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Strange But True
By F. H. MacArthur

No animal can play possum quite so well as the opossum. When an enemy draws near the opossum draws back the gums from his teeth and makes himself look as if he might have been dead for a long time. To add to the deception his faded, colorless hair, withered ears and skinny tail bear all the semblance of death.

A Kangaroo, an opossum, and a mouse are all the same size when born — that is, half an inch in length.

Outside of Australia the only known marsupials are the opossums, which are found in South and Middle America. Perhaps the most astonishing thing about marsupials is the way they nourish their offspring. Birth takes place when they are very tiny and they are immediately dropped into the pocket on the belly of the mother where, attached to the nipples, they continue to grow until able to shift for themselves.

While it is true that man cannot make a silk purse out of a sow's ear, yet silk stockings can be made out of seaweed. As there is an inexhaustible supply of sea grass it may come to pass in the future that an inexhaustible supply of stockings will be on hand to please the ladies.

The Dutch Elm disease, which has destroyed so many of our beautiful trees is now being kept at bay by the use of antibiotics! When the supply of penicillin is large enough it will be used against the diseases of domestic animals and shot into plants to kill bacteria and fungi. Indeed, the triumphant march of science gives promise of a great future for the human race providing, of course, we do not destroy ourselves by modern war weapons before this promise can be fulfilled.

The demand for penicillin is so great today that large storage tanks are necessary to keep pace with the ever increasing demand for the stuff.

In order to have three good meals a day in France a worker has to spend from 70 to 75% of his wages in food.

Eastern Canada is now buying more tractors than Western Canada. The figures for 1951 are: Eastern Canada 26,832; Western Canada 23,730.

The Colorado beetle is not a bug! It belongs to the order of insects known as Coleoptera, a word which signifies "Wings Incased in a sheath". It was first discovered by the American entomologist, Thomas Say, in 1824. First seen on the floating grass on the Arkansas and Upper Missouri Rivers, it had by 1885, marched a distance of 365 miles to reach Rock Island, Illinois. Five years later, in 1870, the advance guard arrived in Western Ontario and soon spread to the maritime provinces.

The field mouse is active summer and winter, day and night, but like other fast living animals, his life is brief. This rodent is an old timer at 1 1/2 years. Natural enemies kill so many mice that very few reach the 1/2 year mark. But in spite of this high mortality they are in no danger of extinction. Each litter contains from 4-8 youngsters and 13 litters in a single year is not uncommon. Females reproduce their kind only two months after they themselves are born. One female is capable of producing 100 mice in a year. Unlike the house mouse, the field mouse is a very clean little chap. It carries no disease and keeps its

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Beavers have been known to construct dams 550 feet long, 4 ft. 2 inches high, and 18 feet wide at the base. Such a dam contains an estimated 250 tons of material. The beaver dam is considered by many to be the most famous of animal undertakings. The idea of the dam is to insure the makers sufficient depth of water to protect them from enemies over summer and deep enough in that the water will not freeze to the bottom in winter.

No dam is ever finished. If left to themselves, these marvelous engineers will go on repairing their work generation after generation until, finally, the dam is turned into a solid grass-grown mass of great strength. Some of the biggest dams discovered in Canada had canals as long as 580 feet. Several of these canals even had locks!

"As busy as a beaver" is an old saying but not always a true saying, for it is a curious fact that there are beavers that refuse to do any work. The busy beavers resent this and will often bite off the tails of the idlers.

The early prosperity of New York and Canada was based on the beaver and his excellent flesh served the Indians as their chief food over the far-flung MacKenzie Valley in by-gone days.

The Chinese gooseberry is so rich in Vitamin C that a single fruit can supply a person's daily need!

If ripe apples are placed with tomatoes, bananas or other fruits, their presence causes the green fruits to ripen. Green oranges and tomatoes can be ripened by ethylene treatment. Ethylene will also cause buds to swell into activity.

SPRIGHTLY CENTENARIAN

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