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A Note On Zoology

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A long while ago, now a man man man Lamarch lamarch at theory of evolution — the same being, in brief, that speeles changed their forms or the forms of their organs a multimate result of appelance, or in plain Knglish, of confing and densiers, A girafe yearned for a long medic as as to reach the tender leaves to up of the trees, kept stretching as and up, and colled he had it just some the service. But then men mamed Darwins, and De Vries came along, and them was shoody let to believe in most Lamarch's theory save only old longer Bernard Shaw — which did not seem the best eridence for it. That it, will list week when there

Decrge Bernard Shaw — which did not seem the best eridence for it. That is, until last week when there harped into the scene the Yearning sen of Russellile, Ky. The lady nat in a laying house gading at an elective but that hung from the ceiling intentity, passionately, mystically. Fainly abe was enamored of it — so possibly, indeed, that her owner, fearlies for her sanity, sought to remove it mut she few into such a huff and a narrand the neighbors that he increeity put if back again. Then she sighed happily, settled back down or regarding it again, and presently field an egg: an egt. we have it on the sutbackly of the AP, modeled falsely on the lines of m electric line, we fee and including the apiral progress of the long!

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"I live in a rural section and un-derstand what conditions are. Pos-sibly Mr. Caribaldi, living in the strip, does not understand what con-efficient are."

sellons are."
Perhaps if the rest of us knew just his: these conditions are, we too outded by for a shake-up in the Rull Polica Department. But about it he city weller knows or behave and law enforcement in the course has been an hears along-de the willtimson Boulevard, and more the quietude prevailing there has assumed that conditions are has assumed that conditions are was deal better than they used to with any of the criminals, which is the realest crims of all — why, all that needs to be done is to convince our city dweller that this is so, and be will grow indignant too. Lacking that information, and per-haps not quite comprehending what the method of appointing civil ser-

Old Mr. Bumble yesterday emerged ults clearly as either the most naive its clearly as either the most naive tessman who ever tame down the for as one who is a good deal if than candid in his battle to hold to political power at home. And the two the latter seems by far most. likely, British politicians in the condition of the second likely. British politicians are most all the second likely. British politicians are most all the second likely.

ind troops to France. A dosen times in those two years he has been called on to repeat that promise, and has cheerfully repeated it.

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In the promise in the distribution of the heart in the promise in the Brittish he specifically promes. But all the Brittish every promes, thou that it was Italian resupparers, know that it was Italian for the ottack; that Brittish ships have gone right on being sunk; and that indeed, Musso candidly told.

Bumble in Rome the other day that he had no notion of living up to his promise — that he meant to keep shirt roops in Spain until France won.

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is no more reason to they accurais no more reason to they accuraon the gazoline tax than to levy a
sales tax on the income tax. Indeed,
the gazoline tax is a sales tax, and
no mere 3 per-center either. 12
approaches 50 per cent.

And there is not, on the other
hand, any aserosancity that attaches per se to highway funds. If
the State could keep up the roads
and other departments too on a reasonable gast tax, that would be wonderful. Fill 'er up! The trouble is,
however, that the gas tax is uneasonable, and that as a result of diversion the State is having to borrow
more money to build and modernmore money to build and modern-

A MEAN SPOOLS SETTING.
TO be candid about it, we don't like to write about Robert Rice Rep-nolds every day, We don't think he's naturally worth it. But the trouble is that the great man has plainly bergin to take himself seriously. Ever since he came back from Germany full of I will-say-this for Lord Riller, he has borned into the news

aver yell of 1-will-say-this for Lord Hiller, hip has hornful into the news practically every day, each time with some clearly designed to per-man to accept him as a heavyweight in the councils of the nation. And now he pops up with a scheme for a "national organization," to number 5,000,000 pussyhends, to call themselves the Vindicators, to wear a feather is their caps after the Ger-man fashlon, and a button in their lapels bearing the cryptic legend "Vindicator."
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in assion, and a putton in utilitiapsis bearing the cryptic legend "Vindetator."

It sounds comic opera, but, alaz, it is no longer possible in this atrange world to treed as comic all the opera that sounds that way. There is something foreaffully familiar shout the outline of this new organization that Robert proposes. It is going to fight Communism, it is going to stress the idea of Ango-Saxon purity, and it is going to battle against the "foreign invasion" of allens. We had an organization like that in this country once before—
in the 1920 s. It were nighthirts and called their the Kukux Klan. And they have an organization like that in Germany right now. It wears abrown shirts and calles itself the National Socialist (Nazi) Party.
There is no important Communist menace in this country. And there is no very serious menace from any and all groups of allens — who in the end are a small minority. But there is plenty of menace in this scheme of capitalizing on the prejudicex and feats of the ignorant and prejudiced and launching a

scheme of capitalizing on the pre-judices and fears of the ignorant and prejudiced and launching a campagn of racial hate. It will not be merely Communism and the poor aliens, you may be sure. It never is. The Ku Klux Klan started primarily as a Negro-balting organization. It The Ku Kiuz Kian started primarily as a Negro-bailting organization. It ended, as everyone knows, as a violent browbester, not only of Negroes but of Catholics, Jews, all silens, all minorities whatever, and everybody who believed in the right everybody who believed in the right of free speech. And under the cloak of battling Communism, Nazism has utterly destroyed free speech, free assembly, free science, free religion, free thought, free politics, free economics, and even the right of the individual to dispose of his own per-

Individual to dispose of his own person.

The Vindicators, en? The vindicators of what? It hath the same lators of what? It hath the same lators, we observe. And it is our guess that that "V" in "Vindicator" will in the end indicate Violence.

Which is why we have to write, about Robert Rice Reynolds. A light-weight who is content to take up his time as a kisser of blonde actresses and at traveling on the public purse is a negligible quantity. He can be ignored or dismissed with an

Dear Bit! On coming into Charlette, a first-time visitors is quick to erane a forward-looking agirst of enterprise and a fast moving bustness pace that might well be the forgivable nerry of many another city included in his long timerary.

At this I do not stand amazed, alt does designt me to note, however, that Charlettenas can be aggressive and up-and-couning without ascribing good manners. People still defer to one another on the threshold of revolving doors, and the folks to whom a stranger turns for information, from the polleman on the corner to the receptionat who guards the portal to inner ontices, seem to have a gracelous way of meeting the linquiter, and not unaympathetically, at least laid way. The commercial size least laid way. The commercial size least laid way. Governor Hory put on the rouse ments last night in the diversion-and-diversion of the Herargin Intelligence of the Herargin Intellig

Charlotte, in passing.

Sees Shift From Cotton
To Tobacch Growing
Dear Size
Business looks better at the present
throughout the country. The farmers
are getting more money from the Goverument, although their income from
their cops was very small in some parts
of the country because of the cops failures caused by the insects and weather
conditions. Every indication during
1928 so far is for a good crop year. There
will be a lot of farmers that will switch
from cotton to tobacco, but this should
not bring the price of tobacco down because there are so many new amokers of
tobacco avery year. Another thing that
will help to keep the tobacco price where
it is new is the supply that the manufacturers have to Xrep on hand all the
time, to age before it is made into
cigarettes.

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WINGE

By Maude Waddell Fluttering wings that fan the air, And float on the south wind's breath Swift with the swiftness of mad de-

death.
Out of the dawn as the stars grou dim.

They come on the morning's first

They come on the mornings pirstraps.
Their bird-notes, their matins, nature's true kymn,
As incense wasts upward their praise.
Peace, peace to these hearts that fuller and sing.
Stay, stay, O, birds in your flight,
There's light in the curve of a sea

gull's wing To brighten my heart's dark night.

Man In A Pickle

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Manire Enquirer
One of our young men about town was
traveiling about the rounty the other
day and made the acquaintance of a
young lady. They got along very well
and he saked her if he might come to
see her that night, the said it would
be alt right. Our young man started to
leave but as he got out to the big road
he heard a yell from the house. The
young lady came running to his car and
said, "Mother days you're married,"
"But I'm net," countered O'M. "Well,
I'll have to lake mother's word against
your," asid she. So the would-be aution
began a search of his personal papers,
insurance policy, drivers liferus and
everything size but nowhere could he
find a verified statement of his marital
status. All this seems to be a very
minor matter but sometimes it can be
very inconvenient, we magine. A man
can usually prove that he is married
and we propose that some method be
devited to prove that he is unmarried—
if he is.

MIR RILLOPP

By Hugh S. Johnson

New York Offy.—What is going on
here, anyway? It is too early to try
to weigh the automizing houify near
developments but that question is first
in the mind of every able person. who
has talked to me.

Nerillo Chamberisian's speech before a British jewelers' trade association sistened off line a Babbit
pep-talk to a Sauk Center Releasy
Club and wound up suggesting finglish military support to what he at
least hinded is President Roseswell's
policy to uppeas the dictators with
force. Depending on point at view,
this is great cleverness or abser
check. England and France are
clearly on the spot so far as the "till
or Musa" dictatorships are concerned
and we are, at the worst, on the
sidelines. Mr. Chamberialn makes
it appear that it is we who are in the
ring socking, with England and
France graciously holding the water
bucket in our corner. Where did he
get that idea? get that iden?

IS BILL BULLITT PUTTING OVER AID FOR FRANCE?

OVER AID FOR FRANCE?
What about this secret monkey business of military assistance to France over the protect of our General SHAT?
It is clear also that Ambassador Bill Bulli didn't come home from Paris Just for a rest. Bill will beer watching.
There are numers that so far as the White House is robcemed, he has more ence than the conservative Secre

White House is concerned, he may more influence than the conservative Secretary Hull. Like Mr. Louis Johnson, in the War Department, he is a member of the Corcoran-Cohen Janissariat, William the hanwledge of Mr. Hull, he is supposed to have influenced the President's remarkable Chicage cultural about "quarantining" the deliator nations — a trial balloon which expladed. Buring the World-War, he got in very had because of supposed cupport of the Busshan Bohherists whose revolution cracked up the Allies and brought us into the World War.

Why is he delatting military policy? How's about Mr. Morgenthau's Treasury Department overtuling the General Bind on military sid to France? To what extent is the secret and mysterious two billion dollar stabilisation fund being the contract that the secret and mysterious two

on military aid to France? To what os-tent is the secret and mysterious two billion dollar stabilitation fund being used to support busted French credit in this matter? By some sikk trick, are we again beginning to finance a Bure-pean altitance—this time in violation of the spirit if not the letter of both the Johnson Act and the Neutrality Act? What could be so "profoundly confiden-In General Crair's testin

IN PEACE THE PEOPLE ARE ENTITIED TO THE FACTS

ENTITLED TO THE FACTS.

I have known General Craig since boyhood. Of one thing I am sure. He couldn't be forced to shade the truth. He is absolutely fearless. No amount of political or official pressure could make him say what he does not think. Some of these decisions are reported to have been made at a white House conference where Mr. Dullitt and Mr. Louts Johnson. were present and General Crais in t. To every question saked here, there

wann't.

To every questiqu asked here, there may be a perfectly good answer. They are not based on official statements but endy upon goady, rumar or conjecture leaking out from "executive" assains of the Congression at committees. But why does the air have to be so mutty, that such conjectures seem so will justified on the basis of the few known factar. This is war that we are falling about —and our possible part in it. It might be a war that would leave the world in anarchy. Without the mandate of our people based on the knowledge of the facts, nebody has any right to put us fin a position where we can't avoid it. Office in a war, there are military secreta about topog movements and strateging that it is treason to reveal. Before a war-three are similar secreta door equipment. But there is no justification for secret diplomacy that may be written a matter with a war suffernit carefront a nation with a war suffernit carefront a nation with a war suffernit carefornit a nation with a war suffernit carefornity and the suffernit carefornity and the suffernity carefornity and the suffernity carefornity and the suffernity carefornity c

Goal For Girlies

MR. BILLOPP . .

One of the major problems of the ordinary household is to get a boy to meals and similar domestic engagements meals and similar domestic engagements on time. The solution is so very aimple. All you have to do is to give him a watch of his own, and then you can be sure that he will appear on the dot except when:

He leaves the watch on the table at the side of his bed.

He discovers that he forcest to wind

If it is a wist watch, he neglects to remove it, white taking a bath and grist water in the works. He looks at the watch hurrisdly and thinks the time is an hour earlier than actually happens to be the case. He puts the watch down at school and, when he looks, the watch is gone

I HAVE siready

How The Fort Wayne Plan Works 11:11 By Phillip Wagner

HAVE already and something here unreasonable to use them; in the but frequenced in Monday's News) in the high should be super-shandles—mail, soils houses built to rent for \$2.0 a week.

The Authority argued that it with a ready when a ready to the houses and this even which are Fort Wayne's contribution to the problem of low-cost housing.

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nivate enterprise. Fort Wayns had one banks and insurance companies which were willing to lend money on PHA-insured mortgages. Fort Wayns the had a Housing Authority which proposed to concentrate its efforts directly on those who needed it most, this poorest and worst-housed families of

menth, or \$3.50 a week, if they were

to be collected regularly.

The Authority also determined that a three-room dwelling, containing of two bedrooms and a combination kitchensity of the control of the most suitable size. Anything amiller would be too small; anything larger would tempt such families as three to double up and thus defeat the object of the enterprise. The Authority size determined that a rent of \$4.20 or \$12.00 or

HOW LAND COSTS WERE ALMOST FLIMINATED

ALMOST ELIMINATED

How, then, to build such a house for \$800 cash?

First, the cost of land would have to be brought down to nearly nothing. The Authority promptly abandoned the conventional method, which is to buy with Authority promptly abandened the con-ventional method, which is to buy with the helo of condemnation a big tract and drivelop it as unit. The Authority, in-stead, fixed its eye on the many vacant lots excitered through the poor and run-down parts of fown—motion of them yield-ling revenue, must of them delinquent as to taxes, and must of them having no prospect of profitable twe in the visi-ble tuture. The Authority decided to tr

as to taxes, and most or them having no prospect of profitable but in the visible future. The Authority decided to try to borrow these lots, offering the owners tax exemption in return.

Actually, what the Authority succeeded to doing was to buy the loss for 11 spices, giving the owner an option to repurchase for the same price. In this way the swaper could avoid his tax burden yet hang onto any chance, unlikely though it might be, of turning the property to prafit laier. In rase any owner exercises, his repurchase spilon within five years, be stands the cost of having the super-shanty knocked down and put up on another site.

HOW LABOR AND BUILDING
COSTS WERE KEPT LOW
Next, labor costs. The Authority resconed that since many of those who
would eventually live in those house
kere WPA workers suyway, it was not

doned . . . WPA labor has been used entirely, in the work of prefabrication as well as the actual job of construction. The difference between WPA wages and pravailing wages is, of course, subsidy. It is one of the things that keep the Fort Wayns enterprise from looking like 2 100% prefabricated miracle.

Next, the design of the house and list sectual construction. . Nuch of the basel work in such matters as the testing of materials and the design of prefabricated units had been done previously at Purden University. The Authority made lavish use of this assernment.

ufficient durability and all-around effective of its design.

The Authority admila quite freely that these hences are built not for the ages buj only to outlast their morigage. It questions the wisdom of designing low-roast housing for long life. It especis that the coming prars will see such improvements in construction methods as will presently render the houses, obsolet anyway.

WHY BANKERS WERE WILLING-TO PUT UP THE MONEY The financing of the plan was

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Equipment replacement is
Hazard insurance is
Management, etc. ... con
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That, briefly, is the Fort Wayne is virtues are these: that it-traight at the problem of providing ent housing for the poolers of providing ent housing for the poorest site of the providing for the powers and the providing the fifth of the providing the fifth that it is the providing the fifth that it is based on standards of a shall be about the providing the provid

nat it is based on standards of at high; are adequate but not high; is financed not by taxpayers be rivate investors.

On the other hand, it does car neasure of subsidy, as has wray or re lew-rust housing project as derised. The subsidy consists as of the WFA laber and partly of fax-exemption of this properties of the WFA laber and partly of the WFA laber and partly of fax-exemption of this properties of the mortages.

IT HAS SOME FAULTS BUT IT REALLY WORKS

The reply is, of course, that the scokers would have been paid anyway, so that the taxpayers have put to no extra expense by the entent of them; that the propertie before the houses were put up, an unlikely to in the immediate full that the city is not actually out at et, and that, by providing elecent ing for those people who are a the greatest expense to the com-the community will actually resi dends in the form of savings on health and retief costs. This lat sument remains to be proved. are perhaps valid argumenta; in order that two banks



ifficult. The mortgages bear 4% per cent interest, are tax exempt and are for 20 years. The financial setup is as fol-

Capital charges (interest, amor-tization, insurance) 3,600 in

A Dirge For Romance

By Heywood Broun

NEW GRLEANS, La.—I got interviewed, at 8:30 in the morning, which is a tough time for talking. And it wan't any easier when the young man said, "I don't think my paper would be passionately interested in anything you might care to say about politics, labor or the freedom of the press. I do comic interview. What here you got to offer!"

We thought and thought, and I finally.

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all ge-reiling American cities. We have our deadlines on our newspapers, and the fine old French custom of putting up the shutters in a store at mean and taking three hours for lunch is as dead as the memory of the fieldon written around the Quartiler by George Cable. I cane here to be a writer. That same notion of the remantis urge of New Ordeans which you mentioned had got me. The theory rose that here in this lary town a certain nestipale urge animates the author.

"And in the first month I did find out that there is one part of the New Ordeans tradition which lives and theires and is a special content of the same part of the New Ordeans tradition which lives and their and is a special course, to the Ramos gin firs and the Barara cockidil. We are very

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And it went resulty enough, for after nearest respect to the typersiter and the state of the typersiter and "We have a political machine here which is just as good as anything you

Earlier Days

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