

## SUCH IS LIFE—Mistaken Identity



## Guatemalan Indians Have Just Learned About U. S.

### Primitive Tribe Adheres to Pre-Conquest Customs.

New York.—The 1,000 Indians in the Guatemalan village of Santiago Chimaltenango, living by a calendar which dates from the ancient Mayan civilization, have just learned of the existence of the United States, according to a report of a field study sponsored by the department of anthropology of Columbia university.

The report was submitted by Charles Wagley of Kansas City, Mo., a graduate student in the department, who returned recently from five months spent in this village, situated high in the Andean Cordillera. There he studied the economic and social customs of one of Central America's most primitive tribes.

Santiago Chimaltenango, a section of the department of Huehuetenango in northwestern Guatemala, is a three-day trip on horseback from the nearest town with passable roads. It is located on a shelf 8,000 feet high, cut into the side of a peak in the Cuchumatanes mountains, highest range in Central America.

### Follow Old Customs.

Touched very slightly by the inroads of "civilized" culture, the natives of this community lead a life which perpetuates the traditions of ancestors who lived before the Spanish conquest of Guatemala 400 years ago, Mr. Wagley reports. The 40

separate villages which comprise the department are autonomous units, although all come under the central government of the Guatemalan republic. With its own mayor and council, each village observes its peculiar customs and dresses according to its own centuries-old style. Until the arrival of Mr. Wagley last summer, no one in Santiago Chimaltenango had ever heard of the United States.

The Mayan calendar by which these Guatemalan Indians figure the passage of time is based on a year of 18 months of 20 days each. Since this system is shorter than the solar year, a five-day period in March separates the end of one year from the beginning of the next. These five days, which are considered very unlucky, are spent by the entire village in fast, abstinence, and prayer.

Corn is the exclusive crop at Santiago Chimaltenango, where the cornfields lie at 45-degree angles along the mountainside. With the crop surplus as barter, trading is carried on with other groups in the department.

The men in the tribes travel extensively in the course of their marketing, Mr. Wagley says, but the women have never seen an automobile, a silk stocking, or a modern building. They refuse to believe the tales of the men who have seen and heard radios in the department's capital, Huehuetenango.

### Start Work Early.

Education in Santiago Chimaltenango is a family affair, with the father responsible for the upbringing of the sons and the mother for the instruction of the daughters. At the age of eight or nine, boys start to work in the cornfields, learning to sow and harvest. Later they are initiated into the intricacies of marketing. At the same age, the Indian girls learn to weave, to carry firewood, and perform all the household tasks.

The ideal ages for marriage range from twelve to thirteen for girls and from thirteen to fourteen for boys. No romance is involved, Mr. Wagley points out, since the entire affair is arranged by the parents of the boy and girl.

The life of the entire population of Santiago Chimaltenango is characterized by striking simplicity, Mr. Wagley says. Black Mexican beans, fruit, and an occasional hog or chicken supplement the varieties of corn which make up the chief food staple.

"Through the study of these modern Indians, archaeologists may learn much about the mode of living in pre-conquest times," the report concludes. "Ethnologically, the Guatemalan area is absolutely untouched and affords great opportunity in the social study of an ancient people who have survived and are gaining strength in the Twentieth century."

### Money Designs Changed

Prior to 1890 designs for paper money issued by the United States Treasury were changed frequently.

## "Peace Without Victory"

By LEONARD A. BARRETT

When Woodrow Wilson coined the phrase "peace without victory" many people became cynical and some received the statement with contempt. They felt that it was impossible, a mere pipe dream, a visionary phrase with no special significance. Many years have now passed since then. The treaty of Versailles has been signed and sealed. It signaled a glorious peace to a large group, perhaps a majority of the people. But was peace finally achieved? A cursory view of the internal condition of Europe today replies emphatically in the negative. Whether Europe is at present on the verge of war is not the question. Actual war may be postponed for many years, but the



taupe carpet; sofa and chair in chintz with a plum ground and pattern in greens and white; draperies of a rough diagonal weave in off-white; side chairs in a striped yellow and gray and also in green and beige; built-in book shelves; accessories in green tone, white porcelain, bamboo, highlighted by a pair of porcelain zebras on the mantel piece.

## NOT EVEN CARNERA!



A fair young miss tries on the huge replica of a shoe, which is on exhibition at the shoe and leather fair in Agricultural hall, London, Eng. The shoe weighs in the neighborhood of 100 pounds.

hatred, mistrust, and malice rampant today clearly indicates that some day there may be a "show down." Peace does not reign in spite of a much boasted victory.

We recognize different kinds of peace. Perhaps the most peaceful place in the world is a cemetery, but it is the peace of death.

"Requiescat in pace," may be inscribed over the tomb of those who fought life's battles victoriously, but peace, like rest, is not found "in quitting one's busy career" but rather in "fitting one's self to his sphere."

The peace of neutrality is like the golden rule of Confucius, strictly negative. Let every man alone, and he will let you alone: inaction, isolation, retrogression, stagnation. "To put to silence" is defined as "to oblige to hold the peace," to restrain, to quiet: a process of force, compulsion and coercion. Is it not true that a problem is not settled until it is settled right? No problem can be settled by brutal force or repressed will power. That something else needed is to many an unknown quantity like the "x" in mathematics which must be found. We may silence a child by fear of punishment but that does not alter the current of its wrong desire. We may force into subjection through hunger and suffering those who oppose our will, but the smoldering fires of hatred are all the more intensified. The treaty of Versailles was an expression of the will of the victor without due consideration of the reaction of the victim. Heroism is greater than revenge.

We may be a long way from beating our swords into plowshares and our spears into pruning hooks, but the distance which separates us from the realization of that ideal is the measure of the distance of the time when nation lifts not up sword against another nation. It is a long, long way we still have to travel before we are willing to have peace without victory. The peace of a home is maintained by mutual sharing of blessings and mutual bearing of the burdens. Victory over one's greed, selfishness and misdirected purposes is essential to an inner peace of mind and heart. So with nations. So long as hatred rules the heart, we will have wars

By CHARLES SUGHROE

## Household Hints

By BETTY WELLS

SOMETIMES we get awfully wrought up over the fact that everybody can't have a palace in town and a castle in the country. On second thought, maybe the simple life of the lady with a plain everyday house does have its points.

When we see how very attractive rooms in average homes can be, we're quite content to preserve the status quo. Below are the recipes for some of the smartly small rooms we've seen lately and liked.

These rooms were successful first because the furniture was scaled to the size of the room and because the colorings were tranquil.

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time doing them over and I don't mind admitting that they're my pride and joy. Make me feel so fastidious!"

"I did them mostly with wall paper because you can go so flamboyant in a closet without really committing yourself to anything so irreparable in the interior decorations of the place.

"My own closet is big and has a little window. That certainly called for a dressing table and it has one. I papered the room in a big rambling flowered paper on a white ground, then painted the dressing table shelf pink and hung a pink organdy skirt on it (made from an old dress, one of those full billowy kind). Then papered some of the closet boxes in blue moire wall paper and others in pink moire paper. . . you know that kind they used to use so much on ceilings. Closet bags are in pinks and blues of course, very shimmering ones, you may be sure.

"My husband's closet is papered in a very deep green paper and his closet boxes are all papered in a pine-board patterned paper. . . quite something! Beige closet bags and natural waxed woodwork finish off the job to suit his proud highness.

"My young daughter thinks she's a sophisticate and will have no traffic with anything but modern, so her closet is papered in a very contemporary design in white and silver and her boxes are all papered in brilliant red paper with tiny silver motifs.

"For my little boy, who is at the collecting age, I've used a wall paper with a tattoo design, quite frisky and jolly looking. I painted shelves and inside of door in bright blue and dispensed with boxes for him for the simple reason that I knew he'd never use them—yet."

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## STATUE OF PEARY



A view of a sculpture of Admiral Robert E. Peary, discoverer of the North pole, by Joseph P. Pollia, which was unveiled at Cresson, Pa., the reputed home of the explorer.

### Dog-Bird

In Chile they have a species of bird that barks like a dog.

## Speedy Greyhounds in Action



A remarkable picture showing two racing greyhounds in fierce, leaping action as they pursue the elusive mechanical rabbit during the first heat for the Victoria Derby at Epsom, near Melbourne, Australia. The picture is remarkable for its clarity despite the terrific speed of the hounds passing the camera's lens. "Night Steps" is closer to the camera, with "Inverarie" in the background.

## Waiting to Be Sewn



NOW we ask you isn't this the layout supreme for Young America Miss Modern and Mother Meticalous? Childish glee sophisticated gusto and maternal satisfaction will be the order of the day when you have run-up these swank wardrobe assets. Remember it's the natural thing to Sew-Your-Own!

### For Master or Miss.

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### The Patterns.

Pattern 1965 is designed for sizes 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12 years. Size 6 requires 2 1/2 yards of 54-inch

material for the ensemble plus 1/2 yard knitted fabric for hat, sleeves and trouser bands and 1/2 yard zipper fastener for blouse front.

Pattern 1359 is designed for sizes 12 to 20 (30 to 40 bust). Size 14 requires 4 1/2 yards of 39-inch material. With three-quarter sleeves 4 1/2 yards are required. The bows and belt require 2 1/2 yards ribbon.

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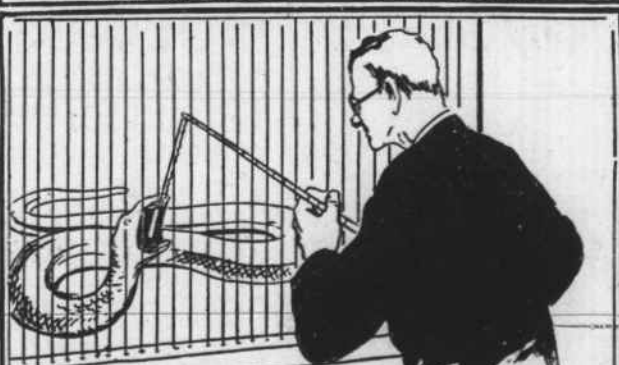
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