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### Mirage of Chicago Is Seen in Waukegan Sky

Chicago's sky piercing buildings, its boulevards, and river bridges, poised itself on its head over the lake on May 6, during a thunder storm for the delectation and amusement of Waukeganites.

The phenomenon occurred after a heavy thunderstorm, and J. O. Laux, government weather observer, who observed it, described it thus:

"We could clearly see the entire loop," he said. "Our attention had been called to the peculiar white mist overhanging the clay banks which extend into Lake Michigan some miles south of Waukegan. It was beautiful. Suddenly the mist cleared away, the water glittered in the sunshine, and there, with its tower tops almost dipping in the water, we saw the loop standing on its head."

The mirage was visible from the plant of the American Steel and Wire company, and office employees stopped work for several minutes to watch it.

New York City suffered a cold wave recently and a temperature of 29 degrees on April 24 broke all records. Up to this time the New York World has failed to blame it on the Volstead act.

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### Martin Victor Writes of Further Travels in Alaska Collecting Furs

Following is another letter from Martin Victor, Jr., who has been for several weeks traveling in Alaska collecting furs for Victor Bros., local furriers. This letter is written to the Press from Fairbanks, Alaska, at the conclusion of his trip through the interior.

Fairbanks, Alaska, April 16, 1930

This was the hardest job I ever had in my life. Although it is over with and the days of suffering cold are left behind for this year, I'm ready to do it over any time. There is a certain amount of fascination to the Arctic winter, to put on the Mukloks, the Parka, warm gloves, to hitch up the dogs and tear along the trail, the wind beating against your face like knives, the cold air almost choking you, freezing the nostrils together and constantly trying to freeze your nose or spots on the face. It is a great thrill to be blessed to escape narrowly the constant dangers which occur day after day no matter how well you safeguard yourself.

From what I have been able to gather, the Alaska Indian is very treacherous. It is noticed when dealing with the natives who have had quite a bit of contact with the white men, it seems as if they have been very quick in adopting the white man's way of doing business and coming out the better part of the bargain. A promise from an Indian is useless as he will do what he wishes when he is in the mood, he is never in a hurry and will out wait a white man for weeks in case it comes to breaking a trail. The further away you go from white men, the better Indians you find. They are kind in every respect, the squaw takes off your Parka and Mukloks, repairs them if necessary and dries them properly overnight. They feed you their best food and are easy to trade with. Whenever I say a fur is worth so much, they believe it and bring forth another skin. Their methods are almost like the Eskimo on the coast.

The weather on the whole trip was against me all the way, the temperature hovered about 40 degrees below to 65 below most of the time. The wind filled in the trail constantly and made it hard on the dogs to travel. I would follow the mail trail until I would come to a little village or cabin, then inquire where a trapper lived within reasonable distance. Would usually spend the night at the trapper's cabin and deal with him after supper and treat him on a cigar, which is quite a rarity. The fur would be placed in a bag on the sled in the morning, and so on to the next trapper or trader. It is interesting to have thousands of dollars worth of fur on the sled at a time and not have to worry about it while you sleep or go off and leave it in a town. Well, after I have a load of several hundred pounds of furs on the sled I sent it to the firm at the next large town I come to wherever there is an express agent. Most of the furs are shipped direct to our tanners, thus cutting expense in handling and the skins are received by the firm ready to use without delay. It will take at least two more months before the bulk of shipments are received as the

## Appreciation

The officers and management of the Highland Park Hospital herewith express their highest appreciation of the wonderful assistance of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Their conscientious, painstaking and tireless efforts have meant a great deal to the Hospital and perhaps more to the patients.

They have made the Hospital a home-like livable institution and they are deserving of the thanks of the entire community.

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