

TODAY AND TOMORROW

HUMANITY still same
The more thoughtful members of the human family have always been anxious to know how, when and where the manners, customs and habits familiar to everybody began. It is not merely curiosity that prompts scientific investigators to go back to the beginning of things. Every bit of evidence that things which we are inclined to regard as modern are really very old helps to a better understanding of what we call, for lack of a better name, "human nature."

The more I dig into the history of the human race the more firmly I am convinced that human nature, in its main essentials, has not changed since the beginning of time.

BEGINNINGS one mystery
My indefatigable friend Joseph N. Kane, spends his time in digging down to the beginnings of things. Some years ago he published a thick book called "Famous First Facts" in which he told who was the first person to do or invent or discover many of the things that we regard as what have always been done. Now he has a new book called "More First Facts."

I have gone through it carefully to see if Joe has found out the name of the first man to ever ate an oyster. I think it was Dean Swift who said that that man, whoever he was, was a real hero. But Joe Kane hasn't got his name in his book.

LIFE spore hunting
There are still millions of questions about the beginnings of things to which science has not found the answer, but every year we come nearer to the truth. The origin of life itself is a mystery which has not been solved.

A great Swedish scientist, Svend Arrhenius, put forward a theory that life first came to earth in the form of spores carried through space from some distant point in the universe. Scientists admit that may be true. The American Professor Compton's discovery of "cosmic rays" which bombard the earth from somewhere in interstellar space, suggests that such a thing is possible.

When the biggest balloons ever made went up fourteen miles into the stratosphere, a few days ago, the observers carried not only instruments for detecting and measuring the cosmic rays, but apparatus designed to collect spores. If there were any, in this realm beyond the earth's atmosphere.

DEITIES many
From the earliest days, peoples of all races have been puzzled over the beginning of things, and in the absence of facts they have developed folk myths to account for matters which they did not understand.

Out of these attempts to explain origins came many of the ancient religions. The most familiar of these is the Greek mythology, which has been preserved because the world has access to more written records of ancient Greece than to those of any other race. The Greeks imagined an elaborate system of gods and demigods to whom they attributed not only the origins of everyday phenomena but all of the good and ill that happened to human beings. In this they were like all other primitive peoples, in ascribing human attributes to their deities.

I think a good deal of that idea of God as nothing but a superior and all-powerful man persists in the subconscious minds of a great many people still.

SPRIT unchanging
My mother, who was brought up a devout Presbyterian, taught me the "shorter catechism" when I was a child. I still think that classic document contains the most perfect definition of God: "God is a spirit, infinite, eternal and unchangeable, in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness and truth." I think if anyone clings to that conception of God, as a spirit moving in the hearts of men and guiding their lives, he is not going to concern himself much as to precisely how the God of the Bible did the things which are attributed to Him.

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth." Modern science finds more and more to the belie, for which it is constantly seeking proof, that every so-called physical fact is merely a manifestation or evidence of an all-pervading spirit. Call it God, or what you will, all life and substance, so the most advanced physicists are coming to believe, is one with all the other shapes and forms and forces which rule creation and dominate our lives.

Canning Champions, 1935



CHICAGO . . . Miss Lorraine Tans (above), 19, of Eau Claire, Wis., is the national canning champion of the 4-H Clubs for 1935. She was crowned in the annual national competition held here last week.

TEACHERS PROHIBITED FROM SEEKING OFFICE

Greenville, Dec. 15.—The board of trustees of East Carolina Teachers college has decreed that no teacher or employe of the college may run for an elective office while still in the service of the school.

At a meeting here Thursday the trustees passed a resolution on the subject which in part stipulated "If any one announces himself a candidate for any public office, he is expected to resign his position with the college."

FAYETTEVILLE MAN VICTIM OF SUICIDE

Fayetteville, Dec. 15.—Lloyd Van Seawell, 31, at 6 o'clock this morning walked into the local plant of the Puritan Weaving company, where he was formerly employed, borrowed a pistol from the night watchman and handed several sealed letters to another employe. He then entered the office of the factory, placed the pistol in his mouth and blew his brains out.

The suicide was attributed to despondency, though the specific cause was not revealed.

Christian Science Program Over WSJS

Beginning Sunday, December 22, Christian Science programs will be radiocast over Station WSJS, Winston-Salem, at 1:45 p. m. These programs will be broadcast by electrical transcription and will consist of questions and answers on Christian Science, an interview with Dr. Walton Hubbard, formerly a practicing physician, an interview with Reverend Irving C. Tomlinson, and an interview with Mr. Bliss Kuapp. All of these men are now teachers and practitioners of Christian Science.

Rose Bowl for Matty



DALLAS . . . Matty Bell (above), is smiling because only a year ago he was just another assistant football coach at a Southern university, and now he is getting set to lead his undefeated Southern Methodist team into the Rose Bowl classic against Stanford on New Year's day.

Mrs. Walter Robbins of Nash county, has started 400 baby chicks under the brooder in preparing for the new poultry year. Irvin Morgan, 4-H club member of Pasquotank county, added nitrate of soda to his corn as a side-application when the corn was 42 days old and produced 123 bushels on one acre of land this season.

Ingold Talks On 'Sportsmanship'

Taylorsville School Superintendent Speaker Before Schoolmasters

Prof. W. L. Ingold, superintendent of Taylorsville schools, delivered an inspiring address on "Sportsmanship" before the Wilkes County Schoolmasters' club in meeting in the Wilkesboro school building on Friday evening.

The program was in charge of C. M. Cook, superintendent of Roaring River district schools. He presented Miss Lyon, of Roaring River, a student of the school for the blind at Raleigh. She gave a Christmas reading, did some Braille writing and rendered several Christmas numbers.

The address of Prof. Ingold was quite interesting in that he stated that sportsmanship in a school community is shown by players, students on the sidelines and community supporters but that the underlying power that is responsible for the use or absence of sportsmanship lies with the school administrators and coaches.

Congressman Walter Lambeth, who addressed the schoolmasters briefly, was a guest of C. B. Eller, county superintendent of schools.

Fashioned in Wool



NEW YORK . . . The striking woolen style above, worn by Jane Wyatt, is a pearl gray design knitted against a dark blue background and is fastened by two enormous frogs of braided cord. The skirt is of matching blue, the shoes and bag being reptile.

Wilkesboro Student Wins Trophy In Mars Hill Declamation Contest

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wide debate at Chapel Hill and he, with Miss Joyce Wellborn, won in the finals of the state Grange debate in the convention here in September. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Settle.

The attractive trophy, which would be the permanent property of any school winning it two successive years, is now on display in the Wilkesboro school building. During the past three years it has been won by Flatcreek, Saluda and Edneyville high schools.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

Question: Where can I secure plans for building a modern dairy barn?

Answer: Plans for building dairy barns that have been approved by the dairy specialists at State College are mailed free upon request to the Agricultural Editor at State College. However, we suggest that you get in touch with your county farm agent who will be glad to recommend the proper plan and give other information in regard to the building. In requesting plans always specify the number of animals to be housed and whether a feed loft is desired. Plans for other farm buildings may also be had from the same address.

The long time agricultural program is getting under way in Wayne County where agricultural leaders of the county have met with farm agent Mintz to study the question.

Schmeling Here Again



NEW YORK . . . Max Schmeling (above), former heavyweight champion, is here from Germany to size up "Bomber" Joe Louis, dusky Detroit sensation and discuss a possible match. N. Y. Boxing Commissioners say Max must meet Louis before expecting a match with Champion Jim Braddock.

Letters To Santa Claus

Roaring River, N. C. Dec. 8, 1935.

Dear Santa:
We are twin girls seven years old, and in the high first grade. Please bring us some dresses for an old doll. If you have some smaller dolls, and can spare them, please bring us one. We will try to be good.
With love,
Catholin and Ruby Morrison.

Traphill, N. C., Dec., 1935.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am 2 a little boy five years old. I have a little brother three, and a little sister one and a half years old. We like all kinds of toys. I want a tricycle for Christmas. Tyre wants a hammer, sister likes most any kind of toy; we all want some candy, oranges and nuts.
Your little friend,
JOHN W. HOLBROOK.

Six thousand pounds of plucked turkeys were sold cooperatively recently by Anson county farm families for the holiday market.

A legume crop that may be used for improving the land is the best crop to plant on acres removed from the cultivation of cash crops, say extension officials at State College.

WANT ADS

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PIANOS! PIANOS! Why not get the daughter a nice piano for Christmas? We have pianos priced as low as \$35.00. In fact we can suit most anyone in a piano from the cheapest second upflight to an artistic modern Grand. Come in and look them over. J. L. Garwood Piano Co., near Reins Bros. Tombstone works, North Wilkesboro, N. C. 12-16-2t

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J. T. Huffman Is Claimed By Death

James Thomas Huffman, age 58, resident of the Purlear community, died Saturday.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Elora Huffman, and six children: Wayne, Cubert, Mack, Cletus, Clara, Chasie and Ethel. Also surviving is one sister, Mrs. C. C. Hayes, of Purlear.

Funeral and burial services were held at Purlear Baptist church Sunday afternoon with Rev. A. W. Eller in charge. Pall bearers were Clyde, Tom, Kyle and Burl Hayes, Woodrow, Earl and Von Huffman and George McNeil. A beautiful floral offering was carried by Althea Hayes, Lucile Hayes, Elsie, Rachel and Louise Huffman, Margaret, Maggie and Bonnie Hayes, Fannie Yates, Mae Fairchilds and Wilona Huffman.

One Rutherford county farmer told a group of men in Rutherfordton the other day that farmers of the county were better off this winter than they had been in ten years citing specific instances of the improvement.

Cotton Sandwich



PHILADELPHIA . . . Thelma Kalgha, 18, (above), was rushing around to get dressed for a party. She swallowed a straight pin. Now the doctors at a hospital here have Thelma eating sandwiches filled with fluffy cotton, as a part of the strategy of protection.

With an enrollment of 1400 rural boys and girls into the 4-H clubs of Johnston county, there is an increase of 100 per cent above the enrollment for last year.

SISTER OF T. H. FAW PASSES IN DEATH

Funeral services were held Sunday December 8, for Mrs. Mary Gloor, of Lewis, who died December 4. She was a sister of T. H. Faw of this city, the father of C. Faw. Surviving are two brothers, T. H. Faw, of this city, D. Faw, of West Jefferson, and 11 children.

Lady Took Cards When Weak, Nervous

"I can't say enough for Cardui. I talked all day," enthusiastically writes Mrs. L. H. Caldwell, of Statesville, N. C. "I have used Cardui at intervals for twenty-five years," she adds. "My trouble in the beginning was weakness and nervousness. I read of Cardui in a newspaper and decided right then to try it. Before I had taken half a bottle Cardui I was stronger and was soon up and around." "Thousands of women testify Cardui benefited them. If it does not benefit you consult a physician."

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THE HOUSE OF HAZARDS



"SAY MOM, DAD PROMISED ME HE'D ATTEND OUR CLUB MEETING TONIGHT. HE'S GETTING LATE AND HE'S STILL SITTING AROUND."

"GET ME THAT NEW MAGAZINE FROM THE PARLOR."

"I DON'T GET MAM'S GAG OF DEMANDING A MAGAZINE WHEN I ASK HER TO HELP ME GET DAD OUT ON TIME."

"OH, SAY DAD, I SAW THE SWEETEST DRESS TODAY - IT HAD TIERS OF TABS AND TASSELS -"

"H-MAM YA AH!"

"THE NECKLINE WAS PADDED TUBING, CUT ASYMMETRICAL -"

"OH, HUH!"

"-AND THE DARLINGEST LITTLE JACKET THAT HAD SOUTACNE BRAID -"

"-THE SLEEVES WERE THAT OPEN AND SHUT IDEA WITH THE INSERTION CUT ON A BIAS-ETC-ETC -"

"SON, IF YOU WANT ME TO ATTEND THAT MEETING OF YOURS I'M NOT GOING TO BE WALKING IN LATE - HURRY UP!"