

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Before Jack Dempsey got in the big money he did not refuse to fight for a couple of hundred dollars. The famous John L. Sullivan only received fifty bucks for beating Steve Taylor at Harry Hills' old sporting resort. Date: John Sullivan's next fight, with John Flood, earned \$750. The fight on a barge in the Hudson River, lasted eight rounds with Sullivan knocking Flood K.O.

Many American and Canadian towns and villages have odd names, such as Canajoharie, N. Y., Pickle Creek, Ontario, Ulg, Prince Edward Island.

The most gruesome deck of cards ever seen was exhibited in 1890 by Capt. Kingsbury, at the San Carlos Indian Reservation in Arizona. The deck was made by Indians. The face and spots were copied after the Mexican mochte cards and were put on playing cards made of durable paper. And believe it or not, the cards were made from tanned white man's skins.

Man is the master or destroyer of all animals except the rat. The rapid spread of this rodent is due to the fearlessness with which he will follow man wherever he goes. Every ship, every home, every support of every battlefield, every dump and indeed every part of the globe has its colony of rats.

Scattered across the British Isles one runs into curious names places some of which literally makes one's mouth water. Take, for instance, Plum Pudding Island and Strong Beer Center. For barbers there is a barber's End and Latherers' End for sports fans, Bat and Ball; for henpecked husbands, Tongue End; for those wishing to cut down in their flesh, Starve-All.

The first women preachers were Quakers. Why? Because the Society of Friends always shared with men the right of speaking in meetings, religious or otherwise.

In 1833, for the first time in the world, a woman, The Rev. Antoinette Brown, was ordained as a Congregational minister. She was born in a log cabin at Henrietta, N. Y. in 1825.

Here are a few strange but true facts about the seven seas: The Pacific covers 88,000,000 miles the Atlantic 30,000,000; the Indian Ocean, Arctic and Antarctic 43,000,000. The Atlantic's average depth is approximately 3 miles. Indeed, all the seas in the world would require 2,000,000 years to Niagara Falls.

The seas take on many colors which, in themselves, are quite amazing. North and South of the equator for some 30 degrees the waters of the seven seas are deep azure. Beyond these latitudes the color changes to a dull green, in the Arctic and Antarctic Oceans the greens and blues present a colorful sight.

Occasionally large areas of the ocean turn milk white. Such a phenomenon occurred in 1904 when a passenger ship running between Yokohama and Hong Kong ran into a perfectly white sea. Its effect upon the eyes was dazzling. The phenomenon lasted six hours.

Then in the year 1900, a large portion of the sea stretching along the California coast turned black. This was caused by millions of tiny animalcules.

The red sea derives its name from a reddish tiny weed. And China's Yellow sea owes its origin to the flood of muddy yellow-tinted water that flows into it from lesser streams.

But strange to relate in Jan. 1909, a river of yellow water, three miles wide and unknown length, was observed running parallel with the gulf stream. It stretched from beyond Cape Florida to Cape Hatteras. The cause of this phenomenon is not known but some

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. ROBERT N. TOMLINS

The death occurred in the Charlottetown Hospital on Wednesday, August 8th, of Mrs. Robert N. Tomlins, (nee Katie Kelly) after an illness of some weeks.

The late Mrs. Tomlins was the daughter of the late Conductor Frank Kelly and Mrs. Kelly. She trained at Beth Israel Hospital, New York, where she was the Gold Medalist, later returning to her home town where she married Robert N. Tomlins, who survives her. To know Katie Kelly was to love her, and to a wide circle of friends she was known as "a friend in need is a friend indeed." A good neighbor, kind to those with whom she associated, she will be greatly missed in the home, as well as in the neighborhood.

She was ever ready to help with good sound advice, sprinkled with a wealth of Christian charity, those with whom she came in daily contact. She was administered to and consoled in her last days, by the presence of her bed-side of her nephew, Rev. James Kelly of the Cathedral Staff, who never missed an opportunity to be with his beloved Aunt Katie. Her funeral was held at St. Dunstan's Basilica on Friday morning, August 10th. Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated by her nephew, Rev. James Kelly with Rev. Francis MacDonald as Deacon and Rev. Francis Corcoran as Sub-Deacon. His Excellency Bishop Boyle, occupied his throne on the Altar. Rev. Bernard Gillis assisted.

The following are left to mourn her passing, her husband, R. N. Tomlins, Sisters, Mrs. Georgie Kelly, Mrs. Ethel MacDonald, at home; Miss Florie Kelly of Dorchester, Mass. Emily and Ethel Kelly, nieces, at home. Rev. James Kelly of the Cathedral Staff, Robert with the Oblates at Ottawa, Lt. Michael, with the RCN, Halifax, and Lt. Frank of Kingston, Ont. Also a niece, Mrs. Ross Burnstead, Lafayette, California, daughter of the late Mrs. Walter Gardner, nee Emily Kelly, of Boston, Mass.

May her soul rest in that peace which is the reward of a life well spent in doing for others.

writers think it might have been caused by some tremendous submarine phenol, probably of a volcanic nature.

There's a clock in Strasbourg, Germany, which tells the years and leap years, and needs winding only once every century. Its face, 10 feet square, has a number of dials and little niches where 122 little figures have their hiding place. These latter are to allegorize human life. Every 60 seconds an angel hits a bell with a midget hammer. When he has sounded 16 times another angel in red robes strikes the first quarter. Dressed in Louis XIV costume, another figure turns a dial. At the same time the figure of a child appears at the lower door. The 2nd quarter is represented by a youth, the 3rd by a middle-aged man wearing glasses and a high hat, and at the 4th a decrepit old wreck with a white wig.

While all this is going on, Death in the shape of an Indian with wings has been trying to strike a bell in the upper niche, but an angel has headed him off in every instance and protected the human family "by raising the right-hand in an allegorical relation," as per programme, until the 4th quarter. Finally, Death takes over, strikes the hour, and bundles the old fellow off into eternity. The whole structure is surmounted by a rooster, which crows loudly at 6 and 12 o'clock.

ON SLOWDOWN STRIKE

LONDON, Aug. 21 — (Reuters)—More than 5,000 workers at 27 power stations now are going slow and banning overtime, the British Electricity Authority said today. The workers are demanding a 10-per-cent wage increase and have rejected compromise offers. Present power supplies are not upset.

Mitchell - Tulle Wedding

The wedding of Bernice Selma, daughter of Mr. George Tulle and the late Mrs. Tulle of Charlottetown to Peter Vincent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mitchell of Newcasttle, N. B. will take place this morning at nine o'clock at St. Dunstan's Basilica.

The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Father Patrick MacMahon, Mrs. Joseph Dougan playing the wedding march. Mr. Frank MacIntyre will sing "Just for Today," "Ave Maria" and "Pans Angelicus." Multi-colored gladioli and anapraprons will decorate the altar. The pews will be marked off with white satin ribbon.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, will wear a gown of beautiful white guipre lace over white nylon and satin, high neck trimmed with seed pearls, buttoned down to the waist with satin buttons, long sleeves with pointed cuffs, the skirt falling in soft pleats. Her veil will be finger tipped of tulle illusion falling from a coronet headdress trimmed with seed pearls. She will carry a cascade bouquet of white gladioli and stephanotis.

The maid of honor, Miss Freda Tulle will wear a dress of green brocade satin with moulded bodice, the full skirt of green net over taffeta with matching cap, carrying a basket of yellow gladioli.

The bridesmaids, Misses Phyllis Tulle and Isabella MacDonald will wear matching gowns of yellow brocade with moulded bodice, the full skirts of yellow net over yellow taffeta, and will carry baskets of mauve gladioli.

The groomsmen is Mr. Michael Mitchell, brother of the groom. The ushers John and David Mitchell, brothers of the groom, and George and Kenneth Tulle, brothers of the bride.

The groom's mother is wearing a dress of navy sheer with pink accessories and a corsage of pink roses.

The reception will be held at the Charlottetown Hotel, Rev. Father MacTague proposing the toast. The honeymoon will be spent motoring through the New England states, the newlyweds leaving immediately after the reception.

For travelling the bride has chosen a grey wool dress with padding green accessories and a corsage of yellow roses. On their return the couple will reside in Newcastle, N.B.

Out of town guests will include Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mitchell, the misses Victoria and Marjorie Mitchell, Messrs. John Mitchell, Mitchell, and David Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. George Sumarah, Mr. and Mrs. Alden Aoyouf, Mr. and Mrs. K.E. Troboussee, Mr. Solomon Curry, the misses Sarah and Cecelia Curry, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ellis, Mr. N. Napke, Mr. John Chenier, Mrs. G. Grant, Miss Zelta MacDonald, Miss J. Dinan, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Russell, Mr. and Mrs. G.A. Mersereau, Mr. and Mrs. George Iram, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Max Dolphin, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Gorr, Mrs. Ludger Mossey, Mr. James Farrah, Miss D. Demers and Mrs. George Farrah, Mr. and Mrs. L. Burns, Mrs. W. Roman, Mrs. Edgar Boyle, Mr. and Mrs. C. Delano, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Maurice and Mr. Jack Balcom.

STANHOPE W. I.

The August meeting of the members of the Stanhope W. I. was held on August 7, at the kitchen shelter at Stanhope Beach. The Vice-President, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. O'Brien, in the absence of the President. It was opened by the "Collect" repeated in unison. Ten members answered the roll call by giving a donation to the Radio appeal for the Sanatorium. There were four visitors present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, approved and signed. The Stok committee gave their report and a new one appointed as follows:— Mrs. Joseph Robinson, Jr. and Mrs. Harry Lawson. School: Mrs. John Misener.

Correspondence was read and discussed. It was decided to send \$10 to the Cancer Fund. The cake sale proved to be a great success, judging by the total sum of \$39. realized which included some donations. Another one is to be held in the near future.

The contribution to the Covehead Hall was left until a later date. The school fountain has been repaired, and the bill is to be paid. Mrs. Malcolm MacLaughlin and Mrs. John Misener gave their

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HOLDING SEATS. — Get your holding seats for the coming season at the Forum each day 9 to 12 A. M. and 2 to 4 P. M.

CITY POLICE COURT. — At the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court yesterday, three men charged with being drunk and incapable appeared. One was sentenced to 10 days in jail, one fined \$5 and costs or five days in jail and the third was remanded until today.

PERSONALS

Mr. William O'Brien of Water-ville was a visitor in Charlottetown yesterday.

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Dr. Charles Cammell and Mrs. Cammell, have returned to Ottawa from Prince Edward Island, where they spent some weeks.

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The many friends of Mr. Owen Baird, Webster's Corner, will regret to learn of his serious illness in the City Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Murray, have returned to Halifax, N. S. after spending a pleasant vacation with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Colin Murray, Cornwall. Orville is employed with the Dept. of National Defence.

Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Saunders, and young son, Glenn Allison, of Louisburg, N. S. are spending two weeks' holiday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Saunders, Charlottetown and Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Ricker, Moncton.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Smith, Portland, Maine, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Smith and daughter, S. John, N. B. are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith, Charlottetown.

Mrs. Leonard Trowsdale, Mrs. Kimbal Stewart and son Jackie, have returned to their home in Quincy, Mass. after spending some time visiting in Westmoreland, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Trowsdale.

report on the Annual Convention. Mrs. Percy Douglas kindly invited the members for the next meeting. Roll call to be answered by "Decorating a hat."

The meeting was brought to a close, followed by a delicious lunch of ice-cream and cake and a social hour was enjoyed.

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MAKE A DATE to attend Red Cross Blood Donor Clinics between August 27th and September 5th. Watch papers for times and places.

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THREE DAYS specials at the Marie Elena Beauty Salon. \$15.00 machine-remnants for \$7.50; \$10 machine-remnants for \$5.00. Phone 2191, 131 Richmond.

BULLETINS FROM BIRLAND

WINIFRED E. WILSON

Our fun with the American Mergansers began early in July, when we first spied 12 very small ducklings paddling down the lake after their big mother. However, long before that we knew Mergansers were living in a clump of rocks just a trifle back from the water line, 75 yards or so from our wharf. In mid-May Mr. and Mrs. kept flying low over the lake, their long, white bodies held horizontally. Occasionally he flew alone, his very dark green head showing up in contrast to his white neck; at other times we recognized the female because of her reddish-brown crested head and large, square, white wing-patch.

It was interesting to watch them catching their dinner near the shore. Diving under the water, they used both feet and wings for the sake of speed, and came up several yards away, grasping a grub or a sucker in their slender, cylindrical bills. Fishing is made easy for Mergansers because their bills have tooth-like edges, and the upper section ends in a sort of hook. The slippery prey cannot escape.

Their favourite time for talking was early morning and late evening, when their quacks sounded like distant barking. One morning in late June Mr. Merganser gave quite an exhibition of quacking and flying in circles over the roof of the cottage, so low that we could hear the swish of the silver-lined wings, and plainly see his peach-coloured breast.

Baby Mergansers are able to swim as soon as they break through their creamy-buff shells, but they require help at mealtime and protection. As father had deserted, all duties fell on mother. "Quack, quack," she called, and they followed her over the surface of the lake, the whole dozen strung out in a row, bobbing along like wavelets. Their backs shone silver in the sun, their heads red, as their mother's. When motor boats came too close she gathered the family, and herded them ahead of her, guiding them gradually to a secluded bay. There she taught them fishing. First one little head disappeared under water, then another.

By August 15 mother had left,

Girl Guide News



Leaders: — Are you preparing your Fall and Winter programme? It is not too soon and a few meetings planned of work and games can be given much more thought than if left to a few days before the meeting. Get together with your Court of Honour now.

We hope to be able to send you a complete agenda of winter projects from Provincial H.Q., so that you will be informed well ahead. Commissioners are getting all set to give you every help. Last year was a record one for Leaders' warrants and we should have more.

This one should see a record one for First Class Guides, so many are entering on the last lap of the test and should go all out to complete. Do not wait because if you look hard to you, contact the Field Secretary, she may be able to make it sound easier and is anxious to help you all.

Mrs. F. S. Jenkins is at present in the P. E. I. Hospital but hopes that it will not be as long a visit as the last. Letters should be sent to 76 School St., Charlottetown, or the Hospital if urgent, and stores will still be despatched as usual. Country companies have not had as many visits as usual due to Mrs. Jenkins poor health but that should

but the 12 still kept together. In mid-September, their numbers had been reduced to 8. Finally, on September 18, they had separated, and for the first time we saw one rise from the lake carrying a fish. The young Mergansers were almost full size, and had become independent.

Do birds require protection?

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not prevent the Guides from going ahead. Those visited were mostly where help was needed but if at all possible those omitted will be visited at a later date. Meanwhile if you are experiencing difficulties do not hesitate to write the Field Secretary. If leadership is the trouble appeal to your Commissioner and the sponsors of Guiding in your community, the Women's Institute or the Catholic Women's League. Guides could send a deputation to these wonderful organizations who are always anxious to help along our Guiding programme.

A large order for stocking up our stores has been forwarded to Dominion Headquarters and will be in early September at Prov. Headquarters, 76 School St. We shall have a full stock of badges and test books, also a few fancy Guide and Brownie items for prizes or gifts to your friends, all at very reasonable prices, but get your order in promptly if you need any. Except in very unusual circumstances, all goods from Prov. H.Q. must be paid for when purchased. We regret this new ruling, but our

outstanding bills assume such large proportions that it is necessary. Mrs. Jenkins regrets that her activities will be somewhat curtailed insofar as visiting is concerned and would be glad if you would contact your Commissioner for enrollment ceremonies, presentations etc.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Daniel Ross, who was killed at Borden on August 22nd, 1944.

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