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MILLION PAID FOR AUTOMATIC CAMERA

Young Russian Socialist Gets
Large Check for His
Invention.

New York.—A check for a round million dollars, was shoved across the polished table of a hotel sitting room here into the hands of a young Russian socialist, who in his days of hunger and hardship had invented an automatic camera to enable the public to photograph itself as simply as it buys its chewing gum, and in much the same way.

Transfer of the check marked the entry into the slot machine portrait photograph business of several leaders in the financial world.

Among the men represented in the transaction were Henry Morgenthau, ex-ambassador to Turkey; James G. Harbord, president of the Radio Corporation of America; John T. Underwood, president of the Underwood Typewriter company, and Raymond B. Small, ex-vice-president and general manager of the Postum Cereal company.

The syndicate of business men gave the \$1,000,000 check to Anatol Josepho, the Russian, for all his rights in a machine that delivers a strip of eight finished photographs, each 2 by 1 1/2 inch long, and all in different poses eight minutes after the sitter has dropped a quarter in a slot.

Besides purchasing the rights to his invention, the directors of the company have retained him as vice-president and technical adviser.

He was born in Omsk, Siberia, 21 years ago.

New Oregon Prison Warden Selected.
Salem, Or.—James Lewis, deputy sheriff of Marion county for the past four years, was recommended for the office of warden of the state penitentiary by Henry Meyers, superintendent of the institution. Mr. Lewis served in that capacity for more than three years during Gov. Olcott's term.

Burned Paper Money.
Burned paper money should be carefully packed in cotton so that it will not fall to pieces, and sent to the redemption division, Treasury department, Washington, D. C., for examination. The treasury does not make the money good as a rule, unless enough of it is left to be recognized. If the paper has been reduced to ashes, the treasury will, under certain circumstances, however, redeem it on the presentation of affidavits.

D'AUTREMENT IN JACKSONVILLE JAIL

Medford, Or.—Hugh DeAutrement, 23, youngest of three brothers accused of the murder of four men in an attempt to hold up a train in the Siskiyou mountains 3 1/2 years ago, has been lodged in the county jail at Jacksonville.

Thus ended a peregrination that began in flight from the scene of the crime (Hugh has admitted the flight but not the crime), and took the young outlaw with a price on his head to Chicago, thence to Manila in the armed service of the country which was hunting him, and back in irons to Jacksonville, where the trail began.

Meanwhile Hugh's divorced parents, Paul DeAutrement of Eugene and Mrs. Belle DeAutrement of Lakewood, N. M., estranged for years, but now bowed by a common grief and united in concern for the only one of their four sons known to be alive, met in a Medford lodging house and later went to the jail at Jacksonville, where they talked with their boy and pledged him their undivided support.

ROAD BUDGETS LARGE

Washington, D. C.—Oregon will spend \$18,620,000 on road construction this year, including state and local highways, the federal bureau of roads announced.

The Oregon program is said to include 252 miles of road to be built by the state highway department, of which 125 miles will be earth improved, 125 miles sand-clay gravel and macadam, and two miles asphalt, concrete or brick.

The bureau estimates indicate that the state of Washington will build 385 miles of road this year at state expense and that state and local expenditures combined on highways will total \$18,620,000, of which the state will spend \$9,250,000. Idaho is expected to spend \$3,280,000 in all and to construct 145 miles of state highway.

Jock's Painful Interview.
Young Jock had just returned from a painful interview with the minister, to whom he had said, in reply to a question, that there were 100 commandments. Upon meeting another lad on his way to the minister's he asked: "An' if he asks you how many commandments there are, what will ye say?" "Say?" queried the other lad. "Why, ten o' course." "Ten?" reiterated the first youth in scorn. "Ten? Ye will try him w' ten? I tried him w' a hundred and he wasna satisfied."

A LOTTERY WITHOUT A WINNER

By W. R. MOREHOUSE
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(There is presented herewith the first of a series of articles exposing the wiles of shopkeepers who are after your money.)

ALMOST unbelievable amounts are lost to the American people annually from unwise ventures. This loss, estimated at nearly one billion dollars a year, is accounted for when you take into consideration that practically all of the money "invested" in numerous fake schemes and half-baked projects is forfeited by the investors. In presenting this series of articles regarding sharp practices and various kinds of swindles we hope to prevent thousands of people from falling into the traps already set for them by irresponsible and unscrupulous promoters.

Through the use of only actual cases selected from several thousand, it is hoped to prove conclusively the futility of taking a "gambler's chance" with your savings, for as in a lottery without a winner you are bound to lose. Much of the material here used has been supplied by the Better Business Bureaus throughout the United States which are non-profit organizations serving the investor without charge and acting wholly in the public interest. Read these cases and then file them away for future reference, for sooner or later you may find yourself on the verge of "taking a leap in the dark"—of speculating with your savings as the people here told about were inveigled into doing.

A "good front" has put over more crooked deals than any other one thing. Every irresponsible promoter specializes in putting on a "good front" in his dealings with those whom he fleeces out of their savings. Whether or not he is successful is due to a large degree on how good a front he is able to put on. In motion pictures, the sets, or "props" as they are called, supply the setting for the scenes. They are used to portray things that seem large, things that seem grand and beautiful. Peer behind those sets and what do you see there? You see that the attractive fronts are supported by braces made of the cheapest, knottiest and poorest timber imaginable. They serve their purpose in the world of make-believe, but in real life you cannot afford to buy



The Lure of Easy Money

sands of dollars without effort or risk—he may describe some invention selling for an astounding sum, or depict the prospects of a fabulous mine or oil company that is going to double and treble in value over night. As a climax he may paint the picture of a vine-covered cottage which is to be yours in your old age, with its radiantly burning fire on the hearth and with all the luxuries that go with a happy home. And finally, he may paint you sitting before this fire, happy and contented—indeed for life, as the result of an investment made according to his advice.

But there is a great difference between what you get and what the wild-cat promoter paints in the imagination of his victims. By the lure of easy money he leads them over the precipice of financial ruin. Instead of old-age ease and comforts there usually results poverty and privation.

(The next article in this series will tell of a clever scheme practiced in many parts of the country by which the unsavory are robbed of their money.)

Chile to War on Alien Oil Exploit.
Washington, D. C.—Another oil land controversy similar in many respects to that presented by Mexican laws, was envisioned by officials when notification was received that the Chilean congress had passed a law declaring all oil lands belonged to the state. American investments in Chile are large.

Speed King Makes 203 Miles Per Hour.
Daytona Beach, Fla.—Hurling over the hard sand speedway at the terrific pace of 207.015 miles an hour for one mile, Major H. O. D. Segrave, 29-year-old British race driver, hung up a new world speed record here in his freak four-ton, 1000-horsepower "Mystery S."

Twelve Reasons
New York.—Louis Mitrux, St. Louis architect, and Mrs. Mitrux are back from a deferred honeymoon in Europe. The reasons for the postponement came with them—twelve children ranging in age from one and one-half to nineteen years.

Indians Hunt to Buy
Squaws Silk Stockings
New York.—John M. Holzworth, returning from northern British Columbia and Alaska, where he bagged 12 mountain sheep, caribou and Alaska sheep for the United States biological survey and the National museum in Washington, told of penetrating regions never before explored. In this country, he said, he found a nomadic Indian tribe living in primitive fashion by hunting and fishing, but with some of the Indian women wearing high-heeled shoes and silk stockings, which their men had obtained at trading posts in exchange for their furs.

AMERICAN CHINESE FORCE INDEPENDENT

Will Co-operate With Foreign
Powers to Protect Lives
of Refugees.

Washington, D. C.—American forces in China will not be merged with the forces of other great powers.

President Coolidge considers the United States has its own command in the field with an establishment under his direction, so that independence of action on the part of the American military groups can be maintained.

Nevertheless, the president feels that the American forces will co-operate with troops of other powers, especially since reports have indicated that American refugees are scattered throughout the foreign concessionary area particularly at Shanghai.

Recommendations for strong action to prevent recurrence of the Nanking outrages at other points in nationalist controlled territory were contained in a message forwarded to the state department by Minister MacMurray at Peking.

Minister MacMurray said that a message to him from Nanking reported that outrages there "were even more riotous than was at first realized."

Examination of depositions and verbal statements by Americans had produced evidence of two known cases of attempted attacks on American women and there were other cases "only slightly less serious in character," it was added.

"The message states that the campaign of terrorism and insult to foreigners is not only officially countenanced and directed, but even prearranged," the state department announcement said.

BORAH COMMITTEE NOT YET DISSOLVED

Washington, D. C.—The senate foreign relations committee may function this summer, after all, investigating the Mexican, Nicaraguan and perhaps Chinese situations.

Senators delving into the volume of senate rules have come across an almost forgotten resolution adopted in 1921, providing that the regular standing committees "shall continue and have power to act until their successors are appointed."

On the basis of this authority, Chairman Borah, who unsuccessfully sought at the last session to obtain authority for the committee to go to Mexico and Central America, is expected to issue an early call for a meeting of the committee with a view to authorizing a sub-committee to act. With the retirement of Senators Pepper, republican, Pennsylvania, and Lenroot, republican, Wisconsin, those favoring inquiries into the Mexican and Nicaraguan situations would be in control. Whether a majority of the committee would come to Washington in response to a call is an open question.

CHANG DEFIES POWERS

Chinese War Lord Says Aspirations
Cannot Be Checked by Warships.

Shanghai, China.—The foreign powers cannot send enough warships to China to suppress the aspirations of the Chinese people, says a statement issued in the name of General Chang Kai-Shek, the Cantonese commander-in-chief, who has arrived in Shanghai. In his opinion the Nanking affair was finished, as all the foreigners were out. He regarded it as merely an isolated incident.

The vigorous threat by the American and British naval commanders that Nanking would be bombarded unless foreigners beleaguered in the city were escorted to safety was followed by the safe appearance of the Americans on the waterfront. With the death of one American missionary and the wounding of an American woman definitely reported, stories of brutality by uniformed Cantonese soldiers against American women, vandalism, outrages and wanton destruction were received from the war-torn city.

68 From Transport Sent to Hospital.
San Francisco.—Sixty-eight patients, passengers of the army transport Che-tau-Thierry, were received at Letterman general hospital, Presidio of San Francisco, shortly after the vessel docked. These were the victims of an influenza epidemic that broke out aboard the transport after it left the Panama Canal zone. Bodies of the four dead were removed to the post for burial.

Churches Want Arms Embargo.
Portland, Or.—Twenty-seven Portland churches of ten denominations voted at their morning services Sunday to endorse a telegram from the Portland Council of Churches urging President Coolidge not to raise the arms embargo with Mexico.