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"The Skulls and the Altar"

BY FLOYD GIBBONS

AN it's a yarn from old Ireland we're havin' today, an' it'll be Jack Boyd of New York city, that's a tellin' of it. It happened in November, 1916, long before Jack was ever after comin' to this country, and when he was on a ten-day leave from the trenches of France an' having a bit of a drink at a pub in the village of Moyne.

In any other country, Jack might have finished his drink and gone his way. But there's something about the "old sod" that makes it a favorite roosting place for Old Lady Adventure. Maybe the gal was born there.

Anyway, she keeps things humming in that neck of the woods. It's a rare Irishman that can go through a day without having something happen to him.

At a table on the other side of the room were two men. They looked like prosperous farmers—landed gentry they call them over there on the other side—and they had stopped talking a couple of times to stare at Jack. Jack didn't know either one of them. He was visiting some friends and had never been in the neighborhood before. But after a while one of the men came walking over to his table.

John and Pat were a Couple of Old Sports.

The men's names, Jack learned later, were John and Pat. This was John. He sat down and asked Jack if he'd just come from France. Jack said he had. And the next remark sort of took Jack by surprise. "How would you like to earn ten pounds?" John asked him.

John and Pat looked like a couple of old sports, but just the same, ten pounds is a lot of money in Ireland. Jack said he'd make no answer until he knew what he had to do to earn the money. Then spoke old John unfolded an as fantastic a set of conditions as ever he had heard in his life.

"Two miles up the river," John said, "there is an old deserted abbey, underlined with caves. There's a tower in the middle of it, about a hundred feet high. At the top of that tower is a room with an altar in it. The good monks used to pray there once a week. The tower has been abandoned, and now it is used as a burial place.

Sentinels of the Ruined Abbey Were the Dead.

"At the foot of that altar there are six human skulls. I want to know if you have the courage to go there tonight at one o'clock, get one of those skulls and bring it here to me tomorrow. That's all."

Two Pale Yellow Lights Were Dancing about the Altar.

you've got to do," John said—and then he looked sort of queerly at Jack as he added, "There are no keepers or watchmen, and nobody will know what is going on." "Are you on or leveller?" Jack asked. "I am," said John. "All right," said Jack. "I'll do it."

That night Jack took his service revolver and started for the abbey. He reached it about quarter of one. At one o'clock sharp he swung aside the rusty old gate and made his way through dark passages to the room below the tower.

Weird Lights Flash in the Abandoned Tomb.

It was spooky in there with the moonlight showing through the cracks and casting weird shadows on the gray stone walls. For the first time in his life he found himself wondering if maybe there wasn't some truth in ghost stories.

He was walking toward the altar, when suddenly he saw something that froze him stiff in his tracks. Two pale yellow lights, about the size of plates, were dancing about the altar. "My hair stood up," he says, "and my courage ran out of me like water out of a bottle. A bat flicked my face, and I almost dropped my gun. Trembling like a leaf I sat down on a grave and waited those light dance. Then I coughed, and in two seconds I heard that same cough in another part of the abbey."

Jack walked firmly toward the altar. He wasn't afraid of anything in the world now. There was only one light playing about now. The other was on his face.

Spooky Lights Warn Intruder Away.

He raised his gun, rested it on his left forearm and took careful aim at the beam that was shining in his eyes. He pulled the trigger twice. There were two sharp cracks—a terrible clatter of broken glass—a loud, reverberating echo. He thought, "How is my time," and bent to pick up one of the skulls. Suddenly a hollow voice said, "LEAVE THAT ALONE. IT DOESN'T BELONG TO YOU!"

For an instant, Jack began to tremble again. He put down the skull and picked up another. "LEAVE THAT ALONE," the voice repeated. "IT DOESN'T BELONG TO YOU!" He picked up three more. Each time that warning voice.

Bob Davis Reveals

Some Spanish Cities

Legend, Mythology and Superstition Among the Chinese in PEIPING, CHINA

ALL of the Western civilization that can be shipped into this country from the outer world will have no effect upon the established beliefs of the vast majority of her population. Here is the ideal country for the establishment of gods and deities, created out of hand to suit any condition that may arise. The old established gods are in no way displaced by the adoption of new ones.

Prepared for any emergency, the Chinese have shown what they would do to a pluck by crossing deities for submarine, automobile, photograph, wireless, radio, aviation and television activities.

Buddhism, accepted out of India, brought with it a deity today known throughout China as Kwan Yin, "one who hears and is moved by the world." Legend has it that this personality acted to enter heaven after death heard by an angel from earth, and with one foot on the threshold of paradise, turned back in pity, to be of service. In the Chinese mind, Kwan Yin was re-created as a man, but during the Tang Dynasty, 618 A. D., a sentimentalist official, with power to change even the word of Buddha announced that Kwan Yin thereafter would appear on all historical records as a woman.

Goddess Made to Order

Her throne is on the island of Pootoo, two days out of Shanghai, where she arrived, according to the legend, "floating on the leaf of a water lily." And there today is her image. If ever a goddess was made to order for Chinese patronage, Kwan Yin, first woman to replace a popular male idol, is perhaps the best example.

While on this subject the attention of the Authors League and men of the pen generally should be called to Confucianism, which is the religion of the profound, bookish and philosophical, so to speak. Wen Ch'ang, the special Confucian cabinet officer in charge of literature, is always shown in the society of four other gentlemen, one of whom is dead and another dumb as a precaution against hearing or imparting secrets of the administration.

The third distributer such coveted degrees as seen appropriate in the eyes of the literati. The fourth, who knows Mr. Li, the Minister of the Interior, is devoted to boosting authors, poets and space-grabbers.

Lightning Lady's New Job

The Mother of Lightning, in years gone by highly considered, and recently became the Goddess of Broadcasting. This revision was effected without calling for a single alteration in the general appearance of the Lightning Lady, heretofore shown wearing magnificent robes of green, red and blue.

Take the famous Marble Boat, moored forever on a solid granite foundation. This craft, which lifts its superstructure 20 feet into the air and thrusts forward a blundering marble prow, was built after a conference between the Dowager Empress and the best experts available at the time. To construct and "launch" this utterly worthless structure the Dowager laid her strong bet on the construction of a ship, the sum of \$30,000,000 that had been appropriated for the construction of a battleship.

The general opinion was, and is, that the marble ship, which to this day continues to behave in the manner of a cork, is a poor investment, is entirely responsible for China's defeat at the hands of Japan in 1905. However, she has been stupider in maritime progress except for the Dowager to construct a few colorless submarines and a few battleships.

Here the Pyrenees meet the sea, and Spain begins to create unique qualifications for a summer resort. The Bay of Biscay rolls into San Sebastian's semicircular harbor in a half-moon of blue-green, the same regular curve repeated in the beach's yellow crescent.

At the opposite end of its mile diameter, rocky headlands which have offered for centuries protection against naval assaults. The western bluff supports a small lighthouse beside the abandoned one, now an observation tower. On the eastern mountain stands a substantial Spanish castle, less associated with dreams than with nightmares of siege.

A distinctive atmosphere survives in the Old Town. In this Basque fishing settlement, at the foot of the town, the laundry hangs from the windows of the narrow, five and six-story houses. Nearby the ancient church built in the thirteenth century, a white-sailed ship above its doorway to show kinship with its parishioners, except for the sea in the ships.

Toledo Looks Moorish

Toledo occupies the crest of a hill rising nearly 200 feet from the Tagus River, 4 miles southwest of Madrid. When the catapult was the modern engine of war, it was almost impossible to reach the city. An admirable moat on the south, east and west side; and the neck of land on the north stretching toward a fertile plain, was protected by the plurality of walls that surrounded the city.

It is difficult to imagine that within less than two hours' train ride from the Spanish capital, there is a city with marked oriental appearance. The Puento de Alcántara, the principal gateway to Toledo on the left, is of Moorish design with massive high towers at each end. It is built in the thirteenth century.

From the time one steps upon this bridge, until the river is reached, by way of the Puente de San Martin, dating back fifty years earlier than the Puento de Alcántara, the many relics and ruins of the Moorish city are everywhere.

The road approaching the city from the bridge winds around the hill past the Hospital de Santa Cruz, fifteenth century building, and through a Moorish archway that was nearly 400 years old when Columbus discovered America. It is only a short public square that still retains its Moorish name—the Zocodover. The "square" is really a triangle with one slightly rounded corner.

The city is in the middle of the city, the lofty but graceful tower of Toledo Cathedral rises above the streets nearly 200 feet. The streets in the neighborhood, bordered by unattractive buildings, do not permit a full view of the edifice.

The old Cathedral farmer believed the birds were mortal enemies of the city. The birds were not so much as the Cathedral farmer believed. The birds were not so much as the Cathedral farmer believed.

Buy Old Barcelona

Barcelona is modern in appearance, although the port dates to the second century and ranked with Genoa and Venice in Mediterranean trade in the Middle Ages.

San Sebastian Is Gay

Vacationists swarm to San Sebastian. A graceful skyline of beach, constant cooling breezes from the Bay of Biscay, regatta, yacht racing, tennis tournaments, horse racing, and a host of other pleasures.

Sheer Rubber Coat May Replace Paper as Wrapper for Soap

New Covering Would Be Water and Weather Proof

CAKES of soap may step out in new wraps—a thin, two to five one-thousandths of an inch thick, waterproof coating of rubber, if a method of coating cakes with rubber for which a patent has been granted in Washington to J. P. Kane of New York city, should go into commercial use.

Taking the place of the conventional paper wrappers, the sheer rubber coating is claimed to keep the soap water- and weather-proof. To "unwrap" such a cake of soap, the rubber coating is simply stripped off by tugging at a little tab on the side. The rubber wrapper could be colored any desired hue.

Overcomes Defects.

According to the inventor, many attempts to make soap cakes out of rubber wrapped cakes of soap commercially, but with no success. The rubber coating would not stick to the cake properly. Cakes of soap so coated would stick together and the rubber would "bleed" or run into the soap and discolor it. By his novel method, however, he claims these defects are overcome.

Soap Cakes Sprayed.

The cakes of soap are sprayed with or dipped into an aqueous solution containing rubber, sulphur, zinc oxide and an "ultra-rapid accelerator." Coated with this solution, cakes then go into a drying chamber, where they are cured by the ultra-rapid accelerator. Because of the ultra-rapid accelerator, vulcanization takes place quickly and at low temperatures, so that the cake of soap is unaffected.

"In this manner," claims the inventor, "the soap cakes are made in a form that is more resistant to water and soap which smudge off every indentation and contour so that trade-mark designs, impressed in the soap appear very clearly and present an attractive appearance."

Sponges From Wood Are Discovery of French Inventors

WASHINGTON.—Sponges from wood, created for the first time, are described in a patent granted here to L. P. G. Vautier and R. Fays, French inventors.

In preparing their sponges, the inventors steep wood in a strong caustic soda, then treat it with the chemical, carbon disulphide.

The resulting mass is now dissolved in caustic soda, forming a thick molasses-like syrup called viscose. It is from viscose that most rayon is made today.

Going Nature One Better.

Not content with rayon, but with making artificial sponges, the inventors mix the viscose with a pore-forming material. This may be sugar, paraffin, fat, or preferably a crystallized salt called sodium sulfate decahydrate. The resulting paste is cast in blocks in the shape of sponges.

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Science Warns Against Summer Vogue for Black

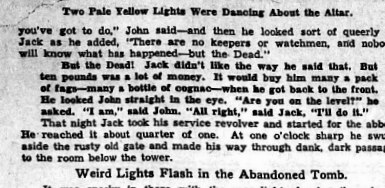
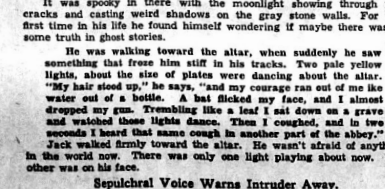
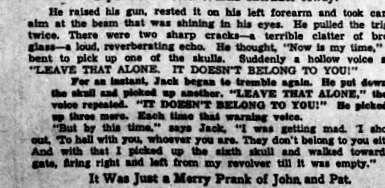
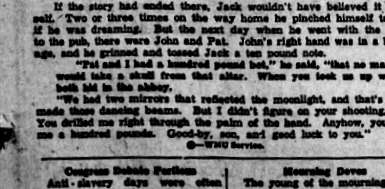
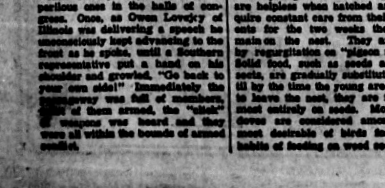
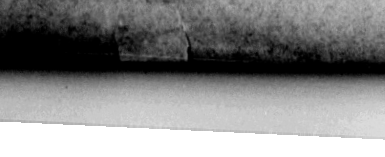
WASHINGTON.—The smart new fashion of black clothing for summer wear has no support from scientists who understand problems of heat.

It might do for evening wear, but don't don a black dress and go out in the sun. You want maximum comfort. Rough black surfaces are the best absorbers of heat known to science.

How to Tell Colors.

If you don't believe it, here is a little test you can easily do for yourself. Take two bright new tin cans with covers and tear off the labels. Fill both with cold water and set them out in the sun. Put first rub lamp black on the inside. Later take the temperature in the two cans. The water in the blackened can will be much warmer than that in the shiny one.

Another warning about summer clothing from scientists. It is the fabric that is loosely woven with wide air spaces between fibers that is the coolest.



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Society Editor

Recent Bride Honored at Shower.

Mrs. L. W. Connell entertained Friday afternoon with a miscellaneous shower honoring her sister, Mrs. Minnie Skipper, a recent bride.

The hostess used zinnias, ferns and gladioli in decorating the home and used a pink and white color scheme in decorating the chair in which the honoree sat during the afternoon and beside which was a miniature bride and groom, appropriate for the occasion.

During the afternoon each of the guests wrote a word of advice and their favorite recipe which were given to the honoree in a large scrap book. Many games were also enjoyed during the afternoon.

At the close of the party the honoree was presented with a large laundry basket filled with many useful gifts. The basket was very beautifully decorated with pink and white bows and was carried by Josephine Brown and H. L. Levy, Jr., the honoree's brother.

The hostess served punch during the afternoon and at the close refreshments of ice cream and cake to the following invited guests who included: Mrs. Lefty Brown, Mrs. W. M. Carter, Mrs. T. Weisheyer, Mrs. M. G. Hueston, Mrs. Ray Wells, Mrs. A. McElwail, Mrs. H. M. Levy, Mrs. W. T. Connell, Mrs. Ben Crosby, Mrs. Elmer Wray, Mrs. J. W. Connell, Misses Laura Reed, Dorothy Weisheyer, Frances Cassel, Mildred Wray, Mildred Martin, Josephine Brown, H. L. Levy, Jr., Mrs. L. O. Frink, Mrs. T. H. Hughes, Mrs. J. L. Collins, Mrs. W. M. Hetherington and Mrs. S. J. Pendleton.

Dr. Mrs. Toughton Hosts to Bridge Club.

Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Toughton entertained the members of their Thursday evening bridge club last week at their home on Verona avenue.

The house was decorated with beautiful roses and zinnias and at the close of the evening the hostess served a delicious ice course to her guests.

Mrs. and Mrs. T. A. McNicholas held high score and were presented with a pitcher in early American glassware, second high was held by Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Todd for which they received a modernistic vase, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Garber received the guest prize which was a cream and sugar set of early American glassware.

Enjoying the evening were: Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Todd, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McNicholas, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hartt, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Booth, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Dornin, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Trent, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Garber, Dr. and Mrs. D. G. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Coates, C. E. Lanier and Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Toughton.

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Mrs. Dolly Skipper Celebrates Birthday.

A surprise family reunion was held Tuesday evening at the old country home on the Wauchula road honoring Mrs. Dolly Skipper on her 70th birthday anniversary. Dinner was served at 6:00 o'clock after which the evening was spent very pleasantly in conversation.

After the dinner a large three tiered, pink and white birthday cake was cut by the honoree. She also received many lovely and useful gifts from the members of the family who included: Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Finley, Miss Golda Carlton, Dale Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. Herd Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Skipper and sons Vance and Delbert, and Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Robert, and son Elmo, of Wauchula, Odell Carlton and Mrs. Tressie Albritton of Tampa, Mrs. M. A. Roberts of Zolfo Springs, and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Skipper, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skipper and sons Francis and Powell, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Baldree and children Detha, Bobby, Charles and a Dyle, Dave Skipper, Mr. and Mrs. Love McGiboney and daughter Will Pearl, and Mr. and Mrs. David Stuckey.

Shafter Skipper, son of the honoree, was unable to attend, due to illness.

Farewell Party For Miss Marsh.

Members of the Congregational church choir celebrated Monday evening at the home of Miss Stella Mitchell, on Lake Lotela, honoring Miss Martha Marsh who left Thursday for Winter Park where she has accepted a position as Supervisor of Music in the public schools there.

Miss Marsh was presented with many lovely and useful farewell gifts by her many friends and at the close of the evening refreshments of fruit with ice cream and cake were served to the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Hunnings, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shepherd and daughter Miss Shirley Page Shepherd, and son Charles, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Farnall, Mrs. John Hood, Mrs. F. Elmer Wray and daughter Miss Mildred Wray, Miss Dorothy Weisheyer, William Bennett, Jessie E. Farnall, W. H. Yater, Miss Stella Mitchell, Mrs. J. Paul Garber and Miss Martha Marsh.

Billie Walker Has Birthday Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walker entertained a few small friends of their son, Billie, Thursday afternoon last week at their home honoring him on his sixteenth birthday anniversary.

Games were enjoyed during the afternoon by the young people after which they were served refreshments of ice cream and birthday cake.

Billie received many nice gifts from the following present on this occasion: Claude Williams, Bessie Williams, Thelma Williams, Arthur Powell, Myrtle Powell, Junior Hill, Joan and Joyce Hill, Sonny Hagren, Dorothy and Sonny Walker, Jack Williams, James Bishop and John Childers.

Mrs. Rumpas Hosts to Wednesday Club.

Mrs. Paul Rumpas entertained the members of her Wednesday afternoon bridge club this week at her home.

The hostess used crabs myrtle in decorating the rooms in which the card games were enjoyed, and at the close of the games served a delicious dessert course.

Mrs. W. T. Coates held high score for the afternoon and Mrs. A. M. Morgan second high, for which they both received lovely gifts.

Members present at this party were: Mrs. W. T. Coates, Mrs. T. A. McNicholas, Mrs. E. W. Hartt, Mrs. S. E. Booth, Mrs. D. G. Perry, Mrs. C. L. Johnson, Mrs. A. M. Morgan, Mrs. Joe Lander of Railroad and Mrs. Rumpas.

B. Y. P. U. Party at Lawton Home.

The members of the B. Y. P. U. were guests at a party Friday evening of last week at the home of Mrs. R. H. Lawton, who assisted the leader, Mrs. J. B. Coen, in entertaining the members.

Games were enjoyed during the evening on the lawn and the guests were served punch on arrival and at the close of the party enjoyed refreshments of ice cream and cake.

Members present were: Martha McNicholas, Betty Touchton, Willa Pearl McGiboney, Malcolm Crews, Pattie Rounds, Charles Morehead, Jack Foster, Charles Lawhorn, Ruth Pendleton, Arthur Crews, Juanita Crosby, Martha Bennett, Louise Rounds, Dorothy Lawhorn, Jim Dutton, Margaret Dilley, Powell Skipper and Mary Clements.

Rev. Parker Honoree at Birthday Party.

Mrs. J. W. Meridith entertained with a surprise birthday party on Friday evening of last week honoring Rev. W. J. Parker on his birthday anniversary.

Many games were enjoyed during the evening after which the hostess served refreshments of ice cream and cake to the following guests: Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett, Mrs. Jim Duce, Mrs. Irene Wells, Mrs. Little Parks, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ferris of Sebring, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Miltor, Mr. H. H. Gribble, Miss Ruth Duce, Miss Mable Cole, Miss Carrie Pearson, Miss Marjorie Melton, Miss Elsie Dickinson, Miss Polly Bennett, Miss Helen Pennington, Miss Louise Stewart, Miss Mary Louise Meridith, Miss Evelyn Gribble and Rev. W. J. Parker.

May Frances Welch Celebrates Birthday.

Little May Frances Welch celebrated her 11th birthday anniversary Tuesday afternoon at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Welch.

A color scheme of green and white was carried out in the refreshments of birthday cake and ice cream.

Many games and contests were enjoyed during the afternoon after which the honoree received many lovely gifts from the following guests: Helen Jarrett, Freda Garrett, Mary Clements, Ruth Pendleton, Charlotte Thomas, Helen, Dorothy and Clara Bell Welch.

Assisting Mrs. Frank Welch during the afternoon was Mrs. Ed. Welch.

Sunday School Classes Have Party.

Mrs. A. C. Wester and Mr. Childers entertained jointly the members of their Sunday school classes Tuesday evening with a party at the Methodist Hut.

Games and contests were enjoyed during the evening after which the children were served refreshments of ice cream and cake.

Enjoying the evening were: Misses Juanita Crosby, Doris Reddick, Louise Rogers, Gwendolyn Reid, Nelline Cannon, Bessie Kennedy, Lucille Bowman and Alton Cole, Harry Elwell, Albert Wester, Tillman Crosby, Eugene Fjelds and George Elwell.

New York Visitor Honoree at Picnic.

A picnic was enjoyed Tuesday evening on Lake Angelo honoring O. Sundstrom of Highlands, N. Y., who is the guest of W. S. Betts.

Swimming was enjoyed after which a delicious picnic supper was partaken of the following: Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hartt, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Booth, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Coates, W. S. Betts, O. Sundstrom, C. E. Lanier, Ferd De Anguera and Mrs. E. P. Loomis.

KITTY KELLY AND NELLIE SHANNON



Open House at Betts Home Friday.

Open house was held Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Betts honoring Misses Barbara and Nancy Betts and Miss Mary Jane and Martha Sundstrom on their return from their vacation in New York.

Dancing and games were enjoyed after which punch, and cake was served to the following who called during the evening: Misses Josephine Langford, Sybil Bigbee, Hazel Reddick, Hilda Reddick, Johnnie Suggs, Gladys Helms, Sport Mercer, Junior Stebbins, Vernon Lanier, Junior Tuten, Cyrd Baldwin, Peyton Covington and the honorees.

Anna Carter Has Birthday Party.

Anna Katherine Carter entertained a few of her friends Sunday afternoon at a party celebrating her twelfth birthday anniversary.

Swimming and games were enjoyed during the afternoon after which the honoree was presented with many lovely gifts.

A large birthday cake trimmed in orange and green graced the center of the table and added an appropriate note to this lovely affair.

Enjoying this party were: Willa Pearl McGiboney, Doris Reddick, Gloria Hughes, Josephine Brown, Betty Koch and Anna Katherine Carter.

B. Y. P. U. Party at Weaver Home.

The Intermediate B. Y. P. U. members were guests at a party Friday evening at the home of Miss Marion Weaver.

Games and contests were enjoyed during the evening after which refreshments of sandwiches, cookies and lemonade were served to the following who were present: Misses Odean and Lucille Bishop, Ruby Bennett, Rita Mathis, Tommy Lou Green, Gail Coen, Mary Louise Stewart, Blanche McCord, LaVerne Fortner, Mary Edwards and Cliff Bennett, LeRoy Bennett, Odell Skipper, Elbert Crips, Howard Ward, Rev. Louis Frink and Marion Weaver.

Mrs. Wells Hostess to Girl's Auxiliary.

The Girl's Auxiliary of the Baptist church met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Ray Wells.

A very interesting program was presented after which a short social meeting was held during which the hostess served refreshments of ice cream and cake to the following guests: Misses Mable Collins, Ruby Bennett, Mary Louise Stewart, Odean Bishop, Grace McCord, Mary Townsend, Mary Edwards, Marion Weaver, Gail Coen, Tommy Lou Green and Lucille Bishop.

Hi-League Party at the Hut Friday.

The members of the Hi-League of the Methodist church enjoyed a party Friday evening of last week at the Hut.

Many games were played during the evening after which the guests were served refreshments of cake and punch.

Enjoying this affair were: Misses Mary Frances, Juanita Crosby, Doris Reddick, Louise Rogers, Gwendolyn Reid, Nelline Cannon, Nellie Reid, and Alton Cole, Harry Elwell, Albert Wester, Tillman Crosby and Eugene Fields.

Mrs. Thayer Hostess to Bridge Club.

The members of the Tuesday afternoon bridge club met this week at the home of Mrs. S. S. Thayer.

The hostess used summer flowers in decorating the party rooms and served a delicious ice course to the guests.

High score for the afternoon's games was won by Mrs. C. E. Crabtree.

Members present were: Mrs. C. E. Crabtree, Mrs. A. H. Able, Mrs. Mel Bass, Mrs. M. E. Covington, Mrs. O. C. Willard, Mrs. A. Gilmore of Portland, Oregon and Mrs. Thayer.

Social Club Dance Thursday Evening.

Members of the Avon Park Social club enjoyed a dance Thursday evening at the Legion Home on Lake Lotela.

They were: Misses Gwendolyn Wever, Margaret Loomis, Elizabeth Hetherington, Carmen Booth, Virginia Baldwin, Mary McCarthy, Jane Hartt, Jane Clements, Mary Lydia Stebbins, Hilda and Hazel Reddick, Gladys Helms, Johnnie Suggs, Frances Cloud, Martha Hightower of Atlanta, Ga., Frances Brown, Sybil Bigbee, Dorothy Hughes, Lucille Langford, Blanche McCord, Dorothy McNicholas, Mildred Martin and Ed. Touchton, Early and Ella Lynn, Bud Trent, Johnnie Wilkes, Johnnie Koppers, Junior Tuten, C. W. Meriwether, Edgar Bradbury, Cecil Clements, Sport Mercer, Malory Tills, Billie Rogers, Nelson Smith, Raymond Vickery, G. D. Godwin, Harold McClelland, Fred Reddick, Marvin Reddick, Fern Lanier, Morris McCord, Peyton Covington, Frank Montgomery and Jessie Lee Harris.

Chaperones for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McCord, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McFerrin, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hartt and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bisset.

Mr. Mrs. Dilley Hosts to Bridge Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilley were hosts to their bridge club at their home on Lake Loteta on Thursday evening of last week. The home was tastefully decorated with zinnias, petunias and other seasonal flowers and the hostess served a delicious chicken dinner to her guests.

The date being Mrs. Fred Peden's birthday, she was honored with a surprise handkerchief shower by her Dilley.

Bridge was enjoyed during the evening, Mr. and Mrs. John Hood receiving high score prize, a set of paraff games and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Peden second high, a cake plate.

Those present for this pleasant affair were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Peden, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hood, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Brisco Willis, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ginn, Jr., Mrs. Floyd Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Clark and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dilley.

Teachers' Reception Tuesday Evening.

A reception for the members of the faculty of the Avon Park schools will be held at the high school auditorium next Tuesday evening. The affair is sponsored by the Parent Teachers Association and is for the purpose of making the new teachers feel at home and welcoming the old members back to school.

An excellent program is being arranged and will include musical numbers and interesting readings. A cordial invitation is extended to all parents and others interested in the welfare of the schools and they are asked to please try and make arrangements for leaving the children at home on this occasion.

Senior League Enjoys Party.

The members of the Senior League of the Methodist church held a party Thursday evening at the Hut adjoining the church.

Many games and contests were enjoyed during the early part of the evening after which refreshments of ice cream and cake were served to the following members: Misses Merle Graham, Macel Reid, Martha Mae and Gertrude Harris, Dorothy Skipper, Merle Payne, Mary Lydia Stebbins, Lauretta Reed, and Ray and Claude Cole, Howard Johnson, Virgil and J. C. Still and Melvin Rogers.

Woman's Club Annual Picnic.

The members of the Avon Park Woman's club enjoyed their annual picnic Thursday evening at Lake Byrd Lodge.

Games and swimming were enjoyed by those present after which a delicious picnic supper was spread. There was a large number of members and their families present at this affair.

Doris Reddick Has Birthday Party.

Miss Doris Reddick entertained a few of her friends Thursday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Reddick, celebrating her fourteenth birthday anniversary.

Games and contests were in play during the evening after which the honoree was presented with many lovely and useful gifts from her many friends.

The hostess presented her friends with small favors of sticky candy and served refreshments of ice cream, fruit and cake. The birthday cake to the following: Misses Gwendolyn Reid, Nancy Betts, Nita Bryant, Janice Hall, Cecil Clements, Peyton Covington, Carter, Nelline Cannon, Vera Mae Inman, Dolores Carr, Nellie Reid, Lucille Bowman, June Gough and Doris Reddick.

Miss McCord Party Hostess Wednesday.

Miss Blanche McCord entertained a few of her friends Wednesday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McCord.

Games and dancing was enjoyed after which the guests were served light refreshments.

Enjoying the evening were: Misses Jane Clements, Jane Hartt, Dorothy McNicholas, Dorothy Hughes, Frances Brown, Margaret Loomis, Faye Gordon, Mary Lydia Stebbins, Elizabeth Hetherington, Martha Hightower of Atlanta and Cecil Clements, Peyton Covington, Edgar Bradbury, Marion Foster, Early Lynn and Morris McCord.

Steak Fry at Pine Crest Lakes.

A steak fry was enjoyed Friday evening of last week at Pine Crest Lakes honoring O. Sundstrom of New York who has been the guest of W. S. Betts and family.

Swimming was enjoyed in Lake Lotela before the supper by the guests and their honoree.

Mrs. Fred Smith was a visitor in Tampa Monday. Mrs. C. O. Bryant was a visitor in Tampa Monday. W. A. Foster and son Gerald, were visitors in Tampa Sunday. Mrs. E. A. Vines of Tampa was a business visitor here Saturday.

Col. G. Edwin Walker was a visitor in Bartow Wednesday afternoon.

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- 1-4-piece Wicker Set
- 1-Bed Room Suite
- 1-Dining Room Suite
- 1-Breakfast Room Set
- 1-Simmons Studio Couch
- 1-Detroit Jewel Gas Range
- 1-G. E. Refrigerator

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tor in Winter Haven Wednesday. Ralph Rogers left Sunday for a short visit with relatives in Miami. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. DeShong were visitors in Lakeland Sunday. Nelson Smith and Roscoe Bass were visitors in Tampa Wednesday. George Connell of Kissimmee was a business visitor here Monday.

Mrs. Minnie Cothran and daughter were visitors in Tampa Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Touchton were visitors in Tampa Sunday evening.

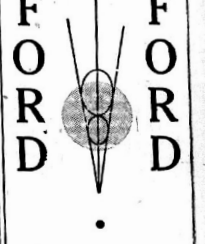
Mr. and Mrs. W. Harpsum were visitors in St. Petersburg Thursday.

Miss Mary Pardee left this week for a short visit with relatives in Tallahassee.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Foster and family were visitors in Tampa Wednesday.

Frank Montgomery returned this week after several weeks vacation in North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Moss Bell, Mrs. C. E. Mann and Mrs. Harriet P. Smith were visitors in Tampa Monday.



A MAN'S CAR WOMEN ADMIRE

Men expect a lot from their cars and the Ford V-8 has it—power, speed, pick-up and rugged strength. Experienced women drivers, too, appreciate these qualities.

As you "watch the Fords go by," notice the number of women at the steering wheels. The Ford V-8 is popular with the ladies. They like its modern beauty—its luxurious roominess—its good looking upholstery and fine car appointments.

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Clean Comics That Will Amuse Both Old and Young

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By S. L. HUNTLEY



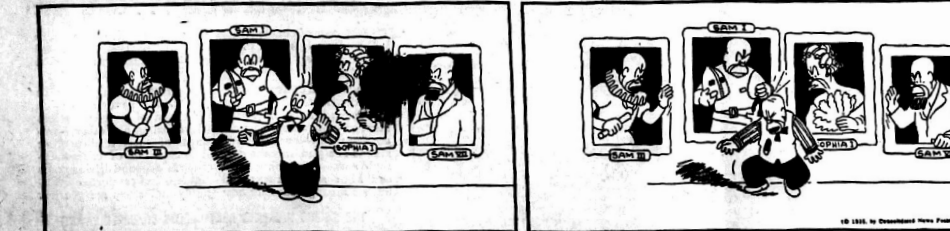
FINNEY OF THE FORCE

By Bud O'Loughlin



ADAMSON'S ADVENTURES

Ancestors



The Curse of Progress



CRAYONS

By GUYAS WILLIAMS



THE ORIGIN OF "RUCKERIZE"

A MONG the political factions of a century ago it frequently was the practice to pack, or "ruckerize" a convention with delegates favorable to their candidates.

Of course it isn't done today, what with committees on credentials and all, but let's have a peek at the Democratic convention of 1823 and see how the expression to "ruckerize" originated.

Doughty old Andrew Jackson was determined, despite spreading opposition in his own party, to pass on the presidential mantle to Martin Van Buren of New York.

He first sought to calm the Democratic opponents of Van Buren and allay their fears of the Jackson autocracy, by addressing them as follows:

"My own race," Jackson stated, "is nearly run. Advanced age and failing health warn me that before long I must pass beyond the reach of human events and cease to feel the vicissitudes of human affairs."

Having issued this political salvo and given it time to permeate, the wily Jackson issued a call for a party convention to be held in Baltimore in May, 1823, eighteen months before the election. It was the first of the so-called "snap" conventions and its advantages are obvious.

More than 400 of the 622 delegates who attended, history records, were from four states over which Jackson exercised absolute control. No one was permitted to make a speech and there was no platform adopted. Speeches, it was explained by the chairman who presided, might provoke angry discussion and delay the convention from the utter harmony it sought.

With none but the Jackson lieutenants permitted to talk, the nomination of Van Buren became a simple matter. In fact, he was named on a single ballot.

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OF INTEREST TO THE HOUSEWIFE

Flowers for the house should be out in the late afternoon.

Beets are fattening and therefore excellent food, for those desiring to put on flesh.

To keep the coffee pot sweet, boil a strong solution of borax in it occasionally.

Fill crevices in floors with putty and smooth off with a knife. Do this three or four days before putting finish on floors.

Custard filling will not soak in to crust if the white of an egg is brushed over crust before pouring in custard.

Never wear rings, except plain bands, when washing fine lace, silks, etc. Rings may catch in fabrics and tear them.

Always wipe your electric iron with a clean cloth before heating it, to remove any dust or dirt.

To remove print from flour sacks, rub print with lard and let stand over night. In the morning, boil in water with soap in it, then rub until print has all disappeared.

Never sprinkle rose bushes with the hose. Put the hose on the ground and allow the water to seep in around the roots of the plants.

If patent leather shoes and belts are rubbed occasionally with a glycerin-dipped cloth the leather will not dry and crack.

Canine Gave the Game Away

The talk in the club was on sensible dogs. Brown said, "I have the best in the world. Soon after I got it the wife and I went out. On coming home several hours later, I found the dog lying on the sofa, so I gave him a sound hiding. Next time I came in he was on the floor, but on finding the sofa was warm I gave him another hiding, even more severe than the first."

"I suppose that cured him," said Jones.

"Not exactly," said Brown, "you see, the next time he was standing by the sofa blowing on it to cool it."

Costly Trick

The most spectacular and costly trick in history took place between 1922 and 1924 when 500,000 Modern Turks in Greece and 1,500,000 Christian Greeks in Turkey were returned, under an exchange agreement, to their respective countries. This compulsory intermigration took a toll of 300,000 lives through disease and exposure and cost more than \$100,000,000.—Collier's Weekly.

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The refreshing relief so many folks get by taking Black-Draught for constipation makes this medicine about the most famous pure vegetable laxative.

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Next time, be sure to try

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Thinking seriously is habit forming. Keep it up.

Relieve reddened EYES

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Reward should be in proportion to usefulness.

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