JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

Nancy Wynne Tells of Crowds at War Horse Show-Numbers

of Persons Still at Seashore—A Peach

Stone Episode

TT SEEMED as if every one wanted to make up for the bad weather on Friday by going Saturday, and to say there were many people at the Horse Show would be putting it mildly.

The world and his wife were there, and there were lots of other people's wives, too, and some husbands. Altogether, it

was a brilliant sight. The little Willing girl and Emily Sinkler and several other children, dressed as little gypsies, were too cute for anything in their donkey wagon, which they drove around selling peanuts to the crowds from baskets on the cart.

Mrs. Altemus had a group of "orangeades," as she called them. They are the Falls of Schuylkill branch of the Emergency Aid Aides, and they wear blue suits with yellow cloth collars and cuffs and small dark-blue service hats. All of the suburban branches of the E. A. A.'s wear blue and yellow. Mrz. Alternus dubbed the girls "orangeades" herself, and it seemed good to me. Don't you think so?

THERE have been a number of people down at Bay Head this season, and many of them are still staying on. The Henry Pratt McKeans have a cottage there, and the Houston Dunns. Speaking of the Houston Dunns reminds me of the death of Mrs. Dunn's uncle, Mr. Taylor, last week. Mrs. Dunn was Elsie Taylor, you remember, a sister of Mrs. John Wilcox, who lives at 711 Pine street. Usually the Dunns spend the summer at Bristol, but this year they went to Bay Head. They have several of the dearest children. Mr. Taylor was a wonderful old man and will be greatly missed.

THE Yardleys, Manns and Franklin Bakers are also at Bay Head, and the Leopold Seyfferts spent the week-end at the resort. Have you ever been down there? It's a perfect spot in summertime. Small, but so much to do, on account of the wide inlet bay for the sailing and motor boating, which is the rage there. Then another diversion is the beach parties. They are simply great! You get about thirty people together and you get somebody's car and you run them down about two miles over the sand dunes, ten at a time, including a water cooler, from which you usually lose all the water before you get there. Then you carry much bacon, oh! much bacon, which you cook on a wood fire and drop in the sand and eat when it's full of said sand. You also bring milk and coffee and-other beverages in thermos bottles, and sandwiches made of war bread; and you run races in the sand and have the time of your life. For you forget that time has changed and you are no longer sixteen, and you act like a flapper and forget to be dignified. It really is great fun.

ELIZABETH CLAY and Dorothy Bullitt, the Roberts twins, did a wonderful business in Bay Head this summer. They started a wool shop there last year, you know, and would you believe it? They had so much to do, they had to get Katherine Newbold to come down and help. I think it's splendid. And if you could see the lovely things they make! They are awfully pretty!

Dorothy has three of the darlingest little girls-Dorothy Frothingham, Maria and Mary, And you should hear little Dotty speak French.

OF COURSE, we are all doing everything we can to help the Red Cross!

Phinny is doing Government work at the Curtiss Airplane Corporation, in Garden City. Mr. D. Edwin Irving, of Chester, announces

the engagement of his daughter, Miss Helen Starbuck Irving, to Lieutenant Stanley Eyre Wilson, United States marine corps.

Miss Marguerite Smethurst, of 1838 West Venango street, gave a luncheon and shower on Saturday for her cousin, Miss Alloe M. Smethurst, whose marriage to Mr. George Bruce Staples, of Alexandria, Va., will take place on Wednesday. Other guests included Miss Charlotte Doak, Miss Helen Schell, Miss Charlotte Fleming, Mrs. Gustave C. Aberle, Miss Dorothy Barber, Mrs. Charles App, Miss Lillian Homer and Mrs. William Washburn.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bissinger have returned their town residence, 2038 Green street, after spending the summer at their country place in Jenkintown

Miss Bertha Klefer, of 434 East Walnut lane, Germantown, gave a tea on Saturday In honer of Miss Hildegard von Busse, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. George von Busse, of \$10 North Fifth street, whose marriage to the Rev. Heinrich A. Kropp, of Tioga, will take place tomorrow.

Miss Edna Marian Lindner, of North Park avenue, who has entertained the soldiers at the various camps with her interesting mu-sical and literary recitals, will give an evening of songs and stories on Friday at the Baptist Church in Trenton, N. J., of which the Rev. A. M. Anderson is the pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fox, of \$31 McKean street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Lillian Fox, to Sergeant A. S. Klingrode, United States marine corps. The wedding will take place in the near futur

A theatre box party and dinner were given in honor of Miss Emily Steffen, of Olney, on Saturday. Miss Steffen expects to depart scon for oversens service. Those included in the party were Miss Elizabeth Haug, Miss Marie Steffen, Miss Edith Hetherington, Mr. Charles Friedel Mr. Thomas E. Kronner, Mr. Charles Friedel, Mr. Thomas E. Kramer, Mr. Walter Strober and Mr. John Mayer.

Mrs. Ratzke and her son, Mr. Harry Ratzke: Mr. Charles Miller and Mr. James Murphy have returned from three weeks' va-cation at their cottage at Cape May.

5000 TONS OF CLOTHES ASKED TO AID BELGIANS

Red Cross Starts Work to Protect Destitute Through Coming Winter

The American Red Cross Society today began a nation-wide campaign to collect 5000 tons of clothing to protect 10,000,000 destitute Belgian men, women and children against the rigors of the approaching winter. It is the hope of Red Cross workers to fill the order in seven days.

All sorts of garments will be accepted, no matter what size or whether for man, woman or child. The only requirements are that the materials be strong and suitable for pro-tection against the cold. Fancy dresses, high hats, straw hats, derbles and silk and satin

hats, straw hats, derbies and silk and satin dancing slippers will not be accepted. The Belgians are facing a desperate need of clothing. Apparel cannot be bought and some of the inhabitants of the stricken coun-try are wearing garments of flour sacks and burlap and shoes made of carnet. Blankets sheets, tablecloths, which have been used for clothes, can no longer be had. A letter has been received by the Red Cross from a Belgian woman which conveys some idea of the destitution that is the lot

of all classes:

"Perhaps you will laugh when you hear that I wear a cloak made from my husband's garde clvique overcoat, a waist from his football shirt and a skirt made of a dyed bed sheet. Mother has a suit made of the tablecloth; J. and M. have cloaks made of woolen blankets and S. a dress made of burlap. But all this is only amusing in com-parison with the wretchedness of the popula-tion. After all, we remain calm and confi-Stirzel left on a short trip. dent of victory."

HUGE SUM EXPENDED FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF

Red Cross Makes Public Report on Work for French People

The Red Cross War Council today made public the fourth installment of the war council's report to the American people con-

serning the use already made and now being made of the Red Cross war fund. It follows: "American Red Cross expenditures in France for work done among the civilian population since the war began, together with appropriations for the supply, trans-portation, women's hospital service and other bureaus, will amount to more than \$70,000,-

000. "Expenditures in France up to July 1, 1918, totaled \$36,613,682,73, of which \$21,160,-632.66 was apportioned for relief work among refugees, reclaiming devastated areas, the fight against tuberculosis, operating expenses and other expenses that have to do with the civilian population. The demands for the next six months for the same purposes are next six month \$34,582,827.57.

"The two largest items of the last expendi-"The two largest items of the last expendi-tures were for relief work and reconstruc-tion of devastated villages and the relief of refugees from the devastated areas. The total for these purposes is \$5,557,695,75. The third largest item was for a campaign against tuberculosis and totaled \$2,147,327. "For the care of children in France up to label \$1,149,129,70 was expended. For the

July 1 \$1,149,129,70 was expended. For the current six months the appropriation is \$2,775,877.19. For the work of caring for refugees the sum of \$6,212,383.70 has been set aside and the fund for the rehabilitation of villages in devastated areas totals \$1,094. 119.98

512.28. "Other appropriations as follows: "For re-education in the United States of those who have been mutilated either as soldiers or civilians, \$256,130,60; for the Soclety of Friends, for similar rollef work, \$187,352.53; women's relief corps work in France, \$263,245,61; transportation, \$2,055, 767.54; section of purchases, \$88,213,15; for storing, \$258,947.37; this includes rental); sections of donations, including gifts of medisections of donations, including gifts of medi-cal supplies, surgical instruments and modcal supplies, surgical instruments and mod-ern sanitary equipment, \$4,385,964.91; bu-reau of medical and surgical information service, \$39,228.07; construction bureau, \$45,438.60; insurance, \$77,841,20."

MARRIED AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING

Miss Yoder Bride of Mr. Butler, of Los Angeles-Other

Weddings

A wedding of Interest in this city and m Los Angeles, Cal., was that of Miss Mabel L. Yoder, daughter of Mr. Samuel Y. Yoder, and Mr. Elmer A. Butler, of Los Angeles, which took place on Saturday evening at the home of the bride's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Rice, 5497 North Twelfth street. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. William Barnes Lower, pastor of the Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church, Eleventh and Rockland streets. The bride wore a gown of buff-colored silk veiled with beaded georgette crepe and carried a shower of lille of the valley. She was attended by Miss Anna Curran as bridesmaid. The latter wore a frock of pale blue silk and carried

a shower of Sunburst roses. Miss Marie Rekatzky, the little niece of the bride acted as ring bearer and wore a white lingerie frock. Mr. George Ford was the bridegroom's best man. The service was followed by a reception. Mr. Butler and his bride left on a tour through the West to California and will make their home in Los Angeles.

STIRZEL-GREENFIELD

Another interesting wedding of Saturday was that of Miss Dorothy Simpson Green-field, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Greenfield, of 1626 West Ontario street, and Ensign J. William Stirzel, U.S. N. Ensign J. William Stirzel, C. S. N., son of Mrs. Mary C. Stirzel, of 1517 West Erie ave-nue. The ceremony was performed at 3:45 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents by the Rev. Robert R. Littell, pastor of the Tioga Presbyterian Church, Tioga and Six-teenth streets. The bride was given in marriage by her father and was unattended. She were her traveling suit of dork blue She wore her traveling suit of dark blue with dark blue velvet hat to match.



A HORSE SHOW SPECTATOR

THE GILDED MAN By CLIFFORD SMYTH

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THE STORY THUS FAR David Mendon, with Randi Arinur, his wort-er search for treasure in Lake Guatavita, avid disappears after a dynamite explosion, shows up three months later. He doesn't now where he has been. Nobody knows ap-itently.

atently. Three years later he returns to colombia run Connect out to solve the mestery. The la communicat by Fina Leighton, his asympticant. Una Leighton, 1 her uncle: And friends. On t Mrs. Qui Quartle friends, in actual therman and freedom after their arrival 10800 dis friends search a turnor thin. They find evidence counted and loss their wa evidences that the ave they can find here way back and belighted with the partie of the air.

CHAPTER XIII (Continued)

back to see it, and even then it appeared in only vague outlines. Now it took a down-ward curve that brought it nearer and nearer to them. Following the same descending sweep it was evident that floor and roof FIRANDA'S voice shrilled with excitement M He was elated with the importance of his discovery, And it was important. The spot they had chosen for their bunch was the furthest point they had reached in their explorations, the point where Mirauda had in the structure of the cave, there was a noticeable change in the character of the urned back to take Mrs. Quayle out of the cave and where they had last seen Raoul rock forming it. Arthur. It was marked by a huge ovramidal eising from the floor of the cave. Along

subterranean torrents of bygone ages, had carved upon it, until it became a part of the rock-strewn ground beneath. The chamber thus formed became a long, spacious corri-dor, one side of which was open to the vast amphitheater they had just left, the other ide studies of which was of stalarside stoutly hemmed in by a maze of stalac-tites and stalagmites booming up as sen-timels in front of a wall that could be dimily seen behind them. Down the middle of this corridor lay the path they had been follow-ing, wider now and showing the imprint of many sandaled feet. Before them, at the end of the corridor they could distinguish the of the corridor, they could distinguish the outlines of another wall, apparently marking

the limit of this portion of the cave. "There is your lake," said Leighton iron-ally to Miranda, who shrugged his shoulders in reply.

"At any rate, Uncle Harold." said Una reproachfully, "there must be an opening here. And the air is just heavenly ! Instead of walking, one could dance."

The others appeared to feel the truth of l'na's observation, for they moved along with a brickness, a snap, they had not shown be-This was particularly noticeable in Mrs. Quayle, who seemed to be propelled by some inner, gayery of spirit that quite changed her usually sedate manner and ap-The transformation was not los I'na, who was both amused and puzzled by it

'Look at Mrs. Quayle's jewelry!' she exclaimed. "It is dancing about as if it were moved by a breeze from somewhere." claimed.

"What do you mean? I can't feel any breeze," declared Leighton "The singular fluttering of Mrs. Quayle's jewelry simply means, I suppose, that the wearer is, as usual, agitated

CONTINUED TOMORROW)

DREAMLAND

"THE HAUNTED SCHOOL"

the previous stories Peggy's adven-tures among the Birds have been told. In the first of these she was crowned Princess of Birdland)

CHAPTER I

"In the autumn days so hazy

as she basked in the soft afternoon sunshine. Now she popped them open in a hurry Looking down at her through big dark goggles was Judge Owl, perched in a tree above her head. About him were the folks of Birdland who had not yet started on their yearly trip to the South. On the face of every on was a teasing grin.

"O charming Peggy, when you shoon Your picture fair we wouldn't lose, But time is rushing on apace.

We bid you join our merry race." So sang all the Birds. Peggy felt vexed were so happy over their little joke on her

"It wasn't really a snooze, just a nod," she inswered "But I'm wideawake now and ready to meet Fun half way. Where is he?"

heights behind them.

it look like Fun?" hooted Judge "Doem't



"It was fan," replied Pessy, to whom Fan's olce sounded very familiar. "Why are you having so much fun?" as ludge Owl solemnly.

"Because it's Friday and school is out for two whole days." chuckled Fun, spinning around in a whirl of joy. As he did as Pessy caught a glimpse of his face through the friday of the state of the stat the fringe of reeds that had concealed it She sat up quickly, ready to scold him,

"Why, Billy Belgium, it's you, and you're not Fun at all !" she exclaimed,

"My name is Fun until Monday morning and that's no joke," sang Billy.

Belgium

handkerchiefs. The Birds led them a long winding way, and finally through a window, "When I say three, you can look," hooted ludge Owl, and right away he called out:

Three ' Pergy grabbed off her handkerchief and oked around eagerly. They were in a chool room

school room. Billy Belgium frowned in deep disgust. "This is a joke, but no fun," he snorted, while the Birds chuckled and giggled in gies. Billy Belgium gave another look around, than he turned pale. "Why, this is the haunted schoolhouse. We'd better get out of here in a hurry."

hurry." (Tomorrow will be told a funny phone story.) PHILADELPHIA'S LEADING THEATRES Direction LEE & J. J. SHUBERT Sam S. Shubert Theatre, TONIGHT AT Bread and Locust Street LAST TWO WEEKS Seats for all remaining performances of NOW POSITIVELY LAST TIME, SAT., OCT. B

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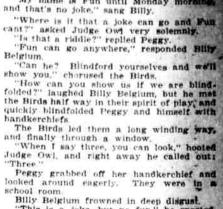
that they had caught her napping, but they (Except Sats, and Holidays) Even 8:15. Mats. Wed. and Sat. at 2:15 WILLIAM ELLIOTT F. RAY COMSTOCK that she quickly found herself grinning back at them

"O'er the hill he comes aleaping !" quoted Judge Owl, pointing with his wing to the

Sure enough there was a fantastic figure lancing and cavorting on the grassy hillside. He was garbed in a queer coat made of cat-tail reeds. On his head was a crown of colored leaves, and back from his shoulders streamed a ragged cloak of wildgrape vines. "Is that Fun" asked Peggy, surprised

Owl, and all the Birds chuckled The oddly dressed figure danced down the ull toward them and the Birds danced a





ADVENTURES

By DADDY

A complete new adventure each week, begin any Monday and ending Saturday.

Fun on a Frolic

Strange it is that you feel lazy O'er the hills comes Fun nleaping. This is no time to be sleeping."

DEGGY had closed her eyes for a moment

And it's simply wonderful how the peach stones, for instance, accumulate. Why, at the Independence Square auxiliary they have taken in five barrels full already And various workers at the auxiliaries have even gone so far as to put barrels or boxes out in front of their own doors for peach stones. They are great reminders, you know.

One day last week I went to call on a friend, who is immensely interested in collecting the stones. She has even gone so far as to put a box on the steps of her porch, and as she lives in the partially "built-up" part of Chestnut Hill, she has collected a number from her friends, and neighbors. She has a cousin, who has recently told her of her engagement, and she was telling me about it and said: "I have not met the man vet, but I understand he is very attractive. He has a limousine, and Helen told mother they would come out soon to see her and then he would take her riding in the car." "That's very nice," said I, and we talked on on other subjects.

About ten minutes later a smart-looking limousine drove up to the entrance to the place and the chauffeur got down and came toward the gate. My friend exclaimed, "That must be his car now." And we settled ourselves to wait for the chauffeur to ring the bell and ask for some one, when, to our infinite amusement, the chauffeur walked to the box on the step, and taking a small packet from his pocket, opened it and dropped from it about eight peachstones into the box. Seeing us on the porch, he removed his cap respectfully and then walked back and started off in the

It was a wonder that our laughter was not heard in the next block. I'll never forget it as long as I live.

NANCY WYNNE.

Social Activities

Mrs. Alexander J. Cassatt and her grand-daughter, Mrs. John B. Thayer, 3d, and her little son, John B. Thayer, 4th, will return to their home in Haverford about the third veek in October.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Whitney have closed their cottage at Bay Head and are occupying their new home at \$005 Navahoe street, St Martins.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Rawlins, of 4601 Spruce street, are receiving congratula-tions on the birth of a daughter. Mrs. Raw-lins will be remembered as Miss Marjorie Inez Morris,

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Howlett have issued invitations for the marriage of their aughter, Miss Mildred Howlett, to Mr. Horace oulton Phinny, on October 9 at 6 o'clock, a the Second Presbyterian Church, Germantown. There will be no reception and a supper will be served for the immediate fam-ilies and the bridal party. After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Phinny will live at 472 Front street, Hempstead, L. I., as Mr.

PLAN NATURALIZATION COURSE

Public Evening Schools to Train Foreign-Born Population

Courses in naturalization are to be given the foreign-born population of the city in the public evening schools which start today. Moving pictures of patriotic subjects and brief talks will be given from time to time by prominent citizens and officials. Classes will be held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 7:30 p. m. at the following

Miller, Forty-third and Ogden streets Durham, Sixteenth and Lombard streets; Logan, Nineteenth and Reed streets; South-wark, Ninth and Mifflin streets; Washingwark. Ninth and Mifflin streets; Washing-ton, Fifth street below Washington avenue; Longfellow, James and Fratt streets; Martin, Richmond and Ontario streets; Hanna, Fifty-eighth and Media streets; Meade, Eighteenth and Oxford streets; Columbus, Ninth and Carpenter streets; Kearney, Sixth street and Fairmount avenue; Mount Vernon, Third and Catharine streets; Hackett, York and Sep-viva streets; Stetson, Allegheny avenue and B streets. B street

WAR CHEST UNDER SCRUTINY

Bureau to Determine Fitness of Welfare

Organizations

A bureau has been organized to investigate A bureau has been organized to investigate the aims and functions of all national war welfare organizations to ascertain their genuineness and to make certain that they are entitled to allotments granted by the War Chest. It will be known as the National In-vestigation Bureau and the Philadelphia War Welfare Council is one of the charter members.

members. The bureau will not only confine its in-vestigation to the American organizations but will send representatives abroad to study the various relief bodies as they work among the soldiers and refugees. These investiga-tors will determine if such organizations are worthy of the support of the War Ches

SIXTY-STAR FLAG UNFURLED

funds.

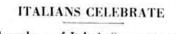
Boys of Twenty-ninth Ward Under the Colors Honored by Demonstration

More than 2000 took part at 3 o'clock yes terday afternoon in patriotic exercises at-tending the unfurling of a huge service flag in honor of the boys serving the colors from the first division of the Twenty-ninth Ward. The flag contains sixty stars, of which there are several of gold and sliver showing those that have made the supreme sacrifice and

Addresses were made by Representative George W. Edmonds, Patrick Lynch, a mem-ber of the Legislature, and other residents of the ward. Music was furnished by the St. Francis Xavier band.

Liberty Sing for Railroad Men

The Pennsylvania Rallroad Y. M. C. A., Forty-first street and Westminister avenue, will have a big Liberty Sing tomorrow night at 8 o'clock under the leadership of Jacob M. White. The Red Cross unit of Calvary Lutheran Church will assist. The Rev. J. Milton Tweedale will speak.



Independence of Italy is Commemorated in Germantown

Germantown Italians celebrated the fortysighth anniversary of the Independence of Italy by holding a parade and a meeting in Vernon Park at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. All of the orators dwelt eloquently on the past achievements of the Italian nation but predicted with great fervor greater events to be accomplished by their valiant brothers fighting the saturic alliance of the Hung and

The speakers were Aladino A. Antitio, Eugene V. Alessandroni and John M. Di Silvestro, all of whom are four-minute men. The meeting was presided over by Dr. Raffaele Grassi.

BABY WELFARE MEETING

Association Also Hears Maternal Mortality Discussed Tonight

Methods for reducing the mortality among mothers and bables will be discussed at a meeting of the Bables' Welfare Association tonight at the Bellevue-Stratford. Dr. Dorothy Reed Mendenhall, representing the Federal Children's Bureau, will speak on "Reduction of Maternal Mortality," and Miss Neva R. Deardoff, of the American Red Cross, will discuss the necessity of birth reg-

stration. Addresses will also be delivered by Dr. J M. Baldi, president of the State Bureau of Medical Education, and Director Krusen, of the Department of Health and Charities.

ENROLL FRENCH PUPILS

Enlisted Men May Apply for Free Instruction This Evening

tion This Evening Following numerous applications from en-listed men desirous of studying French at the free classes at the Philopatrian Literary Institute, 1411 Arch street, prospective pupils will be enrolled this evening between \$:30 and 10 o'clock. This was announced by President James B. Herron after a meeting of the board of governors.

board of governors. The afternoons and evenings to be assigned women anxious to be instructed in the French language, preparatory to sailing for overseas service, will be announced later by the Alservice, will be announced liance of Catholic Women. Bance of Canone women, Sixteen hundred and twelve soldiers, sailors and marines availed themselves of the privileges of the club last week, according to the institute's resister.

the institute's register.

HIRE WOMEN CHAUFFEURS

Hog Island Officials Will Try Them

Cars Women chauffeurs for Hog Is, d is the latest war innovation. About fifteen have been engaged to drive cars which carry officials and employee from one part of the great shipyard to another. If the women prove successful, it is probable that the male chauffeurs will be pit at other work. Women chauffeurs are expected to crank their own cars and make minor repairs, they will receive \$3.59 a day, and work from \$ a. m. until 5 p. m., and will get \$5.25 on Sunday.

one side of this rock the path they had followed went on indefinitely, in a gradual upward incline. It was to the other side that Miranda eagerly called attention. Placing his bottle of claret down on the rock beside him, he got on his knees and, with his nose almost touching the ground, made a minute study of the floor of the cave.

Even Andrew felt the contagion of the doctor's excitement. Fruits, bollos, cassavas were abandoned pell mell as one and all scrambled to their feet, eager to find out what new puzzle Miranda had managed to pick up. The light from their lamps cast

huge, uncertain shadows on the trregular masses of rock that everywhere blocked the view. At first there was nothing to be seen that differed essentially from what they had

view. At first there was minimum what they had grown accustomed to in this subterranean world. There was the same choos of jagged pinnacles and bowlders, the same display of irresistible energy that had been let loose and played itself out here ages ago. But in the mids: of it all, zigzagging through this maze of dusty forms, there was the new path announced by Miranda. It led away from the central rock, or pillar, where they had taken their lunch, and formed an avite angle with the path they had already traversed. It was not so plainly marked as the latter, and appeared little more than a rift among the rocks that strewed the door of the rave. But it was a path, there was no mistaking that. Among the evidences that it had been re-It was a path, there was no mistaking that Among the evidences that it had been re-cently used was one that particularly de-lighted Miranda and justified his prolonged microscopic examination of the path itself— the footprints of a man wearing not sandals, but shoes.

but shoes. "Raoul Arthur !" exclatimed Leighton.

"Baout Arthur!" exclaimed Leighton. "Perhaps." agreed Miranda. "Where could be have gone."" asked Una. "This path runs in nearly the same direction as the one we followed." "We will see."

as the one we followed. "We will see." As a matter of fact, the two paths, start-ing together at the central rock and going hence in the same general direction, grad-ually diverged from each other, much as do the two lines that form the letter V. Then, another difference was noticeable. The first path followed a comparatively uniform level; the second dipped steadily downward. This peculiarity, first noted by Miranda, appealed particularly to Herran. Gloom had been the dominant mood with the general ever since he had entered the cave. He had made mental notes of things as they had happened, but he had not shared in the discussions of the others. This was partly due to his ig-norance of English, partly to a sense of re-sponsibility that he feit as a eltizen of Bo-gota whose duty it was to guide a party of foreigners safely through one of the difficult regions of his native land. But now, at last, he had something to say, something that was due from him as their leader. Tugging at his beard in characteristic fashion, he gave the result of his observations in terms Span-tab. the result of his observations in terse Span-

"At first we go away from the lake. Then we come back to it, just a little. Then we go away. Now this path take us right there

"That is it." agreed Miranda.

"That is it." agreed Miranda. It sounded rather mixed up, and no one paid much attention to it. But at least it put General Herran in a better humor, "Perhaps this will take us out of the cave," suggested Andrew. "The path is nearly in the right direction." "I hope it means water, anyway," said Una, thinking of Mrs. Quayle.

and jagged in contour, dull, almost black, in color. But the unevenness of surface was disappearing. The rocks were smoother, as if worn and rounded by constant rubbing. Vivia colors gleamed from wall and column with a pristing freshness suggesting that this part of the cover belowed to for our for our part of the cave belonged to a far more distant period than the great rock chamber in which they had stopped to take their buncheon. Finally, they were surrounded at every hand by those spear-like formations, thrust upward from the floor or depending from the roof, that give to the interiors of nost caves their fantastic appearance-thstalactites and stalagmites about whose oriin in the workshop of Nature there can be no doubt

They gathered up what was left of their

provisions and set off again, single file, down

the new path, General Herran in the lead,

Andrew bringing up the rear. They had not

gone many yards before they noticed the

the change in level was scarcely perceptible;

but now the descent became more and more

abrupt, and as there was less sand and gravel for a foothold they found the smooth surface of the rocks, tilted often at a sharp

angle, anything but easy going. Another necultarily that soon caught their attention was the leasening height of the cave's roof. Until new this roof had been so far above

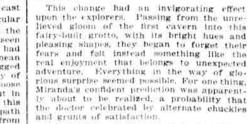
hem that they had to throw their heads way

would shortly come together and the con-lines, at least of that portion of the cave, would be reached.

Along with this new architectural feature

Walls and floor had, until now, been sharp

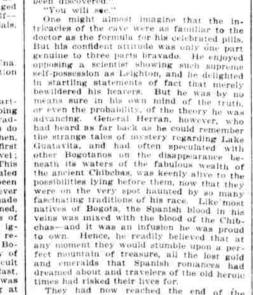
narked difference in the two paths. At first



"If we don't find water, there is at least no doubt that water has once been here." declared Leighton. "These stalactites make

"You will see you will see," persisted Miranda, "It is the Lake Guatavita,"

"How can that be?" argued Leighton, "No opening of the lake into this cave has ever been discovered."



They had now reached the end of the precipitous incline down which the path had led them, thankful to exchange the slipping and eliding, to which the tilted rocks had treated them, for the firm footing offered by a comparatively level floor. Here the roof hung only a few feet above

their heads, whence it curved downward, glistening with the delicate fretwork that the



