

FRENCH ARGUE OVER RABELAIS

Paris — (UP) — The whiskered immortals of the French academy and the directors of the National library are at sword-points over the nationality of Rabelais.

This is a celebrated quarrel, but it comes to present attention because the library, second largest in the world, now is celebrating the fourth centenary of publication of "Fantagruel" and "Gargantua."

The Academiens assert that the humorist was an Italian, the humorist, an Italian, Alps, in 1483. Directors of the National library are presenting in their commemorative exhibition a hundred-odd documents to show Rabelais was a citizen of France.

The majority of encyclopedists have agreed for 300 years that the author of "The Inestimable Tales and Chronicles of the Giant Gargantua," etc., was a Frenchman. The National library is of the same opinion.

To the contrary, the Academiens assert, some practical joker in the 16th Century transported Rabelais's tombstone from Lanzo to Chinon, a distance of nearly 200 miles. He supposedly died here, but his tombstone at Chinon if any, has long since disappeared.

Literary Parisians are annoyed over the academy's edict, because, if demonstrable, it means another ostensible Frenchman is withdrawn from the history of French letters. But the National library is certain that its documents prove Rabelais was French.

Women Should Study For Vocation, Dean Avers

Los Angeles — (UP) — Although four out of five women in the United States marry, every young woman should assume she may be the statistical "fifth" and study for a vocation according to Dean Helen Mathewson Laughlin of the University of California at Los Angeles.

"Marriage, however, by no means precludes the necessity of working," Dean Laughlin declared. She said one out of every 12 married women in the United States is employed.

"In the present-day world," the educator said, "with its quick, unforeseen changes every young woman should be prepared to take a place in the business field should the need arise. The college woman has every opportunity to fit herself for preferred employment. Then if the need arises, she is prepared. Even if the need for employment never comes, she is still in possession of knowledge and ability which makes her invaluable to her family, her club or her social group."

Hero Is Asked for Rescued Man's Glasses

Boston — (UP) — When fire started in a West End tenement house, Fireman John O'Grainlihan rescued a man from a flaming bed and carried him through smoky corridors to safety.

So badly was he affected by smoke that the fireman spent 11 days in a hospital. After he returned to duty a stranger visited him and asked:

"Are you the fireman who saved so-and-so in that fire on Leverett street?"

"Well," said the stranger, "where the h— are his glasses?"

State Departments Placed on a Diet

Harrisburg, Pa. — (UP) — Demands for governmental economies placed the departments of Pennsylvania's state government on a diet which Governor Gifford Pinchot said was "the most limited diet possible."

"Not an unnecessary penny is to be spent," Pinchot said in announcing savings of \$161,948 through economies within a single month.

The payroll afforded the greatest economies in the Pinchot report with \$90,000 of the total contributed by cutting personnel or reducing salaries and wages. Savings of \$11,000 were made in printing and stationery cost.

Mills Established New Safety Record

Harrisburg, Pa. — (UP) — Mills and industrial establishments of the state made a safety record to be envied by all other states, according to Dr. A. M. Northrup, secretary of Labor and Industry. "A few years ago," he said in his report, "it was considered remarkable if an industrial plant operated two or three months without an accident."

"But now we have hundreds of plants and establishments within the commonwealth which have operated months and years without the loss of a single day or accidents."

Original Manuscripts Assembled in Museum

Harrisburg, Pa. — (UP) — Original manuscripts of a number of well-known Pennsylvanians who have contributed to American letters have been assembled in the State Museum.

Among the writers represented are Henry Van Dyke, Owen Wister, Ida Tarbell, Lloyd Milfill, Margaret Widdemer, Elsie Singmaster, Mark Sullivan, Christopher Morley, Joseph Hergetheim, and Helen R. Martin.

Vanity Unchanging



Seventy-five years make little difference in milady's fashions, as you will note by comparing the two styles shown here. At left Miss Constance Brown shows what Miss 1933 is wearing, and Miss Eva A. Geneen (right) has the "latest" dress in the 1858 fashion book. Photo was made at a recent show in New York.

Hospital Insurance Is Field of New 'Racket'

"BE SURE TO READ THE FINE TYPE IN THIS KIND OF POLICY," DR. FISHBEIN ADVISES; LIMITATIONS MAY MAKE IT ALMOST VALUELESS

BY DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN
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In times of sickness and epidemics chalcidians flourish. They know that a desperate public will grasp at any scheme that seems to offer something for nothing, or more for less than it costs.

The report of the Committee on the Costs of Medical Care has served to focus the attention of the public on this problem. Many "financiers" who have found it difficult to operate in other fields at this time have invaded the field of medical care.

We have in this country approximately 7,000 hospitals with a million beds, many of them devoted to the care of the tuberculous and psychiatric cases. The country would not seem to be over-hospitalized. Nevertheless, the hospitals of the country are approximately 33 per cent unoccupied.

Among possible causes for this condition is the government's hospitalization of vast numbers of veterans suffering from non-service connected disabilities and well able to pay for hospital care.

However, it seems certain that because of the economic stringency conditions which would otherwise bring people to hospitals are being cared for at home or perhaps postponed until the moment when postponement is no longer necessary. Even Henry Ford seems to have postponed his operation for hernia until the

hernia strangulated and included the appendix.

The publicity promoted by the Committee on the Costs of Medical Care established in the public consciousness the idea that hospital care is likely to be an exceedingly costly matter, and that the only hope of meeting hospital costs is some scheme of insurance whereby the costs will be distributed over vast numbers of people.

During the past two years the public has been deluged with new schemes of insurance against medical costs, but particularly against the cost of hospital care.

The best piece of advice that could possibly be given to anyone who is approached by an agent who is selling such a policy is to ask the agent to bring the policy back with all of the fine print reprinted three times as large as the largest print in the policy as offered.

It is in the fine print that the limitations will be found which make such policies, in many instances, undesirable.

Here are the clauses limiting the number of conditions covered by the policy; here are the clauses limiting the term of stay in the hospital under the policy; here are the clauses which make it possible for the insurance company, when it finds itself pressed by economic stringency due to wrong calculations, poor mathematics and unfavorable health conditions, to wiggle out from under all responsibility.

6,500,000 "Tin" Cans Shipped to Japan

Long Beach, Cal. — (UP) — Some day they will form the backbones for skyscrapers in Tokio, silent monuments to the corned beef, minced clams and green peas they once contained.

A shipload — more than 6,500,000 — "tin" cans left this harbor recently for Japan. An inquiry elicited some little-known information:

"Tin" can is a misnomer. Most of them are only fractionally tin; the rest, thin sheet steel. A Japanese factory sends them through crucibles that remove the tin and solder, and the result is steel. It is recast into cannon, girders, ball bearings, knives, armorplate and ice skates.

Men and Women Are Separated in Library

Salt Lake City, — (UP) — Possible source of hundreds of marriages has been traceable to the University of Utah library. But, hereafter — at least as long as a new proclamation stands — "spooning" couples will have to find other places to "study."

Dr. George Thomas, president of the university, ruled that men occupy one side of the room and women the other. His order was inspired by the failure of students

Father and Son Reunited After Hike

Salt Lake City, Utah. — (UP) — A 300-mile hitch-hiking trip completed. William Alman, 14, was united again today with his father, W. M. Alman.

Setting out with little more than enough money for four meals, William tarried for Salt Lake City from Tampa, Fla., after he learned his father had obtained employment here. Catching rides on trains, trucks and

All Kinds of Workers Offered by Club

Waterloo, Ia. — (UP) — The Unemployed club here offers men for any type of work, ranging from dehorning cattle to furnishing rhythm for dances.

Numerous herds of cattle on farms in the community have been dehorned by the club's members and the orchestra recruited from the membership has achieved considerable popularity with dance crowds.

In return for services, the members are given produce, clothing, groceries — and sometimes cash.

Danes Construct New Apartment Center

Washington — (UP) — Denmark's latest apartment quarter, comprising 17 buildings and 396 apartments, is now under construction in Copenhagen.

The apartments consist of two rooms, two rooms and an alcove and three rooms, according to reports here by the Department of Commerce. All modern improvements, including a central heating unit will be installed in the project which will take about three years to complete at an estimated cost of 3,000,000 kroner.

automobiles, the lad made his way to New Mexico, without mishap. While asleep there, however, his extra clothing was stolen.

William continued through the snow-covered mountains, scantily clad in sub-zero weather. He earned an overcoat chopping wood in Colorado and then started the last lap of his long journey. Arriving here, the boy appealed to police to locate his father. The elder Williams was located employed as a cook in a Salt Lake City restaurant.

For Family Fond of Fruit Dainties

Fruits have become more and more necessary to the well-balanced meal in recent years. Even when the fresh varieties are out of season many delicious inexpensive desserts can be made with canned or dried peaches, pears and apricots. Here are interesting new recipes which are particularly appetizing.

Golden fruit tartlets, made with a simple cracker crust and filled with peaches tipped with a meringue, can easily be prepared from the following recipe:

PEARS OLGA
¾ cup pear liquor
¾ cup sugar
6 Bartlett pears, canned
¾ cup thinly sliced oranges
1 cup cream
1 tsp. sugar
1 tbsp. sherry flavoring
1 cup sugar cookies

Make a sirup of pear liquor and sugar and simmer pears in it for five minutes. Remove pears to a serving dish. Cook orange slices in sirup for five minutes. Pour sirup and orange slices over pears. Chill. Whip cream and add sugar and flavoring and heap on chilled fruit. Sprinkle crumbled sugar cookies over cream. 6 portions.

GOLDEN FRUIT TARTLETS
CRUST—1 cup graham crackers
½ cup butter
1 tsp. sugar
FILLING—1 cup canned peaches
drained
¾ cup sugar
1 egg yolk

MERINGUE—1 egg white, beaten stiff
2 tbsps. sugar
1 tsp. vanilla

Mix with softened butter 1 cup crackers and 1 tablespoon sugar. Line buttered tart pans with this mixture, pressing firmly with fingers against sides and bottom of pan.

Press drained peaches through sieve into bowl, add ¼ cup sugar and beaten yolk. Mix and fill tart shells. Bake in a hot oven (425°F) 10 minutes.

Make meringue of stiffly beaten egg white, 2 tablespoons sugar and vanilla. Top each tart, when cooked with meringue. Return to a slow oven (325°F) to set and brown, about 10 minutes. 6 portions.

CUSTARD PIE, APRICOT MERINGUE
CRUST—1 cup soda crackers
½ cup butter
1 tsp. sugar
FILLING—2 cups custard filling
¾ cup strained apricot pulp
1 tbsps. sugar
½ tsp. lemon juice
2 egg whites, stiffly beaten
Mix cracker crumbs with softened

butter and sugar and press in an even layer against bottom and sides of a buttered pie plate. Bake for 10 minutes in a hot oven (425°F). Pour custard into pie shell. To apricot pulp add sugar and lemon juice. Combine with stiffly beaten egg whites and spread on top of custard. Set in a slow oven (350°F) for 15-20 minutes or until the meringue is browned. This will be found an ample quantity for the making of one eight-inch pie.

Destructive Crows
In a report from one observed area in the northern part of Iowa comes information that the crow is one of the worst enemies of the pheasant. According to the observations made, seven out of twelve pheasant nests were destroyed by crows. It was also found that the number of crows has doubled in the observed area in the past three years. During the same

three years the pheasant population has decreased from approximately 25 birds to only twelve, according to the report.



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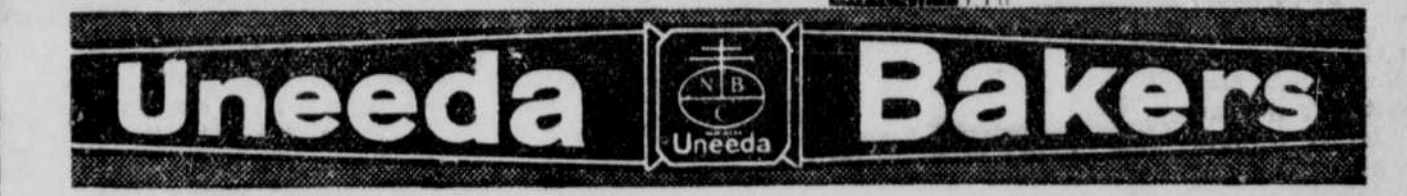
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