

OUR COMIC SECTION

Events in the Lives of Little Men



Unsupervised Play May Be Bad for Child

● **OLDER CHILDREN** likely to establish feeling of inferiority by "bossing" younger playmates. All youngsters should be taught the pleasure of wholehearted, friendly co-operation.

By LAURA GRAY

"I CAN'T understand my small son, Teddy," complained Mrs. Bacon to her neighbor, Mrs. Morton. "Every time he goes to play with Robert, Teddy comes back so cross, so irritable, I can do nothing with him. And he used to be such a sweet-tempered youngster."

"Robert's older than Teddy, isn't he?" asked Mrs. Morton. "Only a year and a half, but he looks three years older; he's so big and sturdy. Robert's mother and I have been taking charge of the two children on alternate days. This gives each of us every other day free."

"What a clever arrangement. But perhaps the boys see too much of each other. How do they get on when Robert comes to your house?"

"Oh, they scrap a little; I don't interfere. But this morning Teddy made a great ado about going to play with Robert. He didn't want to go."

"Well, there are some people—much as I love them—that I wouldn't want to spend every day with," mused the neighbor. "I should say, in this case, that the older boy is wearing out the little fellow. Having always to give in—to subject one's own wishes—becomes monotonous."

"I wonder if you are right." Next day, when six-year-old Robert came to play with four-year-old Teddy, his mother, in the next room, was alert to note what went on.

"Let's play train!" suggested Robert, sweeping things from a small table and jerking it upside down. "No. I want to cut out pictures!" pouted Teddy, already comfortably seated in the midst of litter.

"Oh, come on!" Robert snatched the scissors from the little fellow. "You may be engine man!"

Storm Stopped Temporarily. This magnificent condescension stopped the imminent storm of protest from Teddy. He jumped up and willingly helped arrange chairs behind the table. "Going to be engine man! Going to be engine man!" he kept repeating.

"You may be engine driver after; I'm going to be first!" The bigger boy seated himself on top of boxes at the head of the procession, and mimicked escaping steam with vivid reality.

Teddy reluctantly took the seat behind. At last the steam gave out. "My turn now!" he cried. "No, let's play something else! This is no fun!" The "steam" jumped down and wrecked the train!

The boys went into the garden. Robert rushed to the shed, took out Teddy's new tricycle and kept it the rest of the morning. How the owner longed to enjoy his new toy! He'd had very little chance as yet—the boys being almost always together. And so the day went on, the older boy's wishes always being carried out, and the younger never experiencing that satisfaction with regard to his own. No wonder poor Teddy was worn out with giving in!

"You'll have to tidy up!" triumphantly, at the end of the day, "I always do when you come to play with me!" Robert beamed at the playmate that looked as if a cyclone had passed through it.

At last he was gone! Half a day or even a whole day together, once in a while, would have been a good experience for these boys, but every day was too much. And we should all remember, too, that while some unsupervised play is beneficial for young children, the periods should not be overlong.

No child should be "under-dog" all the time. This is apt to establish an idea of inferiority, not easily eradicated. Neither is it good for a more vigorous child to have his own way always. He should be taught to be fair, and learn that there can be real pleasure in giving in.

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Roman Dogs

The Romans divided their dogs into six groups, the canes villatici (house dogs); canes pastorales pecuarii (shepherd dogs); canes venatici (sporting dogs); pugnares or bellicosus (pugnacious or war dogs); nares sagaces (dogs which ran by scent) and pedipus celeres (swift dogs which ran by sight). In the United States, writes Margaret Kidder in the Los Angeles Times, we have a sporting-dog group in which are the bird dogs; a hound group, including both the scent and the sight hounds; a working-dog group, which takes in the shepherd dogs and the dogs that the Romans termed war dogs; a terrier group, which had no counterpart in Roman times; a top group, which unaccountably was missing in Rome, since tiny pets were popular among the ruling classes, and a non-sporting group, which no doubt includes some of the breeds that the Romans listed as house dogs.



Household News

By Eleanor Howe



PICNIC BASKET A PASSPORT TO FUN (See Recipe Below)

Let's Have a Picnic!

When skies are blue and cloudless and the weather's warm, a picnic basket is the passport to fun. It may be a spur-of-the-moment picnic with a simple lunch prepared from supplies on hand in pantry and refrigerator; or it might be a steak fry or barbecue with the food cooked on the picnic grounds; but it's more likely to be an old-fashioned "family style" picnic for a half-dozen to a hundred hungry guests with plenty of good-tasting food of delicious variety.

Whether your picnic is planned for a family, a Sunday school class, or a lodge, you'll find these foods prime favorites with the guests. Recipes are given here in quantities to serve a family; for a larger number the differentiation is a simple process of multiplication.

Cream Salad Dressing.

1 teaspoon mustard
1 teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons flour
1½ teaspoons sugar
Dash cayenne pepper
1 teaspoon butter
1 egg yolk
½ cup vinegar
½ cup heavy cream
Mix all dry ingredients together thoroughly. Add butter, egg yolk and vinegar. Place in double boiler and cook, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens. Cool, fold in cream (stiffly beaten) and serve with cabbage salad.

Baked Beans

(Serves 6)
1 pound navy beans
½ pound pork (from the shoulder)
3 cups water
¾ cup brown sugar
6 tablespoons molasses
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon dry mustard
Soak the navy beans over night in water to cover. In the morning cook the meat into 2-inch pieces and brown well. Add the 3 cups water, and cook slowly for about ½ hour. Add beans and continue cooking for 2 hours, or until both meat and beans are tender. Add remaining ingredients. Place in a baking dish, and bake in a moderately slow oven (325 degrees) for about 1½ hours. If necessary, add more water to the beans while cooking.

Camp Coffee.

Early in the day measure the coffee into a sugar bag, allowing 1 tablespoon per cup. Place this in the coffeepot with a little cold water and let it stand all day. Then when nearly time to serve, pour boiling water, which has been previously measured, into the pot. Boil 5 minutes, remove the bag, and your coffee is ready to serve. It will not harm it to let it stand for a while. You will find that this unusual way of making coffee will give you a most delightful, full-flavored beverage, and at the same time saves considerable measuring and pot-watching when you want to be enjoying your picnic, too!

Fresh Peach Ice Cream.

1½ cups granulated sugar
1 tablespoon flour
½ teaspoon salt
1 egg (slightly beaten)
2 cups milk (scalded)
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 cups coffee cream
2½ cups crushed peaches
½ cup confectioners' sugar
Mix sugar, flour and salt thoroughly. Add the beaten egg and blend. Add the scalded milk and cook as a custard in a double boiler until the mixture will coat the spoon. Add vanilla extract and cool.

Add cream and the crushed peaches, which have been mixed with confectioners' sugar. Pour into container of ice cream freezer and freeze, using 3 parts ice to 1 part salt.

Frankfurters de Luxe.

12 frankfurters
American cheese (cut in strips ¼ by 4 inches)
12 strips bacon
With a sharp knife make a slit along one side of each frankfurter. In each slit place a strip of cheese. Press together and wrap a strip of bacon around each frankfurter. Fasten with toothpicks. Roast on a charcoal grill, turning occasionally, to cook the bacon evenly. Or place on a roasting fork (or stick), and roast over an open fire for about 5 minutes.

Cabbage Salad.

(Serves 6)
2 cups cabbage (shredded fine)
1 stalk celery (cut fine)
3 apples (unpeeled, diced)
2 to 3 green onions (sliced)
½ teaspoon salt
Mix all ingredients in order given. Add cream salad dressing and garnish with paprika.

Cup Cakes.

(Makes 18 small cakes)
½ cup water
1½ cups sugar
2 eggs (separated)
2 cups cake flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
¾ cup cold water
1 teaspoon vanilla
Cream the butter, and gradually add about half of the sugar. Beat the egg yolks until very light, add remaining sugar, and beat well. Combine with the first mixture. Sift together the flour, baking powder and salt, and add to the batter alternately with the water. Beat egg whites until stiff, but not dry, and fold into the batter. Add vanilla. Bake in well-greased muffin pans in a moderately hot oven (375 degrees) for about 25 minutes. Cool and frost with boiled icing sprinkled generously with cocoanut.

Tired of the same old sandwiches for lunch boxes, picnic baskets and party meals? Then be sure to see Eleanor Howe's column in next week's paper and learn how to take the "sameness" out of sandwich making.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Boil a little vinegar in the skillet after having fried fish. It will make cleaning easier. Put a piece of wax paper under the trays in the refrigerator and they will come out easier. Green bananas will ripen quickly if they are placed in a paper bag and stored in a dark place. In making fancy sandwiches cut a piece out of top slice of bread with thimble. In opening insert slice of olive. After using the hot-water bottle let it drain, blow it full of air, and put in the stopper. This will prevent it from sticking.

Smart New Fashions For Now and Later

HERE'S a charming new pattern (1784) that gives you a pretty sleeveless dress, with a jacket that transforms it into the nicest kind of street suit. It's delightfully simple and cool—very easy to make, with flattering frills as the only trimming. Chiffon, georgette, silk print, flat crepe and linen are smart materials for this fashion.

Girl's Play Suit.

There's a place in every girl's life for the smart little play suit and suspender skirt that buttons



all down the front. Cool, comfortable and easy-to-wear for summer play, it will be nice for school in the fall too. The shorts are becomingly flared, and the blouse has a becoming sports collar. Gingham, pique, linen and broadcloth are nice cottons for this outfit, 1786.

The Patterns.

No. 1784 is designed for sizes 14, 16, 18, 20; 40 and 42. Size 16 requires 6½ yards of 39-inch fabric, without nap for dress and jacket with three-quarter sleeves; 2½ yards of trimming.

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1st, 2nd, 3rd Reich

The First Reich was unified Germany, more properly the German empire, which was born amidst the throes of the Franco-Prussian war of 1871 and which lasted until 1919. The Second Reich was the German republic under the Weimar constitution, adopted by the National assembly July 31, 1919, after the abdication of the German emperor. The Third Reich is the present Germany governed under the Enabling act of March 24, 1933, which virtually set aside the Weimar constitution by giving absolute power to Adolf Hitler and his cabinet.

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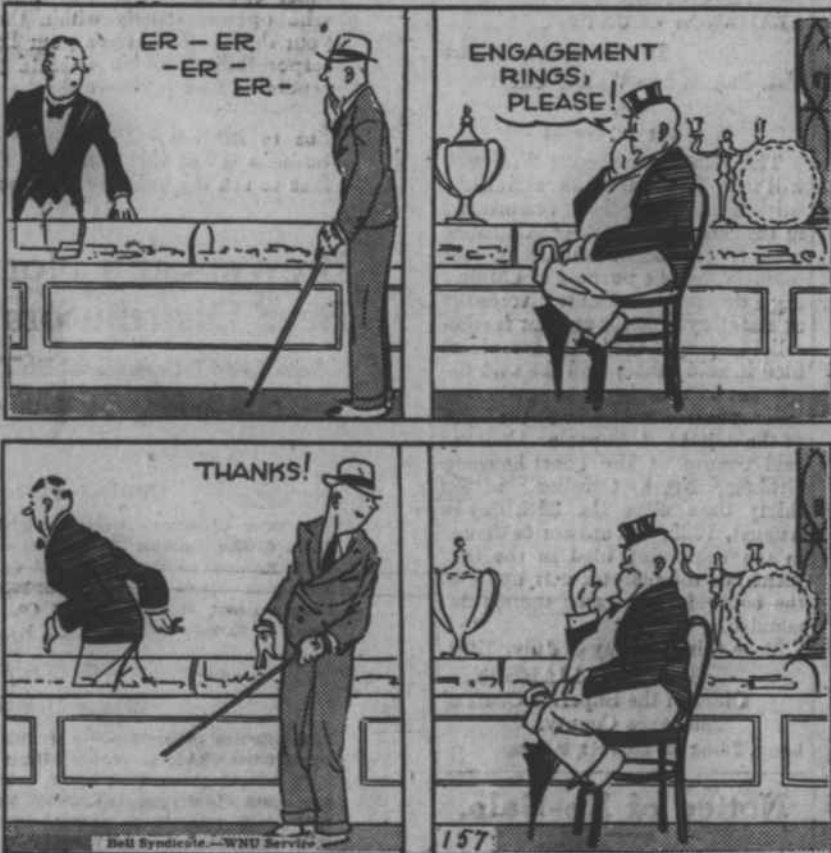
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WHERE IN CHINA IS THAT?



Wise Kiddle

Little Ralph, an only child of four, had been permitted to stay up one evening when his parents had company. At the table he made a quaint remark at which all the guests laughed. He instantly saw that he had made a hit, and with commendable enterprise sought to follow it up. "Dad," he shouted, "what was that other smart thing I said yesterday?"

PERFECT QUIETUDE



"I found a place this summer where I could rest in perfect quietude." "Did you enjoy it?" "No. I spent half my time on the road getting to a place where there were movies and a band."