

OBSERVATIONS

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KENO—

As a gambling game we do not think highly of Keno. Many years ago I heard that an old miner of the California gold camps was asked what kind of a game Keno was.

The old fellow, not too fluent in description, but with a very clear idea to express, replied, "Well, a lot of people sit around and put beans on cards. One yells 'Keno' and all the others say, 'Oh, hell.'"

Yet Keno has its place in the scheme of existence and its advantages over other gambling games in that a person may sit for an hour playing only a nickel at a time and only lose a quarter and still be regarded with respect. In other words, keno does not necessarily run into real money as do all other gambling games.

In truth it occurs to me that my old friend Joe Morgan once remarked to me "Panguingue is not a gambling game; its a disease." And I rather think the same thing applies to Keno.

Of course somebody wins every game. The house takes fifteen percent out of the money played each time and the winner gets 85 percent so the players are not playing against the house but against themselves. And, in the long run, each persistent player wins occasionally.

Too, Keno is full of surprises. Several years ago I was in Reno and along about ten o'clock dropped into the Bank Club to watch the crowd. I observed a friend sitting at one of the Keno tables and went and sat down by him. I had never played a game of Keno but, just to be polite and sporty, I picked up a card lying near and played 25 cents on it. Busy visiting with my friend I placed the beans as the numbers were called without any interest whatever in the game. Then I sat up with surprise as my friend pointed to my card and said I had "a case", and only needed number one to win. The next number called was number one and in excitement I yelled "KENO". So the attendant came, checked the numbers and gave me \$47.15 in silver, mostly half dollars. All the hangers-on gathered about and looked with awe at the stacked silver until, in embarrassment, I gathered up my load of coin and departed.

I imagine I am still playing my Keno on that \$47.15 I won on my first card.

One of the chief advantages of Keno is that one may sit in comfort, smoke a cigarette and visit with those near him without any nervous tension or excitement and with but mild annoyance when some other fellows says "Keno."

Asthma Cause Fought in 3 Minutes

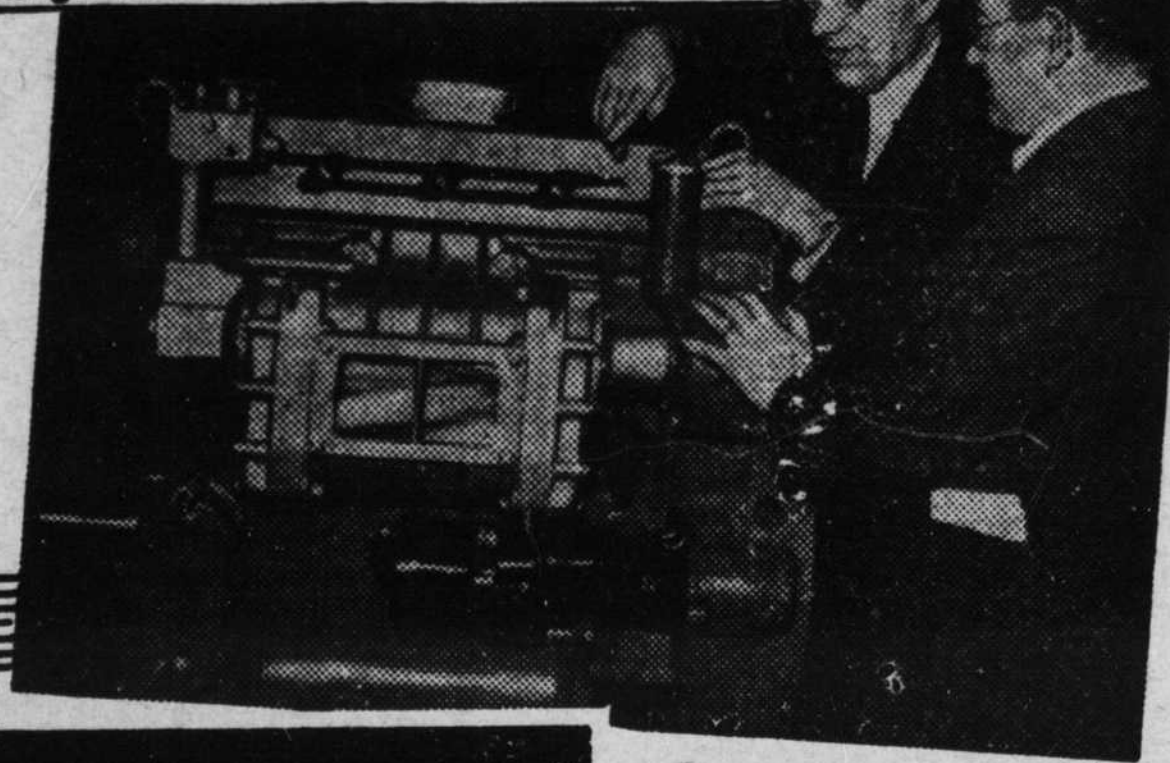
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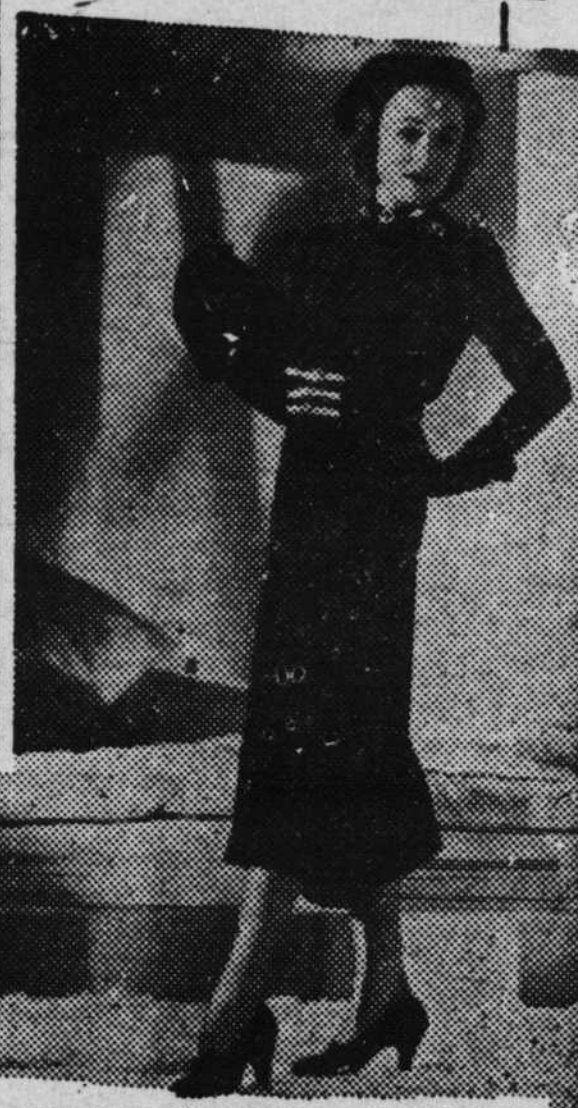


GIANT TIRES—One of the giant tires of the type which is displacing metal wheels on road building equipment. This Goodyear tire, more than four feet in height, is almost large enough to afford a hide-away for this 5-year-old child shown sitting in the hub space.

DIESELS AND INDUSTRY—Social implications, possibly more far reaching than the evidently important economic ones, lie behind the recent announcement by General Motors of its entry into mass production in the Diesel engine field. Photo shows Charles F. Kettering and R. K. Evans, G. M. vice presidents, inspecting the four cylinder 107 horsepower version of the new line which range from 22 to 1200 horsepower.



STORMY SESSION—Assistant Secretary of Commerce Draper and Fred Roth (right), Cleveland, Ohio, shoe wholesaler, at the conference of "Little Business Men" held in Washington, D. C., recently.



GOLD WITH BLACK FAVORITE—Black and gold has replaced black and white in popularity this season, and Sally Eilers chooses this combination for an attractive street dress of black Rusticana crepe. Gold kid straps and buckles accent the high neckline and slender waist.



NEW MEMBER OF THE HIGHEST TRIBUNAL—Stanley Reed, as he assumed his new duties as Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court.



POLICE GUARD—Defying the New Jersey State Assembly and a Legislative Committee probing alleged gubernatorial election irregularities, police under Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City refused to release vote registration records.

Nevada Folk Songs Sought

A search for native Nevada folk songs dealing with mining, livestock raising, Indian lore and covered wagon days of the states history is now underway by Professor A. L. Higginbotham of the University of Nevada.

Such of these songs as are suitable may be put on the air in the University of Nevada radio program which will be broadcast over a coast-to-coast chain hookup in

July.

As director of the program, which radio officials estimated will be heard by as many as fifteen million persons throughout the country, Higginbotham is preparing a broadcast which will reflect the history and life of the state in relation to the University of Nevada.

Following a search for more than a month, Higginbotham has been able to find but one song which is genuine Nevada folklore, and this week he appealed to the people of the state to help him.

"Many people in the state," he said, "especially the older residents and those interested in the state's

history as well as in music, undoubtedly know of native folksongs which are no longer so popular as they were.

Ditties sung around the buckaroo's campfire, the characteristic ballads of the boom mining days, Nevada versions of the tunes loved by those who came to the state in covered wagon, Indian melodies known to the pioneers, and other songs characteristic of the state's life, both today and in the past, are the sort of things needed, he stated.

Anyone who has copies or knows of them and where they can be found may write to him at the University of Nevada in Reno.