

Teach Kids How to Swim, Play

4,000 Centers Keep Boys Out of Mischief and Help Them to "Keep Fit."

WONDERFUL RESULTS SEEN

Summer Activities on Playgrounds Eliminate Swearing, Cheating and Stealing Among Children—Fair Play Prevails.

New York.—More than 4,000 playgrounds and recreational centers in the United States are helping to keep boys out of mischief, teaching girls swimming and other athletics and showing adults how to benefit themselves physically and mentally by play.

The effect they have in keeping boys out of trouble with the police is emphasized in reports which have come to the Playground and Recreation association from all over the country as one of the most important results of the establishment of playgrounds in cities. These facts are given in the year book of the association just made public.

The chief of police of San Francisco believes the establishment of a neighborhood recreation center is a constructive measure toward suppressing the crime wave. He asked the community service to extend its recreation work because he believed that the wrong use of leisure time had much to do with the increase in crime.

Cure for "Bad" Boys.

Granville Lee, supervisor of the Portland (Me.) recreation commission, says that bad boys behave themselves better during the playground season and also that there are fewer street accidents to children because of playgrounds.

The playground directors of Bay City, Mich., have discovered that summer activities on the playgrounds

have practically eliminated all swearing, cheating and stealing among the children. They note with satisfaction that the spirit of fair play has helped to put the playground bully where he belongs and boast of an appreciable falling off of delinquents.

Cases are reported where mothers have been amazed to note that their children did not catch cold, although they played in the snow; that the youngsters have gained in weight and appetite. In one case a father forbade his daughter to play because it made her eat too much.

One thousand children were taught to swim in one week at Tacoma, Wash., and it is estimated that 500, the majority of them girls, have learned to swim at Seattle.

Pageant in Snowstorm.

Pageants, plays and community singing have been fostered throughout the country in the last year, with good results. One pageant was given at Kalamazoo, Mich., in a snowstorm, but it was attended by several thousands, and the scenes were much enhanced by the snowy setting.

Community singing in factories has been helpful in establishing friendships among the employees, and between them and their employers, and in lessening the popularity of crap shooting.

Many different organizations are promoting this work, with the result that a 42 per cent gain is reported for last year.

BRIDE IN DANCE OF DEATH

Young Lady Entertains Friends as Poison She Had Taken Ends Her Life.

Kalamazoo, Mich.—While the poison she had swallowed slowly drove life from her body, Mrs. Neva Fraser, eighteen, a bride of a few weeks, performed a veritable dance of death in the midst of a party of guests.

She walked over to the phonograph and started playing "Till We Meet Again," explaining it was the piece played at the dance at which she met her husband.

Her friends were ignorant of the tragedy taking place when she began dancing, but before the last strains died away they saw her fall in a crumpled heap.

Death sealed her lips before she could explain her motive.

MANY GERMANS QUIT BATHING

Find Hot Water a Luxury Because of Shortage in Supply of Coal.

Berlin.—The hot bath has become such a luxury in Germany, owing to the shortage of coal and the manner in which the government regulates the distribution of fuel, that many persons have ceased bathing. Others have gathered courage for an icy sponge daily, but this is not popular, for the houses are generally cold, and exposure in cold rooms after a chilly tub paves the way for colds and pneumonia.

Ordinarily a family can afford hot water once every two weeks. Public baths, where once a plunge or a tub was available for a few pfennigs, have been forced to close or raise prices beyond the reach of workmen and salaried workers.

CORNHUSKER ITEMS

News of All Kinds Gathered From Various Points Over the State

OF INTEREST TO ALL READERS

Farmers in the vicinity of Oshkosh are planting corn, getting an unusual early start this year.

The Norfolk city council announces that \$200,000 worth of additional paving will be constructed there this year. This will give the city over fifteen miles of new pavement.

George Nicely, a veteran engineer on the Union Pacific road, who has had a passenger run out of Beatrice for 25 years, has been placed on the pension roll by the company.

Mrs. Tony Goglia, Omaha, was arrested and confessed to detectives that she is the woman who shot Nathan L. Long, traveling salesman, whose home is in Marshalltown, Iowa.

Miss Ruth Warner, nineteen years old, is dead as the result of injuries received when an automobile with seven passengers turned over several times on the highway two miles north of Tilden.

Dr. T. H. Morrow and Dr. C. H. Campbell, of Columbus, have been advised of their election to membership in the American college of surgeons, which ranks as the greatest body of surgeons in the world.

John A. Gregory of Alliance, 50, committed suicide by hanging himself with a halter attached to a ladder in the barn on the Kilpatrick ranch 25 miles west of Alliance, where he was employed as ranch hand.

The First National bank at Bridgeport, has been closed by order of the board of directors, according to a report from L. R. Earhart, manager of the Omaha branch of the Federal Reserve bank of Kansas City. A bank examiner is in charge of the bank.

A buttermilk condensing plant is to be added to the Farmers' Union Creamery at Superior, at a cost of \$15,000, necessitating the enlargement of the present quarters by a building to the east of the fine, large creamery building.

The municipal pumping plant at Friend was destroyed by fire. It is estimated that the loss is \$5,000, partially covered by insurance. The city is in danger of a water famine unless some arrangements can be made to manipulate the pumps by gasoline.

Secretary Danielson of the Nebraska State Fair has given out an itemized statement showing that in the last twenty years the state fair has asked only \$400,000 of the legislature, up to this year, while it is building up a plant worth \$1,500,000.

The Nebraska State Elks' association will hold its annual convention in Omaha on June 12 to 13, according to invitations sent out to lodges throughout the state. Hon. J. G. MacFarland of Watertown, S. D., will preside during the two days' conference.

Bids on \$1,500,000 for Nebraska highways presented by road and material men at the state house, Lincoln, are from 30 to 35 per cent less than the same bids would have been a year ago, according to George A. Johnson, secretary of the department of public works.

The state board of control has received an offer from Mrs. Furnas of Brownville to sell land suitable for a site for the proposed reformatory which the board is soon to locate and construct. A tract of land extending into the little village of Raymond has also been offered.

A sum of \$561.67 above the amount necessary for two carloads of corn for Chinese famine relief has been raised by Pawnee county. The county was asked to contribute "one carload if possible," but donations continued to pour in after the stipulated amount had been reached.

The first convict state road camp for this year has been established near Crab Orchard, to complete the project started there in 1920. Two or three other camps will be opened in the near future, and upwards of 100 prisoners will be given work on state highways during the summer.

A district convention of the western Iowa and Nebraska Kiwanis clubs was held at Lincoln May 6. The purpose of the convention was to lay plans for a program of club work in the district, and to arrange for 100 per cent attendance at the international convention to be held at Cleveland, O., June 21-25. All Kiwanis clubs of the United States and Canada will send representatives to this convention.

While Cashier Herbert H. Barge of the failed Farmers' State bank at Hoskins, Wayne county, was starting for Lincoln to begin his penitentiary sentence, his brother, William Barge, cashier of the Farmers' State bank at Belvidere, Thayer county, became a fugitive, leaving his institution burdened with \$15,000 of bad paper, and unable to continue business. The Belvidere bank is now in charge of state authorities and Examiner J. M. Riley is going over its books to determine the liabilities and assets.

The way of the automobile thief is going to be harder in the future in Nebraska, according to State Sheriff Gus Hyers of the state law enforcement bureau. In addition to the work of the law enforcement bureau in running down automobile thieves and recovering cars, the automobile owners will now be further protected by the incorporation of a company known as the Anti-Automobile Thief Association, at the head of which is N. M. Parsons and Captain C. H. Moore, who was formerly employed as deputy state agent.

RIVER PACKET DAYS RECALLED

Attempt to Revive Mississippi Traffic Brings Stories of "Good Old Times."

VOYAGE PLEASANT AFFAIR

There Was Great Rivalry Between Boat Owners and Crews and Many Exciting Races Were Pulled Off—Robert E. Lee Famous.

New Orleans.—Memories of old days on the Mississippi when stately packets plied in the passenger traffic are revived by the resumption of traffic between Pittsburgh, Pa., and this city by way of the Ohio.

Barges have carried freight traffic on the great river for many years since the packets were driven out by railroad competition. In the days of

Mark Twain the Mississippi packets were celebrated for their "cats," their famous races, their pilots and even for their poker games.

It used to be no uncommon sight to see from 15 to 30 passenger vessels, from the palatial packet to the weather-beaten tramp, leave the New Orleans landing daily for up-river points.

Voyages Were Pleasant.

A river voyage in the olden days was a pleasurable affair if the boilers did not blow up or the vessel hit one of the shifting sandbars, mudlumps or hidden snags. A comfortable berth, wonderful meals, dancing at night, watermelon parties, well-stocked bars, stud and draw poker games for the patrons of that form of amusement, and last but not least, the antics of the negro roustabouts, all combined to make things pleasant for the traveler. Saturday was usually the sailing day for up-river packets from this port. There was great rivalry between boat owners and crews, and usually from one to a dozen boat races were pulled off as the vessels chugged up the river. It was then that boilers blew up with marked frequency.

The most famous of these races was run by the Natchez and the Robert E. Lee, two of the largest of the river packets. So keen was the rivalry that early in the seventies it was planned to have them race from New Orleans to St. Louis. No passengers or freight were carried and for weeks the coming race was the chief topic of conversation along the river.

The Robert E. Lee was in command of Captain Cannon, while Captain Leathers was master of the Natchez. No stops were made except for fuel. The trip to St. Louis was made in just a few hours over three days, an unheard of record then, with the Robert E. Lee the winner by a small margin.

Promoters Are Curious.

Promoters now are figuring whether human nature has changed from the olden days, whether a person will be content to idle the time away on long trips which he could make in a fraction of the time by rail; whether they "have time" to take quiet pleasure.

Freight rates, interstate commerce commission hearings, uniform bills of lading and other prosaic commercial matters figure in the traffic side of the question. The passenger business is regarded as a gamble.

HUNT CHURCH LOOT

New Party Formed to Seek Treasure of Bandits.

Wealth of Gold and Precious Stones Taken From Church in Peru During Revolution and Buried.

Papeete, Tahiti (Society Islands).—Interest has once more been aroused in the treasure reputed to be buried in the island of Pinaki, one of the coral islands to the eastward of Tahiti, and a new association has been formed in Tahiti to seek for the treasure.

The story is that during a revolution in Peru 60 years ago a church was looted of a rich treasure of gold and precious stones by four men, who succeeded in getting it to the coast where they buried it in a safe place, afterward making their way to Panama.

Having secured a schooner there

they returned to Peru, recovered the treasure and sailed to the westward, intending to make Australia their destination. Without papers, they could not gain entrance to any port.

So they determined to bury the treasure on an uninhabited island until such time as they could get a ship with proper papers and return to the island.

They scuttled their schooner on the Australian coast and coming ashore in the guise of shipwrecked sailors, started for Sidney overland. Two only, by name, Killrain and Brown, arrived in Sidney; the other two having been killed in a fight with bush natives. Such is the story of the burial of the treasure.

The tale of the attempts for its recovery begins in 1912 or 1913 when one day on the streets of Sidney a man by the name of Thompson was accosted by an elderly beggar seeking alms. On giving the man a small sum

Thompson was surprised by the request for his name and address.

Some time later he was summoned to one of the hospitals of the city. There he discovered that the one who had asked for him was the beggar whom he had befriended some time before. The old man told him that he had sent for him to disclose to him the resting place of a great treasure.

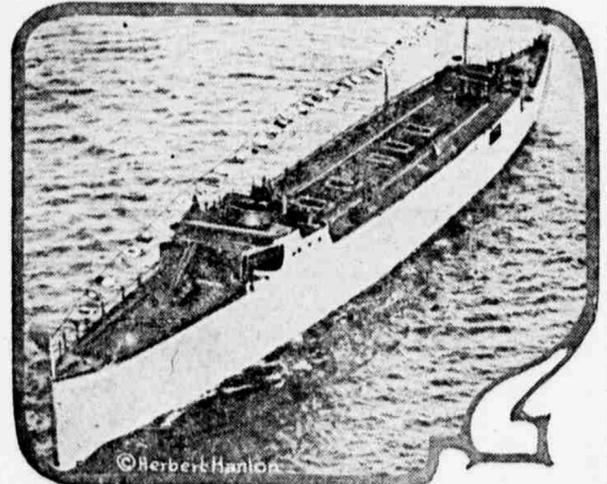
He said that he, Killrain, being the only survivor of the company and about to die, did not wish the secret to perish with him.

Thus it was that Thompson came into the knowledge of the story and sailing directions to locate the island. Being convinced that the story was founded on truth, he has spent eight years in search of it—so far without success.

Lately, some people in Tahiti have discovered what they believe to be a new clue and are preparing to fit out an expedition to go to the island.

Athens, the Greek capital, enjoys bright sunshine on an average of 300 days of the year.

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THIS WOMAN'S EXPERIENCE

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The Rural Cynic.

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