

Hot One on the Fire Department



Residents of South Hempstead, L. I., had a good laugh at their fire department the other day. A blaze broke out right in the fire house and the building burned to the ground despite the gallant work of the department.

MILITARY PRISON IN NEED OF PRISONERS

Program of Model Institution Handicapped.

San Francisco.—Wanted, 212 prisoners. That's what Col. George McElroy, director of the Alcatraz military prison, has to say about his model institution.

For Alcatraz, army disciplinary barracks out on an island within the city limits of San Francisco, is unique for many reasons. Out of its 288 prisoners, only one is there for life, only one prisoner has ever made a really successful getaway, and every man works eight hours a day and four hours on Saturday.

It's a place where there is running hot water and lavatory in every cell, steam heat, shower-baths, library, picture show, and every facility for the prisoners.

Under new army regulations a post commander may keep at his post guardhouse any prisoner within certain bounds, and therefore only the worst cases are sent to Alcatraz. Last year the barracks returned 12 men to duty after accomplishing with these prisoners the aim of their imprisonment, discipline.

Navy Sprinter



Ken McKenzie, sprinter of the Annapolis Naval academy, warming up during his training for the Olympic tryouts. He hopes to land a berth on the American team.

Movable Motor to Boost Seaplane Speed Records

London.—Speeds of 500 miles an hour may soon be attained by the use of "movable" engines in racing seaplanes, according to the inventors of a new type of engine mounting for aircraft.

The mounting is an outgrowth of experiments connected with the design and construction of the British Schneider trophy racers which last autumn put up a world's record of 407.5 miles an hour.

In experiments the engine is mounted on a pivot permitting the engine and its propeller to be tilted upward to any desired angle within a range of nearly 45 degrees. The fact the engine and propeller can be tilted upwards so as to be well clear of the water has enabled the designers to shorten the undercarriage so that the wings of the airplane almost rests on the water. In this way the air resistance and weight of the undercarriage have been greatly reduced.

Farmers Reap Rewards From Woodland Crops

Washington.—Far-sighted farmers in northern states are reaping rewards from their timber crops, according to W. K. Williams, extension forester of the Agricultural department.

On some farms the woodlands on hillsides, along streams, or on the rougher, or poorer areas, have been kept in a productive condition, while on others good production has been reduced to practically nothing because of neglect, according to Williams. He also points out that dollars lost through holding idle woodlands is a

The island is handicapped in all its activities by the fact that it has no fresh water, and all water must be hauled by barges from San Francisco. The island uses 125,000 gallons a day, obtaining the water from two supply ships.

An old Spanish fort, the original fortification protecting San Francisco, Alcatraz, which became a military prison in 1858, has on duty under arms only two men at a time, although within three minutes 180 persons can be armed to deal with any emergency.

Ranking high in importance in any consideration of the island is the kind of food the prisoners get. A sample menu consists of corn flakes and milk, fried breakfast bacon, hot cakes, sirup, bread, coffee, and butter for breakfast; rice tomato soup and crackers, fried beefsteak, fried onions, mashed potatoes, brown gravy, lettuce salad, french dressing, pickled beets, raisin pudding, bread and coffee for dinner; baked macaroni and cheese, dill pickles, doughnuts, bread, and coffee for supper.

Now this menu does not cost Uncle Sam 34 cents a meal, but 34 cents a day.

And recently they had turkey for their Sunday meal at Alcatraz. The island has an auxiliary garden over on Angel Island where fresh vegetables are raised. Keeping men busy is the specialty of Colonel Weeks, who attended school in San Francisco, served here with a company from Vancouver Barracks, Wash., during the fire of 1906, and was attached to the Presidio during the exposition of 1915. But he needs 212 more prisoners to do all the work he'd like to have done.

Colonel Weeks and his adjutant, Maj. James E. Slack, find that the morale of the men is the better, as well as their appetites, for eight hours' work.

The colonel thinks Alcatraz may be beautified by growing of grass on the hitherto brown slopes and cliffs. The men in the prison agree with him and have worked heartily to carry out his ideas.

The prisoners are dressed in black uniforms and black sailor caps made from war O. D. material dyed black. The prisoners have a complete tailor shop where their clothes are repaired and pressed, a shoe shop, plumbing shop, printing shop, typewriter/repair shop and furniture shops. They also have a laundry which serves all the posts around the bay.

Pride of the island is the furniture department, where skilled men repair antiques and build reproductions of the best of Hepplewhite, Duncan Phyfe, Sheraton and other types.

The prisoners are allowed to sell their products to army and navy off-

Youthful Peers Await Maturity to Take Seats

London.—Britain has 32 peers who cannot take their seats in the house of lords because they are not of age. Many bearers of old titles are still playing with their blocks, among them being Lord Wrexham, three, and Lord Montagu de Beaulieu, five.

Lord Gainsborough is eight. Lord Haig, son of the late British army commander, is thirteen. The earl of Shrewsbury and Talbot, who is premier earl in the peerages of both England and Scotland, is seventeen, as is Lord Gormanston, premier viscount of Scotland.

Barber Wins Razor Hartford, Conn.—Paul Composto, a member of the Master Barbers' association, was gratified when the judges of a prize razor contest awarded him the first honors. When he saw his prize he dropped it into the Connecticut river. It was a safety razor and blades.

CONGENIALITY

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Charlie Hunter, in "Behold This Dreamer," is imaginative, temperamental, ambitious, to be a painter. He is married to the crude illiterate daughter of a brush maker who neither understands him nor does her father. They think him crazy, and have him examined and then confined in an asylum for the treatment of the mentally deranged. Here he finds congeniality, sympathy, and inspiration, to attain his ideals. He wins a prize on some futuristic crude work which he has done in the asylum, and is released to go back to his commonplace wife and her impossible, hypocritical father. The association with them is unbearable, and he finally goes back to his kindly, sympathetic and unbalanced friends where he may enjoy the freedom and the peace which is to help him accomplish his idealistic ambitions. He is not wholly certain who is crazy and who is sane, but he chooses the congenial environment.

Mrs. Culver was a woman who had no need to apologize for her ancestry. She had descended from the blue blood of New England. Since she had ruled her household, and had been proud to do so. Now she was alone, with the exception of herself, her family were married and moved away, or dead or indifferent to her. There was no one left to whom she could play the grand lady. She did not enjoy this isolation. It piqued her pride that there was no one left whom she could lord it over as she had been wont to do fifty years or more, and whose homage she could receive. The county hospital—or in common parlance, the poorhouse—would accept her in a "paying guest" as they say in some aristocratic though indigent communities, so she moved in, furnished her own room with the mahogany furniture and the old china which had come down to her from her ancestors, and reassumed her position at the head of the table with the less fortunate pensioners as her slaves and devotees. The move scandalized her relatives to whose ears it came, but it furnished Mrs. Culver with a congenial clientele, and she was happy.

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cers, and have all the orders they can fill. Those in productive capacities are allowed \$2 a month for their work. The balance of what their industry brings in goes into a general welfare fund. A recent purchase of \$3,500 worth of talking picture projection machinery was made from this fund.

Among the features of the prison is its lighthouse, towering 214 feet above sea level. The light is visible 21 nautical miles. This light gives a flash for 3.5 of a second, and is off for 4.5 seconds. It is of 80,000 candle power.

Assignment to Alcatraz is considered one of the best to be had in the army by its officers and men according to Major Slack.

As for the prisoners, well, there's the words of the only officer on the island, Joseph Soliwode, "Since I have to spend my life somewhere, this is about as good as any prison I'd ever care to be in."

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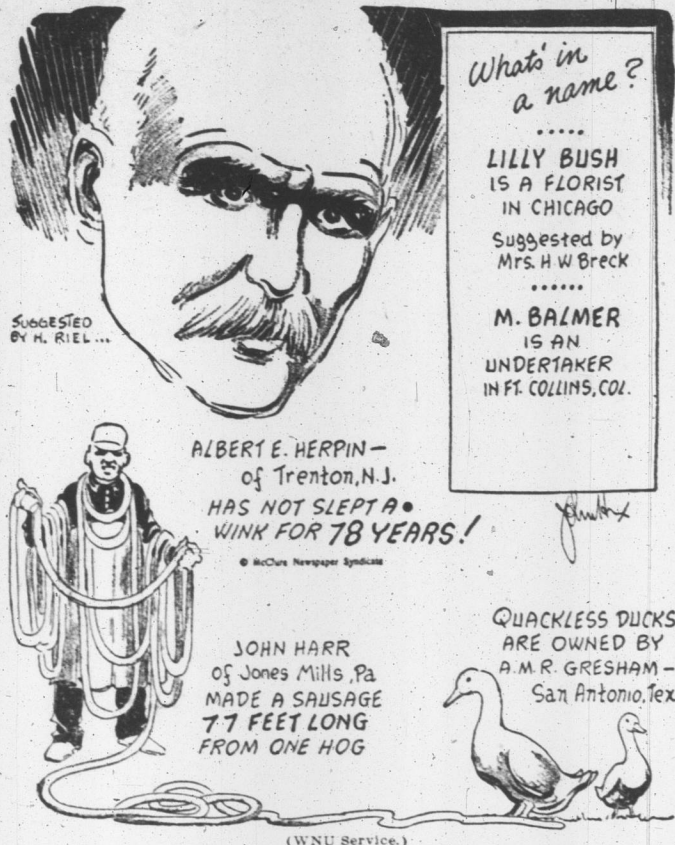
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Fireflies

There are several kinds of fireflies, the most common of which is the lightning bug. The lightning mechanism, usually situated on the sides of the abdomen, is composed of tissues to which are connected air tubes and nerves. The latter excite the air tubes, which convey to the fatty tissue the oxygen from which is produced the light.

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ODD THINGS AND NEW—By Lane Bode



FIND MONSTERS OF PREHISTORIC TIMES

Unearth Bones of Two Species of Dinosaurs.

Washington.—Two hitherto unknown prehistoric monsters, members of the great dinosaur family, who wallowed in the semitropical swamps of northern Montana over 75,000,000 years ago, have just been described from a collection of fossil bones gathered by a Smithsonian Institution expedition.

Palaeoscincus rugosidens, the scientific name applied to one of the extinct reptiles, belonged to the armored dinosaur group, and at the tip of its five-foot tail carried a bone-like mass weighing 50 pounds. According to the expedition group, the mass might have been used as a weapon, with which to protect the rear from enemy attack, or perhaps to brush aside the huge mosquitoes of an earlier day.

Study of the other bones of the beast shows, according to Dr. Charles W. Gilmore, curator of vertebrate paleontology, that the tail extremity could not have been used for such a purpose. It was so heavy that the animal could hardly have lifted the tail even with an extreme effort. The huge ball must have been dragged

along the ground much as a convict drags heavy steel ball manacles. Investigators state that the reptile might have become stuck in the mud by his heavy appendage, and unable to work free remained for the institution to unearth him after ages of waiting.

The other animal, Doctor Gilmore says, had a thick bone plate protection to a one-ton mass of slow moving body, and a six-horn skull with the name of styracosaurus ovatus, constitute its claim to the hall of fame.

Specimens of closely related species show that this great creature probably had, in proportion to its weight, the smallest brain of any animal that ever lived on land. The enormous skull, six feet long, contains a space for nerve tissue only about the size of a man's fist.

To imagine a Texas horned toad magnified 100 times, Doctor Gilmore says, would perhaps present a picture of the elephantine monsters that tripped the foliage laden mud of Montana in the days of the great dinosaurs. Formidable and ferocious as the animals appear, their food consisted of plants and vegetable matter.

Super Farm Woman



Mrs. Frances Silkey, a widow who lives near Boise, Idaho, is the envy of all the farmers of the state because she gets her crops harvested and to market from 20 to 30 days ahead of her competitors. She has earned the title of "the super farm woman," because she taps the earth to a depth of 1,240 feet and brings up water heated to a temperature of 134 degrees. The use of the warm water in her irrigation ditches aids the growth of her crops. She also uses the warm fluid in heating her home.

GABBY GERTIE



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Indians in U. S. Army The twelve Indian scouts still remaining in United States military service live in Ft. Huachuca, Ariz., in tepees of the same general pattern of those their Apache ancestors built. The dozen Indians are still authorized by regulations, although scout plane squadrons have almost completely replaced them. Their last active service was in the Pershing expedition in 1916.

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Football Note She—Did you get nussed up when you were on the eleven? Jack—No; it was while the eleven were on me.—Boston Transcript.

Wrong Place He—I'm groping for words. She—Well, you don't expect to find them around my neck, do you?

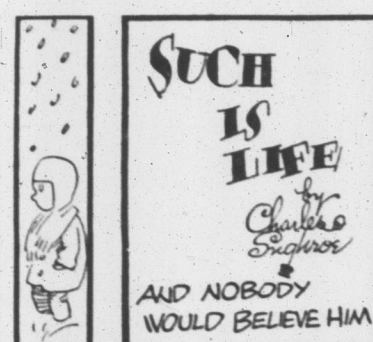
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British Mint Is Busy With Foreign Orders

London.—One of the busiest places in Great Britain this year will be the mint. Arrangements have just been completed for coining \$2,500,000 silver pieces for Jugo-Slavia. This order

coupled with a large order for coinage for Rumania will, it is estimated, keep the mint working at almost full capacity for eight months.

The nominal value of the pieces will be 20 dinars and 10 dinars respectively (approximately 50 cents and 25 cents American money at the present rate of exchange). They are being struck in what is known as British quarter alloy, and will be the first silver coins issued in Jugo-Slavia since the war.