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MAKE TOMORROW A "RED LET-
TER" DAY IN THE HISTORY OF
NEWCASTLE

NOW COMES THE FLYABOUT

Airplanes seem to bid fair to take
the place now held by the
Chummy Roadster.

There was a time, and not so terribly many years ago, when the young man who invested his hard-earned cash in what was known as a best-girl buggy got some mention in the home paper. His purchase was chronicled with the added advice of, "Look out, girls!" With red running gears, rubber tires, a tassel on the horse's bridle, and a whip that cost at least \$1.25, this young man was so well equipped that he was a force to reckon with when love-making was going on.

He has passed, and in his stead has come the long, low, rakish motorcar. It burns gasoline and leaves an unpleasant odor in its wake, but it represents speed and exclusiveness. It is the chummy roadster. Too soon, it seems, it also will pass away. In a New York newspaper is the advertisement of an aircraft concern. "What about the boy who overseas has been roaming the sky, day after day, flying free in the glorious ether?" It wants to know. When he comes home, the advertisement says, he will not be satisfied with a motorboat or an automobile. "So why not meet the inevitable," it asks, "and buy him an airplane now?" Now that the stress of war-time production is over, this particular concern is offering flying boats, seaplanes and chummy flyabouts for commercial or pleasure purposes. "An appropriate gift for your son or daughter," is the concluding sentence.

PIGS AS MACHINE GUNNERS

Shrewd Trick Played by Germans
When They Fled Before the Con-
quering American Troops.

The crafty Germans resorted to all sorts of tricks to check the advance of the Yankees in the fighting just before the armistice was signed, according to a letter from Sgt. Sidney S. Foy, formerly of Detroit, Mich., now attached to a headquarters company in a classification camp in France, to a friend in the Michigan city.

Foy writes that pigs were numerous during the advance and that the Germans used them to help in putting Yankees out of action. When the Huns were forced to retreat they would tie a pig by the leg to the trigger of a machine gun. When the Yanks would charge, the pig, becoming frightened, would squeal and tug to free itself. Every tug the pig made a shot was fired at the waves of oncoming American troops, and, of course, some of them were hit.

Packers' By-Products.

The by-products obtained in the packing house industry may be divided into two classes—the edible and the inedible. The inedible constitute the external covering (hair, horns, hoofs and hides), some of the offal and the bones. From these are prepared a great variety of substances, some of which have developed into enormous industries in themselves, such as leather, soap, glue and fertilizer. The last mentioned represents the ultimate utilization of packing house waste. For example, in the manufacture of buttons, combs, knife handles and spindles from the horns and hoofs of cattle and sheep and the hoofs of hogs the waste resulting from the preparation of these articles was at one time thrown away, but it has been found that by treating such material with sulphuric acid, the nitrogen which it contains becomes available as a fertilizer.

Yachts May Tow Barges.

When the sea is beaten into plowland, what is to happen to the tank? Many people must have asked themselves this question, and C. J. Ambert's recent article in the London News suggests an answer, for, with slight modifications, the "whip-pets," at any rate, might well be used as tractors on the towpaths of our reconstructed state canals. The French government, I am told, observes a writer in the Edinburgh Scotsman, has made experiments already in this very direction and has found that a light tug is capable of hauling four fully laden barges at a speed of two miles an hour, which is about twice that of a horse. Mechanical traction has been employed on some of the German canals for some considerable time.

FORCED TO OBSERVE SABBATH

Church Attendance, Until Comparatively Recent Times, Was Compulsory in Great Britain.

Numerous laws in this country, Canada and Great Britain forbid various acts of work and play on Sunday, but not since the lapse of the "blue laws" of colonial days have Americans been forced by legislation to go to church on the Sabbath, an exchange says. In England, however, it was not until the middle of the last century, during the reign of Queen Victoria, that all penalties for nonattendance at religious services were abolished. Some unusual incidents attended the enforcement of the regulations, particularly upon the Hebrews.

They were not released from the provisions of the law until 1871 and multitudes of them were prosecuted for insisting upon observing their own Sabbath. In the thirteenth century, it is recorded, a Jew of Tewkesbury fell in to a sewer on a Saturday. Although almost submerged, he would not permit himself to be drawn out, believing that to do so would be to violate the sanctity of the holy day. On the following morning he was quite ready to be removed from his perilous plight, but the authorities, out of reverence for the Christian Sabbath, would not permit the unfortunate man to be rescued until after sunrise on Monday, when he was found to be dead.

As late as 1880 there were persons in English prisons whose only crime was refusal to attend divine service. One of them was a young man who had been convicted at the instigation of his own mother, who appeared against him. In 1817 Sir Montague Burgoyne was haled into court to explain why he had neglected his religious duties. Rigid Sunday observance in England began during the reign of Edgar, in the tenth century, when the Sabbath day was ordained to be kept holy from three o'clock on Saturday afternoon until sunrise on Monday. The most innocent actions were condemned, and death was the extreme penalty for continued violation of the law. About three centuries ago parliament passed a law imposing a fine of one shilling for remaining away from church on Sunday, unless some good excuse was forthcoming. This act remained in effect until comparatively recent times, and inability or unwillingness to pay the fine resulted in a prison sentence.

Films to Replace Books.

Motion pictures will take the place of textbooks in schools and colleges, according to Thomas A. Edison, in an interview recently. "The only textbooks needed will be for the teacher's own use," declares the inventor of the motion picture camera. "A great film library of educational and industrial subjects should be built up in Washington. Then these films could be issued on the rental system to all institutions in the United States, even to the most remote rural schoolhouses, and the system could be so operated that it would pay its own way." Asserting that "anything which can be taught to the ear can be taught better to the eye," Mr. Edison continued: "The moving object on the screen, the closest possible approximation to reality, is almost the same as bringing that object itself before the child or taking the child to that object. Film teaching will be done without any books whatsoever. The only textbooks needed will be for the teacher's own use. The films will serve as guide posts to these teacher instruction books, not the books as guides to the films." By making "every class room and every assembly hall a movie show, 100 per cent attendance" will be assured, Mr. Edison says. "Why, you won't be able to keep boys and girls away from school then."

Muskrat Lore.

The feed of the muskrat consists of grasses, apples, bark of trees, water plants, carrots, turnips, cabbage and corn, and crayfish.

Although millions of these brown-colored rats are trapped each year for their fur, the number does not seem to decrease. When the fur is made into clothing it is called Russian mink or Baltic seal.

One of the ways of trapping the muskrat is to set a trap three or four inches below the surface of water in a place where he has been in the habit of leaving the water. In this way he will step into the trap as he undertakes to leave the water. Still another way is to place the trap just below the entrance into his home. Some trappers use apples or turnips as bait.

The home quarters is usually quite a large cavity and contains much grass and sticks. During the first two or three weeks of the life of the young the mother muskrat does not leave the home but depends upon the male to furnish the feed supply.

Restoring Devastated France.

The French government has already made arrangements for bringing back into cultivation the desolated and war-torn areas from which the enemy has been driven. The dense population of France makes prompt agricultural restoration necessary to relieve the food situation. Preference will be given to farmers who originally lived in the invaded regions.

A Cinch.

"You teach he's with," said a man to the Charles, "but I guess you think so!"

Another Murder

In Kent County

Moncton, N. B. Aug 22—The second murder tragedy that has occurred in Kent County within the last three months was enacted this morning about 6 o'clock at Roy, a small country place some six or seven miles from Buctouche, on the south side of the river, in the parish of St. Marys, when Dominion Police Officer Joseph A. Richards, a veteran of the great war, who won the Croix De Guerre for his efficient services as a member of the French Flying Corps, was shot and killed in the pursuit of his duty. Albert Nowlan, son of William Nowlan, of the above named place, an alleged military defaulter, aged about twenty-six or twenty-eight years, is alleged to have done the shooting. Particulars received from Buctouche are to the effect that Sgt. Chandler, with Constables Joseph Richard and Velckaln, the latter a returned Russian soldier, left Richibucto about 2 o'clock Friday morning in an automobile for the home of William Nowlan in order to apprehend Albert Nowlan, his son, arriving there about 5 o'clock. Sgt. Chandler and Constable Velckaln secreted themselves in the barn, close to the house, while Constable Richards went into the hayfield nearby and hid behind a haycock. After the two constables in the barn had been there some twenty minutes, William Nowlan came out to the barn and asked what the officers were doing there. The three went into the house and remained there a few minutes. Just as they came out they were startled to hear a shot, followed by a cry. The officers made a search which was fruitless, and returned to the house, thinking Richards would eventually turn up. After waiting a considerable time, the officers went out on a determined search and finally located Richards in a sitting position with his back to a fence that divided the field from a swamp some 300 yards from the Nowlan house. He was quite dead and had been killed by a bullet in the lower part of the body. The body was also filled with small shot, which was presumed to have come from the billy, which he carried, the end of which was loaded with shot and had been shot away, presumably by a rifle bullet.

Richards was a native of Molus River, Kent County, and was in the vicinity of twenty-five years of age. He was married last fall to a Miss Comeau, of this city. Besides his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Richards, he is survived by a number of brothers and sisters. A brother, Jack, recently returned from overseas and joined the Royal Northwest Mounted Police at Regina. Moncton, N. B. Aug 24—The Moncton police have received a report from Inspector Dawes, of the Dominion Police Force at Buctouche, that Albert Nowlan, wanted for the murder of Joseph Richard, Dominion police officer, surrendered himself at his father's house at 1.05 o'clock this morning to Sheriff Boudreau. Nowlan refused to make any statement.

An inquest will be held into Richards' death on Tuesday.

Claims Urged To
Seat In Cabinet

A politician from the North Shore stated yesterday that the claims of Mr. Loggie, M. P., to a seat in the cabinet were being urged by Liberal Unionists of his constituency and elsewhere. Mr. Loggie is one of the oldest members of parliament from New Brunswick, and in addition to being a successful business man it is claimed he has all the qualities that go to make a successful administrator. It is being suggested that he should be made Minister of Marine and Fisheries, not only because of his practical knowledge of the fisheries. He would be about the first man from the fish business who has been suggested for this position.

Mr. Loggie has not been an outstanding figure in politics in the same way Mr. Carvell was, but he has many friends in the province. Whether he will be able to land the job remains to be seen—Standard.

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