

REALLY SIMPLE

A look of recognition came over the diner's face as the newcomer entered the restaurant.
"Pardon me, sir," he said. "I think we met here a fortnight ago."
The newcomer shook his head.
"Sorry," he replied politely enough, "but I do not know you."
"Maybe not—but I recognized your umbrella."
"That's impossible, sir," went on the newcomer. "A fortnight ago I hadn't an umbrella."
"No, but I had," came the other's retort.

POLITICAL WISDOM



Friend—You seem to talk quite freely for publication, without actually saying anything.
Politician—That's the art of it. A man should always avoid letting his views get mixed into his interviews.

Cupid's Victim?

Aunt Jane gasped as she listened to the confession of her soldier nephew.
"What?" she cried; "you were engaged to four girls at once?"
"Four of 'em," said the young man.
"But, Bertie," she went on, "how ever can you explain such conduct?"
"Dunno," replied the nephew with a hopeless shrug of his shoulders. "I expect old Cupid shot at me with a machine gun."

Too Many Deaths

Little Billy G. recently came rushing up to a neighbor with an excited air.
"Why, Billie, what on earth are you so excited about?" she asked.
"Gee! Mrs. L., he replied, "our dog just died, and he was pretty old, and our old cat's died, and our old bird died, and I guess my dad is going to die soon because he's getting pretty old."

Ready for Service

Little Boy—How many kinds of milk are there?
Father—Why, there are condensed milk, evaporated milk, sweet milk, and sour milk. Why do you ask?
Boy—I'm going to draw a cow, and I want to know how many spigots to put on.

DIES IN SERIES



"My office boy has a bargain-counter grandmother."
"What do you mean by that?"
"She always dies on the days that they have double-headers at the baseball grounds."

Unanimous

"My son is going to Paris to finish his musical studies."
"A government grant?"
"No, public subscription of the neighbors."—Gutierrez, Madrid.

Proof in His Success

The local reporter was interviewing a prosperous soap manufacturer.
"It is a well-known fact," he said, "that you made your fortune out of soap, Mr. Lather. Now, to what do you attribute your success?"
"To clean living, my friend—to clean living," was the reply.—Pearson's.

Promising Youth

"I hear Tom has been engaged to eight girls in the past few months."
"Yes, he's a very promising young man."

Always Rising

"So that distinguished looking gentleman in the tall hat is your leading citizen, eh? Has he received many degrees from the colleges?"
"Has he? Why he has received so many degrees we call him the 'Human Thermometer.'"

And in His Bare Feet

Lady—Your father thinks a lot of your new brother, doesn't he?
Bobbie—Yeh, he gets up in the middle of the night to take the darned kid for a walk.

Turkey Acquires Noted Mountain

Persia Gives Up All Claim to Little Ararat.

Washington.—Part of one of the world's most famous mountains has changed hands as a result of Persia's ratification of a new boundary treaty with Turkey. By the agreement Persia has ceded to Turkey all claim to Little Ararat. Now both peaks, Great and Little Ararat, and their common base, lie wholly within Turkish territory. A bulletin from the National Geographic society tells of the double mountain whose name is familiar because of its association with Noah and his ark.

Ararat Holy to Armenians.
"Ararat lies in a region far from mountains of comparable magnitude and height," says the bulletin, "and so from the earliest times has been looked upon not only as a significant landmark, but also as a holy spot. On the north the snow-covered peaks of the Caucasus are 200 miles away, while the snowy summits of the Elburz range in Persia lie 500 miles to the southeast. Southward there are no mountains in Asia Minor or Arabia that approach Ararat in importance."
"Rising to a height of nearly 17,000 feet, Greater Ararat is topped by several thousand feet of snow which glistens through the long summer

while the plains and plateaus below and even the slopes of the mountain are hot and dry. This unique character, the seeming impossibility of scaling the peak, and the traditions of Noah's landing on its heights, combined to build up in the minds of the Armenians who lived near-by an idea of holiness. They maintained that supernatural forces guarded the top as a sacred preserve and that no man would be able to reach it. When Parrot climbed to the top in 1829, making the first recorded ascent, the Armenians refused to believe that the feat had been accomplished. A number of mountaineers have scaled the peak since Parrot's day, including a Russian surveyor who spent five days on the summit, and James Bryce, later British ambassador to the United States.

Where Empires Met.
"Approximately seven miles south-east of the peak of Greater Ararat lies Little Ararat, 12,840 feet high. The snow line on the Ararat massif is very high—14,000 feet—so that Little Ararat is without a white cap during the summer. The ridge which connects the two peaks has an altitude about 9,000 feet.

"Little Ararat was of unusual political significance before the World war, for there three empires met: the Russian, the Turkish, and the Persian. The boundary lines roughly trisected Little Ararat, as though a pie were cut into three equal pieces. The Turkish-Persian line ran southward; the Russian-Persian line, northeastward; and the Russian-Turkish line, northwestward. The latter line struck across the southern shoulder of Greater Ararat, leaving the entire upper portion of the mountain in Russian territory.

"During the war, the Russian-Turkish boundary fluctuated north and south of Ararat. In 1921, by the Treaty of Kars, Russia and Turkey agreed that their new common boundary should run about 25 miles north of Ararat, along the river Araxes. Since then Greater Ararat has been entirely in Turkish territory while the Turkish-Persian line has continued to run through Little Ararat. The recent agreement between Persia and Turkey pushes this latter line eastward down the slopes of Little Ararat so that the entire Ararat massif falls under Turkish sovereignty. To compensate Persia for this transfer, Turkey has relinquished a narrow strip of territory farther south. The adjustments have been made to aid both countries in the control of tribesmen living along the border."

Husband Defeats Wife in School Board Election

Wright City, Mo.—John F. Case, president of the Missouri state board of agriculture, defeated his wife for school director here in a campaign in which "taxes" was the issue. Case advocated high taxes for education while his wife, Maggie, held "this is no time for a farmer to advocate higher taxes."

The word guerrilla is the Spanish diminutive of guerra, meaning war.

For Afternoon Wear



For afternoon wear Anita Louise, KKO-Radio player, chooses this white linen suit with swagger coat of the same material. The marine coat, with brass buttons and double-breasted, is semi-fitting. A striped Roman scarf of red, white and blue is tied about the neck. Accessories are of white.

OUR ENGLISH SPEECH

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It is more and more a matter of amazement to me



to hear how generally we misuse the English language. It is not to be wondered at that the illiterate do so; they have had little teaching, perhaps, and that not the best, and they hear daily and hourly far more incorrect speech than they do otherwise. We should expect them to blunder.

It is those who have had training who amaze and disappoint me—the high school graduate who has had twelve years of formal drill in English and who comes often from a home in which English is correctly spoken—or should be—and the college graduate who has had four additional years of drill in English and an association with those who should use correct speech even if they do not. These at least should be adept enough in the management of their native tongue not to fall constantly into egregious blunders.

I listened today to a man who has had an excellent home training, his father and mother both having graduated from college—and he, himself, has had seven years of collegiate and professional experience since he left the high school—enough certainly to teach him something. He counseled his hearers to "lay off" certain practices; he "suspected" that other things were going to happen; he spoke of the foolishness of doing "those kind" of things, and spoke of some one who had been "penalized" for the committing of some indiscretion. He ended by saying that "everyone should do their best." Now all these errors are simple but quite apparent if one would give them even a slight consideration, and being recognized they might be avoided.

Why do we speak so badly? Because we have never come to a realization of the fact that correct speech is of any vital importance. When people tell me that they cannot spell or remember people's names, or get up in the morning, I know very well that they have never realized with any keenness the real importance and value of these things. If a man could realize that he was losing prestige and social standing and money through the crudeness of his speech, he would set himself assiduously to correcting it.

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OF INTEREST TO THE HOUSEWIFE

Hot vinegar will remove paint splashes from windows.

When preparing mustard add a drop of salad oil to it while mixing. This will greatly improve the flavor.

If a piece of elastic is sewn to the upper inside edge of the pockets in the children's sweaters the pockets will not sag.

If your white porcelain sink becomes stained sprinkle chloride of lime and a little water on it and let it stand about half an hour.

Mayonnaise is delicious when thinned with olive oil, that is if you are using it with vegetable salad. For fruit salad it is better to use cream as the thickening agent.

Mildew may be removed from white clothes with the following solution: To each quart of water (boiling) dissolve one tablespoonful of chloride of lime. Put the clothes in and stir them continually till the mildew disappears; then put them through several waters and dry in the sun.

POTPOURRI

Origin of Mourning

Our custom of wearing black and going into seclusion out of respect for our dead is said to go back to the savage. To evade evil spirits which he imagined took possession of dead bodies he painted himself black, or if black painted himself white, and hid in his cave to avoid being found.
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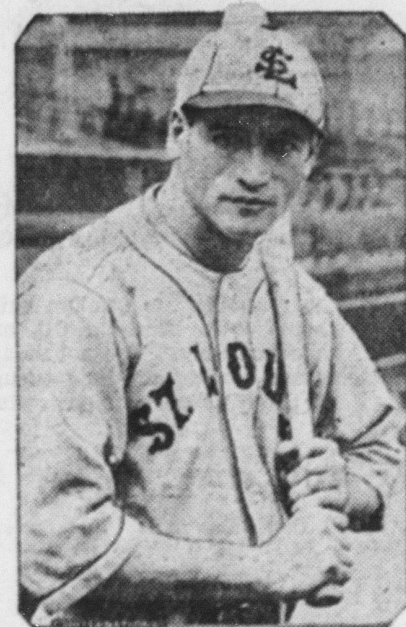
GOLD GOES BEGGING ABOUT SWITZERLAND

Country Has More of It Than She Needs.

New York.—Although afflicted by economic conditions equally with the rest of the world, little Switzerland has been placed in the paradoxical situation of having more gold than she wants or needs.

She has only about \$475,000,000 out of the \$11,500,000,000 world total of monetary gold, but this is about \$118 per capita, and it covers her currency well over 100 per cent, as against only 50 per cent required coverage.

Back to the Majors



"Showboat" Fisher, formerly of the Rochester baseball club, has made his return to major league circles in the uniform of the St. Louis Browns. "Showboat" was a heavy hitting sensation in 1930, when the New York Giants let him go to the Cardinals. He helped St. Louis win the pennant that season and then went to a minor league.

Gold has come to Switzerland because foreigners, fearful for the safety of their own currencies, have looked to her as a sanctuary.

Switzerland, however, has only limited resources for investment by foreigners. Her interest-paying banks have been forced to discriminate against foreign funds, not because of any desire to refuse to aid others, but because they could not afford to pay full interest on funds not capable of profitable re-investment.

Now that world currencies appear to have reached a more stable basis, economists expect that the flow of funds to her may cease.

While possessing large quantities of gold, Switzerland does not know for certain how far she may depend on keeping that gold, because of the instability of deposit of some of it. Figures are not available to show how much of the foreign deposits in Switzerland is subject to sudden recall by foreigners; to show, in effect, how much of her gold is actually hers.

Similarly, in the case of France, who now has well over \$3,000,000,000 in gold, about \$75 per capita, some of the deposits are not for business, but have the same psychological basis that sent gold to Switzerland—fear.

Lost Wedding Ring Found in Time for Anniversary

West Union, Iowa.—The wedding ring of Mrs. Charles Wolf, lost 47 years ago, was found recently in time for the Wolf golden wedding anniversary. Lost while Mrs. Wolf was working in a field three years after her marriage, the ring was turned up under a plow piloted by John Wentworth, who recognized the inscription on the gold band.

States Without Mottos

The states of Indiana, New Hampshire and Texas have no mottos.

Skillet Champion



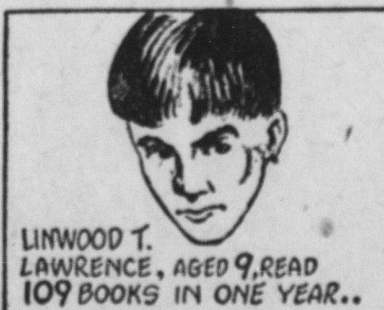
In a contest staged at Fort Thomas, Kentucky, Mrs. Charles M. Pommering of that town won the skillet throwing championship, hitting a dummy husband four times out of six. More than fifty women of that region competed, and all expressed regret that they had to throw at dummies, as the men unchivalrously refused to act as targets.

GABBY GERTIE



"The girl who is constantly on her toes is usually well heeled."

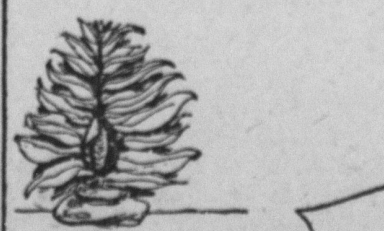
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What Whisky Did to This Baby



A shot of whisky, administered for a bad case of colic, proved too much for this year-old inmate of the animal nursery on the Atlantic City pier. The liquor, which appears to have been of the bootleg variety, sent the baby elephant spinning with the result that a leg was broken. It was set and placed in a brace, and the patient is learning to walk all over again.