

Target Tips and Hunting Helps

by Alfred P. Lane

Send questions to Mr. Lane care of this paper.



A New Question and Answer Department of Interest to Shooters

A WORD ABOUT THE MAN WHO WILL ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

Most readers of this paper do not need an introduction to Alfred P. Lane, the man who is pointing a revolver straight between your eyes from the head of this column.

Those who follow the shooting sport at all will recall that Mr. Lane, then just bursting out of his teens, made a clean sweep of the pistol and revolver championships for Uncle Sam at the Olympic Games, Stockholm, in 1912. In these competitions, the young American was pitted against the short arms experts of the world and his triumph was heralded as one of the noteworthy achievements of shooting history.

Before going to the Olympic Games, Mr. Lane had made three world's records and had won the indoor pistol championship of the United States. His shooting has kept up to championship standard without a relapse, the latest important winning with which he is credited having been the grand aggregate of the revolver ranges at the 1914 Sea Girl tournament.

Starting with a .22 caliber rifle—practicing in his father's cellar as a boy—Mr. Lane has grown up with a natural penchant for firearms of all sorts, being almost equally expert with pistol, revolver, rifle and shotgun. Along with the inclination towards "shooting irons," Mr. Lane has been able to carry an exceptional faculty for concentration and analysis, and a natural talent for things mechanical and scientific. He digs into shooting subjects and goes to the bottom. Not content with claims, he is continually conducting experiments with arms and ammunition to satisfy not only his own inquiring mind, but to answer intelligently the continual flow of questions that come to him, as an authority, from individuals, publications and many other sources.

There is no doubt that Mr. Lane is peculiarly adapted to handle queries that may come to him from readers of The Lancaster News.

MR. LANE MAKES HIS BOW

Interest in shooting in all of its branches has greatly increased of late. More trap shooting, rifle and revolver clubs are being organized, and the public in general is making insistent demands upon authoritative sources for information covering the whole field of the sport.

Because of the number of questions which the editor of The Lancaster News has received, he has arranged with me to take care of a department on the subject.

This column is open to queries on any subject concerning the use of firearms for hunting or target work. If space permits, I will also throw the

column open to discussions, by readers, of various types of firearms and other things pertaining to the sport. On questions regarding the abundance or scarcity of game in any particular locality, there will be some delay, as in most cases it will be necessary for me to write to some correspondent living in the section asked about.

Please make your questions as specific and definite as you possibly can. Such questions as "Which is the best revolver?" or "What rifle shall I use for big game hunting?" obviously cannot be answered. Give me the details, such as the conditions under which the arm is to be used and just what you expect to be able to do with it. If your questions are of such a nature that a lengthy answer is necessary, send me a stamped, self-addressed envelope and I will write to you personally. All questions should, of course, be sent to me in care of this paper.

Unsigned communications will receive no attention, but the writer's name will be withheld if he desires.

From my experience with this line of work, I am led to anticipate that many questions will be asked which will be, in substance, identical, and therefore an answer to one such will answer all the rest.

The Dum Dum Bullet

There is one question which I know will be among the first, and that is "What is a dum-dum bullet?" so I am going to answer that one right now.

A dum-dum bullet is, broadly speaking any bullet designed to expand upon striking soft material such as flesh. The regular hunting cartridge used for big game is a dum-dum because it has a soft lead nose sticking out of the front end of the bullet's metal jacket. When such a bullet strikes flesh, it "mushrooms," i. e., the soft lead nose spreads out like the top of a mushroom and result is a big hole which usually quickly kills the animal struck. Cartridges for use in war have sharp pointed bullets and are supposed to drill a neat little hole, which, if not perforating a vital part, will heal quickly. The only trouble is, pointed bullets frequently act erratically and instead of going straight through, they tip and tumble end over end and tear a hole just like one made by a dum-dum. This peculiar phenomenon occurs mostly at the shorter ranges and is perhaps the cause of the accusations regarding the use of dum-dums by both sides in the present European trouble.

Now hustle along with your questions!

Alfred P. Lane

PERSONALS

Mrs. Herbert Rollings of Oakhurst community was shopping in Lancaster Monday.

Miss Virginia Taylor has been visiting friends in Rock Hill and Charlotte.

Mr. Gilbert H. Greene of Rock Hill visited his father, Capt. A. H. Greene, on Sunday.

Mr. Leroy S. Davidson with a party of friends from Camden visited Mr. W. M. Stevens, Sunday.

Mrs. S. M. Webb of Cheraw is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Cook, for a few days.

In connection with "Baby Week" which will be held in this city June 1 and 2, each mother is required to supply a baby blanket and towel to be used in the examination of her child.

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THE STEADY SUBSCRIBER

From the "Liberal News"

How dear to our heart is the steady subscriber

Who pays in advance at the birth of each year.

Who lays down the money and does it quite gladly.

And casts round the office a halo of cheer.

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Unequaled Variety in Taffeta Suits



From the viewpoint of variety it appears that nothing has equaled the number of suits, coats and frocks made of taffeta silk which have answered the public's demands this season. The supply of silk seems inexhaustible, but with the incoming of May the demand turns to thinner materials, cotton voiles, nets and laces for dressy frocks and the heavier cotton weaves for the white suits promised for hot-weather wear.

The line of colors would be a brief story in taffeta if it were not for the many two-toned varieties and changeable effects. For suits, gray, taupe, sand, black, and light green, and dark blue are presented, with dark blues far in the lead in point of popularity.

Taffeta suits have almost kept pace with the silk in variety of development, so that there is a style for every one. A pretty example is shown

in the picture, with a very short and loose coat. It is cut with a flare which looks as if it might rival that of the ballet dancer's skirt, if it were not confined by a belt of the silk that slips through slashes cut at the waistline. This belt is in reality used as a decorative feature and is finished with a flat bow at the front. It does not define the waistline and appears to terminate at the sides.

The wide cape collar and flaring cuffs are trimmed with parallel rows of white soutache braid. Three buttons provide an inconspicuous fastening at the front.

The skirt is plain except for two bias bands about the bottom, attached along their upper edge. It is cut rather long and very full.

Julia Bottomley

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