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HOW TO PREVENT TROUBLE WITH NEW HIGHWAY POLICE.

Harrisburg, Pa. — Pennsylvania's motor patrol will be on the road be-fore December 1.

The object of this patrol is to clear Pennsylvania highways of those drivers who violate the laws of those driv-ers who violate the laws of the State and the rules of the road. Motorists who wish to avoid arrest by the new patrol, it was suggested by the De-partment of Highways, should pay particular attention to the following:

Reckless Driving.—Reckless driv-ing is defined as driving and operating a motor vehicle so as to create a hazard to life, limb or property. This covers a wide range—from the oper-ation of a car with defective brakes ation of a car with defective brakes or glaring headlamps to cutting across traffic without a warning to cars in the rear; and includes any act or omission calculated to jeopardize the lives or property of others. The motor patrol will be particularly watchful for reckless drivers.

Speed.-So-called speed maniacs will be picked up, and those persons who travel at unreasonable rates on curves or toward the crests of hills.

Headlamps .-- Cars on which the headlamps are out of focus will be stopped and may not proceed until the bulbs are properly focused. The members of the motor patrol have received instructions as to focusing of bulbs and will aid the driver in making the adjustment. "One-eyed" cars will not be permitted to operate. The patrol cannot prevent bulbs from burning out, but motorists, being ac-customed to carry spare tires with them, will hereafter be required to carry extra bulbs, so that at all times their headlamps and taillamps will be burning.

Obscure Plates .-- Cars will not be permitted to operate on which the li-cense plates are obscured by bumpers or tire carriers. There are a number of makes of bumpers the general trend of which is to obscure license plates, and the operators will be compelled to replace their tags so that at all times, as required by law, they are plainly visible. Plates must be free from dirt. No driver will be permitted to operate his car who purposely bends the tag so that only four or five of the numerals can be read.

Brakes .- From time to time the motor patrol will stop automobiles and require a demonstration of brake conditions. If the brakes are not in proper adjustment the driver will be sent to the nearest garage and required to have them put in condition.

Weights .- The motor patrol will be watchful of those who overload their of an afternoon and gazing with bored trucks, and will prosecute drivers found to be carrying 250 pounds in bors. excess of the weight allowed for the various truck classes. The patrol will work in conjunction with the highway department's motor transport

Parking .--- The State Highway's rule siestas.

Hindu Female's Remarkable Show of Strength Due to Strange Power Taught Her by Fakirs.

AMAZING FEATS BY WOMAN

There have recently come to light some extraordinary feats of strength by a Hindu woman, which should cause men of today to think twice before referring to women as the weaker

The woman in question is Miss Tarabai, born some thirty years ago in a small village in Rajputana. At the age of seven she was left an orphan and adopted by fakirs (holy

men), with whom she remained for several years, disguised as a boy. It was by these men that she was initiated into the mysteries of breath control and the power of commanding

her physical and mental forces. Suspended between two chairs by her head and feet, Miss Tarabai has a large stone placed on her chest, while two men pound upon it with heavy sledge-hammers. But this did not affect her. Miss Tarabai then laid down upon

the ground and a cart laden with men and boys was drawn across her chest and arms. She was protected only by a pad, but she did not flinch. She thinks nothing of raising from the ground a stone weighing 240 pounds by means of ropes tied to her

hair. It is the remarkable power of directing all her energies she possesses to any particular part of her body at will that enables her to lie for several minutes on the sharp points of five spears and to push backward a laden cart by pressing with her head against the sharp point of a spear fastened to its shafts .- Strand Magazine.

CAT AND DOG LOSE ENMITY

Felines in New York Tenement Districts No Longer Show Fear, and Canines Ignore Them.

Even nature seems to be changing in this age of knickered flappers and cake eaters.

Remember when the sight of the lit tlest pug dog was a terror to the scampering cats? It isn't that way any more

Close living has changed the game. When the houses were rods apart the cat took no chances on the strange dog next door, but in the courts and back yards of the Bronx and Manhattan cliff dwellers one can see sometimes a dozen cats sunning themselves yellow eyes at the dogs of the neigh-The dogs seem more intent on their

daily airing than in worrying about cats. And the cats don't seem to allow fear to interrupt their afternoon

not nearly so many teeth-There scarred felines now as in the old days, state highway so as to interfere with when they ran from dogs. Puss, it the ordinary passage of two-way traf- would appear, has learned that ancient oriental proverb: "To escape danger,

ATTAINS LOWEST HEADLESS HORSEMAN RIDES

Ghost Goes Forth Nightly in Sleepy Hollow in Search of Head Lost in Battle.

The graveyard of the old Dutci. church, Tarrytown, N. Y., is described by Washington Irving at the beginning of the "Legend of Sleepy Hollow." "On the Tappan Zee there lies a small market town or rural port known by the name of Tarrytown. Not far from this village there is a little valley which is one of the quietest spots in the world. A small brook glides through it, with just murmurs enough to lull one to repose.

The enchanted region of Sleepy Hollow is haunted by the apparition of a figure on horseback, who in a mythical battle had lost his head.

"Certain of the more authentic historians," continues the author, "allege that the body of the trooper having been buried in the churchyard, the ghost rides forth to the scene of battle in nightly quest of his head, and that the rushing speed with which he sometimes passes along the Hollow is owing to his being in a hurry to get back to the churchyard before daybreak."

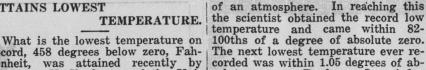
Just below the bridge flows the brook, and near the church bridge Ichabod Crane had his terrifying encounter with the headless horseman .-Detroit News.

record, 458 degrees below zero, Fahrenheit, was attained recently by Professor H. K. Onnes, of the University of Leyden, Holland. The bu-reau of standards in Washington pub-

lishes the facts concerning this achievement in telling of Professor Onnes' efforts to solidify helium gas. All other bases except helium having been liquefied and solidified, the Dutch savant turned to helium for

his record-breaking experiment. It will be recalled that helium gas is the lifting agent for the ZR-1, our navy's newest and greatest airship, and that it has the great merit of be-ing non-inflammable. For that reason alone it is priceless for the lighter-than-air flying machines, and America is the only country able to produce it in quantity. Professor Onnes used eighteen

pumps in parallel in his effort to establish the perfect vacuum that might solidify the helium gas. He nearly succeeded, for his pumps pro-duced an almost perfect vacuum, the pressure being only one 65,000th part



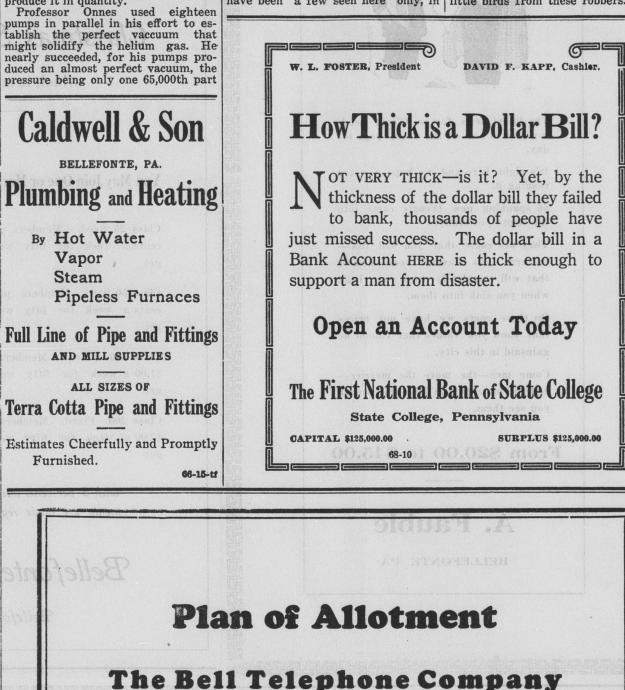
100ths of a degree of absolute zero. The next lowest temperature ever recorded was within 1.05 degrees of absolute zero, so Professor Onnes' fig-ures mark a new low record.—New York World.

WOODPECKERS FLY SOUTH.

Dr. B. H. Warren, of West Chester, former State ornithologist, has re-ceived a letter from his friend E. H. Forbush, State ornithologist, of Massachusetts, that for some reason the American three-toed woodpeckers, which have been very numerous in the Bay State, are having a flight and are leaving that section in large numbers, and will, no doubt, be found in considerable numbers in pine or cone bearing trees in Pennsylvania. There

former years. The late Dr. Isaiah Everhart, of Scranton, obtained two or three for his fine museum. They are not usually seen in this State, but evidently will stop here in their flight.

Speaking of birds, a few robins are still seen on the lawns of West Chester, the mild fall having caused them to defer their flight to the south, and blackbirds are still here, but the birds, which resemble the black birds and remain about the same time, are starlings, an English importation. The starling is not as black nor as long as the American black bird and are even more predatory than the native bird. The starling frequents the towns in winter and will be seen in the back yards as a garbage collector. In the spring they use the nests of other birds and deposit eggs in them and are robbers of wren nests. It is proper for lovers of birds to erect small bearing trees in Pennsylvania. There houses for the wrens to protect the have been a few seen here only, in little birds from these robbers.



HEAR MOANS IN MOUNTAINS Peculiar Sounds Heard in the Chilear Andes-Peak in England Screams.

A deep note to be heard at certain seasons of the year proceeding from the mountain of El Bramador, in the Chilean Andes, is one of the weirdest sounds in the world. In former days the natives listened to it with superstitious fear, while even a white man, hearing it for the first time, is startled at the mountain's "powers.' Another curious mountain exists in

Nevada, though this one usually gives out a note resembling at first the jingling of bells, and ending with a deep, organ-like swell.

In both cases the sounds are due to a peculiar formation of the earth, which under certain conditions of weather allows the separate particles to rub against each other and so produce uncanny effects.

In England is a mountain which howls in such a way that formerly it was supposed to be the haunt of demons. This is Cross Fell, in Westmoreland, where local conditions produce a gale with several peculiarities, including an awe-inspiring scream that at times can be heard for miles.

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will be rigidly enforced and no parking will be permitted on any fic. No exceptions will be made. No «car or truck may stop for any pur- go ye into the very heart of it. There sage of two-way traffic. Rule No. 2 will ye find safety."-New York Sun also covers the operation of cars at and Globe. curves or on hills.

Horse-Drawn Vehicles .-- The State Naw which requires that at night horse-drawn vehicles display a light will be rightly enforced.

Mirrors .- The motor patrol will require that the law be obeyed which compels either a clear vision to the rear or a mirror.

Spotlights.--No spotlight may be used the rays from which fall to the left of the center of the radiator.

Traffic Lines.—At curves or on hills where the state highway department has painted white traffic lines the motor patrol will insist that drivers stay on their own side of the white line; and immediate arrest will take place when drivers disfigure these lines when the paint is still wet.

Pedestrians .- The motor patrol is instructed that the right of pedestrians is as great as the right of vehicles. The patrol will suggest to pedestrians the advisability always of walking toward traffic rather than with traffic, as is now too frequently the case.

When a motorist is stopped by a patrolman, his driver's card will be so punched that thereafter it will be a record against him and this record will also show on the cards filled at Harrisburg.

The department will be particularly severe on reckless drivers. The law gives the highway commissioner power to revoke a license without warning, and cases of glaring reck-lessness when reported to Harrisburg will be followed immediately by loss of the offender's license.

The department announced that members of the new motor patrol will have headquarters in 26 Pennsylvania towns and cities.

The stations are as follows:

1At Factoryville, Doylestown, Stroudsburg, Downingtown, Lancas-ter, Pottsville, Harrisburg, Muncy, Towanda, Wellsboro, Lock Haven, Lewistown, Chambersburg, Bedford, Ebensburg, Clearfield, Coudersport, Warren, Brookville, Erie, Franklin, Butler, Creuchurg, Franklin, Butler, Greensburg, Uniontown, Washington and Wyoming. The patrolman stationed in the mu-

micipalities mentioned will cover the territory within a radius of 30 miles of their headquarters. This method will result in an overlapping which will in-

Another Kid Joke.

A little chap climbed on his fath-

Somewhat surprised, the sire ask-ed: "Why, what do you mean, son, de tricks?"

And in all innocence the little lad

Pawn Children in Liberia.

Girls are equivalent to money in Liberia, Sister Jennie Larmonth, who recently returned to Baltimore after five years' missionary work in Liberia, said the other day. She was stationed at Kpolopele, a three-day trip in hammocks, borne by negroes, from the coast.

When fathers of Liberia are in need of money they frequently pawn their daughters and sons, and seldom are they redeemed, Sister Jennie said. A girls is also worth a great deal to the native Liberian in the interior because the parents receive a dowry from her husband at her marriage, and even after the wedding they can, at any time, demand more from the

husband. "Girls are married at fourteen or sixteen. I once knew a native king," said Sister Jennie, "who had 150 wives."

"The Liberians have their native schools, where they are taught crafts, such as mat weaving, and where, it is said, they learn also the secret of their medicines and native dyes. The schools are in the 'bush,' as the natives call their forests."-Baltimore Sun.

It's All in the State of Mind. If you think you are beaten, you are. If you think you dare not, you don't. If you'd like to win, but think you can't

It's almost a cinch you won't. If you think you'll lose, you're lost, For out in the world we find Success begins with a fellow's will, It's all in the state of mind.

If you think you're outclassed, you

are; You've got to think high to rise, You've got to hustle before You can ever win a prize. Life's battles don't always go To the stronger or faster man: But soon or late the man who wins Is the one who thinks he can.

Alas, Poor Man!

A man accompanied by his wife entered a downtown clothing store to purchase a suit of clothes. The couple differed as to the material and the er's knee and said: "Daddy, can you style, and the wife lost her temper. "Oh; well," she said, turning away, "please yourself. I suppose you are the one who will wear the clothes." "Well," observed the husband, meek-

responded: "Well, mamma says that ly, "I didn't suppose you'd want to when you were young you used to wear the coat and vest."-Boston drink like a fish." Transcript.

island, a huge rock looms out of the sea. Sail Rock it is called, and it bears a startling resemblance to a ship. As I gazed upon it, says Mr. A. Hyatt Verrill in his book "In the Wake of the Buccaneers," I could not blame the bellicose captain of a French frigate who a century and more ago sighted the rock one night and, mistaking it for a privateer, ran close and hailed it. No response came back. Again he hailed, and as still no response came he blazed a broadside at the shadowy mass. Back came the echoing thunder of the cannonade, and the rebounding shot, falling on the frigate's deck, convinced the Frenchman that the privateer was returning his fire. For hours the battle raged: the

French gunners poured broadside after broadside at the massive cliff. Not until day dawned did the deluded commander of the frigate discover his mistake. Then, crestfallen and mortified, he crept away, leaving Sail Rock unscathed and triumphant.-Youth's Companion.

He Had Stolen Her Heart. Ellen, the cook, was of a suspicious nature. She distrusted mankind in general and banks in particular; she never banked her frugal savings. Part of her wages were hoarded in a stocking in some obscure corner of her room. Ellen's "gentleman friend" was the neighboring butcher, and as the friendship had proved enduring her mistress was not astonished when the girl announced her pending marriage.

"And I want to ask you, mum," said Ellen, "what's the best way to put my money in the bank?" Her mistress regarded her in astonishment. "Why, Ellen, I thought you didn't believe in banks!" "No more I do, mum," replied the girl, "but since I'm going to be married next week I kinder feel the money would be safer in the bank than in the house with a strange man about."-The Argonaut.

Fashions in Wives Vary.

Fashions in wives are not quite so capricious as fashions in clothesthey vary with decades instead of with seasons. It wasn't so long ago that the "ash-tray wife" was the most approved model of femininity. "Elizabeth" immortalizes her in "The Caravaners," we remember: "Indeed, the perfect woman does not talk at all. Who wants to hear, her? All that we ask of her is that she shall listen intelligently when we wish, for a change, to tell about our own thoughts, and that she should be at hand when we want anything. Surely this is not much to ask. Matches, ash trays, and one's wife should be, so to speak, on every table; and I maintain that the perfect wife copies the conduct of the matches and the ash trays, and combines being useful with being dumb."

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