

## Car Leaped Chasm 33 Feet Wide and 221 Feet Deep for Movie Picture

Three Passengers on Board During Its Perilous Journey.

**MADE LONG RUN FIRST**  
Large Crowd Was Present and Saw the Performance.

The most spectacular automobile action picture yet obtained by a camera was filmed recently near Santa Barbara, Cal., where the studios of the American Film Company are located. A Maxwell stock touring car leaped a chasm 33 feet wide and 221 feet deep. It landed safely on the other side with 14 feet to spare, the total distance of the flight being 47 feet. Three passengers were carried on the perilous journey.

The car was driven 1,000 feet on a temporary board incline to give it the momentum necessary for its long leap through the air. Albert Thompson, one of the film actors, who was driving the car, said it had attained a speed of 50 miles an hour when it left the incline built on the approach side of the gulf.

A large crowd was on hand to watch the performance, and the majority of the onlookers predicted the experiment would end in disaster. When the flying Maxwell shot off the incline into the air every one held his breath in suspense. But the forebodings were not justified. The car shot through the air, upward and onward, describing a graceful arc and landing squarely on the roadbed, 14 feet beyond the brink of the gorge.

To film the scene, P. G. Lynch, studio manager for the American Film Company, found a chasm that had been created by a washed-out bridge over Las Posas creek on the

Camarillo ranch, near Camarillo, Cal. In the car beside Mr. Thompson were Juanita Hansen, and Jack Little, of the "Flying A" Company. When the car landed on the other side of the gorge, it continued on its way up the road, until it was brought to a stop by its daring driver.

As proof of the ease with which the car and passengers withstood the hazardous experiment, the movie actors immediately drove back to the city in the same car in which they made their automobile flight.

**Kept Bad Company**  
Patrick H. Pearce, "The Provisional President of Ireland," who has just been shot as a traitor, was a barrister, teacher and editor, but was associated with a lot of ignorant, unscrupulous men. John MacNeill, the Dublin College professor, and he were the only ones who were in any way educated; the rest were for the most part illiterate. Pearce was 34 years of age and was born in Dublin of English parentage. He frequently lectured in the United States on Irish questions and Gaelic literature. He was a lawyer by profession, but devoted most of his time to editing the Gaelic Journal in Dublin, and to teaching a private school, which he founded in that city.

**Cricketer Married**  
Cricketers throughout the world will be interested to learn that Lord Hawke, one of the game's most famous exponents, has just become a benedict. He is 55 years of age, and the Empire by profession, but devoted most of his time to editing the Gaelic Journal in Dublin, and to teaching a private school, which he founded in that city.

## FEMININE FOIBLES By Annette Bradshaw



WHICH SHOES!

## REVELATIONS OF A WIFE

By ADELE GARRISON  
Dick's Mother Delivers an Ultimatum to Dr. Pettit.

I F Miss Sonnet and I had been two naughty school children suddenly surprised by the schoolmaster, we could not have been more dismayed at Dr. Pettit's sudden appearance in the sick room.

But the real culprit, my mother-in-law, Miss Sonnet's patient, was absolutely unabashed by the tall physician's disapproving look as he gazed at the piles of clothing on every chair, and the collection of old-time patchwork quilts spread over the foot of the sick woman's bed.

Against the nurse's protests the elder Mrs. Graham had insisted upon supervising the unpacking of her trunks which her outside illness had left unopened for days. As I watched little Miss Sonnet's face regain the cool professional look I had a shrewd suspicion that Dr. Pettit's visit was an unexpected one. That if she had known he was coming she would not have yielded to the demands of her imperious patient.

"An earnest patient should have allowed this, Miss Sonnet. I thought I had impressed upon you the absolute need for restraint in this case. Any-

## OLD WORLD NOTES

A young man of Marlesden, was fined 40s. and handed over to the military authorities as an absentee under the Military Service act, at Will- esden, the other day. It was stated that he had spent the past six years practically in bed. A police sergeant said that when he called for the man his mother said: "He is not awake yet, sir; don't wake him."

Remarkable scenes have been witnessed at Orington, Kent, owing to the overflow of the River Cray. The river head is opposite the village picture theatre, and when the folks came out the other evening they were unable to get home. The men carried some of the women on their shoulders through the water, and others were driven in vehicles.

The War Office has issued an appeal to Birmingham and Midland manufacturers to take steps without delay for training men over military age, and women to take the place of men eligible for military service who have hitherto been badged or started. It is estimated there are at least 76,000 women employed in workshops in the city.

Queenie Zeppelin King is the name in which a baby girl born in the course of the recent raid on the North-East Coast has been registered.

**SCOTLAND.**  
Some excitement was caused at Kirkcubright, the other day when six prisoners handcuffed in pairs, were marched from the railway station to the police office. Most of them had a rather unkempt appearance, and all sorts of rumors were afloat, the most widely current being that they were German spies. They were charged with encamping on the farm of Clannoch, Carsphairn, without permission, and each was sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment. From information which has since become available it appears that the men had been camped for nearly a week in the wildest part of the Carsphairn Hills. When the police were notified a posse of constables set out to investigate, and after a tramp of eight miles into the hills, arrested two of the men. These were left in charge of a constable and two shepherds whose assistance was obtained. The other three men took to their heels, pursued by the other constables, and a wild chase ensued for a distance of four miles until the fugitives were run to a complete standstill. From the fact that all of the men wore red ribbons in their coats, and that they sang the "Red Flag," it is conjectured that they are Socialists, and were seeking to escape military service. Considerable sums of money were found on two of the men. They were thoroughly provided with sleeping bags, ground sheets, etc., as if they were contemplating a prolonged stay.



IT is hard to break the chains of habit. It took one man six months to stop saying "Gee Whizz." It is astonishing how habit will keep a person asking for "the same as usual" tea long after she has intended to try Red Rose Tea. Why let habit prevent you enjoying this richly flavored India-Ceylon blend? Order a sealed package to-day.



maintaining male teachers of military age. By means of the following steps it is hoped that a sufficient number of teachers may be secured: Teachers, instead of retiring at the normal age of sixty-five, are requested, if they are physically and mentally fit, to continue teaching. Teachers, already retired, may be taken on again. The standing practice in Scotland that women teachers should retire on marriage, should cease meantime. In view of the undoubted shortage of fully-qualified teachers of special subjects in intermediate and secondary schools, the Department is prepared to consider proposals to appoint as temporary substitutes persons whose knowledge of the subject in question is vouched for by the possession of a University degree on that subject, or in exceptional cases by other evidence of equivalent attainment.

Children playing on the mound which had probably been raised over the grave of some Viking leader at Valtos, in the Island of Lewis, one of the Hebrides group, recently discovered a number of Viking relics of the ninth century. They consisted of a pair of large oval brooches of a noted Scandinavian type, a small brooch, a round disk-shaped ornament with a central boss and a decoration of inter-laced loops, a small buckle, a portion of a bronze chain probably used to connect the large oval brooches, and a single amber bead. These articles had become exposed by the recent heavy gales in the sand close to the sea at Valtos.

United States reporters in Latin-American countries find public sentiment strong against American armed intervention in Mexico. Girls in the Paterson, N.J. High School are seeking a live baby as a model with which to work on their domestic science class. When the town authorities objected to a poster of a Wisconsin theatre, the owners put real overalls on the billboard figures.

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**Three Minute Journeys**  
WHERE MEN HURL THEMSELVES WITH THEIR SPEARS AT FISH.

THE amphibious qualities of the Hawaiians are famed the world around. Some of them are as expert as the water as they are on land. In some parts of California, and even in Florida and farther north on the eastern coast, continental American swimmers have adopted the Hawaiian surf-riding sports. It is not an uncommon sight to see the curling crest of a wave driving shoreward a bather riding the plank on which he sits or lies with more or less practiced ease. But most of the other water ways of the Hawaiians are beyond the skill of our swimmers.

Among the strangest of their customs is one which serves a most useful purpose. It is the way in which they fish. And although they practise several fishing systems that are distinctly different from the methods used elsewhere in the world—most of them depending on actually going into the water to gather the fish in its own element—the way they spear fish is perhaps the most interesting of them all.

The spear is made of light wood that easily floats, even though it may or may not be equipped with a metal spear head. The shaft is two or three times the length of a man. With such an implement in his hands the bather fisherman takes his stand on the rugged shore, poised on a pinnacle of rock that overhangs the breaking waves. When his practised eye catches sight of a large fish the fisherman aims directly at it, and with a prodigious plunge dives into the water, his own body a guiding rod to the spear.

Often when no fish appears in sight close to the top of the rock the fisherman dives in and seeks his prey among the waves. Free-swimming fishes are

An Hawaiian Spearman.

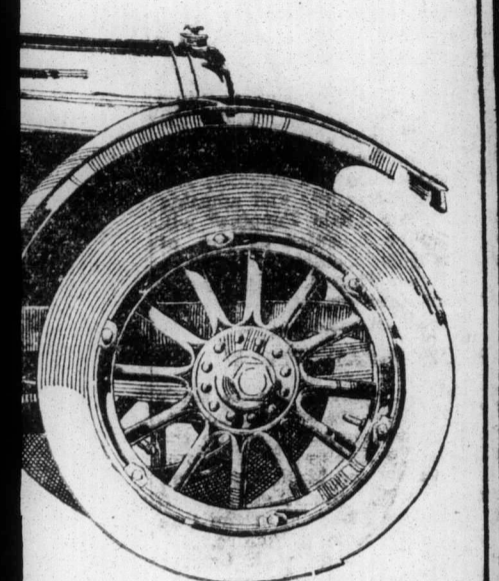
Exciting Scenes  
Exciting scenes were witnessed at a fire at Crane's Park, Surbion, the other night. The occupier, with his wife and two children escaped by way of the verandah, from which they jumped into the garden below. Their two servants clambered through a window on to the smoking roof. One of them fell on to the verandah, hurting his shoulder badly. The other, an elderly woman, clung to the guttering until firemen rescued her by means of a ladder. A dog, which the servants had taken on to the roof with them, was also rescued.

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