

ROAD BUILDING TIME

THE State highway commission has announced the largest program of public work ever attempted in Indiana. It proposes to build during the next three years nearly 1,000 miles of hard surface roads to cost approximately \$28,000,000.

A State can have no better asset than good roads. The automobile has revolutionized transportation and it is the greatest medium of healthful recreation ever invented. Rural communities have been developed as the roads have developed, no faster.

There are, however, unfortunate features connected with such an ambitious road program at this time. It is being undertaken when prices are high and labor is scarce. The highway department replies to this that the work must be done now in order to obtain money set aside by the Federal Government for State road construction. It is unfortunate, then, that the Federal money has not been made available to the States whenever they should be ready to use it.

There will come a time, possibly not far in the future, when prices will be lower, labor more plentiful and conditions more propitious for the spending of public money. The time to build roads is in such a period when business activity is slack, labor is plentiful and prices are low. At such a time the construction of roads would be a great help in giving men work and in creating a tendency toward normal activity.

The ideal plan would be for the State to accumulate gradually a fund for public work of this character to be used whenever the time comes when the work would do the most good to the most people. There is too much of a tendency for the State to engage in construction activities in competition with private business, thus adding to the difficulties of both.

GROWING SUCKER LIST

ONE hundred thousand dollars a day are swindled out of easy marks and boobs on the great American sucker list, according to an estimate of the Department of Justice, which is making an investigation of fake oil stock tricks engineered from Texas.

Not \$100,000 per month, or week, mind you, but 100,000 hard-earned berries a day fall into the hands of the nothing-for-something promoters.

Articles repeatedly published in this newspaper have proved beyond a doubt that the loss sustained annually by the gullible easy marks of the country is a perfectly astounding figure.

Federal agents are now concentrating their attention upon the nest of fake stock promoters down in Texas, where they specialize in brilliant promises of easy riches from oil wells which are never dug, or which were dry before they fell into the hands of the swindlers. The Federal authorities promise to clean out this nest of fakers.

But the curious aspect of this great American sucker list is the way the boobs shell out their earnings year after year to strange promoters lacking credentials merely upon the promise of fabulous rewards, which anybody but a boob knows the promoter would keep for himself, if he had anything. You'd think the suckers would learn better, wouldn't you. But they don't, and the number of names on the sucker list grows each year.

A boob on the sucker list is an awful thing!

BREAD CHAMP A BOY!

MASSACHUSETTS offered a prize for the State championship in bread baking. Francis E. Days, 16, high school senior, wins the prize. How did he beat out the girls? By experimentally baking 436 loaves of bread, until he produced the prize winner.

The most interesting angle of this story is the picture of Days. He's a husky chap, looks more like a football fullback than a chef. Read this to son if he fears he'd be a sissy to help mother with the dishes, window washing or other house chores. There isn't much manhood in a chap who lets ma do the heavy work and dodges helping her on lighter tasks.

PONY EXPRESS DAYS

SIXTY-THREE years ago this April, the thing that interested Americans most was the spectacular relay races of pony express riders between the Sacramento River and St. Joseph, Mo., an eastbound relay racing to beat the fast horsemen galloping westward. Today we would be demanding a shake-up in Washington if our mail traveled that slowly. Even the swift airplane and the railroad express are not fast enough to satisfy our mapical speed craze due to nervous impatience.

If the pony express riders and the rest of the people of 1860 could have had the choice, would they have traded places with us? Not much!

Questions

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Is the word "president" mentioned anywhere in the Bible? Daniel 62, reads, "And over these three presidents, of whom Daniel was the first; that the princes might give accounts unto them, and the king should have no damage."

What does "berserker rage" mean? The champions of the ancient Scandinavians were called berserkers, from their custom of fighting with no armor save a sark or shirt; hence, literally, berserker means bare-sark-er. They were at times seized with fits of marauding frenzy, during which they could perform prodigious feats of valor, and were invincible against any foe. After the rage or spasm was over, reaction ensued, and then a child might lead them.

Who was the bachelor President? James Buchanan, who was the only unmarried President. Cleveland was, at the time of his inauguration, unmarried, but married during his term of office.

Can the use of a small amount of cotton in the manufacture of a supposedly all-linen paper be detected, in the finished product? Yes. A filament of cotton examined under the microscope is seen to have a characteristic twist which distinguishes it from all other fibers. After the cotton has been ginned, spun, woven into cloth, bleached,

Who is the grand master of the United Grand Lodge of Free Masons in England? The Duke of Connaught.

Which is the oldest newspaper in the world? The Imperial Gazette of Peking, said to have been published for over fifteen hundred years.

What is salumin? A new light alloy which has made its appearance in Europe. It contains 14 per cent silicon and 86 per cent aluminum. It is about 10 per cent lighter than the usual alloys of aluminum, zinc and copper, and 25 per cent stronger than those alloys, and has double the elongation properties they possess.

How many miles of subway and "L" tracks are there in New York City? Over six hundred.

What is the storage capacity of the Assouan Dam in Egypt and is it greater than any of the dams built for irrigation purposes in the United States? Assouan storage capacity 281,338 million gallons; Roosevelt Dam 425,235 million gallons; Pathfinder Dam, 348,660 million gallons; Elephant Butte dam 759,665 million gallons.

How did the month April get its name? From the Latin word aperio, to open; the season when the flowers and leaves begin to open.

With Incomes of More Than a Million Monthly Ford and Rockefeller Jr. Have Simple Tastes

By EDWARD THIERRY, NEA Service Staff Writer

NEW YORK, April 7.—Could you spend \$1,000,000 a month? Or even \$1,000,000 a month? Dizzy incomes these. One is Henry Ford's. The other is what John D. Rockefeller Jr. gets in Standard Oil dividends alone.

The Senate investigation of the oil industry disclosed that young John D. owns one-sixth of the stock in the various Standard Oil companies and that his income, excluding dividends from railroads and other enterprises, is about \$12,000,000 a year.

Ford himself doesn't know what his income is. He says he can't tell within \$15,000,000 what he has in the bank. Last year he admitted he paid \$74,000,000 income tax, but this included the manufacturers' tax. It has been estimated that his personal income is about \$85,000,000.

Both Have Simple Tastes

Unlike the fictionalized Brewster these two men don't even try to keep up to it. Both have simple tastes.

Rockefeller has a seven-story house in New York, a week-end house near his father's Pocantico Hills estate called Aboyton Lodge, and a summer home at Seal Harbor, Me.

Ford's house at Dearborn, Mich., is a rambling stone structure on a 7,000-acre estate and has about twenty rooms. Nearby is his farm. His only other home is a cottage next to Thomas A. Edison's winter place at Ft. Meyers, Fla.

Servants in the Rockefeller town house number twenty-five. Ford has half that number at Dearborn; two of them are Japs.

Each has several automobiles. For years Rockefeller drove himself in an electric runabout. Ford often drives a Ford coupe, but he also has a Simpler and several other big cars.

Rockefeller, like his father, has never owned a yacht. Ford has a

small yacht on the Great Lakes, and an electric boat on the River Rouge.

Neither has ever gone in for racing horses, show horses, polo, or any of the other millionaire sports. Both like to chop wood; Rockefeller and his three sons cut and carry wood when they are in the country; Ford helps cut the firewood on his regular yearly camping trip.

Neither Plays Much Golf

Neither cares much about golf; last winter Rockefeller took his first lesson while visiting his father at Ormond Beach. He prefers to play the violin. Ford's best-loved sports are ice skating in the winter and camping in the summer.

Ford travels more than Rockefeller does. Both use private railroad cars. Ford's is called "Fair Lane." He likes speed when he rides in an automobile, averaging forty to forty-five miles an hour.

Rockefeller dresses better than Ford does. He clings to the silk hat for formal wear, while Ford rarely wears a hat at all. Ford's friends say his suits are "hand-me-downs."

Neither cares for social activities. Nor do their wives. Neither Mrs. Rockefeller nor Mrs. Ford care for diamonds. They are both the old-fashioned mother type. The Rockefellers have four children: Abby, who made her debut last fall; John D. III, Nelson and William. The Fords' only child is Edsel, who has two children. Edsel has a separate home at Gross Pointe, Mich.

Rockefeller is studious, scholarly and religious. Ford's library is largely made up of technical works and he still spends much time in his private laboratory at home. He says he "believes in religion, but doesn't work at it much."

Princess Yolanda's Wedding to Cavalry Officer Is Culmination of Real Romance



By United Press
ROME, April 7.—The drabness of Rome disappeared today beneath gay bunting and flags, as the capital dressed up for the forthcoming of Italy's beloved Princess Yolanda, to Count Calvi di Bergolo.

The marriage takes place Monday in the Pauline chapel, banned to royalty for such purposes since 1870.

Princess Yolanda, like Princess Mary of Great Britain, is marrying a commoner of her choice instead of into the royal family of another nation. For a time, the engagement of Yolanda and the Prince of Wales was rumored, especially since the princess went to the London horsemanship as the prince's guest. What she really went for, it was learned, was to see her lover, Count De Bergolo, triumph in the jumping events. A fortnight later their engagement was announced.

Yolanda, oldest daughter of King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Elena, gives up all rank to marry the man she loves. She loses her title of princess and will be known as Countess di Bergolo, outranked by many ladies of the court. King Victor, who heartily approves the match, wanted to create his daughter's fiancée the Duke di Segne, but Yolanda would not have it.

"I am a woman—I intend to marry for love; I am an Italian, I intend to marry an Italian and to continue to live in Italy," the princess answered those interested in her marriage to the Prince of Wales or to the crown prince of Belgium.

The Pope, by his permission for the religious ceremony, has designated his approval; Premier Mussolini will act as civil notary on behalf of the reigning house of Savoy, while the common people will celebrate because their princess has made a choice they can understand.

Princess Interested
Yolanda is enthusiastic about horses, and she became interested in the good-looking young soldier who rode like a Centaur.

She met him later in Rome, when he raced some of his own horses and even rode them when gentlemen jockeys competed. But the Roman know-it-alls just winked when they discerned the adoring look in Calvi's face.

The gossip recounted the names of the men who really had a chance: Prince Nicholas of Roumania, the Crown Prince of Greece, the Prince of Wales and the Crown Prince of Belgium.

Then there were some of the noblest Roman families—the Chigi, Colonna and Orsini, who had younger sons who were often seen riding, hunting and dancing with Yolanda.

The Count's Family
The Di Bergolo's are comparative new family, as titled families go in Italy. The first count was Lazzaro Calvi, who got his title from the king of Saragossa in 1816.

PRINCESS YOLANDA AND COUNT CALVI, WHOSE MARRIED NAMES ARE THE DUKE AND DUCHESS DI MONTEMAGNO.

The present bridegroom's father was in the Italian diplomatic service. Count Carlo Calvi di Bergolo is an officer in a crack Piedmontese cavalry regiment. During the war he changed from the cavalry into the bombing service, so as to get more active duty, was badly wounded and was decorated for his bravery.

His sister Matilda married Prince Age of Denmark, cousin of the Danish king. The Danish prince had to give up his claim to succession to the throne and his right to be called "Royal Highness," just as Yolanda had to do today to become his sister-in-law.

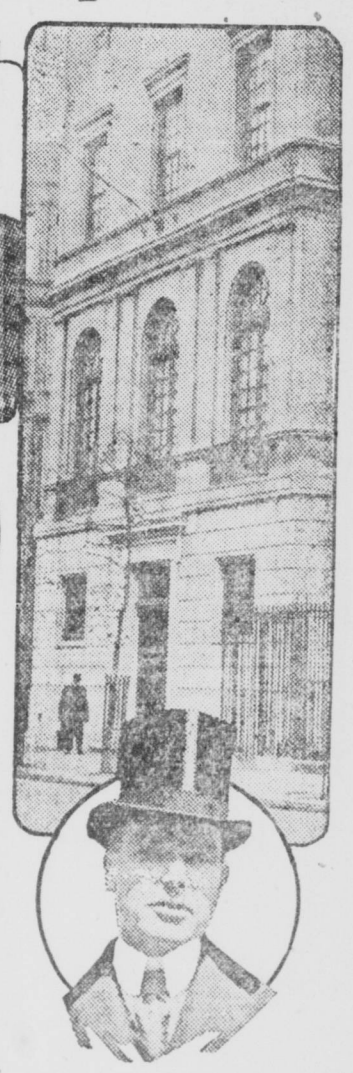
AUSTRIA SLOW IN COMING BACK
Prices Only 9,375 Times Greater Than in 1914.

By Times Special
WASHINGTON, April 7.—Place yourself in Austria and try to think how happy you'd be over the recent "improvement" in living conditions.

Retail prices in Austria in December were only 9,375 times greater than prices in 1914. That was an "improvement." Last September, they were 11,306 times greater than in 1914.

Polish conditions grew worse, if there was a "worse." In December, retail prices there were 2,399 times greater than in 1914. In the United States, retail prices were 41 per cent or less than one-half greater in January than in 1914.

Burglars Raid Lumber Yard
Lumber and shingles valued at \$200 have been taken from 639 S. East St. at various times, police were told today. Ralph Brydon, 701 E. Twentieth St., owner of the missing lumber, told detectives shingles valued at \$60 were stolen Friday night.



UPPER LEFT: HENRY FORD (IN SET) AND HIS HOUSE AT DEARBORN. MIDDLE: JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER JR. AND HIS TOWN HOUSE IN NEW YORK.

WOMEN START DRIVE FOR PEACE AT WASHINGTON

Jane Addams Heads Body Believing Versailles Treaty Wrong.

By Times Special
WASHINGTON, April 7.—Jane Addams and her Women's International League for Peace and Freedom are starting a drive for a new world peace. The opening shots were fired in Washington when they outlined a course of action.

These women believe the treaty of Versailles was wrong because it went on the "false assumption that Germany and her allies were solely responsible for the war."

Their remedy for the present chaotic conditions throughout the world is to call a new world conference and have a general revision of the Versailles treaty. They want the United States to take the lead.

"All continental Europe faces bankruptcy, and until the reparations are settled on a reasonable basis nothing else can be settled," declares the Washington meeting. "The treaties can be revised only by those who signed them, but this revision will come sooner when the world gets the facts."

While waiting for a new world conference, the Women for Peace wants to see the United States show a friendlier interest in European affairs, and to that end the league wants this country to join the Permanent Court of International Justice at The Hague.

Woman Declares She Is Able to Foretell Vocation of Infants by Measurements

By ROY GIBBONS, NEA Staff Correspondent
CHICAGO, April 7.—"Something in a baby today! Ah, yes! What would you prefer boy or girl?"

"Here's a bright little fellow who'll be a banker when he grows up. No! You'd rather have a musician? Well, just a moment then and we'll look over today's selections."

This, in pantomime, is a near reproduction of what goes on in Chicago's newest-style infant asylum here called "The Cradle."

Provided you come with proper credentials, a "guaranteed" foundation will be turned over to you for adoption.

Run under auspices of wealthy Gold Coast society women, "The Cradle" is directly presided over by Mrs. May Larsen.

Armed with callipers and other instruments to obtain precise measurements of infants' heads, Mrs. Larsen is said to be capable of forecasting the exact course of her many waif charges.

Mary an Actress
Take Mary for example. She is but 3 months old. But she has characteristics for the theater and will develop into a great star if given half a chance, Mrs. Larsen says.

While Baby Billy, who stares right at you with his big black eyes, will be a lawyer some day in the future, you can tell that by the shape of his head and further by his lusty, if youthful, stentorian voice.

Since "The Cradle" opened, more calls for children have come in than

TOM SIMS SAYS:

TWO in the shade can be pretty warm on a hot afternoon. Bliss rhymes with kiss, which is more truth than poetry.

Some men like to fish. Others had rather drink at home.

The unhappy ending of many a popular novel is when it is screened.

This world owes every man a living, if he can prove it does.

They say the lawn dress will be popular this spring. We say this will make the laundress popular.

Most of those determined to remain old maids are under 16.

Alcohol and ginger ale is a bad solution of the booze problem.

Too many people are hunting trouble. Too few policemen are not.

This is the mushroom season. Mushrooms look like umbrellas because they grow in wet cellars.

About the most expensive thing in this funny world of ours is money.

Love makes the world go round, without enough sleep.

The sad thing about buying an auto is you run into so many creditors.

Men use periods when they talk. Women use only commas.

Some are born with a silver spoon in their mouth. The others have to get out and stir for themselves.

A girl with a heart gets won. A girl without a heart gets one.

One lighted gas jet consumes as much air as four people or a book agent.

They say Chinese is spoken by 400,000,000 people. This probably includes all the babies in America.

Always wait until a young lady gets up before calling her up or she is liable to call you down.

Anything can happen. But not enough things do.

Shrine Celebration Will Dazzle Thousands at Nation's Capital

By HARRY HUNT, NEA Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, April 7.—Miss Liberty, long marooned atop the dome of the Capitol, has been licensed to step down for the week of June 4 and join in the greatest gambol this city ever has seen.

All previous capital festivities, including inaugural frolics and parading of victorious armies, will be overshadowed by the brilliance that will attend the sessions of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

With President Harding, himself a Shriner, joining in their gayeties, with public grounds and parks thrown open as camp sites, with the Army authorized to provide tents and cots, the stage is all set to welcome and entertain a record-breaking crowd.

Congress Acts
Congress itself took time to authorize use of public grounds and Army equipment and it appropriated \$50,000 for the expense of additional police for Shrine's week.

"Conservative" estimates of the number at "not less than 500,000," which means the population of District of Columbia is to be doubled.

Reservations in the sixty Washington hotels already have been exhausted. Provision is being made in the Southern Railway yards at Alexandria, Va., for housing 50,000 in Pullman cars. Minor Pullman cities will be established in the yards of the B. & O. and the Pennsylvania.

Parking space is being located and assigned to care for 35,000 visiting motor cars.

Home-Coming Week
Starting as a purely Shriner celebration, with "Washington, the Nation's Shrine" as a rallying cry, the movement to make June 4 the beginning of a gala week has broken through its original fraternal bounds and now is conceived as a "National Home-Coming Week" with the whole

Nation invited to join and see the sights.

Among these will be a pageant presenting historic stanzas in Washington's development as a world capital. This will be in charge of Brig. Gen. Amos Price.

But the great, grand, gloriously glittering climax will be the "Dance of the States" on the evening of June 7, for which Pennsylvania Ave. from the Capitol to the Treasury will be made one mile-long dancing floor.

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Parcel Post Is Now 61 Per Cent of All Uncle Sam's Mail

By Times Special

WASHINGTON, April 7.—The parcel post has developed so rapidly in ten years that it is now 61 per cent of all the mail handled by the Post-office Department, according to First Assistant Postmaster General Bartlett.

Despite the predictions of opponents of the parcel post that Government ownership and operation would prove a failure, the success of the venture has been so marked as to develop new problems each day for postoffice officials, Bartlett said.

Every city of more than 20,000 population has been forced to make use of the basements in postoffice buildings to handle the business. Cities also are crying out for new buildings. Members of Congress who

considered the situation with Bartlett insisted that the parcel post would handle practically all the old express business of the country.

VAUDEVILLE MARKS BALL

Clown Festival and Dance Given for Benefit of Disabled Actors.

Practically every vaudeville act playing in the city this week was given at the actors' ball and clown night festival, Friday night at the Lincoln. Dancing opened the affair.

The attraction was managed by C. Rotare Eggleston, manager of Keith's, and under the auspices of the National Vaudeville Artists' Association. Proceeds will aid sick and disabled vaudeville artists.