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WOMEN GETTING TALLER

American young women average more than an inch taller than women of the same age 30 years ago. This is discovered by Dr. Cecil Duell Mosher, medical adviser at Leland Stanford University, who has checked up the measurements of girl students for three decades back.

Women are also getting heavier, says Dr. Mosher. She attributes the change in feminine physique to more sensible clothing and exercise, particularly participation in sports.

London scientists say that English women in the last half century increased their height an average of three inches, and that their shoulders have begun to broaden.

On the other hand, say the scientists, English men of the next few generations will decline in stature as a result of heavy war losses among the best physical types.

The world has gone on wheels. This, in the long run, is bound to weaken and probably shorten the human legs. Our whole mode of life is changing so radically that the human being of 100 years hence may be startlingly different.

For nature changes all living things as changing environments require it. The giraffe got its long neck by constantly stretching up to munch tender tree-top leaves. The rhinoceros was given a tough hide when it became necessary to protect him against a sudden period of poisonous insect life. The fish in Mammoth Cave, no longer needing sight, have lost their power to see.

Nature is economical. She never carries spare tires. She gives us what we need—and, when it is no longer needed, takes it away.

Dean Mary Potter of Northwestern has learned what most men long knew—"U. S. A. girls are O. K."

DIPLOMACY AND 26 BROADWAY

The British and American governments are arguing rather violently about whether or not Americans will be allowed to share in exploiting the oil fields of Mesopotamia, which Britain rules by mandate.

This row is just a preliminary skirmish in a great trade war that will decide this question: "Is the United States going to lose its leadership in the world's oil industry?"

Last year 64 per cent of the world's oil came from American wells. But the Geological Survey warns that our oil resources are 40 per cent exhausted and that it may be only a few decades until we shall be largely dependent on other countries.

British oil men are boasting that within 10 years England will control the world's oil supply and that Americans will have to import British oil to the tune of \$1,000,000,000 a year.

First battle in the oil war centers in Mesopotamia.

Oil concessions there were granted to a Turkish syndicate before the war. These concessions were transferred to the British Petroleum Co.—whether during or since the war, is a disputed question.

Britain's mandate specifies that there shall be no discrimination in Mesopotamia against individuals or corporations of any country which is a member of the league of nations.

This, Britain contends, does not apply to the United States, which is not a league member. She also contends that the league has no jurisdiction over the concessions which she claims she acquired before the peace conference. Britain says anyone can prospect for oil in Mesopotamia if he respects present British holdings there.

But the United States demands that every country have equal commercial rights in Mesopotamia. Meantime, American oil interests demand that Britain respect oil concessions in Palestine granted to Americans before the war.

By the San Remo agreement of 1920, England and France banded together to exploit Mesopotamian oil, France to get 25 per cent, the natives 20 per cent, England the rest.

The British government's policy is to prohibit aliens from owning oil lands, refineries or oil securities in her empire. She points out that all but Americans are excluded from drilling for oil in the Philippines. She is very quiet about the great oil holdings owned by British interests in the United States.

In addition to Mesopotamia, Britain is reaching out for control of the rich oil lands of Persia, Asia Minor, South America, Ukraina, ect.

Thus, with customary British foresight, she lays her traps for the day when American oil fields may be exhausted and Mexico's oil wells

ruined by the flood of salt water already showing up in the Tampico district.

In transportation, oil is becoming increasingly vital. Automobiles must have it. Railroads may shortly burn oil instead of coal. Sixteen out of every 100 of the world's ships are fueled by oil, and the percentage is constantly increasing.

The country that controls the world's oil supply may soon control the world's merchant marine. Therein is England's special interest, in addition to wanting to free herself of Standard Oil, 26 Broadway, New York.

ONE BENEFIT, ANYHOW

It appears, from various authoritative sources, that the English caste system received its death blow during the war. The aristocracy, the middle-class and the servant class no longer exist as arbitrary distinctions.

In the chaos of war, they were all drawn in together and when it was over they had become so mixed up, so used to rubbing elbows, that the old artificial barriers between man and man crumbled away.

Curiously enough, no one seems to give a whoop. They are quite happy over it.

And in England—a country where centuries of tradition had developed a rather rigid social system!

We remember Sir James Barrie's delicate satire upon the class consciousness of English servants. Shipwrecked with his master and his master's friends on an island, the butler, being the only one of the party ingenious enough to provide shelter, clothing and food, became a virtual dictator, commanding obedience and respect from all. But when they were rescued, he reverted at once to his habitual deference and servility to his "superiors" and, indeed, could not be argued out of it.

We wonder how this news from England is going to be taken by certain people in this country. People who have aped English social customs and manners and have parroted the English accent.

It has always been a little absurd and ridiculous, this sedulous imitation of the English aristocratic attitude, gestures, and drawl, this attiring of servants in uniforms from English models, this eager attempt to forget the by no means disgraceful truth that one's father measured out groceries from behind a counter or that one's grandfather plowed his own land, or that one's husband began life as an office boy. It has ruined whatever life might have had of originality in our social life.

And it justly merited the English sneers at our "aristocrats" as "boors" and "vulgarians."

Perhaps this copying will go a little further. Perhaps our very exclusive sets, seeing the collapse of the English absurdity, will suddenly set about the voluntary collapse of their weak imitation. Just to be in the swim.

Mexico appoints envoy to Russia. They'll have fine times discussing styles in revolutions.

Hat checker says he wouldn't mind prohibition if it hadn't taken all the quarters out of circulation.

EDITORIAL REVIEW

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SIGNS OF PROMISE IN MEXICO

D. J. Haff, a leading citizen of Kansas City, who has spent years in Mexico and is a recognized authority on Mexican affairs, reports that conditions there were never brighter. Mexico's chances of entering on a period of prosperity increase with President Obregon's growing strength.

Alvaro Obregon, soldier and politician, is giving evidence of statesmanlike qualities, Mr. Haff tells us. He is undertaking what promises to be constructive and permanent reforms. In the process he is showing a creditable regard for public opinion, an unusual attitude on the part of a Mexican leader in recent years.

Laws have been passed with a view to encouraging modern methods in agriculture. The great estates are being divided up, but such division is not confiscatory. It provides for compensation through installment methods of payment. The new colonization laws aim to attract the best type of self-supporting colonists. In this agrarian program consideration is given to the interest of the middle and working classes as never before in Mexico.

Mexico has turned to a gold and silver currency basis, and the old paper money is being retired as rapidly as possible. The government has recently made settlement with the big banks retired under the Carranza regime. Larger banks are now opening, while for the first time in years the treasury shows larger receipts than disbursements.

Altogether things seem to be looking up in Mexico. Our southern neighbor needs schools, railroads, a better land system and above all economic stability through law and order. It is, of course, too early to tell just how effective will be the reforms initiated under Obregon, but they give good promise, and the future seems to rest with him.

Few doubt that Mexico can be made a great and contented country under a wise political and economic regime. If Obregon can put her in a way to develop herself through ordered government and wise economy, he will render an inestimable service not only to his own people, but to the United States and the world at large. —Minneapolis Journal.

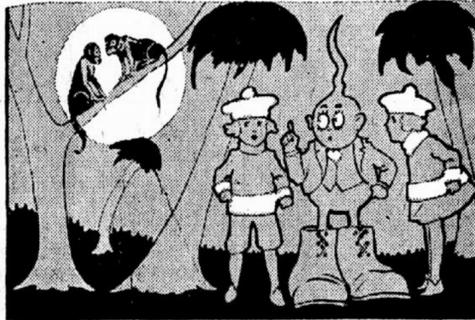
THE OLD HOME TOWN

BY STANLEY



ADVENTURES OF THE TWINS

By Olive Barton Roberts



Mr. and Mrs. Monkey were singing a loud duet.

Mr. and Mrs. Monkey were singing a loud duet, not a bit musical or pretty the twins thought, and Flippey-Flap, too, made a wry face. It was a mixture of frog-croaking, dog-barking, cow-mooing, and the squealing of 40 pigs, perhaps 41, also the chattering of parrots. And the words! Here they are: "We're the smartest things that live above the ground. On the top of all the world so big and round. We can jump from tree to tree just as easy as can be. It's the finest way of traveling, we've found. "We use our tails, a most convenient thing. Without them we could never, never climb nor cling. In this (jungle-aceous) tangle we can safely hang and dangle. Tails are far ahead of rope to make a swing. "Some night we're going to swing far out and jump. "And land upon the moon kerflop kerflop. And we'll fetch it down much nearer, And we'll use it for a mirror, And we'll keep hid within a hollow stump. "And we'll ask it all its secrets to disclose. Where that stuff that folks call rice so thickly grows. Once a circus-man officious. Fed us on this food delicious. And we hope the moon will tell us all it knows. "Land save us," exclaimed Flippey-Flap. "They don't like themselves a bit, do they? Not a bit better than I do my—my nose! If the rice doesn't do the business, the looking-glass will! "The twins looked puzzled and the fairyman laughed. "Just be patient and you'll find out everything. We've got to get these two monkeys back to the circus some way and I'm counting on two things, their appetites and their conceit. (Copyright, 1921, N. E. A.)

Remarkable Remarks

"All over the world men, consciously or unconsciously, are fighting to oust women from the positions they hold, not because they are incompetent, but because they are women."—Edgar Wallace, British publicist.

"American mothers and fathers are too busy with their work or their pleasures even to supervise the education of their children."—Governor Channing Cox, Massachusetts.

"The peak of the housing situation has passed."—John E. Lloyd, president, National Retailer-Lumbar Dealers' Association.

"Man is no longer woman's whole existence. She has learned some common sense."—Caroline Reilly, executive secretary, National League of Women Voters.

"Public school teachers should go to baseball games, get excited, yell their heads off, enjoy themselves, learn to sweat, and keep human."—Dr.

BANK EXAMINER GETS ASSISTANT

Announcement is made of the appointment of H. L. Levitt as Asst. Bank Examiner for South Dakota. Mr. Levitt is a graduate of Dakota Business College, Fargo, N. D., and will undoubtedly meet many other ex-students of this commercial school in his work, as about 220 of them have become bank officers. Many began as stenographers and bookkeepers.

Every Fargo bank and 685 others employ D. B. C. graduates. "Follow the Successful." Spring term is best time to start. Write for particulars to F. L. Watkins, Pres., 806 Front St., Fargo, N. D.

such a forlorn degradation of the esthetic nature as at the present moment."—Dr. Charles Warsworth, Jr., Philadelphia clergyman.

"The bottom of the business depression has been reached and passed."—Henry Ford.

"The time should pass when women murderers can show a trim ankle to the jury and smile their way to freedom."—Arthur Burrage Farwell, Chicago Purify League head.

"Prohibition is a contributory cause of the crime wave."—The Rev. Dr. Elmer I. Goshen, St. Luke City.

"I don't want love-proof teachers. Ability to fall in love occasionally makes them better fitted to teach the young."—Edward J. Tobin, Chicago school board.

"Making money and transforming it into character should be the work of every Christian business man."—W. J. Parker, business secretary, Chicago Y. M. C. A.

"May, 1922, will see the end of the bolshevist reign in Russia."—Count Ilya Tolstoy.

"When I have decided that a result is worth getting, I go ahead and make trial after trial until it comes. I never did anything by accident."—Thomas A. Edison.

"I think the modern woman's dress is charming and more modest than it has been for generations."—Lady Alexander, London's best dressed woman.

"The young woman equipped with good teeth, either by nature or man's handiwork, is best fitted to retain the affections of a man."—Dr. C. Hollister, Pennsylvania department of health.

Gully. A youth once loved a modern miss; well versed in law was she. She charged him when he stole a kiss with petit larceny; A moment he was quite abashed and then he squeezed her hand. "You're wrong, quite wrong, dear," he replied, "Not petit. That was grand."—American Legion Weekly.

EVERETT TRUE

BY CONDO



EVER SINCE THEN, HOWEVER, YOU HAVE DONE ABSOLUTELY NOTHING!! BUT IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO MEND!! LET THIS SWIVEL CHAIR BE THE TURNING POINT OF YOUR CAREER!!!



51 YEARS AGO

Fifty-one years ago Dr. Pierce of Buffalo, N. Y., gave to the world his famous Favorite Prescription, an herbal temperance medicine for the distressing ailments of women, and at that time he also placed with the druggists a tonic and alterative which he had successfully prescribed for many years, in his early practice of medicine, for the stomach, liver and blood. This he called his Golden Medical Discovery. Both these medicines of Dr. Pierce's manufacture met with instant success, and during the past half century have sold in greater quantities than any other proprietary medicines. Neither of these compounds contains alcohol and both are herbal extracts of native medicinal plants. For the past fifty years forty-eight million bottles have been used by the American public, and they are today the standard tonics for men and women. They are now put up in tablet as well as liquid form, and sold by every druggist in the land.

JUST JOKING

To revive a drowning person give him a sip of brandy and call out the militia to keep the crowd back.—Seattle Star.

His Wish. W. Ekka—Did I hear you say you wanted to divorce? Y. Zee—Oh, no. All I want is a divorce.—Detroit Times.

An Ann Arbor, Mich., professor defends short skirts. But in giving his opinion he felt called upon to go to some length.—Detroit News.

What Was Wrong. "I would propose to Miss Richley if I were not for her past." "What's the matter with her past?" "Nothing; only there's too much of it."—Boston Post.

You might say that a dry agent who goes sniffing about the scent of population.—Detroit Free Press.

Before They Go Back. "You seem to be spending your evenings at home of late." "Yes. I paid a dollar down on a set of books and I want to finish them before the month is up."—New York Sun.

Busy as women are reforming the men, they're not neglecting their own forms.—Washington Post.

Likes and Dislikes. A man I like Is Jimmy Glen; He pours the Scotch And says, "Say when!" A man I hate Is Johnny Struther; He thanks me with "I'll have another."—Seattle Star.

People who want to stare at the top will have to confine themselves to the business of digging wells.—Burlington (Vt.) News.

Where Are They? A man who had made a fortune was speaking to a body of students. "All my success," he said, "all my tremendous financial prestige I owe to one thing alone—pluck, pluck, pluck." He made an impressive pause, which gave one student a chance to ask: "Yes, sir; but how are we to find the right kind of pluck?"—Dinuba (Cal.) Sentinel.

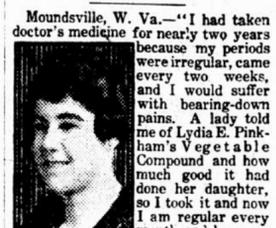
Maybe it will be possible to return from a vacation this year without finding the constitution amended in a new spot.—Pittsburg Post.

Three hundred breweries are clamoring for the privilege of beer for medicinal purposes, but millions are clamoring for the privilege of drinking it.—San Diego (Cal.) Sun.

ONE NEIGHBOR TELLS ANOTHER

Points the Way to Comfort and Health. Other Women Please Read

Moundsville, W. Va.—"I had taken doctor's medicine for nearly two years because my periods were irregular, came every two weeks, and I would suffer with bearing-down pains. A lady told me of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and how much good it had done her daughter, so I took it and now I am regular every month and have no pain at all. I recommend your medicine to everyone and you may publish my testimonial, hoping that the Vegetable Compound does some other girl the good it has done me."—Mrs. GEORGE TEGARDEN, 915 Third Street, Moundsville, W. Va.



How many young girls suffer as Mrs. Tegarden did and do not know where to turn for advice or help. They often are obliged to earn their living by toiling day in and day out no matter how hard the pain they have to bear. Every girl who suffers in this way should try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and if she does not get prompt relief write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Massachusetts, about her health. Such letters are held in strict confidence.