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## Azilian Man

Ignorance among newspaper reporters and head writers regarding primitive man is even more dense than it is concerning evolution, if it is possible. Monkeys seem to be on their brains for the Dayton trial was called the "monkey trial," though monkeys have nothing to do with evolution, and now we have the erudite Oregonian referring to the relics of primitive culture found by the Andrews expedition in Mongolia as "ape-man" relics.

The stone implements, weapons and ornaments found of a forgotten race on the desert of Gobi he calls the "dune dwellers" are classified by Dr. Andrews as belonging to Azilian culture. He also reports a few relics from the still older culture, Mousterian, both of which are cultures of races belonging to the old stone age and are not to be compared in antiquity or primitiveness to the semi-human Neanderthal race that inhabited Europe in glacial times or to true human races that followed them.

The succession of human cultures as agreed upon by anthropologists divides the old stone age into lower and upper palaeolithic periods, the former covering the glacial periods, the latter the post-glacial. In time the periods extend from perhaps 500,000 B. C. to 10,000 B. C.

The lower palaeolithic period begins with the Pre-Chellean culture, after which follows the Chellean, about 100,000 B. C., then the Acheulean or transition to shelters, then the Mousterian (Fourth Glacial time), about 40,000 B. C.

The Upper Palaeolithic opens with the Aurignacian culture, the beginning of post-glacial time, and witnesses the arrival of the true genus homo in the Cro-Magnon race of hunters and artists, about 25,000 B. C. It is followed in succession by the Solutran, Magdalenian, (close of post-glacial time) 16,000 B. C., and Azilian-Tardenoisian about 10,000 B. C., which ended the old stone age and ushered in the new stone age, or Neolithic, the age when polished stone replaced chipped stone in weapons and ornaments.

The Azilian period, of which Dr. Andrews found remains in Gobi, was the age when the stag had replaced the reindeer in Europe, the final stage of the "Cave Period" with weapons and art inferior to the previous culture. It gets its name from the great cavern of Mas d'Azil in the foothills of the Pyrenees, 40 miles from Toulouse. The culture deposits contain flat harpoons of staghorn and painted pebbles of enigmatic geometric designs, which may have had symbolic meanings, or have represented beginnings of an alphabet.

So the Azilian man, far from being an ape man was the immediate predecessor of the neolithic men from whom the present races of Europe are descended, and Azilian blood probably flows through our veins today.

## The Verdict

The coroner's jury, after an extended investigation, found that lack of discipline at the state penitentiary was responsible for the prison break and battle in which two guards and one convict were killed and another guard wounded, and three convicts made good their getaway in broad daylight. However the coroner's jury failed to place the responsibility for the lack of discipline.

What is a coroner's jury for, except to place the responsibility for murder and crimes it investigates and "give a true verdict thereon according to the evidence?"

However if the jury was unable to place the responsibility for the lack of discipline that was responsible for the break, which was responsible for the murders, the public labors under no such inability, for the evidence presented the jury, as summarized in our news columns, is convincing enough for most anyone not a political partisan or a member of the jury.

If lack of discipline was responsible for the break, the person in charge of the prison must be responsible for this lack of discipline and the conduct of the institution, a responsibility that has been voluntarily assumed by the warden.

It is well enough to blame the building for being old, to blame the legislature for not expending more money in its improvement, but the fact remains that such scenes were not enacted in the prison when it was not in nearly as good condition as at present, and that, without discipline, a new prison would not hold the convicts.

When the prison work-shops burned, ways and means were found to rebuild them. If the construction of prison towers or other repairs are necessary to keep the prisoners in, ways and means could be found for their construction. There is an abundance of idle labor that could be utilized and an abundance of brick available.

Nor can politics be blamed altogether, for politics has given us competent as well as incompetent wardens but in the present instance, the politics of the administration can not escape its share of responsibility.

## The Husband Tamer

By Violet Dare

### FLIRTIATION—AND PIGS

Patricia smiled wistfully at Gregory Hewitt as he acknowledged her husband's introduction. Hewitt was an unusually tall man, taller even than Andrew, and striking looking, with his white hair, keen, eager face, and ready smile. His wife settled herself nervously in the chair Andrew drew out for her, and surveyed Patricia with blank eyes. She was tall, very thin, and so quick and jerky in her movements that she collided with a waiter and upset the glass of water on his tray. The water dashed over her bare shoulders. Andrew, profuse in his apologies, spoke brutally to the man and Patricia, trying to soften the shock of his remarks, found an unex-

pected ally in Hewitt. "The fellow couldn't help it; he said quietly. 'No damage done. Lord what music,' as 'Eugenia's' famous orchestra struck up. 'Wish I could ask you to dance. Mrs. Cleve but I'm wearing a strained ankle. We'll make up for it some other time, won't we?'" Andrew turned to Mrs. Hewitt; a moment later they were edging their way between cluttered tables to the dance floor, and Patricia was left along with Gregory Hewitt, with the haunting, lilting music sobbing in their ears, and the roar of Broadway surging up through the open windows beside them. Patricia looked at him thoughtfully for an instant, reviewing the tricks Andrew had taught her—

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the country!" declared Mrs. Hewitt, flitting a purple feather out that swore at her henna'd hair. "Though I would like to be back at ours for tonight at least. Our rooms at the hotel are simply stifling. I know that I shan't sleep a wink. I'm a perfect wreck, and we got in just this morning. We're going to leave the first thing tomorrow—I simply won't stay in this stifling place. They told me it was cool here in the fall," she concluded reproachfully, looking at Patricia as if she had made the weather. "Oh, not tomorrow, surely," said Andrew. "It would be fatal to let Hewitt get away so soon. 'Try it a day or two longer, Mrs. Hewitt, do! Patricia'll go shopping with you, and—'" "I'd love to go shopping—I do need some things—but I can't stand trying to sleep in a hot room. Why, our town house is a delightful back home—my bedroom is thirty feet long, and has fireplaces. What's this?" looking suspiciously at the caviare that had been placed before her. "Fresh caviare? Not that it makes any difference—I don't care what I eat. Food means nothing to me. No, we'll go tomorrow."



Miss Letzel and Soudan, Two of the Stars With Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey

## HERE'S AN ACT NOT ON THE BIG SHOW PROGRAM

"Hey, Jimmy! Cogo on, quick, and see what's happenin' to de coicous goil. Hully gee! De hippo's swallowin' her whole!" And like as not you grown-up youngsters would travel just as far as Jimmy, were you summoned to witness such a sight when the greatest show on earth comes to town Saturday, August 29. But it isn't true. That is to say, the picture which accompanies this tale of the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey circus press agent wasn't snapped as you see it reproduced here. It merely represents what is known as "trick photography." Both of the subjects are with the combined circus. The little lady is Lily Letzel, who was this spring officially recorded as the world's "greatest aerial gymnast." The hippopotamus is a Sudan, father of the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey youngster hippo, "Tiny Toodles." Mrs. Letzel and Soudan are close friends. And now that the giant fellow is a proud parent, he is unusually amiable. Still he and Lily are not quite as "close" as the illustration represents. It was like this: The circus photographer first made a portrait of the hippo. Next he posed Miss Letzel in a swing. Then he made a double printing and so obtained this startling result. Soudan and family will receive afternoon and night in the red and golden cage that stands in the center of the menagerie tent when the circus comes here. Miss Letzel heads the list of more than 800 human performers who will add thrills to the three-hour program. This embraces the world's finest trained horse displays including one hun-

## SHARP WINNER GEARHART PLAY

Gearhart, Or., Aug. 20—Clayton A. Sharp, Columbia county club Portland yesterday won the qualifying round of the second annual Oregon coast mid-summer golf tournament on the Gearhart course. Clayton leading a field of 96 golfers turned in a 152. Harry Kyle, was second with a score of 156. Boy Taylor, Gearhart, also played a medal game taking third with 159. John L. Touden of Yakima, Wash., was next with 161. Richard Lang of Seattle, who led the field in the morning round with a 78 did not do so well in the afternoon, turning in an 82. Dr. Nobby of Portland, who won the title last year was not required to play in the qualifying round. Golfers from Baker, Pendleton, Walla Walla, The Dalles, Hood River, Spokane, Seattle, Tacoma, Yakima, Eugene, Astoria, Portland, Oregon City, and other points are competing in the tournament. Nearly 300 miles of German state railways have been electrified and about 500 more miles will be converted to electric power.

By Chick Young

### DUMB DORA



### BRINGING UP FATHER



### BARNEY GOOGLE

Barney "Banks" On Safety



### MUTT AND JEFF

As a Press Agent for Himself and Mutt, Jeff's a Wow

By Bud Fisher

