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KEEPING PROMISES

WITH THE construction of the Federal Building to begin in the next few weeks it will be incumbent upon the Board of City Commissioners to take some prompt action in fulfilling the promises made by the City of Las Vegas, namely the removal of the restricted district and the paving of Stewart street.

It is understood that a new location for the restricted district has practically been agreed upon, and every effort should be made by those interested to see that moving day is not delayed beyond the time of actual necessity.

The paving of Stewart street is hardly less important. If our financial stress is too severe to warrant proper paving immediately, the city street department should undertake the grading and graveling of the street during the next few months, with the idea of applying the oil surface late in the fall, or by the time the building is completed.

If we are to maintain a reputation for the fulfillment of our promises, we must show our good faith by ignoring difficulties and keeping our word.

SEEKING SPUNK

O. O. McIntyre has an interesting article in the June Cosmopolitan in which he comments on our reaction to the recent stock slump and subsequent depression.

The article abounds in apt comment on the situation, and makes us all look a little ridiculous. Incidentally McIntyre makes a hit with the writer by expressing his admiration for what he says used to be termed "spunk."

"Spunk" was that old time quality possessed by the pioneers of the country, who surmounted untold hardships, but came through victorious because they had "spunk" enough to keep a stiff upper lip and never said die.

McIntyre says the majority of us are crying because we can't eat all our lunches at the "Ritz." And isn't that a pretty apt statement of the situation.

SPEAKING OF WEATHER

SPEAKING of weather, what could be more delightful than these June days? A rain shower every few days, which cools the air, and helps settle the dust. Nights are too cool to be out without a wrap, and long before morning that warm blanket has a comfortable feeling.

GERMANS SEEK HUMAN TOUCH AT MEET

BERLIN, June 8 (AP)—Only 300 pupils were enrolled in Germany's aviation schools in 1930 as compared with 26,000 pupils in the United States.
This fact has been given much publicity here in connection with an attempt to interest the government in the plight of the nation's aviation.
The focus of present attention is sport flying, the retarded development of which is ascribed directly to the terms of the Versailles treaty, forbidding the government to subsidize flying schools using motor-driven planes.
To illustrate the needs of this phase of aviation, exhibitions were arranged in Germany's three flying schools—Boeblingen, near Stuttgart, Wurzburg, and Staaken, near Berlin. All three schools are maintained privately.

AMATEUR FANS WILL TEST SPEED AT LEGION MEET

CENTRALIA, Ill. (AP)—The intricate operation of the army amateur radio system, and its value to cities and villages, will be demonstrated to 40,000 legionnaires attending the Illinois Fifth Division Convention here June 6 and 7.
Although the system has been in operation several years, officers of the sixth corps area have announced this as the first actual demonstration.
During the two days of the convention messages will be accepted from legionnaires and sent to any part of the United States or its possessions.
To cope with the task of handling thousands of messages, between 25 and 30 amateur operators will operate the Southern Illinois net control station and alternate control stations located in Centralia, which will be on the air continuously during the convention.
Scores of times since its inception, the army-amateur radio net has proved its value as a reliable communication system.

MAIL TIME SHORTENED

LONDON, June 8 (AP)—The first regular night flying on a British commercial air route, inaugurated on a 300-mile stretch between Baghdad and Basra, has shortened air-

mail time between England and India to five and one-half days. Plans are being made to inaugurate another stage in night flying between Cairo and Gaza.

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WASHINGTON BYSTANDER



JAMES COUZENS

By KIRK SIMPSON
WASHINGTON—It could have surprised no news conscious person that Senator "Jim" Couzens of Michigan was not among those applauding "Uncle Andy" Mellon's radio talk on taxes, deficits and other unpleasant things like that.
They have never agreed about much of anything since they came into public life.
Mr. Couzens made the comment in a newspaper interview.

TWO OPPOSED VIEWS
But aside from who's right or wrong on the fiscal policy, Couzens or Mellon, the rank and file of Americans probably derive much interest from the expressed views of these two men, among the richest in the country, as to what taxation principles should be.
It will be noted that Mr. Couzens is for higher rates on big incomes.
Mr. Mellon's contrary notion of a wider tax basis, reaching more folks, is not apt to appeal nearly so strongly "on the hill," with an election just ahead and a business depression current.

CHILDREN'S FUND
Incidentally, the Bystander observed with interest the first report on the Michigan children's fund, endowed by Couzens. Couzens set up this endowment when the treasury finally capitulated on the question of his taxes owing on certain stock. That case the senator has always felt, was aimed at him by the treasury because of his clashes with the treasury head.
The amount involved was ten millions, which is precisely the sum Couzens put into the children's endowment. Expenditures for the first year were more than a million.

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EVERYDAY MOVIES



"I would advise you to stay in bed this morning, sir, the Mr. and Mrs. Schmickles are downstairs calling on your wife."

CRIPPLED KIDS USE CRUTCHES ON FIELD

AKRON, O. (AP)—Nowhere else in the world, perhaps, will one find anything so unusual as two baseball teams that perform on the creation ball diamond at Central high school here.
They call themselves the Mill Street Demons and the College Terrors. Every member of both teams is a cripple and uses crutches.

SITS ON BOX
Guy Howell, pitcher for one of the teams, cannot use either leg and pitches from a sitting position, sometimes perching atop a soap box, or if no box is handy, tosses them over from a position flat on the ground.
Mike Adams, a shortstop, gets about on one crutch, and through years of practice has developed an almost uncanny ability to bend over and touch the ground by manipulating his crutch.

ONE-HANDED BATTERS
At bat the boys stand firmly with one hand on the crutch, the other wielding the bat. Many of them land on the soft ball for home runs. The fastest runner on each team is permitted to run for each batter.
The boys play a game each week day morning.
During the winter months the boys play basketball. Witnesses say it is a real surprise to see them perform.

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Flying For Sport 8 Times Costlier Than Auto Travel

ITHACA, N. Y., June 8 (AP)—Flying for sport and pleasure is about three times as fast, eight times as expensive, and eight times as dangerous as motoring.
That is what K. D. Wood, Cornell university engineering professor, has found.
He drew the following comparison between the best-selling airplane of the present and the best-selling automobile:
The airplane is a three-passenger open triplane; the automobile is a five-passenger closed car.
The plane sells for \$4,000, and the automobile for \$500.
The plane has a five-cylinder, 10-horsepower engine, costing about \$1,800; the automobile has a four-cylinder, 40-horsepower engine, costing about \$200.
The plane will go 110 miles an hour; the automobile will go 55 miles an hour.

USED CYLINDER GERMAN ADVANCE

TULSA, Okla., June 8 (AP)—Used oil, drained from thousands of automobile motors, is being used to build secondary roads in this vicinity.
If the experiment proves successful, large savings will be effected in the maintenance of roads, as oil-treated highways already have gained favor as secondary roads in Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and other midwestern states.

TRANSPORT PILOT AT 18

PROVIDENCE, R. I., June 8 (AP)—Eighteen years old and licensed air transport pilot is the record of precocious Donald K. Phillips. He won his transport permit with 265 flying hours to his credit after only 18 months' experience.

RADIO BEAM TO AUSTRALIA SHIPS

CANBERRA, Australia, June 8 (AP)—Because of the loss of the mail airplane Southern Cloud, which disappeared with two pilots and six passengers on a flight from Sydney to Melbourne, the Australian federal government has decided to install a system of directional radio to assist commercial planes.
Commercial airplanes will travel direct from city to city along a continuous radio beam and the pilot will immediately know when he leaves his direct course.

CHINA AIR LINE

SHANGHAI, June 8 (AP)—The Hankow-Ichang extension of the Shanghai-Hankow airmail and passenger line, only commercial aviation route in China, was formally opened by the Chinese government with a three-trip schedule weekly. Ichang, located 1,000 miles in the interior, takes from two to three weeks to reach by boat from this city.



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A New Yorker AT LARGE

By MAR BARKON
NEW YORK—Personal notes off to change to traveling costume. Coconut milk frozen will be the popular drink along Broadway and at Coney Island this summer. The style of drink changes every year. First it was orange juice, then pineapple, then apple and now sarsaparilla. We'll get back to old-fashioned sarsaparilla yet.
A missive in the mail from Hollywood this morning informs that Doris Kenyon plans to study voice culture. Hollywood may as well be told that Miss Kenyon has been a recognized concert artist for several years.
Very few apple sales are left on the sidewalks of New York. Police officials have restricted them to certain streets; besides, most of them have jobs now.
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THE LITERARY GUIDEPPOST

By RICHARD MASSCOCK
NEW YORK — Hard lines stare your book reporter in the face. It happens because he spent hours reading a volume disclosing the way in which the American government deciphered secret codes, including diplomatic messages, during the war and after. He discovered that he had pruned prematurely.
So sensational are supposed to be its revelations that the publishers are keeping the book a secret until its launching on the world.

SPINSTER'S ROMANCE

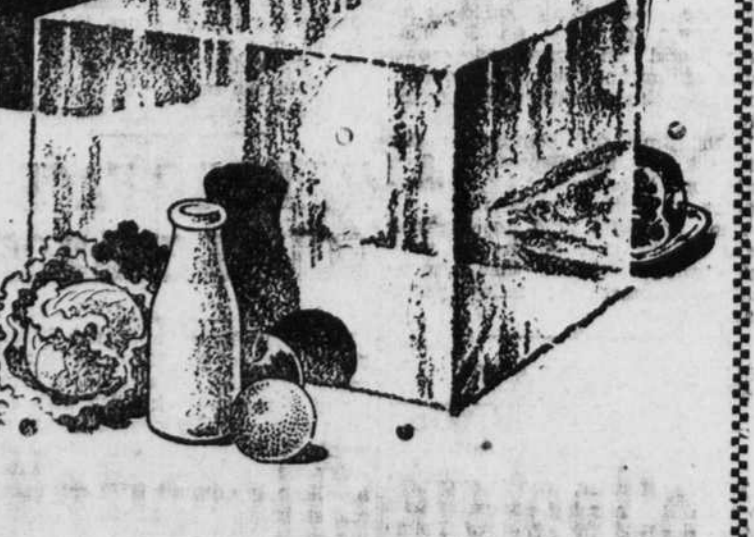
But here, at any rate, is "Father," a new novel by Elizabeth, who wrote "The Enchanted April."
Although hardly of mountainous stature, "Father" has the elements of wide success among the readers of romance.
It is about a dutiful daughter who wanted to be free of a dull home routine and also about a dutiful brother who was stifled by his too-solicitous sister.

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