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The Montague Museum

A small town museum is a rarity, a circumstance which makes the venture undertaken by the Montague Junior Board of Trade a most ambitious one and worthy of support.

Present plans call for the museum to be opened early in the Spring. The entire first floor of the old post office building has been taken over for the purpose and is now undergoing extensive renovation.

It is a laudable undertaking, indeed. It should prove an inspiration to those who are striving to promote a Provincial Museum on a larger scale, in keeping with the obligations of a Province which boasts such a fine pioneer heritage.

Last Of The Moguls

Retirement of India's principal ruling prince, the Nizam of Hyderabad, wipes out a lingering trace of the Mogul Empire in the heartland of the subcontinent.

During most of his 45-year reign, the Nizam was absolute ruler of a sovereign state comparable in area and population—now 18,655,000—to Pennsylvania and Ohio combined.

Although the shy monarch seldom ventured outside his domain, fantastic legends about him circulated around the world. The Nizam was depicted as a frugal billionaire who mended his own clothes, drove an old car, ate only one meal a day, left gold bricks lying around palace gardens, kept fabulous jewels in dusty trunks and shoe boxes, and used a fist-size emerald as a paperweight.

The kingdom was absorbed into the Mogul Empire in 1687. Collapse of the empire shattered India. From the ruins emerged hundreds of princely states, made secure through treaties with the British.

Prior to 1948, the Nizam and his nobles owned nearly half of Hyderabad's 82,313 square miles. Yet a chapter of medieval history began to close under the feudal tenancy system.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Scientists have announced a new and cheaper method of making cheddar which has a "delightfully mild taste." Who in the world wants cheese to taste "delightfully mild?"

There are reports that Premier Mollet is facing increasingly serious political troubles. Well, he has been in office almost twelve months which, considering the misfortunes of French politicians in recent years, is a virtual miracle.

British Foreign Minister Lloyd is quite right in claiming that the setting up of the U.N. police force, such as it is, was a direct result of British-French intervention in Egypt.

As far as the United Nations' preoccupation with the Middle East is concerned, the London "Daily Express" put the whole thing in a nutshell the other day: "The truth is that the United Nations is not really interested in opening the Suez Canal. Its main anxiety is not to give offence to Nasser."

Clarkedale, a rural community in Missouri, has come up with something new. It has adopted a plan of "farm sitting" which is proving quite popular.

Of the 146 million tons of oil exported from the Middle East in 1955, 65 million tons passed through the Suez Canal. 40 million through pipelines to the Mediterranean and 41 million tons represented other shipments from the Persian Gulf.



SCHOOL DAZE

Advice At Ninety-Four

A message to nonagenarians was broadcast in the West of England Home Service from Eden Phillpotts, who was ninety-four on November 4.

"And now I will address my fellow nonagenarians with a parting word. I have marked among us a certain apathy, much to be regretted. Not only the normal hardening of the arteries appears to be responsible for this, but the channels of life seem to become blocked and barred; our apprehension grows dull; our familiar responses to environment seem to be withheld."

It is as though Nature were pulling down the blinds, blowing out the candles, and bidding us go to sleep before the day is done. We relinquish without protest and make no further effort to acquire. We neither become good news, nor lament bad. Should we find some time-worn, leather-bound book lying in a ray of autumn sunshine and waiting for the first autumnal frost to pinch it off, we recognize a brother and feel disposed to join him and compare notes.

A SCOTSMAN'S AMERICAN LOG

Nebraska At Night

By Wilfred Taylor of The Edinburgh Scotsman

CRETE, Nebraska. We sat for an hour in the vista dome above the Colorado room on the east-bound Denver Zephyr, described by the Burlington railroad as "the most enjoyable train in the world."

The roof lights were off in the dome which was lit only by the lamps in the observation car. We were lying back gently reflecting on some of the sharp contrasts in the American scene which had hit us. Those people in Chicago, we decided, had not been either liars or simpletons, as we had supposed, when they told us to wrap up well in the mile high city of Denver.

We fell into a doze from which we were aroused by the arrival in the dome of a man from Omaha whom he had met in the observation car. He was one of the countless Americans we had met and who had overwhelmed us with kindness. How lucky we were, we thought, to be footloose in the United States, to choose our own routes, and to meet people casually in all sorts of places.

noble emotions, and we must arm ourselves against them and strive to find some inspiration or hobby still beyond reach of our apathy to destroy. Do not let your curiosity perish, and on no account seek a hermit's cavern, or sever yourself from the Welfare State.

An old man may become twice a child, but there is no earthly reason why he should not be a good child — an active, reasonably intelligent, obedient, and patient child. Abstain from carping and censure; remember your opinions are now archaic to later generations, so bear with the chatter of youth and the babble of middle-age, recollecting that, when you were young, you talked the same sort of nonsense and did the same impulsive, silly things.

"Science has shown us how we can destroy our planet home and blow earth and ourselves back into cosmic dust if we decide to do so; but let science now turn from physical to psychical research and seek moral ways on which our spirits shall be purified, our humble reasoning powers quickened, and the gracious values of humanism made welcome until there sparkles for us the dew of a morning brighter than any that yet dawned upon the children of men."

er of my own firm," he said, "and life is pleasant with me." But he wondered where "you wouldn't get back among the big boys who were carrying out new projects which challenged his imagination."

The talk lazily switched to the election. The man from Omaha was a Democrat and he was sorry that Mr. Stevenson was of the picture for good. The American political system, he thought, had many disadvantages. He even went so far as to imply, in a way, that the war of independence had been a mistake.

"I told him about the man in Denver who, when we left him, had said: 'Well there's one thing, sir. You can't deny that all Americans are happy all the time.' 'Sounds like he thought we were a nation of cabbages,' said the man from Omaha wryly. 'If I lived in a country where all the inhabitants were happy all the time I'd quit,' he continued. We looked out at the surging darkness at the steel ribbed roof of the cars ahead glistening in the snow, at the signal lamps changing from green to red, and far ahead at the headlights of the locomotives weaving their figure 8 pattern in the snow filled darkness."

Shielded From The Public Gaze

(Globe and Mail)

It is generally considered that the proper place to conduct public business is in public. However, when it comes to dealing with income tax cases—which should be a public matter because public revenues are involved—the doors are shut and the greatest care is taken to see that the party or parties involved are shielded from the public gaze.

There is just out, a judgment of the Income Tax Appeal Board, a body which has the status of a court. The judgment is headed "In Camera", meaning that the hearing was conducted in private. The taxpayer involved is identified only as No. 344. The case was heard in private at the request of No. 344.

What had happened apparently is that No. 344 was reassessed in 1955 in respect of his income in the taxation year 1947 when, it seems, he received a sum of money from someone other than his employer and which he claimed was a gift and therefore not taxable.

This is part of the judgment: "The evidence has revealed an unsavoury set of facts that I (the chairman of the board) will refrain from reciting here. For, were I to do so, the nature of the appellant's employment—which was one of great responsibility at all material times—as well as the identity of many persons to whom he referred in his evidence, would be ascertained easily. However, I cannot help saying that the appellant's acceptance of the very substantial amount referred to in my reasons for judgment... is not to be commended."

No. 344, who enjoyed a position of great responsibility, and took a very substantial sum that was given him because of the office held, is spared being named. If you travel thirty-five miles an hour in a thirty-mile-an-hour zone, you pay your fine in public court.

He told us that whenever he went to Denver, he found that the altitude made him feel sluggish and out of sorts. This comforted us. "Well I've got to write a letter," he said. "See you at dinner."

After dinner we went along to the chuch-wagon, a little western style restaurant, about four cars ahead, and drank a cup of coffee along with two young sailors who were eating Hamburgers. The Negro waiters, as usual, were immaculate in their beautifully pressed white uniforms. In the empty diner, on the way back, the six Negro waiters were sitting at tables finishing off their own meals with thick cigars. At an elegant cash register in a glass enclosed cabin the steward, in his tuxedo, was busy with his home work.

We claimed our chair and chatted vaguely with the man from Omaha who told us that he had virtually made up his mind to apply for a post on the Coast. Opposite a priest was reading a book of devotion while the only other occupant of our section was sound asleep.

"Crete just ahead," said a trainman as a Negro barman, a short coat tightly buttoned over his uniform, collected our bags. We were an optional stop passenger and the engineer had been notified of our presence. The train pulled slowly to a stop and we clambered down in the cold wind, shortly before midnight, on to the track at Crete. We were on the soil of Nebraska, the State of Willa Cather and General Gruenther and many other distinguished Americans, the State that rolls endlessly over the plains, the State through which years ago the pioneers slowly trudged towards the golden visions in the West, the corn husbanders who from east to west stretch further than Scotland

Medically Speaking

By Herman N. Sanderson, M. D.

NEW BANDAGES HELP KIDS TO FORGET THEIR INJURIES. DOCTORS, and parents too, have gotten unexpected help in treating those minor cuts and scrapes so frequently encountered by children.

A surgical dressing firm has marketed a different type of plastic bandage that seems to have great appeal for the youngsters. So much so, in fact, that reports indicate the kids frequently tend to forget their injuries upon seeing the distinctive new bandages.

These new bandages are designed to represent glittering gold combat stars on a field of bright red and silver jets surging through blue skies. The designs are imprinted on the plastic film of regular red and blue medicated bandages.

The nation's youngsters themselves made their own selections of colors and designs. Consumer tests and research polls of the young age groups were carefully conducted before the new bandages were brought out.

In addition to being medicated, the new bandages are washable, waterproof and sterilized. Many pediatricians say they have found the colored bandages helpful when giving small-ty patients injections. The kids simply choose the design they would like to have cover the skin puncture as the doctor gives them the shot.

The bandages provide the youngster with a psychologic distraction. QUESTION AND ANSWER E. W.: What is the cause of rheumatic fever? Answer: Rheumatic fever is believed to be due to an allergic reaction to the streptococcus germ. Before rheumatic fever occurs, it is usually preceded by some form of streptococcal infection either of the throat or some other part of the body.



THE WISE ONE FLEES

It's the wise one flees — the frail birds. Flame birds, tame birds. What can be said for these. Crows those noisy squires. Presiding over. Frowled, bare trees? Blue jays wildly swinging. On high wires? What goes on in tiny heads of buntings. Scrambling for dry seeds? What foolish glee. Moves sparrows bouncing and bounding. Just for the joy of bouncing. On tall weeds? —Blanca Bradbury, in the Christian Science Monitor.

The Age Old Story

I, even I, am He that comforteth you; who art thou, that thou shouldst be afraid of a man that shall die?

OUR YESTERDAYS

From The Guardian Files

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (December 10, 1931) The Steamer Montrose will leave St. John and Halifax this week carrying mails for Great Britain and other trans-atlantic ports. Mail from Prince Edward Island destined for European points will be picked up at Halifax. It has also been announced that the S.S. Aurunia will leave for England next week.

TEN YEARS AGO

(December 10, 1946)

The City Council has appointed an industrial committee to work in collaboration with a committee appointed by the Provincial Government to assist in the location of sites for industrial purposes. The committee will also assist the Department of Reconstruction when it confers with representatives of adjacent areas such as Parkdale concerning pure water supplies.

MAXIMS

Wrongs are often forgiven, but contempt never is. Our pride remembers it forever.

IKE COMPLAINS

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — President Eisenhower complained Friday to Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson that "leakage" of military budget figures and manpower plans to the public "is something that's got to stop."

ONE MAN TELLS ANOTHER

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does from north to south. It was cold and it was dark and it was late but we were glad to be in this great and proud State of Nebraska.

SAMPLE TABLE

Table with 3 columns: GROSS YR RECEIV, MONTHLY PAYMENTS, NUMBER OF MONTHS. Rows show values for \$100.00, \$200.00, \$300.00, \$400.00.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

One advantage of rock 'n' roll records is that when they are worn out you can't tell the difference. — Windsor Star

Walking is good for the complexion, says a doctor. But it's easier to phone the drug store and have it delivered.—St. Catherine's Standard

Canadian airmen stationed at Iceland were lonesome for the sound of a train whistle. So the Canadian National Railways sent an old one up to them. Now the airmen would be happy if they never heard another whistle. The gift is being used to sound reveille. —Fort William Times-Journal

Ottawa could do no worse than turn an ear to Prime Minister R. G. Menzies of Australia. He has announced to his House of Representatives that a complete revision of the defence program, "in the light of circumstances now existing in the world."—Vancouver Province

A hunter tells the coroner that naturally he thought it was odd that a deer should be wearing a derby hat and smoking a cigar, but he thought it would be that much more interesting as a trophy.—Hamilton Spectator

The ivory tower should not be viewed simply as a place of escape. It is, or should be, a place of retreat—using that word in its original ecclesiastical sense.—Kingston Whig-Standard

The Soviet fisheries minister who has been visiting in Canada intends to purchase some Canadian fish-processing and packing machinery. The initial purchase should be enough. It won't take the Russians long to copy the models.—Fort William Times-Journal

Trying to get rid of pigeons, a New Jersey firm sprinkled its roof with rumsouked corn. It attracted more pigeons than ever, doubtless cooling "Come on, the drinks are on the house."—Peterborough Examiner

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