

TOWN TOPICS
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NO! NOT ME! YOU? YOU?

Random Doings of a Random World

Police Judge Burke of East Orange, N. J., complained to the school board for the bright colored cartons displayed by high school girls.

Harvard and Bryn Mawr have banned "intelligence tests" on the ground that they are unintelligent.

The Duke of Manchester held a London thief until police came and afterwards found that his own pockets had been picked.

An American negro comic opera company was not allowed to play in Moscow for fear it would draw too much patronage from the government grand opera.

Another charge made against the dance known as the Charleston is that it causes a foot disease called papilloma, described as "epithelial tumors formed by hypertrophy of the papillae."

Reversing a previous decision, the New York supreme court has granted a charter to the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism.

Charles Ray, film star who went into bankruptcy recently, is assisted by the government for \$233,000 unpaid taxes.

In maneuvers off the California coast the submarine S-25 was sent to locate the mine sweepers Olan. The sub not only located the vessel sought, but rammed her without serious damage.

Accidentally opening a gas jet with its paw, a dog belonging to Mrs. Fisher of Easton, Pa., was killed by escaping gas.

Governor Austin Peay of Tennessee pardoned 23 prisoners who bravely fought a fire at the Shelby county workhouse.

Frederic Schofield, who recently died at Arlington, Nova Scotia, is said to have been able to repeat the Bible through memory.

Rudolph T. Roehle, who started from Maine to sail around the world in a canoe, was drowned in Chesapeake Bay when his craft capsized.

The 2-year-old son of Xavier Belanger near Sayward, B. C., was saved by a mare that drove off a vicious hog that was about to attack the child.

William Sims, 85, escaped from a Belleville, Ill., hospital with \$5,000 worth of radium on his scalp. He was captured next day and the radium was found in a bandage which he had thrown away.

Having but little money, Lester Perry and Miss Ava Snell of Eastwood, Eng., built a bungalow with their own hands and then got married.

General Hong Chow-Ling was shot and killed in Shanghai, China, by the cabin boy of the American liner President Pierce, who committed suicide.

Approaching too near a lions' cage, Count Guy de Marnard of Paris had part of his scalp torn off by one of the beasts.

A law proposed in Turkey would impose fines for the speaking of a foreign language by Turkish citizens.

Shortly after a Montreal newspaper published the story of Alfred Boyden's pockets being picked while on his way to pay the undertaker for burying his son, a mysterious messenger returned his money.

A carload of liquor with a layer of potatoes on top was seized at Great Falls, Mont.

After killing a fellow prisoner with the iron leg of a bunk, Harry Van Staden walked into the warden's office at the Albany, N. Y., penitentiary and said, "I just bumped a guy."

Baroness de Alcabach, noted painter and newspaper woman, is an honorary captain in the Spanish Army, the only woman to hold that honor excepting the queen.

Women in Paris have the fad of wearing shoes made from the skins of pet dogs which die.

Women occupy one-sixth of all civil service positions in Sweden.

Less than three per cent of the women of India have any education of consequence, but they vote in several provinces.

Miss Munira Sabet, a cultured Mohammedan woman, will publish a newspaper in the French language in Cairo, Egypt.

Directors of the General Federation of Women's Clubs will hold a meeting in Washington January 13 to 15.

More than a score of women in England earn a living as chimney sweeps.

Mrs. Evelyn Frances Snow, whose two sons served in the World War, will be a candidate for governor of Ohio next year.

Mrs. Martha Frakes of Carthage, Ill., is reported to have hushed 110 bushels of corn and milked ten cows in a day.

There are more than 4,000 women letter carriers in the British postal service.

45 tons of machinery through the roof of the building.

Plans for converting Americans to Buddhism are being made, with missionaries drawn from Japanese youths educated in the United States.

Mrs. Laurent Poul of Quebec province found a gold nugget the size of a bean in the stomach of a hen she was preparing to cook.

"ALOMA OF THE SOUTH SEAS" CONTINUES AT THE GARRICK

"Aloma of the South Seas," a synthetic drama with a low boiling point, collected by John B. Hymer and La Boy Clemens, has arrived at the Garrick Theatre, Detroit, for a stay, which will be prolonged till the public quits buying tickets—and that's going to be a long time, thinks the manager.

"Aloma" is apparently the "Abbie's Irish Rose" of the equatorial school of drama, for, in the language of the theatre, "it has everything." If you have missed "The Bird of Paradise," "Rain," "White Cargo," "Madam Butterfly" and others of the sort, ancient and modern, it is your chance to retrieve your losses in a single evening.

The foregoing is not the raving of the Garrick Theatre press agent but the honest-to-goodness critical opinion of Ralph Holmes, dramatic editor of the Detroit Times. So that his criticisms will be well rounded out he continues:

"With no little skill the authors have woven the familiar characters into familiar situations, with the maximum of theatrical effects, including the tropical storm. After the atmosphere—and tempo—of the piece had been definitely established early in the first act by a quartette of nearly-nude can-can dancers, and much strumming of the guitar and thumping of the tom-tom, we meet the drunken white lad, the silylous English chap, the haughty white matron, the dusky belle of the island, her bronze-god lover, the fat lady on kecker, the philosophical planter, the hard-boiled sea captain, and his low comedy mate. Only the missionary is absent, but he is really present in spirit, for there is much talk about him."

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At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County on the 14th day of December, A. D. 1925.

Present, Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Louis B. Sailer, Deceased.

Sailer, Sailer, having filed in said court a petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to Richard T. Chittum, or to some other suitable person.

It is Ordered, That on the day of January, A. D. 1926, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, he and he hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Furthered notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order said week for three consecutive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Evening News, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

ROSS STOCKWELL, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.

DAN A. MCGAFFEY, 25-27
Register of Probate,
The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

Notice is hereby given that on the first of February, A. D. 1926, I intend to make application to the Probate Court for said County, for order changing my name from Joseph Henry Barnum to Joseph Henry Chambliss.

Dated this 29th day of December, A. D. 1925.

JOSEPH HENRY BARNUM, 25-27

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1926
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