

NO FLIES IN ALASKA

But Country Is Full of Mosquitoes in Summer.

Ladies Forced to Wear Layer of Paper Under Stockings as Armor Plate Against Vicious Attacks of Insects.

Washington.—Alaska has millions of mosquitoes, but not one house fly. This is the information that is brought back from that territory by Dr. J. M. Aldrich of the United States national museum, who made an insect survey there this summer.

Hordes of mosquitoes during the Alaskan summer in places as far north as Seward and Fairbanks, provide continual entertainment for the inhabitants, who, however, do not have to contend with the ravages of the domestic fly.

"When the ladies of Alaska wish to wear thin and filmy silk stockings they have to place a protective layer of paper underneath as an armor plate against the mosquitoes," is one story that he has to tell. Laborers wear mosquito nets and heavy gloves.

Smudges are a national institution there. They are everywhere. In the interior the Alaskan summer is sufficiently warm for swimming. But this sport must be accompanied by a ceremony. The boys construct a hut of branches on the bank of the stream, protect it from mosquitoes by a smudge, and enter and exit from the water with a mosquito-defying dash.

Alaskan mosquitoes do not act as carriers of malaria and yellow fever as do those of the United States and tropics, but they are very vicious. They literally fill the air. In one sweep of an insect-collecting net about his head, Doctor Aldrich was able to capture 110 mosquitoes by actual count.

The absence of house flies in Alaska has raised the question as to whether there is a northern limit to the house fly. Heretofore, it has been assumed that the domestic fly accompanies man wherever life is possible, but Doctor Aldrich's observation has thrown a new light on the subject. The absence of horses and their manure in large quantities may be a minor reason for the absence of the house fly, but climate seems to be the principal one. Even in the southern end of Alaska's panhandle at Ketchikan there are salmon factories, houses and stores, all unscreened, and with absolutely no traces of the common fly. A few of the rarer flies that are found in the United States also live in Alaska, but in insignificant numbers.

Insects from the interior of Alaska were collected by Doctor Aldrich for the first time. The valley of the Tanana river, a tributary of the Yukon, is very much like the northern part of Minnesota, and the region around Lake Superior so far as insects are concerned, he has found. Doctor Aldrich's trip extended from Seward to Fairbanks, along the route of the partially-completed government railway.

REFUGEE NOW STUDENT



Vera Ivanovna, a Russian girl, who fled to the country from her home on the Black sea, entered Simmons college, Boston, recently. Note the jeweled ring on her hand—it was presented to her father by Czar Alexander III.

Giant Blacksnake Robs Henroost

Chester, Pa.—Thomas Collins of Ogden discovered that the chicken thief robbing his henry of healthy young chicks was a blacksnake nearly ten feet long. Collins killed the reptile after half an hour's fight. Each morning Collins found his chicks disappearing. When he heard a cackling chorus he found the snake with another bird.

CAR PILOTS NOW HAVE SORE FEET

Physicians Are Treating Victims Who "Step on Gas" Too Long Without Rest.

CLAIM EFFECTS NOT SERIOUS

Disease Usually Follows Long Trip Through Which Driver Has Remained Continually at Wheel.—Origin Easily Traced.

It is not all smooth sailing for the driver of a "gasoline wagon," according to physicians, who report that many motorists are returning from long trips with a decidedly noticeable limp. It is the new foot disease. But don't be alarmed; it is not at all serious.

The disease is always acquired in the accelerator foot, the appendage that shoves the car over the road at a fast clip. Continued pressure of the foot on the accelerator button causes a displacement of the metatarsal bones, declare physicians who have diagnosed cases that have been brought to their attention. Its effects are not serious. Rest is the only cure.

More than one motorist returns home limping in one day, doctors aver. Long trips cause strains on the car and the driver. The strain on the accelerator foot sets up a nervous irritation that results in pain, and as a result the driver abandons his car with a limp every time he walks. The disease is commonly known as the "motor foot," but is technically called the "metatarsal displacement."

The limp usually develops in the right foot, for few drivers are "left-footed." The disease usually follows a long overland trip, through which the driver has remained steadily at his post, and never has thought to give the pedal extremity a rest.

The coffers of the chiropodists and orthopedic surgeons have taken on a silver lining since the arrival of the new hoof affliction. Many motor vacationists return to receive treatments. Massages and rest are said to cure the pains as rapidly as other treatments.

Motorists accustomed to long drives scoff at the idea of the disease. If there is any such ailment, they declare, it easily can be thwarted by shifting feet.

Some doctors call the ailment "acute foot strain." The origin of the disease is easily accounted for, they say. Releasing the tension of the accelerator spring, followed by more moderate driving, will diminish the prevalence of the ailment, physicians say.

WATER IN COOLING SYSTEM

Important That It Be Changed Every Week or Two to Prevent Rust Accumulation.

Few drivers realize how important it is to change the water in the cooling system every week or two. The rust accumulates and should be drawn off while it is in a finely divided form. If it is allowed to accumulate too long it collects in masses and gradually fills up the water jackets. In time the cooling water cannot reach the bottoms of the jackets and the engine overheats very readily.

AVOID TROUBLE IN STEERING

Knuckle Pivot Pins Should Be Greased at All Times to Prevent Becoming Rusty.

Lack of lubrication is the chief cause of hard steering. The steering knuckle pivot pins should be greased at all times. They have large surfaces, which cause a heavy draft, if dry and rusty.

A patent has been granted a Detroit inventor for a method for attaching an airplane beneath a dirigible balloon with a quick acting clutch that enables an aviator to free the plane for independent flight.

It's All Right Now

The I-should-worry attitude toward life is very common nowadays. In one sense it is all right—unnecessary worry is very foolish.

But when it means absence of any provision for the contingencies of age, sickness, loss of position, etc., it may result in troublesome complications.

Better go cheerfully through life, not borrowing trouble, but keeping a snug little balance at the First National, just in case

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

ARTHUR H. YOUNG



At the tenth annual congress of the National Safety congress in Boston, Arthur H. Young of Chicago, who is manager of the industrial relations of the International Harvester company, was elected president of the council. Though serving without pay, he will direct the affairs of a co-operative commercial association of approximately 8,000 industrial plants, railroads, mines and other agencies and others interested in the prevention of accidents in the plant, on the street and in the home. Mr. Young is one of the pioneers in the safety movement.

FORMAL PHRASEOLOGY

- "That reminds me—"
- "Will the gentleman yield?"
- "I was about to say—"
- "Let me ask another question."
- "If the Chair will allow me—"
- "I will say to the gentleman—"
- "I move to strike out the last word."
- "May I interrupt the gentleman?"
- "How much time have I remaining?"
- "I reserve all points in order on the bill."
- "I think as a matter of public policy—"
- "I am frank to say to the gentleman—"
- "The time of the gentleman has expired."
- "I am glad to have heard the gentleman's speech."
- "Let me put a concrete hypothetical question."
- "I have listened with a good deal of interest—"
- "The district which I have the honor to represent."
- "I was not present in the chamber when the gentleman began his remarks."—Washington Searchlight.

APPLY PUT

Some people are so funny that they make others sad.

When Satan employs idle hands the work is always well done.

Anyway, we never knew a man to marry a woman to reform her.

Few men ever live long enough to discover why their neighbors dislike them.

In the majority of cases the sad look on a man's face is due to overeating.

It takes a wise woman to transform a "good fellow" into a model husband.

FRENCH ARREST "DEAD HERO"

Strike Name of Alleged Burglar-Deserter from Memorial to Slain in Battle.

Paris.—"Dead on the field of honor" is the mention against the name of Claudius Vrillat at the French ministry of war, and his name has adorned the monument at Nogent-sur-Seine, erected to "the memory of our sons who fell."

Charged with burglary, Claude Pasquet was arrested by the Paris police.

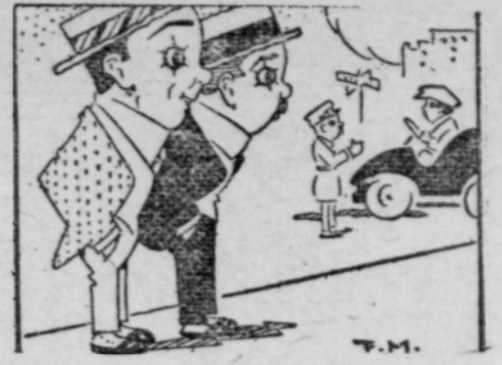
The authorities say that Pasquet and Vrillat are one and the same. Vrillat, it is now alleged, deserted on the eve of an attack in the Champagne district and was posted as "disappeared with no presumption of desertion, probably killed." His name has been stricken from the monument.

NO ONE ORDAINED TO DIE

Girl Unhurt When Car Falls 250 Feet, Children Moved Just in Time, Horses Barely Escaped.

Steubenville, O.—A touring car with Miss Bessie Phillipson of Steubenville driving, plunged over a 250-foot embankment, looped the loop 17 times, and landed in the middle of a street, a pile of wreckage. The girl escaped without a scratch.

The noise of the descending car frightened the horses of an ice wagon far below, and they ran away. Some children ran after them. The car landed where the children had been standing. One of the horses tripped and fell against the gates at a railroad crossing, saving both animals from death under the wheels of an on-rushing train.



Tyre Kik: Free Tube with every Mason-Cord at Leedom's Tire Hospital

Why Guess About It—When You Can Know About It?

Suppose a guide said—

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