

## SIDE TALKS.

By Ruth Cameron.

## THE BELOVED CATALOGUE.

Don't you love catalogues? Next to a real gossip letter, from someone who knows how to write letters, I think I would rather get a catalogue of anything else in my mail.

A catalogue means that one can have much of the joy of shopping while seated in one's own comfortable chair in front of the fire or on the cool porch. And while energetic youth may prefer the excitement of genuine shopping, as one grows older one grows a bit more willing to take the comfort and let some of the excitement go.

## The Seed Catalogue.

The song of seed catalogues has already been adequately sung by more than one author. I am sure all the marvelous colors that never were on land or sea are achieved in these catalogues or on the covers of the seed packages. And surely never bloomed the rose so red as in that catalogue pictured bed.

"Half the fun in sowing flower seeds," says Walter Pritchard Eaton, "comes from your hope of achieving those golden promises held out by the seed catalogues—like a second marriage, alas too often the 'triumph of hope over experience'."

Then there is the catalogue of the mail order house, with its gamut of necessities and necessities from basinettes to tombstones.

## Those Gasoline Savers.

And the catalogue of clothes to entice and entice the lady of the house. And the catalogue of automobile accessories over which the male member can pore for hours, only lifting his nose to say: "I think we ought to have this. It gives you 2000 miles more on your tires," or "I don't believe in putting a lot of extras on a car but I don't know but what it would be foolish not to get that. They guarantee that you cut down your gas."

## Incurable Tennessee Girl Begs State to Electrocute Her.

WHEN ENDS OWN SUFFERINGS WITH KNIFE.

Nashville, Tennessee.—Two weeks ago Governor Austin Peay, of Tennessee, refused a plea made by Miss Mary Barnett, 23, of Lawrenceburg, Tennessee, that the state electrocute her. On Sunday she died at her home as the result of self-inflicted knife wounds.

"I am sick and can't get well, and tired of living. Won't you please, Mr. Governor, hear my plea, and allow me to be electrocuted or drugged to death," the young woman wrote.

The executive arranged that she get treated at a hospital. After her release her first attempt at suicide failed.

## Turn Out Fine Violins.

Prague.—(A.P.)—Favored by a natural love of music, a plentiful supply of the right kind of resonant wood, and deft craftsmanship, the violin making industry in Czechoslovakia is assuming an important position. Something like 4,500 home workers are engaged, and the instruments all are of high quality. One hundred and thirty-three thousand violins were turned out in 1922, beside 2,100 cellos and 1,200 double basses.

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June 21, 1923.

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## Wingless Flying Machine

## A "WINDMILL" TYPE.

Unusual interest, writes an air correspondent, is being taken in reports from Madrid of man-carrying flights made recently at heights of about 100 feet by a machine invented by a young Spanish engineer, Don Juan de la Cierva. The apparatus—neither airship, aeroplane, nor helicopter—represents the testing of a new air idea.

Windmill-flying is how the method is described. Above a normal aeroplane body is fixed horizontally, at the top of a vertical tube, what the inventor calls a wing-screw. Actually, to look at the device resembles almost exactly the "sails" of a large four-bladed windmill.

When the pilot starts his engine an ordinary tractor-propeller is turned and the craft runs along on its wheels. As it does so the big horizontally turning "windmill" begins to spin round under the air pressure caused by the machine's forward movement.

The windmill itself and its big blades are inclined slightly from the horizontal so as to exercise an upward lifting effect when thus spinning freely in the air-stream; and, though no power is applied to them beyond that caused by the wind of the machine's rapid movement as it is drawn forward by engine and propeller, these revolving sails have been found capable, in a number of flights at the Getafe aerodrome, of sustaining constantly in the air the entire weight of the aeroplane and its pilot. They replace, in fact, ordinary fixed wings.

## Satur Descend.

The pilot relies for forward speed on his engine-driven screw, and steers and balances with ordinary controls. It is claimed that this machine can be brought to earth at as slow a forward pace as six miles an hour, ensuring safe landing in far smaller areas than have been considered feasible hitherto, and that in the event of a total failure of the engine a slow, safe, "parachute" descent can be effected.

## To China via the Pole.

JOURNEY BY AIR WOULD SAVE ABOUT 4,000 MILES.

Mr. Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the well known explorer, arrived in London recently. He is to present to the British Government his views with regard to Imperial policy in the Polar regions.

"In my opinion," he told a press representative, "we are at the beginning of a new era with regard to the Polar regions. I got the idea about three years ago that the short route to China, via the North is open at last. The liquid ocean is frozen, but the ocean of the air is open, and I think that China can be reached by the flying machine. Upon that hinges, as I believe, the necessity for a new Imperial outlook and a new Imperial policy. In my opinion the flying conditions are not so good in any other part of the world as they are in the Polar area."

Mr. Stefansson thinks that the airship would be the best means of transit for the proposed Polar route to China. He pointed out that the saving of time and mileage would be very considerable. For example, from London to Tokyo, via the North, would be a distance of 4,900 miles, whereas the route by the Trans-Siberian railway covers no fewer than 8,557 miles. A saving of between 3,000 and 4,000 miles would thus be effected.

Mr. Stefansson has already placed his views before the Canadian Cabinet at Ottawa.

## Zeppelins Likely to Soon Operate a Trans-Ocean Route

London.—Details of the first Atlantic airship service between Spain and Argentina have just been made public by the London Daily Chronicle, which says that it may soon be possible to bridge the 5,000 miles between the two continents in three and a half days. The service will operate between Seville and Buenos Aires, and Zeppelin aircraft will be used.

There will be terminal airfields, mooring masts, repair sheds and hydrogen factories at Seville and at Buenos Aires. In addition, emergency landing grounds will be laid out at the Canary Islands and at Cordoba, in the Argentine.

On the American side of the Atlantic the hangars will be made on a revolving principle, because of the variation of the wind. Four airships are being built to inaugurate the scheme, and it is anticipated that service will begin next summer. It also is probable that arrangements will be made to link up Seville direct with London by an airship service.

The airships, fitted with nine engines, each developing 400 horse power, will carry 40 passengers and 11 tons of mails and merchandise. There will be two simultaneous flights a week in each direction, and the time taken to cross the Atlantic will be three days and 16 hours. Passengers will have all the comforts of an Atlantic liner, without the disadvantages of sea sickness.

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## Where Slavery Still Exists.

The recent announcement that an effort is to be made through the Agency of the League of Nations to abolish slavery has caused surprise among many people who supposed that slavery has been virtually wiped out in all lands. It is true, however, that slaves are still being bought and sold in several parts of the world. In the City of Casablanca, in North Africa, the French police recently obtained information that the sale of slaves was taking place in a certain cafe. After surrounding the building they found it occupied by Arab and Moorish dealers busy at their gruesome trade. A mother and her babe had just been sold for 350 francs, and five young women were awaiting a purchaser. The slave trade still exists along the

Madagascar coast and in Nigeria and the Cameroons.

But this is slight in comparison with the state of things in Abyssinia, where slave-owning has become notorious. There whole villages are raided in the early morning, and the inhabitants, chained together in rows,

## HORSEMEN!

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## An Animal's Lifetime.

How long do animals live? We have all asked the question many times, and once a well-known naturalist answered it for us. Dogs are two years in growing and authorities agree on 15 to 20 as the old age attained by dogs and pigs. Ulysses's dogs, presumably full grown when the hero went away, recognised their master after 20 years' absence. Cats, on the other hand, grow in one year and live to be 20. The hare is full grown in one year and old at seven, but I know of one which reached twelve years. Squirrels grow for five or six months, are old at six years, but have lived to be eight. Mice grow for 3 months and have lived 'till six years.

The wild boar is said to reach 25 years, the lion 35 years and the bear 40 years. Sheep mature in two years, are considered old at eight to ten, but have reached fifteen years. These are the domestic sheep; there is good evidence (in the rings of their horns) that the wild sheep reach at least double these ages. Similarly the age tally which each of the horned cattle has in its horn rings offers evidence which cannot be disputed. Cattle are adult at three years, and attain the age of twenty, with a possibility of 30 or 40. The camel takes five years to grow, is old at fifty, but may live to be 80. Horses are three or four years in growing and live to be fifteen or twenty, with a possibility of 40 years, although they rarely attain that. Still, one famous horse—"Old Billy," of Manchester, is said to have died at the age of 61. Elephants are full grown at 20, and old at 100, but sometimes attain 150, they are credited by Hindus with 300 years of life.

## Blizzard Hits City.

HOUSE LIFTED BY WIND. The Northeast storm which raged Saturday, did considerable damage in the city and suburbs. The wind was accompanied by rain and sleet and did considerable destruction to trees and shrubs, leaving many partly stripped of their leaves. Fences almost everywhere were blown down and the Higher Levels, near Mundy Pond Road, one new double house was lifted from its foundations and carried several feet away. Quite a number of houses had the felt stripped off their roofs. Whilst in other places glass was blown in, Telephone lines suffered damage also. Owing to wire interruptions reports from around the Coast are very meagre but it is expected that in exposed places many fishing premises have suffered severely.

## McMurdo's Store News.

Now that the Summer Vacation Season is commencing we can supply you with all your particular Toilet and other requirements to make your Holiday enjoyable, such as Cream of Lilies Best for Sunburn . . . . .30c Cream of Lilies The Real Skin Soap . . . . .35c Peppermint Tooth Paste . . . . .50c Doan's Tooth Brush . . . . .50c Hudnut's Face Cream . . . . .50c For the Complexion . . . . .80c Hudnut's Face Powder . . . . .1.10 A Great Favorite . . . . .1.10 First Aid Requisites. All Prices. Citronella Oil. For Mosquitoes . . . . .25c Tar Oil and Pennyroyal . . . . .30c

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## Fads and Fashions.

Tailored frocks for Fall are simple and straight in silhouette. The coat frocks will be favored. The latest sports sandals are woven of slender strips of leather in one color or two-tone effects. Narrow bands of white fringe trim a ratine-strippled cotton crepe frock in white and lettuce green. A single row of beads sewed to the extreme edge of a flowing sleeve of chiffon makes it hang more gracefully. To be strictly up to date the summer umbrellas must have a quite enormous handle with a heavy side strap.

are marched away to be sold. As many as ten thousand in one conveyance have been seen marching towards one slave market, where they are sold to the highest bidder.



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## Rhodes Scholarship for 1924.

The election of the Rhodes Scholar for 1924 will be completed in the last week of September next, when candidates must be prepared to appear before the Committee.

Applications with ten typewritten copies of certificates and recommendations must be lodged with the undersigned not later than Saturday the 15th of September next.

The following are the conditions under which candidates are eligible to compete:—

- They must be British subjects and unmarried.
- They or their parents must have been domiciled in the colony for five years immediately preceding the selection.
- They must have completed their second year at some recognised degree-granting University or College before going into residence at Oxford.
- They must have passed their nineteenth birthday, but not have passed their twenty-fifth birthday on October first of the year for which they are selected. (Birth certificates must be submitted).

Forms of application can be obtained from me at any time.

A. WILSON, Secretary, Council of Higher Education, June 20, 1923.

The quaint mitt of lace can be had in almost every fashionable shade and is quite charming with certain frocks. Chiffon dinner dresses grow shorter in length; all other costumes remain about the 'inches' from the ground.

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