERS

Headed for School! Penney's has values for everyone—from the tiniest toddler college lads and lassies!

SLIPOVERS, CARDIGANS, COAT STYLES

Budget-priced all wool styles. Firmly knit! **98c**

Top styling **1.98** at a saving price! Campus colors.

Budget-Wise Mo-de-gay* Cotton Prints 19c

Fresh and crisp and excitingly low priced! Adorable patterns for you and your youngsters—and for things you'll make for the house, too! In harmonizing solid colors. All fast to washing. 36".

WING TIP OXFORDS 3.49

These shoes will be your favorites for up-to-the-minute style and down right comfort! They're in "Yankee Brown," fall's most popular color. Roomy brogue toes with long wing tips and extra heavy leather soles for long wear. Goodyear welt construction!

Popular Fall Style! MOCCASIN-TYPE OXFORDS 4.49

You'll be as foot-happy as an Indian in these comfortable shoes! They're handsome—and they're plenty rugged, too! Rich antique finish. Leather soles and heels!

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