

Dense Smoke in Paint Shop Fire Overcomes Four

Twenty-Five Workmen Fight Blaze at Auto Plant; Foreman Uses Clothing to Smother Flames.

Four men were overcome by smoke, one automobile was destroyed, damage totaling \$2,000 was caused, and a serious blaze was averted in the J. H. Hansen Cadillac company paint shop, Farnam street at Twenty-sixth, yesterday, when workmen extinguished a fire caused by cross wires, after battling with the flames for 15 minutes.

The city fire department arrived just as the fire was extinguished. Workmen who were overcome by the smoke are: James Paustian, 2623 Dodge street; Axel Mullen, 1811 Evans street; Harold Shearer, 510 South Twenty-seventh street; Ivan Hultman, 506 South Twenty-sixth street.

They were revived soon after the arrival of the fire department.

Car Destroyed.
B. M. Cowles, 4018 North Twenty-sixth street, foreman of the shop, stripped his clothing from his body and smothered flames which had spread to a pair of gasoline.

The car which was destroyed was a stock machine in process of overhauling and repainting.

The dismantling the car preparatory to painting it two wires became crossed, causing a spark which ignited gasoline fumes.

The flame spread rapidly among the combustible fluids, which are used in removing the old paint.

Twenty-five workmen in the paint shop, aware of the seriousness of the situation, sprang to fight the flames with chemical extinguishers, buckets of water and the huge sprinkler in the garage.

Remove Clothing.
Many of the men removed articles of clothing with which to smother outbreaks of the flames.

Members of all departments who aided in the battle with the flames were drenched by the spray from the sprinkler system.

After the fire was extinguished J. H. Hansen, president of the company, personally commended the employees for their valiant work.

All the damages are covered by insurance.

Player in Church League Arrested on Check Charge
John Crowley, 22 2851 Fowler avenue, star basketball player, who was arrested at the Y. M. C. A. just as he was starting to play in a church league game, pleaded not guilty yesterday morning in police court when arraigned on a charge of passing worthless checks.

"You may be a hero among your friends, but you should adopt more approved methods if you expect to earn a living for your wife and baby," was the rebuke administered by Police Judge Foster.

Crowley was bound over to the district court for trial, obtaining his freedom on a bond of \$500.

SLEEPY-TIME TALES THE TALE OF GRANDFATHER MOLE

By ARTHUR SCOTT BAILEY

CHAPTER XVIII.
A Talk With Mr. Meadow Mouse.
The next time he saw Mr. Meadow Mouse Mrs. Robin gave him Grandfather Mole's message. "He says," said she, "he'd like to have a talk with you."

"Does he?" Mr. Meadow Mouse exclaimed. "Now I wonder what he has to say! I returned his umbrella to him, after the rain. So it can't be about that."

"If I wanted to know, I'd go and find Grandfather Mole," Mrs. Robin suggested tartly.
Being a mild sort of person Mr. Meadow Mouse thanked Mrs. Robin politely, both for the message and for the advice.

Then there was a great scurrying down there in the dark!
Meadow Mouse thanked Mrs. Robin for the message and for the advice. He then scampered to a certain spot that he knew, near the fence, he disappeared through an opening into the ground. It was one of Grandfather Mole's doorways.

Mr. Meadow Mouse did not hesitate to use it, being one of those fortunate folks that are quite at home anywhere. It made little difference to him whether he was above ground or in it. And aside from Grandfather Mole and his own family there was no one that knew his way about Grandfather Mole's galleries as well as Mr. Meadow Mouse.

To be sure, he had some trouble in finding the old gentleman, there were so many different passages to the ground for him. But at last Mr. Meadow Mouse met Grandfather Mole in a long tunnel that followed a row of newly planted corn.

"Ah, ha!" Grandfather Mole cried. "There's something I want to say to you."
"So I hear," Mr. Meadow Mouse replied a bit anxiously, for Grandfather Mole sounded none too pleasant.

"You've been getting me in trouble with old Mr. Crow," Grandfather Mole complained. He thinks I've been eating the seed corn that Farmer Green planted. And if I told him that it was you that's done it, and that you've been using my galleries to reach the hills of corn, Mr. Crow would never believe what I said."

"It looks bad for you, doesn't it?" said Mr. Meadow Mouse more cheerfully.
"Somehow his remark displeased Grandfather Mole. 'You'd better be careful what you say!' he warned Mr. Meadow Mouse. 'If you make me angry it will go hard with you.'"

More Truth Than Poetry

By JAMES J. MONTAGUE



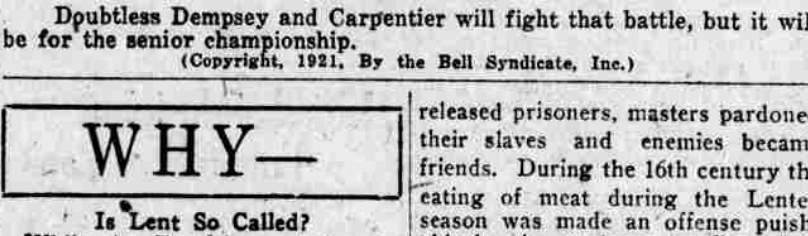
According to Freud

If baby discovers the bottle of rye That father has got on his hip, And raising a wailing and piteous cry He eagerly begs for a nip. Don't dam up the longings that surge in his breast by snatching the bottle away; His infant emotions, thus sternly suppressed, Will make him a drunkard some day.

If sister swoops down on the quarter that drops From grandmother's purse to the floor, And runs to invest it in peppermint drops And chocolate creams at the store, Postpone your correction to some later time And let her emotions run wild, By rudely suppressing her instinct for crime You may make a thief of the child.

Don't be at all shocked if your seven-year son Requests you to lend him the shears, Because he believes it would be lots of fun To cut off the pussy-cat's ears. Suppress this desire that wells in his heart For brutal and red-blooded deeds, And you surely will give him the criminal start, Which is all a good murderer needs.

These facts we have learned from a person named Freud, Who says in a ponderous book, That primal emotions, too roughly destroyed, Will make their possessor a crook. The spirit that punishment seeks to suppress, Will burst from its bondage some day, So let it run rampant—but nevertheless, We won't rear our children that way!



OF COURSE

Women are getting taller. Probably another result of the higher fair movement.

LEADING THE PACK

Many women have been queens of the opera, but Mary Garden is the first of her sex to be the ace.

ALONG IN 1950

Duplicate Dempsey and Carpentier will fight that battle, but it will be for the senior championship.

WHY—

Is Lent So Called? While the English word for the Lenten or penitential season is derived directly from the Anglo-Saxon *lenten*, meaning "spring," the observance of the 40-day period goes back to the early days of Christianity, though it was not until 840 that the dates of Ash Wednesday and Holy Saturday were definitely established.

In the days of the early church, Lent was a season in which the faithful asked mercy for themselves and were therefore expected to show mercy to others. The money saved by fasting was given in alms to the poor. Imperial laws prohibited the conduct of criminal processes, the church authorities received penitents at the altar and imposed public penances for sins committed, emperors released prisoners, masters pardoned their slaves and enemies became friends. During the 16th century the eating of meat during the Lenten season was made an offense punishable by the stocks and a fine of 60 shillings, but the severity with which the period was observed has gradually lessened, until Lenten observance is now mainly a matter of individual preference.

Parents' Problems

Ought any "useful" presents to be given at Christmas? We see no reason why not. In these days, "useful" things cost so much that they are almost luxuries. A good plan is to strike a fair average; give some "useful" presents, and give some that are purely ornamental.

Romance in Origin Of Superstitions

Black Cats.

Many a man who would deny that he is the least bit superstitious feels a sneaking satisfaction if a black cat runs across his path as he starts for business in the morning. Black cats for luck is a very old superstition and comes to us from the Egyptians, who had mummies of cats buried with them in their tombs and identified the animal with the moon god, Pashu—probably from the peculiar effects of light and darkness on a cat's eyes. And a black cat's eyes by contrast appear more prominently than those of other cats, even as the moon stands out from darkness.

In modern folk lore the cat in order to bring the greatest amount of luck must be entirely black—no white hairs even. The cat is a weird animal anyway and has been superstitiously regarded from time immemorial, even by peoples unaffected by Egyptian civilization, such as the ancient Germans. In Germany today a black cat is driven away from the cradle of the infant and the bedside of the sick lest it bring death. Fortunately we inherit the Egyptian and not the Teutonic superstition. Egypt, Greece, Rome, western Europe, England, America, is our black cat's line of superstitious descent.

Jewel, Flower, Color Symbols for Today

By MILDRED MARSHALL.
Today's talismanic gem is the lodestone, which attracts friends, riches and fame to its wearer, according to an ancient legend, and makes a woman irresistible whether she be beautiful or not.

The lapis lazuli is today's magic stone; its healing powers are exerted for those born on an anniversary of this date, dispelling both disease and melancholy.

Dark blue is today's color; it is said to bring gaiety and good cheer to those who wear it.

Today's flower is the forget-me-not, symbolic of constancy and potent in encouraging acquaintances begun when it is worn.

Common Sense

By J. J. MUNDY.
Why Argue? If you have to spend half your time arguing as to who is boss in your family the chances are that neither of you is fit to be boss of anybody.

A real boss does not argue, he considers. The real boss strives to get all the light he can on a subject, and then sits and considers on advisement with others for whom he has respect as to their knowledge and judgment and then he acts.

The arguer is an abomination. The down-to-the-bone arguer never has opinions so strong that he cannot get up an argument from the opposite side at any time.

He just likes to be contrary—for the sake of argument, so he says. It is one thing to debate a subject, it is quite another to argue it.

A debate indicates a reasonable consideration from both sides. An argument is usually so heated before the finish that consideration and logic on facts are thrown to the four winds, and a scrap ensues. So don't be led into an argument if it does not pay you or the other one. Valuable time is wasted, hard feelings are engendered and you are no nearer to the truth of the matter, either one of you, for your attitude was wrong from the beginning namely, to win out facts or no facts. Copyright, 1920, by International Feature Service, Inc. The government of Venezuela will add an institute of modern languages to its school of commerce.

February Clean Sweep Sale

This Message is Another Striking Illustration of the Remarkable Price Reductions Big Savings in Saturday Specials

One-Day Linoleum Sale

Measure your room, come early Saturday morning, make your selection and have your floor covered for about one-half what it ordinarily would cost you.

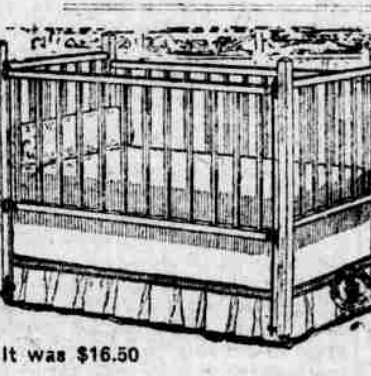


Splendid Quality Felt Base Floor Covering 49c sq. yd. Genuine Printed Linoleums, burlap back, in splendid patterns. Former price \$1.50. Today's price, per square yard... 89c Heavy Linoleum in wood and tile patterns in many colors. Former price \$3. Today's price, sq. yard... 1.45 42 Patterns to Select from

This Dresser
For Saturday Selling \$29.45
Colonial Period design, beautiful Golden Oak finish, extra sized plate mirrors. Made throughout of solid oak.



This Child's Crib
Your choice of either White Enamel or Gold finish. \$9.85
Just the bed for the baby, always safe and sanitary.



This Solid Oak Extension Table
\$15.75
Strongly built, your choice of either Golden Oak, Fumed Oak or Wax finish.



This Servicable Solid Oak Buffet
\$19.65
An illustrated is Colonial Period, has good size mirror, very roomy drawers and compartments—a big Saturday value.



Household Necessities at Value Giving Prices
Full 6-lb. Jewel Electric Iron, \$3.95
Aluminum Percolators, \$1.40 Black enameled wood handle, family size.
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Specials for Saturday in Our Drapery Department
Panel Nets for lace shades and curtain, from 6 to 12 inches wide and 90 inches long.
1.00 Paneling, per strip... \$.50
1.25 Paneling, per strip... .85
1.50 Paneling, per strip... 1.00
2.00 Paneling, per strip... 1.25
2.25 Paneling, per strip... 1.30
2.75 Paneling, per strip... 1.40
3.00 Paneling, per strip... 1.50
BATH TOWELS
Size 16x20, each... 16c
Size 18x22, each... 18c
Size 21x42, each... 30c
Size 25x50, each... 60c
MUCK TOWELS
Size 16x25, each... 12c
Size 16x32, each... 16c
Size 17x38, each... 22c
Size 18x39, each... 27c
Fancy Value Paneling in white and every color, 4 and 8 inches wide, that were selling at \$2.50 to \$3.50 per strip. Your choice at \$1.45 per strip.
Assorted lot of fine Impacted Towels and Handkerchiefs, that were selling for \$2.50 to \$3.50 per strip. Your choice at \$1.65 per strip.
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Dog Hill Paragrafs

By George Bingham
News reaches here from Bounding Billows that the constable there engaged in a sensational chase Thursday had been guilty of reckless driving while passing through on his bicycle. According to eye-witnesses the stranger did not even ring his bell.



day morning after a stranger who at crossings and came within an inch of running over a nice cow.

The postoffice will be closed tomorrow all day on account of the postmaster's birthday.

Wash Hocks happened down to the depot at Tickville Monday to see the train come in. It puffed and snorted so much on approaching the station that it woke up the agent.

I'M THE GUY

I'M THE GUY who slobbers all over you when he thinks he can get something out of it. I'm just like a kid on good behavior for the weeks preceding Christmas. As long as you fall for my flattery and obsequiousness, I am perfectly content. If you don't like it, well that's different. But at that, if I keep it up long enough, you'll fall for it finally. If I can't get away with it, I should worry. I'll get back at you, when things change and turn my way.

HOLDING A HUSBAND

Adele Garrison's New Phase of Revelations of a Wife

The Deal Lillian Made With Sammy.
Lillian and I made a hurried job of locking up my home for the night. The furnace fire banked properly, we made a quick tour of the rooms, locking doors and windows.

"If I were you," Lillian suggested, "I would leave a light in one room upstairs and one room below with curtains raised just enough to let the light shine out, but not enough to show that the rooms are empty."

"A very good idea," I asserted. "But—do you think those marauders are apt to come back tonight?"
We were standing in my room, and I could not repress a quivering glance at the havoc which the unknown intruders had made of my keepsake trunk.

"Not one chance in a million," Lillian returned promptly and convincingly "but—it is always well to guard against the millionth chance. They might have been simply young hoodlums at that."

My heart quickened its beat. It was the first direct intimation Lillian had given of the theory that she must have mapped out concerning the wanton mischief of which my home had been the scene. But her last sentence certainly meant that she considered the theory of wanton hoodlumism as "one in a million."

Where It Started

Coins.
When gold and silver were first used as mediums of exchange certain weights of these metals had standard value. This necessitated weighing each time a purchase was made. The Lydians, an antique people, are credited with the idea of making standard weights of gold and silver so as to avoid the weighing process. Those weights were stamped with their value and some mark, usually the portrait of the ruler of the country.
Automobile thieves drove off with 391 cars, valued at \$700,000, in Baltimore, Md., during 1920.