

MINUTE "MOVIES" OF THE NEWS RIGHT OFF THE REEL.

Reno has a new divorce law, but of course you aren't interested. Everybody talked at a recent dinner the Sphinx club, New York. Six Los Angeles clergymen have fined the police force to save souls with a club. "D. H." is a new Berlin title. It does not mean "deadhead," but "doctor of hotel keeping." If a man earns only \$12 a week his wife is entitled to all of it, rules Vice Chancellor Stevenson of New Jersey. Special nursery cars for babies are named for through trains west of Chicago. Bachelor passengers are enthusiastic. Thieves robbed a Danbury delicatessen store of Limburger cheese. Detectives followed the trail without a break and caught the man. Ohio's short rabbit hunting season closed with nine hunters killed and thirty-three wounded. There are no statistics on the rabbits. Bishop Henry D. Robinson of Nevada is adding to the distinction of his name by making it harder to get married there. He requires health certificates before he will perform a ceremony. What's the use? Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont of New York advises girls not to cry before they are twenty-five and to give up their "careers." Mrs. Chick of Brookline, Mass., says the real happiness comes to the woman who washes and irons her children's clothes and does her own work. In Chicago girls form a "95,000 a year club," vowing not to wed until their prospective husbands earn that sum.

WHY WILSON DROPPED "T."

made President Elect's Name Two Spondees, Which Brought Success. The mystery of the disappearance of the word "Thoms" from the name Thomas Woodrow Wilson has at last been explained. The president elect is in 1890 a professor at Wesleyan University. He was in the course of an evening's call upon a fellow professor discussing the interesting subject of names and their value. For those who wish to achieve any success in public life," said Professor Wilson, "the best kind of a name is one that consists of a dactyl and a spondee. For instance, Daniel Webster. The best kind of a name is one consisting of two spondees—Woodrow Wilson, for instance." Which proves two things—first, in 1890 Woodrow Wilson was ambitious of a public career; second, Woodrow Wilson was perfectly willing that everyone should know it. The spondee and dactyl anecdote of the president elect has only now shed the light of day. If Wilson had failed of election the story would have died a natural death. But now everything that tastes of the memory of Wilson's days as professor of history and political economy at Wesleyan is brought into the limelight.

BULGARIAN WAR SONG.

Inspiring March the Work of Kyrill Christoph. The hardly anticipated eagerness and sickness which have characterized the fighting of the Bulgarians throughout the campaign are largely due to the inspiring war song of a national poet, the Bulgarian march of victory is the work of the Bulgarian poet, Kyrill Christoph, and the following translation of it appears in the Sofia newspaper, the Mir: I longed for day has come. The battle rages. My hour is here! At and forward! We hundred years of bitter misery. No people can suffer it. Sink of it and kill! All without compassion and plant the flag of liberty. Great enemy stands before our mother, At who bore mighty avengers. Ah, throttle, slay! Sink of the walls of our mother! Think of them. All! Give no mercy! Die or conquer. Today it is honor, today it is justice, to be uncompassionate. My hour is here! At and forward!

TAKES HIS FIFTH BRIDE.

Illinois Man Demands Free License, but Doesn't Get It. George Oberbauer, fifty-eight years old, of Mascoutah, Ill., entered the marriage license bureau and asked the clerk for a free license, stating that it was his fifth visit he thought he was entitled to it. The clerk declined, however, to issue a permit without a fee. Mrs. Mary Miller, sixty-four years old, was the fifth bride, and the elder bridegroom declares that her pleas, together with her advice—and without woman's advice a man's life is futile, she says—made a combination beyond the powers of resistance.

School For Waiters In England.

A special school for training boys as waiters has recently been established in England in connection with the cooking school for boys at Westminster. Foreigners trained as waiters on the continent have been finding ready employment in England through lack of native applicants, and it is hoped that the new school will attract English boys into this occupation.

SWIFT SKY SHIP TO CROSS OCEAN

Will Carry 300 Persons at 67 Miles an Hour.

TWO AND A HALF DAY JOURNEY

German Inventor Has Drawn Specifications For a Thousand Foot Craft on New Lines, and Prominent Engineers Praise the Design—Hundred Men in Crew and \$415,000 the Cost.

Crossing the Atlantic by airship is now only a matter of a very short time, according to a group of German capitalists, which recently formed a company to exploit as a means of long distance traveling a new type of dirigible balloon devised by Herr Borer, a well known German engineer, which is proudly called the aerial ocean cruiser. Plans for the realization of this scheme are now well under way and have already advanced to the point of choosing the site of a hangar on the European side of the Atlantic, the exact location of which, however, is kept a secret for the moment. In the near future New York will be visited by Ernest Gunther Hensel, representative of the company, who was in Paris recently, with the object of ascertaining where would be the most suitable landing place for aerial cruisers bringing their load of passengers from Europe.

To Carry Three Hundred Persons.

The inventor and those backing him assert that not only will the new balloon carry more than 300 persons and make the 4,000 mile journey in two and one-half days, but they also maintain that safety and comfort will be the chief features of the journey.

The specifications of the new dirigible have already been drawn up in thirty-six different sizes for various purposes. The type destined for transatlantic passage will be constructed to navigate on the water if necessary as well as to fly. It will have a length of about 300 meters (or about 975 feet) by 30 meters wide and fitted with 34 benzine motors, 17 on each side, on an entirely new system capable of developing more than 5,000 horsepower.

The airship will have its own power for rising or descending, which will permit the doing away with ballast and take no account of loss of gas. The average speed is estimated at sixty-seven miles an hour. The airship will have a lifting force of 210 tons, which will enable it to carry 216 passengers, with a crew of 102. The total cost is calculated at \$415,000.

A feature on which great stress is laid by the inventor is the immunity of the airship from explosion, even if struck by lightning. The lifting force will be supplied by fifty-five separate small balloons, which are covered by a large envelope and insulated from the outer air by a compartment filled with nonexplosive azote gas, which also protects the motors and their reservoirs.

A model airship has already been constructed down to the smallest detail, and aerial experts who have been allowed to examine its special features are convinced of the practicability of the scheme.

Experts Convinced.

Count George von Der Goltz, president of the German Airship association and vice president of the International Aeronautic Federation, is reported to have said in an interview the other day that he wouldn't hesitate to be among the first passengers to cross the Atlantic in it. He thought that it would help Germany to obtain the supremacy of the air. After a careful examination of the new invention he stated that it appeared to him as if the element of danger, hitherto inseparable from long air journeys, had at last been eliminated.

E. Umbeck, another well known German engineer, who has hitherto given preference to the aeroplane over the dirigible for series of flights, states in a judicially worded report, after an exhaustive examination of all the details, that he is of the opinion that the inventor has based his ideas on sound principles and that his experiments and those of others made with the new airship have opened fresh ground in aeronautics. He also says he has carefully checked the calculations and found them faultless and concludes: "We are on the eve of seeing for the first time a really practical and profitable dirigible." Raoul Pictet, a Brussels authority, prefaces a long report by saying: "I have the pleasure of expressing my enthusiastic appreciation of your new system of dirigible. With real joy I hail in your splendid work new ideas which will lead aeronautic science in an unexpected direction."

John Brown's Executioner Dead.

Lieutenant Colonel Joseph C. Gibson, who was in charge of the troops that hanged John Brown at Harpers Ferry, died recently on his plantation at Verbena, Ala. He was seventy-nine years old and had been an invalid for several years.

Piece of Bone In His Heart.

A particle of bone from a kneecap fractured while playing baseball worked its way through his system to the heart of fifteen-year-old George Hayes of Philadelphia and caused his death.

THE HOUSING OF LAYING HENS.

Many systems for keeping poultry have been introduced within recent years. Those who are familiar with poultry publications must have seen that the "open shed" has been adopted almost exclusively in tropical or semi-tropical countries. These houses are really little more than open sheds. The only protection or covering for the front of the house is close wire cloth; the rear and both sides close built with a roof on top. These houses provide shelter from the weather and are usually cool during the night and when kept perfectly clean are very comfortable resting places in which the poultry may roost happily over night. Such houses answer very well in any locality where the thermometer does not get below freezing point. But in latitudes where there is snow, cold rains and occasionally zero sides close built with a roof on top, openings in front, which are closed at night and during bad weather with muslin curtains are most favorably considered. To have these houses best suited for all conditions there should be at least one glass window, reaching from floor to eaves in front. This to admit light and sunshine during winter days. The muslin curtain over the open glass window provides air circulation and ventilation affording a most healthy condition within.

Farther north as in Canada, glass windows are used in all houses with less open front as it is called, and with perhaps two windows in place of one, the open front to be closed with a tight muslin curtain. All poultry houses should face the south, so as to have the advantage of sunlight for the greatest number of hours during the winter months. In addition to fresh air and sunshine there must be dry floors and a dry interior. Nothing is so destructive to poultry as dampness. Fowls cannot live in damp houses and do well. They can neither keep their health nor lay many eggs. Dampness creates colds and croup conditions, which when present in a flock, stops egg production immediately. It matters very little how plain the construction of these houses, so long as side and rear walls, the roof and the glass portions of the front are air tight or so closely built that draughts cannot pass through any part of the room. The front should be enclosed as stated, with glass window and muslin curtain. While such construction admits sun and daylight with plenty of air it prevents dampness and cold from coming directly in contact with the fowl as would be the case if their openings were without the protection afforded by the muslin curtained windows.

All of these problems have been worked out by the poultry fanciers of the country. In almost every locality there are men willingly engaged in doing all they can to promote poultry culture. All the poultry fanciers and poultry growers of this locality should send their fowls to be exhibited at the Town Hall in Scranton, during the week of Jan. 14. Mr. A. W. Close, the secretary, has been distributing premium lists from his office in Scranton for the past ten days.

HAMLIN.

Hamlin, Dec. 19. George Polley, a former resident of Lake township, who has been in the west for some years, died quite suddenly at St. Louis, Mo. The body was brought here for burial. A funeral service was held at the home of Flora Polley, Ariel, after which interment was made in the Hamlin cemetery, on Wednesday, Dec. 11. On the same date, Della, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Patterson was buried here also. The child was quite severely burned about the body some three weeks earlier but was thought to be well on the way to recovery, so that her death came as a considerable shock to family and friends. The funeral services were held at the house, Rev. Russell officiating. Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Gillett spent a part of last week in Carbondale where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tucker. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fields have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. Isaac Williams, in Scranton during the past week. F. A. Peet, Elma Peet and Mrs. Marion Franc visited Scranton and Moosic recently. The M. E. Sunday school will hold its Christmas exercises on the evening of Christmas Day. Miss Mabel Hensel, of Moosic, is caring for her grandmother, Mrs.

John Osborne, who is sick with pneumonia.

Among Scranton visitors on Monday were Mrs. C. N. Loring, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Peet and Robert Spangenberg. Mrs. Agnes Moore is at C. L. Simons' caring for Mrs. Angelina Williams. Christmas bells will soon chime, likewise, saith Dame Rumor, wedding bells. Earl Williams, wife and little son Robert, of Scranton, visited at C. L. Simons' over Sunday. They came to see Mr. Williams' mother, Mrs. Angelina Williams, who is very feeble. Mrs. John Osborne is ill. Mrs. Asa Jones, who has been ill with pneumonia, is improving. Mrs. George Bartlow is ill with a severe cold. Miss D. P. Hamlin left on Friday for Hackettstown, N. J., where she expects to remain until after the holiday season as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Clearwater. H. D. Spangenberg is home from Spring Brook where he has been employed for several months.

SPORTING NOTES.

For the information of the many fans who are anxious to know when they can see some more basket ball, we understand that the new manager of the Rink does not intend to have any basket ball games, and in an interview with one of the Maple City basket ball team we learn that they have no games scheduled and do not know whether they will play any more this year or not. It seems as though it ought to pay, as this year Honesdale had a team which proved itself, in the few games played, to be one of the best teams in Northeastern Pennsylvania, and when it is considered that there is more basket ball played between here and Berwick than in any other section of the country of the same size, that is going some. This state plays more basket ball than any other state in the Union, and the Honesdale team was advertised in Pittston a few weeks ago as one of the "snappiest" teams in the state. Eddie Murphy and his White Mills team have come to the front now with a half concealed challenge to Honesdale (in our last issue) and as they have a fast team, a series of games between these two teams would not only be interesting but would be a money maker.

The Wilkes-Barre Advocate.

A weekly paper devoted to the interest of the colored people in Northeastern Pennsylvania, has suspended publication after an existence of twelve years. John S. Williams, the publisher, states in his farewell editorial that it was impossible to make the journal a success because many of his subscribers did not pay for their paper.

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