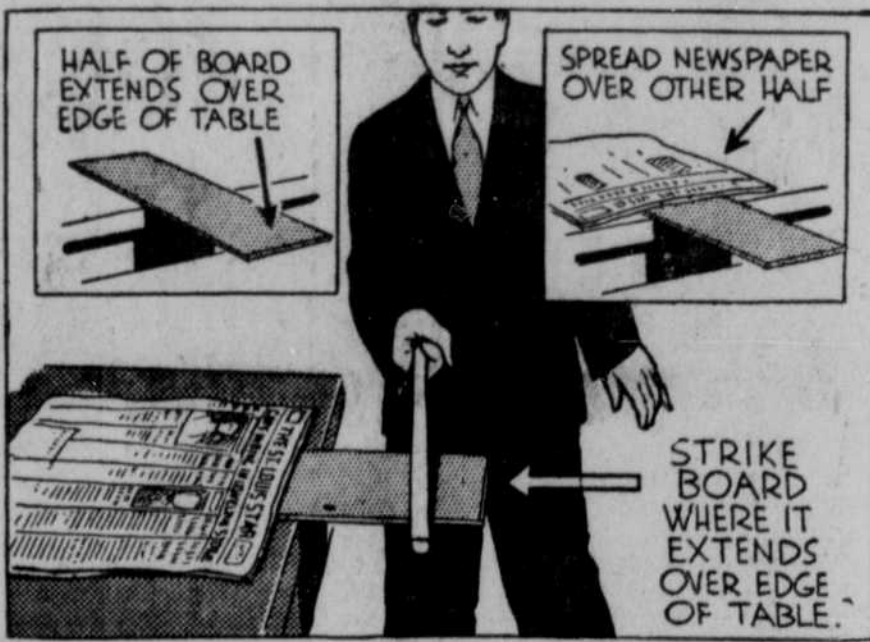


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PAPER PLACED OVER BOARD DEFIES ATTEMPT TO MOVE IT WITH BLOW

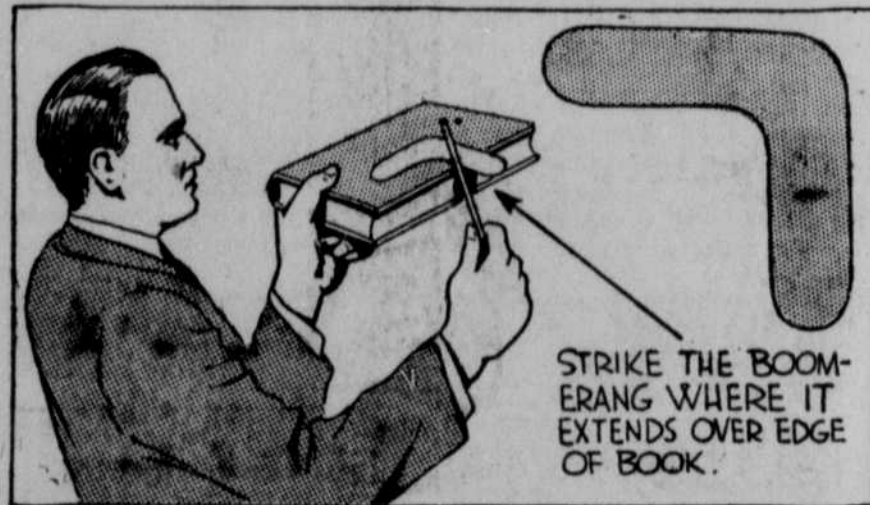


Take a small board or a shingle about two feet long, eight inches wide, and one-fourth inch thick, lay it on a table with a fraction more than half extending over the edge, so that the slightest touch will cause it to fall to the floor, and spread a few pages of a newspaper over the half of the board that remains on the table. With a hard wood stick or iron poker strike the portion of the board that extends over the edge of the table and you will find the blow will not make the board fall nor raise the newspaper. This is explained by the compression of air beneath the newspaper, which makes the paper adhere to the table and in doing so prevents the board from rising.

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HOW TO MAKE BOOMERANG RETURN TO YOUR FEET

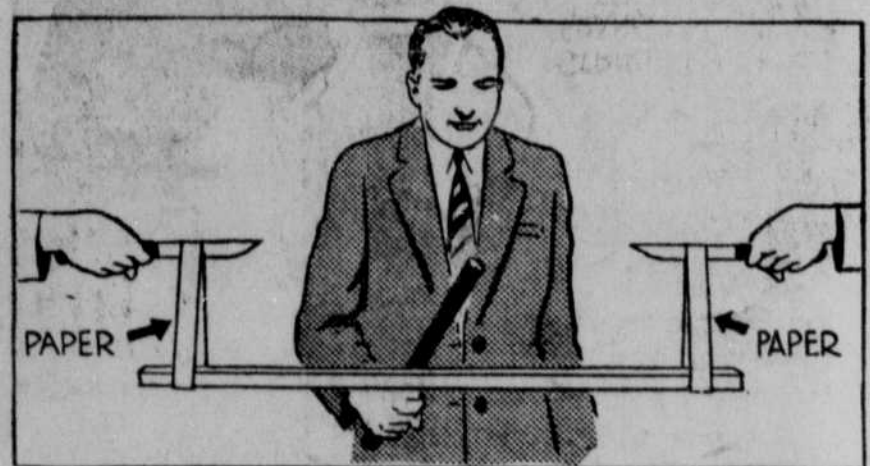


Make a boomerang, like the one in the drawing, out of cardboard or thin wood. Place the boomerang on a book, with one side extending over the edge, and hold the book in front of you, slanting upward, and about parallel with your shoulders. With a pencil in your other hand strike the boomerang and it will circle the room, coming back and falling at your feet. The force with which you strike the boomerang must be regulated by the size of the room in which the trick is performed. If you strike it too hard in a small room it will hit a wall, and if you strike it too softly it may come back and hit you at the waist.

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BREAKING A STICK SUSPENDED ON PAPER

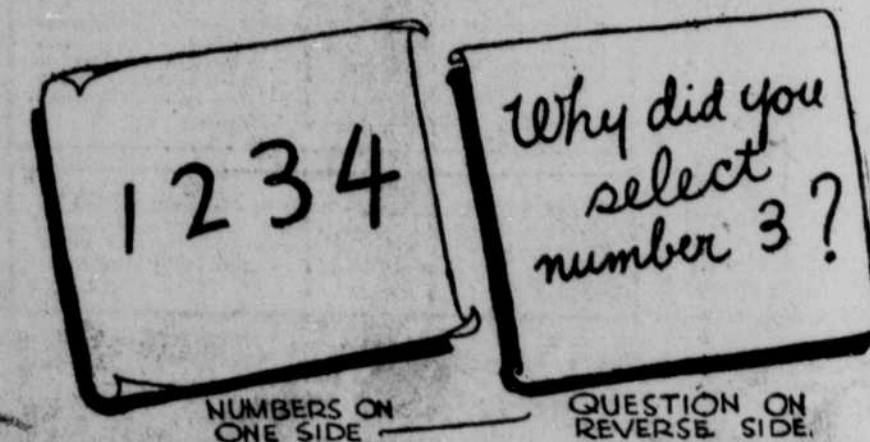


A stick of soft wood about two feet long and one inch thick, two strips of paper with the ends pasted together forming loops, two sharp knives and a piece of hardwood, or an iron poker, are the paraphernalia needed for this trick. Have two persons stand about three feet apart and hold the knives extended. Place the paper strips over the sharp edges of the knives and suspend the two-foot stick through the lower ends of the paper loops. Stand off and strike the stick a sharp blow in the center with the piece of hardwood or the iron poker, and it will break in two. In many instances it has been known that the paper does not even tear.

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MYSTERIOUS NO. 3 ALMOST ALWAYS CHOSEN



On one side of a piece of paper write the numbers 1, 2, 3 and 4, making each number a little larger than the preceding one. On the reverse side write this question: "Why did you select number three?" With the paper prepared in this manner hand it to some person with the numbered side up and ask the person to select a number. Almost invariably number three will be selected, and when this happens turn the paper over, and lo! the selected number has been mysteriously predicted on the reverse side. Why most people select number three is difficult to explain. It may be that numbers are thought of in cycles of three, and a person will unconsciously select the third number. If, as in rare instances, number three should not be selected, the trick fails flat and will have to be tried on some one else.

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COUNTY AGRICULTURE

James W. Rooney
County Extension Agent

Amelia Boy Wins Club Week Trip

Lawrence Barnett, a member of the Thrifty Pig Club of Amelia, has been chosen as Holt county 4-H swine club champion for the past year. Lawrence's expenses at the Club Week will be paid by the Sioux City Stock Yards Company. Ten prize trips to Club Week are awarded in this section to county swine champions by the Sioux City Stock yards.

Lawrence was active in club activities. He served as news reporter of his club during the past year. He was a member of the club demonstration team which competed at the South Fork Valley fair.

6100 Trees Ordered

A total of 6100 trees have been ordered by Holt county farmers from the Extension Service. Jack Pine and Chinese Elm are the varieties which are most popular. Seedling trees are available to Nebraska farmers at a cost of \$1.00 per hundred. This cost covers digging, packing and shipping charges. Application blanks are available at the Farm Bureau office.

Farm Bureau Officers Re-elected

The Farm Bureau officers who served during 1931 were re-elected at the last Farm Bureau Board meeting. Bryan French of Page will act as president, J. K. Ernst of O'Neill as vice-president, Mrs. Mabel Hammerberg of Atkinson as secretary and Frank Murry of Atkinson as treasurer. James W. Rooney was re-elected as county agent for the coming year.

My Trip to Chicago in 1931 by Arthur Dexter

I was selected as the 4-H club champion of Holt county to take the trip given by the Chicago and Northwestern railroad Co. to the tenth annual Boys and Girls Club Congress and International Livestock Exposition at Chicago. On Friday the 27th of November I left for O'Neill, my nearest railroad town, and was guest of the county agent, James W. Rooney, until train time Saturday morning, when I left for Omaha to meet the rest of the Nebraska delegation.

I arrived in Omaha at five-five Saturday evening. I enjoyed the trip just fine as it was my first ride on a train. We were met by Ed Janike and the rest of the Nebraska delegation. We went from there to the Rome hotel where we met our State Leader, L. I. Frisbie. There were 23 girls and 27 boys. We ate our supper there and were taught some club songs by Mr. Diers. Then at 7:30 we went to the new Union depot and left for Chicago. We sang songs and played games until about eleven o'clock and then went to bed. When we woke up we were in Chicago.

We ate breakfast at the depot there and were then taken by taxi to the LaSalle hotel where we made our headquarters for the week. At ten o'clock we went to Central Church Orchestra Hall. Then we went to Field Museum and Aquarium. It was very interesting. We went back to the hotel at seven o'clock and listened to a speech given by Colonel W. H. Palmer.

In the evening we went to the First Methodist Church of Chicago. We were addressed by Dr. John Thompson. On Monday morning we assembled in the lobby of the LaSalle hotel where we left by special train and were taken to the International Livestock Show. We assembled in front of the Boys and Girls 4-H club building where we were given an address of welcome by B. H. Heide, general manager. We first saw the horse show where there were some fine horses shown. Apoultry judging contest, crop judging contest, and meat judging contest were held that morning. A barbecue luncheon was given to us by Sears Roebuck and Co. We spent the afternoon looking at exhibits in the different divisions of the National Boys and Girls building.

At 4 o'clock we left for Wilson's hotel where we were given a fine banquet as guests of Thomas E. Wilson, Chairman of the National Committee of Boys and Girls Club work. At 7:30 we were entertained at Wilson's auditorium where the program was broadcasted. Afterward the entire delegation of all states formed a parade and marched around the arena with the fine eight-horse team in the center of the arena. These horses represented the 4 Hs. The first team stood for Head, second for Heart, third for Hands, and fourth for health.

Later on in the week we were entertained by the International Harvester Co. which showed the making of all International machines. Here they showed the progress of the reaper from 1831 to 1931. We were given a large banquet at noon. It was a wonderful sight to see how machinery was made.

We went to see the Electric Lighting System of Chicago. The building is 41 stories high and we were on the 36th floor.

We went through the Swift's pack-

ing plant and were given a banquet by them at 12:15. We also visited the Lincoln park and enjoyed seeing the different animals.

We visited the planetarium where we saw the planets as they are in the different seasons of the year.

The Great Lakes were a pleasant sight to us with the big ships sailing upon them. My only regret was that I did not get to ride on them. We all enjoyed a banquet and musical entertainment Thursday evening at the LaSalle hotel and were given instructions for the homeward trip. We left Chicago at 9:45 Thursday evening and arrived in Omaha at 9:45 Friday morning. I had to wait until 4:45 P. M. to take my train to O'Neill.

I certainly enjoyed this trip very much and was glad that I had been a 4-H club member. I hope that many more boys and girls will get to take a trip such as I have had.

COURT ENJOINS BOOK ON CAREER OF MR. HOOVER

Faro Company Barred From Publishing Work at Behest of Ex-Policeman

New York Herald Tribune: Justice Salvatore A. Cotillo handed down in Supreme Court yesterday a decision temporarily enjoining John Hamill, William Faro, Inc., and William Faro from further publication of a book entitled "The Strange Career of Mr. Hoover—Under Two Flags," of which Hamill is the author and the other defendants the publishers. The volume is supposed to portray incidents in the life of President Hoover, and copies have already appeared on newsstands. The decision did not speak of recalling these.

Faro, whose real name is Samuel Roth, has faced several charges of selling indecent literature. Justice Cotillo referred to Faro's "previous criminal record" in his decision.

Ex-Policeman Brings Suit

James J. O'Brien, a former policeman, who is bringing the suit, alleges that he sent Hamill abroad to gather facts and pictures for the book, which he intended to write and publish. Justice Cotillo said there was "little doubt" that Hamill had infringed on O'Brien's common law property rights, but intimated that he regretted that O'Brien might publish the work if he were successful in the suit.

"My inclination to grant the motion for a temporary injunction," said Justice Cotillo, "is somewhat checked by the announced intention of the plaintiff to publish the material for his own profit. I have no sympathy with the purpose of a publication which is designed with no other aim than to discredit the work of a public official and to impair his present usefulness in these trying times in the important task in which he is engaged."

The justice said that in making this observation he was "mindful of the paramount consideration of the sacred rights of the freedom of the press." He quoted from the decision of the United States Supreme Court upholding a Minnesota tabloid newspaper which the authorities in that state sought to muzzle, adding, "No agency, not even the courts, should restrain the sincere and honest voice of the press. On the other hand, the Constitution was never intended to protect publications devoted to scandal and defamation, without even the excuse of presenting legitimate criticism or grievance and without the possible extenuating circumstances of being issued in the heat of a public campaign."

Court Opposes Publication

Justice Cotillo said further in his opinion, "I have no quarrel with the collector of documentary material who desires to preserve data for the future weighing of personalities. History is no respecter of persons. If the data are based upon fact, history will render its own verdict. And if the person assailed is living, the libel laws will furnish him redress. But to employ such material in publicly attacking a person's past life at a time when he is engaged in high public duties and when he is virtually powerless to defend himself is unfair, unscrupulous, and not only serves no useful purpose but is detrimental to the public interest."

"From an examination of the papers I have arrived at the conclusion that the only purpose of the publication seems to provide profit to persons of unsavory reputation through satisfying morbid and idle curiosity. It is particularly reprehensible morally, if not legally, because the person 'exposed' is unable to strike back in self defense. I shall not assume that plaintiff will persist in his intention to publish a work along the present lines. That bridge can be crossed later."

Faro, named as a co-defendant, pleaded that he was an "innocent third party" and that an injunction enjoining the publication of the book would cause him serious damage. "His protestation of innocence, in view of his previous criminal record," said Justice Cotillo, "and the knowledge he had of

the gathering of this material and in view of the facts presented in the repleading affidavits, hardly merit serious consideration."

Faro, as Samuel Roth, the court records indicate, was convicted in 1928 in Special Sessions on a charge of possessing indecent pictures and was sentenced to a term of three months in the workhouse. In the same year he was convicted in the Federal court on a charge of mailing unlawful mail matter, and was fined \$500 and received a suspended sentence of six months, being paroled for two years.

Four hundred farmers in Knox county are in need of feed for their stock, according to a statement by J. D. Forsyth, chairman of the relief board.

First publication Dec. 31, 1931 NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a license granted to me by the Honorable Robert R. Dickson, District Judge of the District Court of Holt County, Nebraska, in an action pending in the District Court of Holt County, Nebraska, entitled, "In the Matter of the Application of C. P. Hancock, administrator of the Estate of Arnold Kurz, Deceased, for License to sell real estate", dated December 19th, A. D. 1931, I will offer for sale and will sell to the highest bidder for cash an undivided one-half interest in and to the following described real estate situate in Holt County, Nebraska, to-wit: Northeast Quarter of Section Twenty-six and the Southwest Quarter of Section Twenty-four, both in Township Thirty-one, Range Nine, Holt County, Nebraska on the 21st day of January, A. D., 1932, at two o'clock p. m., at the front door of the Court House in the City of O'Neill, Holt County, Nebraska subject to all encumbrances against said real estate. Said sale will remain open one hour.

C. P. HANCOCK, Administrator of the Estate of Arnold Kurz, Deceased.

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Estate No. 2267

In the County Court of Holt County, Nebraska, December 11, 1931. In the matter of the Estate of Martha Stearns, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said Court for the probate of a written instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of Martha Stearns, Deceased, and for the appointment of Wallace R. Johnson, as executor thereof; that January 7, 1932, at 10 o'clock A. M., has been set for hearing said petition and proving said instrument in said Court when all persons concerned may appear and contest the probate thereof.

C. J. MALONE, County Judge.
(County Court Seal) 30-7

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