

**Far North Also Has
Its "Emerald Isle"**

Were not the title pre-empted, Kodiak, in the Katmai district of Alaska, might have been called the "Emerald Isle" quite as well as Ireland, for its situation in the Pacific is similar to that of Ireland in the Atlantic ocean, is the assertion made by a writer in the Washington Star.

Although the island of Kodiak is 100 miles from Mount Katmai, which in June, 1912, gave one of the most tremendous volcanic explosions ever recorded, it was buried nearly a foot deep in ash. The ashy blanket transformed the "Green Kodiak" of other days into a gray desert of sand, but after a period of two years the ash-laden hillsides were again covered with verdure finer than ever before.

In the opinion of a resident of Kodiak, "Never was such grass known before, so high or so early. No one ever believed the country could grow so many berries, nor so large, before the ash."

The island owes its climate, as does Ireland, to the tropical ocean current which bathes its shores. The eastern half of the island is occupied by a forest of spruce, whose trees reach a great size. Then comes luxuriant grass land, equal to any grazing land in the United States, and finding a parallel only in the "guinea grass" of the tropics.

**Armenians Have Long
Survived Other Races**

The Armenians have remained unshaken in all vicissitudes and by their courage have preserved until our days their nationality, their language and their customs, asserts Herbert Welsh in the New Armenia.

The races that the Armenians knew in their infancy have vanished from the face of the earth. Their brothers, the Phrygians, are today only a vague memory. Among the contemporaries of the Armenians, only the Hellenes, the Italotes and the Gauls have survived, not, however, without undergoing many changes, and abandoning many of their former customs. Except the Greeks, one must seek the kinsmen of the Armenians among the nations who were brought from the steppes of the North toward the shores of the Mediterranean by the same flood that brought the ancestors of Halk toward Thrace.

It can clearly be seen that the titles of nobility of the Armenian race date back to more than 3,000 years before our era, and that they are much more ancient than those of most of the European peoples. About the time when Rome was being founded, Halk, the eponymous hero of Armenia, led the Armenians to Ararat. The Persians were just commencing their political life when Armenia had already constituted herself a state.

Astronomical Theories

The naval observatory says the belief is commonly held among astronomers that Mars is an older planet than the earth. The old theory of the origin of the solar system, called the nebular hypothesis, was first proposed by Laplace a hundred or more years ago. According to his view, the sun was once so large that it extended as far as the orbit of Neptune. In the process of shrinking to its present size it left bits of itself behind, each of which became a planet; so that the farther out a planet is, the older it is. However, there are many astronomers who do not accept this theory; several different theories are now given to explain the origin of the solar system.

Preserving Trees

Large wounds in trees made by the removal of branches of considerable diameter may be protected by painting the cut surface with a heavy coating of white lead. A large number of waxes, paints and washes have been tried, and the conclusion has been drawn that any substance which is not corrosive or detrimental to growth and which will protect the heartwood from the attacks of rot spores, will prove a satisfactory covering for a cut surface. Among such substances may be mentioned white lead, yellow ochre, coal tar and grafting wax.

Awakens New Hope

Some enterprising California citizen discovered that goldfish are much more valuable in a pond of stagnant water than in a glass bowl. It is said that a few goldfish placed in sluggish water where mosquitoes breed will in one season eat every vestige of mosquito larvae, freeing the neighborhood of this pest. Just about the time we had given up all hope that this metallic colored fish had any value other than as a parlor pet, along comes this news dispatch. There is hope for the gar like yet.—Detroit News.

Oriental Rug Designs

Authorities on oriental rugs say that the rug itself typifies the universe and the various designs the ever-changing course of life. The principal color, if red, typifies life of victory; if blue, royalty; if white, purity; if green, devotion, and if black, evil. In patterns the Swastika means good luck; the flower and knot, fortune and life everlasting, the circle, immortality. The star of six points represents Allah.

Our Inquisitive Youngsters

"Uncle Tom, what are those little square holes in your desk for?"
"Those are pigeon holes, my dear."
"When will the pigeons be back?"—Boston Transcript.

**The
Scrap Book**

**Famous Rifleman Gave
Name to Pipe Spring**

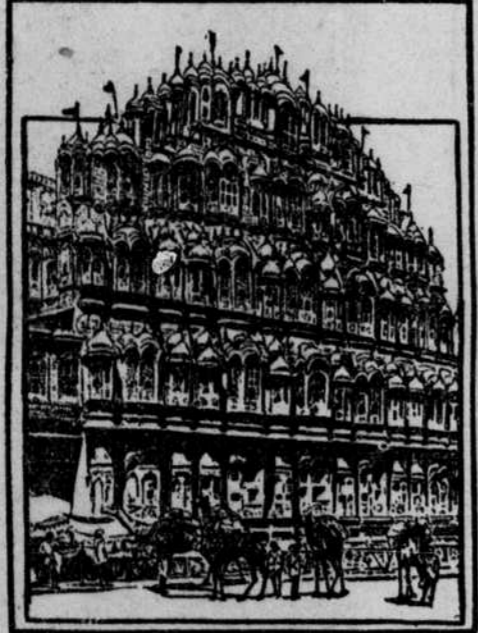
Pipe Spring national monument is famous in Utah and Arizona history. In 1853 Jacob Hamblin was sent by President Brigham Young of the Mormon church to visit the Hopi Indians in northern Arizona. His party consisted of ten, including a Plute Indian guide, and, so the story goes, they camped by a marvelous spring in the midst of the desert.

Hamblin, observes the New York Times, was a noted rifle shot, and the conversation turned to the question of marksmanship. A wager was made that he could not shoot a hole through a handkerchief at 20 yards. Hamblin fired several shots at the square silk hung by the two upper corners, but the force of the bullet only swept the handkerchief back without penetrating it. Stung by his failure and his friend's laughing remark that he could not shoot straight, Hamblin declared that if he could not shoot straight he could stick his pipe up as a target and shoot the bottom out without breaking the bowl. Up went the pipe, and "crack" went the rifle. Hamblin made good his word and from that time on the spring has been called Pipe spring, according to the Department of the Interior.

In 1861 James M. Whitmore was sent by the church to the southern part of the state to raise cotton in Utah's Dixie and to develop the resources of that part of the territory. He and his followers settled at St. George, and in 1863, in order to provide grazing facilities for his herds of cattle and flocks of sheep, he located and improved the Pipe Spring ranch, which lies about 55 miles east of St. George and 20 miles west of Kanab.

**Indian City of Jeypore
Has Unique Features**

One of the most remarkable cities in the whole world is Jeypore, in India. It is specially beautiful and regular because it was built all at one time and according to a single consistent design instead of being built helter-skelter and at different periods. The founder of it was Jey Sing, a maharajah or native ruler who started it in



"Hall of the Winds"

1728. Most of the buildings are covered with pink and white stucco—this being the case with the "Hall of the Winds," which is here illustrated. In Jeypore the sacred cattle go about the streets at will, eating anything edible they see, and the people dare not molest them. The monkeys, elephants, camels and other animals are also considered sacred and they have things pretty much their own way.—Pathfinder Magazine.

Clocks' Two Years' Test

The twenty electric clocks in the palace of industry and other buildings at the British Empire exhibition at Wembley were two years under test at the royal observatory, Edinburgh. The special apparatus used included a kinematograph which takes account of thousandths of a second. The variations of the clocks during the test never exceeded one-hundredth of a second in twenty-four hours.

Buoy's Long Voyage

A light buoy which broke away from its moorings in South America five years ago has traveled nearly 10,000 miles to Australia. The director general of navigation in New South Wales reported that the buoy broke adrift in 1919, and assuming that it followed the shortest route, it must have drifted between four and five miles a day.

Retriever Adopts Kitten

A Chicago man owns a retriever and a cat, and both recently became mothers. The retriever's two pups were born dead, so she abducted the cat's single kitten. The distressed cat has endeavored to secure possession of her offspring, but the retriever holds her at bay and jealously guards the kitten, which she nurses and tends devotedly.

To Feast on Ancient Ham

A farmer near Excelsior Springs, Mo., has kept a ham 47 years. It is no his father put away in ashes in 1877. He says it is his intention to invite a few of his old friends to take dinner with him in 1927, on which occasion the ham will be served and its 50th anniversary appropriately celebrated.

**Humorist Could Also
Be Bitter at Times**

For real bitterness the following (from Mark Twain) is hard to match: "A myriad of men are born; they labor and sweat and struggle for bread; they squabble and scold and fight; they scramble for little mean advantages over each other. Age creeps upon them; infirmities follow; shames and humiliations bring down their prides and their vanities. Those they love are taken from them, and the joy of life is turned to aching grief. The burden of pain, care, misery, grows heavier year by year. At length ambition is dead; pride is dead; vanity is dead; longing for release is in their place. It comes at last—the only unpoisoned gift earth ever had for them—and they vanish from a world where they were of no consequence; where they achieved nothing; where they were a mistake and a failure and a foolishness; where they have left no sign that they have existed—a world which will lament them for a day and forget them forever. Then another myriad takes their place, and copies all they did, and goes along the same profitless road, and vanishes as they vanished—to make room for another and another and a million more myriads to follow the same arid path through the same desert and accomplish what the first myriad, and all the myriads that came after it, accomplished—nothing!"

**Heart Massage Is One
of Surgical Marvels**

The heart is a pump, and its work can be done for it quite well for a little while by hand, while its own power fails, and it takes a rest. One has to remember that, normally it never has a rest from the moment of life until death. And what happens in cases of heart massage is that the surgeon rapidly makes his way to the organ; and, taking it firmly and gently in the hand, squeezes it so many times to the minute, thus keeping the stream of the blood circulating. If all goes well, the heart gradually recovers itself, and begins to beat of its own accord.

Thus it practically amounts to this—that a person may actually die and be brought to life again.

There was a time when it would have been thought madness to touch the heart. Yet wonderful things were done in the World War in removing bullets and shrapnel and in repairing heart rents, though often it is better to let sleeping dogs lie undisturbed, and the surgeon is still very chary of touching the great vital organ. For, though the heart is not so fragile as we once fancied, it has a queer temper. Its nervous mechanism is not a little touchy, and easily thrown out of gear.—London Times.

Danger of Deforestation

The forest service says that the reduction of the forests does diminish stream flow. The forest cover acts as a gigantic sponge that holds back excessive moisture and lets it out gradually into streams. Deforestation can take place without danger to a certain point. If the deforestation is carried too far it proves dangerous through periods of excessive moisture such as melting snow, which causes floods. With the forest cover acting as a sponge it does lessen floods to a certain extent. The increase in arable lands would diminish neighboring streams in so far as forest lands would be taken and placed over in the arable lands.

Organization of Scientists

The Royal society grew out of two small groups of friends, who met occasionally in London and Oxford to discuss scientific questions, about the middle of the Seventeenth century. These were organized into a definite society in 1660, and two years later the society was granted a charter by Charles II and incorporated as the Royal society. Its early meetings took place in Gresham college, and afterwards in Crane court. In 1782 the place of meeting was transferred to Somerset house, and in 1867 to Burlington house, London.—London Mail.

First Coinage of Silver

Silver was first coined on the Isle of Aegina. Here the ancient Greeks stamped a turtle on their first silver coins over 700 years before the Christian era. The first silver coins in the United States were issued by the Massachusetts colony, which minted small silver coins, familiarly known as the pine-tree shillings. The mint was closed by order of the crown in 1684. The first coins made by the United States government were in 1793.

Papal Triple Crown

The tiara, a high cap of gold cloth, encircled by three coronets, with a mound and cross of gold at the top, is the triple crown of the pope. It is ornamented with precious stones and pearls, and is decorated with three royal diadems. It is without inscription. A symbolic meaning has been found in the triple crown, as representing the authority of the pope over the church "militant, expectant and triumphant."

Service

Mrs. McGee (in hotel)—Are these sheets damp?
New Maid—No, ma'am; but we can sprinkle them if you wish.—Hotel Management.

PLEASANTVIEW ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Murphy, and son, of near Emmet, spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bruder and family last week.

Miss Dorothy Winkler spent a few days last week with the Charley Bauman family, south of Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Reise and Dorothy, were dinner guests of Mrs. George Reise and family Xmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pratt and family spent Christmas day with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Malloy, near Emmet. Elmer and John F. Warner ate Xmas dinner with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Warner, of O'Neill.

Mrs. Elmer Warner is spending the holidays with her uncle, Strongburgs, in Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Klingler, Wm. Steskaill, Amiel and Albert Heeb, Eddie Rosler were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Strong.

Katherine Reise spent a few days last week with Mrs. George Reise and family.

Tom Maring, Jr., is spending a few days in Neligh.

Elmer Warner returned home Monday from a visit in Long Pine.

Wm. Clausen spent Sunday in Spencer to the bedside of his father-in-law, Mr. Bigler, who is in the hospital there with heart trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Walnofer called on Ed Heeb's Friday.

Miss Marcella and Tressie Ulrich spent a few days with their brother, Leonard and wife, south of Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Winkler and daughter, Dorothy, spent Christmas day with Mrs. Winkler's parents in Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lessman.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mullen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Hitchcock and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ulrich and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ulrich spent Christmas day with Mrs. Katherine Ulrich and family.

Miss Henrietta Rieser spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Fued and family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Maring were called to the bedside of his mother, Mrs. Alex Maring, of Atkinson, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Walnofer were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Klingler Sunday.

Miss Francis Moore and brother, Clyde, Bill Siebert and Ida Ohle spent Thursday evening with Miss Katie Ulrich.

Fred Roth spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Winkler and family.

George Fullerton spent a few days with relatives last week, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Fullerton.

Henry Winkler was in Emmet Monday.

TAKEN UP

Taken up, Wednesday, December 3, seven head of shoats, weighing about fifty pounds each. Owner can have same by paying for advertising and keep. 27-1f MRS. VIOLA MORGAN.



"A tribe of Indians has laid claim to a section of Chicago."
"They probably want it as a spot as yet wholly untouched by civilization."

Lost 'Oddly Marked Pets

A New York lady has, as a hobby, the collecting of cats with an unusual number of claws on their paws. She had gathered together 19 cats, each possessing more than the usual number of claws, but unfortunately, while moving, eleven of the cats were suffocated. The lady sued the driver of the lorry who had moved the cats, but the action was dismissed.

Clock Made of Hard Coal

M. A. Randall of Concord, N. H., has a novelty in the shape of a clock that is made of hard coal, presented to him by his son, Elmer, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., in the heart of the hard coal section of Pennsylvania. Stickpins and cuff buttons made from sulphur diamonds found in the Pennsylvania coal mines are part of the odd collection.

For the Forbidden City

As foreigners are not allowed to enter Lhasa, the Forbidden City of Tibet, Tibetan engineers have been receiving instruction in electrical engineering in England, where a special turbo-alternator has been constructed for use in Lhasa. As the machine will have to be carried 400 miles on camels, it was necessary that no part should weigh more than 56 pounds.

Barrier Against Flies

A screen of air from hidden electric fans above and below the door is used to keep flies from entering meat and fish markets in Boston.

Cheating the Tailor!

Mr. Joseph Bagley, of Willingham, Lincolnshire, England, wore on his golden wedding day the suit in which he was married.

A Valuable Asset

We want every customer to know that his connection with this bank, will be one of his best and strongest assets.

This bank carries no indebtedness of officers or stockholders. Resources over \$600,000.00.

The O'Neill National Bank

PAID LOCALS.

FARM LOANS—R. H. PARKER.—37tf
KODAKS, FILMS, KODOK FINISHING—W. B. Graves, O'Neill, 30-1f

NO. 2 HAWKEYE CAMERA, SPECIAL \$1.98, Graves Jewelry Store. 27-1f

FOR RENT—GOOD HOUSE, CLOSE IN—Edward O'Donnell. 29-1f

Bring your scissors and knife sharpening to Davidson's Plumbing Shop. 35-2p

FOR SALE—MODERN HOUSE AND 8 lots. Call or write, Mrs. Nona Bedford, Page. 27-9p

FOR RENT—MY RANCH OF 760 acres, 3 1/2 miles east of Inman.—Mrs. Peter Ryan. 29-3

I WANT SOME FARM AND RANCH loans. If you want money come in and see John L. Quig. 32-1f

FOR SALE, OR WILL TRADE FOR stock or machinery. Ford touring car. Inquire at this office. 29-3p

Buy one book for 75c, read it, then bring it back to us and pay us 10c and take your choice of our stock. W. B. Graves. 25-1c.

Your eyes will not trouble you any longer if you will call on Perrigo Optical Co. at the Golden Hotel, Saturday, January 10th. 30-2

FORM AND RANCH LOANS, 5 AND three-fourth per cent, no commission.—F. J. Dishner, County Agent Joint Stock Land Bank. 17-1f

FOR RENT—160 ACRE FARM, HAS 120 acres under cultivation, has good buildings, has some alfalfa. See R. H. Parker, O'Neill. 27-3

FOR SALE — GUNN SECTIONAL book cases 8 sections with 2 tops and 2 lower drawers. Mission finish. Call at this office. 26-1f

ANNUAL MEETING—SHIELDS TOWNSHIP
The annual meeting of Shields Township will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, January 6, 1925, at 1:30 P. M.
ED. MURRAY, CLERK.

ALL WINTER HATS ON SALE AT 50 per cent off at Clinton Hat Shop. 29-3

FOR SALE—6-cyl. automobile cheap.—R. H. Parker, O'Neill. 20-1f

Satisfaction with our glasses will remain long after the price is forgotten. See Perrigo Optical Co. at the Golden Hotel, on Saturday, January 10th. 30-2

IF YOU NEED THE OLD LOAN ON your farm renewed for another 5 or 10 years, or if you need a larger loan I can make it for you.—R. H. Parker, O'Neill, Nebraska. 21-1f

5% INTEREST AND NO COMMISSION. I am now loaning money on Farms and Ranches at 5% interest and no commission to pay. New Loan Company I just got.—R. H. Parker, O'Neill, Nebraska. 3-1f

(First publication Dec. 18.)
(W. J. Hammond, Attorney.)

NOTICE OF GUARDIAN'S SALE.
Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a license granted to me by the District Court of Holt County, Nebraska, in an action pending in said Court entitled "In the matter of the application of Zada Russ, formerly Zada Schreier, guardian of Henrietta Schreier, a minor for leave to sell real estate," dated December 1, 1924, I will offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash, subject to all encumbrances, the undivided one-half interest of Henrietta Schreier a minor in the Court ing real estate in Holt County, Nebraska, to-wit: South Half of South Half, and the North Half of Southeast Quarter and the South Half of Northeast Quarter of Section 18, in Township 25 North, of Range 11 West of the 6th Principal Meridian, on the 7th day of January, 1925, at ten o'clock A. M. at the front door of the Court House in the City of O'Neill, Holt County, Nebraska. Said sale will remain open for one hour.

ZADA RUSS, formerly Zada Schreier, guardian of Henrietta Schreier, a minor.
29-3

TO THE DEPOSITOR:

National Banks Fail—
When they do depositors lose heavily. Why? Because deposits in National Banks are not guaranteed.

State Banks Fail—
When they do depositors are paid in full. Why? Because deposits in State Banks are protected by the Depositors Guarantee Fund of the State of Nebraska.

The Nebraska State Bank
of O'Neill is the only bank in O'Neill which offers you this protection. You will protect yourself and please us by depositing your money with us.

5 Per Cent Paid on Time Deposits

Nebraska State Bank
O'Neill, Nebraska