

DON'T TICKLE THE CELLIST

Happening at Detroit Shows the Unwisdom of That Particular Form of Playfulness.

One should never tickle a cello player in the ribs, especially if he is a famous one such as Phillip Abbas of the Detroit Symphony orchestra, remarks the Detroit News in a recent issue. Graham Harris, second violinist, did, and it almost cost him a lot of trouble, to say nothing of a new violin bow.

The story came out when Harris filed a suit for \$100 in justice court against Abbas. It was a story of temperament and temper and the trouble arose at rehearsal. Ossip Gabrilowitsch, director, was away for a few minutes, and the temperamental ones indulged in a few moments of play-boy, not music. Harris reached his violin bow over and tickled Abbas in the ribs. Abbas does not care to be tickled in his ribs and he swung a wicked cello bow to demonstrate that he did not care for tickling. There was a snap and the second violinist's best bow was a mess and a wreckage.

"Ah, ha," shouted Harris. "You have broken my bow. You shall pay." "Shant," shouted Abbas. "Your own fault. You had no business in my ribs." They glared and then the director appeared and the fight was dropped. It was taken up again via a justice court suit. It is believed that the suit never will be heard. The orchestra manager heard about it first. He got the men together, scolded, fumed, argued, coaxed and at last won. They shook hands. The damage was settled. And harmony of both sorts reigned.

RETURNING TO SAVAGE DAYS?

Feathers, Furs and Jewels, Now So Popular, Are Reminiscent of Our Early Ancestors.

Glimpses of present fashions and views of some shop windows lead to the impression that the world is, after all as some commentators say, reverting to the savage, remarks the New York Evening Sun.

Women are wearing more and more feathers in their hair and more and more large and ornate jewelry upon their hands and in their ears. Men are showing a decided inclination to ornament themselves to the limit of their purses in these days of the high cost of clothes, and altogether anthropologists tell us it is not such a very far cry from the adornments of present-day civilization to that of the Nearanthaler man or the Garden of Eden itself.

The fashions of last winter showed a predilection toward furs such as the world has never seen since the days when they were worn raw. Both men and women wore them.

In milder climates women seem to be wearing less and less. The stage is noteworthy in respect to the unclothed feminine back and certain sections of society seem to follow the stage. Fashion's return to Eve seems in certain cases to be a mere matter of weeks, as we progress in these swiftly changing times.

Gassing Forest Fire Impractical.

The officials of the United States department of agriculture have been in receipt of so many suggestions relative to extinguishing forest fires with the use of gas bombs dropped from airplanes that it has been found necessary to issue a statement for the purpose of explaining that the scheme is not feasible. For the purpose of overcoming a detachment of men, a mixture of one part of virulent poison to 1,000,000 of air would be entirely sufficient to accomplish the purpose, but one of 750 parts to the thousand would not be powerful enough to quench a conflagration. Another thing to be taken into consideration is the difficulty of dropping the bombs with the necessary precision. The art of striking a target with any degree of accuracy has not been developed at this time and there is no prospect that it will be sufficiently perfected to the point of becoming available for the purpose of fighting fires.

New England Least American.

Talk of Americanizing New England rings oddly on American ears. If the cradle of our country needs Americanizing, where are we?

We think of Massachusetts as the heart of New England. Among the states it is "next to the oldest." But a count of her present generation's parentage shows Massachusetts to be almost the least American of the 48 states, the World Outlook states.

The 1910 census discovered that only 32 per cent of Massachusetts folks were native born of native parents. More than 68 per cent were either foreign born or were born here of foreign parents. Later figures would be even more astounding. The years that intervene between 1910 and the outbreak of the war saw the greatest influx of immigrants the country has ever known.

New Aerial Regulation.

The small Australian who flies a toy balloon or runs with his Japanese kite against the wind may offend against the majesty of the war precautions act. A new war regulation issued in February, 1920, gives power to the naval or military authorities in the commonwealth to declare any area a prohibited area for the flying of balloons during any specified period. "Balloon" is defined as anything up to an air-ship. The reason for this all-inclusive regulation was primarily the flight of two Sydney to Melbourne of Sir Ross Smith, the airman who crossed the world from London to Darwin.

MATERIAL THAT RESISTS ACID

New Substance, Duroprene, Is Said to Be Adapted to a Wide Range of Uses.

Recent acid-resisting materials include such notable products as silica-ware, iron rich in silicon, monel metal and various other alloys. Not least interesting is duroprene, obtained by the chlorination of rubber, and resisting reagents that readily attack rubber, such as ozone, nitrous and nitric acids, hydrochloric acid, etc. Describing it to the Liverpool section of the Society of Chemical Industry, Mr. A. Lambie stated that it can be obtained in the solid state as a white amorphous powder. It is soluble in benzine and coal tar naphtha, carbon tetrachloride, and trichlorethylene, but the ordinary varnish is a 10 per cent solution in benzine and solvent naphtha. This varnish dries quickly, leaving a colorless, transparent film. The very thin film has been immersed for days in caustic potash, caustic soda, ammonia and the mineral acids—hydrochloric, nitric and sulphuric—without sign of decomposition, and it is quite insoluble in alcohol, ether, petroleum oils, and paraffin. Being also highly insulating and very adhesive, duroprene is adapted for a wide range of uses. It serves as anti-corrosive varnish or paint, for lining steel petroleum tanks, and wooden alcohol vats, for building up electrical condensers, as colorless lacquer for bright metal work, and as a gas-tight cement.

MICKIE SAYS



(The Laurens Advertiser.)

VOYAGE FAMOUS IN HISTORY

Wooden Paddle Wheel Steamer, the Golden Age, Paved the Way for the Mighty Megantic.

Departure from Sydney recently of the White Star liner Megantic for Liverpool by way of New Zealand, the Panama canal, the West Indies and New York, recalls her historic forerunner of 1854, says the New York Tribune.

The vessel, the Golden Age, was a wooden paddle wheel steamer, belonging to the New York and Australian Steam Navigation company. The intention of the company was to run six vessels "via Panama," the Panama railroad, capitalized at \$7,000,000, being the connecting link on the then undivided isthmus with the West India Royal Mail Steam Packet company, running from Southampton.

The Crimean war, yellow fever on the isthmus and other causes conspired to defeat the company's plans. The Golden Age was commanded by Lieut. David D. Porter of the United States navy, who afterward became famous as a Union admiral during the Civil war.

The Golden Age left Melbourne for Panama via Sydney and Tahiti, May 5, 1854. She reached Sydney on May 11 with 300 passengers. Her cargo included a consignment of gold dust and she reached England in 66 days.

New Idea in Ventilation.

The Ayrton antigas fan, which, according to Munsey's Magazine, may revolutionize all our systems of ventilation, is based on the principle that a fan should be brought down sharply from the perpendicular to the horizontal, and thus drive the air forward in steady puffs and set up a fresh current from the rear. The inventor, who is an Englishwoman, has given public demonstrations in London with glass models of dugouts and tunnels from which the fan readily expels the smoke. At one demonstration, Mrs. Ayrton, with a three-inch fan, sat at one end of a six-foot table while smoke poured forth from a funnel at the other end. The action of the miniature fan not only dispelled the smoke but quickly gained such control over it that it prevented it from coming out of the funnel. The fan works on the hinge-and-spring principle and is constructed of light material. It has been used successfully in factories, theaters, mines and sewers.—Youth's Companion.

Airplanes in Mining Operations.

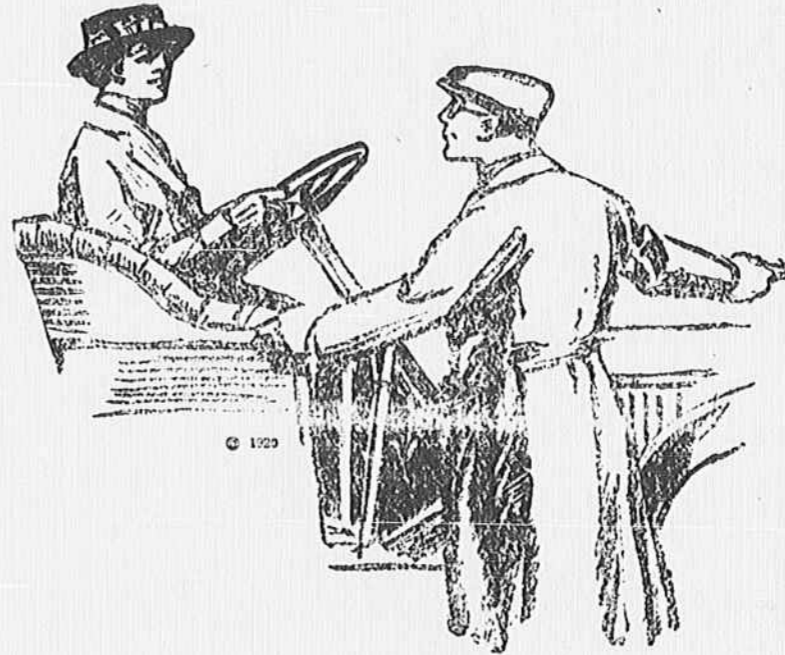
It is predicted that the airplane and the dirigible will prove a great stimulus to the mining industry in presenting a means of getting material and men to and from locations which are known to be rich with ore and which are at the present time inaccessible. There are many such places known to exist, but the cost of building a roadway to them would be so great as to be prohibitive. Attention to this phase of the subject has been recently attracted by a report made by Doctor Lyon, supervisor of the mining stations for the United States bureau of mines. By this means a regular communication could be maintained with sections which are not to be reached by any ordinary means. It is also suggested that the same means might be of great value for getting rescue apparatus to the scene of mining disasters.

Cats and Diphtheria.

"It is a widely accepted belief that cats may suffer from diphtheria and convey the infection to human beings," says the Journal of the American Medical association in recounting the experiments by which Doctor Savage proved that this is entirely without foundation.

Doctor Savage planted vast numbers of diphtheria bacilli in the noses and throats of kittens, but in no instance did these take the disease, and within 24 hours the bacilli were dead. Doctor Savage reviewed all the evidence in connection with epidemics of diphtheria and came to the conclusion that so far as it implicates cats it is quite valueless.

For Real
ICE CREAM
For Social Functions
Call
Palace of Sweets
Block Cream a Specialty



What a lot of argument there used to be about a woman driving an automobile

TODAY she can "make a train" or fix a tire as well as anybody.

As soon as a luxury becomes a necessity the point of view changes.

Two or three years ago you would have listened to more varying opinions about tires than you could shake a stick at. Mileages, construction, treads and whatnot.

It's different now. Tire users are working towards a unanimous feeling.

You express it one way—the man down the street another. But sifted down it amounts to this:

That the only way to settle

your tire problem is to get a tire of known value and stick to it.

We recommend and sell U. S. Tires because their value is known.

There's no guess about it.

It was the U. S. quality policy which led to the perfection of the straight-side automobile tire, the pneumatic truck tire—two of the greatest additions to tire value that have ever been made.

As representatives of the oldest and largest rubber concern in the world, we are in a position to tell you something about tire values. Come in some day and talk to us.

Select your tires according to the roads they have to travel:

In sandy or hilly country, wherever the going is apt to be heavy—The U. S. Nobby.



ROYAL CORD-NOBBY-CHAIN-USCO-PLAIN

For ordinary country roads—The U. S. Chain or Usco.

For front wheels—The U. S. Plain.

For best results—everywhere—U. S. Royal Cords.

United States Tires

EUREKA DRUG COMPANY

Watts Mills
LAURENS, S. C.