

## Stories of Great Scouts

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### "YELLOWSTONE" KELLY AND HIS RIFLE, "OLD SWEETNESS"

It was the year 1783. The hostile Sioux had surrounded Fort Stevenson, N. D., and any white man who went out alone went to his death. When the mail was sent to Fort Buford, 218 miles away, a full company of soldiers went along to guard it. One day, while the troops were out on a scout, important dispatches came which had to be delivered at once, and there was no one who would dare attempt the hazardous journey.

A young man, named Luther S. Kelly, learning of this, went to the commanding officer and offered to get them through alone. Kelly was a New Yorker who had come west seeking adventure. Because of his youth, the scouts around the fort had nicknamed him "The Kid," and now these men told him he would be scalped before he was a mile from the post. He laughed at them.

"I guess 'Old Sweetness' and I can take care of any Sioux who jumps us!" he said. "Old Sweetness" was his pet name for his favorite rifle.

A few hours later Kelly walked into Fort Berthold, 18 miles from Stevenson. The Mandan, Gros Ventre and Arikara Indians, camped about that post for protection against the Sioux, gathered about in admiration of his daring, for they lived in terror of the Dakota warriors.

Kelly stopped at Berthold only long enough to eat and then pushed on to Buford, 200 miles away. Four miles from Berthold he came to a timbered valley. When he reached the bottom, a bullet whizzed past his ears. As the scout dropped behind a log, three Sioux warriors rushed him. "Old Sweetness" spoke three times and the warriors dropped in their tracks. Kelly returned to Fort Berthold and told of his adventure. The friendly Indians were wild with joy, and after that they called Kelly "The Little Man With the Strong Heart."

The scout started again for Fort Buford and delivered the dispatches without further adventure. He became the regular mail carrier, but the Sioux were so frightened of his "strong medicine" that they never attacked him again.

Kelly remained in the United States service as a scout until 1883. He was a lieutenant of volunteers in the Spanish-American war and in the Philippines the old Indian scout, as captain of the Filipino scouts, added further to his laurels of war before he retired as a fighting man.

### Formation of Grano Bank.

The Grand bank of Newfoundland is supposed to be composed of deposits of solid matter brought from the Arctic seas by icebergs, which gradually melt by contact with the warm water of the Gulf stream.

### Why Men Hate Shops.

"Of course," said the floorwalker in the big department store somewhat apologetically to the clerk at the stocking counter, "I suppose it's talking against my own sex, but you can't tell me men are more efficient than women, at least not in the stores."

"When a man comes in here he never thinks of coming to me and asking where he can find the desired article. Instead he poms all around the store, asks salesgirls who aren't supposed to know the different departments and gets mad generally because he doesn't get what he wants in a hurry. That's one of the reasons why men hate to shop. They don't use their heads at all."—New York Sun.

### Sharkskin "Shoe Leather."

Recent tests of sharkskin uppers for shoes by the United States bureau of standards were made in a way both

ingenious and practical. Pairs were made to order, with one upper of kid and the other upper of shark leather, and these were worn by employees of the bureau. It was found that the shark leather wore better and longer than the kid. It has the special advantage of being waterproof. It is officially announced that shark hides yield leather of high quality, suitable for many purposes and attractive for traveling bags, brief cases, desk sets and the like. When the value of the livers for "cod liver" oil and the availability of the flesh as a meal for feeding animals are taken into consideration, it seems obvious that there is an important future ahead of shark fishery.

### Limit of Incompetency.

The worst incompetent in any business is the person who is so cocksure he knows everything that he doesn't take the time to learn anything. This applies to employer as well as employee.

### Real Balm of Gilead Discovered.

The real balm of Gilead is the dried juice of a low shrub, which grows in Syria. It is very valuable and scarce, for the amount of balm yielded by one shrub never exceeds 60 drops a day.

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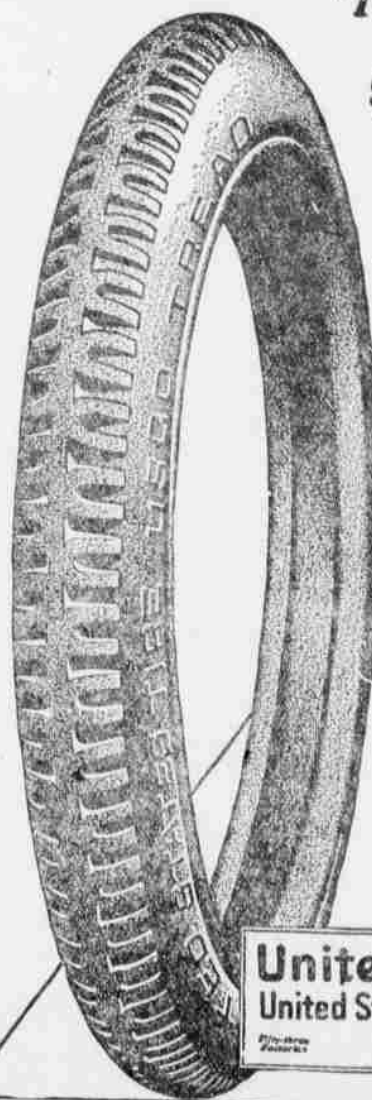
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