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TREE WAS ONCE A HANDSPIKE

Old Cottonwood at Norris City, Ill.,
Has Interesting History—Was
"Planted by Boy in 1815.

At Norris City, Ill., there is a tree
known as the "vaulting-pole cotton-
wood" that has an interesting history
which is told by the American Fore-
stry Magazine (Washington) as fol-
lows:

Hosea Pierce and a boy comrade re-
turned from the war of 1812 to their
homes, near Norris City, in the spring
of 1815, and on January 8 of that
year they had helped General Jack-
son whip the British in the Battle of
New Orleans.

These boys both attended a log
rolling on the old Pierce farm that
spring, and as they were returning to
the house after their day's work made
a wager who could vault the furthest,
using their cottonwood handspikes as
vaulting poles. They both left their
handspikes sticking in the soft earth
where they had vaulted, and during
the spring rains of 1815 they both
took root and lived.

One of these trees died about ten
years ago, but the other is still living
and is 105 years old. This tree is
about thirty feet in circumference, 175
feet high, with a very large hollow in
the base of the tree which has been
used as a housing for setting hens, a
kennel for dogs and is always a fine
playhouse for children.

CLOUDS ARE EARTH'S VEIL

If Seen From the Moon They Would
Appear as Mere Film Separating
the Earth.

The layer of cloud covering the
earth is relatively very thin. If, for
example, we could examine the earth
from the moon we would doubtless
see a veil of cloud covering little
more than half the surface. At that
distance the clouds would have no
texture, the earth would appear
swathed in an irregular sheet of
formless vapor, through which, from
time to time, the land and water areas
could be seen.

The cloud cover of the earth is most
attenuated; it may be compared to a
film, for it is supposed to be less than
one-eight-hundredth of the earth's di-
ameter in vertical thickness.

The thinness of the earth's atmos-
phere may be more clearly compre-
hended if we realize that the relative
thickness of the cloud layer on an
eight-inch terrestrial globe would be
about one-hundredth of an inch. Yet
it is in this thin belt that clouds form,
so that it is seen our weather is pro-
duced within limited confines.—The
Acc.

The Old Red Barn Passes.

Boyhood days without a hayloft are
like a play without a stage. The auto-
mobile has vanquished the big red
barn, as the cement bottomed pool has
the old swimming pool. The center of
boyhood life has disappeared. Im-
agine the gang sneaking off from trust-
ing parents on a hot afternoon and
congregating in the shiny new garage.
Where can they conceal the forbidden
weapons, or the thumb-marked yellow-
back that mother thinks has long since
fallen into the ash heap? Where do
they hide to escape the starched shirt
and stiff shoes and the party? Where
are the circuses given? The train ro-
beries planned? And the hair-raising
stories repeated? The carefree scenes
of boyhood life has disappeared. Im-
mo field to grow and expand in. Half
the joys of youth have vanished with
the passing of the old red barn.—Sum-
mer Session Kansan.

JEWELS USED IN WATCHES

Hard Substance is Needed to With-
stand the Constant Friction Which
Wears Away Moving Parts.

The principal reason for the deteri-
oration of any piece of machinery is
because the constant friction wears
away the moving parts and interferes
with the regularity of the mechanism.
A watch, being a machine in which
absolute uniformity of speed is essen-
tial, it is necessary to reduce this
friction to a minimum—either through
constant oiling, the use of ball bear-
ings or some very hard material which
will withstand the wear and tear of
constant friction. The first two of
these methods are not feasible in so
small a piece of machinery as a
watch, so certain very hard jewels are
placed at various points to counteract
the rubbing caused by the moving
parts.

Watches are generally equipped
with 7, 15, 17, 18, 21 or 23 jew-
els, the 15 and 17-jewel types being
the most popular. Intrinsicly, the
jewels used in the manufacture of
watches are of little value, but from
the standpoint of service and the spe-
cific purpose which they serve they are
invaluable. The jewels usually used
in watchmaking are the hardest of
the precious stones, diamonds, saph-
ires and rubies, and of these the
most generally used is the sapphire,
which combines hardness with com-
paratively reasonable price.

POWER IN RADIUM WATCH

Owner of Radiolite Timepiece is Also
Possessor of Vast Power
Plant.

The possessor of a radiolite watch
or one having a radium dial by which
the time can be detected at night, is
also the possessor of a vast power
plant of no mean proportions, accord-
ing to a writer in the Electrical Ex-
perimenter. There is sufficient radium
on your watch to haul your train
home if it could be properly applied,
says this author.

As the matter stands, the innocent-
looking radium dial does not seem to
possess any extraordinary amount of
concentrated energy, but this is only
apparently the case, and not actually
so, for the reason that while the
amount of activity manifested by the
radium paint on the dial is small, this
effect will keep up for 2,500 years,
provided the zinc sulphide, with which
the radium is mixed so as to produce
a glow, holds out that long. The zinc
sulphide in most cases gives out in
about eight to ten years.

Now, if we could but find a way to
make the radium release all its energy
in a few hours, instead of spreading it
over 2,500 years, it would not be diffi-
cult to make a motor that would uti-
lize this energy.

Seeing Through Other's Eyes.

We all have our natural tendency to-
ward a bias of one sort or another.
When we see through other's eyes we
also add their bias to our own. There
is a possibility that one bias will coun-
teract the other. If so it is well. It
is also possible that one bias will add
very greatly to another. Then what an
unfair verdict you must render. Poor
judgment is sure to follow and shame
will lay at your door before you dream
it possible. Yet most of us are to more
or less extent guilty of the habit. It's
so easy to take our start from where
others leave off. We are compromised
to the extent that we lean on their
judgments. It isn't fair and often
leads to sorrow.

Don't make too much fun of the
other fellow's glasses. He may be bad-
ly biased, but then you have no means
of knowing how you look in his eyes.
We are all more or less influenced by
our heredity and environment. So the
wise thing is to get all the facts pos-
sible before we pass judgment.

Unique Moccasins.

Braves of the Passamaquoddy In-
dians at the Pleasant Point (Me.) re-
servation do a thriving business among
summer visitors by the sale of moc-
casins made from the feet of seals.
Seals are prolific in Passamaquoddy
bay. The Indians kill many of them
each year. The hides are tanned and
used for various purposes and the feet
are worked up into footwear both for
their own use and for commerce. The
fact that there is always a claw, or
nail, left for each of the five toes
makes these articles of footwear
unique and gives them an appeal to the
tourists who visit the reservation.

Virtues of Bare Feet.

Eye was reputedly barefoot, and
Nausicaa played ball all the better be-
cause she went unshod.

Helen of Troy at the most wore san-
dals, and the sandal is the compromise
between the shoeless and the shod. It
is easier to make sandals than to make
boots.

In Ireland and Scotland the children
have run barefoot for many a day, and
the wit of the one and the enterprise

of the other show that there is nothing
really demoralizing in going without
shoes and stockings.—London Chroni-
cle.

A Slight Omission.

Bertie—Good heavens! What a slight
you are!

Reggie—Just as I was leaving the
house to come to the club my wife
pelted me with flowers.

"But that doesn't account for your
bruised and battered appearance."

"No, you see, she forgot to take them
out of the pots!"—From the Edinburgh
Scotsman.

Imposing on Hospitality.

In Alabama a negro team driver
came home one night and found his
wife highly agitated.

"Jeff," she said, "you know dat Ann
Rogers' wife, Sallie, is dead. Ain't
you goin' to be a pallbearer at de
fun'r'l?"

"No, I ain't," answered Jeff with
unusual positiveness.

"You ain't! Well, wasn't you a pall-
bearer at de fun'r'l of his second wife,
Melissa?"

"So I wuz. But dat ain't—"

"En wuzn't you a pallbearer at de
fun'r'l of his first wife, Mandie? What
you mean, you ain't goin' to act dis
time?"

"Liza," he said, "suntinly, I wuz a
pallbearer at dem fun'r'ls, en I done de
best I could, but I'm tellin' you now
I ain't acceptin' no mo' favors from
nobody whut I can't return."—Lon-
don Tit-Bits.

Getting Desperate.

Felix Frankfurter of the Popular
Government league, said at a banquet
in Cambridge:

"The authorities, to soothe us—for
they see we're getting pretty desper-
ate—the authorities now declare that
the high cost of living is going to
fall."

Mr. Frankfurter made a gesture of
scorn and incredulity.

"Well, it has fallen," he said—"on
the consumer."

Ideas Confused.

"How are the women here as con-
versationalists?"

"The light one over there is rather
heavy, but the dark girl beside her
is very light."

Extremes Meeting.

"The electrician who was on the
spot was certainly a live wire."

"How do you know?"

"I could tell by the way he han-
dled the dead one."

Washing Rugs.

When either rugs or small carpets
require washing dissolve four ounces
of good white soap in four ounces of
boiling water. When cool, add five
ounces of glycerin and two ounces of
chloroform. Bottle and cork well for
use. When needed add one teaspoon-
ful of the preparation to a pail of
tepid water and wash the carpet with
a flannel and soap in the usual way.
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cleaning and brightening effect.
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nailing the corners or sides if neces-
sary.

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get her share of the world's business. It rests with the citizens of this state whether Oregon shall
develop her wonderful resources and reach out for bigger markets, or remain practically an inland
state.

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rivers from Portland to the Pacific ocean. This will enable farmers, stockmen and lumbermen in
the interior of the state to reach the markets of the world at a lower freight rate and greater
profit to themselves.

The taxing and bonding power to make these improvements can be granted the Port of
Portland only by the people of the state. You and every other citizen will benefit if you, on
November second,

VOTE 310 YES ON THE BALLOT—THE PORT OF PORTLAND DOCK COMMISSION
CONSOLIDATION BILL.

Oregon Port Development League.

Paid Adv.

L. W. TRIMBLE, Secretary.