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THE SEA GULL MONUMENT

ROM Texas comes the announcement that if present plans are carried out a monument is to be erected on the state capital grounds at Austin as a memorial to the wild mustang which played such an important part in the development of Texas

and the whole Southwest. The movement for such a memorial was started by a Fort Worth citizen, and at his suggestion a fund of \$50,000 with which to erect the monument is being raised among the ranchmen of the

Up in Alaska last year a bronze plaque, bearing a bas-relief of a mule and a horse, was dedicated by the Ladies of the Golden North, an auxlliary of the Alaska-Yukon Pioneers, to perpetuate the memory of the faithful pack animals, both mules and horses, who lost their lives on the White Pass trail during the Klondike gold rush days. With Gov. George A. Parks of Alaska and George Black, member of the Canadian parliament from Yukon territory, officiating, the dedication took place near Inspiration Point above the famous Dead Horse

These two memorials are the latest. but by no means the only ones which have been erected to honor members of the equine world. Go down to Lexington, Ky., and drive out along the Winchester pike until you come to Hamburg Place, the farm of J. E. Madden. Nestling in a little grove of trees on this farm is what is thought to be the only cemetery for horse celebrities in the world. Dominating the grassy plot of ground of less than an acre and enclosed by a stone wall stands a statue of a horse. Upon the foundation on which the statue stands is this inscription, "Nancy Hanks 2:04." For this is the last resting place of the world champion trotter from 1892 to 1894.

Nor is Nancy the only great horse honored in this "Resting Place of Celebrities" or "Westminster abbey of the Turf." as this graveyard is called. Another monument marks the grave of Hamburg Belle, whose world's race record of 2:011/2 stood for many years and whose victory over the great Uhlan at Cleveland in 1909, when she stepped two heats in 2:011/4 and 2:01%, is a classic in American harness racing. Other stones tell the name and fame of Miss Kearney, the mether of Zev, winner of the International race of 1924; Plaudit, winner of a Kentucky derby; Silicon, 2:131/2. dam of Siliko, trotting champion of Europe; Major Delmar, 1:59, the trotting marvel of his time; Ida Pickwick, rnown as the "Queen of the West"; Ogden and Plaudit, both famous turf names; Star Shoot, for five consecutive years the running world's leading sire; Imp, "the Black Whirlwind," credited with winning 60 races, thus earning the title of "Queen of the East," and Lady Sterling, famous as the mother of Sir Barton and Sir

Hidden away in a field near Crown Point, N. Y., stands a simple granite monument, rundorned and unmarked

except on one side where is chiseled | this inscription:

METTORIAL TO GERMANY'S WAR DOGS

"Died Sunday, May 25, 1886, age 30 years. This horse carried his master 25 years and was never known to show fatigue while other horses in cavalry and flying artillery were dying from want of food and exhaustion. He was present in 88 skirmishes and 34 battles, notably Winchester, Orange Courthouse, Second Bull Run, Hanover, Penn.: Gettysburg, Hanover, Va.; Brandy Plains, Buckland Mills, The Wilderness, Spotsylvania Court House, North Anna, Ashland, White Oak Swamp, Reams Station."

The master was Brig. Gen. John Hammond, who served through the Civil war in Company H of the Fifth New York cavalry and whose name went on the roll of honor for meritorious service. And each Memorial day the grave of this equine "hero" is decorated along with the graves of the human warrior dead.

Even more traditional than love of man for his horse is his love for his dog. So it is not surprising that in various parts of the world may be found monuments erected to the memory of "man's best friend." Most famous of these, perhaps, is Lord Byron's monument to his Newfoundland, Boatswain, in Newstead abbey in Nottingham, England.

In Central park in New York city stands a bronze statue of a dog which commemorates an incident that has become a part of the heroic legend of America. For this is the statue of Balto, an important member of the dog team which Leonhard Seppala drove over those 675 snowy miles, from Nenana to Nome, Alaska, carrying his precious load of diphtheria serum to a frozen city in the throps of the epidemic, while the whole world awaited with breathless interest to hear the result of his race against death. And a similar bronze statue is soon to stand either in the Tiergarten or Under den Linden in Berlin which will perpetuate the memory of the Red Cross dogs who served so heroically in the World war.

It is not especially unusual, perhaps, for man to erect monuments to his two best friends, the horse and the dog, but it is unusual for him to erect a monument to a cow. For that reason the statue of Segls Pietertje Prospect, a Holstein cow, which stands over her grave on the banks of the Snoqualmie river near Seattle, Wash., is unique among memorials. The reason for this honor is explained by the inscription on the bronze tablet at the base of the statue. It reads as fol-

"Here lived and gave her service to mankind Segis Pietertje Prospect. world's champion milk cow. Born 1913, died 1925. Twice she registered production records that set her fame above all dairy cattle of any age. In each of two years sl.e. exceeded 16,500 quarts of milk, 1,400 pounds of butter, yielding for the two a total of 33,922 quarts of milk, 2,865.18 pounds of butter. Sired by a king and of purest Holstein strain, she herself bore sons and daughters of champion achievement. Finest type of the noble, patient animal that is most justly named 'The Foster Mother of the Human Race,' her queenly worth deserved the gratitude in which this tribute is erected by her owner, Carnation Milk Farms, 1928."

In Salt Lake City, Utah, stands a lofty granite column, on top of which is a large granite ball upon which two bronze birds, covered with gold leaf. are gently alighting. On the four sides of the base are bronze tablets, three bearing bas-relief scenes of pioneer days in the Salt Lake valley. One shows the beginning of agriculture in the arid West-a pioneer and his family and a voke of oxen at work reclaiming the desert soil. The second shows the wheat fields overrun by crickets. The pioneer man sits with bowed head, on his face a look of helplessness and grief. But the pioneer woman is lifting up her face to the skies as she sees a miracle about to take place. Winging over the mountains into the valley come a great flock of gulls. The third bronze shows the harvest days. The gulls have devoured the crickets, the crops are saved and the pioneers in the wilderness will have bread. On the fourth tablet are these words: "Sea Gull Monument. Erected in grateful remembrance of the mercy of God to the Mormon pioneers." Thus this monument is an everlasting story in stone of one of the most beautiful and dramatic incidents in American historythe story of how the gulls saved the wheat fields of Utah in 1848.

While monuments to horses, dogs, cows and gulls are unusual enough, there is one monument which is absolutely unique. There is only one monument in the world to cheese! It stands near the little city of Vimoutiers in the Camembert district of Normandy, France, on the farm of a certain Beau Moncel, where lived during the latter half of the Eighteenth century Marie Harel, who is credited with being the inventor of Camembert cheese. Not only is the fame of this Norman milk maid commemorated by this stone shaft on the farm where she worked, but in Main Place in the city of Vimoutiers Itself is a statue of her, back of which is a stone basrelief showing the farmhouse on the Marcel farm, where she was born in 1761, where she lived until her death to 1817 and where she made the new kind of cheese which is now known the world over.

These monuments were erected through the efforts of a New York doctor, Joseph Knrim. For many years he conducted a sanatorium in New York, where the only medicine he gave his patients for all kinds of stomach ailments was Pilsener beer and Camembert cheese. Because of his gratitude to the inventor of the cheese with which he made so many people well and saved their lives, he made a romantic pilgrimage to Vimoutiers a year or so ago, and the result was this most unusual of all monv-

## ommunity Building

Appearance Adds Much

to Value of Property I do not think, says a real estate expert, writing in the Washington Star, there is an owner of any kind of goods who will get the same angle on maintenance as do some property owners. A storekeeper maintains his place of business in the most attractive fashion and presents his stock in such a way as to interest buyers. The property owner in many cases appears to feel that it is not necessary to keep a property modern or maintain it in good condition to either sell or rent it. There are innumerable cases that could be cited wherein an expenditure of a few dollars on a property has added a thousand dollars to its selling price or greatly increased the return from its rental. Persons buying or renting real estate are influenced just as much by the condition of the stock or property which they have in mind as are the buyers of any other commodity.

Proper maintenance of real estate is a factor in the sale or rental of it that cannot be disregarded by the owner except at a financial loss to himself. There is no better time to give active interest to this subject than now. Spring is a forerunner of blossom and bloom, and it can be made just such a season for the property owner who will adequately maintain his real estate, because from such action on his part a profitable buyer or a desirable tenant may blossom and bloom as the result.

Commence Work on Lawn

as Early as Possible

In the spring, lawns should be firmed by rolling several times. On a day when rain is anticipated, an application of equal parts of sifted wood ashes and ground bone meal at the rate of five pounds per 100 square feet will provide a splendid top dressing. A little good garden loam, mixed with the fertilizer, will bring good results.

Get your lawn done as soon as weather conditions permit proper working of the soil. Seed sown early will get established before hot weather, and will compete better with weeds out. This may be a matter of some

Lawns about new houses are usually composed of excavation earth, and must be fertilized and have rich topsoil added. Even where the original level is preserved, building operations will have resulted in hard, beaten soil about the house, which must be plowed or spaded. The inevitable result is a crop of weeds, whose seeds are contained in the soil turned up. If you have this experience, just keep the weeds from seeding-another year will see very few recur.

Tribute to Progression

The editor of this newspaper was a visitor in Opp recently. We were much pleased to note the progressive spirit in evidence there. They have now completed their street paving. They have erected many new business houses and improved and enlarged others. There is attractiveness about many of the stores there that would do credit to any city. The business men of Opp have always shown a progressive spirit. The fine women of that city also take an interest in the civic well-being of Opp. The city is clean and the lawns are well kept and there is everywhere a manifestation of community pride which is heartening to the observing visitor.-Andalusia (Ore.) Star.

Plan City From Start

Smaller communities may find in larger cities some very forceful arguments to commend a policy of correcting errors before errors pass beyond the point of correction. City planning and zoning contribute to beauty and convenience and community efficiency as well as increasing and safeguarding property values. City planning remains city planning up to a certain point of progress, then it becomes city rebuilding. It is easy to train a twig, but difficult and often impossible to change a tree.

Beautify Highways

Garden clubs are taking their activities to the state highways in an effort to beautify these for the pleasure of passing motorists. At a recent meeting of the Garden club of Georgia at Atlanta it was decided the club would sponsor the beautificaton of the highway between Atlanta and Rome, a nearby town, with shrubbery and

Houses Behind Times

Everywhere about us we see change and progress. Farming, manufacturing, office methods improve almost daily. No longer is anything impossible of accomplishment. No precedent is so strong that it cannot be broken. Yet in this age of fast movement some 12,000,000 homes remain as they were built, anywhere from 15 to 100 years

Consider Front Yard

It is typically American to want to appear well to others. Why not start in the front yard? It is here that the passer-by gains his impression of the home. What sort of an impression does your front yard make?--Ex-

## **Doctor's PRESCRIPTION** when system is sluggish; costs nothing to try

When your bowels need help, the mildest thing that will do the work is always the sensible choice. Take a laxative that a family doctor has used for all sorts of cases of constipation. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is so pleasant to the taste, so gentle in its action, it is given children of tender age and yet it is just as thorough and effective as stronger preparations. Pure senna, and harmless laxative herbs; ingredients that soon start a gentle muscular action. Avoid a coated tongue, bad breath, bilious headaches, etc. Every drug store has Dr. Caldwell's famous prescription in big bottles. Or just write Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, Monticello, Ill., for a free trial bottle.



Add similes: As useless as compiling an index to Webster's una- it is to keep it ventilated by funbridged dictionary.

Bees Act as Ventilators In every hive are bees whose duty

ning their wings.

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Children

Children will fret, often for no apparent reason. But there's always one sure way to comfort a restless, fretful child. Castoria! Harmless as the recipe on the wrapper; mild and bland as it tastes. But its gentle action soothes a youngster more surely than some powerful medicine that is meant for the stronger systems of adults.

That's the beauty of this special children's remedy! It may be given the tiniest infant-as often as there is any need. In cases of colic, diarrhea, or similar disturbance, it is invaluable. But it has everyday uses all mothers should

Blessed are the peace makers. have to watch them.

understand. A coated tongue calls for a few drops to ward off constipation; so does any suggestion of bad breath. Whenever children don't eat well, don't rest well, or have any little upset-this pure vegetable preparation is usually all that's needed to set everything to right's. Genuine Castoria has Chas. H. Fletcher's signature on the wrapper. Doctors prescribe it.

Whether you loan a friend your When you are in a fight, you don't last dollar depends on what he

## Says Men Want Pals, Not Patients!

CHE was engaged! She was the A round of teas and parties, a whirl of pleasure, and she began to wonder what was the matter. Too tired to go out-and he-

was he becoming tired of her? It was at this point that Miss Margaret Belden of Los Angeles woke up to the fact that something had to be done about it. "Men want pals, not patients" she writes. "I went right to my doctor. Do you know what he said? Rest-and Nujol!

and Nujol in my medicine cabinet I began to fight back to | ful drugs, but normally, naturally, being the healthy, robust, happy girl I had been before. Two months passed. No more tears-no more worrying, no more bad dreams. Today I beat him on the tennis court, and although he can out-swim me, I make him work doing it. It's good to be happy. It's good to be free, physically, and be able to share, any time, in sports or dancing or anything else with the one you love!"

Here's another one who has learned that the simplest and surest way to be well and full of good spirits is to clear the bodily poisons out of your system regularly. Not with power-

"With a prayer in my heart

easily. Doctors and nurses recommend such a natural treatment as Nujol. because this crystal-clear liquid isn't a medicine at all! It cannot harm even a little baby! It contains absolutely no drugs. It is simply internal lubrication that your body needs like any other machine.

Good looks and good spirits-do they spell popularity? You know they do! Get a bottle of Nujol tonight in any drug store. Sold in sealed packages only-trademarked "Nujol." Insist on Nujol by name. It costs but a few cents-and it will make you feel like a million dollars.

There are two things a man takes with misgivings: Advice and medi-

Talcum

The law provides more ways of escaping punishment than of inflicting it.



