

FINDS TRIBE WITH FACES LIKE DOGS

FAMOUS AFRICAN EXPLORER
TELLS OF STRANGE PEOPLES
FOUND IN WILDS OF
A JUNGLE

Dr. Karl Kumm, African explorer, distinguished scientist and man of letters of London, arrived in Los Angeles, Cal., enroute to Washington, where he will lay evidence before the heads of the National Geographical Society that he has discovered men with the faces of dogs and birds in the heart of the dark continent. Doctor Kumm is an honorary member of the Royal Scotch Geographical Society.

"I have proof," declared Doctor Kumm, "that I have found men, negroes, with the faces of dogs. They spoke in a low, guttural bark, not unlike that of the canine. They live by clans, and their mode of life is not unlike that of the stone age."

"In another part of Africa, far from the haunts of white men. I discovered a tribe of negroes, who stood about like storks on one leg. The other leg was never used, and they carried it bent and drawn taut. These live in a section of the country where there are many pools and ponds of water.

"In still another part of Africa are negroes whose faces are virtually like the beak of a bird. They inhabit the trees."

MURDERERS MUST GO TO GALLOWES

BOARD OF PARDONS DECLINES
TO INTERFERE IN
TWO CASES

Unless the Governor interferes, two more Pennsylvania murderers will go to the gallows shortly. The Board of Pardons at the close of its open session Tuesday held an executive session and decided to refuse recommendation of a commutation of the death sentence for Joe Polichinus, the Northumberland county murderer, who held up a party of miners to rob them and killed one of the party. At the last session of the board it was decided to send an alienist to examine Polichinus, it being represented that he was insane. The refusal of the board to interfere in the case indicated that the alienist believes and so reported that Polichinus is sane. He will be hanged on March 28, that date having been set by the Governor for his execution.

The board also refused to recommend commutation for William Reed, the Franklin county murderer, who killed a domestic at the Forestry Academy near Mont Alto because she

refused to live with him any more. The date for Reed's execution will be set when Governor Tener returns here next week.

The case of Alphonze Cutair, the Philadelphia murderer, who was convicted of killing Mrs. Hannah Logue and who now wants his freedom after having had his death sentence commuted, was again held over by the board, but will probably be disposed of at the next session.

"KILL RATS" IS NEW BATTLE CRY FOR 1912

In the current issue of Farm and Fireside a campaign against damage done by rats is begun. Following is an interesting passage:

"Strange as the statement may at first seem, it is conservative to place the damage done yearly by rodents in the United States at \$150,000,000. The economic loss due to such common rodents as rats, mice, ground-squirrels chipmunks, prairie-dogs, gophers, muskrats, woodchucks and rabbits is astounding. Exact data is, of course, not obtainable. A writer in the American Agriculturist once estimated that rats alone caused this country losses of \$10,000,000 a year. France loses \$40,000,000 annually from rats and mice, according to estimates. Dr. D. E. Lantz, of the Biological Survey, considers this country's losses several times greater. Sir James Crichton-Browne of the English Incorporated Society for the Destruction of Vermin puts at \$73,000,000 per annum the damage done by rats in Great Britain alone. One can only conclude from such figures that an estimate of \$150,000,000 for this country is low. According to Dr. C. Hart Merriam, former chief of the Biological Survey, agriculture in this country suffers \$10,000,000 a year from the ground-squirrel alone.

"The bulk of this loss falls on the farmer. The rodents do not spare him, despite the fact that he must also contend with insect enemies and plant diseases. House rats and mice are at home, however, in town and country alike, and everyone, therefore, is concerned in exterminating the rodent population."

How He Proved It

They were trying an Irishman charged with a pretty offense when the judge asked: "Have you any one in court who will vouch for your good character?"

"Yis, your Honor," quickly responded the Celt; "there's the sheriff there."

Whereupon the sheriff evinced signs of great amazement.

"Why, your Honor," declared he, "I don't even know the man."

"Observe, your Honor," said the Irishman triumphantly—"observe that I've lived in the country for twelve years an' the sheriff doesn't know me! Ain't that a character for ye?"

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