

AT 108, WOMAN TO CAST BALLOT

Mrs. Sophia Orr of Syracuse Looks Forward Eagerly to Next Election Day.

OLDEST VOTER OF HER SEX

Native of Vermont and Has Lived in Wisconsin and Mississippi—She Recently Prosecuted Her Grandson for Theft.

Syracuse, N. Y.—Mrs. Sophia Orr, 108 years old, is eagerly looking forward to casting her first vote for president in November. She probably will be the oldest woman in the country to cast her ballot. She voted for the first time in the mayoralty election last year.

"I voted the Republican ticket," she stated proudly, "and that's why they won."

The aged woman was the daughter of a lawyer, and was born in St. Albans, Vt., 108 years ago, according to her story. From there she moved to Muscoda, Wis., and later to Highgate, Miss., where she was married to Robert W. Orr. She remembers clearly the events of the war, in which her husband served, and has a vivid memory of her entire life down to the present.

Husband in Civil War.

The little old lady likes to talk about her dead husband, who fought for his country back in the sixties.

"He did his duty," she said resignedly, "and now he's up in Oakwood cemetery. He gave two arms, two legs and his eyes for his country."

Although in her long lifetime Mrs. Orr never before had to resort to the law for protection, she recently appeared against her grandson, Harvey D. Mullett, whom she charged with stealing \$145 from under her pillow.

Mrs. Orr is the oldest woman to figure in court proceedings in the

American Princess Fled Russia



The Princess and Prince D. N. Golitzine, who have landed at Boston from a tour of Russia, Japan and China. The princess is Miss Frances Stimpson Stevens of New York, a graduate of Wellesley college. She married Prince Golitzine in Boston in 1919. The prince then went to Japan and China with his bride and they were in Omsk when Kolehak was in power. They then went to Vladivostok, but were compelled to flee by the approaching bolshevist army. They managed to reach a Russian vessel and escaped to Japan.

state, probably in the United States.

As sprightly as if only half her age, the aged woman mounted the stand and gave her evidence against her grandson, when Mullett, who has appeared in police court before and is included in the rogues' gallery, demanded an examination.

"Grandma, you know I've always been true to you," said the accused grandson.

"Harvey, you took my money, I saw you," insisted the little old lady, "and what's more you took my copper wash boiler a long time ago."

"I've never forgotten that about Harvey," she stated gravely to the

judge. "He took that and \$5, and a ring which belonged to my dead husband, I know it was Harvey," she insisted.

Mrs. Orr owns the house in which she occupies one apartment alone.

"I was standing on my back porch telling my daughter-in-law how to hang up a blanket to get it dry," she declared to the judge.

"I heard a noise and saw Harvey coming out of my bedroom. When I went in the money was gone."

"He took my copper wash boiler, too," she reiterated, showing that the loss of the utensil was a hard thing to forgive.

The grandson was arraigned after "grandma" had already told her story once, and demanded that she be put on the stand.

"Grandma" had been waiting. She told her story in a clear voice and showed excellent hearing. The only difficulty with her as a witness was her desire to plead with her grandson to return the money.

"Why don't you give it to me, Harvey?" the little old lady pleaded again and again.

Lost \$100,000 Trying to Get Job Which Paid \$3,000

The Democratic nomination for county attorney of Muskogee county, Okla., indirectly cost F. E. Gumm, a former soldier, \$100,000, and he isn't in office yet. In the heat of the campaign Mr. Gumm forgot all about renewing his oil leases on 1,000 acres of promising land in Oklahoma, near the Kansas line. The day after his lease expired a 400-barrel well was brought in on an adjoining acreage. Now the leases which Mr. Gumm once held are worth dollars instead of cents, and he estimates his loss at \$100,000. The county attorney's office pays a salary of \$3,000 a year.

UNDERSEA WIRELESS FOUND

Mattese Fishermen Discover Apparatus Used by Germans During the War.

Malta.—A complete wireless apparatus which was anchored in 20 fathoms of water off Melleha bay, with the mast and working parts below the surface to a depth of about eight fathoms, has been discovered by a party of Mattese fishermen.

The apparatus, which was subsequently removed by the dock-yard authorities for an examination, is of German construction and is complete in every detail.

Undoubtedly signaling went on regularly during the war with submarines lying in wait for British vessels.

WASHINGTON SIDELIGHTS



Once More the Nicaragua Canal Project



Atasko to Cape Horn), whereas on the Isthmus of Panama it was 504 feet.

This is interesting because the Nicaragua canal may yet be dug to supplement for commercial purposes the facilities of the Panama ditch. The route would be 334 miles shorter from New York to San Francisco than by way of the Isthmus; and the canal would not cost more than one-third as much as that of Panama—barring, however, the risen price of labor and materials.

Looking at the map, one sees that Nicaragua is wide compared with the Isthmus of Panama. But also one observes that much of its narrowest part is occupied by an immense lake, 100 miles long and 45 miles broad, out of which a large river, called the San Juan, runs eastward all the way to the Caribbean sea. A strip only 12 miles wide separates the lake from the Pacific ocean; three-fourths of the river's length is navigable, and thus, as it might be said, most of the digging has already been done by nature.

There would be, as a matter of fact, about 48 miles of ditch to be dug; but nearly all of this is through lowlands, and the job would be correspondingly easy.

The distance across the Tehuantepec neck is 125 miles as the crow flies.

WASHINGTON.—Recently the United States government, by a payment of \$3,000,000, has acquired the exclusive right to dig a canal across Nicaragua—a step prompted by a report that Great Britain and Japan contemplated the project as a joint enterprise on their own account, anyway, so says report.

It was for a long time thought that we would decide upon a Nicaragua route in preference to that of Panama, but the final choice fell to the Isthmus, mainly because of fear of the Nicaraguan volcanoes, which are very temperamental and sometimes fiercely explosive.

Nevertheless the proposed line of the Nicaraguan canal passed 50 miles south of the nearest active volcano and the route had certain conspicuous advantages. For one thing, the highest elevation to be crossed is only 155 feet (this being the lowest gap in the continent's backbone anywhere from

First Wireless Heard Round the World

THE first message from the United States naval radio station, known as the Lafayette radio station, at Bordeaux, France, which is undergoing official acceptance tests, has been received here. The message follows: "This is the first wireless message to be heard around the world and marks a milestone on the road of scientific achievement."

Secretary Daniels sent the following message in reply: "My sincere congratulations upon the successful completion of the gigantic radio station named for that distinguished Frenchman whom all Americans honor. Designed to serve a military purpose, it will now serve to bind closer the cordial relations which have always existed between France and the United States. On behalf of the United States navy, I desire to express my pleasure upon the achievement of the Lafayette radio station in transmitting the first message to be heard around the world. We are happy to recognize in this powerful signal a symbol of that force and sympathetic understanding with which the voice of France shall be heard by its sister republic."

The Lafayette radio station was built by the United States navy department, under the direction of the bureau of engineering and the bureau of yards and docks. Its construction was begun during the war to



maintain wireless communication between this country and our forces in France, since at that time there was grave fear that German submarines might be able to cut the trans-oceanic cables and leave Pershing isolated so far as immediate communication with the United States was concerned.

The station now completed, is the largest in the world. It has eight 320-foot towers, and its engineering features, while in general modeled on those of our naval stations at Arlington and Annapolis, are unique both in their magnitude and in some features of their design.

The success of this station in transmission is exemplified by the fact that the audibility of its signals, as measured at the naval radio laboratory in the bureau of standards, is five times the audibility of the similar signals from the German radio station at Nauzen.

Milk With a Delicious Sawdust Flavor



ISN'T there a hoary old yarn about a man who equipped his donkey with green spectacles and tried to educate it to eat shavings? Well, anyway, he wasn't a circumstance to Uncle Sam. He's going to fatten up our cows and make 'em give more milk on a diet of sawdust.

In short, when the dairy farmer of the future needs feed for his cows he may get a fresh supply by going out in his wood lot and reducing a few stumps to sawdust.

By chemical treatment sawdust may be converted into a nourishing cattle food.

This fact was made public at a sectional meeting of industrial and engineering chemists, American Chemical society, at the University of Chicago.

The process of preparing such animal food was described by E. C. Sherrard and G. W. Blanco.

White sawdust, finely ground, is treated with diluted sulphuric acid in a large boiler known as a digester, under steam pressure. This breaks up the fiber and extracts the sugar. To prevent injurious effects, the acid is neutralized by adding lime to produce chemical reaction.

The liquid thus obtained, when boiled down, is rich in sugar, and when mixed with the fiber produces a moist feed containing about 15 per cent of water, in which form it is fed to dairy cows.

At the forest products laboratory, United States department of agriculture, Madison, Wis., experiments proved that three cows thrived on this sawdust ration and not only gave more milk, but increased in weight. So says Uncle Sam.

The result was so satisfactory that the government has decided to take the matter up on a larger scale at the experiment stations throughout the country and furnish a detailed report on the value of hydrolyzed sawdust as cattle food. So says Uncle Sam.

So there you are. Probably milk, cream and butter, with a delicious sawdust flavor will soon be added to the H. C. L.

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Immediately after a "Danderine" massage, your hair takes on new life, lustre and wondrous beauty, appearing twice as heavy and plentiful because each hair seems to fluff and thicken. Don't let your hair stay lifeless, colorless, plain or scraggly. You, too, want lots of long, strong, beautiful hair.

A 35-cent bottle of delightful "Danderine" freshens your scalp, checks dandruff and falling hair. This stimulating "beauty- tonic" gives to thin, dull, fading hair that youthful brightness and abundant thickness—All druggists.—Adv.

Playing Safe.

"That fellow seems to have horse sense."

"Hub?"

"He keeps away from the races."

If You Need a Medicine You Should Have the Best

Have you ever stopped to reason why it is that so many products that are extensively advertised, all at once drop out of sight and are soon forgotten? The reason is plain—the article did not fulfill the promises of the manufacturer. This applies more particularly to a medicine. A medicinal preparation that has real curative value almost sells itself, as like an endless chain system the remedy is recommended by those who have been benefited, to those who are in need of it.

A prominent druggist says "Take for example Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, a preparation I have sold for many years and never hesitate to recommend, for in almost every case it shows excellent results, as many of my customers testify. No other kidney remedy has so large a sale."

According to sworn statements and verified testimony of thousands who have used the preparation, the success of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is due to the fact, so many people claim, that it fulfills almost every wish in overcoming kidney, liver and bladder ailments; corrects urinary troubles and neutralizes the uric acid which causes rheumatism.

You may receive a sample bottle of Swamp-Root by Parcel Post. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., and enclose ten cents; also mention this paper. Large and medium size bottles for sale at all drug stores.—Adv.

Instalment Stuff.

"Been visiting the Newcombes, eh? Is their furniture antique?"

"No; on tick, I fancy."

ASPIRIN

Name "Bayer" on Genuine



"Bayer Tablets of Aspirin" is genuine Aspirin proved safe by millions and prescribed by physicians for over twenty years. Accept only an unbroken "Bayer package" which contains proper directions to relieve Headache, Toothache, Earache, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Colds and Pain. Handy tin boxes of 12 tablets cost few cents. Druggists also sell larger "Bayer packages." Aspirin is trade mark Bayer Manufacturing Monocetate of Salicylic Acid.—Adv.

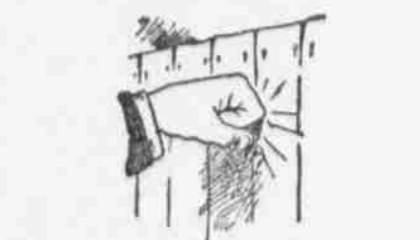
Its Nature.

"Just imagine that steel magnate's talking of the brotherhood of man."

"That's his fine irony."

CASCARETS

"They Work while you Sleep"



Knock on wood! You're feeling fine, eh? That's great! Keep the entire family feeling that way always with occasional Cascarets for the liver and bowels. When bilious, constipated, headachy, unstrung, or for a cold, upset stomach, or bad breath, nothing acts like Cascarets. No gripping, no inconvenience. 10, 25, 50 cents.—Adv.

At the exact moment the proposal is made a young man actually believes he is not worthy of the girl.

Baptista Ends Lisbon Gaming

Goddess of Chance Is Put to Rout by the New Premier of Portugal.

CLEAN-UP WAS SADLY NEEDED

Not a Street in the Capital Was Without Its Gambling House, Many Being Conducted as "Clubs" in Palaces.

Lisbon, Portugal.—Gambling, which flourished here to an extraordinary degree after the armistice, has suffered a severe check at the hands of the new government headed by Premier Baptista. Up to two months ago the gambling houses remained undisturbed, but since Baptista's government took office the law has been rigorously enforced and today there are few visible signs of the prosperity the gamblers have enjoyed for a year.

The gambling mania began to manifest itself as soon as the war ended. Magnificent clubs on which big fortunes must have been spent suddenly sprang up like mushrooms; gilded, glittering clubs, splendidly furnished, such as Lisbon never dreamed of possessing.

Palaces as Gambling Dens.

Palaces belonging to the old aristocracy were rented at incredible prices and transformed into "The Majestic," "The Palace Club," "Maxim's," "Palais Royal" and dozens of others on the same scale, with restaurants, ball-rooms and gambling rooms; everything being perfectly planned and carried out on the most modern and expensive lines.

Hundreds of smaller imitations followed, until it may with truth be said that not a street in Lisbon was without two or three gambling houses.

Thus a great change came over the humdrum social life of Lisbon, where nothing in the way of amusement ever happens beyond theaters and moving picture shows.

The club restaurants' excellent cuisine attracted fashionable crowds, constant relays of Americans and English tourists spent their money lavishly and smartly dressed women coming nobody knows from where were a doubtful source of attraction in the streets by day and at the clubs by night.

This condition existed for well over a year. Then well-known firms were robbed by trusted employees. An officer, who wore the cross of war, shot himself after losing large sums of money which were not his. Young men belonging to the best families fell into disgrace.

Press Starts Campaign.

A campaign was then begun by part of the Portuguese press, headed by the Seculo and the Situaao. Columns of letters from parents and well-known Lisbonites were printed daily, disclosing demoralizing facts and exhorting the government to close the clubs.

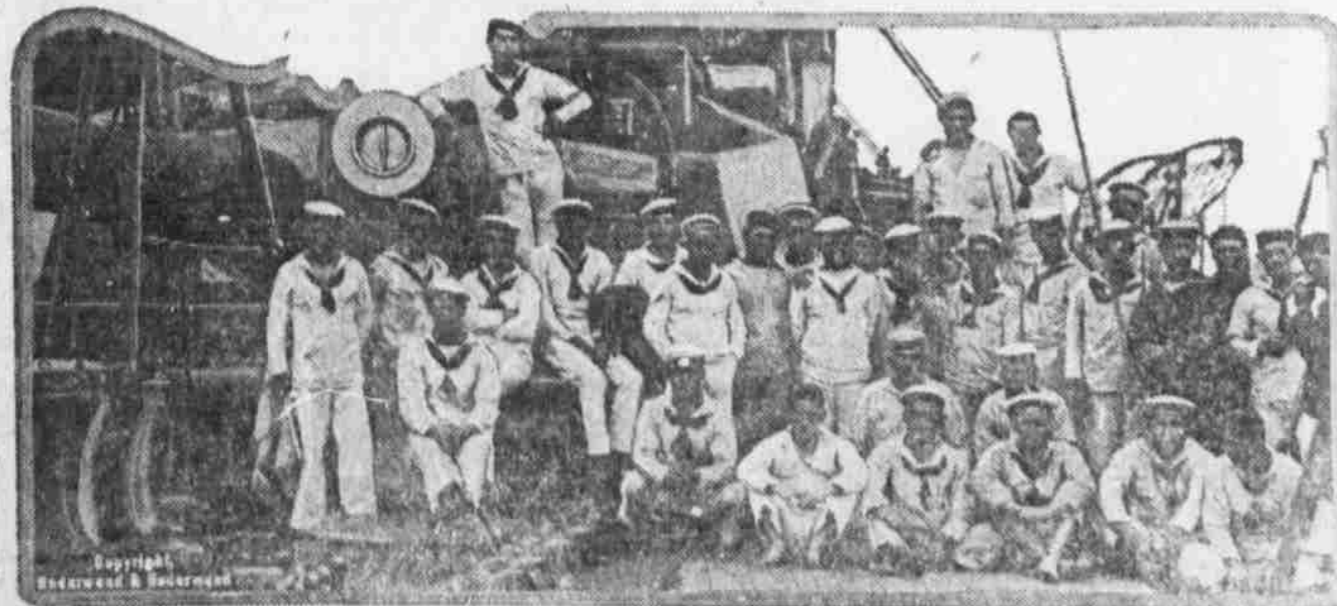
The governments, however, rapidly succeeding each other, had other things to attend to. And the gambling continued; but when the Baptista government came into office strenuous measures were taken.

The magnificent clubs, the glittering restaurants, the smart foreign women all disappeared as suddenly as they had burst upon the scene a year ago.

For a week carts and camions conveying roulette tables and other gambling paraphernalia to the police stations formed the chief attraction of the Lisbon streets.

Frequent attempts have since been made to reopen resorts. Recently the Palais Royal club was re-established, ostensibly as a restaurant. Three days later it was closed by the police, after a raid.

First Spanish Warship Here Since 1898



Deck view of the Spanish warship Alfonso XIII, the first Spanish warship to arrive on these shores since 1898 when the war with Spain began. The vessel is lying in the North river at New York.

A Possible Election Hitch—Other Items

POSSIBILITIES growing out of the Tennessee suffrage tangle are being officially considered, notwithstanding the fact that Connecticut has since made a ratification of sorts. The possibilities arise out of constitutional provisions that a candidate must have a majority in the electoral college to secure his election. If courts should declare, after the election has occurred, that the Tennessee ratification of suffrage was illegal all women's votes cast under authority of the nineteenth amendment also would be illegal, and there would be nothing to do but throw out the whole vote of states where such illegal voting had occurred. Thus, no candidate would have a majority of the electors and the house of representatives would elect the president.

DISTRIBUTION of President Wilson's flock of sheep, which have roamed the White House lawns for several years, began when a score were shipped to "somewhere in Virginia."



THE recent demotion of Brig. Gen. George Barrett from the rank of major general, commandant of the marine corps, and the fact that no action has been taken on his application for appointment as major general to fill a new existing vacancy, is exciting lively comment in navy and marine corps circles.

BUYERS of stills, beware, or the government will get you. All buyers must swear that they will use stills only for water, and records of all sales and resales will be kept.