

OLDEST ARMY AIRMAN FACES COURT MARTIAL

Major Ocker, 58, Accused of
Insulting Superior at
Kelly Field.

By United Press
FT. SAM HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 28.—Erect in his air corps uniform, Major William C. Ocker, 58, the army's oldest flier in point of service, faced a general court martial here today on charges that he spoke disparagingly and profanely of a superior officer.

The trial promised to become a cause celebre in army annals. The charges were preferred against Major Ocker by Lieutenant-Colonel Henry A. Claggett, commandant of Kelly field. Major Ocker, inventor of the instruments which made blind flying possible, was ordered by his superior to submit to a physical examination. His sight declared poor, he was ordered grounded. Later, he passed another examination, and was permitted to become an observer.

Then, according to Lieutenant-Colonel Claggett's charges, he unbecomingly insulted Major Ocker, flight surgeon. He is alleged to have said:

"If other pilots on this field, namely such as Colonel Claggett, were given more than a cursory examination they, too, would be off flying status. There was collusion between the commanding officer of this station and you relative to my examination."

In addition, Colonel Claggett charges, Major Ocker applied to his superior officer an unprintable epithet, prefixed by the adjective "dumb."

MARTHA GIBSON TO BE SPEAKER AT AFFAIR

Missionary Society to Hold Family
Night at Ripple Church.

Miss Martha Gibson, Akita, Japan, will be the guest speaker tomorrow night at the family night celebration of the Women's Christian Missionary Society of the Broad Ripple Christian church.

A covered dish supper will be served at 6:30, followed at 7:15 by the program, directed by Mrs. Carl Gakstetter. The program will include a review of the opera, Madame Butterfly, with selections sung by Mrs. C. F. Dillenbeck, in costume. Mrs. Lloyd Herrin is the society president.

\$1,627,661.36 IS TOTAL LOW ON HIGHWAY BIDS

Proposals Embrace 31 Projects in
25 Counties.

Bids on thirty-one state highway construction projects in twenty-five counties, totaling a low of \$1,627,661.36, have been opened by the state highway commission.

Projects in Marion county included paving 1,455 miles on Road 32, West Sixteenth street, with William D. Vogel, Indianapolis, low bidder at \$103,606.06, and structure widening on 4.5 miles on Road 13, Indianapolis to the Hamilton county line, with R. H. Ellis, Alexandria, low bidder at \$21,821.

Another project was in Marion and Hamilton counties, widening structures on 6.55 miles on new Road 31, Eighty-sixth street to Carmel. Low bidder was Edward F. Smith, Indianapolis, \$7,529.60.

MAYOR SULLIVAN IS NOW A GREAT-UNCLE

City Executive's Nephew Becomes
Father of Son.

As he attended to official duties today, Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan was wearing a broader smile because of his newly acquired status.

The birth of Thomas Sullivan Hollett yesterday made Mayor Sullivan a great-uncle.

The baby, born in the Methodist hospital, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hollett Jr., 3965 Central avenue. Mr. Hollett is a nephew of Mayor Sullivan.

Dickens, at Great Sacrifice, Spared His 9 Children the Injustices and Misery of His Own Boyhood



Here are some statuettes from Dickens' books made by the Royal Doulton pottery of England. In the back row, left to right, are: Mr. Pickwick, Micawber, Pecksniff, Uriah Heep. In the front row, left to right, are: Fagin, Sairy Gamp, Sam Weller, Little Nell, Jingle.

TAXICAB BANDIT SUSPECT HELD

Flying Brooms and Pokers
Greet Police Search
Party, They Say.

A broom and several pokers were brandished at police yesterday as they entered a house at 1604 North Sheldon street in search of an alleged bandit, they claim.

Police say they were greeted by River Whitney, 17, Negro, who began striking them with a broom as they sought Vernon Austin, 23, Negro, who is alleged to have held up Alfonso Wright, 22, Negro, 2258 Arsenal avenue, taxicab driver, Friday.

As the policemen scattered through the house a battle royal began. The Whitney girl, William Austin, 19, Negro; Burlace Merrill, 14, Negro, and Sam Austin, 14, Negro, each armed with a poker or broom struck at the officers. Austin was found hiding in a closet.

Vernon Austin was charged with robbery, resisting arrest and vagrancy, and William Austin was charged with vagrancy and interference. The three minors were sent to the Marion county juvenile detention home.

THREE-ACT COMEDY TO FEATURE PURIM DINNER

Affair to Be Held Tonight at
Beth-El Temple.

A three-act comedy, "Purim Hixx," will be presented as a feature of entertainment at the annual Purim dinner to be held at Beth-El-Zedek Temple at 8 tonight in the vestry room.

Morris Strauss is director, assisted by Constance Berman. Others having leading roles include Sol Blumenthal, Adrian Reiter, Diane Kline and Irene Smulian. The supporting cast includes Dave Herman, Lester Strauss, Joe Rosenberg and Dan Posnosky. Mrs. Daniel Stauber has charge of costumes and Mr. Stauber has charge of stage decorations and dinner reservations.

NATIONAL DEFENSE RALLY IS DISCUSSED

Marion County Women's Democratic
Club Meets in Claypool.

Report of the national defense rally featured the meeting of the Marion County Women's Democratic Club last night in the Claypool. Mrs. John Bingham, president, announced that Appellate Judge Ralph N. Smith will speak at the next meeting, March 27.

CHARLES DICKENS had pronounced ideas about the bringing up of children. He once said: "The greater part of my observation of parents and children has shown selfishness in the first, almost invariably." He himself was never selfish. His own early struggles had never been erased from memory, and he was determined that his own children should never encounter the misery and hardship and injustice and misunderstanding that had tortured his own childhood.

Justice was what he hoped to give his children. He said: "In the little world in which children have their existence, whosever brings them up, there is nothing so finely perceived and so finely felt as injustice. It may be only a small injustice that the child can be exposed to; but the child is small, and its rocking-horse stands as many hands high, according to scale, as a big-boned Irish hunter."

Therefore he was invariably willing to act as arbiter. His daughter, Kate Macready Perugini, wrote of him: "He would leave his work in the middle of a sentence, and without protest, if a slight domestic difficulty of any kind hurried him into acting as judge or advisor."

So selfless was Dickens in his treatment of his children that they were astonished to learn, after the publication of "David Copperfield" and the resulting popularity of the novel to Dickens' own life, that their father's childhood had been ghastly in its misery. He had never told the story of his own youthful hardships.

But he had thought it very much worth the terrific effort he must have made to give his children "The Life of Our Lord," so that they might "know something about the history of Jesus Christ."

THE Dickens household was a well-knit family circle. The children were dominated by Georgina Hogarth, Mrs. Dickens' sister, who had come to live with them when she was only 17. "She had taken the place of Mary, another sister of whom Dickens had been extremely fond, and who had died very suddenly at the age of 17 in 1837, shortly after the author's marriage to Catherine Hogarth. They were the daughters of the head of the London Morning Chronicle, publisher of the "Sketches by Boz." And had first made Dickens famous.

Mamie, the eldest daughter, was the chief among the children themselves. Although in 1849 she was only 11 years old, she was already showing that aptitude for managing household affairs that made her in later years the "Miss Dickens" upon whom her father leaned most heavily. She never did marry and remained with her father at home and sometimes abroad on his reading tours, until his death in 1870.

Mr. Dickens was, to his intimates, "a good fellow." He had an infectious laugh, and would romp gayly with his youngsters in sheer high spirits. The house was always full of company, at which gatherings the author's absorbing conversation and joyous, although

abstemious, good fellowship, made a visit a delight.

Nevertheless, although noted for his hospitality, Charles Dickens was simple, modest and unaffected. He had an abounding sympathy for the troubles of others, yet he was rarely confidential even to his children. As he had never related to them the story of his early life, so did he keep to himself his sufferings from fatigue and insomnia brought on by his prodigious literary labors.

In his own way, Dickens maintained strict discipline among his children. Himself extremely tidy, and given to neat and dapper but somewhat brilliantly colored clothes, he insisted upon tidiness in the little crowd of his offspring. His son Henry recounts that their father's methods of impressing neatness upon the boys did not meet with their complete approval.

In 1856, when Dickens moved his family to the country estate, Gadshill, Kent (the old Gad's Hill, famed as the scene of Falstaff's adventures), where he spent the rest of his life, the family had been increased to nine—seven boys and two girls. The girls were already of marriageable age, and Charles was a young man of 19, but the other six youngsters were a miniature gang of English small boys whose vociferousness must have sometimes tried their father's patience.

Dickens was always inventing games and entertainments for his family, and he made use of a game to maintain their tidy habits. Each of the six boys was assigned a peg for his hat and coat, and every week they would hold a parade for the purpose of overhauling their clothes to remove the stains of a week's wear. Each boy in turn would be assigned the office of custodian for the implements used in this parade of cleanliness, and they didn't like it—but they obeyed.

Henry said of this game: "Our resentment took the form of whispered mutterings among ourselves of the subjects of 'slavery,' 'degradation' and so forth, which served as a kind of safety valve and helped to soothe our ruffled feelings."

DICKENS not only invented entertainments, sometimes writing plays for his children to take part in as actors, but took part in them himself.

In 1849, at the time "The Life of Our Lord" was written, Kate and Mamie prepared their father for their brother's birthday party by teaching him to dance the polka.

He studied assiduously but the night before the party he awoke in the middle of the night almost overcome by the fear that he would cut a poor figure in the dance next day, and to make sure he had not forgotten his steps he ran downstairs and practiced them over and over again, all by himself.

Dickens had a fondness for giving humorous nicknames to his children, dryly humorous like the names he gave his fictional characters. Charles, the eldest, was called Flaster Flooby, a childish way of twisting about Dickens' original "Master Toby." Demure, motherly Mamie was Mild Givester, while the fiery tempered Kate was affectionately referred to as "Lucifer Box."

Walter, the second son, was "Young Skull" for his high cheekbones, and little Sydney, the 2-year-old and the smallest of all the Dickens children, was immediately nicknamed "Ocean Spectre" because of the somewhat weird look in his large, wondering eyes.

And for the rest of his life the other children called him "Hoshen Peck." Edward Bulwer-Lytton Dickens, who was born in 1852, became "Plorn."

In his letters Dickens sometimes confessed comically that he could not recall all his children by name, and in later years that he was not always sure of their whereabouts. Mamie tells us that "he had a peculiar tone of voice and a way of speaking for each of his children who could tell, without being called by name, which was the one addressed."

MEMBER DRIVE OPENED BY 101 MEN'S CLASS

City-Wide Easter Campaign Is
Launched by Group.

The 101 men's class of the Broadway Baptist church has launched a city-wide Easter drive for membership, it was announced today by Rae Powell, drive manager. The Rev. R. M. Dorrill is teacher and leader of the class and Ray Higdon is president.

ILL VETERAN'S FUNDS VANISH. RECORDS SHOW

Lists Reveal Investments
Not Made, Yet Estate
Loses Value.

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of today would not be worth more than \$12,000, and that in 1930 the appraised value set was high.

Listed at Face Value

In the final report of George W. Rauch, conservator and receiver of the First National of Marion (the bank succeeding as trustee of the veteran's estate) the securities are listed at face value. The Cosmopolitan bonds are listed by the veterans' bureau as being in default.

Robert P. Kiley, now beer importer of Marion and an appointee of the administration of Governor Paul V. McNutt, was treasurer of the Citizens Trust and Savings Company when Case 1976 became a ward of the bank.

Mr. Kiley requested the insanity hearing in a petition on file, accepted the guardianship of Case 1976 for the bank, and on Jan. 25, 1925, signed the first report of the handling of the funds of the insane ward.

Mr. Kiley was president of the Marion Title and Loan Company while the bank was in liquidation, the Grant Trust, which invested the same in the trust funds of veterans.

Shown as Treasurer

In the 1930 Marion directory Mr. Kiley is shown as the treasurer of the Grant Trust, succeeding guardian of veterans' funds after the merger with the Citizens Trust.

Then up to the time that the First National of Marion (the old bank) went into receivership, Mr. Kiley is shown as director of that institution.

Request for the stockholders' list of the First National in Marion (the new institution) was refused The Times by Mr. Rauch, candidate for senatorial nomination on the Democratic ticket, on the premise that he did not desire to embarrass stockholders. Mr. Rauch is receiver for the old First National.

Mr. Kiley is not shown as director or officer of the new First National in Marion.

A Peacock Who Struttled

The guardianship case history of No. 2347 is that of a peacock who strutted and got away with it.

Case 2347—let's call him John—liked good clothing, and got them. He's in Poland now, being the big frog in the little Polish puddle of a town.

As far as the United States is concerned, he's still in the mind and his estate is held in trust by the Marion National bank of Marion.

But while he was under guardianship to the old Marion National bank, he was able to get \$45 overcoats, \$40 suits, \$11.35 shoes, \$1 hose, \$2 ties.

Then he was discharged from the veterans' hospital at Marion to go back to Poland.

Expenditures Approved

John had it in his mind to return to Poland, or at least he may be credited with it, for the old Marion National bank's trust department approved the following expenditures in September pajamas, \$3.50; three handkerchiefs, \$1; four men's hose, \$4; one suit, \$40; one hat, \$5; two ties, \$3.50.

Then on April 20, 1931, Case 2347 bought his "going-away" garb. The total came to \$311.60 at Price-Hughes Clothing Company, by the time he finished buying in May, 1931.

Itemized the bill runs like this: One suit, \$229.50; extra pants, \$5.50; one topcoat, \$30; one Gladstone, \$25; one trunk, \$40; one traveler's set, \$5; one overcoat, \$35; one suit and extra pants, \$25; one hat, \$10; one cap, \$2; three suits of pajamas, one \$5, one \$9.75; four

ACTRESS SEEKS DIVORCE



Esther Ralston

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 26.—Esther Ralston, motion picture actress, filed suit for divorce today against George Webb, who was her manager before they eloped to Riverside, Cal., on Christmas day, 1925. The actress charged mental cruelty. The couple have one child, a girl, 2.

\$4,500 CLAIM TO BE WAIVED

Cemetery to Release Hold
on Right of Way for
Certain Terms.

Efforts to obtain a south entrance to Butler university through construction of Conser avenue from Thirty-eighth street to Forty-fourth street appears to have produced results yesterday.

A \$4,500 claim which the Crown Hill Cemetery Association holds for the right of way will be waived under certain conditions, Hugh McK. Landon, president, advised the park board.

Mr. Landon's proposal will be submitted to the park board tomorrow for approval, A. C. Sallee, parks superintendent, said.

Crown Hill Cemetery Association will insist upon a boulevard of sufficiently permanent nature to assure the cemetery it will not face assessment for a new boulevard in the next few years.

The park board and works board have formulated plans for construction of a 100-foot roadway with a treated surface, Mr. Sallee said.

By using CWA labor, the city administration hopes to build the boulevard at a cost of less than \$3,000. The new thoroughfare will eliminate traffic hazards along Forty-sixth and Forty-ninth streets at Capitol avenue, Illinois and Meridian streets, it was pointed out.

suits of underwear, \$10.50; one belt, \$1; one buckle, \$1; suspenders, \$1; three collars, \$1; garters, 50 cents; four ties, \$6; four hose, \$2; house slippers, \$3.50; shoes, \$5.85; lounging robe, \$15; shoes, \$7; two traveling tags, \$5 cents; and then, as a concluding item, he bought his third suit at \$40, on May 11.

While John was in Poland he must have got the North American blues for in February, 1932, a United States road map was bought for him for 75 cents and only a 25-cent American flag.

Records in the circuit court guardianship files show that with an income of \$1,400 he spent \$2,030.18 from May 2, 1931, to March 19, 1932.

Next—He drives a car, yet legally he's insane.

BANDITS SLAY BANK'S AGENT; STEAL \$200,000

Three Suspects Arrested
for Downtown Killing
in Kansas City.

By United Press
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 28.—Underworld characters were routed from their haunts here today by police seeking the slayers of a bank messenger who was robbed of cash and bonds worth more than \$200,000. Two men and a woman are under arrest. Police said one of the men has been identified as one of the gang which shot down Webster Kemmer, Commerce Trust Company messenger, on a downtown street late yesterday.

Those under arrest were Sam Decaro, his wife, and Joe Martino. Mr. Kemmer was walking to the postoffice to mail the cash and securities. One block from the bank three armed men leaped from a small sedan to the sidewalk. One wrenched the satchel from Mr. Kemmer, then fired a single bullet into his heart.

Though armed, Mr. Kemmer had made no attempt at resistance.

SENATE SCANS MOVIE CHIEF'S LARGE SALARIES

Zuker Got \$130,000 Pay and \$757,000
Bonus in 1929.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Federal trade commission reports to the senate show large salaries and bonuses paid to motion picture executives.

Adolph Zukor, as president of Paramount Public Corporation, received \$130,000 salary and \$757,000 bonus in 1929, and \$96,031 salary with no bonus in 1932.

Fox Film listed a 1929 salary of \$129,727 for Vice-President F. P. Sheehan and \$20 bonus. His 1932 salary was \$162,014 with no bonus.

AUTO FACTORY PAY TO EQUAL 1929, IS BELIEF

Knudsen Makes Prediction on Basis
of Output So Far.

By United Press
FLINT, Mich., Feb. 28.—Total earnings of automobile factory workers this year will equal those of 1929 if the present demand for cars continues, William S. Knudsen, executive vice president of General Motors, predicted today.

Maximum working hours under the automotive code equal those of 1929, Mr. Knudsen pointed out.

Low Round Trip Coach Fares

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Next Sunday

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Leave 12:35 a. m. or 2:45 a. m. or 8:15 a. m. Return on any train same day.

CINCINNATI . . . \$2.50

Greensburg, \$1.25; Shelbyville, \$0.75. Leave 7:45 a. m. Return on any train same day.

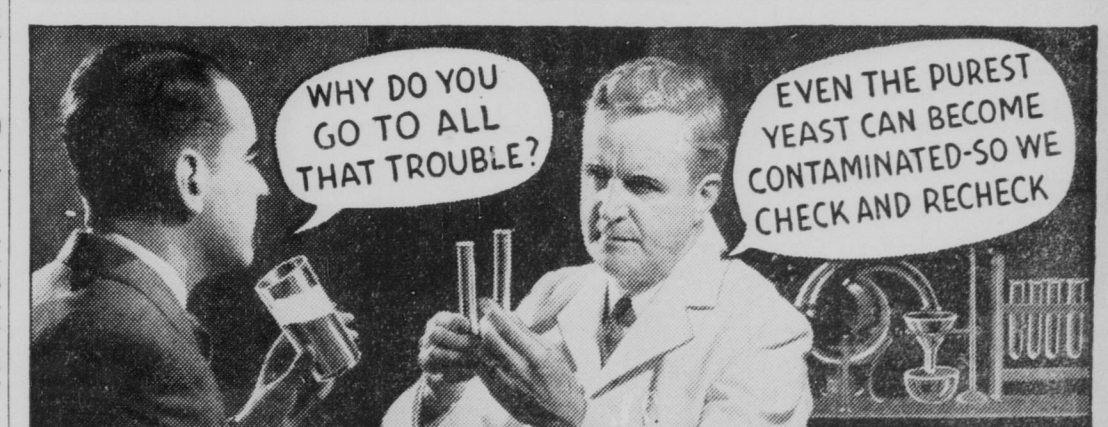
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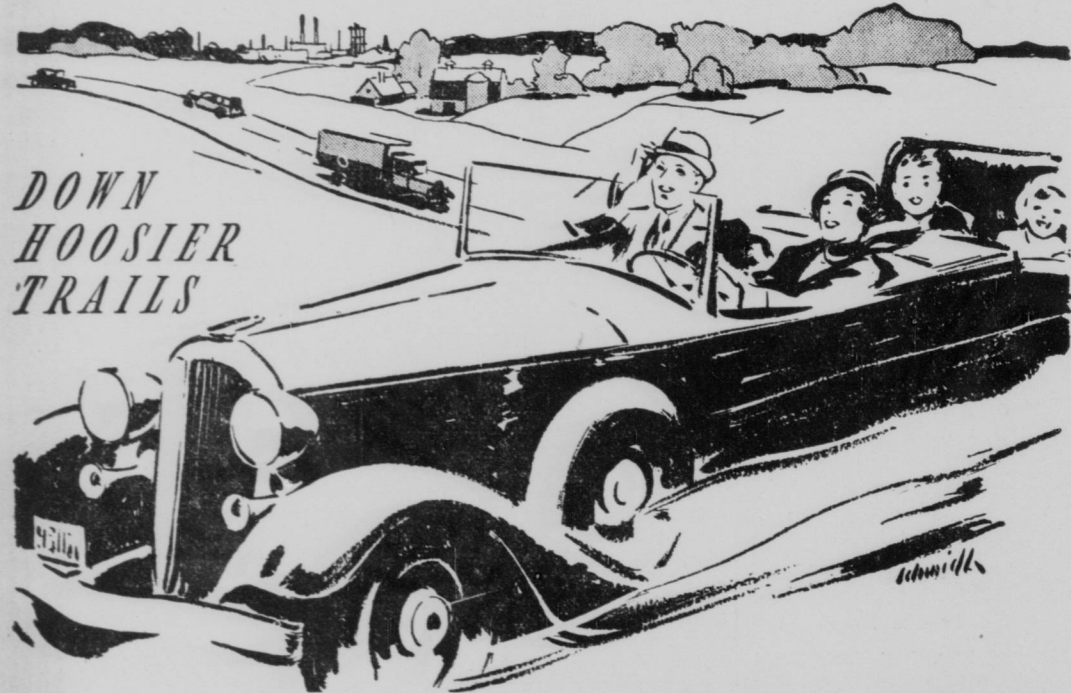
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