

# Crawfordsville Points to Happy Children as Argument for One Great Orphans' Home

By Times Special

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., April 5.—With healthy, happy children as living arguments, Crawfordsville is fighting earnestly a movement to consolidate small homes for orphans throughout the State into one large institution.

The Crawfordsville Orphans' Home was born of Crawfordsville's sympathy and sense of fairness. And now Crawfordsville, led by Mrs. Emerson Ballard, who re-

signed recently after serving on the board of guardians sixteen years, avers that the small home can be managed on a more sympathetic, personal basis, to the advantage of the children.

Years ago, before the humane care of dependents was given serious thought, many homeless young girls were sent to the Montgomery County poor farm. There, at that time they were exposed to bad moral influence and associated with

degenerate paupers. Investigation by the late Dr. Mary Wilhite, Crawfordsville physician and philanthropist, was followed by her announcement that the girls must be cared for elsewhere.

Public sentiment was stirred. The county commissioners endorsed the movement and a building was secured. No funds were provided by law for its maintenance. So the people of the town donated furnishings and supplies.

The first house burned, and the present home, an improvement in building and location, was procured. The board of guardians: Harry Fine, president; Walter Linn, Mrs. Will Johnson, Mrs. Calvin Brooks and Police Chief Vernon Shields.

The greatest number ever provided for in the home at one time was forty-six. Both boys and girls are admitted.

Originally, 40 cents a day was allowed for the maintenance of one

child. This has been increased to 75 cents.

So well-liked is the matron Mrs. Ida Vanderve, that she is called "Mother" by the children.

The children attend a consolidated district school. They are taken there and home in a hack. Individual lunches are provided.

The home has an unusually good health record. Only one death has occurred in the sixteen years of its existence, and there have been no

serious epidemics.

Separate playgrounds are provided for boys and girls, as well as many indoor games and a phonograph.

In the summer, the boys have been taken on visits to camps and on picnics.

Duties at the home are assigned in accordance with ability and strength.

Children who are old enough to

work for wages are allowed to do so during the summer vacation. Several have saved enough to invest in Liberty bonds, and one boy has saved \$100.

One of the biggest works of the home is that of securing permanent homes for the children. Careful investigation is made and mistakes have been few. One girl, taken from a delinquent home when 7, now holds a responsible position in Worcester, Mass. She was sent for by a

relative there, a trained nurse, after she had attended the district school and had had two years in the Crawfordsville High School. She took a commercial course in Worcester.

Those interested point to the record of the home, which never has had a scandal or anything requiring an official investigation, as they plead for the small home, guided by the heart, rather than the large institution, where individuals are only part of the system.

## DISCOVERER OF KING TUT'S TOMB DEAD IN CAIRO

Famous Explorer Succumbs to Blood Poison From Insect's Bite.

### Curse?

By United Press Did a Pharaoh curse cause Carnarvon's death?

Since Lord Carnarvon entered the tomb of the ancient Pharaoh these things have happened:

Carnarvon was bitten by an insect, from which blood poison resulted, causing his death.

Lady Carnarvon was taken seriously ill while rushing to his bedside.

The maid of Carnarvon was stricken with appendicitis.

A plague of boils broke out over Europe.

A cobra, sacred snake of the Egyptians, swallowed a pet canary of Carnarvon.

By United Press CAIRO, Egypt, April 5.—Surrounded by his family, the Earl of Carnarvon died peacefully early today of blood poisoning sustained in excavations at the tomb of Pharaoh Tutankhamen, which he discovered.

Lord Carnarvon, who had made a brave fight against the poison and against pneumonia which developed recently, sank rapidly shortly after midnight. The Countess of Carnarvon, their daughter and Lord Porchester, the earl's son and heir, were summoned hastily. After bidding them farewell, Carnarvon drifted into unconsciousness and died at 2 o'clock.

### Misfortune Follows

Ever since Carnarvon rolled aside the stone protection of the tomb of Tutankhamen, thereby disturbing the Pharaoh after a sleep of 3,500 years, he has been plagued with misfortune after misfortune.

So, believers in sinister occultism of ancient Egypt have revived the uncanny legend that an evil spell overtakes any one who disturbs the tomb of a Pharaoh. They even wonder if the friends of Carnarvon, among them titled ladies of England and other countries, whom he has given beads and other reliefs from the deathhouse of Tutankhamen, will be similarly plagued.

Among the most prominent recipients of Tutankhamen gifts from Lord Carnarvon are the Queen of the Belgians and Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon, who is to become the bride of the Duke of York on April 26.

Many believe it is dangerous for women to wear the blue beads from the tomb of a mummy, on the theory that curses which were placed on the objects thousands of years ago still maintain their effectiveness. Hence their concern at what may happen to those who have received favors from Carnarvon taken from Tut's tomb.

### Even in England

The superstition connected with the Pharaohs has been dignified by the fact that officials of the British Museum here in London, some of the most learned archaeologists in the world, have placed one famous mummy in a separate room because of a belief that curses will befall persons looking upon it. Thus, it is not necessary for persons visiting the museum to gaze upon the mummy or to pass his shrine unless they so desire.

When the ancient kings of Egypt were buried, it has been recorded, the priests said, prayers imploring the wrath of the devils to descend on any despoiling the tomb of a Pharaoh.

### \$100,000 FIRE SWEEPS TOWN OF PARIS, ILL.

Terre Haute Apparatus Called to Aid in Fighting Blaze.

PARIS, Ill., April 5.—Fire, which for a time threatened to destroy the entire business district, was brought under control at midnight. The estimated loss was \$100,000.

Fire-fighting apparatus from Danville, Christman and Terre Haute, Ind., were called to help extinguish the blaze.

### Here's How to Keep Hubby at Home



LEFT TO RIGHT, MRS. W. J. MARKS, MRS. LOUISE HICKMAN, MRS. J. D. TOY, MRS. E. C. VON BURG, MRS. HELEN COX, MRS. RUDOLPH HENNING, MRS. B. E. PETERSON AND MISS HELEN PETERSON.

W. J. Marks, 3311 N. New Jersey St., is teacher. Under her supervision the women learn to make those tempting dishes that keep a man's feet under the table longer than a manual of etiquette says is proper.

Women of the domestic science department held an exhibition of the delicacies they have learned to make at Branch Library No. 6, on Wednesday night.

Refreshments were served to members of the league and their friends. R. Walter Jarvis, superintendent of parks and recreations, and Mrs. Marks were speakers.

Taxes Add to Troubles

"High taxes are simply adding to the difficulty brought about by this difference. If farms prices were on a level with prices of other things you would hear few complaints concerning taxes.

"The remedy lies in the hands of the farmer himself. He can bring a condition nearer equality between income and outgo through cooperation and he can bring about a reduction in taxes by a reduction in local expenditures."

"Too many farmers will attend a meeting to complain about high taxes and then sign a petition for a public improvement at the request of some body who is waiting for them outside the door."

Taxes in Indiana, according to the Department of Agriculture figures, averaged 67 cents an acre in 1914 and 1915 and \$1.60 an acre in 1921 and 1922.

Indiana Ranks Second

This indicates Indiana has the second highest taxes per acre on farm land in the country. Only New Jersey, with a rate of \$2.22 an acre, pays more.

"One solution to the farmer's tax problem," Crane said, "is a State income tax. Equity in taxation includes the income tax as a part of the taxing system."

The Indiana farmer has real literary talent when he discusses taxes, letters received in Washington show. Here are some excerpts:

"If taxes increase many must sell."

"If it goes this way long I will go bankrupt."

"Farmers Ready to Quit"

"In general, taxes are 40 per cent higher than in 1914. We must have relief or more of us will be ruined. Prominent farmers are disgusted and quitting farming, others doing road work to pay taxes. We are getting an unfair deal."

"The raise was put on in 1919, 30 per cent. There must be something done to reduce taxes."

"Farmers are not making enough to pay the tax."

"Indiana farmers are laboring under a full tax value."

"It will only take eight years at this rate to drive us all off the farms."

"Most of the increase is due to local taxes."

"It will take my three best cows to pay my tax."

"Too Much Politics"

"Too much politics and an eight-hour day in the city."

"I have owned this farm for thirty years and the rent in no year equalled the tax this year."

"Figures speak loud enough. The assessment is three times as high and the rate is nearly the same."

"Graft and extravagance."

"High rates and low land values."

"Honesty Not Exception"

Honesty is the rule, not the exception.

So Henry Eltel, vice president of the Indiana National Bank, told the Indianapolis Firing Association at a meeting Wednesday night. Bernard J. Head, purchasing manager of the Fletcher American National Bank, and Mrs. E. Brewster of the Shaw-Walker Company also talked.

The virgin forests of the Philippine Islands cover approximately 40,000 square miles, or about one-third of the total of the Archipelago. Secondary timber covers some 20,000 square miles more.

Northcliffe's Widow Weds Family Friend

Last Wish of Dying Publisher Was Wife Should Marry Sir Hudson.

By United Press

LONDON, April 5.—Among the last wishes of Viscount Northcliffe, late British publisher, was that his widow should marry Sir Robert Hudson, a mutual friend.

Lord Northcliffe died last August and today, following a quiet wedding, the viscountess is on her way to a honeymoon in Italy with Sir Robert.

Following the fight between Dr. N. W. Evans and Colonel Simmons a special session of the Klan, the law-making body of the Knights of the Ku-Klux Klan, was held soon after the Klan's formation.

The injunction granted Simmons by the Superior Court here giving him complete control over the "Invisible Empire" will come up for hearing Saturday, Klan officials have predicted.

Friction between Simmons and Evans began the first of the year and was brought to a climax when Simmons announced the formation of a women's auxiliary to the Klan. Evans objected to the Klan's taking any part in the women's organization, while Simmons ordered that the Knights recognize the order.

At the headquarters of the Klam, women's organization, it was stated that the court order would have little effect on the action instituted by Simmons.

Be sure to get the Keller formula Littled Buchu (Keller formula) acts on the kidneys and bladder like Epsom salts, relieving the bladder of many abnormal deposits. These tablets cost 25 cents. This price makes it possible to place in the formula several drugs which are not in the Keller formula. The formula is on the package. It is not likely you have ever taken anything similar. Try a few tablets for backache, scalding, scanty or colored urine, and frequent desire at night.

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