

Paris Has the Craze and London Starts an Exclusive Sunday Club.

All Paris has gone wild over roller skating and the various rinks are gay all afternoon and evening with performers in various degrees of perfection. Even the parks and the streets have their skaters, and the broad asphalt walks of the Tuilleries and the Luxembourg make fine practicing grounds for small boys and girls. The keenest of all skaters whether roller or otherwise are the English schoolgirls in Paris, and it is astonishing, says the Queen, to find how many there are of them.

In London the Olympia Skating Club, an exclusive organization for enjoying roller skating on Sunday afternoons, has aroused opposition among churchgoers, but it has come to stay, at least until Easter.

He Was Not Hypercritical.

"I don't want to be hypercritical," said a citizen, as he was negotiating a "Marlem garage for the use of an auto," but I don't want the red-haired chauffeur to drive me. Give me another man."

"What's the matter with him?" asked the driver. "He's all right. He's ever driven you?"

"No," replied the man who didn't want to be hypercritical. "But the other afternoon when the thermometer stood at 91 he went by my place alone in a machine, and I'm sure he hadn't taken his hat off, exposing his head to a broiling sun, and kept his coat on when he might have got some relief by taking off his coat and protecting his back with his hat."

"I figure it out with a man who has no more intelligence than he displayed, it would be only a question of time till he'd land in a ditch or in a hospital. I don't want him."

First Hospital in New World.

It is said that the first hospital ever built in America was erected by the Spaniards in the City of Mexico in 1524. It was endowed out of the revenues obtained from the properties conferred on him by the Spanish crown for his services in the conquest of Mexico. The endowment was so arranged that it still exists and is paid at the present day. A supervisor is named by the liberal descendant of Cortez at present.

In this hospital women occupied positions as nurses and physicians, and in their care were all cases of obstetrics and women's diseases. Considerable was known by the Indians of medicine. The Mexican hospital is a fine building, with arcades and courtyard. It is an interesting landmark in the history of hospital construction and administration.—Medical Record.

Hall of Fame.

The 'Hall of Fame for Great Americans' is the name of a building on University Heights, in New York City, in which are inscribed the names of famous American men and women. Nominations for the honor are made by the public and submitted to a committee of one hundred eminent citizens. In the case of men fifty-one votes are required and in the case of women forty-seven. The first balloting took place in October, 1900.

Cause of Tidal Waves.

The great tidal waves observed at Marcellus on June 15, 1909, appear to have been caused by unusually high electrical charge of the atmosphere which is known to have existed during the period of the earthquakes which devastated the south of France. The powerful attraction exerted on the surface of the earth by this electric charge caused earthquakes on land and tidal waves in the Mediterranean.—Scientific American.

The Gypsies.

The origin of the people known as gypsies remains largely a mystery. Egypt, India, Persia and Arabia have in turn been pointed out as their original country, but there is but little definite knowledge on the subject. The weight of evidence is in favor of their having originated in India. They first appeared in Europe about 1400, and from the Danube region spread all over the Continent, appearing in England about 1520.

A Tongue-Twister.

Do you read by sight or sound? Do you skim the sense or pronounce the words as you go? Inaudibly—but consciously? There are many readers who read by the ear, and when this writer had written the sentence—"Wick (there was an election there)."—"Wick is rich in Pictish relics," he leaned back and tried to whisper it, thinking of the next. "Wick is rich in Pictish relics." Say it three times quickly.

The Torpedo.

The use of the torpedo in naval warfare was thought of so early as the beginning of the last century, but it may be said that the first practical application of torpedoes was made by the Confederates during the Civil War of 1861-65. So soon as their destructive character was demonstrated they were used them quite extensively, and since the war between the States the torpedo has been the most dreaded weapon in marine warfare.

Quaint Little Clock.

An odd little clock is in the form of a crystal ball suspended by a leather strap to the top of a stirrup iron. The iron, which is really of silver or gun metal, stands on the desk or dresser on the metal base on which the clock rests when one rides, and the clock swings from its tiny leather strap.



Railroad presidents at White House. Left to right: A. J. Earling, Hale Holden, Frank Trumbull, Fairfax Harrison, Samuel Rea and E. P. Ripley.

Bringing a story of hard times and near-bankruptcy because of the war in Europe, seven railroad presidents called on President Wilson a few days ago and asked him to co-operate over the crisis which now faces rail lines. The president's callers were: A. J. Earling, president of the C. & N. Y. R. R.; D. E. Willard, president of the B. & O.; Hale Holden, president of the C. B. & Q.; Frank Trumbull, representing the C. & O. and the M. & T.; Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern Railway; Samuel Rea, president of the Pennsylvania; and E. P. Ripley, president of the Santa Fe.

BOY SCOUTS MAKE WAGONER BEHAVE

Oklahoma Lads Make Arrests Impose Fines and Collect the Money.

Muskogee, Ok.—The Boy Scout organization of Muskogee, Ok., is the most remarkable in the world and has extended its sphere of activities to such an amazing degree that the national organization is now making a study of the system in operation. This Scout organization has all the regulations required in the Scout manual, but in addition to these the Wagoner scouts have a Scout bank, a complete court, police force, a corps of detectives and a force of deputy sheriffs.

And these are not make-believe organizations. The bank accepts deposits and lends money to Scouts; the court orders arrests, tries cases, assesses fines and collects them; detectives gather evidence of crime and lay it before the Scout Prosecuting Attorney; the deputy sheriffs make arrests. And this scope of activity applies to the entire city.

In fact the Scouts have "cleaned up" Wagoner. Blood was spilled in doing it, but the Scouts closed the whisky joints, the gambling houses and the negro dives that had defied the State officers for years. Wagoner today is one of the cleanest and most law-abiding towns in the State. The "Bottoms," a negro section in the west part of town, was one of the most notorious dive sections in the State.

Five murders were committed here in the month of March. Whisky joints, gambling houses and houses of ill-fame ran wide open. Whisky was sold over the bar and strangers, white and black young and old, were lured there and robbed and killed. It was the most dangerous section in Eastern Oklahoma after midnight. To-day men and women may walk through the "Bottoms" at night as safely as on the main street of Wagoner. The Boy Scouts did it.

The Scouts were organized by H. L. Townsend, scout master. The success Townsend made in creating a law-enforcement organization of the Scouts has since made him Chief of Police. People smiled when the Scout movement was first started. Now the Scouts are the idols of the town and Townsend is most popular officer.

EATS 213 ONIONS

Iowa Man Performs the Stunt in Thirty-three Minutes and Wins Contest.

Davenport, Iowa.—Edward Meyer, a farmer, 20 years of age, outdistanced five competitors in an onion-eating race, consuming 213 onions in thirty-three minutes for a wager of one acre of onion land at Pleasant Valley, north of here.

The land was worth \$1,000 per acre. Meyer grew the onions eaten in the contest. His nearest competitor ate but 178 onions in the same length of time. Meyer wagered that he could eat more onions than any man in Iowa.

The deed to the land has been transferred.

AVOID SUSPICION.



Mag-Jimmie, go home and chop some wood; fetch up two buckets of coal; den go over ter de butchers an'—

Jimmie—Sh-h-h-h. Not so loud or folks ther be married.

BLOODHOUNDS GO TO SLEEP

Robbers Must Have Taken Scent Away With Loot, for Dogs Refuse to Get Excited.

Merrick, N. Y.—A bloodhound's life is not all that it is cracked up to be. Every time the Merrick postoffice is robbed—and it happens with a regularity that is getting monotonous—folks say, "Call out the dogs," and expect the pack of bloodhounds that the Long Island railroad keeps kennelled here for emergencies, to get excited about it.

The dogs used to get excited about it, but that was back in the days of their youth. It was great sport to go the long way round the Merrick road, street and out along the Merrick road, and keep the whole town on the anxious seat until it was time to come home with a chevered up woodchuck or chipmunk. But of course, they could not keep that up indefinitely, and besides, the supply of woodchuck and chipmunk is running low.

When Postmaster Harry Zeller opened the office the other morning he found that about the only things that the yeggs had left untouched were the blotgers, the inkstand, a portrait that hangs on the right hand wall and the last year's circus poster and the "Men Wanted for the Army" lithograph. The safe was blown to bits and the back of the office was mostly daylight.

The postcards, the sheets of stamps and all the cash were gone. It was a clear case for the bloodhounds from the start.

Deputy Sheriff Murray flashed the alarm to the kennels and the crowd around the office cheered as the pack hove in sight at the far end of the street.

"Here come the dawgs," was the cry. But this bit of encouragement only got them as far as the office door. From that point they had to be lashed and dragged forcibly inside, and made to sniff at the safe and the cash drawer. While everybody was trying to get the dog's interest in the safe, to pick up the scent and be off, two of the pack found a soft spot behind the delivery window and were found some time later, fast asleep.

Use For Burnt Toast.

Crushed toast crumbs would appear a little bizarre as a cleaning agent nowadays. To grill a slice of bread until it was scorched, and then to pound it in a bowl or a mortar to a fine powder, was, however, a touch of economy, which was more than justified when the day came for cleaning drawing room or dining room, and gilt ornaments showed a lack luster which required attention. Toast crumbs were rubbed over the metal with a piece of flannel. The gilt ornamentation was afterwards brushed with a piece of brush over the surface. The crumb brusher being supposed to give a polish which could not be secured by any other means.

Winter Fogs.

People who suffer from annoyance of winter fogs in their rooms or offices should keep a kettle of water (preferably one with a long spout) on the fire always boiling. In a few minutes, when the steam has diffused itself about the apartment, the fog will in a great measure be considerably lightened, and the remainder being so harmless the atmosphere will be much easier to breathe. Any irritation to the eyes, throat or chest is lessened.

Cheap Good Coffee Cake.

One cup suet, butter and lard mixed, one and one-half cups sugar. Add a little water, melt, add one quart milk and one yeast cake. Put flour into bowl, add a little nutmeg and lemon flavoring, beat all together, beat as stiff as bread dough. Let it rise, put in pans and let rise again. Press in little lumps of butter and put on sugar and cinnamon.

MICHIGAN NEWS

LANSING YOUTH ARRESTED.

Charlotte—Howard Eastman, the Lansing youth wanted for furnishing a saw to Charles Hickman, the alleged horse thief, who escaped from the county jail several days ago, was taken into custody recently. Eastman, it is said, has confessed his part in the escape, although he claims to know nothing of the present whereabouts of Hickman.

Eastman sent in the saw wrapped in a magazine addressed to Hickman, according to the authorities. Eastman has worked in Lansing automobile factories and it is averred, is well known to Lansing police.

RIGID REGISTRATION OF ALIENS PLANNED HERE

Lines will be tightened against Canadians entering the United States, in accordance with a new rule adopted by the immigration authorities, and more thorough regulation will be enforced, says Inspector Frick.

"Immigrants have been fooling the authorities," said Mr. Frick. "By shipping their household and personal effects by freight these persons have been able to pass the inspectors by carrying no baggage."

There is no intention to exclude admissible aliens under the new rule, which is simply an effort to register immigrants more closely, that their destinations and intentions may become a matter of record.

FLYWHEEL CATCHES HIS HEAD AND HE IS KILLED

Adrian, Mich.—His head caught in the flywheel of a stationary engine, Lemuel Thomson of Morenci, was fatally injured while filling a silo on the farm of L. A. Farley, about eight miles east of Adrian. The engine needed some adjustment and while making the repairs with the engine running, Mr. Thomson received a shock, and fell from the machine, his head caught in the fly wheel and he was brought down with great force against the engine supports. His skull was crushed. He died in a few minutes.

A widow and two children survive.

ARRESTED ON STORY TOLD BY YOUNG WOMAN

Flint, Mich.—William Franklin, federal slave agent, is in Flint investigating the case of Charles Kutz, formerly of this city, who is under arrest at Reading, Pa., on a charge of violating the Mann act. His arrest was the result of a story told by Bertha Bousher, formerly a waitress in the Dayton house, in this city, to the federal agent. He had left here, where they had become acquainted, he had sent her money to go to Reading. She alleges that he promised to support her there, but had failed to do so, although they had met several times. Kutz is 32 years old, aged, worked in a factory here until August, and the girl is 20.

FUGITIVE FARMER FOUND UNDER BARN

Corinna, Mich.—Mike Reha, the farmer, who escaped from the county farm recently, was found by the sheriff's force hiding under a barn at his home in Venice township. Although so ill that he had been compelled to use crutches, Reha had made his way, unassisted, six miles to his home, hiding in the woods in the daytime and traveling at night.

TAKES FLASHLIGHT OF BOYS IN VINEYARD.

Saginaw, Mich.—G. H. Rhinevalet, owner of a large vineyard in Saginaw, appeared at a police station with a flashlight picture he took at night of boys stealing his grapes. Five faces show plainly and officers are investigating.

DETROIT HEARTS AT THE GARRICK

Manager Lawrence has arranged for a splendid list of attractions this fall, and the cozy Garrick will be the mecca for all lovers of high-class plays.

Former arrangements were to have the Garrick bookings in one of the other theatres, but remodeling and renovating plans made it possible for this popular house on Griswold, just off of Michigan ave., to take care of the ever increasing crowds. The Whirl of the World was one of those shows that capture popular opinion and clinch public opinion.

Starting Sept. 21, Joseph Santley will be at the Garrick with that beautiful song show entitled When Dreams Come True. This is a strictly classical piece that everyone will enjoy to the utmost.

The following attractions for the Garrick embrace many of the most famous successes in the theatrical world, Manager Lawrence having decided to give Detroiters and visitors to the city the very choicest and best known productions of the decade. Sept. 28th, Forbes Robertson will give a farewell American appearance. Mr. Robertson has an enthusiastic Detroit and vicinity following, and the important engagement will be one to draw vast audiences. Oct. 5th, Frank Craven, who is scheduled as one of the biggest hits of the season, will present Too Many Cooks, a real comedy of the farcical order that will delight his many followers. Following the attractions spoken of, Lew Weber, The Only Girl, Midnight Girl, and notable pieces will be staged. For high-class shows that are to be viewed only in strictly metropolitan houses, the Garrick, in Detroit, is the choice. Interurban stations are only a few blocks away, so that visitors from nearby towns can make connections right after the show without loss of time.

AT THE CADILLAC

Mae Ward's Dresden Dolls is being presented at the Cadillac, Detroit, this week by a very capable company. The Dresden Dolls is a delightful and the scenic effects are of a most satisfactory sort. The opening scene in the department store affair, while wide scope for revelations of gowns and costumes, some rather scant, but the shapely chorus make them strikingly attractive. The final act is the Garden of Love with a full compliment of songs, dances and comedy of a high class. Billie J. Morrissey is a live comedian, ably assisted by Manuel Alexander and Bert Jones, a typical Hebrew comedian. Mae Heigert and Gene Beudry add to the entertainment, and dainty Mae Ward plays her part effectively and is winning many friends. The Dresden Dolls is worth while, and Manager Levy deserves the high houses that are forthcoming. The ladies' matinees are becoming exceedingly popular as the fall advances.

On the 27th The Moorish Maid will be the attraction, with Sim Williams in the comedian role. It is an Oriental comedy, with costumes with strong recommendation from those who have seen it.

AT THE GAYETY

The Gayety has a dandy show in Sam Howe's Lovemakers, this week, with capacity houses the rule. Sam Howe is a Hebe comedian, who has many imitators, but mightily few equals. Countess Rossi, in the leading feminine role, is proving a decided favorite. She is wonderful, well-timed, and the support, including Vera Desmond, Bessie Rosa, Wm. Arnold, Albert Marks, W. Webster, Joe Bar, Bert, Wm. Wynn and Adeline Adair, are all putting forth class in every section of the big show. The scenic investment is from the magnificence of the piece being "Russia"—with full opportunities for rich costumes and unique effects. Taking it all in all, against the odds, it will be well to visit. The chorus is one of the finest seen in the Gayety in a long, long time. The following week sees Bert and the Bon Ton Girls, which has proven a big favorite along the route so far. A carload of scenic effects is carried. Mr. Baker is assisted by Lucille Munion, Hazel Crosby, Harry Ward, Teller Sisters, Billy La Tort, and a beauty chorus of thirty-two.

AT THE FOLLY

The Folly is gaining heaps of friends these days with the typical burlesque shows that have always had such a large following. The present show is The Big Sensation, featuring Lydia Joppy, who is a delightful songstress. The Brigade Trio, consisting of Larry Smith, Chas. Hoback, Chas. Douglass, Pauline Russell, Mamie Champion, all are happily cast, and keep the ball rolling every minute. The two acts are entitled Palm Beach, making it easy to reveal the shapely parts of a large and well-trained chorus. The Hotel de Luxe is the closing skit, and it is one long scream. The music is timely and the entire performance keeps well up to the standard set by the Folly early in the season. The show that comes on the 18th is the big new favorite, Miner's Bohemians, and those who know anything at all about burlesque realize that this means a show not to be beaten for scenic and a gingerschnoz. Popular prices for Folly shows is giving big value, and the crowds are always in evidence at matinees daily and every night.

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