

Test Your Knowledge

Can you answer seven of these ten questions? Turn to page Four for the answers.

1. To which country does the island of St. Pierre belong?
2. Where did the famous "Pickett's charge" occur?
3. How many feet are in a fathom?
4. In law, what is "adverse possession?"
5. Who was Eduard Gerhardt?
6. What dogs were bred originally for bull baiting?
7. In which city are the United States Botanic Gardens?
8. In the church calendar, what is the name for the Friday before Easter?
9. Who wrote, "The Innocents Abroad?"
10. What form of government has Finland?

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given to the creditors, heirs and legatees of Carl L. Schirmer, deceased, to appear in the Adams Circuit Court, held at Decatur, Indiana, on the 20th day of October 1937, and show cause if any, why the Final Settlement Accounts with the estate of said decedent should not be approved; and said heirs are notified to then and there make proof of heirship, and receive their distributive shares.

Ulysses Chase, Administrator
Decatur, Indiana Sept. 24, 1937.
C. J. Lutz, Attorney

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given to the creditors, heirs and legatees of Albert Shady, deceased, to appear in the Adams Circuit Court, held at Decatur, Indiana, on the 15th day of October 1937, and show cause if any, why the Final Settlement Accounts with the estate of said decedent should not be approved; and said heirs are notified to then and there make proof of heirship, and receive their distributive shares.

Julia Shady, Executrix
Decatur, Indiana Sept. 24, 1937.
Fruechte and Litterer, Attorneys

Appointment of Administrator

No. 3428
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed Administrator of the estate of James L. Gay late of Adams County, deceased. The estate is probably solvent.

Claude Gay, administrator
Sept. 25, 1937 Sept. 20-27 Oct. 4

E. B. Adams, Attorney

Sept. 25, 1937 Sept. 20-27 Oct. 4

Notice

on and after

October 1

I will be located in my new office

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S. SECOND ST.

Dr. F. L. Grandstaff

PERSONALS

Arthur (Pat) Hyland of Bloomington, visited his mother, Mrs. Elmer Hyland of Fourth street over Sunday.

A collie dog, the property of the Earl Colter boys, was killed Sunday afternoon on Winchester street, when he ran in front of a car and the driver could not stop in time to avoid the accident.

Fred Elzey of Portland, Ind., was here Saturday to attend the Company A reunion.

Hundreds visited the soy bean car here Saturday and were pleased and surprised at the wonderful display.

Mrs. Philip Obenauer, who is a patient at the Adams county memorial hospital, was reported as being a little better today. Mrs. Obenauer underwent a major operation last week.

Sam Cleland, of Fort Wayne, was a business visitor here Monday. Men clad in khaki, employees of a company installing a natural gas line from Hoagland to Fort Wayne have swarmed the city with requests for rooms or apartments.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cornell and daughter Sherry of Bluffton spent the week-end visiting Mrs. Cornell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Colchin.

George Bollinger of Fort Wayne visited here Sunday.

Mrs. Roselle McConnet and Miss Margaret O'Rourke of Fort Wayne visited here Sunday.

Miss Doris Jean Prugh, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Prugh, has returned from a several days' visit in Dayton with her grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Cosner. She was accompanied home by her paternal grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. David R. Prugh, who visited here Sunday.

COURT HOUSE

Appearance Filed

An appearance was filed by Ed A. Bosse for the defendant in the suit to collect a note brought by Eugene

PUBLIC SALE

130 ACRE FARM and PERSONAL PROPERTY
I will sell at Public Auction on the farm 6 miles East and 2 1/2 miles South of Bluffton, 1 1/2 miles Northeast of Vera Cruz, 7 miles West and 2 1/2 miles South of Monroe, Ind., on

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1937

Commencing at 10:00 A. M.

4—HEAD OF HORSES—4

Black Mare, smooth mouth, wt. 1400; Bay Mare, 12 yr. old, wt. 1300; Bay Mare, 11 yr. old, wt. 1100; Bay Mare, 9 yrs. old, each of above Mares raised Colts this summer. These horses are good workers; 4 Weaned Colts; Mares all bred.

17—HEAD OF CATTLE—17

Holstein 5 yr. old; Guernsey & Holstein 5 yr. old; Roan Cow 5 yr. old; Holstein Cow 4 yr. old; two Holstein Cows, 2 yrs. old; 2 Holstein Cows, 10 yrs. old; Guernsey & Holstein Cow 8 yrs. old. Holstein Heifer 2 yr. old, be fresh by day of sale. These are all good cows milking good flow. Two Holstein Heifers 2 yrs. old; Guernsey & Holstein Heifer 2 yrs. old; all pasture bred; Holstein Heifer Yearling; Yearling Guernsey bull; Spring Heifer Calf.

HOGS, 34 HEAD—Two Sows will farrow in Dec.; one large Sow open; 31 Feeders weighing from 40 lbs. to 135 lbs. each.

POULTRY—50 Yearling Buff Rock Pullets, blood tested.

FEED—6 ton timothy hay; 3 ton Bean hay; 15 tons Wheat and Oats Straw; 28 acres Corn on stalk; 200 bushel Oats.

McCormick-Deering binder 8 ft.; IHC Manure Spreader; Good Side Delivery; Keystone Web Hay Loader; McCormick Mower; McCormick-Deering Double Disc; Dunham Cultipacker; International Corn Planter; Superior Fertilizer Grain Drill 10 disc; 2 Corn Cutters; 2 Riding Cultivators; Tedder; one Horse Drill; Clover Buncher; Spring Tooth & Spike Tooth Harrows; Hay Ladders; Ray Rake; Extra Good Wagon and box; one Farm Wagon; Double Harness; Grind Stone; Single and Double Shovel Plow; Cooker Kettle & Jacket; Oliver Riding Breaking Plow; Walking Plow; Platform Scales; 8000 lbs. Scales; Corn Sheller like new; Fan Mill; Wheelbarrow; Hog Rack; Brooder House 8x12; Buckeye Brooder stove 1000 size; Mud Boat; Copper Kettle; Milk Cans; Butcher Tools; Lard Press; Fence Stretchers; Tank Heater; Some Household Goods and many articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS—Cash. Anyone desiring credit see Elmer Baumgartner, Sale Clerk at Berne Bank.

REAL ESTATE

I will also sell at Public Auction on same date at 12:30 P. M. my Farm of 130 acres; good 9 room house with large basement, furnace; 2 room summer house; good barn 36x90; hog house, crib and wagon shed 28x40; machine shed and granary 25x48. This is a good farm, a nice home. Buildings are in good repair. Possession March 1, 1938.

TERMS—Sold subject to Union Central Life Insurance loan of \$6550.00. Balance cash.

MRS. TOBIAS STEFFEN

Roy S. Johnson—Auctioneer.

Elmer Baumgartner—Clerk.

Lunch will be served.

Runyon against Willard Kelsey.

Real Estate Transfer

Minnie B. Reid to Guy B. Bess, in-lot 32 in Decatur for \$1.
Guy B. Bess to Wilbert E. Hoge, in-lots 7 and 32 in Decatur for \$1.
Wilbert E. Hoge to Guy B. Bess, Tr., in-lots 7 and 32 in Decatur for \$1.

Clara Hanna, Ex. to Carl T. Hanna, in-lots 689 and 690 and part of 691 in Decatur for \$1,000.
Martin L. Smith to Guy B. Bess, in-lot 680 in Berne for \$1.

"THE SILVER ROOD MYSTERY"

by Lewis Allen Browne

CHAPTER XXVIII

"We will do the best we can to trail Nola. I am sorry that she knows me. I would like that job," I told Mrs. Stapleton.

"This is far more important than you realize, Mr. Stevenson. I will finance any investigation, whatever it may cost. Do start one, aside from whatever this Sergeant Harper, who is in charge of this investigation, may do."

This made me think of my young brother, Phil, a law student. Here was an opportunity for him to get a thrill in the work he liked, and to make some money. I told her about him.

"Where is he?"

"Down at the Forrests. He came yesterday for a short visit."

I went in and found Mrs. Johnson, learning that Nola Morin was to leave just before noon. I took the short cut down through the stile and found Phil and Dave playing tennis. He had heard much of what I was doing, trying to help the authorities clear up the mystery, and he fairly jumped at this opportunity.

I had him get ready and took him to Greatport where Wally Foxcroft, who knew Phil quite well, arranged to point out Nola Morin to him. Phil was to take the same train and never lose her, if he could follow my instructions.

When I got back to the Montith place Nola Morin had departed. Howard Griswold had driven over again and he and Mary were out for a ride.

Mrs. Stapleton and I drove over and had a conference with Judge Wentworth. He was quite elderly, a retired judge, and had been Gerard Montith's lawyer for many years. He, with Simmons of the local bank, and Mrs. Stapleton, had been named as executors of the estate.

"Preposterous!" bellowed Judge Wentworth when we told him what was in the wind. By the time, however, that I had told him every detail that I knew, the old gentleman was greatly worried.

"Won't believe it! Won't believe it!" he growled. "But, by Godfrey, if it is true, we can't let it get to court."

Mrs. Stapleton quite agreed with him.

I explained that we came to prepare him, since I expected that before long this Nola Morin would come to him, with whatever it was she claimed to be proofs that Gerard Montith was her father.

Back at the Montith house Mrs. Stapleton discussed the situation at great length.

"One thing that makes me suspicious, Mrs. Stapleton," I pointed out, "is that I do not believe Mr. Montith would be so unwise as not to provide for a child of his."

"Right, Gerard never would have done that."

"That is why—"

"But, after all, many young women are peculiar about that. This poor little Mrs. Lutzmann practically worshipped him because he rescued her from her brutal husband and unhappy life. It is quite possible that she wouldn't tell him—or he may have been away and she couldn't find him."

"She could have found you!"

"That is true. Oh, dear—this is getting worse and worse."

"And you said that your brother told you he saw her, as a hat check girl, a couple years later."

"Yes, surely, she would have managed to tell him, then."

"Unless he had already provided for her and her baby. He may have settled a lump sum on her—either back at the time she discovered what was to happen, or at this time, two years later. Don't you see, Mrs. Stapleton, she might have told him of the child at the time he found her as a hat check girl—the first opportunity she had to tell him. He would, without the least doubt, have settled money on her. But twenty four or five years later, when she had been dead ten years, her grown

for \$1.

Julia Campbell to Martin L. Smith, in-lot 456 in Berne for \$1.
Jennie A. Smith to Julia Campbell, in-lot 356 in Berne for \$1.
Julia Campbell to Jennie A. Smith, in-lot 680 in Berne for \$1.

Dept. of Financial Institutions to Lawrence Michael, in-lots 916 and 917 in Decatur for \$70.
John W. Tyndall, Tr., to H. L. Neil, in-lot 191 and part of 190 in Homewood for \$1.

Venue Criminal Trial To Jay Circuit Court

The trial of J. Earl Butler, former rural mail carrier, charged with sodomy, has been venue to the Jay circuit court at Portland. The venue was granted Saturday afternoon upon the motion of the defense, supported by a number of affidavits. The case was originally set for October 14 in the local court.

daughter makes the discovery as to her father."

"I am afraid, Mr. Stevenson, that this is the situation. What do you think she will demand?"

"Perhaps half, perhaps just a million. There is no telling."

"Well," she sighed heavily and I added:

"We cannot do much until this girl, who says she is Gerard Montith's daughter, comes forward with her proofs, or her alleged proofs. It is another case of marking time."

"Another case?"

"Yes, Mrs. Stapleton. We are marking time until we can get our hands on this Professor Henri Lardéan, who, unquestionably stole that Van Dyck copy."

"I am going to stay right here and see this through. I was going to southern France, but not now."

"What do you think of Mary and Howard Griswold?"

"She is sincerely in love with him. He seems like a splendid fellow. But if I were in Mary's place he would have to be entirely cleared. I could never forget that after I left him where he had been ordered never to come, and that a little later her uncle was found murdered."

"Love is blind, isn't it?"

"Only to a degree, with sensible people, and Mary is an extremely sensible girl."

"And so we leave it," I said, "but only temporarily. I expect to hear from Phil tonight, by telephone."

"Let me know at once, if you learn anything worth while. I suppose Mary will have to know about this woman's claim, and sign off part of her estate if we are forced to settle. I am sorry about that, she adored her Uncle Gerry. Giving up some of the money won't hurt, but the other will."

"If Nola Morin is your brother's natural daughter, you want her to have some of the fortune, don't you?"

"Within reason, yes."

"Frankly, my interest in the Morin claim is only to the extent that it may help to solve this mystery. The big thing with me, as it is with the authorities, is to get our hands on the man—or woman—who knew that the silver rood was a stiletto, and used it to kill your brother."

"That must be solved," Mrs. Stapleton agreed.

As I was leaving, an hour later, Mary and Griswold returned. He came to me at once for a talk. Mary was with him.

"This has to be cleared up within a month, Mr. Stevenson," he said, showing real worry for the first time.

"I ought to have been cleared up long ago. If you have any suggestions—"

"That is the trouble, I haven't. In a month I have to go out to Heighington University for my new position on the faculty. I have already resigned my place in Kingsbury."

"That can be arranged, I think," I said, for I saw then what he was driving at.

"I was told that I couldn't leave the country."

"I don't see why not," Mary declared. "He will be there at the university all the time. They will know where he is."

"If there is no solution by then, I believe we can arrange all that for you."

"But I want it cleared up!" Griswold cried, with strange emphasis for so quiet a man.

"We aren't working on this merely to kill time, Mr. Griswold."

"But that isn't it. I cannot marry Mary until I am cleared—"

"Howard! As if—"

"I will leave it to Mr. Stevenson," he said.

Mary looked at me, appealingly. I began to regard Griswold with more favor.

"I have to agree, Mary. If I were in his place I certainly wouldn't

marry until I was cleared of the suspicion that I might have been the one to kill your uncle."

"But he didn't!" Mary cried.

"Unfortunately, that isn't proven yet."

I left them in their unhappiness, more convinced than ever, however, that Howard Griswold had told only the truth. He had unfortunately walked into a situation, almost literally, that placed him among the leading suspects.

After dinner we sat around outside, enjoyed the sunset and a little family conversation.

"It seems good to have my Sherlock Holmes back again," Sally said.

"Cut that, Old Girl—I'm a poor sleuth, not getting anywhere," I declared.

"Or everywhere," she said, with greater meaning than the others understood.

I explained to my father-in-law that Oliver Barnes and his wife could return from the Pinedale bungalow next morning, unless the man they were watching came back there. We did not name many names when we discussed the Montith murder, because servants have been ears, talk much and distort amazingly.

It was nearly ten o'clock that night when a telephone call came through from my brother, Phil.

"Nearly lost that party," he reported, "dropped off in Jersey City and took a taxi to Hoboken. I think you had better meet me tomorrow noon in New York."

"And let you permit the party to drop out of sight? What sort of—"

"Wait a minute. The party is right where I can keep in touch. Need you?"

"That was enough. I got up at an unearthly hour and had one of my father-in-law's chauffeurs drive me over to the Meadowville airport where I flew to Newark and met Phil at the appointed place, or, rather, I was at the appointed place. He was an hour late."

When I got to this hotel there was a wire from my wife asking me to telephone Sergeant Harper. I did so.

"Mrs. Stevenson said you would be in New York at this time and was good enough to help me get in touch with you. Everything's gone floozy. Two of our best men lost her, some place before the train reached New York—she certainly wasn't on the train." Sergeant Harper was greatly worried.

"That can be fixed up, Sergeant."

I told him, "I won't talk yet because I haven't anything to say, but I can practically assure you that we can put our hands on the party any time. I'll call you back later."

I felt rather proud of my brother. He had been sharp enough to see Nola Morin slip from the train, and clever enough to follow her to Hoboken. But why the devil she should go there I couldn't guess. She had told us she was going to New York.

When Phil arrived, an hour late, I was glad to see that he wasn't worrying. In fact, he was smiling rather confidently.

"How about it?" I asked.

He told me where, in Hoboken, she was living.

"But that doesn't mean anything, Phil, she can slip out to some other place."

"Not likely. The place is a little two-family brick house and it belongs to her."

"She told us she had to work, I don't get this."

"She might have told you plenty, but here's the dope—the house is for sale. It belonged to her aunt, a Mrs. Felder, who died a short while ago. She was the only relative, and inherited it. She came there to live before her aunt was buried. I got this from a neighbor. This Nola Morin is married."

"Married?"

"At least she brought a man there she said was her husband, a Mr. Fellows!"

(To be continued)

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FOR SALE—120 acre farm, good buildings. St. Mary's township, Adams county. Write Huldah Zimmerman, Box 14, Elgin, Ohio. 232-61x

FOR SALE—200 cords buzz-wood. Mostly oak. C. C. Rayl. 232-31x

FOR SALE—Good six-room semi-modern home, large corner lot. Can be bought for \$900 on quick sale. Box L. M. A. Democrat. 234-21

FOR SALE—Baby bed, used 1 1/2 years. Inquire 133 N. 8th St. 233-31x

FOR SALE—Bedroom Suite, inner-spring Mattress, good springs \$15 breakfast table chairs \$8 Phone 671. 234-21

FOR SALE—80 acres, only 2 miles from Decatur. Good 8 room house, bank barn, all necessary out-buildings, electric lights. A real farm home for anyone working in Decatur and wishing to live on the farm. This farm is in the very best of condition everywhere. See Johnson & Andrews. Phone 104. 234-31

FOR SALE—40 head of Shoats. Walter Johnson, 1 mile east of Pleasant Mills. 233-31x

FOR SALE—50 Rucker white leg-horn hens. Pedigreed male line. AAA quality. 75c. John Gage, Monroe. 233-31

FOR SALE—Three day-old calf. Telephone 874-E. 232-31x

FOR SALE—Modern home on Rugg street. Inquire of W. P. Colchin, 405 Winchester street. 233-31x

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Masonic Royal Arch Masons Tuesday night, 7:30 p. m. W. M. 233-31x

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