

The SANDMAN STORY

ABOUT ZOO ANIMALS

"THERE are certain months in the year I like," said Mrs. Bison, otherwise known as Mrs. American Buffalo.

"And what, pray tell, are they?" asked Mrs. European Bison.

"Mrs. European Bison is of the buffalo family and is a near relative of Mrs. American Buffalo. Her legs are longer, her body shorter, her hair on her head and back is not so thick, while the hair on the end of her tail is thicker.

She is a good deal shorter on the whole.

Mr. and Mrs. European Bison lived in a yard adjoining that of the American Buffalo family. They were all quite friendly.

"Tell me," said Mrs. European Bison, "why you are so fond of certain months of the year."

"I will do that gladly," said Mrs. Bison, or Mrs. American Buffalo. She was usually known as Mrs. Bison while



"Here is My Darling Bennie Buffalo."

her neighbor was always called Mrs. European Bison.

"Also please tell me which months they are," Mrs. European Bison further requested.

"That I will do gladly, too," said Mrs. Bison. "The months I like are the late spring and early summer months. I believe they call them July, June and May."

"They do," said Mrs. European Bison, "but you are speaking of them backwards. Folks usually speak of them forwards."

"Foolish!" grunted Mrs. Bison. "What care I for folks! Nothing! There!"

"Do continue with your tale," said Mrs. European Bison.

"My tail is quite long enough," said

Mrs. Bison. She was a little bit angry.

"I didn't mean your tail—I meant your story. They are the same words when you pronounce them, but have different meaning, according to the way you spell them."

"But you didn't spell them," said Mrs. Bison.

"I thought you understand from the way I used the word. Well, don't let's argue. Go on with your story."

"I like the months I have mentioned," said Mrs. Bison, "because they are the months when the baby buffaloes are born into the big world or this big zoo.

"I shed my coat in the spring and am all ready to look my best. See? Here is my darling Bennie Buffalo," she ended proudly, as she pointed to a buffalo calf not far away. She was certainly a very proud mamma.

Not far away from these yards there was a tree in which was the Raccoon house. And in this tree Daddy Raccoon was now talking with pride.

The little raccoons were twisting their bushy tails and smiling such nice, pleasant happy smiles.

"We have ten rooms in this house," said Daddy Raccoon, and Mrs. Raccoon smiled, too. "It's a very good-sized house and they wanted to show us the honor of giving us a fine home because they think we're an addition to the zoo, and because we're smart. They like our tricks and ways."

"The house is no trouble to take care of," and Mrs. Raccoon, "for the keeper sees that it is kept warm and clean and also sees that the rain can't come in."

"He makes your housekeeping very easy, doesn't he?" asked Mr. Raccoon.

"He does, indeed," said Mrs. Raccoon. "Underneath our house there is our dining room of a nice wooded floor which he always keeps clean, too."

"Yes," said Daddy Raccoon, "and he brings us our food. You don't have to think of the marketing or what you will get for dinner, or anything like that. Nor do I have to think of it!"

"In other words," said Mrs. Raccoon, "to live in the zoo is to live where housekeeping is made easy."

"No worries, no thoughts of where we shall get the next meal."

"Just sleeping and eating and enjoying our smooth tree and each other all the days of our raccoon lives."

"These are our joys and our comforts."

And Daddy Raccoon and all the little raccoons agreed to what Mrs. Raccoon said.

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Claudette Colbert



This charming featured player whose motion picture work has been confined to a studio at Long Island soon is to start work on a new picture yet untitled. On the screen Mica Colbart's latest pictures are "The Big Pond" and "Young Man of Manhattan."

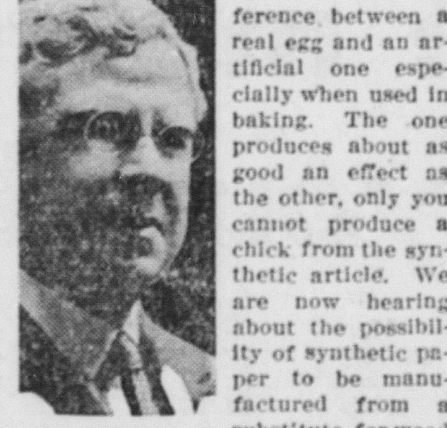
For Meditation

By LEONARD A. BARRETT

A SYNTHETIC WORLD

IN ALMOST any store you can purchase today artificial silk and artificial wool. Many articles are offered for sale manufactured from artificial leather and artificial horsehair. You can buy synthetic drugs from any drug counter. The essence of wintergreen is very expensive, but the artificial article is comparatively cheap and is as effective as the genuine drug.

It is very difficult to detect the difference between a real egg and an artificial one especially when used in baking. The one produces about as good an effect as the other, only you cannot produce a chick from the synthetic article. We are now hearing about the possibility of synthetic paper to be manufactured from a substitute for wood pulp. Even synthetic gasoline has been suggested, and when electricity has been successfully subtracted from the sunlight, and properly controlled for distribution, the problem of heating and lighting as well as horse power for the world's machinery will be much simplified.

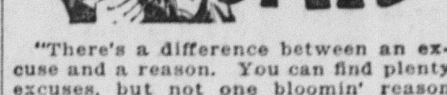


L. A. Barrett.

The last and perhaps most interesting contribution to the field of synthetic products is rubber. Rubber is used in such a variety of articles that it has been estimated this year's demand will exceed 800,000 tons of the raw material. Among the many articles made from rubber, automobile tires consume the largest portion of the available supply. Rubber is imported to this country and tire companies for some time have desired to be less dependent upon a foreign product. They had little hopes of synthetic rubber ever coming into the market, especially, since a noted German chemist in an address before the Carnegie Institute of Technology stated that extensive researches had convinced him that the obstacles to the production of synthetic rubber were almost insuperable. Prior to this incident, it was announced, that "Before the war 500 patents relating to synthetic rubber were issued in Germany, none of which led to the production of a single ton of rubber." It is interesting to note that Thomas A. Edison has undertaken the task of manufacturing this article. He claims it to be the toughest problem he has ever attempted. But, he says, "Give me five more years and the United States will have a rubber crop."

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BILL, THE BUS DRIVER SAYS



"There's a difference between an excuse and a reason. You can find plenty of excuses, but not one bloomin' reason for bein' careless."

(By MARCUS A. DOW.)

If there's any one kind of a hick answerin' to the name of drivin' fool it's the bird who waves alibi at you whenever he gets in dutch and has an accident.

A party of my more or less remote acquaintance parked his speed buggy at the curb and went into a house. While he was gone it rolled away and collided with a sedan. In the sedan was a lady about thirty years old. She was a good lookin' dame, fair complexioned, brown hair and a cheery smilin' sort of face that spread sunshine wherever she went. Her sedan got a nasty rap and a piece of jagged glass cut a deep ugly gash on her pretty cheek, disfigurin' her for life. I wonder how does that thoughtless lunatic that left his car parked in an unsafe manner feel about it down in his heart?

In his insurance report he wrote, "While I was in the house the brakes on my car let go, which was the cause of the accident." Don't his alibi give you a laugh? As if that tin can of his had some ghostly power enabling it to let go and start up of its own free will and ram another car. Now you know and I know his brakes didn't just let go. The fact is this guy parked on a grade, forgot to cut his wheels to the curb, and left his engine running! The vibration of the engine jarred the brakes loose and that old bus of his rolled down hill. A natural outcome of this guy's damfool carelessness.

I heard of a guy workin' on a railroad who turned in an accident report like this, "John Smith, brakeman, got bit on the end of the finger while trying to spit tobacco juice down a rattlesnake's throat." In answer to the question, "Who was to blame for the accident?" was written, "The rattlesnake."

Drivin' a bus or auto careless like is the same as teasin' a rattlesnake. Don't blame the snake if it bites you. And believe me, I know a lot of folks this kick in the shins is meant for.

Occasional Change of Oil Saves Efficiency

An engine, to operate efficiently, must have an occasional change of oil. If its lubricating value is diminished there is undue wear of all engine parts, which may lead to serious damage. Oil becomes practically worthless if an excessive amount of gasoline has become mixed with the lubricant, so as to make it very thin, or if water has gotten into it and caused it to emulsify or to contain free acid. Also, if dust, metal particles, pieces of carbon or other hard and abrasive material have polluted the oil in considerable quantities, its further use will cause very rapid wear of engine parts.

Automobile Hints

Valve cores in tires should be renewed about once each year.

A little light oil will relieve the stubborn manipulation of the choke button.

Over 58 per cent of the new cars bought last year were on the installment plan.

The fouling of spark plugs or excessive oil consumption will cause the engine to smoke.

A new car sometimes turns out to be a "lemon" simply because the owner has not given it the proper care.

Cars are getting lower and lower and maybe the time will come when pedestrians can jump over them.

A hit-and-run motor driver may be hard to catch. The penalty should be the more severe on that account.

THE MOTOR QUIZ

(How Many Can You Answer?)

Q. Why does an old car use more oil than a new one?

Ans. Primarily because different joints in old cars are looser, permitting the oil to leak out. Also pistons and rings which have been worn will pass oil into the combustion chamber where it is burned.

Q. If after parking one finds oil has leaked from the engine of his car, what should he do?

Ans. The car should be inspected and loose parts tightened in order to conserve oil. This will make a big difference in oil consumption.

Q. What is the most important oil saving device on the automobile?

Ans. The oil filter. It removes the foreign matter from the oil, thus making it possible to use the oil much longer. Every 10,000 miles the oil filter cartridge should be renewed as it becomes filled at this mileage.

Q. If the oil filter is not renewed when it becomes filled with foreign matter, what happens?

Ans. It will be necessary to change oil more frequently as the oil is not filtered.

Attain High Speed With Self-Propelling Rockets

The latest adaptation of rockets has been their use in propelling cyclists. The picture shown above is one taken on a Berlin track in which the riders



German Cyclists Use Rockets.

attained a high speed of 40 kilometers an hour. The exact results have been kept secret and will not be made public until the completion of the tests.

Pointers on Proper Care of Expensive Automobile

Engine and chassis lubrication, batteries, radiator and tires are the important things to consider for the efficient operation of a car. The engine, chassis and radiator should be attended to according to the particular needs of the car, but batteries should be watered at least once every two weeks, and tires gauged and checked at least once a week.

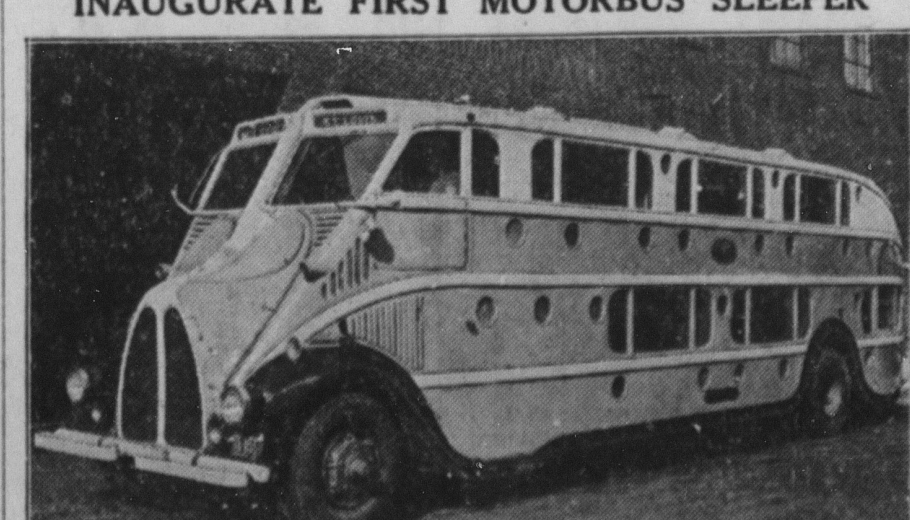
Water and oil are two of the worst enemies of tire fabric, and for this reason small stone cuts in the casing should be kept filled with some good tire filler. Oil will run an inner tube in a week. Never throw the extra inner tubes in promiscuously with the greasy rags and oil can. Wrap them carefully in cloth, or, better still, get a couple of good, strong cloth bags for them.

Protecting Automobile Engine Against Wear

The thin oil film between moving parts is really what protects the automobile engine against wear. This oil film is six times thinner than the page of this newspaper. It is kept clean by the oil filter—the device through which the oil passes and is filtered.

After 10,000 miles of driving it is important to service the oil filter because after this mileage it becomes filled with as much as two pints of dirt, sludge and other foreign matter taken from the oil, and ceases to function at highest efficiency in keeping the oil film clean.

INAUGURATE FIRST MOTORBUS SLEEPER



The motor-bus traveler will now travel in a style equal to other transportation, with the inauguration of the new night-coach pullman and diner service. The new "Pullman of the Highways" will travel between St. Louis and Kansas City, and breakfast will be served en route at portable tables. The pullmans have two levels of chairs. These seats, 26 in all, are converted into 26 berths, the beds measuring 6 feet four inches long.

How It Started

By JEAN NEWTON

"A BACK NUMBER"

"HE IS a back number and his competition need not be feared."

The reference here was to a person whose ideas and methods were out of date.

And what a curiously eloquent expression it is. For it can be applied to so many phases of activity, in so many fields.

Almost anything can be a back number—a style, a method, a fashion—what not.

A good phrase it is, and it is to the newspaper world that we are indebted for this journalistic metaphor—it being an allusion to a periodical long past current.

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SMILES

GABBY GERTIE



"Summer falls in winter and still are falls in spring."

Waste of Effort

Foremost among the discouraging incidents to which a business man must accustom himself is seeing a stenographer yawn while writing one of his snappy salesmanship letters.—Life.

THE WHY of SUPERSTITIONS

By H. IRVING KING

SHINGLING BY THE MOON

MANY people believe that you should shingle your roof when the moon is on the wane. The shingles put on at that time will lay flat—"go down" as they say—while shingles laid when the moon is on the increase are liable to warp and curl up. This superstition has been found existing in this country by the American Folk-Lore society and is another case of the survival into our own times of the primitive doctrine of Lunar Sympathy which considered both human acts and material things as sympathetically affected by the waxing and waning of the moon. When the moon is waxing it gradually increases itself from a thin line into a round ball—and shingles will try to do the same. Whereas when it is on the wane it goes through an opposite process and shingles laid on are correspondingly influenced. It will be noted that by the doctrine of Lunar Sympathy that sympathy is exerted upon material things in a determinate manner at some particular and crucial time of the object's existence—when the timber is cut, when the seed is planted, when the shingle is laid.

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Dear Editor:

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., had a good idea recently. They wanted a booster booklet, to be sponsored by the real estate men. So they held a contest among school children to get all sorts of odd information about the city.

The resultant data makes breezy reading. Taxes, length of streets, the number of taxicabs in town, 250 miles of natural gas pipes used in the city, 908 fire hydrants, 14 theaters in town, \$1,262 average per capita wealth—the kids routed out these facts and many others.

I imagine the contest resulted first of all in a new pride in those youngsters' hearts.

If the real estate men of any town can just get the youngsters to loving their city, the rest of the world will hear about it, too.—Fred Barton.

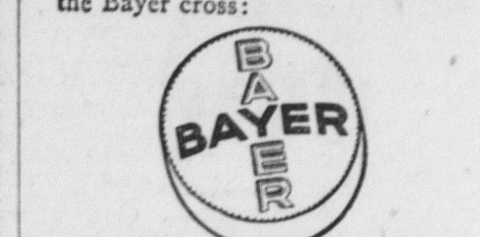
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ACHES

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Nothing Doing

Secretary McCauley of the American Institute of Actuaries told a story at a banquet in Des Moines. "A waiter in a night club," he said, "complained bitterly to the cloakroom girl.

"The whole night through," he moaned, "I've had the hardest kind of hard luck. Haven't made a cent on the side, not a cent, I added in the date on every blasted bill, but not once did the trick work. Not once the whole night through!"

"You poor fish," said the cloakroom girl, "no wonder your trick didn't work. Don't you know that all these people here are attending the actuaries' convention?"

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AUGUST FLOWER

Freak Addresses Barred

The Post Office department has announced that hereafter letters bearing freak addresses will be sent to the dead letter office if they do not bear addresses of senders. Postal authorities in the past have been indulgent toward violations of the rule that all letters and post cards should bear proper addresses, but this recent decision would indicate that it was forced by an increase of first-class matter bearing freak addresses.

Handicapped

A magazine writer asked Paul Shoup, the California railroad king, if he did not think the present generation was admirably adapted for railroading, both by nature and by training. Mr. Shoup laughed. "The modern boy," he replied, "is mechanic-minded. He can run almost anything except an errand."

Taking It on Trust

She—Where did you get that umbrella?

He—It was a gift from sister.

She—You told me you hadn't any sisters.

He—I know—but that's what's engraved on the handle.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Or a Press Agent

A fourteen-year-old school boy has been expelled because his teachers claim that he is incapable of telling the truth. If his young man doesn't mend his ways he will likely end up in the weather bureau.—Life.

The Right Way Out

Policeman—Where's that flaming youth who was creating all the disturbance up here?

Landlady—He just went down the fire escape.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

HEADACHE?

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