

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

A special meeting of the City Commission of the City of Farmington was held September 13, 1939. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Warner at 8:30 p. m. Commissioners present: Hutton, Gildemeister, Oldenburg, Hamlin and Hamlin.

Moved by Commissioner Hutton and supported by Commissioner Gildemeister that the contract for the construction of the Oakland-Grace combined sewer, the South-eastern Trunk and intercepting sewer, and the Grand River Avenue Lateral sewer, except the West 300 feet and manhole number seven of the Grand River Avenue Lateral sewer be awarded to Miller and Gregor, for the sum of \$53,225.15 in accordance with their bid of September 13, 1939, and that the Mayor and Clerk be and hereby are authorized to sign the contract in the name of the City of Farmington, Hutton, Oldenburg, Hamlin and Hutton. Carried, all yeas.

TABULATION OF BIDS RECEIVED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE OAKLAND-GRACE COMBINED SEWER, THE SOUTHEASTERN TRUNK AND INTERCEPTING SEWER AND THE GRAND RIVER AVENUE LATERAL SEWER

Miller and Gregor	\$53,225.15
Black and Gargano	53,225.15
Co. Inc.	5,932.84
Maurice J. Claiborne	5,948.20
Jensen and Jacobson	5,950.25
Ferdinand Porath	6,550.39
Chris Nelson	6,700.00
A. Carlsson	7,515.75
Waterway Construction Co.	7,686.00
Brandon and Reed	8,959.20
Wier Construction Co.	8,989.25
Frank J. Knight Co.	8,992.25

Moved by Hamlin and supported by Oldenburg to adjourn. Carried.

Howard Warner, Mayor

Harry Moore, Clerk

Lot laurels, drenched in pure Persian dew,
Reward his memory, dear to every muse,
Who, with a courage of unshaken root,
In honour's field advancing his firm foot,
Plants it upon the line that justice draws,
And will prevail or perish in her cause.—Cowper.

LEWIS INSTITUTE ALUMNI HOLD REUNION BY PHONE

Alumni of Lewis Institute gathered at Chicago, New York and Pasadena, Cal., recently for a reunion via a national telephone hookup. It was the feature of the school's forty-second annual reunion, and among those who participated was Dr. Lee DeForest, whose experiments at the school helped him to develop the "audion" tube while a member of the Lewis faculty from 1900 to 1902. He spoke from Pasadena.

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DICTATOR ONCE DEPENDENT ON CHARITY

YOU may not agree with the principles advanced by Adolf Hitler, or you may be an enthusiastic admirer of him. In either case you will be interested in looking at the man and his life to see what lesson we may learn. Perhaps the greatest inspiration to be drawn from the German dictator's life is a word of encouragement for those whose early lives may seem futile.

Adolf Hitler was born on the Bavarian frontier of Germany in 1889, the son of a customs official who had political ambitions for him. The boy developed an artistic bent. His father opposed him, so Adolf refused to study in school. He was the despair of his father and mother. When he was eight years old, he went to Vienna and applied for admission to the Academy of Art. His art was too poor to qualify and they directed him to the architectural school, but his lodging in early grades made it impossible for him to pass entrance requirements. At nineteen, his mother died, and as his father had died five years before, he was left alone.

For three years he slept in a cheap men's hotel in Vienna, getting his meals at a monastery and occasionally begging from passers-by. In the winter he shoveled snow to make a living. Whenever he earned a few kronen, he stopped work and went to some cheap cafe to deliver political speeches. He painted poor water colors which a friend peddled for him, he painted picture postcards, and when hungry enough was a house painter. During the war he was a corporal.

Here was a man in his thirties who had never shown any real promise in anything he did. Then, Adolf Hitler formed an ideal of government.

Old Armenian Service

When the visitor enters the Armenian cathedral of St. James, writes a Jerusalem correspondent, a blue silk curtain, worked in Constantinople some two centuries ago, hides the altar and apse. Presently it is drawn, revealing the patriarch sitting in a great gilt chair in front of the altar, and in a semicircle, the varietal (higher) regular clergy of the monastery of St. James. The patriarch, almost crushed by the weight of his jeweled vestments, holds in his hand a crozier scintillating with diamonds. After the opening prayers he is relieved of episcopal robes and as an act of humility proceeds to anoint the feet of twelve of his varietals, and dries them with white cotton wool, while young men and girls dressed in violet sit in a circle on the floor of the nave and sing anthems in the ancient traditional melodies of the Armenian church.

Witch Hunter Hanged

In the heyday of witchcraft, along about the seventeenth century, methods were used to determine whether one was a witch. England's most famed witchfinder was one John Hopton. He was a cruel and cunning shunty to stick needles and pins into a suspect to see if he could draw tears. Witches couldn't cry. Hopton probably learned a lot about witchcraft, but he did, he must have misused the knowledge. For in the end he himself was hanged as a witch.

Humming Birds Adorned With Moustache, Crest

If you were told that humming birds had moustaches, would you believe it? Yet that is true of some species. If told that they were pugnacious, would you still be skeptical? This also is true. These little birds, smallest of the feathered tribe, have many interesting peculiarities, observes a writer in *Ti-Bits Magazine*.

Hawks and crows often fly ignominiously before the onslaughts of these little creatures, and either way will attack any bird that offends them or comes near their nest. Humming birds in many species have moustaches, chin pendents, and crest upon the head, puffs on the legs and other adornments, which they display with delight and vanity when courting the plainer female.

There are approximately 500 species of humming birds and they are confined almost entirely to North and South America. Humming birds have tiny, light bodies, remarkably powerful wings, long, long, long bills, and very short wing bones. This gives them speed at the expense of power and enables them to poise in mid-air before flowers, where they catch insects that feed on the nectar, and to dart through the air so rapidly that they often elude the eye.

Their bill is frequently twice as long as their head. This enables them to reach deep into the recesses of the flowers they frequent.

The Helena humming bird of Cuba is believed to be the smallest bird in the world. It was discovered by Dr. Juan Gaudichet in 1850.

Fingers, Hands, Arms and Feet as Measure Guides

Originally, measurements were based on portions of the fingers, hands, arms, and feet; horses are measured in "hands." The "hand" is the distance across the palm, including the thumb when it is kept close to the palm.

In England, says London *Ti-Bits Magazine*, the old inch was the distance across the base of the thumb. In Scotland an ancient statute ordained that the inch was the average of three thumbs, that of a big man, a small man, and a middle-sized man.

The yard was the distance from the tip of the nose to the tip of the middle finger of an arm outstretched horizontally, and a fathom, the length of a man's reach when both arms were thus stretched. The Roman pace or yard was the distance from the back of one heel to the back of another, and 1,000 paces comprised their mile, which is 4,854 feet.

World's Largest Glaciers

A roll call of glacial giants would include the names of some in the Himalayas, possibly 100 miles long; Hubbard, in Alaska, 90 miles long and in places 10 miles wide, and the ice cap of Spitzbergen, Spitzbergen, which stretches virtually on the equator—wherever peaks are high enough. The highest point in Africa—19,710 foot Mount Kilimanjaro, in Tanganyika—is girdled with no fewer than ten such phenomena, even though it is volcanic. South American glaciers are frequently tucked into the pockets of quiet volcanic peaks in the Andes, and at Cerro Alto, in Ecuador, one has taken possession of the second hand crater. The method of growth is more spectacular than the mighty oaks from little acorns contrast. The huge rivers are merely overgrown colonies of snowflakes, which have become compact, granular ice.

Woodpeckers Attack Dead Trees

The woodpecker has short, sturdy legs and his four sharp-clawed toes, two pointing forward, two backward. With them he clings tightly to a tree, balancing his body with his stiff tail. That allows him "free wheeling" for his chisel-shaped beak. No insect can escape him. After digging to a bug, his long, round tongue cleans out noisily like an anteater's. Contrary to popular belief, woodpeckers do little harm to trees. They seldom attack a healthy tree, but they do clean diseased ones of harmful insects.

Brood of Words In, Into, In To

Broadly speaking, in denotes rest; into, motion. William Knell in his long grass; Herbert went into the house. But the two words should be written separately where their meaning is separate. The Smiths have moved into their new house; we all walked to the village hall, where we went in to hear the concert. Similarly with on and to. Ethel danced on the table; Henry jumped on to the seat.—*Ti-Bits Magazine*.

Fifteen to a Bed

Fifteen guests could climb up to sleep in a community guest bed in one of the old Norwegian houses preserved in the famous open-air museum at Lillehammer, says Sydney A. Clark. If the beds are out or two more than fifteen, he writes, the host and hostess would take the extras into their own bed.

Doors Fly Open

By H. IRVING KING
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EDWARD TURNER was not quite sure whether Edith Aiden would have him or not—he rather thought she would. But there was another question—ought he to marry her? Edith had everything desirable in a wife—except money. And Edward had been brought up to consider that choosing a companion for life money should be the first consideration. This had been instilled into him by both of his estimable and prudent parents. Their own marriage had been what they called a "prudent" one. And did Mr. Turner love Mrs. Turner any less because she brought with her a large dowry? Not a bit of it, and they logged along through life very comfortably together, neither of them being of a sentimental turn of mind, and both having an eye to the main chance. As a business proposition their marriage might be considered a success, and they were both satisfied with the co-partnership. True, Mrs. Turner would, now and then, when in a resentful mood, recall, with something like a sigh, that very prepossessing young man whom she had met some years before she had met her husband, a young army officer who had no money except his pay, a youth from whose dangerous society her parents had whisked her off to Europe and finally married her to Mr. Turner. She smiled to think how utterly silly she had been for awhile over the matter—then sighed once more and told herself how lucky she was that her parents had been sensible people. And Mr. Turner would, at rare intervals, have something cause him to wonder what in the world had become of that former's daughter he had been so fondly fond of, away back in the days he was in college. She was pretty as a picture, he remembered, and good as she was pretty. And he thought of the apple orchard in bloom, and the path they used to take through it down to the brook where the great oak stood. "Golly," he would say to himself, "that was a close call. I wonder now if I had but not nonsense—I must be getting into my second childhood." And he would bellow his office staff for the rest of the day. These cabinets which Time constructs for us; the cabinets with pigeonholes wherein we stow away, out of sight, such a very considerable portion of our lives, are wretched pieces of workmanship; the doors of the little cubbyholes are constantly flying open in the most unexpected and annoying manner and exposing to our view "the things that might have

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been and never were," until we slam the little door to again and go on our business. Now, if it is sometimes not infrequently happens that even sentimental people, who have married for love themselves, are most sternly opposed to a repetition of the precedent on the part of their offspring, what could be expected from people like Mr. and Mrs. Turner with regard to the marriage of their son Edward? They had carefully trained Edward in the path to a "prudent" marriage with wealth as the chief consideration to be observed.

EDWARD had responded to his bringing up in a most creditable manner—until he met Edith Aiden. These clear blue eyes, those rosy cheeks, those laughing lips—Edith had been a disturbing factor in the lives of the well-brought-up youths since Cupid learned to shoot—and that is a long time ago. Edward strove manfully to be true to the faith wherein he had been raised, but struggled in vain; and one night he forgot everything else but Edith and asked her to marry him. And when she had said "Yes," instead of feeling remorseful over his slip he felt excited. The reckless youth had cast aside the shackles of prudence, and rejoiced in his deed. There would be a row when he told the "old folks"; but what of it? Edith was worth any number of rows. Edith informed his father and mother of his rebellious step at dinner. The explosion was terrific. Turner actually swore and Mrs. Turner burst into tears. Edward got up and left the house, slamming the door behind him.

"John," said Mrs. Turner at last, "how much money have we got?" "You ought to know as well as I do," replied Mr. Turner. "With your money and mine we ought to be able to—"

"Well," said the mother, "don't you think we could afford to let Edith marry for love?" "Oh, I suppose so," replied Mr. Turner. "Guess he will anyway." You see, in the short space they had sat gazing at each other, after the departure of Edward, each had heard a little click and the door of the little cubbyholes wherein they had so carefully placed away the romances of their pasts had flown open.

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Exhibits from Alaska, bearing out the contention of many anthropologists that America was first settled by people coming from Asia via the Bering strait will be displayed at the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition.

"Sky riders," with a flair for acrobatics, will vie for premier honors in stunt flying in one of the most audacious feats being planned for the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition.

Treasure Island, man-made site of the Golden Gate International Exposition in San Francisco Bay, stands 15 feet above sea level.

Stein songs will be a lively part of the brewing industry display at the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition.

Battleships from the nations of the world will anchor off Treasure Island, site of the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition, during the World's Fair at the West.

The Midway at the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition will cover 40 acres of the 400-acre island in San Francisco Bay.

Among the future largest cities of the world, says Roger Babson, noted analyst, San Francisco will be among the first 13. All 13, he says, will border on the Pacific.

San Francisco's world fair in 1939 will use "black light" for high-lighting exhibits. "Black light" is that light on the other side of ultra-violet and is invisible to the naked eye.

The United States has appropriated \$150,000 for a federal government exhibit at the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition.

Reclamation of Treasure Island, San Francisco Bay site for the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition, is nearly completed.