

## FLAG POLE KING SEEKS DIVORCE

Memphis — (UP) — Alvin Kelly is "shipwrecked" again — this time the ship of matrimony has gone on the rocks.

Shipwreck Kelly, of flag pole sitting fame, has taken up residence in Arkansas where he intends to gain a divorce under the 90-day divorce law.

"You can't blame a woman for wanting a divorce from a man who spends most of his time sitting on flag poles," Shipwreck said. But he made it plain he is the one getting this divorce. During the last 10 and a half years he has perched on flag poles 577 days.

His wife is the former Frances Vivian Steele, of Dallas. They have one child.

Shipwreck obtained his nickname by the many sea escapades in which he has figured. He was lost at sea 21 times during the World war; he was one of the survivors of the ill-fated Titanic; and he saw six ships go to Davy Jones' locker while he was a member of their crews.

### For Spring Strolling



Included in the wardrobe of Norma Shearer, screen player, is this fetching choice for early spring strolling. The jacket shows side lapels and sleeves that are given fullness by tucks of the material over the shoulders. A cloth belt knots around the waistline in swagger effect.

### Reproducer of Antiques Exhibits Unusual Skill

Indianapolis, Ind. — (UP) — Skill that rivals jig-saw puzzle operation is exhibited daily by Edward Hill, local reproducer of antiques. His ability to reproduce arts that originated as far back as the year 1700 has kept him busy for nearly 40 years.

Broken and sometimes almost completely demolished bric-a-brac, family heirlooms, dainty Dresden china figures, goblets of Italian glass, colonial pewter ware and other rare antiques are reconstructed by Hill, who despite his knowledge has not become an antique collector.

When starting to rebuild an object, Hill begins in much the same manner as would a person trying to work a jig-saw puzzle. He first selects the largest of the broken pieces, sticking them together temporarily with glue. Some of the fragments replaced are only an eighth of an inch in size. If any of the small parts are missing, a clay composition, colored to match the original is substituted. When the article is entirely reconstructed, it is fired at the same heat as was the original. Upon completion it is practically the same as when first made.

### FLYING PATROL

San Antonio, Tex. — Ten gallon hats in Texas customs patrol are to be replaced by aviators' helmets. The customs officers are to be augmented by the addition of an aerial patrol. Experience in the past has led officials to believe they can deal with liquor and dope smugglers by using airplanes. Therefore, it is announced that men with flying ability will have preference in filling future vacancies.

### Mothers of Fined

#### Lawbreakers Suffer Most

El Paso, Tex. — (UP) — Mothers of lawbreakers suffer most from fines assessed. Police Judge Charles Windberg, Jr., believes.

Every Saturday morning his office is filled with sad-faced, weary mothers holding handfulls of small coins to offer for release of their sons.

The mother-love is ill appreciated. Judge Windberg said, for he observed recurrence of the same charges against the same men.

## Out Our Way



THE FAMILY HEAD AND TAILS

## CLOTHES CHASE SOVIET BLUES

Moscow — (UP) — A noticeable increase in clothes, furniture and other products of light industry in the Soviet capital is brightening the mood of the population here, for months depressed by various shortages and by the passport decree.

In the department stores and other shops new stocks of goods have suddenly made their appearance: shoes, galoshes, dresses, beds, tables, chairs, etc. — items for which people are famished here. Quality is extremely low and prices are extremely high. Nevertheless, shopping is not as hopeless an undertaking as it was only a few months ago.

In Mostorg, the largest department shop, the difference is especially manifest. Not so long ago sullen crowds milled through its spacious departments, gazing disconsolately at empty shelves. They came to buy rubbers and were given a choice between Caucasian shawls and dull razor blades.

While prices are exorbitant, they are considerably below those prevailing in the open markets, and consequently are likely to force the latter down.

## Library Is Mecca for Shakespearean Research

Washington — (UP) — The Folger Memorial Library, opened a year ago, already has become a mecca for Shakespearean research. According to Dr. Joseph Quincy Adams, supervisor, scholars as far away as Australia have come here to study the original Shakespeare manuscripts.

The library contains the only copy of the first edition of "Henry IV" and the only original of "Titus Andronicus" the latter being valued at \$150,000.

More than 120,000 persons have visited the marble library near the capitol since it was opened April 23 last year.

## Greenland Sinking Into Ocean, Professor Says

Oslo — (UP) — Greenland is sinking into the ocean.

Professor Vogt of Norway Technical university, Trondheim, says the sinking is shown plainly, and takes place at the rate of 58 centimeters a century.

In the summer of 1931, Professor Vogt headed an expedition to Southeast Greenland. Measuring the shore line and comparing the results with the measures of other expeditions, he discovered that the 2,500 meters glacier, which covers the big island, causes a pressure

that makes the mainland of Greenland sink in the ocean. Settlements of the early Norwegian vikings are today covered by water. The burial ground of the vikings at Eyoivnes is an evidence for the correctness of his theory, Professor Vogt declared.

## LONG FIGHT ON DREAD MALARIA

Rome — (UP) — Deaths from malaria in Italy were reduced from 21,000 in 1889 to 2,000 in 1932, a government report has announced.

During the 10 years of the Fascist regime the death rate from this disease has decreased 33 per cent. The malarial fight is thought to be nearing an end, though medical authorities are inclined to be cautious in estimating the victory, for malaria, it appears, has a way of returning.

A bill has been offered the chamber for the "co-ordination and unification of the laws and regulations in force in Italy for the campaign against malaria." It is expected that when the effects of this law have had time to be felt, and when the numerous land-reclamation schemes have been finished, that malaria will be little more than a memory.

A system of inspection by government officials has been in force for some time now in malarial districts, whereby the houses of peasants and workers are examined to see if they are provided with the regulation netting at windows and chimneys to prevent the easy entrance of the anopheles mosquitoes.

## Fall Is Secret of

### Man's Contortion Skill

Tyler, Tex. — (UP) — A fall from a barn when he was nine years old is believed by physicians to be the secret of the contortion ability of G. R. Dearty, 23, who visited here recently from Los Angeles.

A vertebra missing in his back enables him to turn his body in one direction while his feet are pointed the opposite way. He can stretch 10 inches higher than his normal height and can reach 10 inches farther with his right arm than with his left.

## Linden Trees Are

### Monuments to Colonel

Plymouth, Mass. — (UP) — Living monuments to Colonel George Watson of Colonial times are a row of eight English linden trees he planted here in 1760.

The tombstone on Watson's grave bears the epitaph:

With honest fame and sober plenty crowned,  
He lived and spread his cheering influence round.

## The Only Way.

From Stuttgarter Illustrierte.  
"Mummie says, will you lend her your phonograph?"

"What! She wants to dance at this time of night?"

"No, she wants to sleep!"

## Why Worry.

From Lindsay, England, Post.  
"Well, Dick, my boy," said his uncle, "my congratulations? I hear you're engaged to one of the pretty Robbins twins. But, by the way, how do you tell them apart?"  
"Oh," said the young man, "I don't try!"

## Never Forgets.

From Tit-Bits.  
"Why, Donald, it must be nearly 10 years since I last met ye."  
"Aye, Sandy, 'tis a mighty long time. We must celebrate."  
"Aye, let's. But ye'll remember, Donald, I paid the last time."

plays as they come from their offices.

His strong, clear-cut "crooning" voice can be heard daily near the Department of Justice building. One day his street singing brought in \$7.

Phillip explained that as his father and elder brothers had been out of work for more than a year, he decided to see what he could do.

In northern Ohio about 10 per cent of the peach crops, enough to bear a moderate trade, survived the February zero wave.

## By Williams

## SPAIN SEEKS ACE MATADOR

Madrid — (UP) — Who at present is the best matador in Spain?

The question is hard to answer. In the old days the aces came in pairs, on down through the centuries that continued, until the second decade of the 20th century. The great pair then was Jose Gomez and Juan Belmonte.

Since then, many figures have reached first rank, but of these, only Marcel Lalande and later Domingo Ortega, deserve to be listed as ace of aces.

In a recent popularity contest to settle the question, Domingo Ortega received 2,147 votes, Marcel Lalande received 2,127 votes, Vicente Barrera received 2,115 votes, Young Manuel Bienvenido received 2,114 votes.

## Slump in Yen Affects

### Goldfish Industry

Martinsville, Ind. — (UP) — S. H. Bryam, secretary of the Grassyforks Fisheries, Inc., Martinsville, has reported to the House Ways and Means Committee at Washington, D. C., that the slump in the Japanese yen is seriously affecting the Indiana goldfish industry.

The 50 per cent drop in value of the Japanese currency has enabled the Nipponese to slash prices of goldfish delivered in this country from Japan, to a level that American producers cannot meet, Bryam said.

## Youths Used Match

### To Help Fill Gas Tank

Portland, Ore. — (UP) — Melvin Randall, 19, and his young brother, Gilbert, 15, Portland, needed some gas for their "buggie." They found a gallon can and sought a filling station.

It was dark when they attempted to pour the liquid into the car's gasoline tank, so Gilbert, ever helpful, willingly consented to light a match "so we could see." Boom! Quick footwork saved injuries to the two youths and quick response of a fire company saved the car.

## Student Travels 40

### Miles Daily to Classes

Pittsburg — (UP) — By the time James Jones, Pittsburg, completes his college course at St. Vincent's college, Latrobe, Pa., he'll be a seasoned traveler.

He travels 40 miles daily to attend the college, making the 40-mile trip from his home to the school by train and automobile. Although he has to get up at 5:30 a. m., to reach school on time he has little "night work" to do—for he does much of his studying on the train.

## Glad to Know It.

From Answers.  
Friend: Your son is making good progress with his violin. He is beginning to play quit well.  
Host: Do you really think so? We were so afraid that we merely had got used to it.

## Sport or Beach



Get mannish, young woman, seems to be the fashion slogan these days. Here is Peggy Hopkins Joyce, screen player, wearing light-gray flannel slacks and double-breasted jacket for beach and sports wear. Note the black and white dotted scarf and the smart little gray cap.

## Operator Used Hammer To Rout Bandit

Seymour, Ind. — (UP) — B. G. Shannon, local filling station operator, frustrated a holdup with a hammer.

When a lone bandit entered the station brandishing a gun, Shannon struck him with the hammer. Using the weapon as a mallet, the bandit beat Shannon over the head after the gun failed to go off. Shannon, however, got in a couple more blows with the hammer and the sunman fled without loot.

## YOUR CHILDREN

By Olive Roberts Barton

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## GIVE THE CHILDREN MUSIC—EARLY!

Every mother is a potential teacher. So is every older sister or brother.

It is worth thinking about in these days of limited pocketbooks. Not long ago a lady of my acquaintance who plays the piano beautifully was lamenting the lack of money to give her small daughter lessons. It never occurred to her that she could teach the child the rudiments of music herself. Of course she is busy but half an hour three times a week could surely be spared.

Let me tell you a story. I happen at the moment to be visiting my sister Mary Roberts Rinehart.

I hadn't touched a piano for years but I sat down and played a few old tunes the other night that surprised both the piano and myself as well as my sister. They were not remembered, these old tunes — they were reflex, imbedded in my spinal column and the tips of my fingers, but there they were, old Victor Herbert operas, "Waltz Blue," "Hearts and Flowers" and so on.

## Tunes Stay With One

We began to talk about old times and Miss Walton, her music teacher when she was a little girl. I had the same chance but I was sick much of the time and I didn't like to practice, so in a month or two I was kindly removed from Miss Walton's tried and tired nerves, and my musical future abandoned.

Yet here I was years and years later playing Schubert's "Serenade" and Handel's "Largo." It was these that caught my sister's attention.

Mrs. Rinehart said, "Who did teach you to play? I can't remember somehow."

"You did!"  
She gazed at me in astonishment. She thought, "But 'So I did,' she exclaimed. 'But it wasn't much. You've learned a lot since then.'"

## Don't Wait for Teens

"I hated it like sin, but you made me," I told her. "You taught me all that was in your first exercise book. I remember the day you flew excitedly down street and bought me my first piece."

"What was it? 'Bluebells of Scotland'?" she smiled.  
"No—Sousa's High School Cadets." And I couldn't get it. But once I learned it I played it till the family held its ears. Later I branched out on my own. I never had another teacher. What you taught me I simply worked out by myself.

Mrs. Rinehart must have been about 12 or 13 years old when she commanded me as a pupil. I was a bit younger. No one suggested that she teach me music, certainly not I! She was determined to play quit well. Her own impatience that broke up her interest in my musical education.

## Something to Cherish

Later I began to buy pieces and learn them. I never played well — music was always hard for me — but I wouldn't trade my bit of knowledge for anything I know at the present. My appreciation of good music has continued to grow.

All this goes to prove a point. If anyone in the family is interested enough, children may be taught many things they do not get in school. I was especially fortunate. I told my friend she could teach her daughter music, at least start her on it, and later when she can afford it, get her a teacher. The first notes, the ability to read, to place the fingers on the keys correctly will help so much. It is worth while.

## One-Day Divorce Law Aided U. S. Quartet

Juarez, Mexico. — (UP) — Whatever American jurists may say of one-day Juarez divorces, the decrees are effective — at least they were for the Malcolm E. Parrots and the G. Minard Smiths, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

The couples, neighbors here in Poughkeepsie, came here, were divorced, exchanged mates and started back home.

During its first year the one-day divorce mill brought the state of Chihuahau \$200,000 from Americans.

## ROYAL STAMP COLLECTORS

Among the royal stamp collectors, in addition to the King of England, are the Queen of Italy and Belgium, Prince Leopold, Crown Prince of Sweden, and King Fuad of Egypt.

## Deep Mining.

From Tit-Bits.  
"That's rather odd," remarked the dentist. "You say this tooth has never been filled before, but I find small flakes of gold on my drill!"

"I think you've come to my back collar stud," moaned the miserable patient.

## Army Quarantine On Forage Lifting

El Paso, Tex. — (UP) — Lifting of an army quarantine placed on forage grown in the Rio Grande Valley will return the fort Bliss market, which, until last year, bought \$50,000 to \$100,000 worth of hay annually for its stock.

The surgeon-general of the army removed the ban after experiments proved a strange disease fatal to horses was caused by a germ-carrying mosquito and not by the valley-grown hay.