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# Home Brew



**OUR DAILY FICTION**  
Once upon a time our wife bought a new lid and nice new dishes for Easter. And the night before Easter Sunday we set the alarm clock for 3 a. m., so as to be up in plenty of time for church. However, when the alarm rang Easter Sunday, friend wife said: "Aw, what's the use of getting up so early? I don't feel like going to church today."

A girl I hate  
Is Sister Liz;  
She oft remarks  
"I'll say it is."

Another one  
Is Alleen Claire;  
She peevish me with  
"Well, I declare."

A WORD FROM JOSH WISE  
"Wise," said the magician,  
"Is deceivin'."

Many banks and statisticians are issuing statements saying that a dollar is now worth 50 cents. Here is an opportunity to make a little money out of us. We'll gladly pay 50 cents for every dollar brought to us—4 cents above the market price.

**A GAME CROWD, THEY STUCK TO THE FINISH**  
At about 5 o'clock Saturday evening the fire alarm called out our citizens to the home of O. J. Hansen, where a chimney was fiercely burning out. Altho the brick chimney was at a high heat from the flames, an examination found there was no danger of igniting the house, and the blaze was watched until it died out leaving all left the scene.—Clearbrook (Miss.) Leader.

**WHAT DO YOU THINK HE THINKS?**  
Think of the pleasant sensation President Harding must have had showing his father around the White House. And think what the other Mr. Harding must think of his boy Will.—St. Albans (Vt.) Messenger.

As you might expect, Stillman tried to keep his divorce quiet.

Mrs. Curie says radium is making the world warmer. What is it that makes the taxpayers warmer?

Harding's Thanksgiving turkey, say the Washington papers, has already been picked. If you suppose they're going to keep it in cold storage till next November?

Will Hays says his aim will be for higher morale in the postal service. He might add a bit to it by first trying to get the men higher pay.

"Linton, Williams & Wigmore in Trouble," says a headline in a New York paper. "Liabilities about \$4,000,000." It looks to us as tho the creditors were in trouble.

**MAY WE NOT HOPE THE CAT DOESN'T COME BACK?**  
Otis Berry is improving rapidly. Puss has been removed and the surgeons are talking of removing his appendix.—Panguitch (Utah) Progress.

Rev. A. C. Youkum lives in Phoenix, Ariz. Just the man for a wedding.

George F. Merryman is an undertaker in Phoenix.

Chick & Lay is the name of a firm in Cornville, Ariz.

Z. F. Bales is a dealer in hay in Cornville, Ariz.

And E. M. Hack is a dentist in Seattle.

Life is surely one blamed thing after another. You make your income tax return and then you have to listen to the talk of the backyard gardeners.

A Chicago booze cure has closed on account of poor business. Not many men need the cure. Only a few survive these days.

A heredity expert says blonde rule the world, that nearly all the officers have blue eyes. We have noticed that most of the losses in prize fights have black eyes.

**THE LADDER OF AUGUSTINE**

BY DR. WILLIAM E. BARTON

Much of the writing of St. Augustine is buried deep beyond the depth of the ordinary reader's interest. To be sure, Augustine's "Confessions" constitute a document of extraordinary human interest, and his vision of "The City of God" is still an alluring one for all thoughtful men who hope for the world's betterment. But most of his theological material is for the patient scholar and not for the casual reader. However, everyone ought to know Augustine's "Ladder."

It had five rungs, and you may read them downward, but you must climb them upward:

I AM.  
I KNOW.  
I CAN.  
I OUGHT.  
I WILL.

On that short ladder a man may mount high. "I Am." That means that I am conscious of my own existence. I am an individual, with power of

## Americans! Or Have We Become Too Polite?

BY FRED L. BOALT

WHEN I WAS 21, I took an inconspicuous part in our unpleasantness with Spain. It was my one and only experience in soldiering. Every night at sundown we had "retreat." The whole regiment stood at attention, the flag fluttered earthward, and the band played "The Star-Spangled Banner." It was an impressive ceremony, and I always swallowed the lump in my throat.

"Oh, say, does the star-spangled banner still wave, O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?"

Does it?

Two American soldiers—Frank Zimmer and Carl Neuf—are in a German prison. They were convicted by German witnesses in a German court for attempting to capture Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, the wealthy Philadelphia draft evader.

Bergdoll himself testified and told such a halting, contradictory story that even the German judge was incensed and warned the witness of the perils of the German law touching perjury.

Neuf was given 15 months in prison, and Zimmer six months. Bergdoll was disappointed at what he called the court's leniency, but boasted that he was not yet done with the Americans, whom he would put "where dogs won't bark at them for five years."

Now I read that "representations" will be made politely requesting the release of Zimmer and Neuf and the return of Bergdoll.

I am no Anglo-maniac, but I know that if Zimmer and Neuf had been British soldiers, John Bull would have acted first and made "representations" afterward.

What Zimmer and Neuf did may have been "illegal." They at least did their spirited and patriotic best to serve their country and punish an ungrateful, sneering skunk!

I say we should DEMAND the release of Zimmer and Neuf and the return of Bergdoll AT ONCE! And if our demand is not immediately complied with, we should use force.

I say we should bring Zimmer and Neuf home in honor, as heroes who tried to do a desperate and worthy thing, and almost succeeded.

If we do not do this, there are American soldiers who will hang their heads at "retreat," and we may have to revamp the words of the old song:

"Oh, say, does the old flag still flutter all night, O'er a land filled with folks who are too damned polite?"

## Gorky Takes a Hand

MORE than once the might of the pen has preceded the might of the sword in Russia. Again the pen has moved in Russia and no man, least of all one who is not Russian, can forecast the result.

Count Leo Tolstoy won the confidence of the Russian peasantry. He wore their smock, talked their language and was "one of them." His religious doctrine of non-resistance to evil, wrapped as he shrewdly wrapped it, in subtle mysticism, brought thousands of converts.

Now comes Maxim Gorky. Gorky is a novelist. His word is respected in Russia. The peasants believe him. He has written "Reminiscences of Tolstoy," with whom he was intimate for many years. His tale bears the mark of truth. He declares in almost as many words that Tolstoy was an intellectual faker. He says almost bluntly that the Count had no faith in what he preached.

What will the Russian peasant do? His faith in Russia—not the established government—but in Russia herself—has been sadly shaken by the revolution and revolt. What will come now when faith in the great Tolstoy is shaken, too?

Turgeneff's "Father and Sons" laid the groundwork for the first revolution. It was Andreyev's "Red Laugh" that broke the backbone of the Russian army in the war with Japan.

What will Gorky's revelation of Tolstoy do in Russia?

## Try It Another Way

THE lever was man's first invention. He placed a tree trunk under a mammoth's carcass and pried it up. Then one day there came a "genius" who dropped a rock on the end of a poised lever and thus was born the first machine delivering power.

Look about you. When you see persons engaged in simple mechanical operations, experiment a little. "Do the trick," another way. Perhaps it won't "work," but then again you may discover a new and better process.

For untold years man has separated gold nuggets from sand by mixing both with water and then carefully shaking the inclosing vessel until the heavier gold sank to the bottom and the sand was carried away.

That is a slow process and altogether unsatisfactory. Just this year a "genius" made the overwhelming "discovery" that if a mixture of sand and gold bits was left dry and shaken vertically, in about one-tenth the time it would take you to pan a wet sand and gold mixture, all the gold in the dry mixture would rise to the top of the sand.

He's applied for patent on his gold separator. Barring misfortune, he'll be wealthy and they'll call him a "genius," because he was the first man to do this thing backward.

## Why Taxes Are High

"REPUBLICAN women staying on the job; organize for the next campaign," says news headline. Of course, they don't know who the candidates will be, but what does that matter?

## SETH TANNER



It's pretty hard to tell discontent from ambition. An old maid aunt is often the best friend you've got of children.

## Under Sam M.D.

Questions of health, sanitation, hygiene will be answered if sent to Information Department, U. S. Public Health Service, Washington, D. C.

**Convulsions**  
What causes spells my mother? She drops on the floor in a convulsion or spasm and is quite sick for an hour after she comes to. Her health otherwise is excellent. These spells come once a month or at times once in several months. Would triple ether treatment provide help and when and how often should she take them? Is it disease of the brain?

Convulsions may be due to a number of causes, among which are epilepsy, hysteria, organic cerebral disease, and uremia. I would suggest that you obtain for your mother a thorough medical examination, after which, if the remedy you suggest is considered desirable, your physician will advise you as to the method of administering it.

**Putting on Flesh**  
Will you please tell me something I can do to fill out the hollow place in my neck? I was advised to massage with olive oil, but this seems to do no good. I have plenty of flesh everywhere else.

It is not possible always to put on flesh where it will fill out hollow places. It is possible, however, that regular massage will build up the muscles, and in that way achieve the desired end.

**Circulatory Troubles**  
My face, hands and feet are red most all the time, in the cold they get blue and black. I am nervous at times and have headache often.

The nerve mechanism which regulates the dilation and contraction of the blood vessels of the skin is probably not functioning properly.

**Letters to the Editor**  
WASHINGTON NOT LEADER IN BONUS

Editor The Star: "This state leading in bonus aids." Such is not the case. Last fall the voters of South Dakota granted a bonus of \$15 per month, the same as the state of Washington, but went further, extending that bonus to all soldiers and sailors of the war with Spain, and if you'll look the matter up, I think you'll find that so. Dakota appropriated \$4,000,000, instead of \$1,000,000.

The voters of the state of Washington have done for the veterans of the war with Spain just what they did to Mr. Lamping when he ran for governor last fall.

JAMES E. CANTY,  
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## AS OTHERS SEE THE WORLD

Editorials and Comments Reprinted From Various Newspapers

**EQUAL PAY**  
(From the Cincinnati Post)

Thomas W. Lamont, one of the group of "Morgan financiers," points to the uneven distribution of taxes. He says that, for 1917 incomes, only one and one-half per cent of the population paid taxes. The other 98 1/2 per cent dodged the tax, including the children, the poor, the non-taxables, and those who should have but didn't pay.

Not evenly distributed, is it? But the distribution among the fortunate—or shall we say, the tax-unfortunate—is still more uneven. About 88 per cent of this one and one-half per cent, according to Lamont, paid 2 1/2 per cent of the total individual income taxes, while the balance—only two per cent—paid 7 1/2 per cent of the taxes.

Three ten-thousandths of the population paid almost three-fourths of the income tax. Lamont insists there should be a more even distribution of the cost of government.

But, on the other hand, a student of economics points out that the fault really lies in the uneven distribution of income. He, too, agrees that the few pay too much tax, but he has a remedy entirely different from the one suggested by Lamont. He would even up the distribution of incomes, which, he asserts, would even up the distribution of income taxes.

It would, of course! But how? Last fall several small boys came upon the nutting season. Some of the more enterprising finished the season with large collections of walnuts. Others had few, some had none.

This is how it happened: Some of the boys hiked out to the woods every Saturday, stayed long and worked hard, hauling back the day's returns. Others spent more Saturdays at football, flying kites, and attending movies. Some didn't work as hard climbing trees, nor carrying home filled bags. And some few took advantage of their superior trading abilities, even to the point of buying their own walnuts, to sell more than they had knocked off the trees. But the point is, they got them.

And the boys who went to football games and the movies didn't get them. Nor did the boys who thought it too hard to climb trees all day and carry heavy loads.

Now, then, would it have been right to have divided the walnuts at the close of the season so that each boy had an even share? Would that have encouraged nutting expeditions next October? Suppose there had been a tax on walnuts, 10 per cent for example—the boys who collected the most would have had to have paid the largest tax.

And those who got no walnuts would have escaped taxation, eh? Would that have encouraged nutting expeditions in the future? Still, you must admit, it is difficult to collect walnuts from a boy who hasn't any, just as hard as it is to collect a money tax from the moneyless.

The solution lies in inspiring each boy with the same ambition to collect walnuts, to work as hard, to work as long, and as intelligently. It isn't an easy problem.

## BRAHMINS

BY BRITTON BRADLEY  
They live in a snug little, snug little world. Whose limits are office, and home and the club. Imagine somehow the planet is swirled about their select little group as a hub; sleek, prosperous, sheltered from want and from any storm of existence.

They patronize life with an opulent air. And never will learn it has ever been so. That life doesn't know they have done it, or care.

They'd laugh at a group in a general store. In some distant village, all gathered about. To speak of the state of the nation; they'd sneer. At everything said in that meeting, no doubt.

Yet those men touch life, they are close to its heart. Their talk becomes that of the country, at last. While those in the club-room, aloof and apart. Protectors, are born on a tide that is vast.

The great world moves on, while in office and grill. These snugly tucked bystanders peep and fret. Unaware to whom humanity's will. Which drives on regardless of them and their set.

Yet when an onrush of existence they're swirled. They never admit it or know it, because they live in a snug little, snug little world. With snug little, snug little customs and laws. (Copyright, 1921, N. E. A.)

## THE GAME

BY EDMUND YANCE CODE  
Some people tennis and some people bowl. Some people putt a pill into a hole. Some people try to make three deuces do. Some crave a yacht, with a captain and crew.

But best game of all I have confidence of is making a living for some one you love. Summon your knowledge and summon your nerve. Summon your willingness some way to serve.

Then for the dash and the daring to win. Then for the lesson to lose with a grin. The gamble and scramble, the shock and the shove. Making a living for some one you love.

What do we ask of you, gods of the game? Not riches nor riches, not laurels and fame. Not sport of the tiger, nor was of the sheep. Not acceptor and bauble, nor mitre and cloth.

Not guide of the serpent, nor peace of the dove. But making a living for those whom we love. (Copyright, 1921, N. E. A.)

## Inquiring Reporter



**TODAY'S QUESTION**  
Why does everybody want his first-born to be a boy?

**ANSWERS**  
L. E. MOFFETT, Alderwood Manor: "Well, mine was a girl and I wouldn't think of swapping for a boy now."

L. T. SILVAIN, 315 16th ave. N.: "To get an improved edition of the father. The necessity for it is generally very clear."

MRS. R. D. McGRATH, 4618 Palatine ave.: "You're presuming, aren't you? What ever gave you that impression?"

H. W. CARROLL, 1305 25th ave.: "I don't know. I do know you can't beat having a little girl around the house."

C. H. JENNINGS, 1616 Second ave.: "That sounds like a pretty large statement of yours. You'll have to produce facts to convince me."

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## REMARKABLE REMARKS

"The American people take themselves too seriously."—Ellis Parker Butler, humorist.

"America responded to the appeal to save civilization and did save it. The time has come for us to take care of our own."—Mayor Moore, of Reading, Pa.

"Indiscriminate hiring and firing must cease if a satisfactory adjustment of economic conditions is to be obtained."—E. S. McClelland, personnel director, Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co.

"Regular aerial trips between Paris and New York will be common within a few years."—Capt. Charles Nungesser, French ace.

"Healthy people are law-abiding and uphold law and order. On this theory we propose to make the police department a crime-preventing organization, in combination with the health department."—Chief of Police Fitzmorris, Chicago.

"The postoffice department has been run for years, so far as the human element is concerned, on principles that went out of style just 1921 years ago next Easter."—Will H. Hays, new postmaster general.

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