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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT THE JOB AND THE MAN

By F. A. WALKER.

THE SOUL SEARCH

AN ENGLISH scientist has devoted a lot of time and effort to writing a book which he calls "In Search of the Soul."

At the end the scientist finds himself no longer discovering the whereabouts of what he was searching for, or even knowing the character of the thing he sought. It was Plato or Seneca or Pythagoras or Euclid, all great teachers, but all insignificant when it came to the thing which none of them knew anything about.

Always there has been a doubt as to whether the soul was within or without the body.

One investigator who died not long ago spent years of his life in an attempt to devise a weighing mechanism so delicate that he would be able to determine if there was any discernible difference in the weight of a human body just before and just after death, hoping thereby to establish the weight of the soul.

There were others, never perhaps justified, that the government bureau of standards had under consideration a similar line of experiments.

It would be just as satisfying, in all probability, to try and weigh a thought, for it is possible that nothing more tangible leaves the body at death.

Did you ever wonder what becomes of the thinking power when the body no longer has power to breathe and move? Is the thinking power lost?

Where goes the genius of a Beethoven or a Mozart that indescribable power to group sounds into harmony when death has robbed those fingers of writing down the notes upon the ruled paper?

What becomes of the analytical powers of a Newton or a Euclid or an Einstein when he can no longer put his formulas or give to the world his conclusions?

What becomes of the genius of the painter when his hand can no longer

hold the brush or of the sculptor when his hammer and chisel have been laid down for the last time?

Is there something in knowledge, or talent, or art that wholly spiritual and without dependence on material things and existence?

Plato said: "The body is a prison from which the soul must be released before it can arrive at the knowledge of those things which are real and immutable."

"Is the soul really imprisoned within the body or is the body only an illusion which our belief gives a deceptive reality?"

The scientist who is studying matter for no one but KNOWS what matter is, tells us that everything material is made up of electrons and that electrons are really only a manifestation of electricity and that electricity is not matter but only energy, and we, therefore, end up with the statement that matter is not material but only a demonstration of energy, so after all what is there to the thing which we ordinarily think of as the home of the soul?

What an enigma! What an eternal problem! We stand upon the edge of a great truth and wisely discuss it as a whole when we do not know more than the narrow fraction of the truth about the one way that carries it to our feet.

We write books with sounding titles and volumes in the end, if we are truthful, "I know nothing!"

Only ONE thing truly KNOWS that is that he is conscious that he has been analyzed and reason. Whether his use of that power results in a truthful conclusion he does not know.

It may be that one of the greatest joys and privileges of the hereafter will be to know something and know that it is the truth.

There are many question marks in the paragraphs above but all life is a question to which none of us have ever known the satisfactory answer.

THE ROMANCE OF WORDS

"CATCHPENNY"

USED in the sense of its former article made nearly to sell this combination of two words has recently gained for itself a place in English dictionaries, though the word itself is nearly a century old, dating back to 1824 when Thurlow was named for the number of words a game which was one of the most celebrated in the annals of language.

It happened that a bridge by the name of Catpenny was a place to make a considerable sum of money through the publication of what is supposed to be the murderer's speech from the gallows. The paper containing this report sold fairly well, but the receipts did not come up to Catpenny's expectations. So he printed a second edition, with a headline in large letters across the top of the sheet: "WE ARE ALIVE AGAIN!" These words actually appeared in Weir's speech, as reported, but the printer purposely left very little space between the first two words of the phrase and, reading the line "WE ARE ALIVE AGAIN!" thousands of persons brought the paper before they discovered the deception. The London Times referred to the matter as a "catchpenny device" and the printer was thereafter known as "Catchpenny" Catpenny. So descriptive was the word that it has remained in the language to this day.

THE GIRL ON THE JOB

How to Succeed—How to Get Ahead—How to Make Good

By JESSIE ROBERTS

TEACHERS

TEACHERS are looking about these days for opportunities that will give them better returns than those the schools yield. This may be a pity from the point of view of the schools, but it is a fact.

But many women love teaching, and feel that they are particularly well-suited to this work. Yet they must earn more money. There is an opportunity for joining the two teaching subspecialties. Many of the big department stores run classes for teaching their salespeople better methods and for giving them a chance to advance to the higher positions. Teachers are now taking special courses in selling and then going into the teaching of this branch of commerce.

There is also an opening in doing special research work for retail and department stores, and teachers are qualified for such positions. Naturally they soon make a far greater salary than ever they got by school-teaching, and what is more the life itself is broader, more varied and fuller of opportunity. Teachers who go into commerce from this angle often develop into saleswomen themselves, and grow to prefer that work. Executive positions in retail and department stores are also open to them after the experience that comes with teaching.

A certain time spent in teaching school is good practice for almost any job. Witness how many of our famous men were at one time of their career teachers in country or city schools. But the young woman who wants to get out into the world and make a real future for herself will not stay too long in the classroom. She will use her training to bring her the best results possible. Executive positions in wholesale and retail trade are one possibility, and an excellent one.

THE WOODS

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

SPRING FEVER.

NOT exactly lazy—
Yet I want to sit
In the meadow's bay.
And just dream a bit,
Haven't got ambition
For a single thing—
Regular condition
Every bloomin' Spring.

Want to sleep at noontime
(Ought to work instead),
But along at noontime
Hate to go to bed,
Find myself a-stealin'
For a sunny spot—
Just that Springy feelin',
That is what I've got.

Like to set a-wishin'
For a pipe an' hook,
Like to go a-fishin'
In a meadow-brook
With some fish deceiver,
Underneath a tree—
Just the old Spring fever,
That's what's aillin' me!

Three French engineers have designed an airplane wing that can be given an increased supporting surface in flight to make landing safer.

BOY SCOUTS

Conducted by National Council of the Boy Scouts of America

UNCONSCIOUS ADVERTISING

In New Brunswick, N. J., a boy scout noticed that a man was driving a car, and obviously a stranger, who seemed to doubt as to his proper direction. Accordingly without hesitation, he jumped on the running board and rode along for a short distance, directing the driver to his destination. The service being duly rendered, the boy leaped off the board and refused the stranger's proffered tip, explaining that he was a boy scout, and couldn't take pay for a simple good turn. Nothing new in this for a scout. Nearly every scout in the country has been in a similar position, behaved just as this boy did, and kept still about it afterward, just as this boy did. But it is fine scouting, all the same, and just the kind of incident that makes scouting count all along the line. This is what the man who benefited by this one scout's little act of courtesy, and to say about it afterward when he told the story:

"An organization that influences a boy to stick to his principles and refuse the lure of gold is certainly a strong one which deserves all public support."

So much for the effect of one small good turn upon public opinion, and the best of it was the scout who did it wasn't thinking about influencing public opinion. He was just doing his everyday duty as a good scout and making no fuss about it at all, in good scout fashion.

A SCOUT IS A FRIEND.

Frederick Hall of Troop 15, Bridgport, Conn., proved himself a true scout last winter by coming to the aid of a young girl who was battling against great odds in trying to feed, clothe and keep a roof over the heads of herself and her four young brothers and sisters. Scout Hall, who sells newspapers, read, as did many other citizens of Bridgport, the story in the morning paper of Jane Cram's difficulties, but he didn't stop with reading and saying "Dear me, what a pity!" He got busy in a practical way. He cut the story from the newspaper, pasted it on a cardboard box, cut a slot in the box and started out, as a house-to-house campaign, showing the story wherever he went.

All day he kept at his self-appointed task and at night brought \$11.70 in pennies, nickels and dimes, and a few larger denominations into the newspaper office, announcing that it was for Jane Cram and he hoped she and her family wouldn't suffer any more. Others took up the work where the valiant scout led the way, and the little family was relieved of its worst plight.

LEGACIES FOR BOY SCOUTS.

The following letter was sent by the local committee of the Hartford (Conn.) council to all the lawyers in the city:

"The Hartford Council, Boy Scouts of America, Inc., has to date been the recipient of two bequests. We are a non-profit corporation without capital stock and empowered to receive bequests, hold property, etc. It is probable that you, as an attorney, will be requested at times to suggest to clients who are making their wills the name of a worthy charitable or philanthropic movement which is in need of an endowment, and in this connection we feel that the Boy Scouts of America deserves your endorsement." The national council of the Boy Scouts of America from time to time receives notification of bequests in wills, and it is gratifying that the movement is receiving this kind of endorsement.

TEXAS SCOUTS ARE IN LUCK.

W. C. Clark, a business man of Paris, Tex., has presented to the boy scouts of the city a tract of 14 acres to be used by them exclusively. It adjoins a tract two miles west of town that was made a gift to the boys by Messrs. W. A. and Wortham Collins for the establishment of a hut. Mr. Clark made a gift to the scouts of a gymnasium equipment costing \$1,000.

WISDOM OF A FAMOUS SCOUT.

"The great men in this country were all outdoor men. Not only that, but 20 centuries ago the 12 men we hear so much about were all outdoor men, as was their Master. The greatest sermon ever preached was not delivered in a temple, but from a mountain side."—Daniel Carter Beard, National Scout Commissioner.

BOY SCOUT GOOD TURNS.

Battle Creek scouts are entrusted with the job of winding the town clock.

A troop of scouts in Youngwood, Pa., surrendered its headquarters for four months last winter to a family with seven children who could not find a place to live.

Troop No. 816, Chicago, says that its special effort has been to keep streets free from glass and nails, and to prevent destruction of city property, such as lamp globes and street signs.

The Ulton (N. Y.) Boy Scouts of America council provided for their scouts a room in the public library known as scout room. The executive recommended books to the library from the list suggested in the bibliography in the new Scoutmaster's Manual. The collection consists of fiction for boys, scout publications and a large number of technical books for use of scout leaders. The librarian works in close relation to Scout Librarian Mathews of the national council, as do an increasing number of librarians in different parts of the country.

Mass Meeting of Workers at the Chicago Stockyards



Sunday mass meeting of 25,000 employees of the Chicago packing houses in the district "back of the yards" after two day strikes had disbanded, in protest against a cut in wages. Inset, President John Fitzpatrick of the Chicago Federation of Labor, one of many speakers.

Visit to Head-Hunting Jibaro Indians of Ecuador



Scientists of American museum of natural history from Ecuador. George K. Chacrin (left) Harold E. Anthony, Jibaro head hunter is shown in the center. Dried and shrunk human heads worn by Jibaro as trophies.

SAMUEL D. NICHOLSON



Samuel D. Nicholson, new Republican senator from Colorado. He lives at Leadville.

British War Veterans in Huts



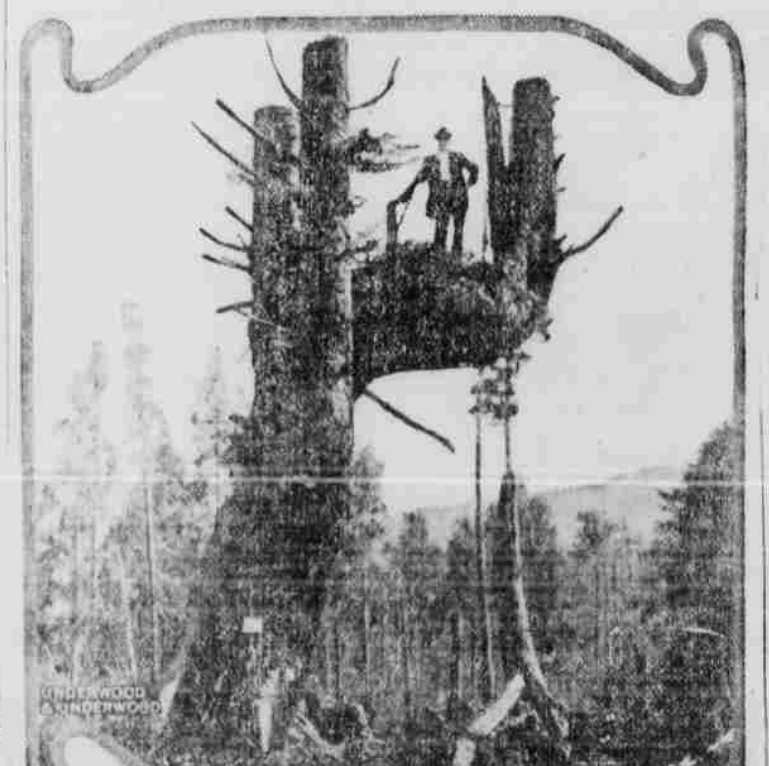
Several British war veterans and their families, unable to secure other shelter, are living in miserable huts at Sandridge Camp, Woking, England. Of course the sanitary conditions are bad. The veterans, however, say they must live and insist that they cannot find other quarters. The authorities are investigating.

ALEXANDRE KERENSKY



Late photograph of Alexandre Kerensky, former ruler of Russia, who is reported to be leading the struggle to overthrow the soviets.

Goes Back to Live in the Trees



This nature-loving Oregonian has picked out this natural platform in a big tree on the edge of a small town and plans to build a house on it.

GETTING WORK FOR VETERANS

American Legion Successful in Its Efforts to Connect Ex-Soldiers With Needed Jobs.

New York.—There were 400,000 veterans of the World war out of work in the United States on March 1 last, according to an estimate received by the American Legion. This is a reduction of about 100,000 from the "penk" of more than 500,000 jobless ex-service men in the country shortly

after January 1 last, and the Legion reports state there is promise of further improvement.

The survey of the national situation on which these figures are based was made by the American Legion Weekly, official publication of the Legion, which states that the unemployment situation, as affecting the veterans, "appears to have taken a turn for the better."

A chain of employment agencies operated by the Legion in every state has done much to relieve the situation.

say the Legion officials. The Legion has been instrumental in obtaining work for veterans, in discouraging the migration of unemployed men toward the great industrial centers and has encouraged a movement from cities to the farms. It has demanded that workers who left their positions to go to war should enjoy seniority rights on a par with those of military age who stayed at home.

Nearly a year is required for the returned veteran to get back to his old stride in industry.

SCHOOL DAYS



Mother's Cook Book

The heights by great men reached and kept
Were not attained by sudden flight,
But they, while their companions slept,
Were toiling upward in the night.
—Longfellow.

A FEW COMPANY DISHES.

AN OMELET is an emergency dish, for with fresh eggs one may be prepared and served in a short time.

Asparagus Omelet.

Cut all but three stalks of asparagus into pieces about an inch long and let simmer in boiling salted water until tender. Melt three tablespoonsful of butter, add three tablespoonsful of flour, a half teaspoonful of salt and a dash of black pepper. When frothy add one and one-half cupsful of the asparagus water which has been saved for this purpose. Add one tablespoonful of butter and add the asparagus. Have ready the yolks of four eggs, beaten light and the whites beaten dry. To the yolks add one-fourth teaspoonful each of salt and pepper, then turn them over the whites and fold them together. Melt a tablespoonful of butter in a hot pan, turn in the egg mixture and when set on the bottom place in the oven on the rack to finish cooking. Test with a knife thrust into the center. Score at right angles to the handle of the pan, fold and turn out on a hot platter. Arrange the three cooked stalks of asparagus over the top of the omelet and the rest of the asparagus with the

sauce around the omelet. Serve at once.

Rice Glace.

Cook one-half cupful of rice in boiling salted water five minutes, drain, put into a double boiler with hot milk, using one pint, cook until soft. Sift one tablespoonful of gelatin in two tablespoonfuls of cold water, add three tablespoonfuls of hot water, one-half teaspoonful of salt, one-third of a cupful of sugar, stir until dissolved and add to the rice. Flavor with one teaspoonful of vanilla, add one-half cupful of stiffly beaten cream and more sugar, if needed. Chill before serving.

Nellie Maxwell
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THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

I love the little bugs
and things
That sing all night
with grating wings.
Like them with
nothing much to say
I'll keep on
singing
anyway.