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BOOST—DON'T KNOCK

A New York tailor says motoring enlarges the chest, but he does not mean the money chest.

It takes more than a mere court decision to disturb the steady clicking of the faithful gas meter.

An American woman piloted the first airship across the English channel—the first one by a woman.

The spring robin is shot down south and frozen to death up north. His life is short and full of trouble.

The tailor who has discovered that automobile enlarges the chest evidently forgot to measure the head.

About the middle of August you may be sorry you took pity on the first fly of the season and let it escape.

Women wireless operators are to be employed on the liners, and the latest fashions will be described at sea.

A Connecticut youth has played the piano continuously for 65 hours, which gives the endurance record to his neighbors.

A Chicago woman is seeking divorce because of her husband's fondness for onions. Sour pigs' feet are, however, worse still.

Charles Frohman, who is in a position to know, would have us believe that tall chorus girls have run short of popularity.

A doctor says that card playing stupefies the mind. Evidently the doctor never sat in a game with two good poker players.

A Chicago judge has ruled that a man is not competent to help select his wife's gowns. Hooking them is man's specialty.

A man who was once a railroad president is now a beggar in New York. Couldn't he get a job as a palace car porter?

While the unsinkable ship gets them once in awhile, the revolver that was not loaded adds steadily to the mortality statistics.

A food expert advises us to eat less wheat and more rice, but we have a vague suspicion that he is doing press agent work for a chop suey factory.

An inventor has produced an apparatus for broiling steaks in six minutes. It is, however, useless unless one can dynamite a bank safe.

A bird in New York robbed a woman of her feather torn from her hat by the wind. If ever there was a case of retributive justice, this was one.

The reason why a ship is called "she" appears to be because the ship is always alleged to be "the last word in naval construction" and never turns out to be.

A New York couple waited eight years before they were joined in the holy and everlasting bonds of wedlock. Plenty of time to think about the fatal step.

A Chicago citizen has been arrested for dancing on the street in a costume consisting of nothing but a hat. Chicago policemen never did care for classic dancing.

There are too many idle men in the world, announces a Boston suffragist. Here's a challenge to the average spinster who has been thinking that there aren't enough.

And now the peanut crop is threatened by a parasite. The country may have to drop politics for a while and turn its attention to the succor of this necessity of life.

An Ohio farmer is said to have recovered from an attack of blindness when two of his teeth were extracted, but it probably was the dentist's bill that opened his eyes.

An aviator claims that he was saved to depend by an attack of seasickness, but if he had been a real flyer in the wool nature faker he would have made it flying fish.

It is contended by an eminent German investigator that American schools have a tendency toward efficiency. He may have seen some of our boys coaching tiddlers.

It is some improvement if a New York summer resident who has left over a winter in the city is called a "city boy" instead of a "country boy."

CHANCE CANNOT DEVELOP YOUNG PLAYERS



Frank Chance, Manager of Chicago Cubs.

"I think that the late Frank Selee was the best team manager and Frank Chance the best first baseman I ever played under," said Johnny Kling, manager of the Boston Wardmen, according to a New York newspaper. "Selee really made the Cubs champions. He developed Chance into a first baseman, discovered Evers, Reulbach, Tinker and Schulte, and gave me the first opportunity to catch behind the bat. Selee was a natural judge of playing talent. He wasn't a bulldozer on the bench, but an even-tempered, fair-minded critic of the mistakes made by his players. Had he lived he would have received all the credit for the greatness of the Cubs instead of Chance. "I don't believe Chance can pick up and develop young players, but he knows how to make the men placed in his care play ball. He is a strict disciplinarian and a great field general. As a first baseman and batter he was at the top of the heap and set a winning example. "Chance has always believed in

slapping on fines for boob plays. I remember one day he fined King Cole \$200 for poor pitching. Cole was as mad as a hatter, and turning to Chance he cried: "I'm going to quit the team and go into the navy!" "If you do I'll give you \$500 and remit the fine!" replied Chance, earnestly, and Cole decided to remain with the Cubs. "Fielder Jones, in my opinion, was another great baseball leader. He knew how to drive his men. We had a great team when the White Sox called the hitless wonders, beat us in a fall series, a feat that was entirely due to Jones' pluck and pugnacity. Too bad Jones quit baseball, for he would have kept the White Sox always near the top. "You've got to hand it to John McGraw, too. He keeps the Giants hustling and that wins games. McGraw has made baseball in New York and is entitled to all the praise he receives."

JOE JACKSON'S STYLE AT BAT

Connie Mack Told Hard Hitting "Nap" Outfielder He Would Become a Great Slugger.

Joe Jackson isn't a stylish batter. He pulls away from the plate, which is decidedly bad form according to the set standards for hitting. Joe plants his right foot within six inches of the plate when he faces the pitcher, but as the ball comes up he takes a long step toward first base.

Theoretically a batter who pulls away from the plate as Joe does cannot hit the ball hard, and it has often been remarked that Joe was lucky to escape being taught a different style of hitting.

It is generally believed that if Joe had been changed he would have lost his natural swing and ability.

One manager tried to teach Joe to bat differently—Connie Mack. "When I joined the Athletics in 1908, Manager Mack told me I would



Joe Jackson.

become a great batter if I went about it a different way," said Joe. "He told me to quit pulling away from the plate, and he hid my black bats with which I had been knocking down fences in the south. He had me use Harry Davis' bats. I didn't hit nearly as well, and made up my mind then and there that I would continue to bat as I had before. "Joe's long step away from the plate has fooled a lot of pitchers, most notably George Mullin. The Detroit star

predicted before last season that Joe wouldn't hit 250. He hit 408. "Jackson's bat shy," said Mullin. "All a pitcher needs to do against him is to cut a fast one loose at his head and then put three balls over the outside corner. He'll pull so far he'll be lucky to make a long foul." Mullin tried it. Joe batted .435 against Mullin.

AROUND THE BASES

Walter Johnson pitched 25 innings before he was scored on. The Chicago White Sox have turned Catcher Tom Carney over to Sioux City.

St. Louis has sold Hickory Johnson, secured by the waiver route from the Giants, to Omaha.

President Fogel has determined to stick to 3:30 as the time for starting games in Philadelphia.

Zimmerman's work at first makes Cub fans wonder why Manager Chance didn't think of him before.

Pitcher Gaiser, returned to the New York Americans by Rochester, has been turned over to the Wilkesbarre Club.

Ty Cobb and Crumb Kahler have declared a vendetta. Cobb says the Nap pitcher purposely hit him with a pitched ball.

The showing of Catcher Wingo with the Cardinals every time he gets a chance makes one wonder why Bliss is in the game.

In spite of auto accidents, railroad wrecks and defeats, Hugh Jennings seems to be as frisky as ever on the coaching lines.

Manager Davis is repeating, "I love you, I love you not," as he considers Jack Graney and Heinie Butcher, his pair of left fielders.

They do say in Cleveland that Lefty George is a warm weather pitcher and will not be started again until the weather begins to boil.

Columbus used fifteen men and Minnesota thirteen in one game. The score was just as bad, 11 to 10, with Minneapolis on the long end.

Cleveland has turned Catcher Bert Whaling back to Seattle. The Naps are left with four catchers, Easterly, O'Neill, Livingston and Adams.

Roy Hartzel is pretty lucky to come out of his collision with Bert Daniels with nothing more than a headache. It was feared for awhile that he was done for.

The American League is going up. The offices of President Johnson have been moved from the thirteenth to the fifteenth floor of the Fisher building in Chicago.

LEGAL NOTICE.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE

SPECIAL WARRANT NO. 47.

Public notice is hereby given that the County Court of Du Page County, State of Illinois, has rendered judgment for a Special Assessment upon property benefited by the following improvement:

The laying and constructing of cast iron water pipe, with hydrants and valves, in Webster Street, in the Village of Downers Grove, County of Du Page, and State of Illinois, as will more fully appear from the certified copy of the judgment on file in my office.

That the Warrant for the collection of said Assessment is in the hands of the undersigned. All persons interested are hereby notified to call and pay the amount assessed, at the Collector's Office located on South Main Street in mid Village of Downers Grove, within thirty days from the date hereof.

Dated this 15th day of May, A. D. 1912. W. H. BLODGETT, Collector.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE

SPECIAL WARRANT NO. 48.

Public notice is hereby given that the County Court of Du Page County, State of Illinois, has rendered judgment for a Special Assessment upon property benefited by the following improvement:

The laying and constructing of sanitary tile sewers, in Webster Street, in the Village of Downers Grove, County of Du Page, State of Illinois, as will more fully appear from the certified copy of the judgment on file in my office.

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Humor of Artemus Ward.

Some years ago the real scream in cackinnation was Artemus Ward. Our fathers were wont to read the witticisms of this great humorist and laugh till the tears ran down their cheeks. As an example of how funny Artemus could be when he tried, take this extract from his letter on Jefferson Davis, president of the Confederacy, alleged to have been written in Richmond:

"Jeff. Davis is not popular here. She is regarded as a southern sympathiser, & yit I'm told he was kind to his parents. She ran away from 'em many years ago and has never bin back. This was showin' 'em a good deal of consideration when we reflect what his conduct has been. Her captur in female apparel confuses me in regard to his sex, & you see I speak of him as her and as frequent as otherwise, & I guess he feels so hisself."—Kansas City Star.

Approves of Modern Dress.

Many severe things have been said of the inartistic qualities of man's dress in modern times, so that it comes as a pleasing surprise to hear a word spoken in its defense by no less an authority than Antonio de la Gandara, the portrait painter. "In the first place," he says "people dress very well in these days. Thus, as regards the men, think of their evening dress clothes! Admire the sober lines, the perfect harmony! One dazzling point alone in the whole costume, the white surface of the shirt front, and all else is black, nothing but black. Do you know anything more beautiful? Never, possibly, has man's dress been nobler. In a century's time, it will be said, 'With what perfect art men of that time used to dress.'"

His Last Resort.

A young man who sought death jumped off a high bridge and was saved. He threw himself off a cliff and was picked up uninjured. He shot himself and got well; hung himself and was cut down in time; tried gas just as the company shut off the supply; took poison and took too much. "Well, well," he muttered, "there's one sure way left. I'll go and get a job in some big factory."

Genuine Maple Sugar Scarce.

There are few people outside the maple sugar making districts, says a writer in the Country Gentleman, who really know what the genuine article tastes like. The superior flavor thus spoken of is probably due in a degree to the same causes that make strawberries eaten off the vine and cherries consumed on the tree so delectable. The writer quoted, however, puts some of the blame for the poor flavor of commercial maple sugar on the "wily wholesale dealer and mixer."

What Susie Was.

The Mexican was showing his newly arrived New York guest to a room, and after the usual courtesies he paused on the threshold to say: "By the way, we always turn Susie loose for the night, and she will pass through the hall on her way to the top floor, where she catches rats. You'd better be careful and not step on her, as that is the only thing that makes her cross."

"It wouldn't be very serious if I did make a cat cross," was the laughing response. But the host shook his head.

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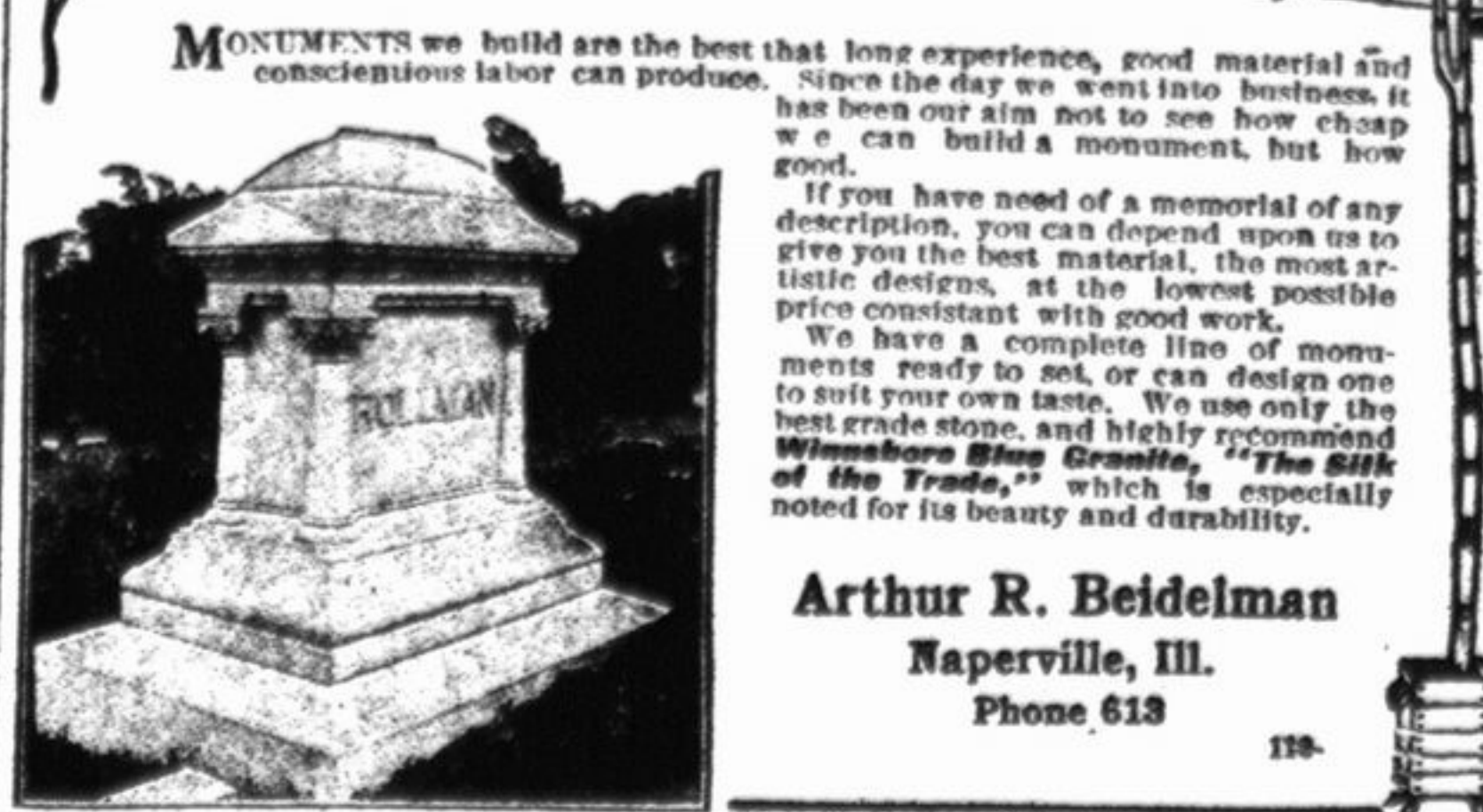
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