

The Free Press' Short Story

THE OZARK RAINBOW

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TELEGRAM which had come the previous evening was awaiting Addison on his return to Yalc from one of his occasional brief visits to the old farm while he was in college.

It was from John Bushrod of a mining company in New York, the man for whom Addison had already made three trips to determine the value of mines.

Apparently it was time to tap the smelter; seizing an iron bar, the judge punched out the clay with which the plugged. A sheet-iron spout had been lugged. A sheet-iron spout had been lugged.

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Not wholly certain as to the reception he might meet, Addison drew near and inquired for Judge Hoke. A florid, genial old pioneer in homespun turned to greet him.

"Glad to see ye! Glad to see ye hyer!" he cried. "Ye don't look jest like the young chaps round hyer. What mo't ye hall from?"

"The Hokes have since become wealthy, I believe; but the 'log' cabin in which the family then resided was quite primitive."

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"I think that there is really something in these reports," Mr. Bushrod said. "At any rate, we want you to find out."

Leave of absence was again conceded by the college authorities, and Addison set off next day, going first to St. Louis by way of Chicago, and thence to Springfield, Mo.

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"Not silver! What is it then?" "Zinc," said Addison. "Zinc volatilizes in that way, when smelted, and goes off in gas."

"And we hadn't found silver at all then?" the old judge cried, quite taken aback by this sudden turn of events.

"We're kinder cluttered up jest now," the judge went on. "But take your things right over to that long cabin ye see yender. Mother and the gals will put ye up as long's ye want to stay with us."

Wood Ashes Long Recognized As Valuable For Certain Crops. The ashes of wood have long been recognized as a fertilizer of very considerable value.

WHEN THE NUTS ARE PASSED. Have you ever watched your guests when the nut dish or jar was passed? Few if any refused at least a scoop or two.

GRAHAM-CRACKER CREAM CAKE. 1/2 cups crushed and sifted graham crackers. 1 teaspoon baking powder. 1/4 teaspoon salt.

BANANA AND NUT SALAD. 3 bananas. 1/2 cup Brazil nuts (chopped). 6 leaves lettuce. 1/2 cup mayonnaise or boiled dressing.

CARROT PUDDING. 1 1/2 cups crumbs. 1 tablespoon butter. 1/4 teaspoon salt. 1/2 cup grated carrots.

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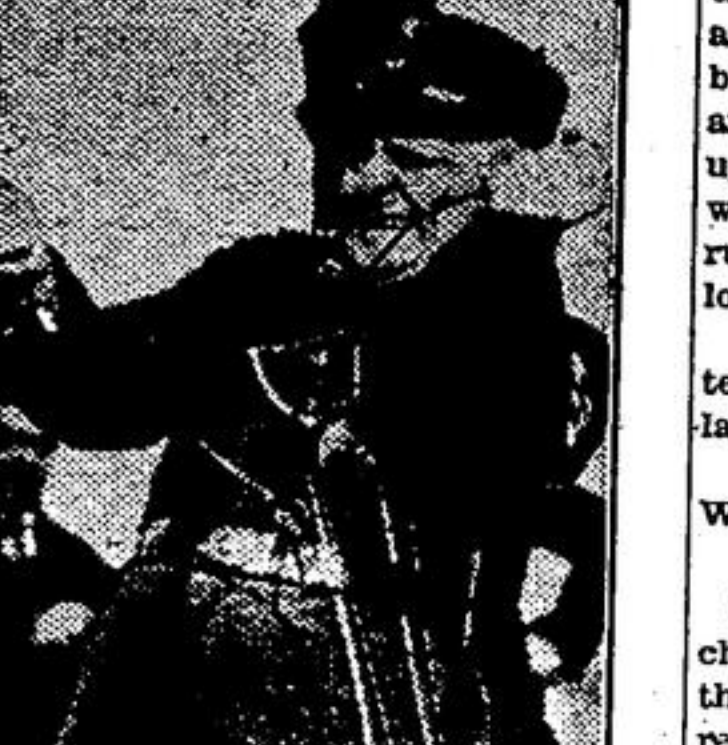
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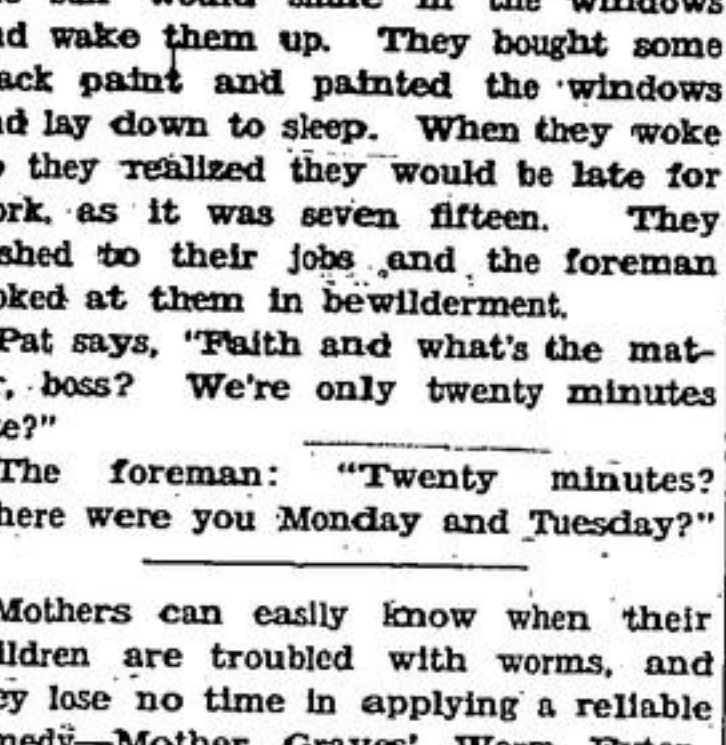
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