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News Items of 12 Years Ago

Oct. 11, 1929

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Frick.

Herman Struck purchased the Charles Swick farm of 80 acres.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Hobbs, Danville.

George Dagley and family of Potomac visited Mr. and Mrs. Anton Menix.

Rev. J. W. McKinney of Monon, Ind., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Laverick.

Otis Rayl, Ray Bowman and Roy Bergfield attended the world series baseball game in Chicago.

20 Years Ago

Oct. 14, 1921

Thos. Bergfield was in Chicago on business.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Bert McCormick.

Miss Aurelia McCullough of Chicago visited friends here.

Kenneth and Carl Dicks played with the Longview baseball team at Villa Grove.

A number of Broadlands homes were quarantined on account of a diphtheria epidemic. Movies were discontinued at the opera house.

Miss Mary Gerike gave Mrs. Mary Jacobsen a surprise on her birthday by inviting a number of friends in and serving refreshments.

Methodist Church Notes

W. Earl Ballew, Pastor

The Sunday School meets at 10:00 o'clock.

The Church Service next Sunday is in the morning, at 11:00. Friends, neighbors, and members of the family circle joining together and worshipping together is one of the most exalted and inspiring acts that the human mind can go through. This can be your experience Sunday following Sunday.

St. John's Evangelical and Reformed Church

Robert B. Frey, Pastor

9:30 A. M.—Sunday School, Edward Nohren, Superintendent.

10:30 A. M.—Divine worship. Inauguration of denominational "Faith in Action" program.

Pianist: Miss Edna Schumacher.

Tuesday, October 14—Young People's Fellowship meets at the Parsonage at 7:30.

Friday, October 17—Choir practice.

Sunday, October 19—Missions Festival.

Time Tables

C. & E. I.

Northbound 11:49 a. m.

Southbound 1:27 p. m.

Star Mail Route

Southbound 7:15 a. m.

Northbound 8:30 a. m.

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Villa Grove Pancake and Syrup Festival Oct. 15

Villa Grove is putting on their free pancake and syrup festival on Wednesday, Oct. 15. They have arranged a very entertaining day for this. The pancake festival at Villa Grove last year was a tremendous success and they look for this one to be much greater.

Servings will be in two different places with all the pancakes you can eat free. Servings will be from 11 A. M. to 7 P. M. There will be a registration for everyone, and a free box of pancake flour will be given to each family registering.

There will be a free show at the Gem Theatre from 1 to 5 P. M., also three bands—Odd Fellows Orphans Home Band, Longview Band, and the Villa Grove Band. There will be amateur entertainment contests for groups of 1-5 people; oldest couple prize; largest family prize; and many other contests which are full of fun.

Villa Grove cordially invites everyone to partake in this festival—it's all free!

Faulty Ladders Cause of Ten Fatal Farm Accidents

The number of fatal injuries from falls is second only to traffic deaths, according to C. M. Seagraves, director of safety for the Illinois Agricultural Association.

Seagraves said newspaper reports of Illinois farm accidents for Sept. 19 to 26 would indicate that farmers and their wives had more than their share of tragedies. For instance, this short period of time witnessed 10 serious accidents on Illinois farms all due to one cause, falls from ladders. In each case, the story was the same: "The ladder broke."

While it's true a good ladder will last a long time, it's equally true that many ladders have lasted too long now and should be used for kindling. There are some economies no one can afford and to make a rotten ladder "do a while longer" is one of them, Seagraves said.

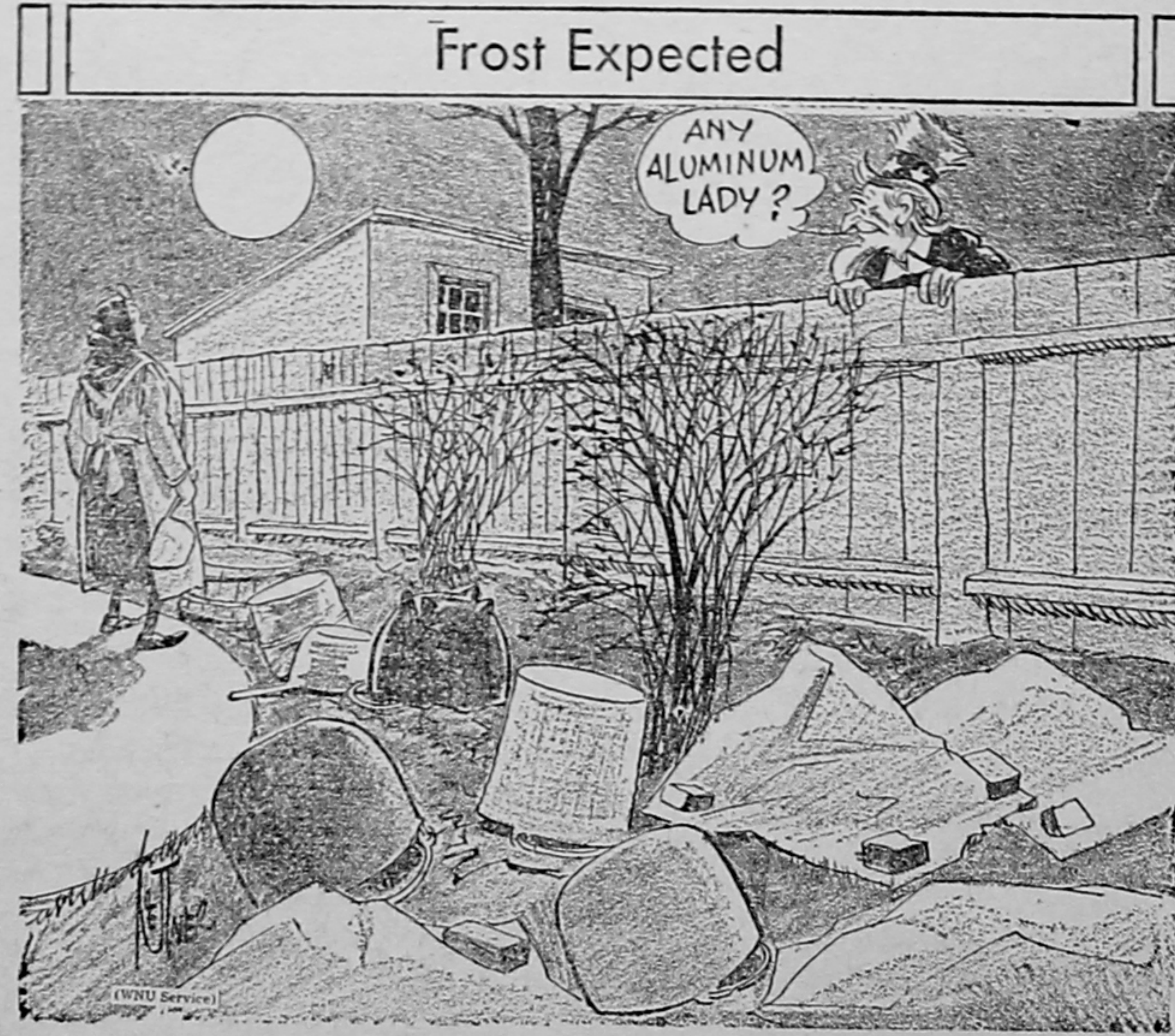
Of interest to husbands should be a statement from the National Safety Council that 48 per cent of all persons killed by falls in 1936 were women. In contrast, deaths of women constituted only 24 per cent of the other types of accident fatalities.

Illinois Pioneers Once Tried to Produce Silk

Illinois pioneers more than a century ago tried to produce silk through silkworms and mulberry trees imported from the orient, according to the Illinois Writers' Project, WPA. The first effort was made on land known as the "Military Tract," in 1839.

From a seafaring relative, a woman obtained some silkworms which she placed on the leaves of the American mulberry tree. From the cocoons she wove and exhibited a few strands of silk thread. This started a small boom. More silkworms and mulberry trees were imported from China.

The local unit of the W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. Anna Seeds, Tuesday, Oct. 14. This will be an all day meeting and the ladies will sew for the Red Cross. A potluck dinner will be served at the noon hour.



Illinois State Capitol News

Autumn-tinted shrubs, and trees, glorious in changing shades of crimson, brown, scarlet and gold, soon will lend their fleeting beauty to the woodlands of Illinois. The hard maples, the sumacs and the oaks usually are especially attractive in their fall coloring.

The State parks are well stocked with oaks. At Pere Marquette park a resident naturalist will point out the different kinds of trees to visitors and explain their special coloring. The lodge hotel and the spacious recreation area at Pere Marquette make this park a favored place for picnic suppers and for more elaborate entertainment.

In a radio address October 7, farmers and other rural residents of Illinois were urged by State Fire Marshall John H. Craig to take especial precautions against fires during the present national defense emergency.

"Suppose your \$4000 home burns, Mr. Craig said. You might rebuild it at present costs for \$6,000, if you could get the material and find the skilled labor. But even if you could afford to buy the material, you would be obstructing the national defense program, not only as to the raw materials, but also in the use of man hours and machines so vitally important at this critical time."

Illinois Got Good Land From Wisconsin Territory

Wisconsin once threatened to secede from the Union because the new state of Illinois had been given a strip of land, according to the Illinois Writers' Project, WPA. This strip, 61 miles wide, gave to Illinois her Lake Michigan frontage, and included the present cities of Chicago, Galena, Rockford and Freeport—very valuable because without it, Illinois would have had no outlet to the Great Lakes. The threat of secession died, say early historians, because Wisconsin became involved in a boundary fight with Michigan and forgot her grievance against Illinois.

A Record to Shoot At

Henry Kilian, jr., has hung up a record for other farmers to shoot at, having gathered 594 bushels of corn from a six acre field. This means the field averaged 99 bushels per acre. Who can beat it?

Alpine Switzerland is known as the Playground of Europe.

Local and Personal

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Miss Anna Clem of Decatur and Albert Clem of Harristown, visited here over the weekend.

Mrs. O. P. Witt, Grand Lecturer, attended the sessions of Grand Chapter, O. E. S., in Chicago, the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Williams, Harry and Fred Williams of Danville visited Mrs. Charlotte McCormick Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Struck of Longview are moving to their new home in Champaign, on Green and Linn, in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Bergfield, J. A. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eckerty, son Billy, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Carr visited Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Bowers near Danville Sunday.

Mrs. Kenneth Dicks attended the sessions of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, in Chicago, the first of the week. Mrs. Dicks is Worthy Matron of Broadlands Chapter, O. E. S.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nohren entertained at dinner, Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cuppey, Crawfordville, Ind.; Mrs. Sarah Cuppey, Cayuga, Ind.; P. O. Rayl and family, Betty Jackson, Mrs. Bessie Loomis and Mrs. Lydia Brown.

Homer Couple Married at Local Parsonage

Rosa Jane Wolf and Thomas N. Fogerson, both residing near Homer, were united in marriage Thursday afternoon, October 2, at 2:00 o'clock, in the local Methodist parsonage, with Rev. W. Earl Ballew, pastor of the church performing the ceremony. The bride and groom were attended by Miss Alma Jean Savage and Clyde Powell, both of Homer.

Mail Was 'Walked' Between Chicago and Fort Wayne

In 1814 there was no postoffice between Chicago and Ft. Wayne, Indiana, and the Illinois Writers' Project, WPA, reports that a soldier "walked" the mail between the two points, making the trip every 30 days.

At that time there were but nine postoffices throughout Illinois and the report of the postal department for the first half of the year showed total receipts of \$143 from the area as contrasted with a delivery cost of \$1,002.

Longview 4-H Club Wins County and State Honors

The Longview 4-H Club felt very honored when the five following Longview club members received the honor of going to the State to judge on the different teams: James McIntyre, on the all county poultry team; Gene Partenheimer, on the all county grain team; and the other three, Eugene Ward (who was second high individual in the county contest) Palmer Hales and Gene Monger on a livestock team, which won the honor to compete by getting first in the county contest.

The Longview grain team got second in the county, but the poultry men had to judge individually because there were only two of them.

As an award for winning the privilege of judging Saturday they were given a free ticket to the Illinois-Miami football game.

Mrs. O. D. Struck Is Hostess to J.F.F. Club

Mrs. O. D. Struck was hostess to the J. F. F. Club of Longview on Thursday afternoon, October 2.

President Mrs. Marion Churchill had charge of the business session during which they discussed holding their annual family steak fry at the Villa Grove Country Club house.

Following the business session four tables of rook were in play. Mrs. Maud Bangston won high score; Mrs. Eva Block, low; Mrs. Eva Walker, high for guests and Mrs. Helen Fansler, low. Mrs. Madge Carleton and Mrs. Cinderella Smith won high rook score.

Refreshments were in keeping with Halloween, the colors consisting of brown and orange. Nut bread sandwiches, orange fruit salad with whipped cream, nuts, corn owls and black cat candy, and coffee were served.

Guests present were Mesdames Ida Messman and Eva Walker of Broadlands; Marie Madigan, Champaign; Viola Jarman, Helen Fansler, Cinderella Smith and Maxine Keefe.

Members present were Mesdames Marion Churchill, Helen Mohr, Eva Block, Madge Carleton, Fannie Churchill, Daisy Daniels, Maud Bangston, Hilma Hart, Ursa Warnes and Mary Struck.

Mrs. Hagerman, Longview, In Burnham Hospital

Mrs. Etta Hagerman of Longview was in Burnham hospital, Champaign, Monday, Sept. 29, suffering from an attack of paralysis suffered the Sunday previous while en route to the bedside of her mother, who is critically ill in South Bend, Ind.

Mrs. Hagerman was riding with her brother-in-law and sister, Constable and Mrs. Carl Rayburn, when she was stricken. They continued the trip to South Bend where the mother of Mrs. Hagerman and Mrs. Rayburn, Mrs. Mary J. Colson, 83, of Springfield, is near death.

Constable and Mrs. Rayburn almost immediately rushed Mrs. Hagerman back to Champaign-Urbana for hospitalization.—The News-Gazette.

Howard Eckerty, Longview, a member of the U. S. Navy, is home from Corpus Christi, Tex., on a 15-day furlough.

Smith-Tate Wedding Read In Missouri

Sidney—Announcement has been made of the marriage of Bert Smith, prominent farmer residing six miles southeast of Sidney, and Mrs. Ella Tate of Centralia.

The wedding took place at 9 a. m. Friday, September 19, at St. Charles, Mo. The single ring ceremony was read by Justice of the Peace Albert Emmeling, in his office in the courthouse. The couple was unattended. The bride wore for her wedding a street length dress of navy blue, with black accessories.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith spent a week visiting with relatives at Marion and Kokomo, Ind., and with the bride's mother, Mrs. Minerva O'Keefe, at Duquoin.

Mr. Smith has resided on farms south of Sidney for more than 30 years. He is a member of the Pleasant Hill Methodist church, south of Sidney. Mrs. Smith was born and reared at Duquoin, but has resided at Centralia for the past 30 years.

Vandalia Got Its Name From A British Queen

The Illinois Writers' Project, WPA, has unearthed historic data indicating that the name Vandalia was chosen as a compliment to the consort of George III.

The writers have found the record of a book published in England in 1766, tracing the ancestry of the queen back to a Vandal king. Next the record shows that a large land company sought to acquire a tract of land from the crown during the British occupation of the Illinois country.

Desiring the friendly influence of the queen, the promoters are declared to have given the name "Vandalia," feminizing "Vandal," to the district, in honor of the queen.

DEFENSE BOND QUIZ

Q. Has the government set a quota to be raised through the sales of Defense Savings Bonds?

A. No; there is no quota and no time limit. The Defense Savings Program is to be a continuing effort, and both the Defense Bonds and Stamps should be purchased steadily and regularly.

Q. Why were the Nation's retail stores asked to sell Defense Savings Stamps?

A. American retailers were not asked—they volunteered through their national organizations to undertake the sale of Defense Savings Stamps on a vast scale.

Note.—To buy Defense Bonds and Stamps, go to the nearest post office, bank, or savings and loan association; or write to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C. Also Stamps now are on sale at retail stores.

Market Report

Following are the prices offered for grain on Thursday in the local market:

No. 2 hard wheat \$1.04
No. 2 white corn 71c
No. 2 yellow corn 65c
No. 3 oats 40c
New Beans, Oct. del. \$1.48

More men have pleasant voices than women, it was decided in a British test.

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A Giant Windmill

The world's largest and most costly windmill is nearing completion in Vermont, after five years of research by scientists of Harvard and Stanford Universities, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the United States Weather Bureau.

This windmill is really a turbine for the generation of electricity, of which it is designed to produce 1,350 horsepower, enough to light more than 2,000 average homes. The tower is 110 feet high, and the two 22-ton blades describe a 175-foot circle. The cost of the project will be about \$500,000.

Naturally the turbine will not operate except when the wind is blowing, therefore the power generated is intended to supplement rather than replace other power installations. With wind blowing at 18 miles an hour or more it will generate electricity, and full capacity will be reached with a velocity of 30 miles an hour. It is constructed to withstand a gale of 140 miles an hour but steady operation is obtained by an automatic regulation of the pitch of the blades.

The idea for the windmill originated with Palmer C. Putnam, a Boston business man, and the financial backer of the project is the S. Morgan Smith Company, turbine manufacturers of York, Pa. This first installation is in the nature of an experiment, but the array of scientific and engineering talent employed in its development should insure its success.

Some Potatoes

Aroostook county, occupying the most northern part of Maine, is famous as the world's greatest potato producing area. Its crop this year is estimated to be about 45 million bushels, which is 'some potatoes.' But Aroostook is some county, having an area of 6,452 square miles, or almost as large as the state of New Jersey.

About 90 per cent of the county's population engage in the potato industry, and the annual value of the crop from 1,400 square miles of cultivated fields averages around 25 million dollars. About 40,000 carloads of potatoes are marketed annually, which if shipped at one time would require a freight train 300 miles long.

In spite of this large production, the Aroostook potato grower often has a hard struggle, like the cotton grower of the South. It costs about \$1.25 to produce a barrel of potatoes, even with modern farm machinery, and the price the farmer gets sometimes drops to \$1 or less. But some years the prices are good, and he makes a nice profit.

Like other farmers, the potato grower is usually an optimist, always hoping for a better break next year. And sometimes his hopes are realized.

The True Sportsman

Some of the characteristics of the good sportsman were enumerated by an official of the Alabama Wildlife Association a few years ago, which are well worth repeating. These are the things a conscientious hunter does and does not do:

He obeys the hunting laws and insists that his fellow hunter

does likewise. He respects the rights of the landowner and complies with the law by obtaining a permit to hunt on his lands. Cuts no fences, shoots near no barns, homes or other buildings; tramples no crops, and endangers no livestock by wild or careless gunfire.

He takes only a lawful amount of game, as his license does not permit him to shoot for another. Stamps out all campfires, including those left by careless hunters, and throws no lighted matches on the ground.

He does not shoot the last two pairs in a quail covey, or a doe, fawn or turkey hen, but leaves them to replenish the game crop. For the same reason he feeds the birds and other game in winter. Finally, he gives all game the sporting chance to escape that he would like if he were being shot at.

If all hunters would observe these rules the cause of true game and forest conservation would be greatly advanced—and there is no excuse for not observing them.

Sidelights

To enable its readers to form a better idea of a billion dollars, an exchange says that if that amount in one-dollar bills were laid end to end they would reach around the earth at the equator nearly four times.

Radio dealers have their little troubles, too. One of them in Chicago answered the telephone call of a lady customer, who complained: "The program coming in on my radio is away too fast. Send someone to slow it down rightaway."

In 1914, shortly after the World War began, so-called experts of that day expressed the opinion that the war would last one year or longer. It lasted a little more than four years and three months. Few are making predictions about the present one.

Judge Betram of Camden, N. J., doesn't think much of snoopers and tatlers, as one Charles Bubeck found out, after spreading the report that he had seen a young couple kissing. The girl had Bubeck arrested and the judge said: What business was it of yours? Ninety days."

In a recent discussion it was brought out that the brain of the late Anatole France, the great French writer and novelist, weighed only 1,017 grams, while the average weight of a man's brain is about 1,390 grams. Brain matter, like many other useful substances, depends for its value on quality rather than quantity.

Do You Know Illinois?

By Edward J. Hughes
Secretary of State

Q. How long may a designated school district remain without a school?

A. Two years.

Q. After two consecutive years in which no school operates in a school district what must be done?

A. It shall be the duty of the trustees of the schools of the township or townships in which such district lies to attach the territory to one or more adjoining districts.

Q. How is the territory of such a district divided?

A. Among the districts to which such territory is added in the manner provided for the division of property in case of the organization of a new district from a part of another district.

Q. How is a township treasurer elected?

A. By the trustees of schools of the township.

Q. What qualifications are required of a township treasurer?

A. The treasurer shall be a

resident of the township, but not a trustee or director.

Q. What is a township treasurer's term of office?

A. Two years.

Q. Is a bond required of a township treasurer?

A. A treasurer shall execute a bond with two or more freeholders, who shall not be trustees, as securities, payable to the trustees of schools and conditional upon the faithful discharge of his duties.

Q. What is the penalty of a township treasurer's bond?

A. Twice the amount of all bonds, notes, mortgages, moneys, and effects of which he is to have custody.

Q. By whom must such bond be approved?

A. By a majority of the township school trustees.

Q. With whom is the township treasurer's bond deposited?

A. The county superintendent of schools.

Interesting Notes

An electric light bulb has burned continuously for 28 years in the hallway between the stage and dressing rooms at the Palace Theater in Fort Worth, Tex.

Albert Corbin of Hull, Eng., was convicted of bigamy with all his 22 sons in court. The children were by four different mothers.

To a charge of reckless driving and speeding through the town of Breese, Ill., William Treuman pleaded not guilty, saying he didn't see any town.

A jury locked up for the night in Derby, Eng., was rebuked by the court the next day for having sung "We Won't Go Home Until Morning" several times.

Thomas Horrick, 42, of Leeds, Eng., was forced into bankruptcy when his love affairs culminated in two breach of promise suits with heavy verdicts against him.

Author Bird of Victoria, Can., lost a wallet and nine days later reported to police it had been found by his dog. The dog walked into its master's home with the wallet in his mouth.

Asked if he had anything to offer the court before sentence was passed, a convicted man replied in the negative, explaining that his lawyer already had it all.

Shortly after boasting that he had climbed many high structures without an accident, Alex Hassn, a steeplejack of Hayattsville, Md., fell eight feet from a shed he was painting, breaking an arm and a leg.

Walter Moreland of Troy, N. Y., went on a deer hunt while his wife remained in camp to bake a pie. Hours later returning empty-handed, he found his wife had shot a 160-pound buck near their cottage.

When Merle Todd fell between two moving freight cars at Cadillac, Mich., his body broke the air hose connection and the cars came to a stop before their wheels touched his body. He suffered only slight bruises.

A general rain of one inch over the state of North Dakota would weigh five billion tons.

The Great Pyramid of Gizah, Egypt, is the only one of the "seven wonders of the ancient world" still standing.

A professor says young women write better English than young men. Which is rather faint praise for the girls.

An exchange suggests that it would be a good idea to train your child in the way you should have gone yourself.

To ride a street car from Atlanta to Decatur, Ga., costs a nickel, but if you stop before reaching Decatur it costs a dime.

In Sumatra, the Batak dentist does his work in the open market with the patient lying flat on his back.

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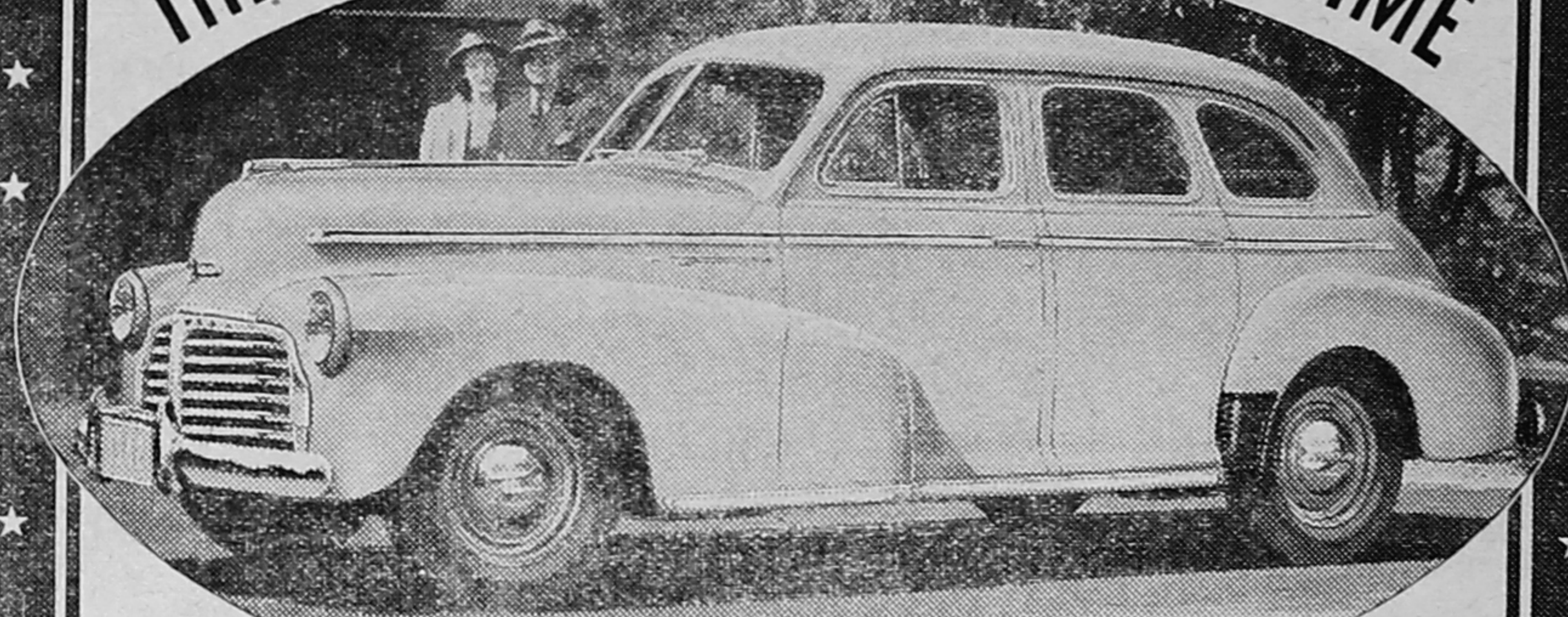
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An Elevator Girl

By RUBY DOUGLAS
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WNU Service.

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Mary read the sign above the elevator door. "Courteous, helpful, intelligent," she repeated. "Well—I think I could qualify."

She let her eyes fall on the young woman who was running the lift up and down in the crowded department shop. The effort did not seem much.

Ever since her brother had come home from the war unable to help support the large family her mother was so bravely bringing up, Mary had been wondering what sort of employment she, herself, could get.

She read again the sign and wondered whether or not she could muster courage to seek the position. After getting off at the sixth floor and getting into another elevator while she decided, she finally asked where the employment office was and found out from the courteous girl in charge of the car.

It was the busy season and Mary found no difficulty in getting a position. Inside of a few days she was dressed in the becoming gray uniform of the shop employees and was doing duty in the easily running elevator.

Mary tried to live up to the sign. She was always helpful and she used her intelligence. Even when the car was crowded and shoppers crowded and pushed and fussed and complained, she always tried to retain her courteous manner. The few dollars she earned each week were a great help to her mother.

One Saturday afternoon she had an experience that proved her kindness and, in a roundabout way, added to the family income.

The elevator was half full and at the rear stood a tall, pale man with a child in his arms. She might have been two or three years old and was able to walk, but was frightened at the motion of the elevator and screamed and clung to her father. They were going up several floors and the continual crying and screaming annoyed an irritable woman who, also, was going to the top floor.

"The child should be at home with its mother instead of making everyone in the store uncomfortable," the woman said, losing her temper.

The pale and very much worried father said quietly, "The child has no mother."

When they reached the top floor, Mary stopped her car and stepped out after the man and the child.

"My rest hour comes in a few minutes. Won't you let me take the little one with me while you do your errands?" she asked.

The man's face lighted up. "Oh, you are too kind," he said.

But Mary, accustomed to children, insisted, and it was not long before she had the little girl sitting comfortably in the rest-room looking at a book. She had learned from the man that his wife had been gone only a short time and he had not yet decided what to do with the child. They were strangers in the country from England and it was a difficult problem.

During her rest hour Mary had an inspiration. Why not ask her mother why she could not take care of the little one for awhile?

She worked out the idea in her mind and presented it to the man.

"I don't like to be separated from her. She is all I have now," he explained, at length. "Might I see you again in a day or two after we have all thought it over?"

Mary's mother was only too glad to take in the man and his baby. The only man in the house was her disabled son, now, and it would mean an added income and perhaps congenial companionship.

"And it need not be forever, Mother," Mary explained. "There will be no hard and fast agreement. We can let them go if it does not work out."

Tom Elson—for that was the man's name—proved to be a very quiet, steady worker and Mary and her mother fell in love with his tiny daughter. She played with the older children and was well behaved.

On Saturday afternoons, after awhile, the father got into the habit of going home by way of the shop where he had first seen Mary.

"Mary," he said to her one afternoon a year after he had gone to live with them, "would you mind my telling you what I think that sign in your elevator ought to read?"

"No," said Mary, "of course not." "It should say, 'This girl was employed because she is beautiful, lovable—and wonderful.'"

Mary was lost for a reply.

Tom was a little afraid of what he had said. They were both silent for awhile.

"I know it seems very soon for me to tell you I love you, Mary—but—"

Mary looked at him. "But you do, Tom. I have known it for a long time and we are going to tell mother about it and—"

"And it will be all right—won't it, dear?" he asked.

By the time they reached home they had worked it all out so as to find happiness for themselves and yet make no one else less comfortable.

Down With Stockton

By JANE OSBORN
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WNU Service.

IT WAS an unwritten law in the Stockton family that college students were not to be considered in the light of possible husbands—at least students in Gleason college where Dr. Stockton had reigned as president for these twenty years. The four older daughters had followed this rule and found husbands elsewhere. Lucy Stockton remained, living a solitary enough existence with her father and the old housekeeper.

Lucy was twenty, but she had come to the conclusion that if one couldn't marry a Gleason student then it was a waste of time to notice them at all.

And Lucy's air of complete disinterest rather pleased her pedagogical father, for Lucy was quite the prettiest of his daughters, and there was an archness about her eyes and a daintiness to her rather short nose that indicated a streak of flirtatiousness in her nature. There had been times, when Lucy was much younger, when Dr. Stockton had felt concern. It really would never do to have one of the girls marry one of the men at the college. The only thing that had reassured Dr. Stockton in accepting the presidency of a man's college when he had five daughters was the feeling that none of them would ever marry one of the Gleason men. If they did, it might seem as if he, the eminently dignified Dr. Stockton, had considered this as a desirable territory in which to bring up five marriageable daughters.

Lucy's life was unutterably dull. Because she never in her life had been away from the vicinity of Gleason students.

Lucy had an inkling that she was rather pretty and she sometimes used to dream of a time when she could be miles and miles from Gleason with plenty of men, none of them from Gleason, to flirt with.

She was thinking such thoughts to herself one spring evening when she heard some sort of commotion in the street outside. There were voices—student voices, she knew. In the window she could see reflections of red lights—they were carrying torches of some sort. And then quite clearly, right before the house, she heard the shouts:

"Down with Stockton, down with Stockton. We don't want Stockton!"

For Lucy it was a terrible ten minutes while the students—the entire student body, it seemed to her—stood there insulting her father in this way. What made the situation more difficult for her was that her father was away. He had suddenly left town that afternoon, telling her that he wished to consult with the chairman of the board of trustees of the college on some urgent matter.

Fortunately the housekeeper was deaf and lived at the back of the house. Whatever was done Lucy would have to do alone. And what Lucy did was to go downstairs, snap on the electric light on the front porch, and deliberately go out to face the mob of students. The torches they carried glorified the slender, womanly figure there and her face, always pretty, seemed exquisitely beautiful. There was a startling silence. She had no difficulty in making her voice heard. "My father is away," she told them. "I do not know what this all means, but I am glad that he is not here to feel the—the humiliation that you have made me feel."

There was a stir among them, and then it was that George Harlowe, best looking, straightest limbed young athlete among them, sprang to the veranda. As president of the undergraduate association he took it upon himself to offer some sort of apology.

"We have gone too far," he said, and cheers from the students assured him that the mob agreed with him. "See here, fellows," he said, leaning over the railing of the porch, the torch light glorifying his handsome young features, too, "shall we apologize to Miss Stockton?"

A deafening chorus of "apologize, apologize," was the answer and then the mob dispersed and George Harlowe and Lucy stood alone, George explained the situation. President Stockton had expelled four of the most popular men and best athletes in the senior class on some very flimsy pretext. So in a mass meeting they had requested the reinstatement of the students. Dr. Stockton had replied by debarring the student officers who had presented the petition from all athletic activities for the remainder of the year. There was another mass meeting and they had passed a resolution to request President Stockton's resignation.

Lucy knew none of the preliminaries, but her father had evidently been sufficiently alarmed to go to consult the president of the board of trustees.

When President Stockton returned the next day the first thing he did was to reinstate the students. His friend, the chairman of the trustees, had advised it. And Lucy held her peace.

That spring she told her father that she was going to marry George. Perhaps President Stockton had heard something of the episode before his house when he was away. At all events he had no protests to make.

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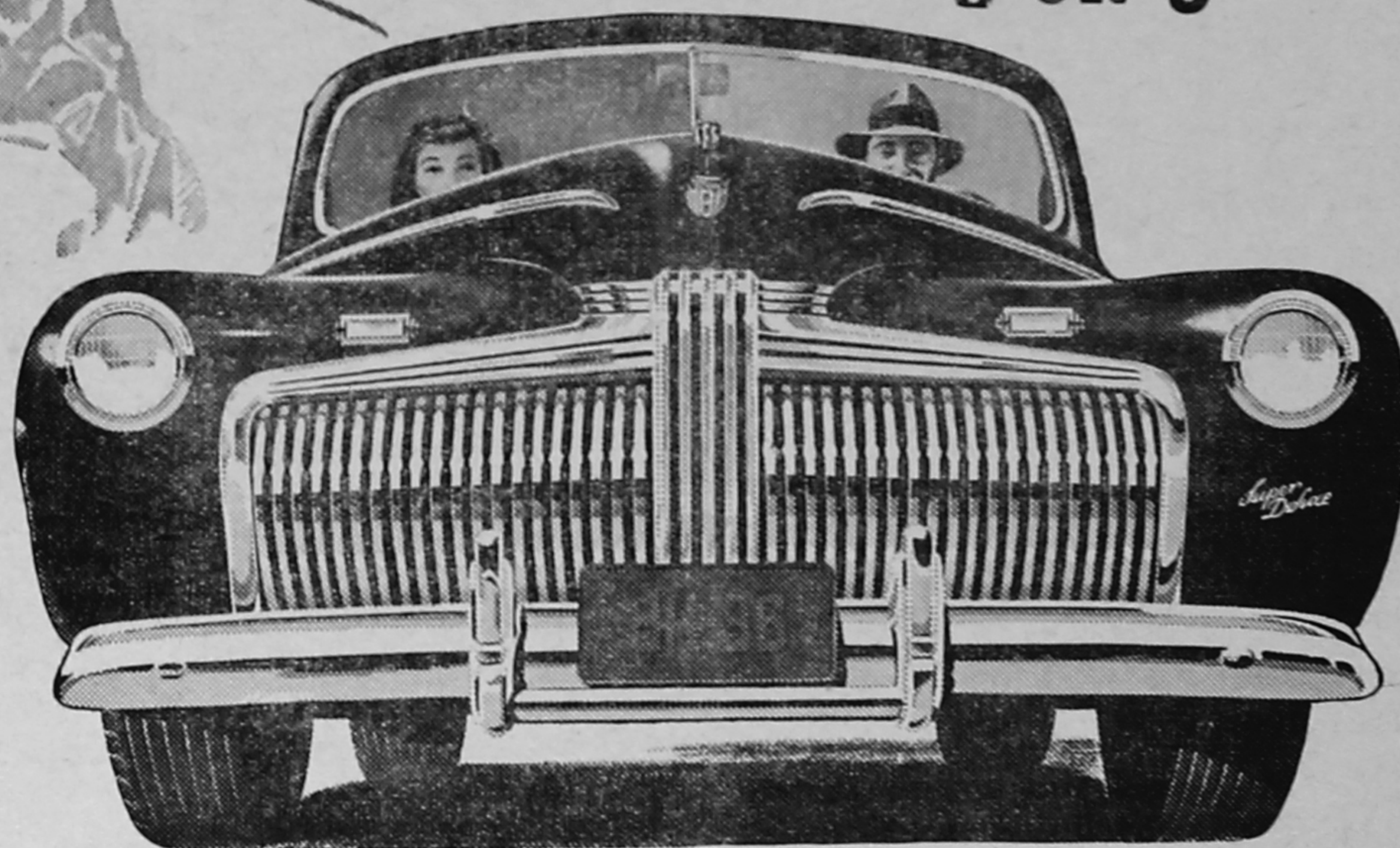
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By MARIE MARSH
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"GOSH!" said Mrs. Gleason, pushing her small feet painfully into smaller dancing slippers. "Excuse me, Tom, for saying 'gosh,' but I'd rather scrub floors than to go to that dance."

Tom Gleason looked sympathetically from his post before the chiffoier, where he was struggling with the studs of his evening shirt. "I suppose we've got to go."

"Oh, I suppose so," said the young wife, now carefully brushing the collar of Tom's evening coat as it lay on the bed. "Housework and the twins are nothing to compare with what I have to undergo for that 'younger set.' I promised to chaperon them. Grace Hayes will meet us at the clubhouse and will be back for the night. Your brother, I suppose, will be there and he'll want the other spare room. I thought once we'd pull off a match with them—"

"Them," echoed Tom sneeringly. "They're just like the rest of the younger set. Crazy for excitement—they'll never settle down and have real happiness the way we did. Young people are different nowadays." Tom was all of five years older than his brother, James.

An hour later, Jim Gleason tried the front door of the Gleason suburban home, found it locked and made an unceremonious entrance through a partly open front window. He found a pair of slippers and a smoking jacket of his brother's in a downstairs hall closet. A foraging expedition in the kitchen resulted in some crullers of his sister-in-law's baking and some apples. He filled his pipe with his brother's tobacco, poked the embers, threw on a fresh log and sat down to enjoy all the comforts of a home not his own.

At 10:30 he heard a knock on the front door and opened it to see Grace Hayes, in day clothes and with an overnight bag in her hand. "I thought you'd be at the dance," she said.

"No," drawled James. "I can't stand the pace. I said I might come, but it was only for an excuse to spend the night here. How these married people want to gad about as they do I can't see. With a home like this—have a cruller and an apple," he interrupted, pointing to the outlay on the table. "Gee, if I had a little house like this and a wife, believe me I'd stay at home! But then we're different."

Grace looked wistfully into the fire. "I know," she said. "Girls are different now. They are more serious."

There was a long and rather painful pause. Then James Gleason bent toward Grace, who was sitting up straight in her chair. "Grace, won't you marry me?"

"No," Grace said, still very wistful. "I think I would marry you if I married any one, Jimmy, but I'm afraid of marriage. It seems to change people so. I'm afraid that once I was married I'd be like your sister-in-law. And you might change about and be as mad about dancing and excitement as Tom."

Then one or two of the twins wailed out from the floor above, and Grace, with James in her wake, fled to the nursery. They were busy executing requests for drinks of water when Tom and Mabel let themselves in the front door below.

"Well, we're back again to home, sweet home," said Tom.

James and Grace went noiselessly down to the landing where they could see them. Then Tom leaned toward Mabel and took her hand in his. "There's nothing like it, is there, little wife?" he said. "More than ever I can't understand this point of view of the younger set. There's my brother, Jim, could marry any day he wanted to."

"And there's Grace," continued Mabel. "She's independent herself. She wouldn't have to wait for a man to support her."

"I guess they are different. They don't know the meaning of home. Here we went over to that dance on purpose to get them together, and they didn't even come. I suppose something more exciting kept them both."

There would have been more of this sort of thing between the Gleasons if Grace had not missed a step on the stairway. She gave a very little scream and clung to Jim. The Gleasons hurried to the hall and snapped on the electric light that showed Grace being upheld with unnecessary tenacity by Jim.

"We didn't mean to overhear you," said Grace.

"We heard all we needed," Jim laughed. "We heard enough to know that you and Tom are home-folks, after all. Somehow I think that what we heard is going to make a big difference in our lives."

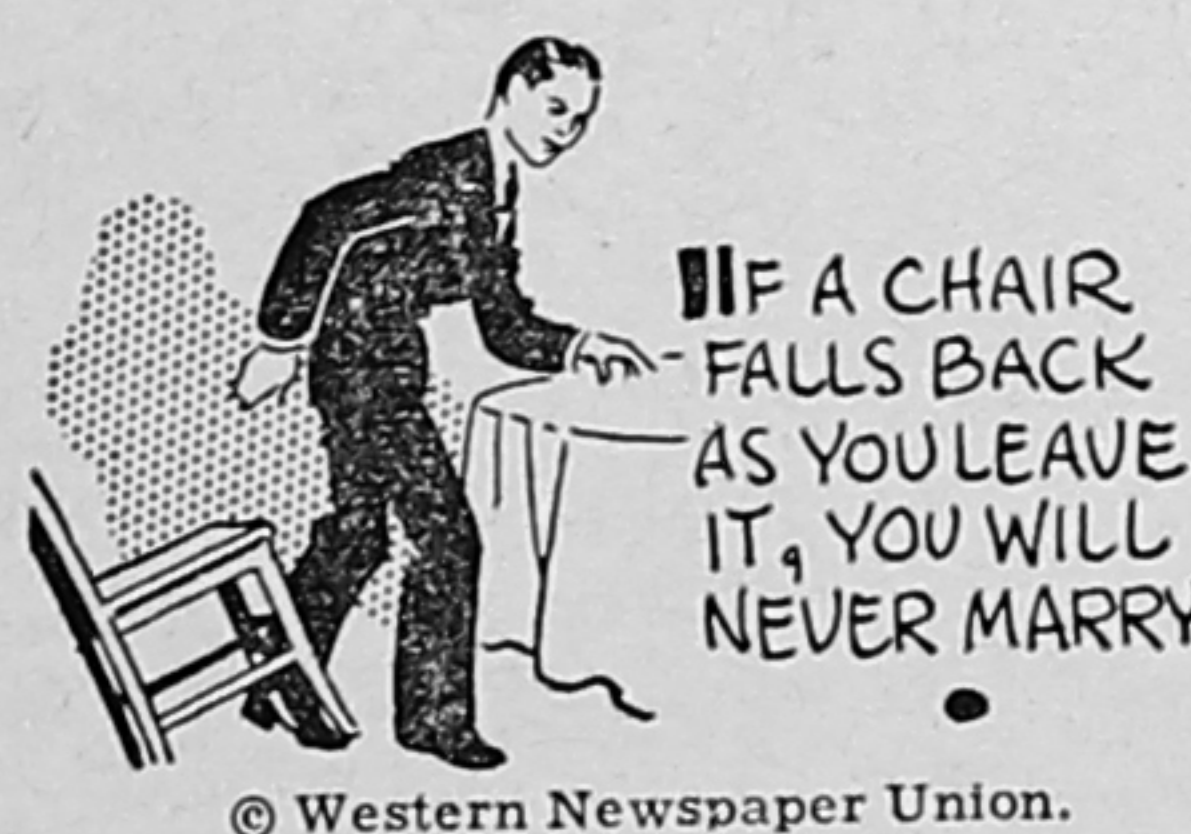
Perhaps they whispered something or perhaps they said it aloud or perhaps they understood each other just by an exchange of glances. No one of the quartet just remembered how it happened later. But there on the landing Grace told Mabel and Jim told his brother Tom, and there were general congratulations and a few tears, and Tom and Jim shook hands and Mabel kissed Grace and then kissed her husband and kissed Jim, and it was not until later that they remembered that ten minutes earlier Grace had quite definitely told Jim that she had no intention of marrying anyone.

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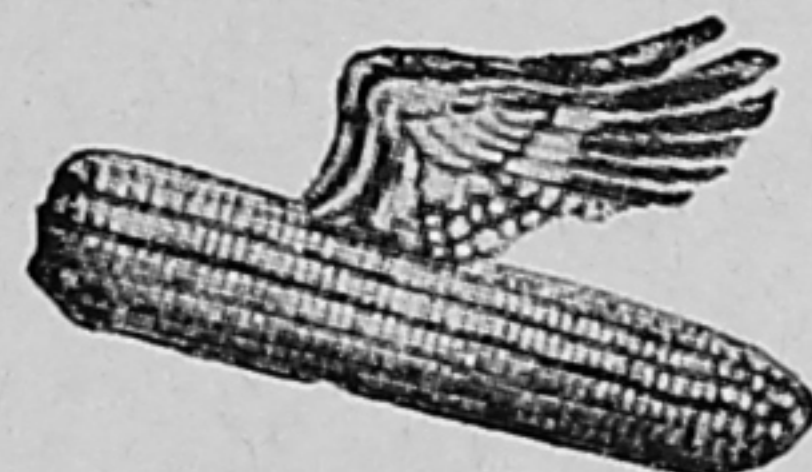
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