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Now is the time to have your car looked over and put in shape for the summer. I have had 14 years' garage experience which enables me to locate your car troubles and fix it as it should be in the shortest possible time. A trial will convince you. If you should want to help me work on your car I shall be glad to have you and it will give you a better idea of how to take care of it in the future.—Drop in and see me.

E. A. ADAMS

508 South Sixth Street.

Opposite Oxford Hotel

Taking No Chances.

Two mothers, one with a five-year-old girl and the other with a seven-year-old boy, set out for a walk. For convenience it was suggested that the children walk together and ahead. Said the boy: "I will if they won't call it marry."

Surely Educational.

Slavin (outside movie theater)—"Wor there any educational fillums shown, Martin?" Conlin—"Faith an' there wor, Terrence. I learned among other things, how to act towar-rds me butler, how to enter me club properly, an' how to hang me coat and cane on th' ar-rm iv th' gintlemanly attendant."—Buffalo Express.

Ireland's Flax Crop.

The flax crop is engaging the attention of agriculturists in the north of Ireland. Flax pulling is giving employment to every hand that can be engaged, and factory workers, clerks and business men are joining in this indispensable work. The cadet corps of the Royal Academical Institute of Belfast is also engaged in pulling flax. Before the war the price paid for flax ranged from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per stone. The highest price ever paid for flax was \$3 per stone in 1894, during the Civil war. This year the flax supply committee has arranged to take over the whole crop at prices ranging from \$7.50 to \$10 per stone, according to quality. The flax will be divided into six grades.

Proof of Dog's Ownership.

A little dog followed two small boys until they reached the parting of the ways, when a violent dispute arose as to the ownership of the pup. The question was finally adjusted to the satisfaction of one of them when he announced that the dog belonged to him because it smelled him first.

SCENE OF MIRACLE

How "The Field of the Bear" Received Its Name.

According to Legend of Ancient Gaul It Was the Place of Bruin's Penance at Behest of Indignant Saint Medard.

"The Field of the Bear," that is the interpretation of the name of that Ourscamp forest which figured so conspicuously in the good news of the irresistible advance of the allies in the valley of the Oise. The ground in question forms a part of the thickly wooded massif which extends for a long distance along the left bank of the Oise, and in the center of which, like a diamond set in the heart of a huge emerald, lies the royal city of Compiègne.

But whence this curious name of Ourscamp—Ourscamp, Ursi Campus, the Field of the Bear? Listen to the legend of ancient Gaul. It was very, very long ago, when the bear and the aurochs divided between them northern Gaul, and the puny two-legged creature man had just begun to invade their "ancient, solitary reign." Bitterly did they resent the invasion, and indefatigably did they put every conceivable obstacle in the way thereof. But it was in vain. Little by little man forced his way in cutting down parts of the forest and turning over the surface soil with his plow; using to drag this implement a tamed and spiritless cousin of the aurochs. Because of that relationship, perhaps, the aurochs refrained from violent interference with the plowing, but not so the bear. Ruthlessly the mighty plantigrade rushed upon the yoke of oxen, struck down the fattest one and bore his carcass

away to his den in the depth of the wood.

Aggrieved at the loss, the plowman hastened to good St. Medard, the bishop of Noyon, and told him of the bear's foul deed. "It is enough," said the saint. "Master Bear shall be taught a lesson that he will not soon forget." So he went to the scene of the tragedy and easily traced the course of the bear from beside the plow in the unfinished furrow to his lair in the forest, where he found him gorged upon his ill-gotten prey.

"So, thou murderous glutton!" exclaimed the righteously indignant saint. "Thou didst slay a peaceful, harmless, useful creature. And dost thou expect to go unwhipped? Not so, but thou shalt make reparation in kind and with interest. This poor man is deprived of one of his yoke of oxen and cannot therefore complete his plowing. In the name of the Lord, come thou and thyself take the place of the creature thou hast slain. I'll warrant me thy stout legs and burly body will drag the plow through the most stubborn sward!"

So, all through the rest of the plowing season, Master Bear had his thick neck in the yoke by the side of the ox, and never was there field more quickly or more deeply plowed than that; to the edification of the country round, and to the spiritual chastening of repentant bruin. And thereafter the plowman and his neighbors, filled with wonder and admiration, consecrated and perpetuated the memory of the good saint's miracle by building there a church in honor of St. Medard and calling the farm and neighboring wood Ursi Campus—Ourscamp, the Field of the Bear.

Stung Again.

Two rookies were indulging in the soldier's privilege—growing about his station and how the soldier gets stung for everything.

"I ordered a chicken dinner at a cafe down town and they charged me a dollar and six bits," Bones was saying.

A newsie overheard him. "Say, mister," he said, "I know where you can get a chicken dinner for two bits. A good big one, too."

The soldiers looked skeptical, but the newsie insisted that he was telling the truth. Finally the soldier who had been stung asked where this place was located. The newsie mentioned an address on one of the side streets of San Antonio.

A few days later the two soldiers went to the city and determined to visit this cheap restaurant. They found the address. It was a feed store.—The Bayonet.

Never Broke a Food Law.

A German church journal tells the story of a professor, a conscientious man, who from the beginning of the war made up his mind to give strict obedience to any laws that might be laid down by those placed above him.

Most scrupulously did he observe all the food regulations. Never once did he give way to "hampering" and the clandestine food trafficker knew him not. He and his family were poorly clad, and often went to bed hungry; but his conscience remained clear and his honor bright.

"Good Lord, is this man still alive?" incredulously exclaims Vorwarts of Berlin, the Socialist organ.

South Now Makes Pottery.

The effort to establish in the South a pottery for the manufacture of high-grade ware has, after many years, at last been successful. In 1917, for the first time, white ware was manufactured in the South. The Southern Potteries (Inc.) began to operate at Erwin, Tenn., a ten-kiln plant for the manufacture of semi-vitreous porcelain tableware, using domestic clays exclusively.

LIEUT. EDWARD A. STINSON



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ROSICA SCHWIMMER

Rosika Schwimmer, a Hungarian writer and pacifist who now resides in Switzerland, has been appointed an ambassador by the Hungarian government for that post in Switzerland.

Calling cards and Envelopes at the Observer office.

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 Ford car (first class shape), cultivator, double shovel cultivator, good range, bedstead and springs, leather tick and pillows (newly cleaned), heater, tables. Phone 502-F-12. 87

FOR SALE—Matched team and nearly new harness; also Durham bull, 2 1/2 years old. Phone 500-J-1. 79

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 Effective Nov. 19, 1918.

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 Leave Grants Pass.....1 P. M.
 Arrive Waters Creek.....3 P. M.
 Leave Waters Creek.....3 P. M.
 Arrive Grants Pass.....4 P. M.

For information regarding freight and passenger rates call at the office of the company, Lundburg building, or telephone 131.

Daily Thought.
 The noblest mind the best contentment has.—Spenser.

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