

On the Side—By E. V. Durling

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The claims for the effectiveness of garlic in various situations seem without end. I have been told if you feed a dog a little garlic he will never be bothered by fleas or ticks. That the scent of the garlic from the dog's body will cause the aforementioned pests to avoid him. As fleas and ticks are numerous down here in Florida our dog is scheduled to have a little garlic with his meals. I'll let you know how it works out. Of course, I don't know how the scent of the garlic from our noble springer spaniel will affect me. Maybe I'll have to arrange to have a gas mask handy when he comes close to me.

X-Ray Eyes

Do you own some land on which there might be some oil? Or have you a chance to buy acreage which might enjoy an oil strike? Is so, it is too bad you cannot obtain the aid of Peter Van Jaarsveld, of South Africa. Peter is known as "The Boy with the X-Ray Eyes." He just looks at the land and states where oil can be found. Peter is said to have also aided in the discovery of gold on several occasions.

Asking

Queries from clients. Q. Are you familiar with a song titled "A Little of What You Fancy Does You Good"? A. Yes, sir. It was a song very popular in England in the yesteryear. I believe it was popularized by Marie Lloyd. Q. Can your Horses & Women experts tell us what kind of wives feminine physicians usually make? A. I regret to say we have no information in our files on the matrimonial talents of female physicians. However, I have asked our experts to check immediately on the matter. Registered nurses make Grade A matrimonial mates, so it would seem the same were true of feminine physicians.

Literary Note

Ernest Hemingway, who recently returned to the United States from France, is said to have written most of his last novel in room eighty-six of the Ritz Hotel, Paris. Ernest wrote in the bathtub. He averaged 500 words a day. My Uncle Al used to read the racing form in the bathtub. He was a brilliant handicapper.

South Pacific

As you no doubt know, the company of that sensational musical hit "South Pacific" was given a week's vacation during Holy Week. Ezio Pinza spent his time off in Florida. Ezio has missed no less than fifty performances during the run of "South Pacific" because of recurring laryngitis. Many people who had waited months to get tickets to the show were bitterly disappointed when they missed Pinza. My girl friend and I were lucky. Pinza was in excellent voice the night we saw "South

Pacific." So was Mary Martin. But then Mary always is. She hasn't missed a performance so far.

Firsts

The first washing machine was patented in England in 1780. The first American patent on a washing machine was registered in 1895. So states an alleged expert on "firsts." Well, I am not posed to argue about the first patents on washing machines. However, when he says the first hotel room in the world with bath attached was in 1908 at the Hotel Statler in Buffalo, N. Y., I am inclined to start checking. Surely there were "rooms with bath" available at hotels before 1908. It is my impression that the first hotel to have rooms with baths attached was the Hotel Ritz in Paris. But I don't know the date.

Nearly every design or invention in the foundation garment industry to make more women more beautiful has been designed by men. So I am informed by a foundation garment manufacturer. If a man wants steak or roast beef for dinner and is given fish or chicken, the thwarting of his desire may affect his health. The sight of food he doesn't especially care for reacts unfavorably on a man's stomach and upsets his digestion. So states an expert on the psychology of eating. Remember this, lady, when your husband asks for steak give him steak and not finnan haddie. Or you may have a nervous wreck on your hands.

Ellis Coleman Found Dead at Local Hotel

Ellis J. Coleman, 55, was found dead in his room at the San Louis hotel about 11:45 a. m. yesterday, city police reported. Coroner Carlos Morris said he died from natural causes.

According to police, Coleman had been on furlough from the veterans center and Camp White since March 7. Coleman was found by Earl Raymond, an acquaintance of Coleman's and also from Camp White and roomer at the hotel.

Police said that Aue told them he discovered the death when he went to Coleman's room intending to wake him.

Stanley, Getchell Vie Today in Golf Tourney

Max Pearce downed Jack Lewis 2 and 1 yesterday to get a finalist spot in the spring handicap golf tournament at Rogue Valley Country club. Dr. Bruce Stanley and Bayard Getchell tangle today for the other finalist post.

Washington, Apr. 15—(U.P.)—President Truman today added Madison, Wis., to the itinerary of his western trip next month.

Local Students Take Music Festival Award

Grants Pass, Apr. 15—(U.P.)—The annual southern Oregon music festival closed here tonight with a mass concert in memorial auditorium. Hundreds of high school musicians from Grants Pass, Rogue River, Ashland, Medford, Klamath Falls, Paisley, Oak Grove, Phoenix and Central Point were combined in mammoth orchestras and bands.

Ruth Gragg, Grants Pass high school violinist, won top honors by getting the only one-plus grade given by the judges.

Individual Contest

Students and groups obtaining one or two ratings are eligible to participate in the state music festival at Eugene in May. School groups and individuals were not in competition with each other, each musician and group being judged solely on individual merit.

About 250 musicians from Medford high schools participated in the southern Oregon music festival at Grants Pass.

Ratings earned by Medford groups were: Senior high band, orchestra, girls chorus, choir, girls sextet, boys octet, brass sextet, and cornet quartet, all one ratings; senior high boys chorus, two; junior high band, orchestra, girls chorus, and mixed chorus, all one ratings; senior high—clarinet quartet, three plus; brass sextet, one; string quartet, one minus; woodwind quartet, two; trombone

quartet, one minus; cornet quintet, one.

Junior high—violin quartet, three plus; clarinet quartet, one; string trio, one; saxophone quartet, two; string quartet, one; brass sextet, two minus.

Soloists Rate High

Senior high soloists taking high ratings were: Walter Kendall, one minus; Maureen Rice, viola, two plus and violin, one; Robene Starcher, two plus; Henry Padkham, two plus; Marion Rice and Dennis Hachler, though junior high students played in the senior division. Miss Rice rating two plus young Hachler one minus.

Junior high soloist and their ratings are: Kay Williams, one; Geraldine Turpin, two; Janet Monia, two; Blake Maddox, one minus; Carol Ellison, one; Ted Landers, two; Anelda Lewis, two; Nancy Newton, two; Jerry Adamson, one; Pome Roy Sorum, two; and Ned Landers three.

Adjudicators at the festival were Calvin Storey, Longview, Wash., and Don Pence, Bend. Guest conductors were L. Stanley Glarum, Lewis and Clark college, Portland; Jack O'Connor, Oregon State college, and Arlon Bogard, Washington high school, Portland.

STOVE OVERHEATS

Firemen were dispatched to the Harry N. Lewis home, 242 South Holly street, at 6:30 a. m. yesterday when an oil stove overheated.

A Nichols' Worth of—

Comment On This and That

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS
United Press Feature Writer

Washington, Apr. 15—(U.P.)—Are you in the market for some fine old-world bells?



Harman Nichols

Maybe you can get a bargain basement rate on same if you are. And thereby hangs a tale.

Chicago is holding what is called an international trade fair come the middle of August. The fair people got a letter from a famous bell founder in Holland.

He would like to exhibit one of his finest carillons at the trade fair, but right now the man is up a tree.

His carillon has 35 bells. They weigh up to 17 tons, and are hung on a massive 50-foot steel frame of a special design. In addition, there is a keyboard and electrical machinery for automatic operation.

All that adds up to a lot of weight, a lot of shipping space, and a lot of dollars for transportation.

Dollars Lacking
The Dutch manufacturer, whose bells are installed in most of the carillons in Europe, wrote that he doesn't have the American dollars to foot the transportation bill.

It would cost him a pretty penny, he said, to ship the bell tower to Chicago, erect it, take it down, and ship it back to Holland.

The man said he could manage nothing more than a one-way operation. So now he is shopping round for an American buyer. The Dutchman will bring the

thing over here, rig it up and sound the clappers at the fair. When he sells it—if he does—he will settle for the price of an ancient work of European art, f.o.b., Chicago, instead of f.o.b., Amsterdam.

All of which sent me to the library.

Too Complicated

Bell-making is too complicated to explain in a few words.

But some of the inscriptions on the bells are interesting. All of them are on the rims. On one celebrated gone called "Roelant" at Ghent (Belgium) is the inscription:

"Ik ben Roelant
"Ik kleepe brand
"En luide storm in Vlaenderland."

Translated, that means, "I am Roelant, sounding the alarm in fire or storm in Flanders."

A Netherlands bell which the nazis carried off bore this note: "Klok uit de toren
"Oorlog verloren.
In England, that says:

"Bells away
"Country estray."

Some Bells Joyous

And after the war was over, a newly installed bell bore the notation:

"Mof op zijn rug
"Klokken terug."
That is translated:
"Jerries down
"Bells back to town."

Bells across the century have sounded the death knell of people and nations. But at times they have been joyous.

The Dutch bell foundries appear to be the most prolific. Many bells are made of bronze. Others with steel. The Dutch put out about 1,400 bells a year.

Latest Planetary Formation Theory

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The principal theories advanced by scientists of the past two centuries to account for the formation of the solar planets were mentioned in this column last week. Today we consider briefly the very latest, the vortex theory of Dr. Gerard P. Kuiper, University of Chicago astronomer.

Kuiper's theory was made public only last October before a select assemblage of 300 professors, students and distinguished guests. According to the University of Chicago's news release, we infer that it requires a rather profound mathematical effort for an accurate comprehension. We find the statement that "it links together for the first time with precision the hydro-dynamical knowledge of vortex motion with astronomical data."

But side stepping the "deep stuff" and making no attempt to state the "why" of the processes, we give here a simplified version:
Once Ball of Gas

In the dim past, the material of the present solar system was in a vast and disorganized ball of rotating gas and dust, a sort of nebula. About three billion years ago the central portion of this had condensed into the sun and the rest had flattened out into a celestial pancake. Then operations surely speeded up for within a few thousand years the present planets had been formed, and after another century the satellites (moons) of

the planets were completed. The original huge pancake around the sun resembled somewhat the present ring system around Saturn. It was approximately 100 times as wide as thick, and its mass was about half that of the central sun. It continued to contract, until due to gravitational instability—so the mathematics reveal—it could no longer maintain the "status quo." Then whirling eddies began to form here and there in the dusty gas of the hotcake—although it was not hot excepting near the sun according to Dr. Kuiper. He calls these whirling "proto-planets," which we might interpret as meaning "the parents of the planets." By this time sizeable chunks of solid matter had formed in the whirlpools.

Rings Wider
Finally the material of the eddies was collecting into larger masses, the planets, each with a Saturnian pancake surrounding it, but much wider than the present ring of Saturn. These disks in turn collected and formed satellites with the exception of the inner part of Saturn's ring, which is so close to the planet a moon cannot form there.

Our moon was a notable exception among the satellites, according to Dr. Kuiper. It and the earth were produced simultaneously as a double planet. The final shunks of solid matter falling onto them from their common vortex produced immense scars on both. Weathering has worn most of these from the earth's surface, but they remain

as craters on the airless moon. The Kuiperian ideas of planetary origins surely resembles in many respects the 18th-century nebular hypothesis of Kant and Laplace.

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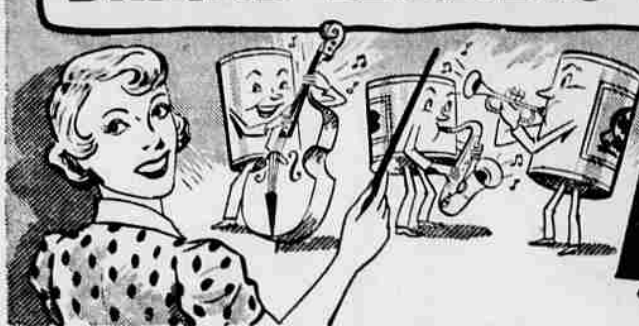
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