

## SIGHTS TAKE LITTLE EFFORT, LOTS OF COIN

Plenty of Guides and 'Rubber-necks' Help You See Them.

### IMAGINATION BIG HELP

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COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Sept. 2.—

It used to be strain on wind and limb to see the scenes of beauty and some of the most spectacular of the scenes of note.

Nowadays the strain falls on the pocket-book, the imagination and the ear drum.

All of these pressures are applied by the highly organized and opulent gentlemen who conduct you in automobiles over the wilderness that gives so much of toll and pleasure to the traveler.

These conductors of sightseeing parties charge you a good, steep price, and in order to give you money's worth, they liberally throw in an unbroken stream of conversation.

You set the Rocky mountains now in your imagination, and the mountains call for more imagination than the city.

In the Garden of the Gods, for example, which looks to the un instructed beholder like a sort of celestial stone quarry, strewn with huge red monoliths, you are called upon to see camelorpuses, mushrooms, Indians and oriental arches.

The Cave of the Winds has its own special guides and its own special admittance charge, adding another dollar to your trip ticket.

Here the sightseers are collected and separated into small groups, each guide taking about a dozen persons through.

Although the system is efficient, occasionally the guides and their little parties get crowded into the same part of the cave at once, so that it is difficult to tell which part of the spel you are supposed to be listening to.

In the particular formation you are looking at a battlefield, or is it the elephant the other guide is talking about?

### LITTLE LURAY.

The Cave of the Winds is merely another Luray on much smaller scale. It contains the same amount of stalactite and stalagmite formations, in the same beautiful rainbow color combinations.

It lacks the small lakes, creeks and springs of Luray, but there is an opening through which droppings from the nearby cliff are supposed to flow—so slowly that they barely dampen the rocks.

It is the slow flowing of this water over the iron, sulfur and copper deposits in the rock that causes the formation of the stalagmites, according to the guide, who declared that it required 100 years of this tedious process to form one inch of stalagmite.

So the great days of the Cave of the Winds will be in the future.

As in the Virginia caves, desperate efforts have been made to find appropriate names for all the conspicuous formations.

There is an inverted frying pan, a pig's head, a miniature battleship and a large slice of breakfast bacon.

These are lighted up with electric lights, carefully placed about the walls in containers resembling ordinary dustpans, if you are going in for the interpretation business.

The door of the cave is carpeted with a rubber covering, designed to keep the visitors from slipping, but every once in a while some careless person disregards this protection and skids rapidly over the rocks.

Bridges have also been built at certain points to facilitate climbing, so that old ladies and babies can make the trip in safety and comfort.

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## Owns Chicago?



## TRIP DESCRIBED BY M'WHIRTER

Lauds Industry and Courtesy of French.

In his talk at the weekly luncheon at the Kiwanis club, at the Hotel Severn yesterday, Felix M. McWhirter told of his recent trip to Europe, explaining that he had traveled first, second, third and fourth class so as to get closely in touch with all classes of people.

One of the features on which he touched was the courtesy of the French.

A matter that was impressed on the Kiwanians yesterday was the importance of their turning out in goodly numbers at the baseball game between the Kiwanians and the Optimists Thursday afternoon of next week at Washington park, for the game is to decide the champion of the Business Men's League.

The planning committee for the state meeting of the Kiwanians, which is to be held in Indianapolis the latter part of this month, will present its program next Wednesday.

**Says Wife Too Playful With Bottles, Knives**

Special to The Times.

MARION, Ind., Sept. 2—Milk bottles, knives, meat cleavers and "other articles of domestic warfare" were thrown at him by his wife, according to allegations made by Emerson H. Grinnell, attorney for divorce against Edra C. Grinnell.

Once she humiliated him, he says, by attempting to commit suicide.

**Grant County Holds Meet of All Over 80**

Special to The Times.

MARION, Ind., Sept. 2—Three thousand persons attended the eighteenth annual meeting of the Grant County Octogenarians at Marion yesterday.

The club was organized in 1906 by L. Whiston of Marion, who collected the names of all persons in the county more than eighty years of age.

He has kept this record since that time, with the result that there is a great deal of interest in the club and the Golden Wedding circle, which is a sub-division of the organization.

It is estimated there are now 250 persons in the county who are eligible for membership in the club.

The meeting yesterday was in the natural setting of a grove in a clearing in commemoration of the landing of the pilgrim fathers in 1620.

The shutdown is not due to slack business, the company officials announce.

The factory requires seven cars daily to move its products and has received only three cars in two days, while the storage facilities of the plant are overtaxed.

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