

THE DOOR SLAMS ON HAPPINESS

Poor Blood Makes Bad Health—Then Come the "Blues."

Once the vigor of red blood becomes sapped of its strength, the door to happiness is literally slammed. Weariness of body follows and it unfailingly engenders depressed thoughts. To be reserved and cheerless becomes a habit. After a time there is an almost filmy dimness in the expression of the eyes and a pallor to the skin. Days seem dull and dark and difficult. A sense of insufferable gloom pervades the spirit.

Then it is that Gude's Pepto-Mangan is the great help. It is a red blood builder. It puts red into the blood—increases the number of corpuscles which make blood rich and red. When the blood is restored to its natural healthy state, the sensation of well-being returns. Instead of shuffling along carelessly, there is the firm and springy step, the bright lusterful eyes, the clear complexion, identified with the strength and vigor of good health. The druggist has Gude's Pepto-Mangan in both liquid and tablet form. Advertisement.

Subtraction.

"A poor excuse!" said Senator Borah in an argument on disarmament. "As poor an excuse as Aunt Dinah's!"

"Look here," I said to old Aunt Dinah one day, "I put four pairs of white flannel pants in the wash on Monday, and you've only brought me back three pairs. What's your excuse?"

"Mah excuse, Mars Will!" said Aunt Dinah. "Is dem fo' pairs muster shrunk up to free, Don' yo' know, Mars Will, dat flannel shrinks awful?"

Before casting their bread upon the waters some people tie a string to it.

Have You Pains? Feel Nervous and Cross? HERE IS SOME ADVICE FOR ALL WOMANKIND

Huntersville, W. Va.—"After I got over the influenza I was all run down and suffered from functional disturbances. I suffered with bearing pains and was so nervous I felt as if I would go to pieces. I was so cross and easily irritated that my husband said I was as bad as a spoiled child, nothing pleased me. My breath was so short that I could not walk up hill at all or hardly walk up stairs. Having used Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription with good results when I came into womanhood I decided to try it again. I have taken three bottles and am feeling fine again—helped my husband in the fields all summer."—Mrs. Nellie J. Busch.

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Matters Were Even.

An elaborately dressed woman got into a smoking compartment just as the train was moving. A few minutes later she informed a man who was smoking a pipe that she would be obliged if he would not smoke.

"Do you object to the smell of tobacco, ma'am?" he inquired politely.

"Yes," she said emphatically.

"Well," he replied, with a laugh, "I'm sorry, but, as it happens, I object to the smell of scents—so we are quits."

MURINE Night and Morning Keep Your Eyes Clean—Clear and Healthy

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MOST EFFICIENT AUTO OPERATION

Saving of Gasoline Given Place of Greatest Consideration by Owner.

FUEL CONSUMED WHILE IDLE

Rapid Acceleration Is an Expensive Luxury, Using More Gas Than Gradual Speed Increases—Other Little Economies.

Honest efforts to operate an automobile economically often fail because the driver does not, in many cases, understand the fundamental practices most important to good results. Although fuel is by no means the largest item of operating expense, gasoline savings are customarily given the place of greatest consideration and consequently deserve first mention.

The most flagrant source of gasoline waste lies in idling the motor. Many drivers believe gasoline consumption to be slight while idling and that by avoiding use of the starter, they are saving the storage battery. To be correct, the battery is much better off when used normally, not being allowed to remain fully charged and practically inactive for long periods of time. On the other hand, fuel consumption while idling is surprisingly great because the vacuum in the manifold is so low that a very rich mixture is required in order that the heavy fuel now in use may reach the cylinders.

Harm Done by Idling.

When idling, excessive amounts of gasoline collect in the manifold and valve ports—excessive carbon is formed—the motor overheats—and the raw gasoline dilutes the crankcase oil. Lubrication at this slow speed is inefficient because the splash from the connecting rods is minimized.

Rapid acceleration, although desirable in traffic, is an expensive luxury, using much more gasoline than gradual speed increases. Unnecessary and violent application of the speeds and brakes will wear the bands prematurely, strain every part of the car and speed tires toward the junk pile. On long stretches of open road the driver will obtain better results by using the hand throttle instead of the foot accelerator, if one is installed in the car. This is true because the uneven gas feed caused by the foot fluttering up and down on the foot throttle is eliminated, the hand throttle providing a steady flow of fuel to the engine.

Many drivers labor under the impression that it is economical to leave the spark advanced to the limit, and run in high speed as long as the motor will hang on, but the spark should always be retarded as soon as the motor begins to labor. A continually retarded spark is equally harmful. The spark setting should always be adapted to the conditions under which the engine is operating.

Some Simple Matters.

Even simple matters, such as steering are important; the proper method of turning corners and minimizing switching back and forth when parking are important. Tire, transmission, rear axle and gasoline savers. The car will run most efficiently within a certain easily determined range of speeds. All of these things enter into this question of economical driving, exerting appreciable influences upon operating expenses. They are the fundamentals of skillful driving which the car owner will do well to study, because they result in smoother operation, sensible motor maintenance and true operating economy.

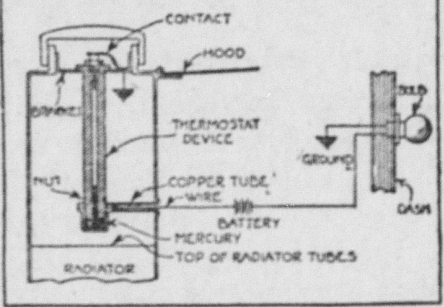
WARNING TO DRIVER BY FLASH OF LIGHT

Homemade and Effective Hot-Motor Alarm for Autos.

Any Man With a Little Mechanical Ability Can Construct Device—Main Tube of Thermostat Is Made of Bakelite.

Below is an illustration that shows a homemade and very effective hot-motor alarm. Any car owner with a little mechanical ability can easily build one. The sketch shows a section of the radiator at the top of the water chamber. The main tube of the thermostat device is made of bakelite or one of the impregnated bakelite fibers that is water and steam proof. The top of this tube is threaded into a bracket which is in turn soldered into the neck of the radiator. The lower end of the tube is also threaded into the mercury chamber which is made of fiber. This chamber is locked and made leak-proof with a nut. At the upper end of the tube is the contact which is provided with an extension contact of brass which is also led out through a brass ribbon and soldered to the supporting bracket, thus making a ground connection on the car.

After the device is assembled the copper tube is soldered in place and a wire led out through it to a small lamp on the dash. The circuit is



When the Engine Becomes Overheated, the Driver is Warned by the Flash of the Dashboard Lamp.

made through the battery circuit on the car as shown. The mercury chamber is threaded onto the thermostat tube so that the device can be adjusted.

This is accomplished by submerging it in boiling water and then setting it just a trifle short of making the circuit. In other words, when the water in the radiator reaches the boiling temperature, the motor is dangerously overheated and needs attention. At that point the mercury is so expanded that it rises in the tube and completes the circuit, thus lighting the lamp.—Popular Science Monthly.

AVTOMOBILE FINTS

Automobiles in Wisconsin represent an investment of \$138,831,000.

The American farmer is considered the keenest buyer of automobiles.

Gasoline costs 88 centavos (44 cents) a gallon in Mexico.

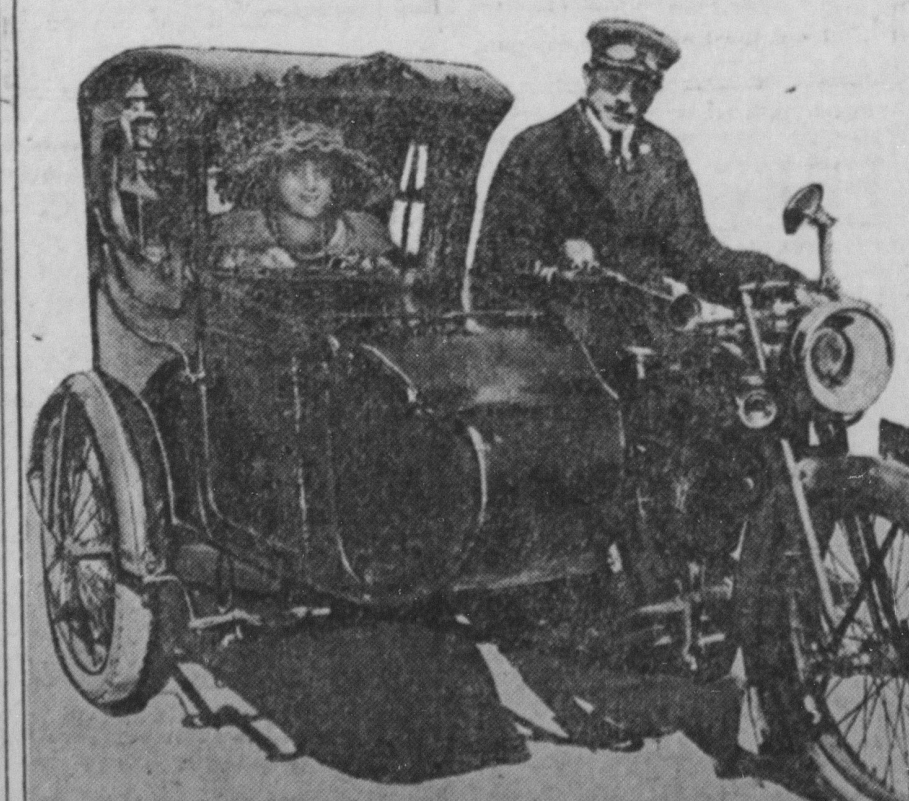
The membership of the Automobile association in London totals more than 1,900.

Automotive exports from the United States last year exceeded \$330,000,000, going to 114 countries.

A new steam automobile is to make its appearance on the market in a short time to sell at about \$1,000.

Ontario leads all other provinces in Canada in the registration of automobiles; Saskatchewan ranks second.

MOTORCYCLE TAXIS FOR NEW YORK



Before many moons, unless all signs fail, New York will be indulging in a new form of taxi riding. In Paris, Rome, and several other cities of Europe, Americans, the past summer, have enjoyed the novelty of the motorcycle taxis, which are becoming common over there.

The side cars in which the passengers ride are filled up with all the comforts of the most luxurious motor cars. There is a new thrill to be had in riding in one of these taxis. Besides the fare is much lower than in the motor car affairs.

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

MARY GRAHAM BONNER

SANTA'S PACKING

Santa Claus was busy packing his huge bags full of presents of all sorts. He had great enormous boxes of candy to be divided up into other boxes and into candy bags. He had huge barrels of oranges and of apples, of nuts and raisins, of popcorn, and of cranberries to decorate the Christmas trees with.

He had hundreds and hundreds of dolls and trains of cars and boats and games. He had any number of books with lovely pictures and interesting stories, and he had drawing books and paint boxes too.

He had puzzles and he had balls. He had machinery of different kinds and mechanical toys which went when they were wound up.

He had some pretty dresses and some fine little suits, and some useful mittens and muffs and furs.

He had everything you can possibly imagine and he was packing them all up.

"Of course," said Santa, "when people pack up they are usually going away for a visit or they are going to move to another place.

"They have to take all sorts of things with them—every kind of a thing from a toothbrush to a party dress.

"But when I pack up I have toys of all sorts. That is what I have indeed. And now I must keep all these things straight. Oh, yes, I must do that.

"The zoo keepers and those who know about animals say that the elephants never forget, but I must say that old Santa Claus can never forget either.

"He never can forget a thing for he would never want to make such a mistake. And so he never does forget a thing! No, no indeed.

"And while the elephant has a trunk he doesn't have to pack up what Santa Claus has to pack up."

Santa Claus laughed as he said this and then he picked up a toy gray elephant.

"So you're going to belong to Billy, are you? Well, you are a fine looking



"He Was Packing."

elephant and I'm sure he'll like you, and that you'll be great friends.

"Yes, the children like toy animals. I have a great many teddy bears to take along with me and some of the dearest little white lambs in all the world.

"The little white lambs are very cunning. I couldn't help but make them that way for little white lambs always turn out into such dear, lovable toys.

"Quite a few little girls who all have the name of Mary have asked for lambs. I wonder if they want to be like the Mary who had a little lamb in the old story.

"Anyway I have given collars to the lambs and little strings are attached so that they can be taken around and so that they can be pulled along and so that they will follow after their owners!

"Now I have all of these bags filled and all of these yet to fill!

"What a place my toy shop looks like at this time. Dear me, but it does look as if I'd never get all of these toys packed up, but I will!

"The children will never need to worry that I'll forget any of the toys. 'I won't! I have heard that when people visit they often forget and leave things behind them.

"But they wouldn't, I'm sure, if they were taking things to others—and if those others were children!

"Besides I'm so used to this packing up before Christmas.

As Santa Claus talked he packed and packed until bag after bag was packed full!

"I'm almost through," he said at last, "and I'm not in the least bit tired. I couldn't be tired! I'm much too excited to feel tired. If the children think they're the only ones who feel excited they're wrong, for old Santa Claus is just as excited as he can be, and just as happy too!

"Heigh-ho," he said after a long time had passed and he had packed and packed and packed. "I'm ready now and everything is packed up."

Possible Solution.

"I see where a life guard has eloped with an heiress," remarked Mr. Glipping.

"That may explain something that has puzzled me a long time," said Mr. Gadspar.

"Well!"

"I've often wondered what they did in winter."

Kissing Time and Christmas Time

By GENEVIEVE ULMAR

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"WELL!"

Mrs. Nancy Blair uttered the word in a profound gasp of bewilderment. For the first time in twenty years her husband, Alvin, had kissed her. His face took on a sudden flush of color, showing that his strangely unusual act had moved her to the depths.

"It's the Christmas spirit," fluttered Nancy, but she was wrong, and stood staring after the man she had taken as a life partner because she had truly loved him.

"What in the world does that mean?" she murmured.

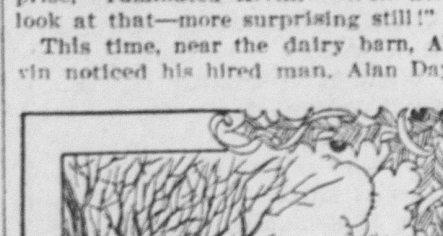
But Alvin was gone, as if half shamed at his impulsiveness and hurried to his wagon outside.

"Kissing time!" he golloquized, and aptly, it transpired. "I couldn't help it. Poor dear! She seemed to prize that first token of romance of the dull plodding years.

Alvin hummed an old love song that took him back to the early days of courtship. He slowed up the horses as he peered through the leafless trees of a grove near the road. Then he chuckled as he caught sight of a slim, girlish figure and a companion. She was Luella Morse, the daughter of a neighbor, and beside her was his own handsome, stalwart son, Noble Blair. They stood near together, fairly face to face, and their attitude betokened acknowledged lovers.

"This will give Nancy a genuine surprise," ruminated Alvin. "Well now, look at that—more surprising still!"

This time, near the dairy barn, Alvin noticed his hired man, Alan Day-



Peered Through the Leafless Trees.

ton, conversing with Marty Remick, and then he kissed her. Alvin thought of how his wife had feared that the helpful, dependable Dayton would soon leave for his home in the next county.

"He will stay and they will marry," declared Alvin, "and I will be glad to let them have the little cottage, for it solves the farm management. Oh, this golden kissing time! He bent his ear attentively as the echo of music reached him from the direction of the house.

"The old organ, cracked, broken, pretty well out of commission," he said reminiscently. "And Nancy so enjoys music. If it takes the last cent I've got she shall have a Christmas present worth having, and the memory of the kiss and the holiday tinge to everything about the business portion of the town influenced an hour of brisk, practical shopping. Then Alvin started homeward; back in the wagon, cased up, was a fine victrola.

He found Nancy strangely excited when he went into the evening meal. More than once her hand went secretly to her dress pocket which held a precious letter she had received that day. Then she began speaking of their daughter Elsa, who had eloped two years ago with Ronald Bruce.

"Alvin, I have heard from Elsa. They are longing to pay us a visit."

"They?" repeated Alvin, a deep frown crossing his face.

"Yes, Oh, Alvin, don't be pitiless! I have heard grand news. Ronald has steadied down. Elsa is so happy. Can't they come?"

"I shall not exactly abuse them," he uttered, "but it will not be pleasant to think they ran away."

"To mend it again, for oh, Alvin! they love the old home, and you and me. They will be here tomorrow ready for Christmas and your blessing."

He came into the house just after dusk the next evening and from the parlor proceeded strains of music that told that Nancy was already enjoying the victrola. Then in the dimly lit hall Alvin stumbled over a baby carriage and then—

"Oh, Alvin, is that you?" cried out Nancy joyously.

He entered the parlor. It was to stand transfixed as Nancy held towards him a smiling, happy-eyed little child who put her baby arms about his neck and then kissed him.

"Your present, Alvin," spoke Nancy in a quiver of delight. "Their baby, only a year old—ours—" and Alvin pressed the little treasure to his heart and forgot all the past.

It was a royal Christmas eve and Noble and his fiancee, and even Dayton and Marty were present at a celebration that made kissing time and Christmas time the happiest occasion of their lives.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect It

Applicants for Insurance Often Rejected.

Judging from reports from druggists who are constantly in direct touch with the public, there is one preparation that has been very successful in overcoming these conditions. The mild and healing influence of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its remarkable record of success.

An examining physician for one of the prominent Life Insurance Companies, in an interview on the subject, made the astonishing statement that one reason why so many applicants for insurance are rejected is because kidney trouble is so common to the American people, and the large majority of those whose applications are declined do not even suspect that they have the disease.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is on sale at all drug stores in bottles of two sizes, medium and large. However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper. Advertisement.

Eats, Then Goes Out to Eat.

"Living under abnormal conditions because your wife is trying to reduce on some sort of an infernal diet is not what it might be cracked up to be," complained Mr. Detroiter to a neighbor the other evening. "Well, I seldom eat much, but when I do eat I like to eat like a human being, so every morning and every evening I am compelled to eat two meals—one inhuman and one human. At home I breakfast on nuts, fruits and berries and dine on fruits, berries and nuts. But the minute I am out of the house I steal away to a lunch room for my wheateaks and coffee, or a beefsteak with savory trimmings and a pot of tea."—Detroit News.

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