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OUTLINES HIS WOES IN STYLE OF DAVID

English Clergyman Tells of Tribulations.

To write a modern parody of the Psalms of David has been often tried, but seldom with much success beyond achieving an occasional smart phrase without real application or point. Un deterred by the previous failures of others, however, a much perturbed London clergyman has sought this vehicle for the easing of the woes that beset his soul, and by the judicious use of solemn language diluted with a liberal allowance of up-to-the-minute slang, he has accomplished something that may, perhaps, be regarded as worth while. Thus, complaining of those who resent his air of solemnity. he writes as follows:

"Be he grave or serious in his demeanor: seeking to uphold the dignity of his cloth.

"He is said to be standoffish, 'pi,' and uppish: yea, the ungodly call him "Holy Joe."

Similarly, he finds that, if he tries to be gay, greeting all and sundry with a merry jest, there are many whom he displeases, so that, in respect of his demeanor, he is very like the old man in the fable of "The Old Man and His Ass," who, trying to please everybody, ended up by pleasing nobody and lost his ass into the bargain. This good clergyman has his problems also with young men and maidens, for if he holds aloof from them they mislike him much:

"So that when to him they should turn as to a friend in need, with them he cutteth no ice."

It is, however, when he seeks to in terfere with the widespread habit of tippling that he gets into really hot water:

"Again, if beholding overmuch inremperance in his flock: he exhorteth all men to abstain from strong drink. "He is said to be a killjoy and in-

auman: a very Stiggins whose mind is straightened. "But if he entereth a tavern and

putteth his foot upon the rail of brass: there be those who say, 'Behold a wine-bibber.'

"So when he bloweth froth, he committeth iniquity: and when he bloweth It not, he is like a sinner."

The conclusion to which the parson comes, surrounded by perplexities so dire, is doubtless the best thing in his Twentieth-century psalm:

"Let the servant therefore walk in the steps of his Master: and care nought for the opinion of men."

It is an undoubtedly wise decision

TREE RINGS CLEWS TO HISTORY AND WEATHER

Life Story Is Revealed in **Own** Cross-Section.

Washington.-Announcement by Dr. A. E. Douglass of the University of Arizona that the study of the sequence of tree rings is likely to be of value in long-time weather forecasting recalls that tree rings already have furnished valuable clews to dating pro-Columbian history of America.

This method was used in conjunction with pottery types in fixing the time when Pueblo Bonito, New Mexico, flourished as the metropolis of America in the years before 1492. Trees Our Oldest Inhabitants.

Dr. Neil M. Judd, leader of the National Geographic society expeditions to Pueblo Bonito, with whom Doctor Douglass collaborated in applying his method to the Pueblo Bonito ruins. writes:

"The oldest living things in America are its big trees, the sequoias of the Sierra Nevada. The pines and junipers of Arizona and New Mexico are much younger than the sequoias; but, like the latter, they are older than any other living thing in their own neighborhood. Some of these upland trees are between four hundred and five hundred years of age, and it is not at all improbable that still older ones may be found.

"The life history of almost every tree is revealed by its own-cross section, this year's growth being recorded by a new ring. If any given year has been one of scanty rainfall, the particular ring for that year will be relatively thin; and, conversely, if the rainfall has been abundant, there will be a corresponding increase in the thickness of the annual ring.

'Periods of drought or excessive moisture, it has been learned, tend to repeat themselves at fairly regular intervals, resulting thus in a more or less orderly sequence of thick and thin annual rings which do not vary, to, any marked degree, in all the trees of any one district.

'Certain of these ring series possesses individual features that quickly identify them, no matter in what locality they may be found, and these are naturally utilized by the investigator as 'keys' to the problem he is seeking to solve. And what is true of living trees is likewise true of dead trees, and beams or roofing timbers from prehistoric ruins, like Pueblo Bonito.

"From the foregoing it will be ob tious that if any overlapping series of annual rings can be discoveredthat is, if a given sequence of rings can be found both in a beam from Pueblo Bonito and in a tree still living-it will be possible to date the former with reasonable exactness.

Tree Calendar's "Missing Link."

Any Story About Dogs Finds Ready Believers

A dispatch from Winsted, Conn., tells a tale of a fifteen-year-old dog, belonging to a Winsted resident, who, finding himself alone in the house and becoming lonely, went to the telephone, knocked the receiver off and barked into the mouthpiece until companionship came in response to the appeal.

The ark probably produced the first dog story, but unfortunately we do not know what it was. Scripture is silent on the subject. From the time of the Flood onward, however, there have been dog stories in rapid succession, most of which still are to be found on record in the baked brick or the papyrus records of the ancients. There were tales of dogs in the semiancient, medieval and modern times. Everybody likes a dog story and everybody tells them. The dog always has had his day.

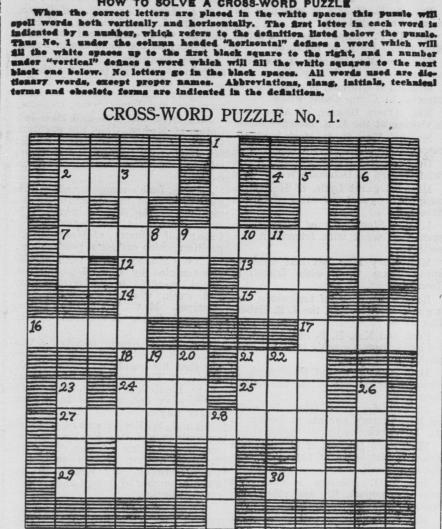
It is just 100 years ago this year as the record goes that Alfred Jingle told his story of a usually obedient hunting dog that refused to enter a certain field even under the urging of calls and whistles from his master. When the master jumped the fence he found the dog looking at a sign which read, "Any dog found in this field will be shot." That yarn of Alfred Jingle's was at least 500 years old before Jingle gave it to the ears of listeners unlearned in dog lore.

There is another dog story which they tell in newspaper circles in England daily and have been telling ever since newspapers first were printed. A dog was sent every evening by his master to bring his favorite paper from a dealer half a mile distant. As they tell the story in England the names of the newspapers are changed to suit the occasion. When it was heard the last time the dog's master was a subscriber to the Times. One day copies of the Times had not been received by the dealer. He offered the dog a Daily Telegraph, which the log promptly refused to take.

There is nothing at all unbelievable about the tale of the Winsted dog. If occasion had required it he probably would have dropped a nickel in the slot and given the correct number, and then would have uttered a canine curse if he got the busy signal.

Spoke With Authority

The boulevards were perfumed with the odor of flowers. Two weeks of golden sun had brought the first abundant harvest. Near the Madeleine church carts were buried under violets, jasmine and lilacs. Every Parisian was buying a "bottle." A rubicund parish priest from the country on the way to the station stopped to select a little bouquet. He examined the wares of a big red-faced woman, but apparently not quite satisfied, he made as if to go to another stall. Then we heard the flower seller say: "Monsieur le cure, whatever you do, don't buy of that woman next to me. She has no conscience; you will be cheated; she is a good-fornothing." "Ah, but," replied the old nothing." "Ah, but," replied the old awards remaining on the present year schedule, Souders will be compelled to of your neighbor, my good friend." But the flower seller quickly added to support her opinion: "I know her; she is my own daughter, that!"-Pierre Van Paassen, in the Atlanta



HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

(C, 1926, Western Newspaper Union.)

Horizontal. 2-Propagative portion of a plant 1-Former ruler of Russia -Mast -Having form of a bowl 2—A bag 3—Annoyed 12—Large body of water 13—Woman's origin 5-Doctrine of uncertainty 6-What all roads lead to 14—Perfect golf 15—Period of time 8-A beverage 9—Aural appendage 10—Wrath 16—To be foolishly fond 17—A literary composition 11-Kind of tree 19-A short poem 18-To propel a boat 19—Long piece of hard wood 24—A girl's name 20-State of hostility 21-Call for help 25-An unctuous combustible sub-22—A wooden tub 23—A liquid measure 26—Seaweed 28—Way of departure 29-Rise and fall of ocean 30-Arabian ruler

Solution will appear in next issue

National Championship Might be Decided at Altoona on Labor Day.

George Souders, modest young west coast automobile race pilot, now leading the entire American roster in earned championship points for the 1927 season will compete with his rivals in the 200 mile national championship race here on Labor day.

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Credited with a total of 1000 points, and the intrepid little Italian driver Peter DePaolo trailing in second place with 940 points, the clash in Altoona which offers the winner 400 additional points, will greatly en-danger the position of the leader.

Harry Hartz, who was acclaimed the heavy money winner and declared champion during the past season

Overdoing?

Hurry, Worry and Overwork Bring Heavy Strain.

MODERN life throws a heavy burden on our bodily machinery. The eliminative organs, especially the kidneys, are apt to become sluggish. Retention of excess uric acid and other poisonous waste often gives rise to a dull, languid feeling and, sometimes, toxic backaches and headaches. That the kidneys are not functioning perfectly is often shown by burning or scanty passage of secretions. More and more people are learning to assist their kidneys by the occasional use of Doan's Pills-a stimulant diuretic. Ask your neighbor!

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"Hand Shague" Common

"Hand shague," which caused President Coolidge to carry his hand in a bandage as a result of too much handshaking, is a very troublesome complaint, according to medical men. It belongs to the family of writers' cramp and tennis knee and other complaints that can be traced to a definite pursuit. Many persons in public life have suffered from it. Only the other day Mrs. Stanley Baldwin, wife of the British premier, suffered an attack of it after shaking hands with 600 women at a political meeting. The prince of Wales suffered from it badly on each of his tours to distant parts of the empire. Lloyd George and the earl of Oxford and Asquith have both been laid up with it. And Bernard Shaw has been heard to declare that he will never risk it again.

The Unkindest Cut

After months of careful nurturing, the fledgling mustache was just beginning to be noticeable on the lip of its proud young possessor, who walked manfully into the barber shop and demanded a shave. The hot towels were soothing and he half napped as the conscientious barber scraped off fuzz and lather with practiced strokes. The process completed, the youth roused himself and glanced into the mirror at his clean-shaven lip. Consternation flushed beneath the talcum

"Where is my mustache?" he exclaimed.

"I haven't seen it," replied the puzaled barber.

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Using Wireless Power New York .- Nicola Tesla, inventor of the alternating system of power transmission, in an interview on his seventy-first birthday predicted that airplanes and airships would circle the world driven by light electric motors receiving their power by wireless transmission from generating stations on earth.

Power for manufacturing and for light and heat, he believes, will flow freely through the air from central generating stations to wherever it is needed.

"I have already demonstrated experimentally that I can transmit power by wireless half way around the earth without losing one-half of 1 per cent of it," he said.

Such a direct connection, however. with no intervening links in our time chain from the beams of prehistoric Pueblo Bonito to the living trees of northern New Mexico, is rather beyond the range of possibilities; the explorer's task is rarely quite so easy as that.

'It seems necessary, therefore, in the present case, to find a 'connecting link' in this time chain, and that was the especial object of a subsidiary expedition authorized by the research committee of the National Geographic society in connection with the exploration of Pueblo Bonito.

'Cross-sections from 49 timbers un arthed during the explorations of two seasons were examined by Doctor Douglass with very instructive results. These beams, taken from the eastern portion of Pueblo Bonito, all seem to have been cut within a period of 12 years.

"Some timbers exposed in the northwestern quarter of the ruin, however, were cut several years earlier, thus corroborating the archeological evidence previously presented."

Cemetery Centuries Old

Found, History Unknown Chester, Pa.-Curiosity-seekers have discovered an abandoned burying ground near here, said to be the oldest in the section, as dates of 1698, 1704 and 1735 are decipherable on the few remaining stones, which also show the family names of Ford and Smith.

The two-century-old cemetery is located in two states, Pennsylvania and Delaware, as the Mason and Dixon line runs directly through the property, located in the most southern part of Lawncroft cemetery, on the Wilmington pike. A cluster of trees stand guard at the rapidly vanishing plot, which is on a hill, overlooking the valley between the two states. Inquiry fails to find anyone to relate its history.

Origin of Shoemaking

Traced Back to Egypt New York .- It may boot little to you that the origin of shoes has been traced to Egypt, through the footwear taken from mummies in public museums, but in the days when "woman bangled her arms, bingled her hair and bungled her face," as Homer or Herodotus put it, she always was careful to "tittivate her toes," asserts Dr. Frank H. Vizetelly.

The Israelites wore sandals. The early Chaldeans wore neither sandals nor shoes, but shoes were not unknown to the Assyrians even in the earliest period, for they were indicated on the feet of foreign tribute bearers as early as the Black Obelisk king, Shalmaneser.

Reduces Accidents

Constitution.

Braking by electricity-the newest idea in street and interurban railway operation-is cutting down car accidents materially. A number of railways throughout the land are equipping cars with the magnetic airbrakes. A car so equipped carries flat shoes each about two inches wide with the face suspended above the top of the rail. When the power is appliedusually in emergencies-these shoes drop and the electric power stops the car in one-third the time required by airbrakes alone.

Direct Rail to Mexico

When the Southern Pacific of Mexco connects its rails at Salsu Puede bridge in the Barrancas (deep gorges) on the Jalisco-Nayarit state line, the western American states will be given direct rail communication with the Mexican capital. One may then depart from any point in the United States, travel down the west coast of Mexico to Mexico City, connect there with the railway to the Guatemalan frontier and thence continue on narrow-gauge rails into Central America.

Try Budgets on Babies

Economics experts at the Univerity of Nebraska have worked out a system of household budgets for fiveyear-old girls. Early training in the budget system, the home economics ladies think, will prevent many future homes from ending on the rocks. The Woman's Home Companion suggests facetiously that the training should begin still earlier-"and perhaps soon, at a certain important family event, the official attendants will include a doctor, a nurse and a budget expert."

Sharks to Be Capitalized

A new industry, which will depend apon the shark for its products is to be established in New Zealand. Products obtained from the shark include leather, a fertilizer, valuable oll, glue and a substance from the pancreatic gland for medicinal purposes. The aim of the promoters of the enterprise, among whom are some of the foremost men in the country, is to secure a daily catch of 1,000 sharks, which abound in New Zealand waters.

enjoys third place in the lineup with a total of 595 points.

Considering the limited number of earn additional point credits to assure his lead which was accomplished in the sensational victory at Indianapo-

The Altoona race on Labor day, to-gether with the events at Charlotte and Salem tracks later in the season, present a trio of remaining point awarding contests. From these races the final awards of championship rating will be based.

These pilots will doubtless prove dangerous competitors should Lady Luck acclaim them victors in either

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of the remaining contests. With these facts in mind, it will remain for George Souders to renew his onward dash to victory at Altoona.

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The ninth championship contest at Altoona promises its usual thrilling aspect, and will afford Peter De-Paolo, second place holder, an portunity of assuming the lead in the championship point race, if he repeats his victory of June 11th.

-A good variety of feeds in the grain mixture will be appreciated by It is noted that Leon Duray and Earl DeVore occupy fourth and fifth placs respectively in the national meal and cottonseed meal.

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