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DEATH ON THE DIAMOND
BY CORTLAND FITZSIMMONS

Synopsis of Preceding Instalments:
..For ten years Pop Clark has tried vainly to win the United League pennant with his New York Blues. Most of the baseball writers predict another failure but Terry Burke of the Star thinks they have a chance and through Tony Murallo, who has a restaurant in the Broadway district and is associated with bookmakers and gamblers, he bets $1. on them at 200 to 1. The opening game is a pitchers' battle, Whitpur, the Philadelphia star twirler, is jealous of Larry Doyle, the Blues' rookie shortstop, because of Pop Clark's pretty daughter Frances. He tries to intimidate Larry with a bean ball and when he throws a second one at Larry's head Doyle knocks him down with a right to the chin. Larry is put out of the game. Later Whitpur hits a home run with a man on base but as Whitpur is nearing the home plate, he drops dead, shot through the heart. The Blues win and it is generally believed that Whitpur was killed to allow them to win. Detective Kelly suspects Larry because he will not account for his time after leaving the diamond.

CHAPTER 10

The Blues returned to New York on Saturday for a short three-game series with the Butchers from Chicago, who were just starting their Eastern trip. "The Blues were fourth in the League standing, the highest they had been for several seasons at this time of the year. The St. Louis Rubes were perched on top and playing pretty fair ball out through the West. They, too, were beginning their Eastern invasion in a series up in Boston against the Maple Indians.

The Chicago Butchers were in second place, and the Cleveland team a few percentage points behind. At this stage of the race, position really didn't count for much. It was too early to tell anything about the eventual outcome of the pennant race. A few percentage points right down the line meant very little one way or another.

From the pre-season dope, the Butchers should have been a cinch to sweep this series with the Blues. But so many weird and unexplainable things had already taken place during the short run of the season that the betting, although favoring the Butchers slightly, wasn't very heavy. The gamblers around town seemed content to adopt a watching policy before laying any odds. There was an air of heavy uncertainty around the park at game time. The capacity throng was still jamming through the turnstiles as the press box boys filtered in and took their accustomed places.

"Well, here we are again," Craven said as he pushed past Doc Biers and banged his portable down before his seat. "Say, will you look at the mob!"

"A bunch of ghouls!" Doc Biers grunted sourly. "They don't want to see a ball game."

"The Butchers ought to clean up on this gang of impostors," Craven started to chew the end of a cigar. "I still maintain that there are only two real ball players on the whole Blues team."

"Doyle's going to play," Mullins announced this with a sly look towards Terry.

"I thought Pop would have gotten rid of him long ago," Bill Hover puffed.

"I thought Doyle as still out," Reynolds commented.

"No, he was put out for only two days," Mullins answered. "I think Doyle has the old man buffaloed."

"Don't you worry about that," Doc Biers cut in. "Doyle will wake up some morning and find himself back in the minors or I'll miss my guess."

In the first inning, with one out and two men on, Crawford the Butchers' first baseman, lifted a short fly back of second base. Buck Hansen was playing in close and at the crack of the bat he raced forward and pulled off a lovely shoestring catch. Smith of the Butchers was a fast man and thought he could take liberties with Buck's arm. He waited for the catch and then flew down to third. Buck got the ball away like a bullet, and beat the runner by about a foot as he thundered into the bag. The crowd went wild. It was a beautiful catch, with a well peg to top it off. It looked as though the Blues at the least could play heads-up baseball.

The Blues failed to score in their half of the first, and the second inning was likewise scoreless for both sides. Dick Collins, the sturdy right-hander of the Chicago gang, was matching Lefty Higgins pitch for pitch.

In the third, the Butchers got together and with their heavy end up they pecked away and got two runs. Higgins went along all right after that until the sixth. He walked Dirkin, the slugger from the Chicago South Side. The next man up also walked. The crowd didn't like it, and told the ump about it in no uncertain measure. The fourth ball looked as though it had cut the outside of the plate for the third strike. Then the Butchers sacrificed, and with Dirkin on third, Larry muffed a slow lazy roller. Dirkin crossed the plate standing up.

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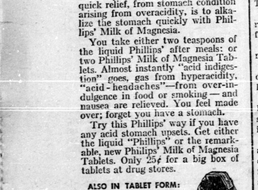

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The Oil Lantern Goes

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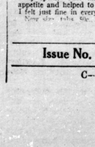

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Home Hints
By LAURA KNIGHT

DEVIL'S FOOD CAKE ALWAYS A FAVORITE

According to movie titles "The Devil Is A Sissy" and according to recipe titles, he is a "cake eater" All of which would lead us to believe that he is not the rough, tough and nasty guy we have always thought. However, we heartily approve of his taste in cake because there are few humans who don't love Devil's Food Cake.

This is a particularly good family cake because children love the flavour and it is really good for them. It is not too heavy and besides the whole, wholesome ingredients such as buttering, sugar and eggs which go into it, there is rich, energy-building chocolate which every child loves.

There is one very important point about making this cake and it should be considered first of all. That is the kind of cake flour to be used. Just any flour will not turn out the kind of Devil's Food Cake you dream about. Nor will the addition of corn starch or potato flour do the trick. Your cake is a success or a failure when you purchase the flour. And to make it a success — use only the finest cake flour on the market. Years have been spent to perfect it —it has been ground and re-ground to just the right texture for use in cake-making.

2¾ teaspoons baking powder
¼ teaspoon salt
2-3 cups butter or other shortening
1½ cups sugar
3 eggs, well beaten
3 squares unsweetened chocolate, melted.
¾ cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder three times. Cream butter thoroughly, add sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add eggs and beat well; then chocolate and beat until smooth. Add flour, alternately with milk, a small amount at a time, beating after each addition until smooth. Add vanilla. Bake in two greased 9-inch layer pans in moderate oven (350 degrees F) 30 minutes, or until done.

If you want a plain frosting, spread Seven Minute frosting between layers and on top and sides of cake. To dress up the frosting a bit, fold in 1 cup quartered marshmallows before Seven Minute frosting before spreading, or sprinkle it can cocoanut, southern style, over the plain frosting while it is still soft.

There is a grand filling for Devil's Food Cake, which further makes it even more popular than before. Try this Raisin Nut Filling and note the fast disappearance of the cake.

¾ cup brown sugar firmly packed
2 tablespoons butter
¼ cup water
¾ cup broken walnut meats, toasted
¾ cup cup seeded raisins
2 tablespoons cream or rich milk (about)

Heat sugar, butter, and water in skillet, and cook until a small amount of mixture forms a soft ball in cold water (326 degrees F.). Remove from fire; add nuts and raisins. Add cream until of right consistency to spread. Makes enough filling to spread between two 9-inch layers.

A RISH TIP

Good-sized fish, that is, fish weighing four to five pounds, are usually baked. The secret of baking fish so it is tasty lies in getting the fish done. Actually the same rules apply to baking fish as to roasting meat. The fish may be spread out in the pan, flesh side up and baked in a very hot oven with sufficient fat to flavor well. A fish, of large size, however, is especially delicious if its cavity is filled with a stuffing before it is baked.

Whether the fish is stuffed or not, the same principles apply in its baking as in the roasting of meat; that is, the heat as a quick, hot oven sears the flesh, keeps in the juices, and prevents the loss of flavor Often in the baking of fish it is necessary to add fat. This may be done by putting fat of some kind into the pan with the fish, by spreading strips of bacon over the fish, or by larding it.

Clean the fish thoroughly, bone if desired, and sprinkle it inside and out with salt If stuffing is to be used fill with desired stuffing and sew up. Place in a dripping pan and add some bacon fat or a piece of salt pork, or place several slices of bacon around it. Bake in a hot oven for about one hour. After it has been in the oven for about 15 minutes, baste with the fat that will be found in the bottom of the pan and continue to baste every 10 minutes until the fish is well done. Remove from the pan to platter, garnish with parsley and slices of lemon and serve plain or with any desired sauce.

Of All Things

All right-thinking people will agree that Christmas comes too early; nobody is ever ready for it. Let's get together next year and set the calendar back.

Joseph Bruno, a life-time convict, was related from a Pennsylvania jail to the dentist, but he has not been seen since. The big sissy just couldn't take it.

Germany will import a million tons of grain to make up for the domes... shortage. Wasting money on bread while the Nazi babies are crying for cannon!

Another little service for our customers: The best legal talent money can buy tells us it is not compulsory to read the newspaper reviews of the events of 1936.

President Butler condemned German and Italian universities for abandoning intellectual freedom Among those absent from this meeting was Robert Burke, who was recently expelled from Columbia for saying the same thing. — The New Yrker.

"Radio may not have affected the top flight of concert artists, but it has all but wiped out the rank and file."—Fritz Kreisler.

"I think British democracy as a form of sivilization is one of the most perfect existing today."—Andre Maurois.

Notable Food Discovery Results From Husband's Concern

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The gossip never makes a long story short enough to leave out the scandal. —Ottawa Journal.

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Sparks from the Press

CANADA

Need Great Men

There never was a time in the world's history, probably, when there was a greater need for great men, than there is today Important events are transpiring today which will shape the destinies of every nation on earth Now thought in the matter of government, economic control, religion and most other departments of human activity are appearing on the horizon, demanding the judgment of the best minds that the world can produce. The masses look to their leaders for competent guidance, and this is the task of great men.

Which recalls the words of Matthew Arnold, who in defining the great men of culture stated they are "those who have a passion for diffusing, for making prevail, for carrying from one end of society to the other, the best knowledge, the best ideas of their time, who have labored to divest knowledge of all that was harsh, uncouth, difficult, abstract, professional, exclusive, to humanize it, to make it efficient outside the clique of the cultivated and learned, yet still remaining the best knowledge and thought of the time."—Chatham News.

Cost of Carelessness

In the first eleven months of this year, statistics show, the use of motor vehicles in this province increased 7.6 per cent., the number of traffic accidents increased 10 per cent., the number of persons injured in accident increased 27.5 per cent. and the property damage was up 33.3 per cent. Eighty-four persons were killed in these eleven months, against eighty-two in the same period in 1935, and the record of death has been at least maintained in December. Accident, injury damage are up far out of proportion to the increase in motor traffic.—Vancouver Province.

Mrs. Simpson

No matter what turn events may take, Mrs. Wallis Simpson remains a public figure for life. Down the years she is bound to crop up in the news and in almost certain to find a place in history. Future historians may appraise this place, future novelists and playwrights may clothe her as a romantic figure ranking with the glamorous women of the ages for whom men laid down their worldly possessions if not their souls. Most of us in Canada know little about Mrs. Simpson except what we have found out from reading. Reports from across the Atlantic suggest an intense hatred for her on the part of certain people there who feel that she has been a siren who has lured a king from his duty and carried a throne close to the edge of disaster, and the same feeling exists in Western Canada. After all, what woman might not have her head turned by attention that appears to run to storybook form one who was the most popular king and one of the most popular and sought-after men in the world?—Regina Leader-Post.

The Good They Do

Cost of maintaining legations abroad is negligible compared to the benefits which can be achieved. They are well worth the expenditures. If only to promote more friendly relations; but there are also the concrete benefits to the way of increased trade to be considered. For some time there has been talk of a trade agreement between Canada and Belgium, and setting up a legation at Ottawa should help to have the way.—Windsor Star.

Our Indians

The Federal efforts to better the condition of the Indians have had good results to the ominion as well as to the United States. But it is felt that much more could be accomplished for them and an enlarged program was announced at Ottawa the other day. The department will devote particular attention to improving their skills as farmers, to helping them to take better care of furs before these are marketed

There are many other ways in which they can be given assistance that will enable them to reach a higher economic plane The working out of the plan will be followed with keen interest, as the national responsibility for the welfare of the Indian population is widely recognized.—Edmonton Journal.

"What Is Needed"

. . . The truth is that the authorities, sometimes with the connivance of the courts, are themselves to blame for large part for the added dangers to highway travel in Ontario. They are day reaping the harvest of light sentences and reduced charges and insurance change their ways, there little possibility of the situation being improved.

What is needed more than anything else in dealing with the minority that resists is conducting itself without regard to the safety of others on the road is not further education, because that has been tried and found wanting, but fearless enforcement of the laws that are already embodied in the highway code and an end of all the influences that have been practised by the Crown authorities and the courts. Brockville Recorder and Times.

Jingle In The Pocket

The year end brought with it more tangible evidences of progress in Nova Scotia than for many dreary years. There have been the addition al car order at Trenton and the prospect of more to follow; the order for steel rails at Sydney and the prospect more yet to come and all time record shipment of coal up the St. Lawrence and the anticipated continuing demand; the even and a half percent increase in steel and subsidiary plants; the doubled Christmas bonus in the pay envelope at Westville; and now another may be added to these with the extra week's wages found in pay envelope of the employees of the Oxford Foundry and Machine Company

Laurier once said, folk did not need to be told when prosperity existed. they knew it by the jingle in their pockets. it would be far from the truth to say that everybody is prosperous, but this at least is true, that many have felt more of a jingle in their pockets than they have known for a long while.—Halifax Chronicle.

Ignorant Females

—I have been warned by three different feminine friends that if I take any more cracks at them about not knowing what drafts on a stove are there for, the said friendships will come to a sudden end. In a humble and apologetic tone of voice I could remark (couldn't I now?) If the cap fits, wear it!

How about trying to catch them young by teaching it in the schools They could save toy stoves and the little darlings could learn, at an early age, to shut the drafts. No more foolish fun lots of the rubbish taught to the sons and daughters of the hard working and hard-up) parents at the present time.—Kamloops Sentinel.

Candid Admission

"These is nothing connected with the Press that has ever got me into such great trouble as the accuracy of the reports of what I have said." confides Lord Derby. And such admirable candor is worthy of a place in the records.—St. Catharines Standard.

THE EMPIRE

When War Comes

As long as Hitler and Mussolini continue to get their way without war, Europe is in no immediate danger of conflict. But this is merely another way of saying that when war comes it will be at the time and under the conditions most favorable to the Fascist cause. Peace on these terms can offer no security.—The Nation, London.

"Mickle Maks Muckle"

The moderate investments of our thrifty classes have piled up Britain's principal wealth. Well over £1,000,000,000 is invested in the Post Office Savings Banks, and National Savings Certificates, and there are many hundreds of millions more in life assurances policies and in the keeping of building societies Analysis has shown that the average holdings of stocks and shares in the railway companies, the big banks, and many of our great industries do not exceed a few hundred pounds. Like the army of workmen which reared the pyramids, the hosts of the "small men" have reared the great edifice of British wealth.—London Daily Mail.

Admiral's Daughter Weds

Lady Prudence Jellicoe, daughter of the late Admiral of the Fleet, Earl Jellicoe, is shown as she was leaving Trinity Church, in London. Eng., with her husband, Francis Loudon, after they were wedded, recently.

Income is $452,000,000 Higher Than Last Year

All Classes of Nation's Business Did Better — Manufacturing Takes Precedence of Agriculture

OTTAWA— Canada's national income from all sources for 1936 was estimated recently by the Canadian Press at $4,545,000,000, which was $452,000,000 greater than in 1935 and $1,351,700,000 greater than the low year of 1933.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics has records of the values created covering a considerable portion of the year for five-eights of all persons in Canada gainfully employed. With these figures as a basis and assuming the remaining three-eights of those actually working are equally productive of national wealth the national income for the 12 months was estimated.

Manufacturers produced the greatest wealth with agriculture second mining third, tourist traffic fourth, and forestry fourth. Everyone of the big industries showed increases.

Percentage increase for industries in 1936 over 1935 were as follows:—Agriculture 10.6, forestry 19.0, fisheries 3.0, trapping 9.0, mining, 20.4, electric power 9.4, construction 3.5, repairs 8.6, manufactures, 6.

The tourist traffic is among the industries unreported by the Bureau of Statistics. Estimates from other sources, however, place the value of this industry at $250,000,000 in 1936, compared with $202,000,000 in 1935 and $117,000,000 in 1933.

At $4,545,000,000 the 1936 grand total is 11 per cent above $4,093,926,000 in 1935. The figure for 1933 was $3,193,000,000.

After eliminating the value of materials consumed in the production process and making allowance for some duplication in reports under different headings, the estimate of commodity production in Canada for 1936 was about $2,841,000,000, an increase of 42.5 per cent above $1,996,000,000 in 1933 and 11 per cent higher than $2,559,000,000 in 1935.

Weather Handicapped Crops

Partly owing to crop reduction due to adverse weather conditions in recent years, manufacturers now definitely take precedence over agriculture in net value of production. Since 1933, however, agriculture has shown an annual increase in value.

Based on 29 factors, the index of manufacturing production in the first nine months of 1936 had risen to 107.8 compared with 97.6 in the same period of 1935. The price index, on the base of 1926 equals 100, was 75.5 in November against 72.9 in November, 1935.

Employment in manufacturing was up to 103.1 for the 10 months compared with 96.7 last year.

Among factors showing heavy increases were raw cotton imports, up 31.5 per cent at 129,445,000 pounds in 11 months, and steel ingot production up 20.8 per cent at 1,010,598 long tons in the same comparison. Pig iron production showed a 15.3 per cent advance at 610,000 long tons.

Acreage of wheat planted in 1936 was up 4.9 per cent at 25,289,000 acres, but yield fell 20 per cent and the production of 233,500,000 bushels was 15.8 per cent below 277,339,000 bushels in 1935.

Higher Farm Prices

Wheat prices mounted, however, with the result that the value of production was placed at $200,085,000, which is 17.5 per cent higher than $170,333,000 last year.

All field crops had a value of $594,000,000, a gain of 16.7 per cent over $509,000,000.

During the 11 months creamery butter production increased 3.4 per cent at 238,266,000 pounds, and factory cheese output was up 15.5 per cent at 114,375,000 pounds.

Contributing to the spectacular improvement in mining, every branch of the industry except copper showed production increases in comparison. Gold was up 15.2 per cent at 2, 746,531 fine ounces, silver 9.6 per cent at 13,110,327 fine ounces, and nickel 6.2 per cent at 123,569,125 pounds. Highest percentage increases were gypsum, 44.4 per cent at 568,138 tons, and asbestos, 44.1 per cent at 204,235 tons.

An increase of 6.3 per cent in the wholesale price index of the wood and paper group to 69.4 had substantial effect on the value of forestry products. Newsprint production was up 15.2 per cent at 2,890,000 tons for the first 11 months of 1936. Exports of planks and boards for the same period were 1,565,756,000 board feet, an improvement of 47.8 per cent. Employment in logging was 3.7 per cent better, bringing the index to 127 at the end of November.

Would Revive Marriage Trade

Stamford J. P. Offers to Perform Ceremony On Instalment Basis

STAMFORD, Connecticut, — Franklin Mittau, podiatrist and one of the 21 justices of the peace elected in November, is making a valiant effort to revive the dying "marriage business" in Stamford.

He is offering to perform marriage ceremonies on the instalment basis —so much down and so much when you feel the urge to pay the rest.

Mr. Mittau, who says that he campaigned for the Republican party in the recent election, did not have to chance defeat, for nomination was equivalent to election for justices of the peace.

He said that he had not yet performed a marriage ceremony but that he was hopeful.

"I won't charge any fixed fee, but will leave it to the parties who desire to be married," he said.

"Suppose they forget about the instalments?" he was asked.

"I haven't looked up the law, but I suppose there'd be a way to make them pay," he replied. "However, I'm willing to leave it to their own conscience. It would hurt them more than it would me to cheat. Besides, all I'd be giving would be my services."

Mr. Mittau has sent cards to newspapers and organizations letting it be known that he is willing to tie nuptial knots on the above basis. He neglected to explain that the blood test law and the five-day wait are necessary before a license could be issued, but said:

"I'd make that plain to any prospect when he called me."

Before the operation of the new Connecticut marriage law, which prescribes a blood test and prohibits the marriage of people whose tests disclose a social disease. Justices of the Peace have picked up considerable money performing marriages.

For instance, Joseph Davidson, a lawyer, who was perhaps the champion marrying justice of Stamford, counted it a poor year when he did not receive from $600 to $800 in marriage fees. This year, under the operation of the new law, his fees dropped to $15.

New York State town justices are getting all the business that formerly went to Greenwich and Stamford.

The Kind Word

Observes the New York Sun — A great many girls and boys have been encouraged in politeness by a little reward from a relative or an intimate friend of the family.

"You've been very nice to me Mary," says Aunt Almira as she departs after a visit, "and here's something to put in your bank." "Now, Mira," says mother, "you must not spoil the child; she only does as she should." "Well," says Almira. "this ain't agoin' to spoil her, and she is a nice girl."

"Tommy," says Uncle Bill, "you took good care of me; don't spend all this in one place." "Shucks, uncle, I liked to do it," says Tommy. "Bill," says father, "I won't have you givin' money to Tommy; it'll teach him bad habits; it'll make a beggar out of him." "Now Pete, you keep still," says Bill, "or I'll tell Tommy some things about you."

And Pete keeps still, the children are not spoiled, and if they think that perhaps good manners are not penalized they will help to make a pleasanter world.

Doesn't Say It

Christopher Billopp writing in the Baltimore Sun observes:

Smith meets Jones and says "Hello, Jones, how are you?"

To which Jones might, with perfect justice reply:

"I am beginning to feel my age. I have several teeth that are giving me trouble, and there are unmistakable evidences that I am on the verge of a cold. There is a shooting pain that runs up my right leg and ends in the small of the back.

"My right elbow is sore. It feels as if a tendon had been strained. My eyes are tired from having used them so much and I suspect that I do need to have my glasses changed. A callous place on my left foot is giving me trouble.

"I was nervous last night and unable to immediately drop off to sleep and this morning I awoke ahead of the alarm clock. My digestion is not what it was, and at the noon hour I did not eat my pie a la mode with the customary relish. I think I am getting a little deaf in one ear.

"I find that I am rather short-winded and I am a little disturbed about my heart. On the other hand, I am conscious of other symptoms that lead me to suspect that there is something radically wrong with my liver, appendix, gall-bladder and other internal organs Sometimes I've dizzings in my head that lead me to suspect the beginning of some mental disorder If I were the kind of man who easily grows alarmed about himself I would go at once to a doctor and have him look me over. In fact I'm just terrible."

But, instead, he replies, "I'm feeling fine, Smith. And I hope you are the same."

Contracts Gain In December

Awards Total $6,118,800, Increase of 40.2 Percent.

OTTAWA.—Contracts awarded in the Dominion for the month of December, as compiled by MacLean Building Reports, Limited, amounted to $6,118,800, an increase of 40.2 percent. over the December, 1935, figure of $4364,900, and this despite the severe weather that spread across Canada the latter part of November.

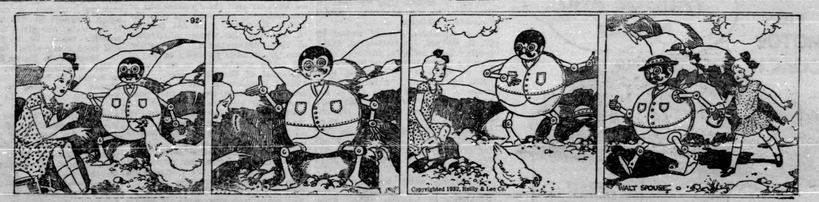
Ontario, with $2,338,000 and Quebec with $2,132,900 headed the list. Other provinces in order were. Alberta $612,200, Nova Scotia $421,600, British Columbia, $331,000; Manitoba, $140,500; Saskatchewan, $123,-200; New Brunswick, $21,000. There were no contracts awarded in Prince Edward Island.

Contemplated work reported for the first time amounted to $14,405,900, bringing the year's total to date to $259,537,600, as compared with $232,-960,100 for 1935, an increase of 11.4 percent.

Toronto and suburbs with 152 jobs costing $763,600 was ahead of Montreal Island, where 89 contracts were let amounting to $576,200.

Largest Baby

e largest baby ever born weighed twenty-five pounds. It was born in the United States in 1916. This fact is presented by the Journal of the American Medical Association in reviewing the literature on the connection between the birth of large babies and the existence of diabetes in their mothers. It finds that there are repeated observations in medical literature of the birth of large, mostly fat, babies to mothers suffering from diabetes and not receiving treatments for it. Babies weighing more than nine pounds are met once in every thirty births, while these more than thirteen pounds are met only once in 200,000 births. The death rate among giant babies is reported to be 14.9 per cent., while the average death rate for all births is 3.2 per cent.—New York Herald Tribune.



"Do you expect me to believe all that rubbish about the Land of Oz?" inquired Billina, who seemed a little cross. "What rubbish?" asked Dorothy "Why your impossible stories about animals that can talk and a tin woodman who is alive, and a scarecrow who can think" "They are all there," said the child. "I do not believe it," cried the hen. "In the Land of Oz," remarked Tiktok, turning toward them, "any-thing is possible. For it is a won-der-ful fair-y coun-try."

"There Billina! What did I say?" cried Dorothy. And then she turned to the machine man and asked, eagerly: "Do you know the Land of Oz, Tiktok?" No, but I have heard about it," said the copper man. "For it is on-ly sep-a-rated from this Land of Ev by a broad des-ert." Dorothy clapped her hands together delightedly. "It mak-s me quite happy to be so near to my old friends. The Scarecrow I told you about, Billina, is now King of the Emerald City of Oz."

"Pardon me. He is not the king now," said Tiktok.. "He was when I left there," declared Dorothy. "I know," said Tiktok, "but there was a rev-ol-ution in the Land of Oz, and the Scare-crow was de-posed by a sol-dier wo-man nam-ed Jin-jur. And then Jin-jur was de-posed by a little girl nam-ed Oz-ma, who was the right-ful heir to the throne. Oz-ma of Oz is now the rul-er of the Land of Oz.' "That is news to me," remarked Dorothy thoughtfully.

After this the copper man spoke no more for several minutes. He turned around again to resume his thinking. Then after severa minuts had passed, Tiktok approached Dorothy and Billina, and made a stiff bow. "If you will be kind e-nough to fol-low me," he said, "I will lead you a-way from here to the town of Ev-na where you will be more com-fort-able, and al-so I will protect you from the Wheel-ers." "Alright," said Dorothy, "I'm ready,' and grasping Tiktok's hand, she followed him.