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SEEK PRESERVATION OF ELK

Nation Is Waking to the Danger of the Extinction of Animal in This Country.

There are, according to estimates made by the National Sportsmen, about 100,000 elk in this country, of which 2,200 are in captivity in 125 different places. Thelargest herd, numbering, according to the government census, between 50,000 and 55,000, is in the Yellowstone region. In the summer thes elk range in the vicinity of the continental divide in the park. Since the settlement of the valleys the elk which are forced to descend from the mountains in the winter in order to obtain food have starved in large numbers. Since 1909, winter feeding has been provided by the state of Wyoming and the federal government, and recently congress appropriated $50,000 for the purchase of 2,000 acres near Jackson, Wyo., where sufficient hay can be raised aech year to feed the herds during the winter. During late years the government has experimente diwth small herds numbering about 100, which have been transferred to 13 different states for the purpose of restocking reservatioin. In this way it is hoped that wild elk can be retained in this country permanently. The Adirondack herd was rapidly approaching extinction when the government and the state of New York took a hand. It is believed that after the fate of the buffalo many states will attempt to encourage the propagation of elk in country which is unfit for farming.

Reasonable Precaution.

The lady was complaining to her dairyman some time ago regarding the quality of his milk.

"Short o' grass feed, mum; short o' grass feed this time o' year," said the jocular milkman. "Bless you, them cows o' mine are just as sorry about it as I am. I often stands and watches 'em cryin', reg'lar cryin', mum, because they feel as how their milk don't do 'em credit. You don't believe it?"

"Oh, yes, I believe it," said the lady; "but I wish in future you'd see that they don't drop their tears into our can."

Doom of Golf.

Bishop Murray, on his way to preach in Nashville, steamed in his train past a golf course crowded with players.

Bishop Murray frowned, then he smiled.

"In the millenium," he said, "every day being Sunday, mankind will get surfeited with golf, and the game will then undoubtedly become extinct."

Acquitted.

"The sheriff tells me," remarked a visitor to a western town, "that there hasn't been a prisoner in the county jail for over a year. That would seem to indicate that your community is unusually free from crime."

"Not necessarily," replied the native. "We've got some pretty slick lawyers around here."

Women are employed as undertakers and grave diggers in Austria.

Brightens One Up

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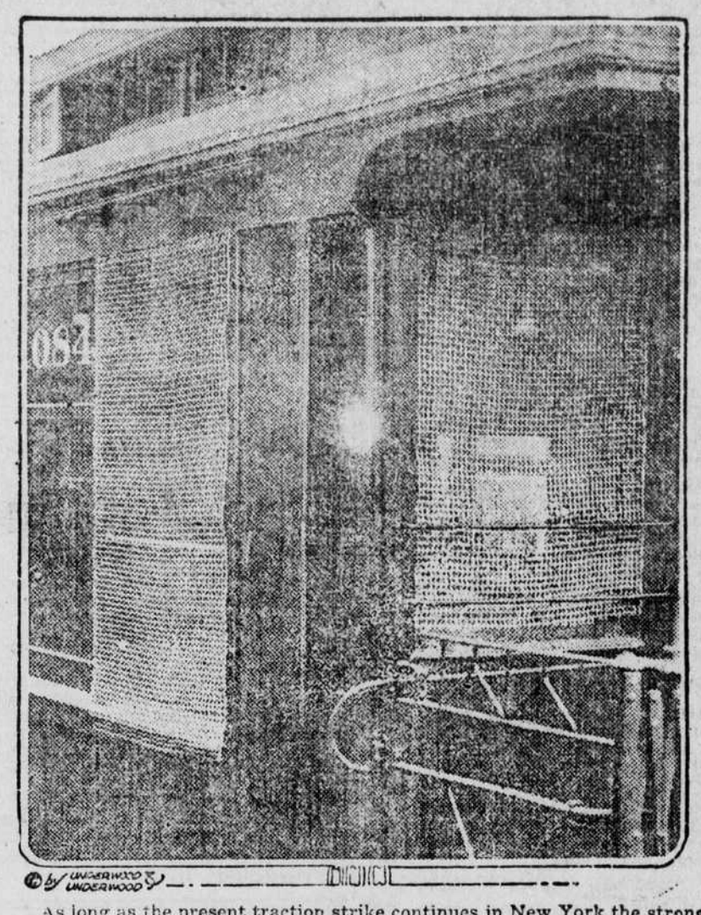

As long as the present traction strike continues in New York the strong wire netting shown in the picture will protect the motormen who stick to their posts from the fury of the strikers. There has been little violence as yet.

Somebody Had to Legislate.

From The New Republic.

The prevention of the railroad strike has caused bitterness, but it is insignificant when compared with what would have happened had the strike taken place. A number of well meaning people have said publicly, and a good many more have said privately, that they would have preferred a strike. They do not know what a national railroad strike would mean, and they are guilty of a serious lack of imagination. There have been very few railroad strikes in the history of the world, and where they have occurred they have brought the nation which suffered them to the verge of civil war. No nation has ever undergone a strike comparable to the one we have escaped. English, French, Italian and Belgian experience was a foretaste, but not a measure of what an American strike would have been. No nation has dealt with industrial conflict over so large a territory, and no nation where strikes have occurred is so dependent as we are upon the railroads. Had the strike occurred, men and women would have died, violence would have been epidemic, business would have staggered, and bitterness unquenchable would have filled the land. And yet men supposedly as responsible as Mr. Jacob Schiff tell us they would have preferred the disaster.

Analyzing Arbitration.

Preferred it to what? To what they call the sacrifice of the principle of arbitration. The principle needs closer examination. The brotherhoods said they would arbitrate everything but the doctrine of the eight-hour day as a basis of work and wages. They were willing to arbitrate question of pay and discipline, but not the basic work day. They said it was not arbitrable. Is that mere pigheadedness or is it true? Analysis will show, we believe, that the brotherhoods were sound in their claim; sound, mind you, not necessarily in demanding an eight-hour rather than a nine-hour day, but in saying that the basic work day is a matter for legislation, not for arbitration.

An analogy may make this clearer. Every student of international affairs has learned to recognize that there is a difference between justiciable and nonjusticiable disputes. That is why so many of the same people who denounce the Adamson bill denounce the pacifists who want everything arbitrated. They say quite rightly that you cannot arbitrate the admission of oriental labor to California. Why? Because it is a question about which no principle is accepted both in Japan and the United States on the basis of which you can arbitrate. Likewise no principle has ever been worked out to form the basis of arbitration for the length of the working day.

Somebody Had to Legislate.

Had the brotherhoods agreed to arbitrate, had the president appointed the wisest men in the world to handle the controversy, those men would have had to legislate, not arbitrate, on the question of the work day. The hours of labor can be determined only by one of two methods, by a trial of force or by the legislature as a matter of public policy. A calmer view of the situation will show that any board of arbitration set up to deal with this question would have been simply a little temporary legislature to make a declaration of policy which congress alone ought to make. The decision would not have been more "scientific" or "fair" because it would have rested in the end merely on the judgment and social philosophy of the arbitrators. They would have had to elevate their theory into the "judgment of the society," and if such judgments are to be passed it had better be by congress, which has the power to deal with the consequences.

A Small Price to Pay.

Just because the basic work day is ultimately a matter of social policy, the Adamson bill was a small price to pay for the prevention of a terrible national calamity. What does it say? It says that after January 1 eight hours shall be considered a day's work, and the measure of a day's work for reckoning pay, that a presidential commission of three shall watch the effects at least six months and report within nine, and that until one month after the commission has reported, wages shall not be reduced below the present standard, and that overtime be paid pro rata. In other words, we are to have at least six months' trial of the principle, followed by a reopening of the question of wages, rates, economy, and the method of handling disputes.

The only difference between "arbitration" and the present method is that three or four arbitrators would have had to guess on no experience and on no principle, while congress has guessed and provided a way for testing the result. The other difference is that a great calamity has been averted.

Congress Must Still Provide.

Congress still has to provide a better method for the future, but its organization can proceed calmly and with the good will of labor. That is an infinitely better mood in which to build than in the aftermath of violence, ruin and hatred. No essential interest is left unguarded, no one is deprived of his chance to be heard. Had the strike occurred no one would have been heard for all the din it would have set up. Congress acted in haste to prevent a disaster. It is a pity that it had to act in haste. It is a pity that in its action it failed to adopt the whole of the president's program. It is a pity that the nation is never prepared for its industrial crises. It is a pity that the social reformers who have thought about these matters are always ignored until the catastrophe is at hand. It is a pity that we have had Colorado, Mesaba, West Virginia, Lawrence, Paterson, Akron, Calumet, and that congress and the masters of business are still unaroused and very little wiser.

Drug Act Defective.

From the Pittsburgh Dispatch.

The decision of the supreme court affirming the ruling of the Western Pennsylvania circuit court in the Harrison drug act case indicates a serious defect in the law. Under this interpretation the law can reach only those who deal in opium, not, as the prosecution contended, any person having the drug in his possession. Justice Holmes, in delivering the majority opinion, Justices Hughes and Pitney dissenting, said it would not do to strain the powers of the United States almost, if not entirely, to the breaking point by making it a criminal offense for any person to have opium in his possession, unless the wording of the statute made any other interpretation untenantable. The law, as it stands, is directed against any person dealing in the drug who is not registered. There was no allegation in the indictment in this case that the drug was to be dealt in and the majority of the court held that the act was so worded as to include only those who failed to register as dealers.

The government contends that this so weakens the law as to practically ruin it. It requires proof that persons having the drugs are dealing in them. The enforcement has proceeded on the theory that mere possession was illegal. The remedy is clearly indicated by the court's intimation "unless the wording of the statute makes any other interpretation untenantable."

A Tip to Settlers.

"The Department of Agriculture," says the Farm and Fireside, "has just published a booklet of information for prospective settlers in Alaska. It will give any intelligent reader a pretty accurate idea in concise form of where to go and where not to go if he wants to farm in Alaska; and it is time for people to understand that Alaska is going to be a great country.

"To open this great country for settlement the government is building a system of railroads of its own. For the present, only about 1,000 miles of these lines are to be built, but it is fully realized that this is but a beginning of the system. The railroad scheme of the new country is likely to be the most efficient and economical in the world. In Europe and Asia railroads have been built primarily to meet military requirements; in this country they were originally rather speculative. Alaska will have its railroads laid down on scientifically and economically correct lines."

Have You Been Swindled By This Trick?

"A so called cooperative organization," says Farm and Fireside, "offers automobile owners the opportunity to secure standard makes of tires, supplies and various accessories at exceedingly low prices. First, you must join the association, which is done by paying an annual fee of $10. Then you receive a catalog which is similar to the catalogs of prominent accessory houses but it contains a discount sheet quoting prices in some cases lower than the cost of manufacture.

"But, when you send in your order for the standard goods listed, you receive a reply that they are 'just out' of those goods, and you are urged to purchase an unknown brand which they carry. The joker in the whole scheme is a little clause in the contract which says that they will furnish the standard goods 'when in stock.'

"Many representatives of one of these organizations in Canada were tried on the charge of fraud, and pleaded guilty. The American Automobile association reports the existence of similar associations in this country."

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BASEBALL EDITOR IS HURT

Makes Unkind Comment on Question Asked by Sweet Girl Viewing National Game.

Gilligan, the Demon Swatter, stepped up to the plate.

It was the last half of the ninth inning with the score tied and two men out.

Gilligan swung at the first ball and missed.

The next one was a ball, and the next and the next.

The umpire called the next one a strike, though 20,000 fans disagreed with him.

"This one tells the tale," said everybody to his next neighbor.

Gilligan gripped his bat firmly, dug his spikes into the ground and swung with all his might.

Crack! The ball sped as if shot out of a cannon, far over the center field fence, while the Demon trotted round the bases amid the plaudits of the multitude.

When the excitement had subsided a bit, a girl—Oh, she was a beautiful girl—you ought to've seen her—well, anyhow, this girl touched her escort timidly on the arm and asked in dulcet tones:

"Does the batter have to pay for the ball when he loses it over the fence like that?"

And yet some people thought women should be allowed to vote.—New York World.

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Ideal Wife.

Miss Marion Pomeroy Smith, the Cape Cod heiress who has just won a legal contest for the control of her huge fortune, believes in women's rights.

"There will be fewer divorces," she said to a reporter, "when men treat women as their equals."

"'Do you know the kind of wife my ideal is?' a married man once said to me.

"'Of course, I do,' said I. 'Your ideal wife is the kind that's titckled to death over a birthday present of a bag of flour.'"

Didn't See It.

An excitable Irishman riding in an open car signaled the conductor to stop at the corner. He jumped off anyway, and found himself landed in an excavation.

Scrambling out, he rushed up to a policeman.

"Did you see that?" he asked indignantly.

"I did," said the policeman. "It was your own fault."

"I'm not asking whose fault it was, I'm asking you did you see that."

"I did not," said the policeman, turning his back.

Not Coffee.

"What's the matter, Bill, you look tired this morning?"

"I didn't get any sleep last night."

"Too much coffee?"

"Oh, no, the baby doesn't drink coffee."

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COULD NOT CORNER MIKE

Mr. Flaherty Ready With Explanation for Failure to Keep Awake in Church.

One Saturday evening Mrs. Flaherty said to her husband, who is a successful contractor: "Mike, Father Burke is to preach to morrow at St. Patrick's church, and you've often told me you wanted to hear him."

"Yes, Jane, I do want to hear him. They say he's a fine speaker."

'But, for pity's sake, Mike, if you do come with me, keep awake! You know you're always falling asleep during the sermons."

"I'll do my best, Jane."

Next day, when Father Burke began to preach, Mike watched him for five minutes, and thne dropped off to sleep. When they were back home Jane gave Mike a tongue lashing.

"Well, Jane," said Mike in self-defense, "it's just this way. When I engage a new hand I watch him to see if he's on the job. As soon as I find he's efficient and hard-working I don't bother about him any more. Now, as soon as Father Burke began I saw he was right on to his job, and so I didn't worry about him. And then, in spite of myself, I let go."—Everybody's Magazine.

An Improvement.

Mrs. Josiah Cowles, the new president of the National Federation of Women's Clubs, was talking in New York about dress.

"Women, once they get interested in our movement," she said, "dress more sensibly. They give less thought to dress. I may claim, in fact—"

Mrs. Cowles smiled.

"I may claim, in fact," she ended, "that these women start making their own clothes and stop picking their friends' clothes to pieces."

The Expense.

"I am in favor of peace at any price."

"Yes," replied the pessimist; "but suppose you wake up some morning and find you haven't got the price?"

All Parents Know That.

Every bright boy, at the age of four, becomes an animated interrogation point.

Had Learned His Lesson.

After one of the reservations had been opened, the white community was annoyed by the promiscuous swearing of the noble red man, numbers of whom seemed quite unaware of the strength of their recently acquired vocabulary. This condition became so intolerable that several arrests were made and jail sentences imposed. It was not long before the native sons of America realized that swearing in public was a very bad business, and they quit. One of these Indians was a witness in a case of some importance in the local justice court, and had testified to certain facts which greatly exasperated counsel for defense. With his hand upraised the lawyer impressively thundered: "Now, Nick, will you swear—" "No!" shouted the Indian. "Me no swear! Swear talk no good here—gettum jail!"

The Anticlimax.

The revival meeting was tense in its interest, and the evangelist was waxing eloquent. He arraigned the laxness of the church people and present-day evils in general, and everyone was too absorbed to notice the growing uneasiness of two lads on the front seat.

With the question, "What's the matter?" pronounced in tones of thunder, the preacher reached his climax.

The two boys had risen and were starting for the door. One of them hearing the preacher's question, wheeled and said: "Aw, I got the nosebleed."—The Christian Herald.

No Joke.

"I need a lot of new things this fall," began Mrs. Wife. "We have to get a new rug for the dining room and some curtains for the living room. We need some new dishes, too. And besides, I haven't a thing to wear. I've got to get a new evening dress and a street dress, and a couple of new hats, and I haven't a pair of shoes to my name, and—"

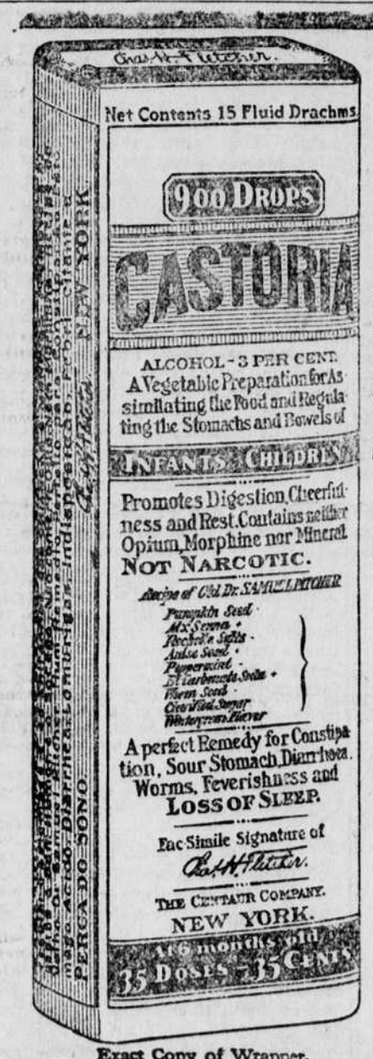
It isn't any joke—that's all.

Conspicuous Example.

"What's your idea of an optimist?"

"A professional prizefighter telling what he is going to do to the other fellow."

The public's neck is always exposed.



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