

Something to Think About

By F. A. WALKER

SILENT CONFLICT

AS BETWEEN the roaring guns of contending armies on the field of battle, and the silent conflict which noble men and women have with the evil spirit in the solitude of night, or in the bustle of the busy day, there is but slight difference.

When all things are considered, the contentions of the armies and the intentions of the lone individual, the silent conflict is frequently the more difficult of the two.

Accustomed for years to look on pernicious habits with complacency, the thoughtful man or woman frequently awakens to the terrible wreck he or she is making of opportunity and life.

There is born in an instant a resolve to break the trammels, to pull away from perilous positions and seek a new haven of peace and safety.

Then begins the stern struggle in a world hushed from the ears of others, who may pass by without suspecting the tumult in the soul of him or her who is making a last stand, fighting valiantly inch by inch to overcome the invisible enemy.

It is easy to read about a conquering hero, but it requires hard exertion of will power and unyielding strength to become one.

Hitherto the man or woman had found it good policy to drift along blindly, but now, in the new light, all things are changed.

That which yesterday was termed honorable, will not in the transformed being of today, pass censorship.

The Young Lady Across the Way



The young lady across the way says she supposes the secretary of the navy knows his business, but personally she should think a 14-inch gun would be too short to aim accurately.

Mother's Cook Book

Some spirit in me leaps to bend the knee. In jeter gratitude and love and praise For all the wondrous beauty of the days That God has given to earth; and given to me.

—Amory Hare Cook.

DAILY GOOD THINGS

IF YOU have some good flavored mealy apples try using them in the following manner as a dessert for the children—even the older members of the family will enjoy it: Chop sufficient apples that have been carefully peeled and cored, add a bid of lemon juice to them, mix well, then heap in wherbet cups and sprinkle with powdered sugar and add a spoonful of sweetened whipped cream for the top of each when serving.

Here is another dessert which the children will enjoy and that is perfectly wholesome for them:

Rice and Apple Pudding. Wash one cupful of rice and cook until flaky and tender. Drain, add three tablespoonfuls of corn sirup or honey, three tablespoonfuls of sugar. Grease a pudding dish and put in a layer of the sweetened rice, spread with a layer of sliced apples, alternating until the dish is full. Bake until the apples are soft. Remove the cover and brown. Serve with or without sauce. A hard sauce prepared by creaming butter and sugar, adding nutmeg for flavoring, is especially good with this dish. A few raisins and less sugar may be used with the apples, adding flavor and variety.

Peach Betty. Take a can of peaches, put into a greased baking dish in layers with buttered bread slices or in crumbs, sprinkle with sugar, add more bits of butter and pour over the juice from

That which was seductive is now repulsive, hateful, horrible.

The good, sunny part of nature lifts up its trembling hands to the sky and cries earnestly for deliverance from galling bondage.

And if the shackled soul be true to itself, true to the faith which was born in a night, this fine spark of nobility will eventually find the freedom it craves, for there is nothing impossible to him or her who can outride the shadow of doubt.

The ride may be hazardous, up dizzy elevators, down dismal gulfs, over treacherous quicksands, through lands of temptations and snared pits of iniquity, but the clean, cool summit in the distance is waiting with outstretched arms to bestow on him or her who presses on in belief, the unspeakable peace for which the silent conflict is waged.

Ride on through the minutes of Time, ye brave, and the ages of Eternity will give you enduring bliss!

SCHOOL DAYS



IN THE NATURE OF THINGS

By GRACE E. HALL

WHEN the founts of endeavor seem empty and dry, And the urge to press onward breaks down in a sigh, When your ensign of hope like a bird furls its wings, You are certain to fall—in the nature of things.

When you look on each day through the folds of a shroud, You are likely to note all the gray in each cloud, If you hear but a dirge when the feathered troupe sings— Then you're certain to mourn—in the nature of things.

If you give up the race through a feeling of doubt, You will never go far on the roads leading out; But you'll pluck the ripe cluster wherever it swigs, If you hold to your faith—in the nature of things.

THE ROMANCE OF WORDS

"MANDARIN"

JUST as "chop suey" is unknown in China, "kangaroo" is a term applied to the Australian animal by some ignorant sailors and "marmalade" bears no relation to the fruit from which it is usually made, "mandarin" is Occidental rather than Oriental in its origin.

To discover its origin we have to dig back into the Portuguese where we find the word mandar, meaning to hold authority or to govern, in turn derived from the Latin mandaria, dominion. The Portuguese, who were among the first to visit China, used a derivative of this term as a name for the Chinese governors, and, from them, the word "mandarin" spread throughout Europe, under the belief that it was of native Chinese origin.

Has Anyone Laughed At You Because—

By ETHEL R. RYSER

You Are Always Boasting Your Friends?

Suppose you are? What is there in that for anyone to laugh at? You have the best of it and their laughter in this instance is no doubt because they are so self-seeking that they cannot understand your attitude of loving to see your friends get credit for what they are and what they do. It is a great comfort to you to feel your power to help them get ahead, You don't mind the time it takes and you are interested in their advancement. Sometimes it may take for your own time, yet you have gained something more than time. Let them laugh at you, they will probably be coming to you some day for the help and the boost they have laughed at you for handing to some one else.

SO Your get-away here is: Be a friend-booster; it is a "booful" thing beloved from pole to pole. (© by McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

ROAD BUILDING

Transcontinental Motor Route of Great Benefit

When the Moffat tunnel, soon to be drilled through the continental divide in Colorado at a cost of \$1,000,000 a mile, is in operation in 1926, a transcontinental motor route through that state will be opened 12 months of the year instead of only five months in which the highway is now accessible. Hundreds of miles of road through desert sands encountered on the south route to California will be eliminated.

Until recently a transcontinental motor trip was a hazardous adventure, proving expensive and tiresome. But improvement of road conditions on established routes has made the journey less laborious. Much of the emergency gear formerly required on a transcontinental tour and extra gasoline supply is now unnecessary.

Although the Moffat tunnel, the fifth largest transportation tunnel in the world and longest in America, will cut the rail distance between Denver and Salt Lake City 173 miles and open a new route from Chicago to the Pacific 70 miles shorter than any existing line, it is estimated by highway experts that the benefits to be derived from the tunnel as an automobile highway will exceed the entire cost of its construction.

By the expenditure of \$6,720,000 to drill 6.04 miles through solid granite, the Colorado tunnel commission will lower the tracks of the temporary line of the Moffat road (Denver & Salt Lake) over the Continental Divide about 2,500 feet and open an uninterrupted winter route for automobiles through the tunnel at an elevation of 9,100 feet instead of a few months' accessible road through Berthoud pass at an elevation of 11,330 feet.

The Moffat tunnel will provide cars especially built for the transportation of automobiles and all trains will be drawn by electric locomotives, eliminating smoke and gases that would result if engines operated under their own power. The tunnel will be used in connection with the proposed Victory highway, running from Wilmington, Del., to San Francisco. It is proposed by the Victory Highway association to make this the world's greatest highway.

Passing through Washington, D. C., the highway will continue through Wheeling, Indianapolis, St. Louis, Kansas City and Denver, where it is provided to continue west through Berthoud pass, Steamboat Springs, Salt Lake City and Reno to San Francisco.

Completion of the Moffat tunnel is eagerly awaited by those fostering the Victory highway, as it is the only link in the proposed route that might block the plans for the greatest highway in the world. The tunnel should be completed in three and one-half years with present improved engineering appliances.

Valuable Road Material Is Discovered in Texas

A new and valuable discovery of road materials for Maverick county, Texas, has been made by the county engineer, county officials announce. Recently the engineer was conducting an investigation of materials with which to construct a hard-surfaced highway in the county. The result was the discovery of a bed of petrified oysters covering several acres of land.

The material is proving superior to any yet found in that section, the engineer reports. After being placed in position and rolled, the shells cement into a hard, smooth layer, it is stated. The bed is attracting attention in that it was discovered at a point approximately 1,000 feet above sea level. Croppings of oyster shells have been found in other parts of the county also. Authorities declare this is proof that this section was at one time a part of the sea and that the land was, probably, thrown up in some prehistoric period.

Motor Vehicles Must Be Adapted to Old Roads

Sweden, considering the motorizing of its highway traffic, declares that the general establishment of regular automobile passenger and truck service cannot wait for the construction of new roads and the rebuilding of old ones, but that the motor vehicles must be adapted to the roads.

The roads are to be divided into four classes, according to the weights which they are able to sustain. Trailers, rather than additional motor trucks, are to be used wherever the traffic is recommended for winter use in northern Sweden. This car is to have sleigh runners instead of front wheels, and will be equipped with special drive wheels and gear.

For the financing of this new service yearly subsidies have been proposed, as well as a government loan fund.

Early Road Construction.

Cobblestones were used for paving in Boston and New York as early as 1850. The first brick pavement on a roadway in the United States was laid in Charleston, W. Va., in 1870. In the same year the first asphalt pavement in the United States was laid in Newark, N. J.

Billions for Roads.

It is estimated that within the next 15 years the aggregate cost of the federal aid program will be about \$2,000,000,000.

FARM LIVE STOCK

Apple By-Products Good for Wintering Animals

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Thousands of tons of apple pomace are going to waste annually which might profitably be turned into food for wintering cattle, says the United States Department of Agriculture. This loss is attributed either to lack of facilities for preserving the pomace or to indifference on the part of stock raisers.

Studies to determine the food value and best methods of utilizing this by-product from commercial cider and vinegar mills have been made and are discussed in Department Bulletin No. 1166, "Apple By-Products as Stock Foods," just issued by the United States Department of Agriculture. When the moist apple pomace can be used in the fresh condition or be dried it yields a succulent cattle food comparable with corn silage, of special value in the winter feeding of stock. The quantity that can be utilized in this way, however, is limited because of the relatively high cost of transportation for material having such a high water content. Its most profitable utilization depends upon its preservation by dehydration and producing it as a commercial food.

In feeding trials with dairy cows, dried apple pomace proved to be a palatable feed and appeared to be equal pound for pound of dry matter, to good corn silage as succulent food. The material was fed wet and replaced the corn silage in a ration including grain and hay. The material, which had been ground to a meal, was prepared by adding to it three times its weight of water several hours before it was fed.

A copy of this bulletin may be secured from the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., as long as the supply lasts.

Steers Clean Up Waste Feeds on Average Farm

Do not plunge heavily into feeding because someone else made big money last year. Also do not stay out because the last season was a bad one. The pendulum may swing the other way in either case.

Keep steers full. The food eaten over and above maintenance is what puts on flesh. Nevertheless, excitement, mud, discomfort and injuries from horns of other steers all increase maintenance requirement and reduce gains.

Under Colorado conditions, feed heavily on roughage and other cheap feeds at the start and save the heaviest grain feeding for the last four or six weeks of the fattening period.

Wise feeders watch costs carefully in buying feeds. It is not necessarily the best feeds, but the best feeds for the money that make profits.

Make steers clean up the waste feeds on the farm. Straw, corn fodder and beet tops can best be marketed through steers if used in proper combinations with other feeds.

Where heavy corn-rations are fed, a few hogs in the feedlot may regain 10 per cent or more of the grain fed.

It rarely pays to hold mature steers after they are finished. Every pound of gain put on after this point is reached is put on at a loss.—Charles I. Bray, Colorado Agricultural College.

Excellent Mixtures to Maintain Breeding Ewe

After the ewes are bred, don't neglect them so far as feeding is concerned. Give them the right kind of feed and proper care. A pregnant ewe needs no grain during the first four months after breeding if she is in good condition at that time. On the other hand it will not do to winter her on straw and timothy hay or corn stover. What she needs is clover or alfalfa hay or at least clover and timothy, with the former predominating in the mixture. Silage, if of good quality, also makes a good feed for bred ewes. An average of two pounds of corn silage and two pounds of clover or alfalfa hay per day will maintain a ewe in excellent condition, but for two or three weeks before lambing it is advisable to add about half a pound of grain per day, a mixture of equal parts of oats and corn being suitable for that purpose.

Breeders Can Exchange Rams to Good Advantage

There are a number of sheep breeders who are always in the market for new rams. It sometimes happens that breeders can exchange rams to good advantage when neither could use the one they own any longer. The best possible place to select a ram is at the home of the breeder where the ram is to be seen in his everyday form. Even at the home of the breeder the purchaser needs both eyes open.

Success in Building Up Profitable Swine Herd

Success in building the swine herd is only reached through turning out a class of animals that possess individual merit which differentiates them from the great masses of animals of the breed to which they belong, and then it is that the mortgage has faded away, the new house built and the bank account grown as a protection against that when we shall retire from the breeding ring to a more quiet private life.

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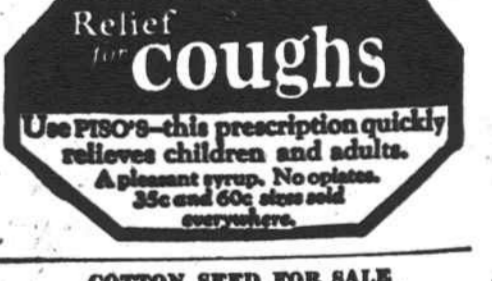
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