

IMAGE CONVERTS AGED INDIAN

Old Jim Forrest, Paroled From San Quentin Penitentiary, Sees Miracle In Prisoner's Status.

San Quentin, Cal.—Jim Forrest, an Indian chief of the Modoc tribe, found a sermon in stone when he recently was paroled from San Quentin prison after serving seven years of a long term for murder.

Testing first the air of freedom on the day of his liberation, the gray-headed Indian espied on the hillside near the steel door through which he had come a clay statue of an Indian welcoming the genius of civilization.

Hurrying toward the clay presentation of his race, the aged chief fell on his knees and with arms outstretched prayed to the symbol of his people. The tears welled from his eyes as he knelt on the cold sod.

Below stood a group of prison attendants, trustees in stripes and visitors at the penitentiary, deeply moved by the silent tableau on the hillside.

In another part of the prison, clad in stripes, performing a mental task, was the creative artist whose hand had formed the heavy clay figure which had moved the Indian convict to reverence. The statue was the work of a convict.

Indian Jim will pass the remainder of his days with his tribe.

GETS EVEN WITH DAUGHTER

Father Writes Letter of 20,000 Words When His Child Sends Him Rebuke.

Brockton, Mass.—For once in her life Miss Bernice Grady has all the news from home. She is a clerk in the department of commerce and labor at Washington. In a letter to her father, John H. Grady of 33 Leavitt street, she said he was a "stingy writer."

Pa Grady bought a writing tablet of 160 pages, running 20 lines to a page. He began a letter to his daughter. He wrote all he knew about home, all he could get from the neighbors, the gossip downtown, the latest thing in church life, the club calendar, the weather, farming news, suburban notes, what the children are doing in school, a dash of local politics, the wind-up of the Carlo-Max dog feud, the weekly shoe shipments and the spring fashions for men.

He wrote 20,000 words in the letter. Sixteen cents' worth of postage stamps took the letter to Miss Grady. The girl sent back a blank envelope, followed by this note: "Revenge is sweet. How do you like it? If I ever get time I'll answer that essay of yours."

PET MAGPIE THE ROBBER

Wanchoer Finds Money and Small Articles Secreted in Pocket of Old Coat.

Greeley, Colo.—Robbed by a pet magpie of \$1,000 which he received from the sale of property in the east, Sharon Seider, a ranchman, living near here, spent an anxious week and only now discovered the real culprit. Seider received the money in bills and concealed it in a tin can which he placed on a shelf in a store room. A few hours later he found the can lying on the floor and the money missing. He reported the case to the authorities.

The other day he put on an old coat which had been hanging on a nail in the store room for several months. In the pockets of the garment he found the money as well as a number of other small articles which had been missing for some time.

He blames the magpie, which he captured several months ago, tamed and taught to talk.

FINDS A JOB FOR OLD MEN

Kansas City Pastor Says Aged Can Make a Good Living Growing Mushrooms.

Kansas City, Mo.—"You men and women of the city who have been pushed backward because of age or for other reasons, should learn to grow mushrooms. Do this as I have done and the question of the highest cost of living for you will disappear."

This was the declaration made here from the pulpit by Rev. A. T. Osborn, pastor of the Twentieth Century church.

Recently Rev. Mr. Osborn announced that he had proved his theory that any man can make a good livelihood if he will. As the result of long experimenting he produces from beds planted in an abandoned tunnel a crop of mushrooms that nets him \$35 a day six months in the year.

Orawis Over Snow to School. Lawrence, Kan.—Hazel Orr, a ten-year-old girl, maintained a perfect record for attendance at a country school this winter by crawling on the frozen snow an eighth of a mile. Her teacher wrote to County Superintendent Hawley of the girl's feat. The snow being over Hazel's head, she found that by crawling over the top she would not break through, and in this way reached school.

Double Tragedy in Domestic Quarrel. Augusta, Ga.—In a rage because his young wife would not wear the kind of dress he wanted her to, N. H. Bailey, aged twenty-one, told her that he was going to show who was boss in that house. He fired four shots into her breast, and then fired a bullet through his own heart.

BOOM IN TIN STOCK

1,900 Per Cent Rise in Shares Startles London.

New "Napoleon" Is Revealed—Edmund Davis, Back of Present Manipulation, Likes the Title and Dresses the Part.

London.—The records of quick profits made in the rubber boom have been beaten by those established during the rise in tin shares, which has been going on quietly the past year. Only now is the public, outside of the stock exchange, beginning to take notice of the tin boom, which is still far from attracting as much general attention as did its predecessor, the rubber boom, in which all London seemed to have taken a hand.

Last year Anglo-Continentials were despised and rejected, and stood at 7 shillings (\$1.75). Only a few days ago they were bid for greedily up to \$25. Thus the lucky person who had a thousand shares at 7 shillings, costing him \$1,750, if he held them, would have been able to sell for \$35,000. This is a stupendous profit and beats anything the rubber boom gave us, at any rate as far as the speed of making is concerned.

Edmund Davis, the man at the back of the tin boom, is one of the most picturesque figures in the city. He has been associated with West African properties for many years, likes to be called a "Napoleon of Finance," and rather dresses the part. He also likes to be thought a great connoisseur of art. At one time he rented the Palazzo Desdemona in Venice, and perhaps still retains it. He is almost as well known on the continent as in London, and he is supposed to be the smartest market manipulator the city has ever seen.

He was the creator of the present boom, and he is now careering round the continent, carrying the glad news that Anglo-Continental 10 shilling shares are cheap at \$35 to all the greedy people in Paris, Berlin and Holland.

When he is in Berlin he wears the Order of the Red Eagle, which he received from the Kaiser, according to the London Evening News, from which these details are taken, says the correspondent, "ostensibly because he disagreed with the anti-German feeling in England, but the probability is that he put Emperor William into some 'good things' at the bottom, for even the emperor is not averse to buying shares at 7 shillings and selling them at \$35. We hope this remark will not be taken to mean that the German emperor is at the back of the Nigerian tin boom.

"Numberless small people have followed Davis into tin, but the curious thing is that although they were willing enough to sell their shares when the market first rose they all now are buying back the holdings which they disposed of some months ago. Therefore, at the moment no large fortunes have been actually made out of the tin boom. They are all paper profits."

MAY TURN COAL TO POWER

New Electric Laboratory at Harvard Expected to Prove That Great Sum Can Be Saved by Process.

Cambridge, Mass.—The claims recently made by certain English scientists as to the possibility of saving coal mining expense by turning the energy of the coal into electricity at the mines has the approval and support of Professor Comfort A. Adams of Harvard.

In a statement regarding the work of the proposed new electrical laboratory here, Professor Adams says that he believes that some day Boston, New York and other cities will receive their electricity for heating, lighting and power by wire from the coal fields.

The installation of a million-volt transformer in the Harvard laboratory will, it is believed, prove that such a scheme is feasible. The Harvard experts hope to show that by using a current of 1,000,000 volts electricity may be economically carried distances of 1,000 miles or more.

SIGHT RESTORED BY BLOW

Widow of Edward Kell, J. P., Again Able to See After Many Years of Blindness.

London.—After being totally blind for many years, Mrs. Kell, widow of Edward Kell, J. P., of Leicester, has recovered her sight under extraordinary circumstances.

On getting out of bed she caught her head on the dressing table and sustained a severe blow which had the effect of immediately restoring the sight of her right eye.

Dr. Henry ophthalmic surgeon, states that glasses are being prepared for Mrs. Kell which will enable her to get about alone.

Wife Begged to Be Killed. Berlin.—At Heinefeld, on the Rhine, a young man named Joseph Strunk has been sentenced to four years' imprisonment for shooting and killing his wife.

The couple had been married only a few weeks and were on their honeymoon when the wife, an exceptionally beautiful girl, scalded herself terribly, completely disfiguring her face. She pleaded with her husband to shoot her, but at first he demurred. Ultimately, as she refused to take food and was starving to death, he shot her.

SPOONERS ON SEA GO FREE

Prof. Theodore Neff of the University of Chicago Has Complained In Vain.

New York.—Prof. Theodore Neff of the University of Chicago believes it is most reprehensible for young people to spoon in the moonlight on the deep Atlantic. At least, he carried his conviction so far that he appeared as a complainant against four young women and three young men who were on the grill at Ellis island the other day before a board of special inquiry following their arrival the previous evening on the Koenig Louise. The professor was also a passenger on the Koenig Louise, returning from the Mediterranean.

As the story was told to the immigration inspectors who boarded the steamship at quarantine, the seven young persons behaved indecorously on the transatlantic voyager. Two of the young men in the party, that always kept to itself, are officers in the Kaiser's army, while one of the young women proved herself to be an American citizen, thereby securing immediate immunity from the spooning-on-deck charge.

Prof. Neff was one of the cabin passengers whose years of maturity prompted him to appeal to the captain to stop the lovelomaking on deck and he was also the first to speak to the immigration officials, saying that young women and young men who would annoy other passengers by their cooling and billing on deck were not desirable aliens to be admitted to this country. The officials, however, did not look with frowning eyes on the story, and Prof. Neff left for Chicago after a futile campaign against lovelomaking on the deep.

LAMBS GAMBOL IN STREETS

Forty-One of Them Are Turned Loose by Overturning of Wagon in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo.—A wagon load of lambs belonging to the Carondelet Packing company came into collision with a south-bound Broadway car at Walsh street. The lambs, 41 in all, were set free when the wagon was overturned, and immediately began to gambol.

Henry Speitz, driver of the wagon, and Joe Strudy, his assistant, after picking themselves out of the slush, organized a round-up. Passengers and crew of the car joined in and pursued the little animals through the adjoining street and alleys. When the round-up was over, Speitz found that all of the 41 lambs had returned to the fold.

One of the horses attached to the wagon was so seriously crippled that it was shot by Policeman Barton. The wagon was damaged \$150.

SPUR TO CHURCH MUSICIANS

California Man Leaves Money to the Y. M. C. A. for Organs and Prizes for Music.

Sacramento, Cal.—The will of William A. Lovelade, filed for probate here, bequeaths \$5,000 to the Y. M. C. A. for a pipe organ and an equal amount to the Y. W. C. A. for the same purpose. The will continues: "To my executor: Twelve thousand five hundred dollars is to be held in trust and \$2,500 of the fund is to be paid each year for a period of five years to the church in Sacramento which shall provide the best music, the money to be paid at the end of each year; my executor is to appoint three competent musicians, who shall attend the churches in the city each year and decide which church produces the best music. The purpose of this trust is to improve the class and quality of music in Sacramento churches."

LOSES A FORTUNE IN GOLD

Son of Gypsy King Thinks Servant Took Hoarded Wealth—Had \$6,000 in Coin.

Providence, R. I.—Six thousand dollars in \$20 gold pieces, representing the fortune of the late gypsy "king," was stolen from his son, William Stanley, a horse trader.

The police all over New England and in New York city have been wired descriptions of a German known only as "Oscar," whose disappearance it is alleged was simultaneous with that of the gold.

Stanley told the police that prior to the money being missed he sent Oscar, who had been employed by him for several months, into the cellar, where it was stored in a large canvas bag.

Thousands of Flying Loons. San Diego, Cal.—The first sign of spring was evident on San Diego bay when a flock of loons, estimated to have numbered 10,000, mobilized on the surface of the water and maneuvered to the world calls of the leaders until their formation was perfect.

Then at a signal the feathered visitors from the north, which have been about San Diego all the winter, rose and in wedge-shaped body headed for their northern summer home.

Many persons lined the bay shore and witnessed the strange mobilization, which lasted for more than an hour.

Family Attacked by Rat. New York.—A ten-pound, 37-inch rat fought five members of a family over the ground floor of their home in East New York. It was killed only after a desperate struggle in which one woman was badly bitten and another driven into hysteria.

FAMILY HAS RECORD

Kilby's Have Run Postoffice in Maine Town 112 Years.

William, the First One, Held Post for Twenty-Five Years, Then in Straight Succession, Came His Son and Grandson.

Bangor, Me.—Horace P. Kilby, acting postmaster at Dennyville, Washington county, will take a civil service examination, and if he passes he will succeed H. Howard Kilby, who had been postmaster since June 30, 1897. The office has been in the Kilby family for 112 years, with the exception of two brief intervals.

If there is another such, Representative Frank Guernsey of the Fourth district, who has just recommended Horace P. Kilby for the place, would like to know it.

The Dennyville postoffice was established February 24, 1800, with William Kilby as postmaster. He held on for twenty-five years, according to the records in the postoffice department, and then, on December 6, 1825, presumably about the time William Kilby was gathered to his fathers, John Kilby, presumably his son, qualified and remained postmaster for twenty-seven years.

August 20, 1852, Cyrus H. Kilby became postmaster. Whether he was a grandson of the first postmaster and the son of the second is not clear. He held on for less than two years, and then, April 18, 1854, Benjamin Kilby became postmaster and held the office for twenty-two years. December 21, 1876, Howard H. Kilby became postmaster at Dennyville and held the place until February 27, 1886, when Herbert Hallowell, a member of the Kilby family, became postmaster. He remained postmaster until the Democrats elected a president. It required a few months for the pleas of some of the good Democrats of Dennyville to move Washington, but on June 18, 1887, Edwin H. Smith was appointed to the place. Presumably he was a Democrat.

June 1, 1889, Howard H. Kilby came back into his own and served through the remainder of the Harrison administration and until July 1, 1893, when William P. Fenderson got the office during the second Cleveland administration.

Again, however, a Kilby was recognized, and June 30, 1897, H. Howard Kilby was commissioned as postmaster and he served until early in February last.

The office is a small one, and the emoluments have been small. But it now pays about \$700 a year in salary. Once Horace P. gets well seated in the office, under the present civil service rules, it will not be easy to oust him. So no one can say when the Kilby regime will end.

"LOGO" QUILTS THE SERVICE

Canine Traveler Has No Further Use for Express Business—Resigns With Comrade.

Woodbury, N. J.—"Logo," the bull dog that has been traveling with the Adams Express wagon in this city for several years, has given up his position along with Driver "Ted" Curtis, who enters another business. Logo probably has more friends in Woodbury than any other canine. Every boy and girl stops to pet him, or give him some tidbits, and when he gets hungry between meals the dog will stop at any house he fancies, and generally he gets something.

Logo came into the city a few years ago and showed a liking for the express business, and Curtis took him in charge. The dog's face is good for a ride on any railroad train. When he feels like taking a ride he merely boards the express car, goes as far as he likes, and takes a return train, always getting off here.

When Curtis left the company "Logo" remained a few days, but has now forsaken the office and gone to Curtis' home.

FIREMEN TURN RAT HUNTERS

Odd Situation Develops as Flames Break in Minneapolis Flat After Search for Rodent.

Minneapolis, Minn.—Curiosity, a rat hole and a match entered into a combination which caused a fire in a flat building here and which also turned firemen called to extinguish the fire temporarily to rat hunters. The fire started when Mrs. Ray Oliver, who had been frightened by a rat's daily parade about her home, decided to close the "rat's nest with a piece of tin. The curiosity part came in when she lighted a match to peep into the rat-hole to see just what it looked like, and the flaming head of the match falling, set fire to paper scraps.

The fire followed, also the firemen, who extinguished the flames easily, and then were asked by Mrs. Oliver to hunt the rat over for the rat. It was not found.

Steak Saves Man's Life. Youngstown, O.—A piece of meat on a fork probably saved the life of Eth Solger of East Youngstown. A fellow boarder got into an argument with him at their boarding house and made a jab at him with removing a piece of steak which he had on the eating utensil. The meat stopped the fork from penetrating far into the neck of the man assailed.

END TRUANCY IN LOS ANGELES

Plan of Small Classes, With a Little Expert at the Head of Each, Makes High Attendance Record.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Through an entirely original idea of teaching work and play the board of education is fast reducing the work of the juvenile court in passing on truancy cases. The idea, as suggested by Professor E. J. Lickley, has reached the stage where there is now an average attendance of 99 per cent. for the entire year, in special ungraded schools made up of ostreperous boys.

The schools were started as an experiment following the assertion of W. L. Bodine, supervisor of compulsory education in Chicago, that there were more truants in Los Angeles than any other city in the United States.

"We had to do something to reduce the number of boys going before the juvenile court," said Professor Lickley, head of the department of compulsory education.

"There seems to be but one cure for the trouble, and we have at last found it. The remedy for such cases lies in grouping the boys in small classes, never more than 15 to a room, and putting them in charge of a man-instructor who is in sympathy with the work. Not only must he know how to deal with boys, but he must be proficient in athletics to the extent that he can educate the boys in play as well as work."

COSTS MONEY TO BE MAYOR

English Officials Have to Be Satisfied With Glory and Honor—Liverpool Executive Well Paid.

London.—The mayors of London find their executive dignity much more expensive than the provincial mayors. In most of the cities and towns of the United Kingdom an amount is voted by the council sufficient to cover the ordinary expenses of the mayor. But in London it is different.

The lord mayor, of course, is in a class by himself. He gets an allowance of \$50,000 for his year of office, and the average amount he has to add to that out of his own pocket is another \$50,000. Outside the city of London proper, which is the lord mayor's district, London is divided into 28 metropolitan boroughs.

Of the provincial cities Liverpool is the most generous to its mayor, giving a fixed salary of \$10,000, which is added to when extraordinary expenses are incurred. The Liverpool council also pays about \$4,000 a year for horses and carriages. Birmingham, now the second largest city in the United Kingdom, made a grant for the mayor last year for the first time, fixing the sum at \$5,000. Manchester, Sheffield, Leeds and Leicester, all places where the position of mayor necessarily entails a very considerable expense, make no grant.

CHANGE IN WEDDING RITUAL

New Amendment Agreed to by the Lower House of Convocation at Canterbury.

London.—The Canterbury lower house of convocation agreed to a modification of the marriage service by substituting the words, "Bestow, we beseech thee, upon these two persons the heritage and gift of children" for the existing too plain spoken form.

Some objection was made to the change, but the general sentiment of the convocation was in favor of it. The Dean of Winchester remarked that many passages of scripture would bring out higher ideals than are expressed in the words of Peter and Paul, who had ideas about wives that Christianity has largely altered.

The house of convocation of York has called upon the government to forbid the disseminating of Mormonism in the United Kingdom.

RAZE HOME IN SHAM BATTLE

Field Artillery and Squadron in Target Practice in New York State.

New York.—The old Carroll homestead in Westchester county, was recently battered and razed to the ground as part of the program of a sham battle of the Second battalion of field artillery, supported by members of squadron A. The "enemy" consisted of the old house, which had been purchased by the artillerymen for the purpose of the sham battle.

Firing began at 1,500 yards and was gradually cut down to 1,150, when the approach was advanced 500 yards, and the members of squadron A opened a rifle volley. The artillerymen were able to pick off the foundation stones of the old homestead one by one with their shots at that distance.

Dig Up Coin Dated 1630. Grant's Pass, Ore.—A coin nearly 300 years old has been found in the Galice mining district in this county. It was uncovered in building a road near Galice Creek and the Rogue river. The coin bears the mark "Columbia, 1630," and was probably brought to the neighborhood by early Spanish adventurers from California and Mexico, who were in search of gold.

Pastor Grows Mushrooms. Kansas City, Mo.—To prove his theory preached from the pulpit that success depends on a man's efforts, Rev. Dr. A. T. Osborn has developed a mushroom bed from which he derives an income of \$35 a day.

Mother Smothers Babe. Columbus, O.—Excited over the recovery of the body of a relative drowned in a river, Mrs. Clinton Daw hugged her infant to her breast so tightly that the baby smothered to death.

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