



MRS. MARTHA SMITH TAYLOR

Mrs. Martha Smith Taylor, retired matron at the Burlington Depot, who has been ill at her home, 2211 Ohio, for the past few weeks, is reported to be improving rapidly.

Two unfurnished rooms, 2504 Burdette street.

Miss Loraine A. Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Lewis, prominent Mortician, 24th and Will is Ave., left Saturday evening for Nashville, Tenn., where she will enter Flak university. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Charlene I. Lewis, as far as St. Louis. Miss Loraine is a graduate of Hohensphuh Carpenter College of Embroidering, St. Louis, Mo. Miss Charlene is a senior at the A. and I. college, Nashville, Tenn.

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Mrs. W. M. Cooper, 2608 Blondo, who has been out of the city for the past month has returned to the city, after visiting her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hawkins, in Arkansas. Mrs. Cooper was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Mary Smith, and her two children, Ruth Mae, and James.

OLD SMITHY IS RUN BY EIGHTH IN LINE

Stands Where Ancestor Built It 250 Years Ago.

Essex, Conn.—When John Pratt, with his wife and children and his household goods, moved to this village in 1678 and set himself up as a blacksmith, he scarcely would have imagined that 250 years later there would still be a blacksmith shop in operation on the same spot and that the proprietor would be his lineal descendant.

Hundreds of persons stop every summer to ask about what is said to be the oldest business in the country that has always been in the hands of one family and to talk to James Lord Pratt, the present owner and eighth generation from the founder.

Jim Pratt is not sure how many buildings the family has used in conducting the smithy business for two and a half centuries. The present shop, he knows, was built by his grandfather eighty years ago to take care of an iron business expanding with the building of clipper ships on the Connecticut river here.

"I shall have a shop which is large and light," said that John Pratt. "It shall have many windows and large ones. It shall be of brick and it shall be large enough for four forges."

Such a building was put up, and it is still sound. It had windows enough to permit work from day-break to dusk. It was large enough to hold the year's supply of iron, brought in by boat in the autumn, and once it did have four forges.

One was used for horse and ox shoeing, one for wagon repairing and two for making iron mast bands and other ship fittings.

Now modern machinery has been installed. An electric blower is concealed in the forge in place of the old bellows, and the smith uses a power hammer more often than the old anvil.

It is five or six years since Jim shod his last horse, and it is a quarter of a century since oxen were shod in the shop.

Arctic Growing Warmer With Aid of Tropic Air

Moscow.—Professor V. Vize, Arctic scientist and explorer, has completed a study dealing with the change of climate in the Arctic. According to his studies, the mean annual temperature in the Arctic in the regions adjoining the Atlantic ocean has risen by two degrees during the last 17 years. During the winter the rise of temperature, as compared with 17 years ago is up to five degrees. On Franz Josef Land the temperature rise reaches seven degrees.

A noticeable recession of the glaciers covering the Arctic islands, and a decrease in the quantities of ice floating in the Arctic seas is observed together with the warmer temperature. Considerable thawing of ice is taking place in Spitzbergen.

The change in climate occurring not only in the Arctic, but also in the temperate climate zone of the U. S. S. R. is explained by mere intensive interchange of air between the polar and equatorial regions.

Skin of "Human Slate" Is Sensitive to Writing

Camden, N. J.—Stephen Kucinski, twenty-four years old, doesn't have to "write it on the cuff"—he uses his skin.

Physicians say that Kucinski suffers from dermatography. Words written on his flesh with a heavy pointed instrument remain legible for several minutes.

Smoke as Earache Remedy Rou's Insect

Elwood, Ind.—A large hard-shelled bug which had crawled into the right ear of Jean Monahan, age nine, as she slept emerged in haste when her father, Tony Monahan, city patrolman, puffed cigarette smoke into the ear. The patrolman sought to cure what he believed to be a case of earache.

The Looking Habit Baggs—Happy are they who look before they marry. Boggs—Yes, and overlook after.

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The Word Cantaloupe The word cantaloupe is often loosely used, but should really be applied only to a particular variety of ribbed muskmelon which was first grown in Europe at the castle of Cantalupo, in Italy.

Reforms and Progress "Reforms are essential to progress," said H. H. the sage of Chintown. "They must be attained by learning not only what is possible but what is impossible."

Toughness of Lithograph Paper Experiments with lithograph paper conducted by the bureau of standards show that its resistance to tearing and breaking increases as the humidity goes up.

Knowledge Much of anyone's knowledge is really only information gained by reading or hearing the facts and not by actual witness or examination of them.

London's Rush P. O. Hours One-third of the 42,500,000 letters, postcards, etc., posted in London every week are posted in the two hours between 4:30 p. m. and 6:30 p. m.

Life Standards Different The East found the standards of western life in actual practice very different from those contained in the New Testament.

Early Glass-Making In America glass making was first started at the beginning of the seventeenth century at Jamestown, Va.

63 'Dead' Hearts Revived Sixty-three human hearts have been made to beat again after being removed from the bodies of persons who have died. The object of these experiments, by Dr. William B. Kountz, of St. Louis, was to learn more about human hearts and how they function, both in health and sickness—information which cannot be obtained by observation of animal or chicken hearts.—Scientific American.

Strange Golf Match Two men living near Swindon, England, have played golf every week that the weather permitted for the past 14 years. One is a retired farmer seventy-three years old and the other is a postmaster several years younger. There is an understanding between them that the match will continue until one dies or has to quit. The winner gets a silver jug.

In Error Interviewer—I have been informed, sir, that you began life as a poor bricklayer— Great Contractor—There are two mistakes in that sentence. I began life as an infant, and there is no such thing as a poor bricklayer.—The Texas Ranger.

Slightly Mixed Sunday School Teacher—Can you tell something about Good Friday, Freddy? Freddy—Yes, ma'am. He was the fellow who did the housework for Robinson Crusoe.—Sway Stories Magazine.

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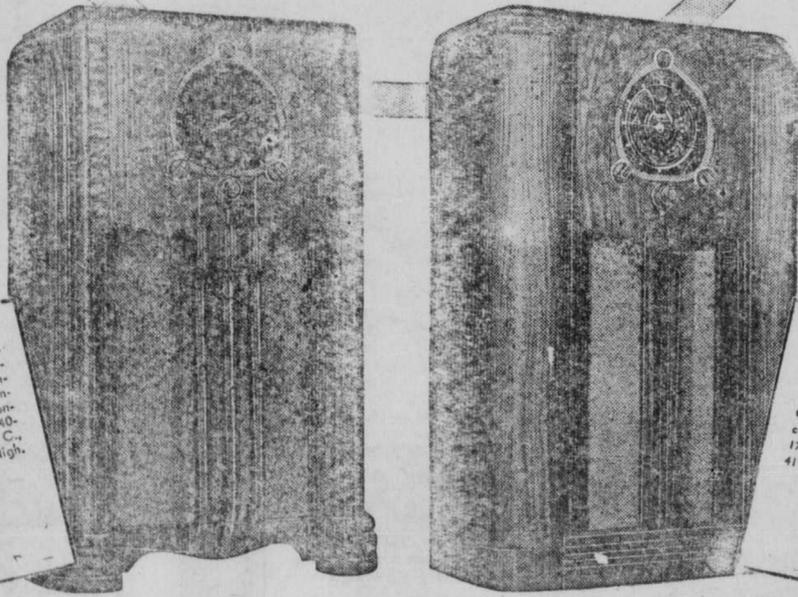
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