

**Random Doings
of a Random World**

Alfred Bell of Leamington, England spent three hours climbing a 150-foot chimney to rescue a cat at its top.

While policeman Thomas Davies of Chicago, was at church with his family burglars robbed their home.

Rev. C. F. Lytel of Elgin, Ill., objected to an amateur drama being staged in his church and stopped the performance after the second act.

In an exhibition match at St. Petersburg, Fla., "Pat" Mooney made "rings" pitching horseshoes blindfolded, after winning the world's championship at the age of 18.

Finding noodle soup on the table for the sixth day in succession, Elbert Connor of Washington, Pa., pitched the bowl out the window, beat his wife and got sued for divorce.

Picking up a hand containing eight pennies in a sidewalk game, German Schlee of Chicago smiled at his companion players and fell over dead.

After corresponding for a year G. W. Hunt, 65, and Mrs. Mollie Phillips, 40, met in Shreveport, La., and were married immediately.

Members of an Arkansas congregation now receive regular contributions from all discovered on the church's property.

In his will Cardinal Mercier asked the pardon of any persons he may have wronged and expressed forgiveness to any who may have wronged him.

Carlos Fernandez of Manzanillo, Cuba, was erroneously reported killed while away from home and has enjoyed reading his own complimentary obituary notices.

Mrs. F. W. Wolcott of Hamilton, Ont., is the founder and president of the Ladies' Carry-Go League of Canada, an organization devoted to the welfare of sick and disabled veterans.

Mrs. Louisa M. Cross of Fitchburg, Mass., who was married at the age of 15, is now 35 and the mother of 20 children, all living.

Miss Dorothy Walker of Portage, Wis., is the first and so far the only woman district attorney in her state. In the prosecution of 300 cases she has had only two acquittals and one mistrial.

Mrs. Mollie Long of Cincinnati is an expert player on the mouth organ at the age of 73, having played it since childhood.

John Brodie of Buffalo, who claims to have invented the trench helmet, is suing the government for compensation for his device.

Paris beggars often hire babies to carry around with them, in order to excite sympathy.

When bandits entered her father's store, 7-year-old Sophie Isenberg of New York, telephoned for the police, but the robbers got away with \$180.

Angelina Catazarite of Milwaukee, a daughter of Italian parents, weighs 170 pounds at the age of 8 years.

Hildegarda Carballera, a student at the University of Madrid, has completed three courses toward her bachelor of arts degree at the age of 11. The royal princess Beatriz and Christian recently presented her a prize for attainments in literature.

Martin Abrahams of New York, who weighs 175 pounds at the age of 13, was arrested when he ate a \$2 meal and had no money with which to pay the bill.

When Fred Taylor of Leeds, Eng., annoyed Miss Annie Scherkin by his attentions, she bit him on the hand and he had her arrested.

Mrs. Ella Searles of Chicago, suing for divorce, told the judge, "My husband wanted me to thank him every five minutes for marrying me."

A British lifeboat crew has been awarded \$500 for rescuing 11 men from a sinking vessel 45 years ago.

A strange 7-foot fish caught off the English coast had a "blow-hole" like a whale, teeth like a shark and a tail like a dolphin.

Charles Agnew of St. Paul complained to a court that his wife wasted the money he gave her, later admitting that it was only \$2.50 a week.

Ruth Horn of New York, aged 9, has enrolled in high school having completed her grammar school course in three years. Her teachers consider her America's outstanding child prodigy.

Herbert Kaufman of Atchinson, Kan., gave a piano recital of twelve numbers played by ear at the age of three years.

Cora Price of Monmouthshire, Eng., aged 15, has attended school 10 years without being absent or tardy.

Miss Mabel Johnson of East Greenwich Conn., was left an estate worth \$1000,000 by John H. Ormsby, whom she nursed during his last illness. Her relatives are contesting the will.

Mrs. Mary E. Durand is still an active telegraph operator in Cleveland at the age of 74, having served for 56 years. Four years ago she was offered retirement with a pension, but refused.

Mrs. Clara Senecal, aged 66, has been appointed sheriff of Clinton county, New York, by Governor Al Smith to succeed her late husband. A son will be her chief deputy.

Mrs. Janet Norbury, who was a nurse with Florence Nightingale during the Crimean War, died in England at the age of 104.

While serving a prison term for stealing, James Taylor of Glasgow was set \$75,000 through the death of an uncle.

James Allen of Minneapolis found about \$3,500 worth of jewelry in a

hedge where it had evidently been hidden by a thief.

Reports from Cairo state that Miss Eibehwyn Ferraro killed 18 elephants while on a hunt in the African jungle.

Robert Castle, who died seated in his home at Bath, Eng., at the age of 98, had never been treated by a doctor in his life.

Although his parents objected, a court permitted 30-year-old Robert Parry of Liverpool to get married, so that he might accompany his bride to America.

About 300,000 people are employed in the moving picture industry.

Potatoes were sometimes grown in the holds of early British merchant ships.

About half of the roads in Brazil are said to be satisfactory for automobile use.

Germany's population is increasing at the rate of about half a million a year.

One of the deepest holes in the world was drilled for gas in West Virginia to a depth of 7,079 feet.

Auguste Thin, the private who selected France's unknown soldier, is working in Paris as a grocery clerk.

Fearing his escape from prison officials at Sing Sing take the wooden leg of Mike Kaminski, life term murderer, away from him every night.

Electric lamps were first placed on the market about the year 1860.

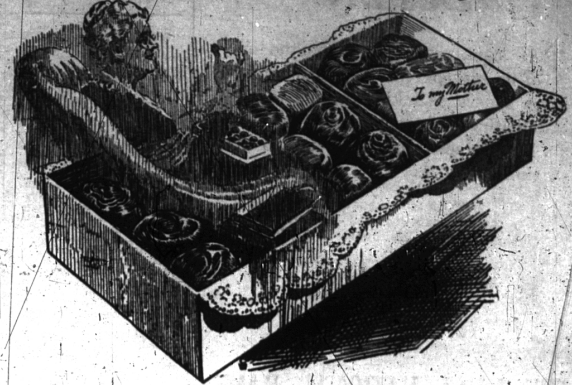
The first member of a President's cabinet to resign was Thomas Jefferson, when secretary of state.

Twenty per cent of living Princeton graduates are owners of their own business enterprises.

Irish wolfhounds are the tallest dogs in the world.

James Doughty, a butcher of Elgin, Ill., chopped off his left hand with a cleaver when he slipped while cutting meat.

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