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NEW ROQUE CHAMPION



For the first time in the history of the annual national roque tourneys, a woman led the field in one division of the championships at Norwich, Conn. Mrs. Annie L. Whitney, a native of Portland, Me., was proclaimed champion of the second division after winning 11 matches and losing but one to 11 male competitors.

MOUNTAINS AFFECT BIRD LIFE

Andes Said to Be Responsible for Number of Species Found in South America.

The richness of South American bird-life is due to the presence of the Andes more than to any other one thing. It is the absence of great mountain chains in Africa, which accounts for the comparatively small numbers of species of birds in that continent. From base to summit, four distinct zones of life—tropical, sub-tropical, temperate and alpine—are found in the higher Andes, and each zone has species which are confined to it.

It is not only the height of the Andes which affects bird life. In places, for hundreds of miles, this gigantic range may appear as two or three chains, each not less than 10,000 or 11,000 feet in height, and these climatic walls are as impassable to the species living in the tropical or sub-tropical valleys they inclose as though

they extended to the zenith. Isolation is, therefore, added to the factors of climate and sedentariness in the making of the species, and the three combined have produced a greater variety of bird life than is found in any area of similar extent in the world. The American museum of natural history inaugurated in 1911 a biological survey of the Andean region with particular reference to its bird life. As a result of the collections and field studies made, the museum is now in possession of large collections and data from the more northern part of the chain.

RYAN, HAMMER THROWER



Pat Ryan, the powerful New York er, winning the hammer throw in the Olympic games at Antwerp.

A Home Run.

George Ade, the incorrigible bachelor scored a home run off marriage at a wedding breakfast in Chicago.

"The emblem of peace is the olive branch. The emblem of war is—"

Here the paterfamilias hesitated, and from his place at the top of the table Mr. Ade spoke up:

"The emblem of war," he said, "is of course, the orange blossom."

FEW ESCAPED TAX GATHERER

In Old "Merrie England" His Net Was Wide and Its Meshes Set Especially Close.

The Bulgarian bachelor who now groans under an annual tax, equivalent to 8s 4d a year, has less cause to grumble than many a British celibate who shied at the altar a couple of centuries or more ago.

During the 13 years from 1695 to 1708 the man over twenty-five who shirked his matrimonial duty was called on to pay £12 10s (\$62.50) for a duke, a tax which yielded to the revenue about £1,000 (\$5,000) a week.

More than this, in those good old times the Briton had to pay a tax when he took himself a wife, and another every time he qualified as father. Thus, a duke's nuptials cost him £50 4s (\$252); his heir, £30 2s (\$152), and for each later male addition to the family his joy was discounted by a payment of £25 2s (\$127).

The benedict whose income was less than £50 (\$250) a year had to pay 2s 6d (60 cents) for his bride and 2s (48 cents) every time he became a father.

Musical Street Criers.

In Charleston, even the chimney sweeps are musical, and as their tiny faces appear at the top of the chimneys they are sweeping, you hear: "Roo roo" sung out over the sounds of the charcoal boy belongs. He drives into town a tiny donkey hitched to a tiny two-wheeled cart. The cart and load are black, the donkey is black, the boy is black and the only other color that you can see in the whole outfit is the whites of the boy's eyes as he rolls them around and calls the eerie, long-drawn-out "Char-coal!" You wonder which is the sadder and blackest, the driver, the driven, cart or contents, as they wend their solitary way onward, crying ever that sad, minor wall of char-coal!—Charleston News and Courier.

Oldest Confection in the World.

The greater part of the black stick licorice consumed is derived from Spain, where it is made from the juice of the plant and mixed with starch to prevent it from melting in hot weather. The licorice plant is a shrub that attains a height of three feet and it grows wild where its roots reach the water. It flourishes especially on the banks of the Tigris and Euphrates rivers. Since the valley of the Euphrates contained one of the earliest civilizations in the world, the probability is that licorice is about the oldest confection in the world, and the taste which the boys and girls of today like so well was enjoyed by the youngsters of 3,000 years ago.

The Sophomores were hosts at the first party of this season, given at the Auditorium, Friday evening. There were about sixty present. The first part of the evening was devoted to playing lively games directed by Mr. Bense. About ten o'clock a dainty luncheon was served with hot chocolate which was made by Mrs. Rubner. The rest of the evening was past in dancing. The music being furnished by Virginia Lock, Phyllis Dyer, and Norman Rubner, with Clarice Watson as an assistant. Everyone reported a very good time.

Mrs. E.J. Kingsley, the girls basketball coach, is very much encouraged over the fine progress the girls are making, and if the interest and enthusiasm is continued by the girls they will no doubt have a fine team when the season opens.

Miss Martha Winslow, Class of '21, gave a talk Tuesday afternoon on the single tax amendment to the State Constitution, both the affirmative and the negative arguments.

Miss Jane Gunn, Senior Class President, who came down with the mumps last Saturday was absent from school this week.

A number of the boys are planning to attend the Older Boys Y. M. C. A. Conference to be held at Pendleton, October 5-6-7.

The Seniors are planning a big surprise so keep your eyes open. "Watchful Waiting" is a good motto.

Mark Anthony said—up to date. "If you have any profiteers to shed, prepare to shed them now."

Irene Castle

Sophie Kerr's popular novel, "The See-Saw," which ran serially in a prominent magazine and was later published in book form, has been adapted for the screen under the title of "The Invisible Bond" and is Irene Castle's latest picture. It will be shown at The Play House Wednesday, October 27th.

The story is about a husband and wife who are still in love after four

POEM

Tell Mother That I Love Her Still

A boy in Khaki was lying still; his comrad stood close by.

When slowly the dying soldier boy opened his bright blue eyes

"Come close Jack," he said to his pal,

"I've a message you may take

And this is the last I ask, Old Boy, so please make no mistake.

"Tell Mother that I lover her still, tell Dad I love him too,

Give Sis my little wrist watch, Jack, my purse I'll give to you.

Give Nell the little diamond ring that I bought for her to-day

Tell her I kissed her photograph before I went away."

He took his wrist watch from his arm the ring and purse from his belt,

And gave them to his old pal, Jack, who close beside him knelt.

Those bright blue eyes then slowly closed, his color faded away,

Jack saw his pale lips slowly move, he listened and heard him say,

"Tell Mother that I lover her still, tell Dad I love him too

Give Sis my little wrist watch, Jack, my purse I give to you.

Give Nell the diamond ring that I bought for her to-day

Tell her I kissed her photograph before I went away."

DEWEY PAYNE

Class of '22.

There will be an open season on school ma'ns in Pendleton this week.

Grade News

The first grades are still doing double work, for they have done 12 weeks in the first 6 weeks.

Clinton Hagueberg has been absent from school on account of an abscess on his arm.

The third grade is going to have a new sand table to be used in teaching geography.

Mrs. Miller's room, the fourth grade won the penat for having the most number of parents at the Parent-Teacher's meeting.

Two new girls, Neta and Nora Walker from Walla Walla have entered the fifth grade.

The Adams twins celebrated their tenth birthday Friday of last week. Their mother made two cakes with candles on them, and they entertained their school mates at school.

The sixth grade girls have organized both volly ball and base ball teams.

County Superintendent Green and the members of the school board visited the grades last week.

School, both grade and high school, were dismissed last week at 2:30, on account of the meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association. Mr. Bense discussed the amendment and measures to be voted on at the election, November 2.

Mrs. Van Duesen discussed the value of a hot lunch and letters are being sent out to the parents to ascertain the number of students who will patronize the lunch counter.

Mr. Green discussed the teachers salaries.

years of married life. The husband, however, believes that marriage should not curtail his personal liberty and prevent him from carrying on an affair with a dashing young coquette. After the wife has endured much humiliation through her husband's actions, she divorces him and he speedily marries the other woman. The second wife holds the same theories about marriage as her husband, and the tables are turned on him when she soon begins courting the company of other men. A rich New Yorker becomes infatuated with her and, furious because she will not respond to his attentions, plunges them both over a high cliff in a motor car and kills himself and her. The husband, getting the report of her death, thinks it is his first wife who has been killed and rushes to her home, where they are reconciled.

Hermiston people should go to Stanfield next Tuesday night to hear--

Hon. N. J. SINNOTT

Umatilla county's famous Congressman discourse upon the conduct of governmental affairs under the present Wilsonic regime and the resulting blessing to the entire nation when Oregon helps elect Harding November 2 and finally wakes up to the fact that her 140,000 Republican plurality should be directed toward sending

TWO U. S. SENATORS

to Washington, D. C., who represent the people of this great state and who will not kill one another's vote in Congressional affairs.

Mr. Sinnott will speak at the PEOPLES THEATER, STANFIELD, Tuesday Evening, October 26, at 7:30

Eastern Oregon is prostrate in the hands of a country almost ruined by the Underwood Tariff Law. Wheat and wool men are going broke and prosperity hangs in the balance November 2.

Vote for Harding! Hear Sinnott! Vote for Stanfield!