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Children Cry for Fletcher's CASTORIA

ENGLISH SCHOOLBOYS TO TOUR AFRICA

Cape Town.—Thirty-five or forty English public school boys will tour South Africa early next year, visiting all the four provinces of the Union and also Southern Rhodesia. They are due to arrive on Jan. 16 and stay two months. The tour has been arranged by the School Empire Tour Committee, which was appointed not long ago by L. S. Amery, the Colonial Secretary. The first tour took place last year, when a party visited Australia.

Recently a representative of the committee, G. Palmer, arrived in Cape Town as advance agent of the tour. Mr. Palmer explained that the members of the party would be boys of 17 to 20, chosen from any of the public schools—boys who had just left school, although possibly one or two might be returning. "We hope to see all sides of South African life, farming, factories and mines," said Mr. Palmer. "The object of the tour is educational; you might call it Empire propaganda. It is a part of the 'See your Empire first' movement."

Londoner Can Buy Odd Glove After Losing One in Subway

London. — So many right hand gloves are lost in the London underground regularly that a business has grown up where odd gloves may be purchased to match the remaining one. Forty thousand gloves were left in the underground and tube trains during the last twelve months.

Umbrellas figured next in the figures announced by the "palace of carelessness," as the house where lost articles are assembled is called. There were 12,000 umbrellas and 500 canes.

The lost articles are kept six months, and, if not claimed, are sold.

Short But Sweet.

I heard Prince Arthur of Connaught told an amusing tale of his experiences when serving as Governor-General of South Africa. He had made a journey up the Zambesi to some of the paramount chiefs. One of them made a speech of welcome which took three-quarters of an hour to deliver. When he had finished a native interpreter came forward to explain the oration. Pointing to the chief, the interpreter discharged his task with a single sentence: "Him say him dam pleased to see you."

The Very Unusual

A German War Hero Also a Sportsman — Count Von Luckner the Picturesque, Chivalrous Sailor

A SEA ROMANCE

No one nation has a monopoly of heroism and no one nation can keep her heroes to herself. Soon or later they belong to the world.

Such applies to the tale of Count von Luckner—skipper of the Seeadler, told in recent numbers of "World's Work."

It was the fate of the German Navy to play extreme parts in the war. Nothing in maritime history matches the abjectness of the surrender of the high-seas fleet at Scapa Flow, but, on the other hand, the war brought out few episodes equal to those connected with the German commerce raiders Emden, Moewe, Seeadler and Woolf. All of these ships played gallant, lone hands in far oceans; but by far the greatest exploit of the four was that of Count Luckner's ship, the Seeadler.

She was neither swift cruiser nor equally speedy converted liner. She was a sailing ship, a Yankee-built clipper, that slipped out of Hamburg, deceived the British blockade, cruised 30,000 miles in eight months, captured fourteen allied merchantmen and destroyed $25,000,000 worth of shipping and cargoes without shedding a drop of blood.

Consider the background of Count Luckner as he is quoted in his own story. He is the descendant of a Saxon warrior family and was destined for the cavalry, but he chose to have his legs bowed in another fashion. He informed his father that he would not come home until he wore the uniform of a German naval officer, and then he ran away to sea. He shipped first on a villainous Russian square-rigger, fell overboard and before his shipmates could lower a boat and reach him he was saved from drowning by hanging on to the leg of a live albatross. Next he jumped ship in Australia, joind th Salvation Army, assisted the keeper of a lighthouse, hunted kangaroos for a living, trained for the prize ring, came to America, stole a fishing boat in Vancouver, worked on a Mexican railroad, enlisted in the Mexican army and stood guard at old Porfirio Diaz's palace, sailed the seven seas on the windjammers of almost as many nations, broke his right leg on one voyage and his left on another, slapped a bar rag in Hoboken for a few weeks, kept a tavern in Hamburg and was toasted as the champion wrestler of the waterfront. Also at various times he saved five men from drowning and thereby was brought to the attention of the royal family of Prussia. Eventually Luckner passed examinations for the merchant marine. As a protege of the Kaiser he studied for the navy and when he received his commission he returned home and made good his boast to his father.

To imagine such a career would give a writer of dime novels brain fever. It might be expected, however, that Luckner's adventurous career demanded picturesque expression in wartime. He got his chance in 1916. The German Admiralty Admiralty ordered him to take command of a raider that was to slip through the blockade.

If the British blockade was to be circumvented, the ship must be disguised as a neutral so thoroughly that not the slightest suspicion should be aroused. Luckner's account of transforming the captured American clipper ship Bas of Balmaha into a fully armed and equipped German raider, yet with an authentic Norwegian atmosphere to decks, cabins, papers and crew, reads like the stage directions of an old-time Belasco play. The log book of a Norwegian ship was stolen from the Copenhagen docks. Part of the crew was chosen for its familiarity with the Norse language; the rest of the crew was to live in the hold, concealed underneath a deckload of lumber until the blockade should be passed. And as it was the sentimental custom of many Norwegian skippers to bring their wives with them on their voyages, Luckner gave a blond wig and woman's clothes to a cabin boy and commanded him to become a seagoing Julian Etinge should occasion arise.

It arose on Christmas Day, 1916. The raider, renamed Seeadler, had ploved through the North Sea in a hurricane that had scattered the blockading fleet. Almost to the northern ice packs was the ship blown, until the wind abated and British search parties came. The boarding officer took merely one look at the water-soaked papers and tipped his cap to the "wife" before leaving. The supposed Norwegian was signaled to proceed upon her voyage.

Free of the blockade, the Seeadler's first capture was made off the Azores. A leisurely Norwegian windjammer came up from the horizon, displayed her colors and a signal request for chronometer time. When the British-er was near enough, down went the Norse flag, up went the Imperial naval standard and ports opened for guns—the old trick played hundreds of times in warfare before the age of steam.

A ship or two was picked up and sunk off Gibraltar and the captured crews were transferred to the Seeadler. The next nine seizures—British, French and an Italian—were made between Brazil and Africa. Luckner asserts that he treated his captives like guests.

No group of passengers on a liner ever enjoyed such happy comradeship as did we aboard our buccaneering craft. The fact that we were captors and captives only seemed to make it all the jollier. We took the greatest pleasure in making the time agreeable for our passengers, with games, concerts, cards and story-telling. We served special meals for all the nations whos ships we captured. . . . . The prisoners seemed to appreciate our intentions thoroughly. They wanted to do everything they could for us in return.

But with the crews of ten ships overflowing Seeadler's accommodation, such days of care-free hunting came to an end. Prisonrs and captains were transferred to the next ship captured, its spars were shortened and the vessel linjped into Buenos Aires with th news of the Seeadler and the solution of the mystery of the long overdue merchantman. Knowing that now the allied cruisers would b after him, Luckner rounded Cape Horn itno the Pacific and the south seas, whre he sunk three American ships and transferred their crews to the Seeadler. Then with symptoms of scurvy on board, the raider put in at a coral atoll for fresh food and water.

Adventures of another kind befell the German raiders and their American captives, for here a tidal wave destroyed the Seeadler. The ship's company and their "guests" escaped to the shore and set up a Swiss Family Robinson sort of existence. Nature was munificent, but it was not war. Luckner grew restless. Within three weeks of the disaster to the Seeadler, Luckner, with three of his officers and two sailors set sail in a lifeboat with the hope of capturing a trading schooner, which in turn would capture a larger ship and enable the resumption of raiding on a large scale. They cruised 2,300 miles in a month and, after a number of thrilling adventures, they were captured. Luckner and his companions could have overpowered the men who set out to capture them, but the Germans were not in uniform; so rather than violate the rules of war, Luckner played the game and submitted. They were transported to New Zealand, where they narrowly escaped a legal lynching, and thence to an internment camp. From here Luckner and some German merchant cadets escaped in a launch. They captured a small trading schooner, but in turn they were recaptured by an Australian auxiliary cruiser and were sent back to the prison camp. Luckner had another escape planned when the armistice came and his wartime career was over.

Such as These

Ellen D. Masters

When the Master toiled, as was His wil,
In the Nazareth shop, with what rare skill
Of hammer and saw and keen-edged blade
And peasants bought the things He made.

It must have been that, here and there,
The burden was less for some dumb pair
That turned the soil to the sweet Spring breath
Or ambled the lanes of Nazareth.

His perfect skill would He revoke,
When He turned His hand to the oxen's yoke?
Lesser workmen might never heed,
Nor guess the lowly toiler's need.

Who made the ox and yoke-beam, too,
Knew well the loads the wearer drew;
And His heart of love and hand of might
Made easy yokes and burdens light.

Master-Workman, of Galilee,
Burden-bearer for such as we,
Give us the heart and hand to ease
The galling burdens of such as these.

STUDENT-TEACHER TOURS ARRANGED

Winnipeg.—Plans have been completed by the Overseas Education League for the thirteenth annual teachers' tour, to be held during the summer school vacation next year. A varied and interesting program of travel has been arranged. The usual visit to London and surroundings will be made, to be followed by a Mediterranean cruise as far as Italy, including a visit to Rome. The return will be by way of Marseilles, to Paris, thence to Cherbourg, where boat will be taken for the voyage home to Canada.

A separate itinerary has been arranged for a trip to be made by students, taking 73 days. The tourists will land at Glasgow, touring Scotland, England and then crossing the water to Zeebrugge. A trip will be made to Paris, then back to London, where the visitors will spend the time from August 9 to 25, being housed in the university hostels. The trip back home will be made in the company of the teachers, on the Empress of Scotland.

"You haven't the spirit of a mouse!" "Certainly not, my dear. If I resembled a mouse in any respect, you might be afraid of me."

Bride-elect: "I have not the slightest idea how the wedding service begins, I must look it up." Her adorer, glancing at the wedding gifts that had been sent in: "It should be, 'Know all men by these presents'!"

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And there proceeds to partly dress.

"What busines needs is more self-starters."

The Wife—"There's a burglar trying to get into the flat."

Her Hero—"Eh! Where? I'll get up and give him the fight of his life."

"Aren's you afraid?"

"Not a bit. Ang burglar who thinks this flat can hold three of us must be a little bit of a fellow."

It is difficult to believe that exercise will take off fat when you study some people's chins.

"Gertrude Ederle is suing her business manager."

"Ah, I see, a swimming suit."

A meddlesome woman, riding in a trolley car, began sneering at a young mother's awkwardness in holding a fretting baby.

"I declare," she snorted, "a woman ought never to have a baby until she knows how to hold it."

"Nor a tongue, either," calmly responded the worried young mother.

Mrs. Reddy—"Why don't you let your Willie play baseball with the other boys?"

Mrs. Greene—"A part of the game is stealing bases, and I'm afraid it might be a bad influence."

"I have been told many times that a road of federal aid specifications can be built cheaper without than with federal aid. Is this demonstrable? If not, why is it constantly repeated?"

Isn't it strange
That princes and kings,
And clowns that capper
In saw-dust rings,
And common people
Like you and me
Are builders for eternity?
Each is given a bag of tools,
A shapeless mass,
A book of rules;
And each must make—
Ere life is flown,
A stumbling block
Or a stepping stone.

Nothing is useless, and a husband never gets too ornery to come in handy as a topic of conversation.

Yes, some people do speak "straight from the shoulder"—too obad they can't originate their talk a little higher up.

"I'm crazy about this place," said the lunatic as he ambled about the asylum.

The leader of the jazz orchestra probably figures that dodging, sidestepping, and similar antics will make him harder to hit.

Gladys washed her hair with dog soap and then wondered why it dried out all snarly.

"Well, how are you this morning?" asked the passenger.

"Fare," replied the conductor.

A wife has some advantages over a husband but she can't win a quarrel by reaching for her hat.

Some women with a past are so pleased with it that they are always living up to it.

Flapper's Motto—A fool and his money are soon petted.

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To every person comes his day,
So calmly wait your chance—
Pedestrians have the right of way
When in the ambulance.
—Boston Transcript.

Major (inspecting the morale of colored troops for their baptism of fire)—"Sam, what would you do if on parade you were suddenly confronted with the enemy?" Sam—"I sure would spread the news."

German Cutter Belts Globe, 34,000 Miles, in Two Years

Berlin.—Greeted by the authorities and an enormous multitude, Captain Karl Kircheiss, who two years ago started an adventurous cruise around the world on a small cutter from Hamburg, manned by himself and four sailors, returned to the mouth of the Elbe recently. In honor of the successful sailor all vessels in port were fully flagged.

Captain Kercheiss began his voyage in January, 1926, via Spain, the Mediterranean, India, Sumatra, Borneo, Siam, China, Japan, Honolulu, Mexico, the Panama Canal and New York.

Sailing from the last port of call on Nov. 16, the daring navigator met adverse weather, which delayed him a few days. Altogether he covered 34,000 nautical miles.

OUR WINTER WEATHER

A Trying Time for People With Weak Watery Blood

Canadian winter weather is a trying time for debilitated, run-down people. The close air of shut-up houses, lack of out-of-door exercise, the restricted diet of the season all have their effect on weakened systems. There is always in such cases the danger of severe colds, attacks of influenza, or the still more dreaded pneumonia. There is no other time of year when a bountiful supply of rich, red blood is so necessary; and the one way to keep the blood rich and pure and thus avoid winter trouble is through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. If, unfortunately, you have fallen a victim to influenza, or other winter troubles, this same medicine will restore your health and strength. Among those who have proved the value of Dr. Williams Pink Pills is Miss Margaret Pearson, R.R. No. 3, Chatham. Miss Pearson had passed through a severe attack of influenza and says: "It left me so weak and run-down, that I could scarcely walk. Anaemia set in and it almost seemed as if I would not pull through the winter, as I grew so weak that the least exertion would bring on fainting spells. I was under medical treatment, but it did not help me. Then one day in our local paper I read an advertisement of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and decided to try them. By the time I had used three boxes I felt much better, and continuing the use of the pills it was not long before I felt better than I had been before the influenza attacked me. My rapid recovery surprised my friends, and when asked "What did you do?" I proud proudly say, "Not my doing, but Dr. Williams' Pink Pills." To me, at least, the pills have been worth their weight in gold."

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Mellon Points to Prosperity of U.S.

Growth of Country in 1927 Was Along Normal Lines

CONDITIONS SOUND

Employment Steady, Wages Maintained at High Level

Washington.—During the last year the country has given unmistakable evidence of the fact that underlying conditions are sound. While there has been some recession in business activity from the high levels of 1926, the growth of the country has proceeded along normal lines and great progress has been made even in the face of several adverse circumstances.

Notwithstanding the fact that commodity prices continued to fall through the year, a large volume of business was done, which was in itself an unusual circumstance and showed the ability of business to introduce economies in production and to exercise the necessary caution by avoiding the accumulation of excessive inventories. It is this adaptability on the part of American business which is one of the greatest causes of confidence in the future.

Employment Steady.

Throughout the year employment was steady; wages were maintained at a high level; living costs were lowered, due to declining commodity prices and the purchasing power of farm products enhanced as measured in terms of non-agricultural products. All of this resulted in a sustained purchasing power on the part of the public generally, which contributed to the stability of business and industry.

Interest rates declined on industrial and government securities and also on farm issues, while banks showed large increases in loans and investments and ample credit was available for the legitimate needs both of this country and foreign borrowers.

Certain factors which exercised a deterrent influence in 1927 may be expected to disappear in the coming year. For instance, the decline in the automobile industry, with a resulting effect on hte steel industry, was due to special causes, such as a temporary curtailment of output in automobile production. The normal expansion of these major industries, which may reasonably be expected from now on, should have a favorable effect on business in 1928.

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Students May Get Foundling Hospital

Plan Afoot to Acquire Buildings for Overseas Scholars

London.—A plan is being energetically pushed to acquire the buildings and site of the Foundling Hospital in Bloomsbury for a residential centre for London's 1800 overseas students. London has no such rendezvous for the young people who come from all parts of the world to study here, and its proximity to London University, now that the future location of that institution is assured, makes the site remarkably convenient and attractive.

The hospital site covers nine acres, and the buildings, which it is proposed to utilize just as they stand, would provide residential quarters for 400 students, besides library and recreation rooms for a much larger number.

The grounds provide adequate room for all sports requirements. It is proposed to vest the property in the hands of trustees, if the expected public support is forthcoming, but to allow the actual management to remain in the hands of the resident students.

The plan is being supported by the Foundling Estate Protection Association, which is largely responsible for preventing the site being used for the removal to it of Covent Garden market. The need such a student centre as this would provide for is keenly felt in London. New York has International House; founded in 1924. In Paris has the new Cite Universitaire where the recently opened Canadian Hostel is located. The London plan is to devote the entire resources of the project to the well-being of overseas students.

Eve—"I think a man should give his wife plenty of rope." Ernest—"Yeh! I did with mine and she skipped."

Minard's Liniment for sore throat

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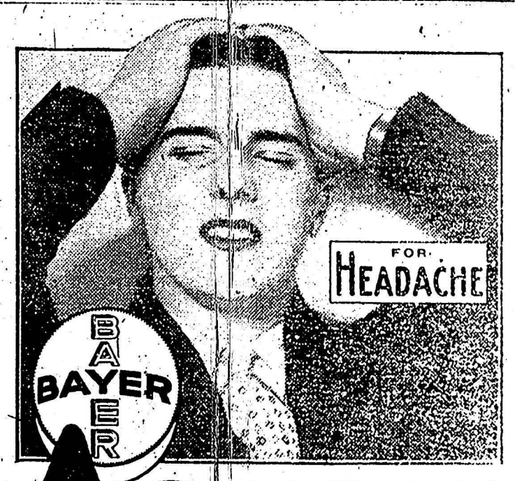

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