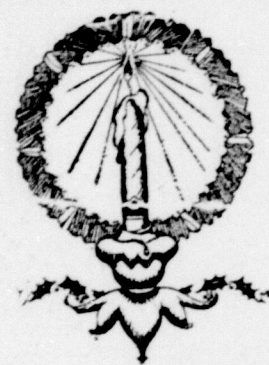


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ROAD BODY PLANS MORE PAVEMENT

Will Add Three Miles of Con-
crete To Hyde Park
Highway.

The suburban road commissioners
meeting at the county buildings yester-
day afternoon passed estimates for the
work in London district for 1975
totaling \$90,095.

Some \$76,000 of this amount is the
estimated cost of three more miles of
pavement on the Hyde Park highway
which possibly may not be approved
by the provincial government owing
to an agitation on foot to have the
fifth concession of London township
passed as far east as the Proof Line
road instead of the Hyde Park high-
way which approaches the city from
London West.

The estimates must be approved by
Middlesex county council at the Janu-
ary session, before the commission
can proceed further with the work
outlined by their engineer, Charles
Talbot, at yesterday's gathering.

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SOCIETY FOLK TO LOSE PREFERENCE ON SHIPS

Many Lines Agree to Abolish
Steering Rates For Pub-
licity Value.

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Dec. 23.—Leading trans-
Atlantic passenger line operators yester-
day abolished the preference system
whereby socially or professionally promi-
nent people have been able to ride the
ocean in first class accommodations on
payment of steerage rates of fare. The
action was taken by the trans-Atlantic
passenger conference, representing the
United States Line, the United Ameri-
can, North German Lloyd, Cunard,
White Star and French lines.

Officials said that "preference" pas-
sengers had come to comprise upward of
40 per cent of all first class traffic; that
abolition of preference would save the
steamship operators hundreds of thou-
sands of dollars yearly; and that actors
and society folk, who almost invariably
ride "preference" because of their pub-
licity value to the lines, would be
hardest hit by the new regime.

CROSS WORD PUZZLE NO. 61

How well do you know the plays of Shakespeare? In this unique and
entertaining puzzle there are four eight-lettered words and four six-
lettered words symmetrically arranged, each of which is the name of a
character in one of Shakespeare's plays. The cross words are miscellaneous,
but the Shakespearean characters form a border, as it were, around the
composition. In case the newcomer has difficulty with several, here are 15
horizontal, shy, and 21 horizontal, huss. Vole is 4 vertical.

Each number in the puzzle indicates the position of the first letter of
a word.

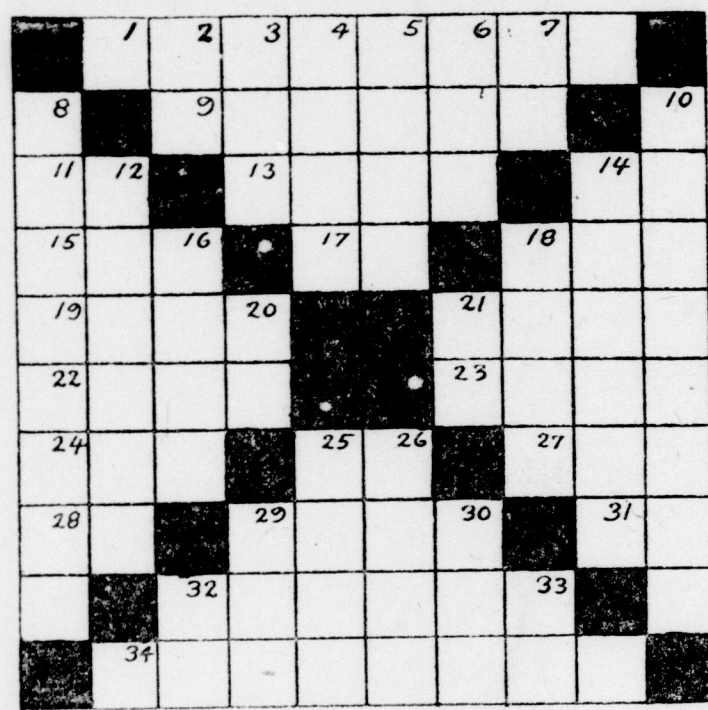
Each word reads from left to right (horizontal) or downward (vertical)
according to position. Lettered in correctly, words that cross will inter-
lock.

Each number in the white squares also refers to a definition in the
accompanying table.

Each definition suggests a word possessing the exact number of letters
to fit the white spaces allotted to it.

Each white space is to receive one letter only. Words starts only in
numbered squares.

THE ADVERTISER'S DAILY CROSS WORD PUZZLE.



HORIZONTAL.

VERTICAL.

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| 1 Steward to Olivia in "Twelfth Night." | 22 Knowledge gained from tradition and story. | 2 Three-toed sloth. | 3 Merry Wives of Windsor. |
| 9 Heroine of "Cymbeline." | 23 A comic strip figure. | 10 Uncle to King Richard II. | 18 A Latin pronoun. |
| 11 An account (abbr.). | 24 A writing fluid. | 4 Water rat. | 20 An English proverb. |
| 13 A vessel. | 25 Extinct, wingless birds. | 5 Writing used by the ancient Irish (alt. spelling). | 21 The king (abbr.). |
| 14 A parent. | 26 Extinct, wingless birds. | 6 A limb. | 22 A large Ontario lake. |
| 15 The sheer of a vessel. | 27 Shakespearean word meaning "swail." | 7 Reverse of out. | 23 Earthenware drinking vessel. |
| 17 A printer's measure. | 28 A position on a baseball team (abbr.). | 8 Heroine of "As You Like It." | 24 For all time (poet. abbr.). |
| 18 An abbreviated preposition used in poetry. | 29 Shakespearean word meaning "swail." | 9 Comic figure in "The Merry Wives of Windsor." | 25 A boy's name. |
| 19 A Bohemian reformer. | 30 Romeo's sweet-heart. | 10 Comic figure in "The Merry Wives of Windsor." | 26 A large Ontario lake. |
| | 31 A foolish officer in "Much Ado About Nothing." | 11 Comic figure in "The Merry Wives of Windsor." | 27 Earthenware drinking vessel. |
| | | 12 Cleopatra's lover in "The | 28 For all time (poet. abbr.). |
| | | 13 A male character in "The | 29 A boy's name. |
| | | 14 A male character in "The | 30 Initials of a former U. S. president. |

SOLUTION TO NO. 60.



SURPLUS OF GOLD HURTS AMERICANS

Wall Street Bankers Tie Up
Funds in European En-
terprises.

By HENRY SOMERVILLE.
Special Cable to The Advertiser by a
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London, Dec. 23.—Since Britain
has been confidently expected by the British treasury and by
bankers that the States would find a
policy of hoarding gold too expensive
and that America would either have
to inflate her prices or else get rid of
the superfluous gold.

These expectations have been real-
ized during the last few months when
the value of sterling and other Euro-
pean currencies has risen remarkably
against that of dollars. This rise is
all the more important because it has
taken place during a season when the
States are exporting cotton and grain
and when the dollar is usually at its
highest point.

It is now admitted in a publication
issued by the National City Bank of
New York that the decline in the ex-
change value of the dollar is due to
momentary inflation in America. The
imported gold is having its normal
effect in the crossing the creation of
credit by American banks.

In the twelve months ending No-
vember 14 last, the loans, discounts
and investments of member banks of
the federal reserve system rose by
over two billion dollars. Nearly all
of this increase has taken place since
June.

The new credit has been mainly
utilized not in loans and discounts,
but in foreign investments which
could not easily be turned into cash.
American banks are thus being driven
to tie up their funds in European
enterprises where their only alterna-
tive is to leave their funds idle
or else use them for increasing credit
in American trade, which would in-
flate American prices.

This new policy of the American
banks is a very good thing for Europe
and, by assisting the European recov-
ery, it will also be advantageous in
the long run for the United States.

SOUTH AFRICA FEARS BALDWIN GOVERNMENT

Party Journal States Militarism
Gaining Since Tories Took
Command.

Associated Press Despatch.
Cape Town, S. A., Dec. 23.—The
Debuter, the government party
organ, today very frankly states its
dislike of the new Baldwin adminis-
tration in Great Britain and warns
South Africans to "be on guard." The
paper comments as follows:

"Events of the last two months
show that with a thoroughbred Con-
servative government in Britain, mili-
tarism is raising its head, and imperi-
alism is again seeking to indulge
its appetite."

After discussing developments in
connection with the Singapore base,
the Anglo-French alliance, the estab-
lishment of an imperial council at
London, and the alleged denial of
Ireland's dominion status in connec-
tion with the treaty creating the Irish
Free State, the Debuter concludes:

"Baldwin's attitude to these mat-
ters is a warning for us to be on our
guard. From this Conservative gov-
ernment we only can expect curtail-
ment of the rights which we already
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TENANTS EVICTED ON FAILING TO PAY

Stirring Scenes Accompany
Long-Threatened Ejections
by Officers.

ONE ARREST MADE

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Dec. 23.—There were stir-
ring scenes at Dalmeir and Clyde-
bank, Dumfries county, Scotland,
today when long-threatened evictions
for non-payment of rent took place.
In connection with the Dalmeir evic-
tions some ugly rushes occurred, but
only one arrest was made.

A body of eviction officers, acting
in behalf of the landlords, escorted by
about sixty policemen, timed the first
eviction in Dalmeir so well that the
night patrol employed by the non-
paying tenants to warn the rent-
strikers of the approach of possible
"evictors" had withdrawn and the
tenants had been lulled into a false
security for the night. However, the
eviction officers quickly realized the sit-
uation, and at once they summoned
assistance by the ringing of hand-
bells.

Immediately men, women and chil-
dren rushed to the scene from every
direction. When they observed the
eviction officers they made a rush at
them and the attendant noise at-
tracted still another crowd. The
police, however, promptly stomped the
rush and pressed back the intruders.
A press photographer appeared on
the scene when the excitement was at
its height. He at once started in to
take snapshots of the crowd, but this
roused the hostility of the gathering
and a rush was made at him. He
was carried off his feet and severely
kicked.

The police at this juncture pressed
forward and took a hand in the pro-
ceedings. It was then that the ar-
rest was made. The streets were
cleared by the police shortly after-
wards. Then the eviction officers pro-
ceeded with their work of dispos-
sessing non-paying tenants.

The first house was cleared within
half an hour. The evicted tenants
and their supporters remained in the
vicinity, however, and the whole area
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St. Thomas, Dec. 23.—William
Armstrong, retired U. S. R. and
Wabash train despatcher, was
honored at his home, Rosebery
place, on Monday evening by his
business associates and officials of
the road. Mr. Armstrong was
presented with a beautiful diamond
ring, while Mrs. Armstrong re-
ceived a valuable diamond bar-
pin. J. C. Crombie, former super-
intendent of the road, made the
presentation and spoke of Mr.
Armstrong's unique record of 55
years of service with glowing
words.

ASK DEATH PENALTY FOR HIGHT, SWEETIN

State Demands Extreme Sen-
tence in Trial of Ex-
Pastor.

Associated Press Despatch.
Mount Vernon, Ill., Dec. 23.—The
state demanded the death penalty in
argument late today before the jury
trying Lawrence M. Hight, former
Ill. clergyman, and Mrs. Elsie
Sweetin, for the alleged poisoning of
her husband, Wilford Sweetin.
"Council for Mrs. Sweetin, on the
other hand, appealed to the jury to
send her home to her children, she
added. "Whatever your verdict is, she
will take it with a smile, for inno-
cence needs death with a smile."
The state's attorney, Joe Frank Allen,
opening for the state, urged the jurors
not to let the fact that one of the de-
fendants is a woman sway them in
their decision. "The state is asking
you to do your full duty," he said.
Robert E. Smith, attorney for Mrs.
Sweetin, emphasized that the testi-
mony showed Hight had been with
Wilford Sweetin frequently before
his death and had opportunity to
administer poison to him. Mrs.
Sweetin's alleged confession, he said,
was simply what Hight had told her
to tell.

Spanish Author Would Cross
Swords With Alfonso,
Whom He Attacked.

DRAWS LINE AT TWO

Declares He Will Not Accept
the Many Other Chal-
lengers.

Associated Press Despatch.
Mentone, France, Dec. 23.—"Alfonso
and Primo de Rivera, whom I have
attacked in my writings, are the only
two men I will fight in a duel."

Vicente Blasco Ibanez, the Spanish
author, made this declaration to the
press today when informed of the
numerous challenges emanating from
Spain from various personages men-
tioned in his book, who are leas-
t of seeking satisfaction by arms.

"I need not fight all these people to
prove my courage," Ibanez continued.
"I have already fought nine duels
either with pistols or swords, and
two of my opponents were seriously
wounded, one of them being at the
point of death for several days."

The writer remarked that he had
received no official challenges either
directly or through third parties offi-
cially appointed by General Azules,
former minister of war, or Benigno
Varela, editor of the Madrid royalist
newspaper La Monarquía, all of whom
have expressed their intention of
seeking a duel with Ibanez or meeting
him in some kind of physical en-
counter.

"I am not acquainted with Senor
Varela," continued Ibanez. "I know
the others slightly. Refusal to fight
them is not due to a feeling that they
are unworthy my steel. But I have
struck at the heads with my writings
and am prepared to strike at them
with weapons on the field of honor."

The Spanish author has taken up
his residence in his villa "Fontana
Rosa" and intends to spend the better
part of the winter here. He declared
that threats of duels or sentence of
death by court-martial in Spain would
not deter him from continuing his
campaign in favor of the liberty of
his country. He is preparing an
other book in which he promises
veritable revelations against the re-
gime actually in force in Spain.

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