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Brief Local Paragraphs of More or Less Interest.

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Stories Concerning Folks and Things, Some of Which You Know and Some You Don't Know—Condensed For Quick Reading.

"The recent storm through Florida surely ruined this section of country," writes E. Bamford Garrison of York No. 3, from Kissimmee, Fla., where he is spending several weeks. "The citrus growers lost heavily." Mr. Garrison went on to say, "and the crop is going to be short—at least 25 per cent. Conditions are worse on the west coast than on the east coast."

Misplaced Charity.

"Had an incident to occur the other day that made me fighting mad," said J. Clyde Ford, well known young business man of Clover. "Fellow dropped into my place and asked for money to get something to eat. I gave it to him. A short time later I had occasion to go by the eating house where he had gone for a meal. He had already eaten and had asked for a ten cent cigar. The proprietor had nothing but 5 cent cigars. Do you know that skunk wouldn't take a five cent cigar but went somewhere else where he could buy a ten cent cigar. And pandhandling me for money to get a meal. Say what d'ye know about that anyway?"

The Bankrupt Law.

That the bankruptcy law is a mighty unsatisfactory proposition there is very little ground for dispute. In fact no reasonable man who knows what he is talking about will deny it.

Speaking of a certain concern of which he had knowledge, a prominent business man who is about as good for all his obligations as any man ever gets to be, and who knows whereof he speaks said:

"There was no sense in putting that concern in bankruptcy. The owners are good honest men who intend to pay and who would pay if let alone. They had gotten into such shape that they could not realize at once on their assets; but if let alone they could get more for their creditors than anybody else. But now that they have been forced into bankruptcy on the strength of a collection of claims no one of which amounts to more than a thousand dollars, their estate will be literally destroyed.

"But of course, it is a difficult thing to manage. I suppose it is impossible, because good and bad men look alike to each other, and with many people, the temptation to plunder a good man is as great as it is to plunder a bad man.

"There have been several cases of bankruptcy in this section and so far as I have reason to believe in no case have the creditors got as much or why they get as much as they would have gotten had they left the matter alone."

The Liquor Laws.

In his charge to the grand jury yesterday morning in opening the November term of the court of general sessions and common pleas, Judge Hayne F. Rice dealt at length on violations of the liquor laws. "There is no question," said he, "that the liquor laws are being violated extensively but my judgment tells me that there is not so much drunkenness through the state and not so many violations of the liquor laws and all laws as there were during the regime of our iniquitous dispensary system.

"Our liquor laws are perhaps the most drastic of any state in the union. The statute prohibits the handling of liquor or beverages used to produce intoxication in any shape or form. It is up to good citizens everywhere to assist in enforcing the liquor laws. Whiskey is the mother of crime. The man who sells whiskey is the lowest order of citizen. The man who runs a country store and who sells any beverage that will produce intoxication is violating the laws of the state and he should be brought before the bar of justice. The drug store that sells medicines for beverage purposes is as much of a blind tiger as is the man who sells liquor from a jug or a bottle. There are many citizens who think the courts should be light on the violators of the liquor laws. I do not agree because as I told you I do not believe there is a lower order of citizen than the citizen who sells liquor.

"The situation is much improved as compared with the old days. My duties as a circuit judge carry me to all sections of the liquor laws. There is no more than three drunk men since the advent of prohibition and my work and my travels have taken me into places where I would have opportunity to see. "A railroad conductor remarked to me recently that life had been made tolerable for railroad employes since prohibition came. It used to be that drunken men got on the trains at every station and often caused trouble whereas now it is a rare occasion that a drunken man gets on a train or is seen in any other place. There are still many violations," said His Honor, "and it is up to the grand jury and to all good citizens to assist in ridding up blind tigers and all violators of the prohibition laws."

The Peace Conference.

Gene Hutchinson, secretary to Congressman W. F. Stevenson, of the Fifth South Carolina district is spending a

few days at his home in Rock Hill, having come down on private business and incidentally to look after a few matters for his chief in the district. Mr. Hutchinson talked interestingly to Views and Interviews about affairs in Washington, Saturday.

"All of Washington," said Mr. Hutchinson "is talking about the disarmament conference or peace conference as most people call it. Washington really doesn't know what to think about it. According to the Washington Post, the organ of the Harding administration in Washington, it is going to mean the end of war for all times. But there are lots of public men in Washington and lots of plain Washingtonians who don't think that it is going to amount to anything.

"The capital is thronged with visitors—peace conference delegations from various countries, newspaper correspondents from every country on the face of the globe almost and visitors from all parts of the United States who have come to see what is doing.

"Maybe it will surprise you to know but the Chinese delegation at the conference is the largest of any of the countries represented there. There must be several hundred of those Chinese, counting the whole works. What in the world they find for all the staff of attaches to do I don't know but you never saw so many Chinks herded together in your life.

"Government employes had quite a lot of fun out of one of the delegates to the peace conference last week. I don't know what nationality he was, whether French, Italian, Spanish or what. He had evidently gotten lost from his crowd and he was seeking hotel accommodations. He dropped into one of the government buildings thinking that it was a hotel. He inquired for lodging and government employes to whom he applied wishing to have a little fun at his expense sent him to another government building, telling him it was the hotel he was seeking. Other employes there caught on and sent him to another building and the poor peace representative no doubt felt like a fighting man before he did finally find the quarters which he was seeking. I don't know whether he ever caught on to the fact that he had been played with or not.

"Nothing definite has been decided upon at Washington yet by the conference and I don't know whether anything is coming out of it or not. But believe me a small army of foreigner's is having an opportunity to see America and they have already seen enough to cause them to realize that the United States is the greatest country on the face of the globe."

SOUTH CAROLINA INVENTORS

Winchester Rifle Said to Have Been Invented by Chester Man.

"It may not be generally known," remarked Mr. W. W. Evans in conversation with a Dillon Herald man about the world's greatest inventions, "but the Winchester rifle was invented by a man of the name of Winn of Chester, S. C., and that is how it got its name. It was during the civil war. Winn was a native of Chester. He tried to get the Confederates to use the rifle in the Civil War, but for some unknown reason the head of the war department did not seem to think much of it and he turned Winn's offer down. Winn then went north and disposed of it to the Union army. The rifle was used against the Confederates with deadly effect toward the close of the civil war. When the war was over northern manufacturers secured the patent rights and made a tremendous fortune out of it.

"And there was another useful article invented by a South Carolina man who lives near here. The old turn plow was the product of the inventive genius of a Mr. Williamson, the father of Bright Williamson and Melver Williamson of Darlington county. This was along about 1870. Until then everybody used the old shovel plow. Mr. Williamson was a larger planter and used the most modern methods of the day in carrying on his farming operations. His son, Melver Williamson, also a large planter, is the originator of the Williamson method of growing corn. I don't think Mr. Williamson ever patented the turn plow, but gave it as contribution to the advancement of the agricultural industry."

"Although history gives him the full credit, still Eli Whitney was the inventor of the cotton gin," continued Mr. Evans. "He was the inventor, but not the inventor. Whitney, as history teaches us, was a northerner who came down here to teach school. He taught near Homberg, an old town on this side of the Savannah, opposite the city of Augusta. The real inventor of the cotton gin, strange as it may seem, was an old negro—a slave. Before the gin was invented they used the old method of 'rolling out' the lint cotton. This was a slow process. This old negro conceived the idea of putting nails in the rollers with the small ends pointing outward. It was a success. The nails stripped the lint from the seed with a great deal less labor. Whitney saw the invention and built a machine with brushes that would work against the protruding nails, and from this crude affair he evolved the present day cotton gin. It is true that he improved on the old negro's idea, but the idea of the cotton gin originated in the brain of this old slavery darkey."

NEWS OF CLOVER

Two Carpenters Were Hurt When Platform Fell to the Ground.

NEW AUDITORIUM IS ALMOST READY

Clover Mill to Run at Night—Farmers Continue to Sow Grain—Other News Notes of Northern York County.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)

Clover, November 21.—W. J. Beaumgard and Sifas Glenn, well known carpenters, had a narrow escape from death last week when a scaffold which they were using in construction work on the new home of R. A. Jackson, gave way and threw them to the ground. Mr. Beaumgard suffered injury to his head and Mr. Glenn's leg was hurt. Both men were confined to their respective homes for several days following the accident.

To Use Auditorium.

The auditorium of the new high school building will be ready for use before Christmas. Prof. W. S. Reid, superintendent of the Clover High school said Saturday. Just when it will be completed Prof. Reid does not know, but it is only a matter of a few weeks. High school pupils expect to open the new auditorium with a debate on the subject, "Resolved, That the United States Should Provide Compensation for All Ex-Service Men."

The subject is one of peculiar interest at this time and those who are to take part in the debate are making strenuous efforts to get all the information possible regarding the subject in order that they may be in position to maintain their respective sides of this much debated question.

Many Hunting Licenses Sold.

There are many people in this section, especially negroes, who are going to do little except hunt rabbits and partridges and other game from now until the close of the hunting season, according to Frank McElwee, assistant cashier of the Bank of Clover, who issues hunting licenses for the bank, which is an agent of the county game warden. Mr. McElwee said Saturday that so far he had issued nearly 200 hunting licenses and that the end is not yet. "In addition to the county hunting licenses, we have issued something like one dozen state hunting licenses," said Mr. McElwee. "It looks to me like pretty nearly every negro in this section who can get up the price of a license is coming after it."

To See Football Game.

"Big Thad" (Clinton, alumnus of the University of North Carolina, is making his plans and preparations to go to Chapel Hill, N. C., Thursday, to see the annual football game between the University of North Carolina and the University of Virginia. "Big T. P." wouldn't miss that game for anything in the world and he has already reserved two seats for him, since one isn't big enough. He hasn't missed an annual Thanksgiving football game between the two schools in a long while. The University of Virginia won the annual classic last year and "T. P." has it doped out that North Carolina should win this year. Anyhow he is going to risk his roll on North Carolina and is either coming back to Clover in a Pullman or in a foot.

Sunday School Grows.

As the result of a campaign for new members which came to a close last week the Clover Methodist Sunday school has increased its membership to 264. Sunday school members were divided into two groups, known as the "Reds" and "Blues" for the campaign for new members. A total of 56 new members were added and the "Blues" turned in the largest number of new members, with the result that the "Reds" entertained them at an oyster supper at the opera house Saturday evening. Jas. A. Barrett is superintendent of the Sunday school.

U. D. C.'s Held Supper.

Andrew Jackson Chapter U. D. C. entertained at a hot supper at the opera house here Friday night, receipts from the sale of edibles going to the benefit of the chapter. More than \$60 was taken in.

Mill Runs at Night.

Night work is to begin at the Clover mill beginning tonight and it is expected that it will be continued indefinitely. A number of new families have recently moved to the mill village and as was announced in this correspondence a week ago, the mill management is preparing to build new houses with a view to providing for still further help.

Stewards Entertained.

Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Huggins entertained the board of stewards of Clover circuit at an oyster supper at the Methodist parsonage here last Thursday night. Fifteen stewards, representative of the three churches composing the circuit, were present for the occasion. After supper a number of business matters were taken up for consideration and reorganization for another year was perfected. The salary of the pastor of the circuit for the next year was set at \$2,300.

Still Sowing Wheat.

Farmers of the Clover section are still sowing lots of wheat and oats and seed wheat is said to still be in great demand. Some farmers, who

for years have been accustomed to sowing a little wheat just from force of habit more than any other cause, are going into the wheat growing business with all seriousness this fall and are going to pay more attention to the growing of grain than ever before.

Saw Phillips Beat Clemson.

Several Clover, football enthusiasts and friends of Dode Phillips, the great Chester athlete who played baseball here and at Yorkville, went to Clemson College Friday, where they saw Phillips and other members of the Erskine eleven defeat Clemson 13 to 0. It was mostly the work of Phillips that won the game, according to the Clover spectators. It was the last football game that Phillips will play in, since he will complete his college career this year. According to his Clover friends he will go down in football history of the state as one of the great, if not the greatest football athletes that South Carolina has produced. The following dispatch from Clemson relative to the performance of the mighty Dode, will be of interest to his York county friends:

"Dode Phillips, the great Erskine full back, wound up his gridiron career in a blaze of glory by scoring two touchdowns which enabled Erskine to defeat Clemson 13 to 0 on Riggs' Field here this afternoon. Phillips was the star of the day, plunging through the Clemson line for practically all of Erskine's gains, tossing some pretty forward passes, and doing all of his team's kicking.

"Clemson fought hard and came very near scoring in the second half, but was held for downs on Erskine's 4-yard line once and had several forward passes intercepted by Phillips when they were in Erskine's territory. The Tigers made some beautiful gains, but seemed unable to take the ball any further when they got nearly to the end of the field. The stars of the Clemson back field were Emanuel and Holohan and Burton, these men doing a large portion of the Tigers' gaining.

"In the line Webb, at center, and Spearman on end, were the stars. Holohan called signals and ran the team in great style.

"For Coach Dave Parrish's Seedeers, Phillips was of course the shining light, but he was by no means the only man on the team. Young and the Kennedy brothers gave him good assistance in the backfield, while Brice, Blakeley and Seagins were the stars in the forward line. Seagins particularly played a fine game at center until he was hurt and removed from the game in the second half.

"Phillips, who was playing his last game for the Seedeers, fully lived up to his reputation as South Carolina's, if not the South's, greatest back. He plunged through the Tiger line almost at will for gains of from five yards up to 40 yards and intercepted a number of the Tigers' aerial attempts."

SUPER STAR REPORTED

Scientist Claims to Have Discovered Great One.

Discovery of the existence of greater stars than Betelgeuse, the giant star whose diameter was measured as 200,000,000 miles, was announced by Professor Albert A. Michelson in an address before the convention of the National Academy of Science, made public in Chicago.

Antares, the star in the constellation of Scorpio, was named as one of the super stars, but its exact size has not been determined, he said. Other stars whose magnitude may surpass either of these are to be measured, he said, by means of the new interferometer, developed by Professor Michelson. Other speakers before the academy, Professor Raymond Pearl, of Johns Hopkins University, and Professor E. E. Bernardi, of Yerkes observatory, described investigations of human mortality and the astronomical "milky way."

"Too much pampering and hospitalization are weakening the human race," Professor Pearl declared, drawing his conclusions for the experiments with species of fly. His experiments showed, he said, that there are more centenarians among the flies than among humans.

"The fly, he said, has a poorer chance of life than the human, up to the relative age of seventy. After that he has a better chance.

"Man has a better chance of life, he said, up to the time he reaches seventy. After that he has a poorer chance.

"Under present conditions," he said, "the human race is taken care of so well that weddings are kept alive longer than they would live normally. Marriage of the weak ones result in a gradual weakening of the race."

Professor Bernardi exhibited a series of photographs of the "milky way," which demonstrated, he said, that the dark spots in the "Milky Way" were not holes nor openings, but really dark, or non-luminous bodies thrown into relief when projected against the bright background of distant stars.

—Cotton ginned prior to November 14 amounted to 7,270,575 running bales, including 117,955 round bales, 16,917 bales of American-Egyptian, and 2,653 bales of Sea Island. The Census Bureau announced yesterday. To date last year 8,914,642 running bales were ginned, including 175,284 round bales, 31,511 bales of American-Egyptian and 52 bales of sea island

ROCK HILL NEWS BUDGET

Mayer and Councilmen are to be Elected in January.

WOMEN WILL VOTE FOR OFFICES

Fair Officials Still Checking Up—Red Cross Drive Goes Over the Top—Farmers Have Sown Three Times as Much Wheat as Last Year—Other News and Notes of the Metropolis of York County.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)

Rock Hill, November 19.—Rock Hill's municipal political pot is beginning to boil. Report has it that Dr. David Lyle is going to be a candidate for mayor to succeed Ralph Armstrong. The present mayor. There may be other candidates but the understanding is that it is pretty certain that Dr. Lyle is going to make the race and Rock Hill people are expecting Mayor Armstrong to be a candidate to succeed himself. Dr. Lyle is one of the best known men in Rock Hill. Mayor Armstrong's friends say that his administration has been a most progressive one and they want to see him continued in office.

The election comes in January and there will be a number of changes in the city's method of government. The number of councilmen is to be increased from three to five and the mayor is to be elected by direct vote of the people. Under the present commission form, the mayor is elected from the trio of councilmen who compose the board of city fathers. Beginning with this approaching election the mayor is going to have a majority of the votes of the city or rather a majority cast in the election to get the plum instead of getting the vote of one councilman besides himself.

The women are going to have their first opportunity at the approaching election to cast their ballots for city governors. Right now it is the newly qualified women voters who are showing most interest in the approaching election. They are doing a bit of talking and some calculating and figuring, it is said. There are a number of mighty shrewd women politicians in Rock Hill. Most of them it is said have long since cut their political eye teeth through association and affiliation with women's clubs and other organizations here. Every male voter is agreed that the women are going to cut quite a figure in the approaching election. Many are already registered and many others are going to register when the municipal registration books are thrown open. It is said that several of the shrewd lady politicians of the city are after their sisters now to qualify at the first opportunity. Grapevine gives it that there are going to be some mighty interesting developments in municipal politics in the next several weeks.

Car of Seed Wheat Sold.

One car of seed wheat, a total of 800 bushels has been sold to farmers of Rock Hill and vicinity for sowing this fall and another car is en route to Rock Hill, it was learned today. Not in many years past have farmers shown such great eagerness to sow wheat and oats as they have this fall. A Rock Hill farmer said today that the farmers of this section were going to put three times as much wheat in the ground this fall as they did last year and possibly more than that.

Checking up the Fair.

Secretary Fewell of the York County Fair Association was busy today checking up receipts and disbursements for the recent York county fair with a view to learning just where the fair association is on its latest enterprise. The secretary's figures were not available this afternoon; but it was stated that if the ledger showed a balance on the right side it would be a small balance. Because, to tell the truth about it, the attendance on the fair this year was a distinct disappointment. There was only one big crowd and that was on Armistice Day when ex-service men and several thousand school children were admitted free of charge. People didn't attend, say the fair authorities, simply for the reason that they didn't have the money. The fair was up to standard and those directing the enterprise left no stone unturned to make it attractive and worth while.

It will be of interest to many to learn that in all probability the last carnival has played at a York County Fair. The carnival which was a feature of the recent fair raised a storm of protest because of alleged gambling games and devices which were a feature of it. It is said that numbers of people were fleeced out of their hard earned money by sharks and sharpers connected with the Midway and a gush of disapproval went up. The local afternoon paper carried an editorial the day after the fair protesting against the gambling houses and carnival. Numbers of religious workers of the city, it is said, have voiced a protest against allowing carnivals to come to the fair in Rock Hill again. The fair officials are worried about what is best to do another year. "We don't care so much about having a carnival at the fair," said one of the officials today. "But the people demand diversified amusements when they come to a county fair. We've got to provide some amusement for them. We expect to try to make arrangements right away to bring high class

shows to the fair next year—shows that do not carry the gambling and other concessions. But we must have some kind of amusement features or we cannot make a three day fair a success and that is all there is to it."

Catawbas Sell Pottery.

Indian women from "the Nation," the Catawba Indian Reservation near Rock Hill were in the city today selling pottery. They had quite a variety of pots, pipes and other articles and they were making strenuous efforts to dispose of their wares. It used to be that the Catawbas traveled all over York, Chester and Lancaster counties in the summer and fall selling pottery of their own manufacture. Now they hardly ever go anywhere except Rock Hill. Girl students at Winthrop College are good buyers and Rock Hill ladies buy quite a bit of earthen ware from them. Several of the best pottery makers among the Catawbas have died in recent years and now there are very few Indians at the reservation who give attention to it.

Red Cross Drive Successful.

Rock Hill's quota of \$3,000 in the national Red Cross drive was reached this morning and it may be that the city will go over the top and beyond to the extent of \$1,000. Workers were hoping to exceed their quota by that sum at least and this morning reports from a number of workers had not been received. The city supports a Red Cross nurse and representative who has offices in the Chamber of Commerce building here. She handles all local charities. When beggars come around to the doors of Rock Hill people they are referred to the Red Cross. Rock-Hill Yorkville Road.

The State Highway Department has done wonders to the Yorkville-Rock Hill road in the past ten days. The road has been dragged and great holes that had made their appearance especially between Rock Hill and Newport have been filled up. There is some work to do yet; but the work already done constitutes a wonderful improvement. The road leading from the metropolis to the county seat is the most largely traveled road in the county and it had gotten into bad condition because of lack of attention. One could make the distance between the town towns in a flit in thirty-five minutes this morning without difficulty.

The Monk Amused.

A young Italian, swarthy and greasy looking with a hand organ and a monkey dropped into town this morning. He kept small crowds amused all over the city—the monkey did. People blocked the sidewalks and a cop had to compel them to make passageway for the public. The monk was trained to catch a rubber ball thrown into the air and to collect nickles and dimes from those who would give. "First Italian and monk to come into town in quite a while," observed a cop.

Personal Mention.

W. H. Hope, well known merchant and prominent citizen of Rock Hill who has been sick for some time past is able to be out again although he has not fully recovered. Mr. Hope has been suffering from the effects of influenza which he had last year.

Information from Mr. W. S. Lesslie of Lesslie, who has been sick for some time past is that he is improving. His son Mr. Grier Lesslie who was here today said that the senior Mr. Lesslie was able to be up and about the house and was getting along as well as could be expected.

OUT OF CHRIST

Noted Newspaper Editor Comes Over on Right Side.

Of all hard jobs in the world, that of making a public confession is the hardest. But if it is the only square thing to do, it must be done. This, therefore, is an open letter to the young fellows of Fountain Inn—the "good fellows," the fellows I love and loaf with at times—the fellows I have taken drinks with and fellow-shipped with.

All this while I have been a member of the church—just that and nothing more. And when my conscience bothered me about taking a drink when I could get it, I said to myself: "Why, I am a liberal supporter of the church; I pay the tithes; I am a gentleman and a man of intelligence; there's no harm in my taking a drink when I want it, for I can handle it."

I said that, but I was a liar. And while posing as a church member and a follower of Christ and yet reserving the right to take a drink at my pleasure, I was considerably lower down than a snake's belly.

This is a bitter dose to swallow, fellows; but I had it coming to me. And if my conduct has led any of you to believe that a man can retain his honor while carrying water on both shoulders, I want to make it clear that it's an impossibility.

I'm through. I'm thirty-four years of age, and have never struck a lick for my Lord. From now on I am His, to use as He thinks best, and I'll stick to Him if it costs me everything I have and every friend I have.

I'm ashamed, fellows. Forgive me for not having been square.

Robert Quillen.

—Fountain Inn Tribune.

—A tree seed takes three years to grow stronger enough to be transplanted, and another forty-four before it is stout enough to be cut for timber.

GROWN UP FOLKS

Average Soldier Had Intelligence of Normal 14 Year Old.

EDISON MAKES SOME EXPERIMENTS

Change in System of Education is Fundamental Need—Grown Man of Ten Has Viewpoint and Tastes of a School Boy.

By Frederick J. Haskin.

Washington, Nov. 13.—Scientists, studying the records here of the intelligence tests applied to American soldiers, have reached the conclusion that these men had on an average the intellectual development which is considered normal for a boy 14 years old.

This does not seem very flattering to us as a nation, but it is borne out by Thomas A. Edison, who as is well known, has been conducting some intelligence tests of his own on men who apply to him for employment. He expresses himself as amazed at the low average of intelligence which his tests have revealed. He says that not more than two per cent. of the adult population can understand a self-evident fact when it is put before them.

These disturbing opinions from high authorities are borne out in a way by the new school of psychologists. Their investigations tend to show that an individual who is not given proper opportunity to develop his mind and personality does remain a child in all those respects in which his development is retarded. They would say that the typical American man of business, while highly developed in his special line, is "infantile" as a whole, because he is undeveloped in so many other ways.

This view, of course, excites the antagonism of every good American, but it is perhaps worth examining just for the sake of understanding a point of view we cannot share.

In the first place it is to be noted that this view gets a good deal of corroboration in every-day life. How often you hear it said of some man that "he is just a great big over-grown boy." That may, according to the psychologists, be scientific description of his mind and personality.

Grown-Up Babies.

Many women are wont to remark that their husbands, brothers, or even their fathers are just big boys, but a good deal of evidence can be brought forward to show that women are on an average even more infantile than men. Men, in order to make a living, have to achieve a certain degree of maturity. They may have boyish traits but they cannot afford to have the helplessness of children. Women, on the other hand, know that an appearance of helplessness, if accompanied by good looks, is often a great asset in the pursuit of a husband. Thus society encourages women to hold on to any infantile traits they may have. The "cuteness," the helplessness, the ignorance, which so many of them effect, are infantile. The women may use these tricks consciously in pursuit of a man, but the mere fact that she uses such tricks at all is an indication, according to the psychologists, that she has never become fully adult. This prevailing infantism of women is widely recognized in popular slang and popular songs, which reveal far more of our folk-psychology than does our formal literature. "When grown-up ladies, act like babies, I've just got to love 'em, that's all!"

The ladies know that. And it is no trouble at all for them to act like babies, because most of them have not grown mentally and morally nearly as fast as they have grown physically, say the scientists.

It is not possible to summarize here all of the evidence which might be brought forward to prove that the public as a whole has never grown up. Our tastes in reading, movies and theater are specially significant, however. The adult desires to understand life. The child wishes to cultivate his illusions about it. Children read fairy stories. Most of the stories in our magazines, nearly all of our movies, most of our novels and most of our stage plays are fairy tales in effect. That is, they all foster lovely illusions about life, rather than study the truth of it. The American public is nearly always antagonized by any work of art which sets forth the truth about life.

"Why write about such ugly things when there are so many pleasant things to write about?" is the formula always used.

"Tell me a nice pretty story, Daddy," is what the same individual was saying at the age of ten. How much has his point of view changed, asks the psychologist.

Do other nations differ from us in this respect? It is probable that in all parts of the world most men and women never grow up, but in the highly civilized European nations there is probably a larger percentage of real adults, as indicated by the much larger number of persons who show a mature taste in literature, drama, art and music, and have a mature outlook on life.

Education to Blame.

What then is the cause of our failure to bring ourselves to a real maturity? Mr. Edison has the support of most of the experts when he lays the chief blame on education. Our edu-

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