

COWBOY COSTUME IS MADE FOR SERVICE

Rangers Just Hard Workers Earning Their Living.

Denver, Colo.—Lurid fiction tales of chaparral cow "waddies" galloping recklessly across the prairies, or shooting the buttons from some easterner's spats at 70 paces with notched "45s" have drawn a protest from Charles D. Frost, a rancher of Bozeman, Mont.

Frost asserts that westerners are not gangs of noisy imbeciles who go on dress parade to please tourists, nor does their sole occupation consist of hanging bad men.

He pictured the cowboy as merely an ordinary human being, trailing his blighted spurs about the ranchyard at the most menial of tasks.

Not Comic Costume.

Even the cowboy's dress is not a costume for a burlesque show, Frost says, but an apparel designed to meet conditions with which the cow-puncher has to cope. The chaps keep the brush from scratching the legs of the riders; the "shootin' irons" are used for predatory animals and to protect their herds; the neckerchief originated on the old Texas trails as a protection from dust. It originally was worn across the nose, being knotted loosely about the neck when not in use. The high-heeled boots keep the foot of the rider from slipping through the stirrup aboard a snorting mount. The spurs are as necessary as a wrench to a present-day mechanic, while the ten-gallon hats are a protection against sun and storm.

"The 1926 model cowboy," Frost declares, "spends comparatively little time hanging horse thieves, and even less time committing burglary and highway robbery, which fail to thrive on the range."

"The cowboy of today does not compel English lords to dance by shooting at their feet, nor does he conspire to commit murder by inducing a 'tenderfoot' to mount a notoriously bad horse. Furthermore, the puncher does not wear his sombrero, spurs and gun for the edification of the tourist 'dudes' and 'dudeena,' but employs them in his work the same as a deep-sea diver wears a helmet."

He's a Hard Worker.

"When the miles of barbed-wire fences need repairing, some one must do the work. It is up to the cowboy, and he sallies forth with staples, pliers and wire stretcher instead of six-gun, lariat spurs and glistening conchas-trimmed chaps. The 1926 cowboy also shoes his own horses, keeps the windmill or gasoline engine pump working, or puts hay up in the summer and feeds it to the cattle during the winter. He brands colts and calves; gathers and drives beef to the railroads, loads it into stock cars, goes to the city with the shipment, and attempts to raise doggies by hand."

French Chemist Produces Forms That Resemble Life

Paris.—Making lifeless chemicals act as though they were alive, is the feat reported here by M. Herrera, a well-known French chemist. M. Herrera made a solution of 14 parts of caustic soda and 1 part rhodamine in 100 parts of water, and poured a few drops of this into a second solution consisting of 1 part olive oil and 2 of gasoline.

The drops staged a close imitation of the behavior of amoebae, one of the simplest of animal forms. They divided, moved about slowly, elongated, formed vacuoles within themselves and constantly changed their shape. Under proper conditions they kept up this performance for as long as an hour.

M. Herrera made no claim that the drops had any properties of life. The phenomenon, he said, is probably due to diffusion currents, changes in osmotic pressure, surface tension and other physical and chemical influences.

Italian Culture Home Erected by Columbia

New York.—A bit of old Italy, as pure in form as a Medici palace, soon will stand at the crest of Morningside heights.

The cornerstone of the Casa Italiana, controlled by but removed from Columbia university, was laid recently. Paintings, art objects and specimens of the work of Italian artists at the richest periods of history will grace the interior of the structure.

All corners of the world will be represented, for gifts have been promised from persons wherever there are Italians.

King Victor Emanuel heads the list of contributors with two paintings.

The dedication exercises in the fall will take the form of commemorating Saint Francis, the Friar of Assisi, whose order, the Franciscans, was established in Italy and became responsible for much of the artistic progress of the country.

Asks \$10,000 for Kiss

Camden, N. J.—Charging that Howard Brant, wealthy real estate dealer, forcibly kissed her while she was visiting his office, Mrs. Margaret Stockberger is suing him for \$10,000 damages.

Ban on Fags

Cambridge, Mass.—No smoking for Radcliffe college students. The student body has voted to ban the use of fags everywhere.

GOLD THIEF NABBED BY MARKED METAL

Suice-Box Robber Caught by Old Police Trap.

William Lake, B. C.—A unique and new method of stealing precious yellow nuggets from sluice boxes has been tripped up by one of the oldest traps known to police—marked money.

The trap was varied slightly, for instead of using government coins or bills, police officers stamped thin sheets of gold and caught the robber red handed, after he had avoided their traps for more than five years.

Now that Frank Lane DeLong is safely behind prison bars, where he will remain for the next two years, he probably will admit that the most adroit maneuvers cannot escape the long arm of the law.

Back in 1921 officials of the Kitchen mine at Keithley creek suspected that some one was robbing their sluice boxes, but they failed to detect the thief. The thefts went on intermittently for more than four years. The thief, evidently believing himself outside the law, became bolder and the thefts became more numerous.

Finally, a plan was hatched to trap the marauder. Several thin strips of gold were marked with the letters "K. M." and doubled up to hide the identification marks.

Several days later DeLong walked boldly into the local police station and announced that he had made a strike. As proof of his assertion he produced two small bottles filled with gold nuggets and dumped them on the table. While one police officer edged toward the door to cut off escape the other sorted through the nuggets until he came to the "plant." When the leaves were unrolled DeLong admitted his guilt.

DeLong said he stole the nuggets by placing a false box under the sluice box, after boring holes through the upper box which permitted the nuggets to drop through.

SHE'S A MAYOR



Mrs. Mattie Chandler, mayor-elect of Richmond, Calif., is a home-lover and fond of working in her garden, where the photographer caught her. She is also a skillful politician, and won the election over nine opponents.

Canadian Lake Monster, 15 Feet Long, Races Auto

Vernon, B. C.—A strange monster which inhabits Okanagan lake raced a motor car being driven along the shore road for several hundred yards, says J. L. Logie, manager of a local land company.

Mr. Logie describes the monster as having a head like a sheep, a dark-colored body showing about five feet above the water, and as about fifteen feet long. Three other persons in the car with Mr. Logie say the monster raised a swell about a foot high and made the spray fly ahead of it as it cut through the water at approximately the same speed as the automobile.

Names of Streets Tell New Orleans' Story

New Orleans.—Names of New Orleans streets present a mixture of French, Spanish and American influences of other days and impress strangers instantly as one of the oldest of the interesting features of the old city.

The city itself was not named, as many think, for the French city of Orleans, but the duke of Orleans, Chartres street bears the name of his son, the Duc de Chartres. Royal street is said to have been named for Madame Royale, eldest sister of the king.

Bourbon bears the dynastic name and the dauphine is remembered through Dauphine street. A group of streets is named for the muses, Calliope, Clo, Erato, Thalia, Melpomene, Terpsichore, Euterpe, Polymnia and Urania.

The Napoleonic influence left Napoleon avenue, Josephine street and a street for each of Napoleon's victories, Austerlitz, Jena, Cadix, Constantnople and Berlin. Berlin passed during the World war in favor of General Pershing street.

"LADY OF MUKHTARA" TALKS OF U. S. SHOES

Queen of the Druses Won't Discuss Politics.

Mukhtara, Greater Lebanon, Syria.—Dressed in purple robes of the finest silks and satin, tall and rather plump, her face covered by a filmy black veil of the most exquisite texture, the "lady of Mukhtara" presents truly a regal picture.

"The queen of the Druses," as she is called by the men who are fighting the soldiers of France, is often looked to for advice and guidance. She appears every inch a queen.

Aged about thirty-seven, she was left a widow a few years ago when her husband, a member of the great family of the Yumblatta, was assassinated by his own countrymen, the Druses.

Inherited Much Wealth.

Sit Nizra Yablatt was left alone with her two children, at the head of her immense property both in the Lebanon and the Djebel Druse.

She never wept a tear, never tried to prosecute her husband's murderers, but as in the past took a moral and financial interest in the welfare of her countrymen.

Although unopposed to the French mandate, Sit Nizra warned Sultan Attrache not to rise against France in open armed rebellion. She refused to contribute any funds toward the purchase of war material and ammunition, but has placed money at the disposal of widows and orphans of the Druse warriors fallen in battle.

Shown Priceless Tapestries.

This was the woman who received the correspondent in a great room littered with the richest carpets of Damascus, hung with the priceless tapestries of Persia, in an atmosphere strangely redolent of the "Thousand and One Nights."

Speaking excellent English, the queen's first words were:

"Please don't talk politics. I no longer have interest in politics when blood is flowing in the Djebel Druse and my countrymen are being killed in hopeless battle. Talk to me about America."

"These shoes, they come from America," she volunteered, when the correspondent had perhaps rather too intently looked at her dainty feet.

"You must have had them made to order," the correspondent absently replied. "I don't see how you could find a size small enough in the ready-mades."

The suspicion of a frown appeared and then she smiled and said: "Yes, they are rather small, and it is a good thing that brains are not in one's feet."

The queen discussed the United States and other topics as far removed as possible from war in the Djebel Druse. Her eyes flashed with pride when she was told that her countrymen in America generally proved to become good citizens, were respected members of their communities and the majority prospered financially.

Oklahoma Women Bare Indian Ideals

Oklahoma City, Okla.—Ethereal traits of the Oklahoma Indians are being emphasized to club women of Oklahoma in a series of programs designed for that purpose.

An index of literature dealing with the origin, history, religion, folk lore and music of Indian tribes that have their home in Oklahoma has been prepared by Mrs. Carolina Conlan, chairman of the Indian welfare committee of the Oklahoma Federation of Women's Clubs. Intended as tentative material for Indian programs, the index is available to all women's clubs, Mrs. Conlan said.

The programs are intended to remove the impression that the battle cry and the war dance are still the prevailing forms of aboriginal expression.

Mrs. Conlan, herself of Choctaw and Chickasaw origin, points out that the five civilized tribes of Oklahoma—the Chickasaws, Choctaws, Creeks, and Seminoles—have been an educated people for more than a century and that many outstanding artists have sprung from their ranks.

Papa Bobs Mamma's Hair; Uses a Stone to Do Job

London.—Women have their hair shingled among the Australian aborigines in the region of Gregory sea and it is a husband's prerogative to cut his wife's hair with sharpened stones.

Such is the story of hairdressing in Australia which Michael Terry, explorer, has brought back to London after a trip through little-known parts of northern Australia.

Female hair is much prized by the aborigines, as it is used in weaving belts and making various sorts of ornaments.

Advertising Pays

New York.—The manufacture of a temperance beverage named after a neighbor of Uncle Sam has found advertising to be an Aladdin's lamp. In 1922, when there was no advertising, sales were 1,600,050 bottles. Last year, with something over \$800,000 used for advertising, sales were 51,783,900 bottles.

What! Again? Cedar Rapids, Iowa.—The Cherry sisters, Effie and Addie, have signed for another farewell vaudeville tour.

Barbara Luddy



Winsome Barbara Luddy, who has been seen to splendid advantage in the movies is 5:2 in height, has dark hair and gray eyes. When chosen to play a leading part in a well-known production she was merely an extra. She fulfilled the hopes of her casting director.

How It Started

By JEAN NEWTON

"BY RULE OF THUMB"

TO SPEAK of some one as measuring by rule of thumb is to imply slipshod methods, an uncertain, careless, haphazard way of doing anything. The phrase is a relic of the old custom of measuring material by the length of the thumb. As a matter of fact, in almost any workshop today seamstresses of the old school can be found who, for lack of a tape measure or out of force of habit, will take measurements by the length of their fingers.

Nowadays it is the third finger, however, rather than the thumb, that is most popular for the purpose, and a seamstress who was seen to use this old-fashioned unit of measurement answered a remark that this could not be very exact with proof that material held by her third finger and measured back as far as the knuckle measured exactly one-eighth of a yard. In this instance, therefore, "by rule of thumb" was not haphazard or merely approximate, as it is likely to be in most cases, and as it is applied in the figurative use of the phrase.

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As Told by Irvin S. Cobb

A CIRCULATING MEDIUM

THIS story has the merit of being applicable to these days although, to the best of my knowledge and belief, it originated back in the Wicked Days prior to January, 1920.

An auctioneer's man had been sent to a household to list its contents. Nothing of especial interest, either to himself or to others, marked the course of his labors until he had progressed so far as the dining room. Here, following his routine, he proceeded to enumerate the furnishings in proper order, item by item.

In his flowing professional script he set down the tally in his book:

- One mahogany dining room table.
 - Six mahogany dining chairs.
 - One mahogany sideboard.
 - One bottle, full.
- Seemingly, then, ensued a period when the appraiser was otherwise engaged and made no entries whatsoever. Then, in a somewhat straggling and uncertain handwriting, he scratched out the last item and concluded his labors for the day with the following notation:
- One bottle, partially full.
 - One revolving Turkish rug.

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London's Big Population.
The actual city of London covers only 675 acres and contains a population of 13,769, says the Dearborn Independent. The metropolitan district of London, however, has an area of 443,424 acres and a population of more than 8,000,000.

Named From Home Town.
Diocletian, the Roman emperor whose name is associated with the most famous baths in history, received his name from the small town of Dioclea Dalmatia, where he was born about the year 245 A. D.

World's Southernmost City.
Punta Arenas, situated on the Straits of Magellan, South America, is said to be the southernmost city in the world. It was founded in 1843 by Chile as a convict station and has about 21,000 inhabitants.

Go Long Without Water.
When crossing the desert camels are expected to carry their loads 25 miles a day, for three days, without drink. The fletcher breeds carry their rider and a bag of water 50 miles a day, for five days, without drinking.

'Twas Ever So.
When Noah sailed the ocean blue He had his troubles same as you— For days and days he drove the ark Before he found a place to park.

Brother Williams.
If we'd jes, help ourselves some we wouldn't be all time axin Providence ter come ter de rescue.—Atlanta Constitution.

Fog Extends Far.
A fog in the Atlantic ocean is generally about 30 miles in diameter.

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