

Paddling Its Own Canoe

THE publisher of a metropolitan newspaper asked recently, "Is it true that there is a common ownership and a common Board of Directors for all the Companies having Standard Oil as part of their name?"

Our answer to this gentleman was, "It is not true." The Standard Oil Company (Indiana) is distinct from other corporations having a similar name.

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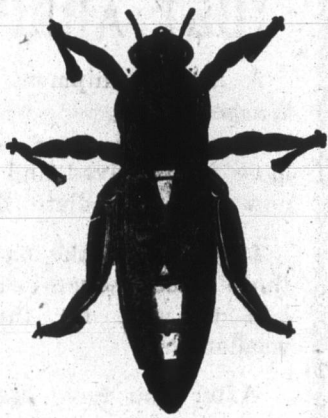
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Angry bees—thousands of them—attacked a valuable driving mare, owned by Jesse Hawthorne of Jackson township, Tippecanoe county, recently in the yard of Nelson Carter's home near Shawnee Mound and stung the animal to death. The mare fought heroically for life but was no match for the hordes of infuriated insects which descended upon her in mass formation, literally covering her body. Fifty women, assembled at the Carter home for a meeting of the home and foreign missionary societies of the Shawnee Mound Methodist Episcopal church were horrified by the spectacle but were held prisoners in the house for nearly three hours by the battling bees which retained complete mastery of the situation until darkness fell.

A. F. L. condemns military training in schools on the grounds that it "kills initiative," and in the next breath favors government ownership of railroads, which, of course would cultivate it.—Wall Street Journal.

They're killing lots of rattlesnakes west of here this year; and when you stop to think of it, there isn't much use of keeping them alive any longer.—Kansas City Star.

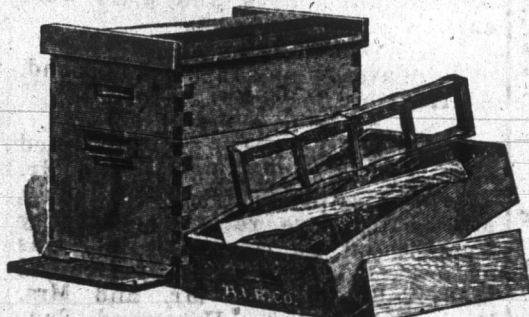
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Republican Nominee for Vice-President is Man of Ability and Sound Achievements as Strong Executive.

ADDS STRENGTH TO TICKET

Boston, Mass. —The following is the account of the life of Calvin Coolidge, the Republican candidate for Vice-President.

Calvin Coolidge was born on a farm in rugged Vermont, on the birthday of the nation. On July 4 next he will be forty-eight years old. He was schooled at a little college in the New England hills. In an old-fashioned American law office he learned to know and reverence the meaning and the purpose of the law. For almost twenty-five years he has been doing the varied tasks of a country lawyer. His neighbors saw him work; they knew the depths that underlay his quiet surface, and they gave him their trust. They elected him successively school director, member of the common council, city attorney, mayor, four times member of the lower house of the State Legislature, four times state senator, twice president of the state senate, three times Lieutenant Governor, and, having found him faithful in lesser things, they made him ruler over many things—they elected him their Governor. And then there came to Massachusetts the searching test that has come before and will come again and again to the institutions of finite man—the test of law and order. He had a passionate belief in the supremacy of the law—of the law which the people themselves have slowly wrought for their own protection and the protection of their children. He went to the people on that great issue. He knew and trusted the men who labor with their hands on the farm or in the mill, and those men knew and trusted him. They proved that trust by rising in their might and triumphantly re-electing him Governor. Thus the man whom Massachusetts knew was made known to the whole nation.

Sincerity Big Asset.

"Because he would be independent, he has been frugal, and he has practiced frugality in the administration of public office. Because he would decide upon evidence rather than by impulse, he has talked little and listened much. He believes in party government as the most effective method of achieving the ideals of democracy and his work has proved his belief. He has the gift of co-operating with other men, and a talent in the selection of strong men. He has simplicity in thought and action. He is free from pretense. He has courage without bluster. He has patience. He has vision. He has tolerance, and in these days of suspicion and misunderstanding, tolerance is sorely needed. He has a deep and reverent faith in the principles of this government, and that faith has been built out of priceless experience. He has worked for and sympathized with the countless types of human life that make up our democracy. He is a student of books, but of men even more. And when he speaks, plain men find their deep, unspoken need and aspirations uttered, because he himself is one of them.

"It is sixty years since the Republican Party named its first President here. The city that was hardly more than a country village has come into its own. The nation that was a child among the nations now towers above them all. For sixty years our forebears and ourselves have tried to make this party an effective instrument for the expression of the deep purposes of a mighty nation. Old problems have been solved; new problems have arisen. Men and manners have changed. But still stand the ancient virtues—frugality, simplicity, sincerity, courage, tolerance and faith—yes, above all, faith in plain people."

HARDING RECORD GIVEN.

Washington, D. C. —The Congressional Directory gives the following account of Senator Harding, Republican candidate for President:

"Warren G. Harding, Republican, of Marion, Ohio, was born in Bloomington, Morrow county, Ohio, November 2, 1858; has been a newspaper publisher since 1884; is married; was member of the Seventy-fifth and Seventy-sixth Ohio General Assemblies as senator from the Thirtieth district, 1899-1903, and Lieutenant-Governor of Ohio in 1904 and 1905; elected to the United States Senate, November 3, 1914. His term of service will expire March 3, 1921."

MISS BUSH HEADS WOMEN

Indianapolis, Ind. —Indiana Republican women are very greatly pleased with the selection of Miss Adah Bush as director of the woman's party at Republican State Headquarters for the present campaign. Miss Bush has long been active in Republican circles, and also one of the early advocates of woman suffrage. She has been associated with Warren T. McCray, Republican candidate for Governor, for a number of years. She has a wide circle of friends and a very extensive acquaintance among the women of Indiana. She will assume her new position July first.

TERM'S ORIGIN IN DISPUTE

Many Explanations of the Letters "O. K." Have Been Made, but Few Are Trustworthy.

Quite a cycle of legendary explanations have gathered around the origin of the popular term "O. K." It is held that in early colonial days the best rum and tobacco were imported from Aux Cayes, in San Domingo. Hence the best of anything came to be known locally as Aux Cayes, or "O. K."

Another explanation refers to the use of "Old Keokuk," an Indian chief, who is said to have signed treaties with the initials "O. K." However, the term didn't come into general use until the presidential campaign of 1828, when the supposed illiteracy of Andrew Jackson, the Democratic candidate, led Seba Smith, the humorist, writing under the name of "Major Jack Downing," to start the story that Jackson indorsed his papers "O. K." under the impression that they formed the initials of "Old Korrek."

James Parton, the noted biographer, discovered in the records of the Nashville court, of which Jackson was judge, numerous documents indorsed "O. R.," meaning "order rescinded." He therefore urged that it was a belated business that Major Downing saw on the desk of the presidential candidate. The Democrats, in lieu of denying the charge, adopted the letters "O. K." as a sort of party cry and fastened them on their banners.

ONE OF THE OLDEST METALS

Abundant Proof That Iron Has Been in Use Since the Very Earliest Days.

Iron must have been familiar in the time of Moses. A wedge made of iron was left in the great pyramid by the builders, which proves that the metal was known and in use about 1,500 B. C. Besides, in the fourth chapter of Genesis, it is mentioned that Tubal Cain was a pioneer in developing the arts of iron making and brass working. Brass, however, was a very indefinite term among the natives. When spoken of in the Scriptures it is seldom to be understood to signify the alloy of copper and zinc now called by that name. The "brass" tempered for edged tools or weapons of war was a bronze, usually a compound of copper and tin.

Copper was also known to mankind at a very early period. Articles of copper were found 81 feet under the statue of Rameses the Great, which was erected 3,500 years ago. Debris has accumulated there to a depth of nine feet, and the copper articles were found, on further excavation, 72 feet lower down.

Gretna Green.

Gretna Green, the rendezvous of eloping couples, was once the haunt of persons who exercised cupidity at the expense of Cupid, and innkeepers, ferrymen and tollhouse tenders exploited the couples who fled there. Any witnesses served to make the marriages recognized as legal, but the "professional witnesses" there, like the "marrying parsons" of some American towns, engaged "touts" to bring couples to them, and when the railroad from Glasgow to Carlisle started running, the station platform at Gretna Green thronged with these obnoxious "commissioned men."

According to a popular legend, blacksmith shops were favorite meccas for eloping couples, but authority is lacking for stories of smithies who would pause while shoeing horses to help legalize marriages.

Hatshepsut-Pharaoh.

Who antedated De Lesseps (1869) by 4,000 years in digging the Suez canal? A woman, Hatshepsut-Pharaoh. She ascended the throne of Egypt with her brother, Thothmes II, about 1600 B. C. Her courage and capacity brought the reins of government into her own hands. At the death of Thothmes she was the master spirit of the age. The dominant woman built the splendid terraced rock temple of Dair-el-Bahari on the Theban plain. Her chief glory was in sending an expedition to the Land of Punt (Ophir) by way of the Red sea. A woman dug the first Suez canal, and as the expedition returned up the Nile the shouts that greeted the queen (who always wore the habitment of the male) was the first "God save the king" in history!

Too Much Self-Indulgence.

The greatest weakness of human nature is self-indulgence, drifting along the path of least resistance—with ill health at the end of the road.

Good health is, of course, the first prerequisite to a long and useful life. Longevity is sought as a high price of constant exercise of will power and self-control. There are many persons who have not that will power and self-control. In these cases we cannot go against nature by any amount of teaching.—Exchange.

Loss of the Griffin.

This vessel, the first to navigate the western lakes, was loaded with furs and other goods by La Salle, to the value of 22,000 livres, and sent back to Montreal, via Mackinac and Niagara, in order to pay off La Salle's creditors. It set sail on September 18, 1679, with a crew of five men and pilot, and was never heard of again. A severe storm sprang up that night and it is believed the vessel struck the sand and was buried in it, or it may have been lost through the treachery of the crew.

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A critical period confronts library service in the United States in the opinion of library leaders, the Rensselaer Public Library declares. More than half of the nation is deprived of access to free public libraries, and existing libraries in many cases are crippled for lack of financial support. Difficulties are increased by widespread resignations of library workers because of low salaries. Many large city libraries are now forced to give service with greatly depleted staffs, and in numerous small towns libraries have been obliged to close their doors.

Public library service will stand still or go backward unless greater public support is forthcoming, and unless librarians and friends of libraries fight for the profession, American Library Association officials declare. At a time when libraries are barely able to meet the routine demands made upon them, the nation needs more library service than ever before. Ignorance and lack of understanding under the present industrial and social unrest. Libraries are, among the most potent forces for removing this dangerous condition.

The local library has received encouraging reports of progress from the American Library Association regarding the "Books for Everybody" movement, which seeks to raise a \$2,000,000 fund for promoting library extension and development. Prominent men and women of the nation now realize the need for standing behind public libraries. Through its "Books for Everybody" movement, the American Library Association will work to create a public sentiment that will adequately support existing libraries and cause libraries to be established where they do not now exist.

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