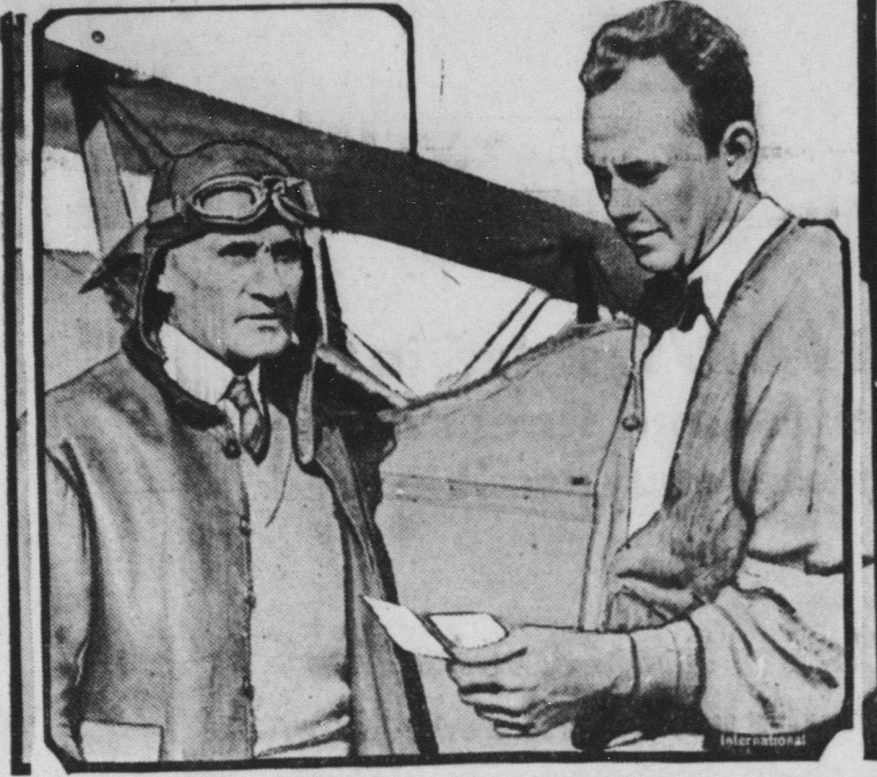


Dad Gets Pilot's License



James W. (Daddy) Montee, of Los Angeles, sixty-five, who has just passed successfully his test for the Department of Commerce private pilot's license, ready for a "hop" and showing his son Ralph, also a pilot, his newly acquired license.

Sandman Story for Kiddies

"NOW, children," said Mother Gray Fox to her little babies, "you must learn many lessons. For the past few weeks I have held you close to me so you could feel my comforting warm furry body, and so you need not be afraid in the great dark world. But now the world is no longer dark, for you have opened your eyes at last, and you see the light. Your daddy is proud of you, too! He stayed away while you were so very tiny. It is best that way. Mother Fox wants to be all, all alone with her babies when they are so very tiny. And all alone in her three-room ground apartment she stayed with you. Daddy Fox will teach you lessons, too. He will also show you how you must hunt and do the marketing. You will learn just a little at a time. That will be enough to do. No little fox should learn too much at a time, for we do not want you to adventure far. A very little hunting at a time will do. You must beware of Great Horned Owl. He's a wild fellow and he doesn't care in the least for a darling little baby fox. Perhaps I should say he cares for a little baby fox too much. Much too much. He doesn't really care for a baby fox or he couldn't catch the sweet darling and put an end to its sweet fox life. You must stay most of the time safely in your soft grassy bed in the Home Den. You must beware of the strong

guns and rattlesnakes. Copperheads you must beware of and field mice you must smile at. For you are an enemy to field mice. You can catch them!

"Beware, too, of the Goshawk. He is an enemy."

"All that your mother tells you is true," said Daddy Fox. And then Daddy Fox began to give lessons in what they must beware of and what they must learn.

"In a year's time you will be old enough and wise enough to choose your own mates and start out house-keeping and homemaking for yourselves."

"Mother and Daddy Fox will not be lonely, for that is the way you should do, and Mother and Daddy Fox have each other and they love each other and are always happy with each other."

"Aren't we, Mother Gray Fox?" Mother Gray Fox looked at Daddy Gray Fox and smiled and her eyes were tender and loving.

"I've always been thankful you were my mate, and proud that you were my mate and glad that you were my mate."

"You're the most handsome fox that ever lived!" said Daddy Fox. And the little foxes looked at each other and grinned and said:

"We will not feel that Mother and Daddy will be lonely when we leave them, for they love each other so much, so much."

Then Daddy Fox suggested a good game, and they all had a most wonderful Fox frolic for all of them loved to play!

And Mother and Daddy Fox said that play was a most important part of life!

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WEDD SMILE AT LITTLE CARES

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

TODAY we sat and talked about the time the gasoline gave out. And father woke the farmer up, and all he did was sic his pup on Dad, and how dad hiked to town, where things close up when night comes down.

And how at last he found a man. Who charged a dollar for the can. Another for the gasoline—Today we all recalled the scene, and talked it over, fore and aft, and laughed and laughed and laughed and laughed.

Today we talked it over, though That happened years and years ago When cars were scarce and roads were bad.

My goodness, what a time we had—Of how we waited by the road, and mother sat down on the road, and how she screamed, and brother tried

To jump a ditch, and fell inside And got all muck—today we sat And talked it over, all of that, and laughed the way the people do After a month or year or two.

And so it is with lots of things: The very thing that sorrow brings Today, tomorrow makes us smile. We only need to wait awhile. And then we see the funny side Of many a night we nearly died. I do not mean to say a man Should smile right then, for no one can;

But, if we only tried a bit To see the funny side of it, We'd smile at little cares we knew A whole lot sooner than we do.

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Keep Plugging Away

By JOHN BLAKE

THERE is nothing easier than convincing yourself that you have worked so long your brain has begun to fog.

Then you postpone the job till another day, and must spend perhaps an hour getting back to the mental state in which you left it off.

And the chances are then you will never get exactly back into the same swing you had when you quit.

Quitting a thing when it is half finished is, of course, due to the natural laziness in all of us, and which is the hardest thing we have to overcome.

..... We can all work twice as hard, mentally, as most of us do.

Only a terrific and overpowering interest in what we are doing will keep us at a task till our minds are so wide awake that they can bring all their powers to bear on it.

Men who do big things keep at them and at them—and they find that they can often get a second mental wind, which will make continuing as easy or easier than the work was before.

When James Russell Lowell wrote "The Vision of Sir Launfal" he shut himself up in a room and stayed there for two days till the job was done. And he was not exhausted when he got through.

The chances are that if he had tried to write the poem by fits and starts he could never have got it done.

If you were shut into a room, and knew that the only way you could ever reach sunlight and food again was to find a secret passage out, you would find the secret passage.

The passage to many sorts of success are secret, and have to be hunted out by the reason.

The fact that men accomplish great things proves that it can be done.

There are differences in minds, of course, but the commonplace mind, by grim determination, will often accomplish more than the brilliant one which is always ready to take a rest.

Just to "keep plugging" will not accomplish much. But to keep plugging with all the power of the mind will, and must, accomplish a great deal.

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It isn't the broad highways that lead to destruction," says Flivvering Felice, "it's the detours."

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FOR GOOSE AND GANDER

By VOLA BROTHERS SHORE

FOR THE GOOSE—

WHEN a man's in love with one member of a family, he generally trusts everybody in it. When a woman's in love with one member of a family, she generally distrusts everybody in it.

The woman ain't livin' that would rather be loved well than wisely.

The satisfaction ain't in bein' beautiful, but havin' people recognize you are.

FOR THE GANDER—

Every man is a fool in some other man's opinion. And a wonder in some woman's.

If a woman tells you a story without names and the women in the story don't shine, it ain't her own.

You hate to buy hair tonic from a bald barber.

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Star Superstitions

By H. IRVING KING

THEY fought from heaven: the stars in their courses fought against Sisera." So sang Deborah and Barak, the son of Abinoam, exulting over the destruction of the Canaanite commander. The quotation is an example of the intimate relations which the ancients believed to exist between the stars and human destiny. The persistence of this idea down into our own times is evidenced by the number of "astrologers" who make a comfortable living from the credulous by their "horoscopes" and the prevalence of star-superstitions all over the world. As to astrology, it was regarded as a real science down to within comparatively recent times.

There appears to have been strictly no star-worship among the ancients. In the sun and the moon primitive man saw deities—in the stars celestial bodies more nearly related to and connected with himself. The stars peopled the heavens as man peopled the earth and between them existed a community of fate, the celestial in-

How to Make Salads

By NELLIE MAXWELL

SALAD time is from January to December, any time is salad time. The important thing to remember is that in salads are almost always the foods we need most. Green vegetables, fruits and succulent vegetables such as celery, cucumber, cabbage and green pepper, with the crisp and tender lettuce.

A crisp and delicate dish of salad will often cause the meal of heartier food to be well digested; without it, these foods could cause distress.

If one does one's own marketing, it is a delightful way to get an early morning walk and choose your own salads.

Certain green vegetables, too small or unattractive as to shape and size, though perfectly wholesome, may be used for salads, as they are to be cut into pieces.

Small-sized fruits which may have discolored skins, lowering the price, can be purchased for various salads and desserts. The quality is just as good and quite a saving on the food bills can be made in this way. This

is true of celery, lettuce and many vegetables and fruits.

A handful of nuts, too few to serve as a whole, a bit of cheese too small to serve to guests, may be utilized in a salad and make a most gratifying dish. When there is too much acid in the blood, such fruits as produce an alkaline reaction should be served. Oranges and grapefruit are among these.

Cardinal Salad.

Dissolve a package of lemon Jello in one and one-half cupsful of boiling water, add one-half cupful of the canned juice of beets. When cool add

one cupful celery shredded, one cupful of diced cooked beets, one-half cupful of Spanish onion chopped fine and one green pepper finely shredded. Add one teaspoonful of salt and pour into molds to harden. Serve on lettuce, unmolded, with a mayonnaise dressing.

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Early Story of America

The first account of the N w world in Spanish, the "Suma de Geografia"—Complete Geography—was published in Spain in 1519. Its author was Martin Fernandez de Enrique, who went to America with Bastidas in 1500.

At World's Champions' Dinner



Wearers of many crowns in the sporting realm—with others who have made valiant attempts to reach the throne—were brought together at New York at World's Champions' dinner sponsored by the Madison Square club. George L. ("Tex") Rickard was there, of course, with many of the millionaires who have graced his big prize fights, and the toastmaster was none other than Mayor "Jimmy" Walker, who knows a lot about sport. The photograph shows, left to right, front row: "Big Bill" Tilden, lawn tennis; Bobby Jones, golf; Fred Spencer, bicycle racing; Charley Winters, bicycle racing. Left to right, rear row: "Babe" Ruth, who makes home runs; Gene Tunney, heavyweight champion; Johnny Weissmuller, who teaches swimming to fishes, and "Blip" Cook, who knows which end of a hockey stick hits the puck.

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Gloom. William E. Cronin of Terre Haute, one of the editors now touring Europe as guests of the Carnegie Peace foundation, told a newspaper story at a farewell dinner. "A young Terre Haute reporter," he said, "once ended an account of a funeral with the paragraph: 'At the graveside the undertaker, John L. Clarke, was seized with a fit, and, although medical assistance was quickly forthcoming, death ensued within the hour.' 'The account concluded: 'This unhappy event cast a gloom over the entire proceedings.'"

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