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Show That Erection of Reservoirs Will Do All That Is Claimed For

Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 16.—That the the one a few feet from him. claims of the Pittsburgh Flood Com- A car came along and they boarded vented by the construction of storage side, which he straightaway took. An reservoirs has been authoritatively acquaintance of Kenneth's, thinking he the Ohio to become a part of the impertinence. greatest and most destructive flood 'The conductor approached them, and

since the studies and findings of the the girl was at that moment delving Flood Commission have been complet. in her handbag for her purse. been in operation on all the tribu- cool voice at his side. taries of the Allegheny and Monongamission has recommended the con to cancel the debt by simply handing struction of storage reservoirs. Com- me five cents?" hand regarding the part these tribu- decided, and again began to search taries played in producing the rise at for her purse. Pittsburgh, and Mr. Grant has shown conclusively that, had their flood waters been held back in storage reservoirs, as would have been the case if the reservoir system recommended by the Flood Commission had been in operation, the flood at Pittsburgh would have reached a height of only 17 feet, or 5 feet below the danger line of 22 feet. In other words the flood would have been lowered about 11 feet at Pittsburgh and the damage of about \$500,000 that took place within the city limits alone, as well as the very considerable losses that occurred at other points along the rivers above and below the city, would have been prevented.

As a natter of fact, such a marked reduction in flood height would naturally be expected, for the total volume of the flood wave above the danger line at Pittsburgh was only about 6,-000,000,000 cubic feet, whereas the total storage capacity of the proposed reservoir system is about ten times that amount. This large capacity is needed to control the great floods that e maximum of which at Pittsburgh took place in March, 1907, when a stage of 35.5 feet above the danger line at Pittsburgh question. was only about 26,000,000,000 cubic feet, or less than half the storage capacity of the proposed reservoir

The findings of Mr. Grant with regard to the 1912 flood at Pittsburgh are peculiarly valuable in bearing out the claims made by the Flood Commission as to the effective control the reservoir system they recommended would have had over past floods at Pittsburgh had it been in operation. These claims are based on studies in which certain assumptions had to be made, because, as already stated, comavailable. Gauging stations have now been in operation for several years on all these streams and the accurate data thus provided for Mr. Grant's study of the 1912 flood have most conclusively demonstrated the conservative character of the assumptions the Flood Commission had to make.

The favorable bearing of this important paper on the recommendations of the Flood Commission is of special interest at this time on account of the active awakening to the need of water conservation in Penn as chatting with a real, live American sylvania. The formation of the Pennsylvania Water Utilization association, which has for its object the framing and obtaining of legislation which shall bring about the fullest development of the water resources of shall assuredly go to my room," she the state and at the same time preserve and dedicate the benefits of such the living-room. development to all the citizens of the commonwealth, has been brought into existence largely because of the find favorite composers ings of the Pittsburgh Flood Commis-

The report of this commission, the most important and comprehensive no Elsa had appeared. "It is a rather document of this kind that has ever strange question, but i have a special been issued, shows such far-reaching benefits from river regulation by storage reservoirs, not only through flood prevention, but through the improvement of the low water flow for navigation, water supply, water power and sanitation that the problem is one demanding the state and national consideration and co-operation which the Water Utilization association is work and marry you, so that she could have ing to obtain.

Buckwheat. Buckwheat began to be cultivated in England in 1597. It had been brought to Europe from Asia 100 years

—"Feet and legs first; no feet no horse," says the Scotchman. He's about right on the subject Don't be carried away at first sight by a round, sleek well-turned body, mounted on post legs and shelby feet. Look at the ground first. If feet and legs and joints are acceptable the rest is very likely to be.

AT THE END OF THE LONG CAR RIDE

BY EDMUND MOBERLY.

Whenever he could do so without seeming rude, Kenneth Craig allowed his gaze to rest upon the girl who, like himself, stood waiting for a car. Important Developments After Publi- He was spending a few months at cation of Flood Commission Report home, after several years in the tropics. During those years, he had been able to associate with few of the women of his race, and he now found positive delight in the mere sight of such a radiant, tailor-made vision as

mission that floods in the Allegheny, it. It was well filled, and after she Monongahela and upper Ohio rivers had seated herself, there remained but and their main tributaries can be pre- one vacant seat—the place by her confirmed is shown in a paper pre- was accompanying the girl, bowed to pared for the American Society of him, at the same time raising his hat. Civil Engineers by Kenneth C. Grant, Kenneth returned the bow, and absentconsulting engineer of the Flood Com- mindedly followed the other's exam-Mr. Grant's paper deals ple as to the hat. In the next instant, mostly with the flood of March 22, he would have given anything to re-1912, which reached a height of 28.2 call his action, for he saw that she feet at Pittsburgh and passed on down had noted it, and construed it as an

that has ever visited the Mississippi when Kenneth handed him a dime, he promptly rang up two fares, assuming This flood is the first of any conse- the pair to be companions, and being quence that has occurred at Pittsburgh in blissful ignorance of the fact that

"Your paying my fare was an act

"Very well," he replied. "Shall I hela rivers upon which the Flood Com- call the conductor? Or do you prefer

"The latter method will serve," she

Suddenly she grew red and nervous. "I cannot find my purse; it isn't in sympathetic interest, we cannot hope to my bag," she faltered. "I'm very sorry," he replied, solicit-

ously polite. "Oh, it isn't the loss that I mind; it was but a small sum-but now I cannot cancel my obligation to you."

get it," he urged.

"Oh, very well. If you insist, here is my card. It has my address on it." The car stopped at his street, and when he left it, he was mildly surprised to see that she did the same. He bought a paper, and she passed him.

ahead. He tramped along, reading the headlines of his paper, and when he reached his home, he was amazed to see her standing on the front porch. "Are you following me?" she asked

defiantly, as he ascended the steps. "Not in the way you mean," he replied with a smile. "Then why do you come here?"

flood the volume of the flood wave he asked, answering question with that what we have already accomplished "Yes."

The card was quickly found. She betterment.

read it with a gasp. "You are Elsa Craig's brother," she exclaimed, in pretty confusion. "Oh, why didn't I look at this card before?" "And you are-?" he hinted.

"I'm Barbara Page, Elsa's roommate and chum at college.

Kenneth looked at her intently. "So you are Barbara Page," he said musplete information as to the flow of ingly. "Elsa wrote me much about the controlled tributaries was not you while I was in Brazil-but, by the way, you weren't expected until tomorrow, were you?"

"No; I am a day ahead. My father was traveling this way today, so I came as far as the city with him, leaving my baggage to follow."

"Elsa won't be home for an hour of two yet," he said, opening the door.

"Won't you come in?" "Will you go to your room, or will you bear me company in the livingroom until sister arrives?" he asked as they entered. "Such a pleasure girl has been almost entirely denied me during the last three years, and in view of the fact that you are in-

debted to me for the sum of-"If you start by mentioning that, I

She sang his favorite songs to him, and played the compositions of his

"Miss Page, did Elsa ever talk to you about me?" he asked, after an hour and a half had slipped by and reason for asking it."

"Oh, yes," she replied, "but I think I ought to go to my room now."
"Please hear me first," he said. "Last summer, when you and Elsa graduated, she wrote me that she could not bear separation from you, and that if I wished to prove myself a loving brother, I must come home you for a sister. I-I wish to prove myself a loving brother-

She started to flee, but found him in her path. "Please let me pass," she pleaded. "Two hours ago we had never seen

each other." There was a light step on the porch outside and someone entered the hall.
"Is that you, Elsa?" he called. "Yes, Ken," answered a voice out

side the door. "Come in here and persuade my future wife," he said, "to take me seriously as her future husband."

Telegraph and Telephone Co's Benefit System.

The new plan of benefits for disability due to accidents or sickness, of insurance and of pensions, went into effect with the

new year. Nearly 200,000 men and women who are now giving their best years to the telephone and telegraph service of the country, will henceforth be assured of assistance in the exigencies of life, for which all are not able to provide, and will also be assured of a provision for their declining years.

It is but natural that every employee should desire to assume the normal responsibitities of life and to surround himself and those dependent upon him with the things that make life complete and enjoyable. Unforseen happenings may make these responsibilities heavy burdens, and whatever may be put aside for the day of misfortune, must in the beginning be small and accumulated slowly. A realization that obligations must be met in times of misfortune, as well as in times of prosperity, has made the need of something beside merely an old age pension appear absolutely vital.

Employers buy and employees sell service. Perfect service is only to be found when fidelity and loyalty are reciprocal in employer and employee. It is this relationship that brings satisfaction and success to both.

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brella was not in the season.' "What do you mean?"

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