

ART TRULY IS A LANGUAGE

Bears a Lesson and Charm for Even Those Not Versed in Its Rules.

Art, in its broad and permanent meaning, is a language—the language of sentiment, of character, of national impulse, of individual genius; and for this reason it bears a lesson, a charm, or a sanction to all—even those least versed in its rules and least alive to its special triumphs.

NEGLECTING THEIR LANGUAGE

Younger Chinese Since the Revolution Show a Preference for English and French.

To judge from the numerous articles that are being written on China, its literature is not reaping great benefits from the revolution. In the first place, the Chinese language is being pushed more and more into the background.

Fine for the Youngsters. "Play as you enter" is the welcome sign on the sides of the "Jollytown" trolley cars in Baltimore, Md., where the traction company has set aside several cars for the children to play in.

Melting Sulphur. Sulphur is often used to anchor bolts in cement or stone floors, but as it catches fire so easily when melted over an open flame, its use is somewhat inconvenient.

All Balled Up. B. P. reports this spoonerism: "My brother works in a theater. He's a sheen sifter. I mean he seems shifts—that is, he's a sifter of sheens, a seener of shifts. Oh, hang it, he's a shifter seener—a sheenery—a shift seener—a shiffery—well, anyhow, my brother works in a theater."—Boston Transcript.

Autobob Is a Child Killer. An autobob is a person who drives an automobile without regard for the safety of other people. One of his worst traits is to drive recklessly in front of other cars and whiz past street intersections. He is a killer of children. He always looks where he should, but never sees what he should.

Scarcely Complimentary. Some time ago a parson in an industrial town arranged a special service for working men.

The service was well attended and the preacher began his sermon with the remark: "Rarely indeed have I been privileged to address so many tons of soil."

A Line on Values. "Fifteen cents for a quart of blackberries?" "Yes, mum."

"Seems high." "Did you ever try picking a quart?" "No, I never did." "I advise you to try it."

MOTOR BUS GROWS POPULAR

Hundred Electric Railway Companies Now Are Using It to Supplement Their Service.

The motor bus grows in use. There are now, says Financial America, about 100 electric railway companies using motor buses. In a majority of these cases the motor bus is actually supplementing and adding to the service rendered. This list of 100 companies are operating approximately 1,000 motor vehicles, practically all of the single deck 25-passenger or 14 to 18 passenger type.

Most of the motor bus lines in the United States are operating on a ten-cent fare basis, and the opinion of electric railway officials is almost unanimous that a five-cent fare operation will not prove profitable. The public demand a seat, more speed, greater comfort and appreciate the safety factor of loading at the curb, and up to the present have indicated a willingness to pay the ten-cent fare rate.

SPRAYING IS NOT HARMFUL

There is No Danger if Proper Methods of Eradicating Pests Are Used.

A good many people have asked the question, "Will fruits and vegetables which have been sprayed be dangerous to use?"

It can be said that if they use the methods recommended for the different pests by the Department of Agriculture and the experiment stations there will be no danger. Of course in some instances, simply because of heavy spraying or spraying late in the season, there may be comparatively large quantities of spray material stuck to the fruit and vegetables at harvest time, especially where such products are grown in a dry climate.

Considerable fear has been expressed by some that spraying of fruits and vegetables might leave enough arsenate of lead or copper on the surface to be injurious to any one who might eat the fruit.

Right in this line experiments have been undertaken by the United States Department of Agriculture to determine whether there might be left on such fruits and vegetables which are sprayed enough chemicals of a poisonous nature to be injurious.

Are Hiccups Rheumatism? That hiccups may be due to rheumatism is the contention of Dr. Martin J. Chevers, a member of the British Medical association and a well-known Manchester physician.

"I have never failed to cure the most obstinate case by a few doses of antirheumatic medicine," Doctor Chevers states in a letter to the British Medical Journal. He admits that morphine may relieve the spasms, but adds that it does not go to the root of the cure.

His suggestion is particularly timely in view of the reported "hiccup" epidemic in France, which, it has been suggested, must mean that "hiccups" are infectious. One of the cures used in France is to apply severe pressure to the eyeballs.

Adopted by Bluejackets. In the midst of the quaintness of old Stamboul—the Turkish quarter of Constantinople—stands one of the most interesting modern orphanages in the world—a home for child refugees from the burned city of Smyrna.

It is supported by American sailors—the crew of the U. S. S. Edsall, a destroyer of Admiral Long's squadron.

Twice each month, on the 15th and the 30th, when the crew is paid, each officer and man contributes his share to the support of the orphanage. It was through the efforts of Commander Halsey Powell of the Edsall that Smyrna was evacuated without tremendous loss of life.—McClure's Magazine for July.

The Season Passes.

The man looked forlorn at his lonely table. After suitable deliberation the head waiter sauntered over.

"Have you ordered, sir?" "I have."

"And what was your order, sir?" "Oysters."

"Sorry, sir, but oysters are out of season."

"The waiter didn't tell me that when I ordered them. But I suppose they were in season then."

Largest Thermometer.

The largest thermometer in the world has been erected on the boardwalk, near Michigan avenue, Atlantic City. It is 50 feet high, enabling promenaders a mile away to read the temperature. The mercury in the tube is ten inches wide and is operated by a system of small thermometers with electrical relays. Lights on the board indicate the temperature accurately and automatically.

NEW GAUGE OF HORSEPOWER

Method of Showing the Relation Between It and a Kilowatt Has Been Devised.

More than 100 years ago James Watt took the strength of a "strong London draft-horse" as a unit of measurement to indicate the power of his steam engine. This unit, which was the amount of energy that would raise 33,000 pounds one foot in one minute, he called one horsepower.

Electric motors, automobile engines and all other forms of energy-producing machinery have been measured in terms of Watt's horsepower ever since, says a bulletin of the New York State Committee of Public Utility. The "strong London draft-horse" is dead as Eolippus and his bones are dust, but his mighty thews have been so imbedded in tradition that from that time to this no one has questioned the horsepower of a horse.

Now the unit of measurement, originally taken from a horse, is to be used to measure the strength of other horses, to determine, in terms of mechanical horsepower, how strong they are. There has been designed a wagon, the wheels of which are geared to a hydraulic pump by means of which any required pull can be established and a uniform load resistance maintained. To this wagon will be harnessed various types of horses, from the lordly Percheron, weighing a full ton, to the 900-pound light-harness horse, and from the results there will be established a ratio between weight and strength similar to the tables for electric motors, showing the number of horsepower delivered for every kilowatt of energy consumed.

BAKERS DROP LOTUS LEAVES

Shanghai Government Forces Them to Use Waxed Paper for Wrapping Their Products.

Shanghai bakers used to wrap their bread and cakes in nice green lotus leaves. But the days of this romantic practice are gone forever. According to the new regulations covering bakery products, bread and other products must be suitably wrapped in greaseproof or similar papers. The clause in the regulation covering this particular requirement quoted by Assistant Trade Commissioner A. V. Smith in a report to the Department of Commerce, reads as follows:

"That bread and bakery products shall, upon sale or when carried or handled for sale, or delivered in baskets, vehicles or otherwise, be suitably wrapped in greaseproof paper or other cleanly covering, in such manner as to completely protect the bread from dirt, dust and flies, or from harmful contact in handling."

Now Senate Lacks Octogenarian.

The death of Senator William P. Dillingham of Vermont removes from the senate rolls the last octogenarian. And on March 4, when congress adjourned, there were three.

Senator Page, also of Vermont, who was eighty last January, retired on that date.

Knute Nelson of Minnesota, three weeks younger than Page, died in May on his way from Washington to his home.

And Dillingham, midway in his eightieth year, died early in July.

Removal of these octogenarians from the senate leaves Francis E. Warren of Wyoming, now one month past seventy-nine, the oldest member. Next comes LeBaron Colt of Rhode Island, seventy-seven; then Albert B. Cummins of Iowa, a youngster of seventy-three, third; Lodge of Massachusetts, four.

Denmark's Alphabetical War.

There is a battle of the big and little letters now raging in Denmark. The Danish language, like the German, has hitherto adhered to the Middle-age practice of spelling its nouns with capital letters, but a progressive movement of growing strength demands the substitution of the little letters in conformity with English, French and other languages. The demand has aroused the fury of the conservative elements.

Now Minister of Education Appel has determined to introduce the small-letter practice in the schools. As in the Bolshevik reform of the Russian orthography and the Bulgarian changes, the big letter and the small letter have become symbols of political opinion.

Somewhat Mixed.

The justice of the peace in a town in Ohio, in pursuance of his duties, had to hear and judge the cases that were brought before him and also to perform occasional marriage ceremonies. He found it difficult to dissociate the various functions of his office.

Everything had gone smoothly until he had asked one bride: "Do you take this man to be your husband?" The bride nodded emphatically. "And you, accused," said the justice, turning to the bridegroom, "what have you to say in your defense?"

Japanese Editors Poorly Paid.

Japanese newspaper men work for small salaries, but efforts are being made by prosperous newspapers in Osaka to elevate the standard.

The Osaka Mainichi, which has a daily circulation of about 800,000, has made substantial increase in its existing scale of salaries. Together with a bonus distributed twice a year, actual pay is two to three times the specified salary.

FOSSILS FROM THE ICE AGE

Czech Scientist Discovers Skeletons of Men, Women and Great Variety of Animals.

Skeletons of prehistoric men and women from the ice ages, a mammoth, two lions, a hyena, a wolverine, five cave bears and at least sixty fossil beavers have been found in the vast system of underground palaces formed by nature in the limestone rock of central Moravia now being explored by Dr. Karel Absolon, curator of the Brno museum of Czechoslovakia. Dr. Ales Hrdlicka of the United States National museum, who is in Europe studying cave men for the United States Smithsonian Institution, will report these discoveries in a communication to the next issue of Science.

The skeletons of many of these mammals of the glacial period of the earth's history are in an excellent state of preservation, he says. The cave bears' remains are almost complete and will be mounted as a group in the Provincial museum at Brno (Brunn), while the teeth and skulls of the beavers are also considered of highest scientific value.

The great subterranean halls, with their numerous columns, stalactite and stalagmite forms, are being energetically explored and are said to rival in beauty the famous caverns in Virginia and Kentucky.

HIS FIRST ATTEMPT AT WORK

Curious Experience of College Student Who Was Trying to Earn Money for Expenses.

Many students attending the universities of Indiana pay part of their college expenses by doing odd jobs. Several years ago a young man applied at the Y. M. C. A. employment office of one of the universities and asked for work. He was directed to the home of one of the professors.

His first duty was to mop the kitchen floor. Mrs. H. supplied a mopstick, some rags and a bucket. She was upstairs sewing a few minutes later when he called, "What shall I do with the water?"

"Throw it out."

"But I can't."

She came down to investigate. She found the kitchen floor flooded and the new helper standing on a chair holding the dry rags and the empty bucket. He explained that he had never mopped a floor before, so he had filled the bucket with water about eight times and emptied it on the floor.

The young man is now a practicing physician in Indianapolis.

Poetry as It is Lived.

In his "Human Traits and Their Social Significance," Irwin Edmar writes:

"Men may first have come to speak poetry accidentally, for language arose, like other human habits, as a thing of use. But the charming and delightful expression of feelings and ideas came to be cherished in themselves, so that what was first an accident in man's life has become a deliberate practice.

"When this creation of beautiful objects, or the beautiful expression of feelings or ideas is intentional, we call it art.

"In such intentional creation and cherishing of the beautiful, man's life becomes enriched and emancipated. He learns not only to live, but to live beautifully."

The first poem may have been an accident, as Mr. Edmar suggests, but more than one number in the latest list can be reckoned among catastrophes.

Wife Worse Than Expected.

A ducky who had recently married was asked by the farmer for whom he worked how he and his Mandy were getting along.

"Not very well, boss. The fact is Mandy and me we've done p'hted."

"Parted?" exclaimed the farmer.

"Why, you were just married. You know, Sam, you can't leave Mandy. She's your wife and you took her for better or worse."

"That's just it, boss," said Sam. "I shore did tell that p'ntson that I took that gal for better or wus. But, boss dat gal is wus'n I took her to be."

Young and Inexperienced.

When I was a bride I went into a shop to purchase socks for my husband. I was young and unaccustomed to buying men's wear, and was at a loss when the salesman inquired what size I wanted.

I didn't have the slightest idea, but suddenly I said, "I don't remember what size his socks are, but he wears a number fifteen collar."

The clerk and all other people in the shop burst out laughing.—Exchange.

A Helpful Hint.

"I don't know what in the thunderation is the matter with my wife!" grumbled Gap Johnson of Rumpus Ridge. "She's everlastingly asking me for money to buy a new dress with or a bunnet, or some such fool thing."

"Mought try giving her a little money some time, and see if it would make a plumb fool of her," suggested an acquaintance.—Kansas City Star.

Alike in That Respect.

A traveler in the West some years ago observed a well-executed portrait on the wall of a dark room in a cabin and asked whose picture it was.

Advertisement for Yeager's Shoe Store. Features two \$3.00 shoes and text: "Men's Work Shoes. Every pair guaranteed to be solid leather, or a new pair given in their stead. Yeager's Shoe Store. THE SHOE STORE FOR THE POOR MAN. Bush Arcade Building 58-27 BELLEFONTE, PA.

Come to the "Watchman" office for High Class Job work.

Advertisement for Lyon & Co. featuring Fall and Winter Coats, Silk and Wool Dresses, Sweaters, and Shoes. Text: "Lyon & Co. Lyon & Co. Fall and Winter Coats. A large assortment of New Coats are here for the early buyer. All the New Colors—Fur and Cloth trimmed; the New Side Fastenings. An excellent opportunity for the early buyer, at special low prices. Silk and Wool Dresses. One lot of Dresses, all sizes. Colors Navy, Brown and Black; values up to \$28.00—closing out at \$10.00. Sweaters. See our tables of Sweaters, all sizes and colors. Prices less than cost. Shoes...Shoes. School Shoes that will give good wear for boys and girls. Mens Shoes for work and dress. Womens High and Low Shoes, Black and Cordovan—prices the lowest. Lyon & Co. 64-10 Lyon & Co.