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FACING AN EMERGENCY

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NAN CARTWRIGHT was going home from prayer meeting. She had stayed late, discussing the year's plans for the Ladies' Aid.

"It's too bad no one is going your way, Nan," commiserated Mrs. Stacy. "Aren't you afraid, with all the burglaries around town lately, that something will happen?"

"What would happen?" laughed Nan. "No, I'm not afraid. I've my trusty flashlight for the dark places."

What could happen to a spinster school teacher, except the obvious and expected? And if anything frightful should happen could she depend upon herself to meet it with courage?

"I should want to meet the emergency in a manly way," thought Nan, and gurgled with laughter at her own nonsense.

"Stop right where you are," said a quiet voice. "This is a gun, and it's pointing right at you."

Nan stopped. She felt no disposition to argue. They stood in the deep shadow cast by the trees that lined the long driveway leading up to the Morton house. The unused flashlight hung concealed in the folds of her loose coat. Drawn up by the roadside, likewise in the shadow, stood a stout roadster headed south, lights out. Behind it was a heavy touring car, and between the two cars a group of persons. Her coming was evidently an interruption to a bold highway robbery.

An occasional snarl of protest, quickly silenced, came from the group. Her eyes accustomed to the dimness, she could see her captor turn his head uneasily at the sound.

"If he turns his head again," she thought.

He did, at a louder protest. Nan leaned forward, concentrating her gaze as best she could, on that sensitive spot, and struck with the heavy end of the nickel flashlight.

"Beaned him!" exulted unquenchable youth. She even forgot to shudder at the hollow impact of the weapon. The man sank, silent and limp, on the soft grass. It was well-nigh incredible.

Nan took a dozen noiseless steps up the dark driveway, then put on speed and flew up the hill, crossed behind the house, and arrived breathless at her own door. She crossed to the telephone on the desk and called swiftly.

"Hello, Mr. Corbin? Nan Cartwright speaking. You're a deputy, aren't you? There's a gang holding up a car at the foot of Morton's drive. Their car is headed south. I'm going to call Sheriff Ross to start across the bridge, and Frank Rowe next above here to go down the street. Got that? All right. When they hear Frank's car they'll start your way, I think. Can you stop them?"

Corbin was gone without the formality of a reply. In swift succession she called Ross and Rowe. Rowe was not at home, but his son eagerly volunteered. After a few moments of impatient waiting she heard the Ross car start, on the other side of the river, almost opposite, just before young Rowe, in his father's big car, roared down the hill. Twelve minutes had elapsed since she reached the house.

If the robbers went south, there was scarcely a chance that they could escape Corbin, but if they crossed the bridge, going east, before Ross reached it, they might still elude pursuit.

Nearly an hour passed before the telephone rang and Sheriff Ross' voice vibrated triumphantly across the wires.

"That you, Nan? Got them. Corbin stopped them at the crossing at the foot of Dick White hill. Rowe and I were hard on their heels. Rowe is coming over after you."

A pompous, fussy, red-faced man, a younger reproduction and three women made up the despoiled auto party; a trio of hard-faced young men, the robbers. Nan's eyes widened at sight of the fat pocketbooks and the little heap of valuables, for no small sum was represented.

"Tell your story, Nan, and identify these men, if possible," requested the sheriff.

"I can tell the story," said Nan. "But I can't identify a single one, unless one of them has a bump behind his left ear."

Slowly, out of the tangle, the story was pieced together. The stolen property was proved and claimed, and the captives, wound in the toils of the law, placed under guard.

"I shouldn't be surprised if we could hang some of the other robberies on those fellows," reflected Sheriff Ross aloud. "They thought they could put anything over in this hick town. Weren't expecting a courageous and resourceful lady to happen along and interrupt."

"Greatly indebted to you, my good young woman," said the red-faced man sonorously. "Allow me. You had dropped your handkerchief." He tucked it into her hand and departed.

Not until she reached her own door did Nan realize that the handkerchief clutched in her hand was crisp and rustly. Alone in the dim-lighted living room, she unfolded it and shook out a greenback. Conquering a slight sense of shock, she took it to the light. It was a one-dollar bill.

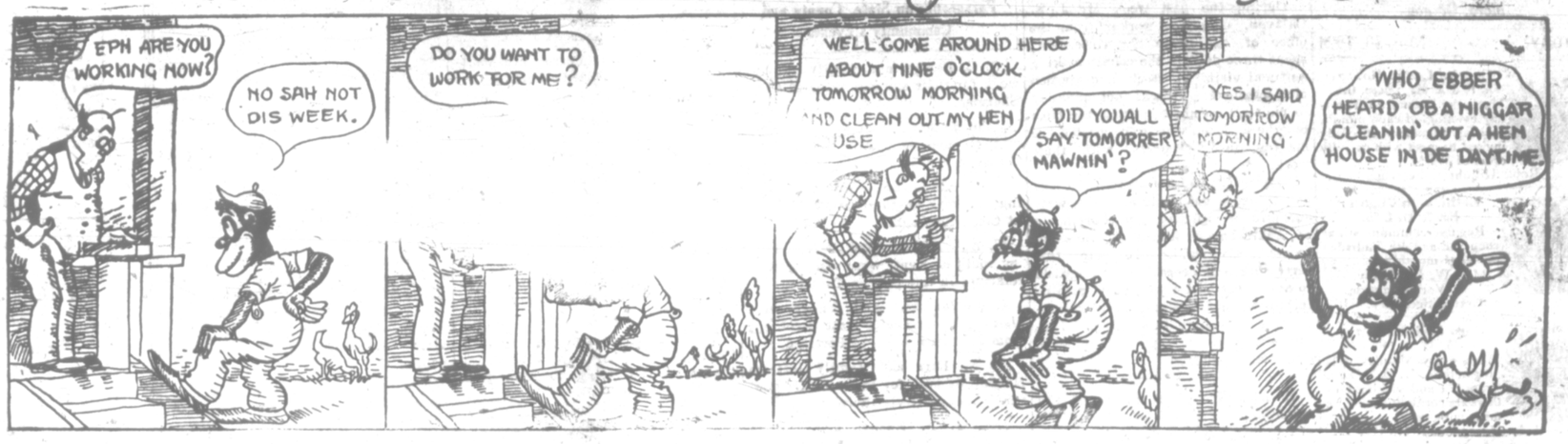
"Never again will I say that nothing can happen," she registered mentally.

Consideration for the slumbering household compelled her to silence, but far down in the depth of her being, unquenchable youth rocked with laughter.

Anthrax Defies Scientists.

Although anthrax-carrying wool can be disinfected successfully, no method has yet been devised whereby hides and skins can be effectively treated without damaging them.

THE JUDGE -- He Went to Night School -- by M.B.



VISIBILITY A LARGE FACTOR

Dusty or Misty Atmosphere Means a Great Deal in Aviation and Navigation.

Visibility is a large factor in air flight and in various surface operations, especially navigation. A knowledge of conditions governing visibility is therefore of considerable importance. Dustiness or mistiness may be due to incomplete combustion of coal or other fuels, seen as smoke at lower levels. Some dust particles come from volcanoes. Some, it is thought, may come from interplanetary spaces. The weather bureau of the United States Department of Agriculture was provided with an instrument for measuring atmospheric dust in May, 1922. A dust count has been taken daily during the last year. The dust counter used collects the dust from a known volume of air and deposits it on a small and very thin glass disk, where by means of a powerful microscope the particles can be counted and their character determined. Tests have shown about 90 dust particles a cubic centimeter on a very clear, dry day, and as high as 933 a cubic centimeter on one day of limited visibility, but with the same dry condition of the air, which prevailed on the former occasion.

Electricity Thaws Meat.

Frozen beef or mutton has been difficult to handle hitherto because of the care required to thaw it after shipment. Days were needed to defrost it properly, and during the process much of the meat was lost. If the defrosting was hurried, the meat lost its flavor.

A new method, whereby an alternating current of electricity is passed through the meat, promises material help for the packing industry. By the use of electric current an entire beef carcass can be defrosted in an hour, without deterioration and without impairing the keeping qualities of the meat.

This process is expected to be of particular value on shipboard, where it is most desirable to keep fresh meat frozen, but where, until now, slow thawing has prevented its wider use.

Indians Speak Many Dialects.

No fewer than 200 different tongues are still in use at the present time among the Indians of North America, and in addition to this there exists a woodland esperanto, a sort of sign language. Compared to this esperanto of the forest the clock-like art of the semaphore is child's play, and it is most amusing to watch the prairie tribesmen exchange confidences by this method.

To Err Is Human.

The man who never makes mistakes never makes anything. Many chips, broken instruments, cuts and bruises belong to the history of any beautiful statue.—Anonymous.

World's Largest Bible Being Written by Hand

Portland, Me.—The largest Bible in the world is being compiled by the Bible Society of Maine, under the direction of Edmund T. Garland, superintendent Y. M. C. A. building, this city.

It will consist of 1,500 pages of the dimensions of the ordinary newspaper and the total weight will be 80 pounds. The pages are being written in long hand by upward of 1,500 persons, the oldest being more than ninety years of age and the youngest six and a half years. The youngest contributor, by the way, is the grandson of Superintendent Garland, who is sponsoring the project.

The first page is written by the son of the founder of the Bible Society of Maine. Every college and preparatory school of the Protestant denomination in the state is represented by a page written by the president of the institution. Many Sunday schools of the state are represented, and also many other organizations and individuals.

The unique volume, which will be completed soon, will be used for exhibition purposes.

"Kindliest Man" Is Now Hangman

Manchester, England.—William Willis of Ardwick, near here, who is described by his wife as "the kindliest man alive," is to be the new public executioner to succeed John Ellis, who recently retired.

Willis is a native of Manchester and has been assistant hangman for twenty years. When he is not engaged in dispatching criminals to their doom he works as an engraver.

"You would never guess my husband was a hangman," his wife said. "He is the kindliest man alive."

NEW TYPE OF NAVAL PLANE IS BEING BUILT

PN-8 Expected to Surpass Records of All Machines.

Philadelphia.—A new type of naval cruising plane, one which it is thought, will surpass even the records made by the new PN-7, also built here, is under construction at the naval aircraft factory at the Philadelphia navy yard.

This plane, the PN-8, is similar to the PN-7, save that it has an all-metal hull, while the latter is of fiber.

It is hoped that the change will increase the speed of the plane as well as its carrying capacity. It is definitely known, through tests with other types of planes, that the metal hull will add to the life of the machine and increase its stability.

Capt. George Conrad Westervelt, in charge of the aircraft factory at League island, said that the PN-8 would be the finest boat owned by any government in the world.

"It is even better than the PN-7, which showed up so wonderfully well on the tests with the fleet," he said.

"Both planes are developments of the old type scouting plane, the F-5-L. But where the latter had a wing spread of 104 feet, our new planes have only 72 feet. They have a longer radius than the old plane and a greater carrying capacity.

"The new PN-8 is an improvement on the PN-7s. It is expected that it will be much more seaworthy and will have added speed and carrying capacity.

"All of these ships are designed for long cruises."

The planes use two Wright engines, rated at 525 horsepower each. The peculiar feature about them is the narrow wing span. This is made possible through the application of the high lift wing to flying boat construction.

It is expected that the PN-8, with the metal hull, and with the salient features of the PN-7 will be ready for tests within a month or more.

Scientists to Solve the Mysteries of Vitamins

Washington.—Chemistry's attack on the mysteries of vitamins is becoming world-wide, and the workers "are near the goal of discovering just what these highly important substances really are," says an announcement by the division of chemistry of medical products of the American Chemical society, outlining the three newest developments of what is described as a notable revival of research.

The statement summarized the salient features of a group of papers, which, at a special public session of the division at the society's coming meeting in Washington, will disclose in detail the advances made in the laboratories of the Old and New Worlds.

"There has been a notable revival of research on the chemistry of vitamins," says the statement, made public here by Leo H. Baekeland, president of the society and professor of chemical engineering in Columbia university. "Announcements of the isolation of three of the four at present recognized vitamins have been made to the society.

"One of these comes from Japan, one from Washington and that for the newest member of the vitamin family nearly simultaneously from chemists in Toronto and New York. All of this work shows that chemists are near the goal of discovering just what these highly important substances really are."

STRETCH OUT BODY MUSCLES

Do as Animals Do if You Wish to Keep Fit, Advises Walter Camp.

I went to the Bronx zoo, and I watched the lions and tigers. I saw none of them standing and kicking out their legs 50 or 60 times for exercise. I did see them stretch the great body muscles a hundred times by getting hold of the bars of the cage and then stretching that great back, says Walter Camp in the World's Work. You find the same with the domestic animals.

Call your dog off the sofa; what does he do? The first thing after he has jumped down is to make one long stretch backward and forward, seeing that those muscles of his body are all right. He does this a hundred times a day.

Are these simple exercises sufficient to keep one fit and strong? The answer to that question is another question: Would you dare open the door of the cage of one of these wild animals? And yet he may have been in that cage for six or eight years. If you were put in a twelve-foot cage for six or eight years you would be powerless, but they can run and jump. They keep themselves fit by this stretching of the long muscles of the body.

SOFTENERS FOR HARD WATER

Washing Soda Is Cheapest, but Borax, Ammonia and Kerosene Also Are Useful.

The problem of hard water is one which confronts a great many housewives on wash day. There are many chemical agents used to soften the water. Washing soda is the cheapest agent, and perhaps the most generally effective. Two points only must be remembered in employing it. First, see that it is entirely dissolved before adding it to the washing water. Any tiny undissolved particles will go to work enthusiastically where they fall, and in their zeal are apt to eat up fabric and all. This is the explanation of the occurrence of holes and weak spots where washing soda has been carelessly used. Second, rinse with extreme care. Use even more than ordinary precaution. The nose is an excellent court of last appeal to judge whether linen has been sufficiently rinsed. If it smells soapy, or alkaline, return it for another swim in clear water. Some kinds of bluing will make rust spots on the clothes if the soapy water is not thoroughly rinsed out before immersion in the bluing water.

Borax is a most satisfactory water softener. It acts as a mild bleach to whiten linen and it has a slight germicidal action. It is entirely safe to use, and is less dangerous to colored fabrics than washing soda.

Ammonia and kerosene are also useful. Two tablespoonfuls of kerosene in a tub of hard water will save soap and rubbing, but will make care in rinsing more than ordinarily needed. Ammonia, like borax, is so mild as to be harmless to fabrics.—Modern Priscilla.

A Good War Horse.

A farmer sold a horse to a cavalry officer, warranting the animal to be a first-rate war horse. Some time afterward the officer came to the farmer in a rage and said: "You call this animal a good war horse? Why, there's not a bit of go in him! A good war horse, indeed!"

"So he is," replied the farmer. "Sure, he'd rather die than run!"

Always Safe.

A man was taking dinner at the home of a friend. The dinner consisted chiefly of hash, and on being offered some he refused. The host, not wishing to see his guest go hungry, insisted that he take some. Upon that the guest replied that he never ate hash, not even at home.

"Why is that?" asked the host.

"Well," answered the other, "I never eat it at home because I know what's in it, and I don't eat it away from home because I don't know what's in it."

"Dizigold" a Substitute for Gold.

The Swedish cheap jewelry alloy called "Dizigold" is claimed to combine the color and luster of gold with the hardness and durability of steel, also to have great resistance to the action of acids and alkalies. It seems to be an aluminum bronze with copper in varying proportions up to 90 per cent. It is stated to be a good substitute for German silver, which contains considerable nickel as well as copper, with small amounts of aluminum and zinc.

THE MARKETS

Portland.

Wheat — Hard white, $1.15; soft white, western white, $1.10; hard winter $1.06; northern spring and western red, $1.04.

Hay—Alfalfa, $14.50@15 ton; valley timothy, $18@19; eastern Oregon timothy, $20@21.

Butterfat—34c.

Eggs—Ranch, 18@24c.

Cheese—Prices to jobbers f. o. b. Tillamook: Triplets, 27c; loaf, 28c per lb.

Cattle — Beef steers, good grade, $7.75@8.50.

Hogs—Medium to good, $7.50@7.90.

Sheep—Spring, medium to choice, $10@11.00.

Seattle.

Wheat—Hard white, Big Bend bluestem, $1.14; soft white, $1.10; western white, $1.09; hard red winter, northern spring, $1.05; soft red winter, western red, $1.04.

Hay—Alfalfa, $21; D. C., $25; timothy, $26; D. C., $28; mixed hay, $23.

Eggs—Ranch, 18@24c.

Butterfat—36c@38c.

Cattle—Choice steers, $8.00@8.50.

Hogs—Prime light, $7.70@8.00.

Cheese — Washington cream brick, 23@24c; Washington triplets, 21c; Washington Young America, 22c.

Spokane

Hogs—Prime mixed, $7.60@7.75.

Cattle—Prime steers, $7.25@7.50.

Sheep—Prime lambs, $11.00@12.00.

Teachers' Examinations.

Notice is hereby given that the County School Superintendent of Sherman county Ore., will hold the regular examination of applicants for state certificates at the superintendent's office at the court house in Moro, Oregon, as follows:

Commencing Wednesday, June 11th, 1924, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, June 14th, 1924, at 4:00 o'clock p. m.

Wednesday forenoon.—Writing (Penmanship), Music, U. S. History, Drawing.

Wednesday afternoon—Reading, Physiology, Manual Training, Composition, Domestic Science, Methods in Reading, Course of Study for Drawing, Methods in Arithmetic.

Thursday forenoon—Arithmetic, History of Education, Psychology, Methods in Geography, Mechanical Drawing, Domestic Art, Course of Study for Domestic Art.

Thursday afternoon—Grammar, Geography, Stenography, American Literature, Physics, Typewriting, Methods in Language, Thesis for Primary Certificate.

Friday forenoon—Theory and Practice, Orthography, Physical Geography, English Literature, Chemistry.

Friday afternoon—School Law, Geology Algebra, Civil Government.

Saturday forenoon—Geometry, Botany.

Saturday afternoon—General History, Book-keeping.

Grace May Zevely,
County School Superintendent

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior U. S. land office at The Dalles, Oregon. May 22d, 1924.

Notice is hereby given that Frank Carl Schumacher, of route 1, Box 36, Moro, Oregon, who, on Oct. 20, 1920, made homestead entry, No. 017714, for N½NE¼, SE¼NE¼, NE¼NW¼, S½SE¼, Section 20, S½SW¼, Section 21, township 1 north, range 19 east, Willamette meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver, U. S. Land Office, at The Dalles, Oregon, on the 3rd day of July, 1924.

Claimant names as witnesses: J. R. Cothran, Dell Wright, John Gibson, Wm. Roos, all of Moro, Oregon.

W. J. Donnelly, Register.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County. In Equity

De'weede Northwestern and Pacific Hypotheekbank, a corporation, Plaintiff,
vs
Fanny O. Frymire, a widow, and A. L. McKinley,
Defendants.

By virtue of and execution, judgment order, decree and order of sale issued out of the above entitled court in the above entitled cause, to me directed, dated the 15th day of May, 1924, upon a judgment and decree entered in said Court on the 21st day of April, 1924, in favor of the plaintiff above named and against the defendant Fanny O. Frymire for the following sums, namely: $4,500.00 with interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent per annum from December 1st, 1922; the further sum of $250 attorney's fee; $22.50 costs and disbursements herein taxed in favor of the plaintiff; and the costs of and upon said writ, commanding me to make sale of that certain real property, together with all and singular the privileges, tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, situate in Sherman county, Oregon, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

The northeast quarter (NE¼) of section thirty-two (32), the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter (NW¼ of NE¼), and the northwest quarter (NW¼) of section thirty-three (33), all in township three (3), south of range fifteen (15), east of the Willamette meridian.

Now, therefore, by virtue of said execution, judgment order, decree and order of sale and in compliance with the commands of said writ, I will, on Monday, the 23rd day of June, 1924, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the front door of the County Court house in Moro, Oregon, sell at public auction, subject to redemption, to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title or interest which the defendants in the above named suit, or either of them, had on November 6th, 1916, the date of the mortgage therein foreclosed, or since said date had in or to the above described property or any part thereof, to satisfy said execution, judgment order and decree, interest, costs and accruing costs.

Dated this 15th day of May, 1924.

Hugh Chrisman, Sheriff of
Sherman County, Oregon.

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