

ODD THINGS AND NEW—By Lane Bode

**AFRED M. BROWN—**  
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DIFFERENT SCENES  
AT THE SAME TIME—  
IN 6 MINUTES!

IT WOULD TAKE  
A HUNDRED MILLION  
YEARS TO LET THE  
AIR OUT OF A TOY  
BALLOON, AT THE  
RATE OF A MILLION  
MOLECULES PER SECOND

930

**UNICORN SHEEP  
LIVE IN NEPAL—  
India.**

**LEFTY GROVE—  
Phila. Athletics—  
STRUCK OUT 5  
SUCCESSIVE BATTERS  
WITH 16 PITCHED BALLS**

(WNU Service.)

**HONAN-FU NEWEST  
CAPITAL OF CHINA**

**Was Seat of Government  
When Paper Was Invented.**

Washington.—News dispatches that are beginning to reach the world with the date line "Loyang," "Luan" or "Honan-fu" are coming from a city that has become China's newest capital but which once served as the seat of Chinese government long before telegraphy was dreamed of, according to a bulletin from the National Geographic Society.

"The city with three names is most commonly known as 'Honan-fu,' meaning 'Honan City,'" says the bulletin. "It lies in the province of Honan about twenty miles south of the Yellow river. There is good reason for such a site rather than location directly on the great river. This stream emerges from the highlands, a few miles to the west, and from that point on becomes 'China's Sorrow,' an erratic river that is forever changing its course. Few cities are built within its treacherous reach.

**Not Easily Accessible.**

"Headquarters of the Chinese regime that has been centered at Nanking were moved to Honan-fu because of the relative inaccessibility of the latter place to invading forces. Nanking, situated directly on the Yangtze, is in easy reach by ocean-going gunboats.

"The situation of the new capital in relation to the more familiar cities of China, can be best understood, perhaps, by an American comparison. Shanghai, great commercial center near the mouth of the Yangtze (although actually a few miles up a tributary) may be compared to New Orleans. Nanking, farther up the Yangtze, has a situation comparable

to Vicksburg, Miss. Honan-fu, to which the Nanking government archives and personnel have been moved, lies 400 miles to the northwest, in a position that can be likened to that of Oklahoma City.

"The Yellow river is not navigable anywhere near Honan-fu, so that there is no danger of attack by naval forces. The Peiping-Hankow railway, China's principal rail artery, lies about seventy-five miles east of the city. A branch line extends from it to Honan-fu.

"Honan province has figured importantly in Chinese history from the earliest times. It has even been suggested that Chinese culture had its birth in this region. At any rate, it was from Honan that the early culture spread southward to the Yangtze and eastward to the coast. The name means 'South of the River,' but an early nickname was 'Middle Flowery Land.' It was from this affectionate term for Honan that the name 'Middle Kingdom,' applicable to China, arose.

"Although off the route of river traffic and through rail traffic, Honan-fu has been for centuries on one of the most important of Chinese overland highways, the Great Northwest road. The portion of this road from Peiping to Honan province extends southward to the vicinity of Kaifeng, the provincial capital. It then runs along westward some twenty miles south of the Yellow river through Honan-fu, Shenchow and Sian; turns northward to Lan-chow, Liang-chow, and Su-chow; and extends on into Central Asia. Over it moves most of the commerce between Chinese Turkestan and China proper.

**Typical Old City.**

"Honan-fu has a population of only about 20,000. It is a typical old city of the interior with a wall enclosing a clutter of narrow and dusty streets. About its gates at certain hours is a congestion of wheelbarrows, laden donkeys and vendors of food and tea. In the town is the first temple raised in China to Buddhism, the famous 'White Horse Temple.' On the site, it is said, was buried the white horse

**Spring Fashion Tip**



Printed and plain linen in an effective ensemble from Birke and Birke. The hat from Howard Hodge.

**Women in Danger of  
Becoming Baldheaded**

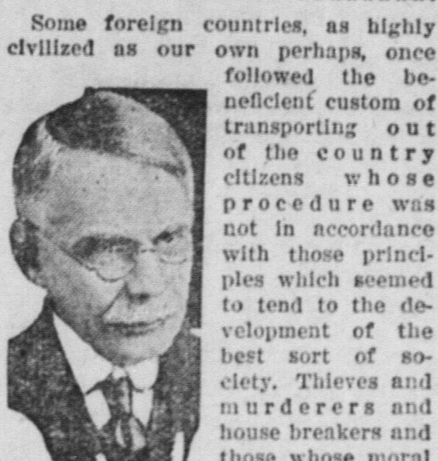
London.—When your sweetheart, or wife, bends over, do not be surprised if you notice that she is becoming bald headed!

The hour of bald headed men's revenge is at hand, according to London hairdressers. Many women are beginning to lose their hair very rapidly due, it is alleged, to the damages of continual bobbing, shingling and waving.

Titled women and aristocrats of the "weaker sex" are among those who now sense the reported danger and are beseeching their hairdressers for treatment. Young women, some not past their thirties, have been forced to resume the long hair style to grow enough hair to cover their bald crowns.

**THE PRACTICAL  
JOKER**

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK  
Emeritus Dean of Men,  
University of Illinois.



Some foreign countries, as highly civilized as our own perhaps, once followed the beneficent custom of transporting out of the country citizens whose procedure was not in accordance with those principles which seemed to tend to the development of the best sort of society. Thieves and murderers and house breakers and those whose moral presence was objectionable were loaded into the proper sort of conveyance and gently deposited upon some remote shore from which escape was difficult or impossible. Thus isolated, many of them grew up into good citizens who practiced economy and built cities and forgot their criminal tendencies.

I am not at all sure but that it was an admirable way to get rid of objectionable characters for whom capital punishment would seem too severe or too lenient; I should at least recommend it for the man who points an alleged empty gun at your head and for the practical joker. I see no good reason why the practical joker should not be wiped out.

He has no sense of humor for humor really is kind, sympathetic, pleasant and comforting. He wants to laugh, it is true, but seldom at the victim of his joke but with him.

A freshman last Christmas, a thousand miles from home and too poor to make the journey across country, was desperately homesick. All his friends were gone, his boarding house was closed, and he was quite alone, away from home at Christmas for the first time in his life. A call came over the telephone and a man's voice spoke inviting the boy to dinner at the home of one of his professors. His gloom vanished, some one had thought of him. When he called at the professor's house no one was there. It was a practical joke which some keen-minded acquaintance had played upon him, and he had no recourse.

Funny, wasn't it?

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on which were brought from India the first Buddhist scriptures.

"Honan-fu's experience as a Chinese capital has been a long and varied one. From 255 B. C. to 206 B. C. it was, under the name of Loyang, the capital of the Chin dynasty, from which the name 'China' is derived. After an interval of more than two centuries it again became in 25 A. D. the central seat of government for 200 years under the Han dynasty. It was while these patrons of literature ruled over China from Loyang that paper was invented and greatly stimulated literary developments. Once again, in 580, Loyang was made imperial capital and remained such for a quarter century.

"How materially the governing center of China has shifted is shown by Loyang's subsequent history. After other cities became the capitals of the empire, this ancient city was made a subordinate governmental center and served as the 'East Capital' from 618 to 907 A. D. From 960 to 1280, still subordinate, it was the 'West Capital.'

**GABBY GERTIE**



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**Cleveland's Novel Relief Plan**



Employment of a "man-a-block" is the goal of Greater Cleveland in an effort to help relieve the jobless crisis. The movement was inaugurated by a group of Cleveland citizens and reports reveal that efforts of the first week of the committee resulted in pledges of 11,500 hours of work in scattered neighborhoods. In the illustration O. E. Luzius, secretary of the movement, is seen taking applications for jobs.

**IMPROPER DIETING  
MENACE TO HEALTH**

**Leaves Victim Prey to Disease,  
Says Surgeon General.**

Washington.—"There is one widespread practice which is undermining health throughout the country, particularly among women, on which, unfortunately, the public health service cannot secure statistics," said Hugh S. Cuming, surgeon general, United States public health service. "It is what is commonly known as dieting."

"It is not done on the advice of physicians but almost invariably on the initiative of the individual who practices it. Neither is it done for health, but for looks.

"It cannot be recorded that people die directly from dieting but thousands of deaths are attributable indirectly to improper and foolish dieting. Dieting simply to produce a slim figure lowers the subject's resistance and leaves her a prey to disease.

"Official reports for the year just closed show happily that the general health of the nation is improving. The tuberculosis curve, thanks largely to the vigorous fight conducted against the white plague, is dropping. A sad thing, however, is that there is too

much of that dread disease showing up among young women from fifteen to twenty-four years of age.

"This may be attributed to several things on which there are different theories. One thing is sure, however, that is, woman's disdain for curves and her desire for a stream line body, to attain which she will sacrifice almost anything, is not helping her health.

"Diet fads, food fads, no butter, no bread, are the undoubted underlying cause of many a woman's ill. Good old-fashioned bread and butter is vastly preferable to many of the present-day food concoctions with which the foolish are fed.

"It is of no consequence to the city girl or matron, I suppose, how great assistance she could be in helping the farmer and Uncle Sam solve the problem of surplus wheat by including bread in her daily diet, but she should at least be interested in helping herself to health."

**California Mayor Holds  
Job for Three Minutes**

Pasadena, Calif.—Some kind of a record has been established by Edward O. Nay, business man here who was mayor of Pasadena recently for exactly three minutes and thirteen seconds. After a recall of public officials Nay was elected mayor and chairman by a new board of city directors. No sooner had the applause subsided than the board moved to abolish the title of "mayor," and the motion passed unanimously—even Nay voting his approval.

**Lake Yields Old Boat**

Rome.—Another small boat of ancient Roman construction has just been found in Lake Nemi. It measures about 27 feet by 8, and served, it is thought, as a sort of courier and provisioning boat between the two Roman galleys that were anchored in the lake for the delight and amusement of the Emperor Caligula.

**Inherits a Fortune**



Mrs. Frances Taucher of Cicero, suburb of Chicago, who was notified by the Italian consul at Chicago that she had fallen heir to \$1,000,000, the fifth part of the estate left by her uncle, Anton Klemench, who died in Italy last October. Mrs. Taucher, who has two children to support, didn't even know she had an uncle.

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**Gettysburg Relic**

Mrs. Sarah H. Stetson of Augusta, Maine, has an oak tree in her back yard that has grown from an acorn picked up on the battlefield at Gettysburg by her husband, now dead, in 1915. Although Mr. Stetson brought several acorns from the battlefield and distributed them among his friends, the only acorn that flourished and grew into a tree was the one planted in Mrs. Stetson's yard.

**MUSCULAR-  
RHEUMATIC PAINS**

**DRAW** them out with a "counter-irritant." Muscular lumbago, soreness and stiffness—generally respond to good old Musterole. Doctors call it a "counter-irritant" because its warming action penetrates and stimulates blood circulation and helps to draw out infection and pain. It gets action and is not just a salve. But do not stop with one application. Apply this soothing, cooling, healing ointment generally to the affected area **once every hour for five hours.** Used by millions for over 20 years. Recommended by many doctors and nurses. All druggists.

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**Modern Skill**

"What a pity we have no artists who can paint like the old masters," said the sincere lover of pictures.

"But," replied Mr. Cumrox who had just acquired a spurious signature, "the great trouble is that we have!"

**WEAK, NERVOUS,  
... HEADACHE**

Richmond, Va.—"I was in a run-down condition, felt weak, nervous, had no energy, my appetite was very poor and I suffered from headaches and constipation," said Mrs. Elizabeth Stanton of 221 East 7th St. "I realized I needed a tonic. I had noticed Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription displayed in the drug store and decided to give it a trial. After I had taken one bottle I noticed wonderful improvement, felt better all over."

**Dr. Pierce's Prescription**

**Demanding His Turn**

"You applauded the music wildly."

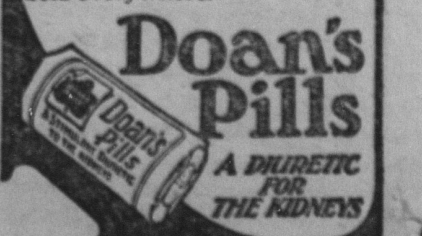
"Yes," replied Mr. Rufnek. "I got tired of sitting still and listening. I wanted to make a little noise on my own account."—Washington Star.

It may be hard work to keep from being gray, but don't devote your entire time to it.

**Don't Neglect  
Your Kidneys**

**Heed Promptly and Bladder Irregularities**

If bothered with bladder irregularities; nagging backache and a tired, nervous, depressed feeling due to disordered kidney action or bladder irritation, don't delay. Users everywhere rely on Doan's Pills. Praised for more than 50 years. Recommended the country over. Sold everywhere.



**Such is Life**

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WE'VE GONE 100 MILES WITH THAT NEW CAR!

YOU SAID AFTER WE GOT 1000 MILES ON IT, I COULD GO AS FAST AS I LIKED!

STOP! LADY! YOU'RE KILLING ME!

THERE AINT NO JUSTICE