Two Minutes of Optimism

By HERMAN J. STICH

Which Class?

THERE are three kinds of liars, it is said—first, ordinary, unvarnished "liars"; second, "d——d liars"; and third, "statistics."

Statistics frequently include both other classes, to say nothing of a few that have not as yet been tabulated; but in the case of income tax returns such as the Treasury recently made public, the figures in all probability lie on the side of conservatism—no man has as yet been hailed to court for overstating his earnings and paying to the government more than he should. Here is a first-rate opportunity for somebody to get a lot of publicity.

To preserve one's equanimity while skimming through income tax returns, it is a good idea to skip the figures referring to those who have earned $100,000, $500,000 or $1,000,000 a year.

Here it is a case of "you're damned if you do and you're damned if you don't"—that is to say, the figures aggravate if you don't earn them—and they aggravate still more if you have to pay the tax on them. Thank heaven the latter is not one of our worries!

The most significant of these statistics are those relating to incomes of from $1000 to $4000 a year.

Comparing them with the figures for the year preceding it appears that during the period covered by the late returns, the number of people earning between $2000 and $3000 a year virtually doubled, as did also the number of those earning between $3000 and $4000 a year.

Also, that the number of people earning between $1000 and $2000 a year is only half of what it was the year before.

Inasmuch as the other figures are about the same for both years, it is safe to assume that it was the people in the $1000 to $2000 class who are responsible for swelling the ranks of the $2000 to $3000 and $3000 to $4000 classes.

These are facts that must be gratifying to Uncle Sam; who is always tickled when his nieces and nephews get on—and even more gratifying to their recipients, who, if they keep up the pace they have set, will soon get into cipher-row territory!

And the moral of these statistics (for all statistics should have a moral)! Soon you will be making out another blank—and the year after—and the year after—for a long while——

And the figures will all be tabulated, and they will be arranged and classified, and editors will write stories about them, and——

By the way, which class are you planning and working to be in in the years to come?

Adventures With a Purse

NOW here is something that a great many women know about. Yet I have never found anything or heard of anything that everybody everywhere knows. There are sure to be some to whom anything is new—or rather something is new. After which involved introduction, I shall come down to business and tell you what it's all about. Did you know that you can buy hooks and eyes stamped in rows on tape, so that instead of sewing each hook and eye on separately on a skirt or down the back of a lining, all you need to do is to stitch the tape down each side—one containing the hooks, the other the eyes? Think of the time and work that this will save. One shop has the hooks and eyes this way, placed about an inch apart, for twenty-five cents a yard.

Many people prefer napkin rings of a wash material. Some of these are very attractive. Like the ones I want to tell you about for example. They are of pique, carefully scalloped and neatly embroidered with a pretty design. They fasten around the napkin. These are twenty-five cents each—a special reduced price.

It is an admitted fact that the addition of fresh new collars and cuffs on a dress will do much toward making it look newer and will brighten it up immensely. Nor need the collar and cuffs be exorbitantly priced to give the effect you seek. To explain: I came across some net by the yard today that would make as pretty a collar and cuff set as you'd find in many a day's walk. It consists of a wide band of nice fine net edged with diagonal points made of double thickness of net. The price is only fifty cents a yard. I certainly wish you would stop in and look at this when you are passing.

For names of shops address Woman's Page Editor or phone Walnut or Main 3000.

MISSION AT PENITENTIARY

Religious Services at Prison Are Being Well Received, Warden Says

Evangelist Samuel B. Goff, Jr., who has been conducting a revival campaign in Roxborough churches, is this week in charge of a "week's mission" at the Eastern State Penitentiary.

Services held each afternoon, but not open to the public, are being well attended by the inmates of the penitentiary and, according to Warden McKenty, are being well received. Working in co-operation with the evangelist is Zed H. Copp, chaplain at the prison, and the musical part of the service is in charge of Oliver Arnold, Jr., of Scranton, and George Sanville, of this city.

Mr. Goff has been attracting large throngs to the Central Methodist Episcopal Church and the Zion Methodist Episcopal Church, both in Roxborough, where the revival campaigns are in progress each night.

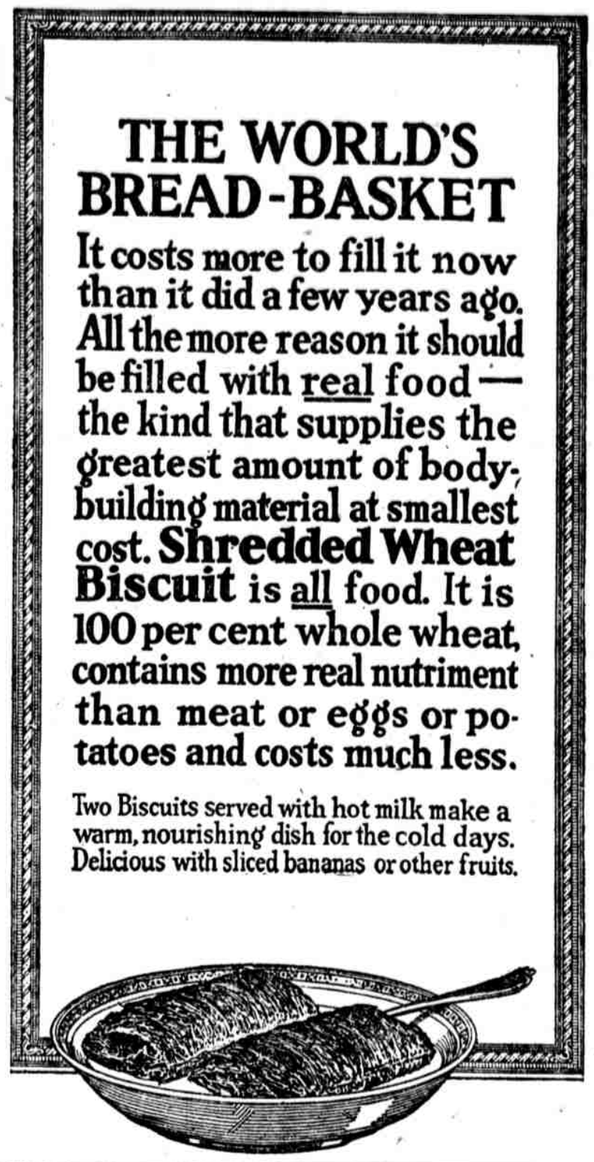
TO TALK ON SMOKE

Dr. L. I. Shaw, assistant chief chemist at the Bureau of Mines in Washington, will deliver an illustrated lecture on "Smoke and Incendiary Material" at the Franklin Institute at 8 o'clock tonight. The development and usages of portable and nonportable flame projectors, smoke producers and smoke bombs made in the United States, compared to those used by other countries, will be the topic of discussion.

THE WORLD'S BREAD-BASKET

It costs more to fill it now than it did a few years ago. All the more reason it should be filled with real food—the kind that supplies the greatest amount of body-building material at smallest cost. Shredded Wheat Biscuit is all food. It is 100 per cent whole wheat, contains more real nutriment than meat or eggs or potatoes and costs much less.

Two Biscuits served with hot milk make a warm, nourishing dish for the cold days. Delicious with sliced bananas or other fruits.



Have you tasted our delicious new ice cream?

GOLDEN GLO

WE intended it to be only a "special" for Christmas. But it was so instantly popular everywhere that we have added it to our regular flavors. All Abbotts dealers now sell it.

GOLDEN GLO is too delicious to be described by words. If you could see how children eat it—how grown-ups, too, smile with satisfaction at the first spoonful—you'd believe us, that "GOLDEN GLO" is the tastiest ice cream ever introduced in Philadelphia!

When buying ice cream, look for the familiar red and white Abbotts sidewalk sign. There's one conveniently near your home.

Buy your Abbotts Ice Cream in the now-famous "machine-filled package" that brings Abbotts from freezer to you untouched by hand. Convenient to carry. Makes serving easier. And costs no more.

ABBOTTS ALDERNEY DAIRIES, Inc.
Philadelphia, Pa.
Known to Philadelphia Since 1877

Phones { Bell—Lombard 2884 / Keystone—Main 3650 }

Abbotts Ice cream

sold in machine-filled packages

WANAMAKER'S | DOWN STAIRS STORE | WANAMAKER'S

Wanamaker's Down Stairs Store

White Sale Opportunities

Such opportunities as have not been here for months to secure desirable garments at far less than regular prices.

New shipments of various favorite numbers are ready for a happily busy Friday.

1000 Surprising Waists, $1.55

Twenty or more styles in the lot. Pink voile, white batiste, novelty dots and cords trimmed with lace and embroidery or plain. Mostly low necks, a few with high collars. Particularly charming ones have pleated frillings. They show marks of handling or they could not be offered at such small prices. Not all sizes in every style, but sizes 36 to 46 in the lot.

Children's Pretty Frocks $1.25 and $2

Sizes 2 to 6 years, in fascinating little tub frocks. Chambray in blue, pink, green, tan, and gingham in blue and white checks. Some are embroidered with wee birds, others have colored stitching or white collars and belts. Carefully made so that mothers will like them.

Checked Dress Gingham 22c a Yard

Huge new case of 32-inch gingham, in the popular small checks—blue, pink, lavender, navy and black combined with white. Used for women's and children's dresses and many other purposes.

Women's Flannelet Nightgowns, $1

600 extra-heavy flannelet nightgowns in pink or blue stripes. Made with double yokes and trimmed with braid. Marvelously good at the price.

Women's Nainsook Nightgowns, $1

Quantities of new dollar nighties from which to choose. Lace and embroidery trimmed and many have colored bands and ribbons.

600 Envelope Chemises, 75c

Good soft white cotton quite elaborately trimmed with narrow laces. They have stitched shoulder straps.

Women's Unusual Bloomers, 75c

White batiste trimmed with embroidery and attractive pink ones edged with lace.

Elaborate Chemises, $1.50

Sheer cotton quite elaborately trimmed with quantities of lace or embroidery in front and back.

High-Neck Nightgowns, $1.50

Plain good ones such as so many women find it hard to secure at this moderate price. Trimmed with embroidery and clusters of tucks.

Women's Sateen Bloomers, $1

Delicately pink and with hemstitched ruffles; material of excellent quality.

Sateen and Jersey Petticoats, $1

Two practical kinds; all-black sateen or black cotton jersey with flowered sateen flounces.

Heavy Satin Petticoats, $3.85

Plain and beautiful changeable colors in these ruffled satin petticoats to wear with new frocks and suits.

Wonderful Bungalow Aprons, $1

Limited quantity of the prettiest bungalow aprons we have seen in a long time at $1. Made of striped percale in the light or darker colors and trimmed with rick rack. Elastic at the waist to make them fit properly. Sizes 36 to 44.

38-Inch Organdie, 40c a Yard

Last season we sold 24,000 yards of this one kind of organdie at a third higher price. That is enough to describe its quality! Rose, yellow, orchid, pink, apple green, biscuit and cadet blue. Lovely for children's and women's frocks.

Table Damask, 60c and 85c

Decidedly less for two good kinds of mercerized cotton table damask in standard linen patterns. 58-inch damask now 60c a yard; 64-inch damask now 85c a yard. Excellent for everyday use.

Half-Linen Crash Toweling 21c Yard

Half-linen blue-bordered crash for tea towels and rollers. It is selling as fast as housewives catch glimpse of it.

18-Inch Napkins, 21c Each

Half-dozen patterns in these practical breakfast napkins, 18 inches square.

Huck Towels, 19c

Almost half price for these substantial white huck towels with red borders.

Special: 120 Coats and Wraps at $49

(The sort that women usually pay a great deal more for!)

Some have been priced quite a bit more in our regular stock and others were bought for lowered prices, assuring genuine savings on every coat in the sale.

Two wraps are sketched

A wooldyne dolman is on the left. It is lined throughout with peau de cygne and is trimmed with sealene. The colors are reindeer, navy and black.

The other is a crystal Bolivia coat in brown, navy, Oxford or taupe, with a shawl collar of nutria.

Other Wraps and Coats Now $49

are of Bolivia, silvertone, tinseltone and illama, lined with lovely silks and trimmed with nutria, racoon, opossum or sealene.

There are all the fashionable colors and black in the lot, but not in every style.

Early Choosing Is Advisable

in a sale like this, where the materials, tailoring, fur trimmings and styles are so much finer than the price would ordinarily indicate.

(Market)

Men's Winter Oxfords, $6.75

Good looking black and tan leather Oxfords in brogue style show many perforations. They are straight-lace and have good welted soles and broad, low heels.

Men's Fiber Half Hose 20c a Pair

Black half hose of fiber silk are "seconds," but the imperfections are slight.

(Gallery, Market)

Boys' Combinations at 85c

Good combinations of unbleached cotton are ankle-length and have long sleeves. They are medium weight and will fit boys of 6 to 16 years.

The Juvenile Shop

(Gallery, Market)

Clearaway of Leathhr Goods!

Prices a Third to a Half Less

Early Spring housecleaning in the Leather Goods Store has revealed a number of good things that have become a little rubbed and lost their freshness. So all have been gathered together and a generous slice taken from their prices.

Small Pieces

Men's collar bags, $2, $2.50 and $3.

Party boxes, $3.50, $5, $6 to $10.

Beaded bags, drawstring tops, $3.50 to $5.

Children's handbags, 50c.

Strap books, 50c to $7.50. (At $5 to $7.50 there are some remarkably fine things.)

Luggage (A Great Deal at Half Price)

Suit cases in bright enamel or dull fabric with leather straps now $4 for 16-inch size to $12 for 28-inch size.

Black fiber cases, splendid for motor tours and very durable, $3.50 to $8.50.

Traveling bags of fabricoid, $3.

Leather traveling bags, $15 to $25.

Hat boxes, enamel finish, $5 to $12.

Overnight bags of fine leathers, beautifully lined, $20 and $25.

(Chestnut)

Smartly Tailored New Frocks

for Street Wear, Business or School

$10, $12, $15 and $16.50

It is quite unusual to find such an assortment of good dresses at such very low prices. Think of a nice little serge dress for $10—and one is sketched.

The other frock that is sketched is $15, and many a young woman would look well in just such a dress of navy serge.

Many Good Materials

The gabardines, tricotines, serges and Poiret twills are all in navy blue and made in scores of bewitching ways. Many are brightened with gay touches of colored wool embroidery or gleaming tinsel threads. A new idea is the wide sash of bright-hued tricolette.

Plenty of Dresses for Young Women

and college girls are here in the most appropriate styles—straight lines and Etons, showing bead, silk or braid trimming.

(Market)

SPECIAL at $13.50 Taffeta Frocks for Juniors

Just one, two or three of a kind and every one much lessened in price. They're mostly in navy and Pekin blues, embroidered with silk or trimmed with ruffles and little pleated frills. For girls of 14 to 17.

(Market)

Winter Quilts $2.25 to $10.50

$2.25 for flower-covered quilts filled with soft, fluffy cotton, scroll stitched.

$5 for flowered quilts filled with wool and cotton mixed.

$6 for flowered quilts with plain borders, filled with wool mixed with a little cotton.

$7.50 for flowered cambric-covered quilts with sateen borders, wool and cotton filled.

$8.50 for silk-and-cotton mull-covered quilts filled with wool and cotton; blue, rose, pink, lavender and yellow; the same on both sides.

$9.50 for silk-dotted silk-and-cotton quilts, mull covered and cotton filled.

$10.50 for flowered sateen quilts with plain sateen backs and borders, wool and cotton filled.

(Central)

A Sale of Women's Skirts

Special at $7.75

Two styles were originally $5 more, the rest are now marked at half price or less.

In the gathering you'll find every sort of practical skirt for midwinter wearing:

—tailored skirts of diagonal mixtures, jersey, block plaids or fine English woolens;

—box-pleated skirts of plaid wool in a great variety of colorings;

—knife-pleated skirts of plain blue serge or of blue serge stitched with gold.

Waist bands, 25 to 32 inches.

Special at $2.75

Skirts of brown-and-black checks, part wool, made in a good tailored style for everyday wear.

(Market)