

**Something to Think About**  
By F. A. WALKER

**GOOD MANNERS.**

WISE Italian says that you can tell how civilized people are by the way that they behave in the street. He adds that if a man is conscious of his neighbor it shows that he has a proper respect for himself. A French peasant brushes against a stranger in the street or on the sidewalk and touches his hat in apology. The sensitiveness to the rights of others is not found everywhere else in the world.

In fact, the tendency to hustle and shove to push others out of the way has been growing of late nearly everywhere.

Robert Franzen, the novelist, is so criticized by what he calls the bad manners of the day that he regrets the good old days when everybody carried some sort of weapon and was ready to use it, if offended.

Unhappily a man with a sword was not inclined to fight would be careful about knocking against another who was similarly armed.

The Chinese have a proverb that the fear of death is the beginning of discipline.

If this is true, there must be something in the theory that when people are wearing rapiers and pistols, they become undisciplined and careless.

In the same way, though the use of arms tended to cheapen human life and to encourage bragging and bullying, the habit of bowing and bowing, it also had an effect on manners.

In the wild Western "movies" "hellness and guns" go together and as a rule is settled offhand, without waiting for the sheriff with his star, everybody is very careful not to "start anything."

If a man may be insolent, selfish or unchivalrous without running any personal risk, there is a chance that he may go through life like a bull in a china shop.

But when everybody attended to his own quarrels, it was overdone, and the standards of "honor" were set as in the case of dueling customs of certain European armies.

It is probably better to rely on the policeman and the law when we suffer an injury.

On the other hand, it is pointed out by Mr. Franzen and the like that the law is a cannon that it takes many months to load.

Besides, the law does not bother about trifles, such as somebody's feelings. Actual injury must be shown.

Good manners may be a trifle. But they have a lot to do with happiness. Happiness is no trifle.

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**LYRICS OF LIFE**  
By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

**THE JOYS WE SHARE.**

HIS makes the songs of night so sweet:  
They are not here before your feet  
Over yonder; over hills  
To hear the evening whip-poor-wills  
Their notes melodious, their trills,  
Sweet.

Unseen singers sweeter far  
Caged companions always are:  
Do not sing for you, for me,  
Sing for all humanity—  
We are a part of grass, of tree,  
Of star.

So in life, the pleasures there  
The greatest common everywhere,  
Ask so much for our own ease,  
We seek so much so much to please,  
And our greatest joys in these  
Are rare.

Must tear down the selfish wall;  
Our song must be a comrade call.  
No happiness is had—  
All day will be increasing glad  
Something to the joy we add  
All.

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**Aircraft Garage.**  
The old joke of asking aviators: "Where is your garage?" has become a reality with the establishment near London, England, of a bona fide aircraft garage intended for the use of aerial sports and private plane owners. The company's announcement says: "A staff of highly skilled mechanics under the supervision of qualified ground engineers. Petroleum and oil supplies. Overhauls, modifications and repairs promptly executed."

**Longevity Accompanies Piety.**  
(Springfield Republican.)  
The class of '83 of Hobart College, which was graduated with 13 members, returned to its 40th reunion in 1921. Perhaps the unusual circumstance that 10 of the class are still living has had something to do with the record.

**Man Who Builds Own Fortune.**

It is certain that the first Vanderbilt, the old commodore, who began as a skipper between New York and Staten Island putting dollar upon dollar and thought upon thought, plan upon plan, became financial king according to conditions in his time. He built railroads, developed industries, lived a fuller, happier life, with more variety and enjoyment in it than the third Vanderbilt. He was not born into wealth, but acquired it; to him, wealth and millions were new things.

It is certain that a man who starts from the bottom, without the aid of any one except his own hands and brains, and acquires well being and health and happiness by self-denial for himself and for a wife and children, will enjoy much more pleasure and variety in life than a man born to riches, who was not inspired by any particular ambition.—Amerikal Magyar Nepszava, Hungarian Daily.

**No True Century Plant.**

There are no true century plants in the sense that it takes them a hundred years to bloom. A number of plants, however, do not bloom until they have lived for a long term of years. The classic example of such plants is the talipot palm of India which lives for 50 years or more and becomes a tall tree before it blooms. After it has sent up its immense flower-stalk the whole plant dies.

Our American "century plants" often fruit at the end of eight or ten years under natural conditions, but in the house they may refuse to bloom at all. Many of the bamboos act like the century plants and bloom but once after a long period of vegetation. Such species are known as monocarpic plants.

**Champion Pig State.**

It may be surprising to many east-ers to learn from the census that Iowa is the champion pig state, with a count of 7,864,304. The second in rank, Illinois, falls to around 4,000,000, while the 3,000,000 class includes only Missouri, Indiana, Nebraska and Ohio. Kansas, which used to boast of its great droves, now has fewer than 2,000,000, a drop since 1910 from 3,000,000. The Sunflower farmers have recently been going in strong for wheat or oats, in preference to corn, the great pig food.—Providence Journal.

**THE GIRL ON THE JOB**  
How to Succeed—How to Get Ahead—How to Make Good

By JESSIE ROBERTS

**PUBLICITY WORK.**

MANY women are making a success in publicity work, and it is a growing opportunity.

You do not need to know how to write yourself. What you require is the ability to get things into print, to know where to go for results, to handle the sort of material people are glad to hear and willing to pay for.

One way is to begin on speculation. Get something that wants publicity, and find your medium, and, if necessary, your collaborator. When you get the publicity you take the result to the firm who wanted it and are given the promised check. You may have to divide this up, but it's a beginning.

"I began in a very small way," I was told by a young woman who has just as much work as she can handle. "Just went about doing little jobs, getting something in here another bit there. I used to sit up nights thinking of original ways to exploit whatever it might be I had on hand, and I got all sorts of people to work with me on spec. Presently it began to pay, work kept on coming in, I got to know a lot of useful people, and now..."

"And there's no better fun on earth," concluded my young friend. "It is work full of variety, full of human nature. I have a partner now, and she and I are both busy every minute, and we love it. Also, we are laying up a nice little nest egg for the future, when we mean to be able to travel and see the world and be as idle as old people should be."

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**WIDOW'S DIP PROVES COSTLY**

Woman Alleges Her Companion Stole \$3,440 From Her in Brooklyn.

New York.—Mrs. Mary Lukosewicz, a widow of Brooklyn, appeared in the Flatbush court against Alexander Bukantis, 39, whom she accused of stealing her \$3,440, her savings of ten years.

She alleged she accepted Bukantis' invitation to go bathing with him at Mill Island, Jamaica bay. She placed the money in a hand bag and, arriving at the bathing beach, Bukantis said he did not care to take a dip, but prevailed upon her to do so.

She left the hand bag in his custody, she alleges, and when it was again handed back to her the money was missing.

Bukantis pleaded not guilty and Magistrate O'Neil held him in \$1,000 bail for further hearing later.

**Twins Smallest Folk Alive.**

Bogalusa, La.—Billie and Jack Adams, twins of Mr. and Mrs. William Adams, are believed by local doctors to be the smallest folk extant. Billie weighed 11 ounces at birth and Jack 17. Mrs. Adams' six other children are of normal size. The midgets appear to be in perfect health.

**Negro Porter Hero of Pueblo Flood.**

St. Louis.—Officials of the Chamber of Commerce in St. Louis, Mo., will request a Carnegie hero medal for Robert J. Taylor of St. Louis, negro Pullman porter, who is said to have saved 26 lives when a passenger train was overturned in the Pueblo flood. June 2.

**HEALS SCARS OF WAR**

Nature Doing Her Best to Wipe Out Marks of Conflict.

Forests Supposed to Have Been Completely Ruined Show Remarkable Recovery—Battle Lines Fade.

Soissons, France.—Nature is making such rapid progress in healing the scars of war in France that, outside of towns where ruins are still standing, it will soon be impossible to discover the famous front line of four years of war without close examination.

It has become evident that the abandoned project of maintaining intact, as it existed at the close of hostilities, the line from Nieuport, in Belgium, to Belfort, as a lesson to future generations, could not have been carried out excepting at an enormous expense.

Forests that were supposed to have been annihilated have shown remarkable recovery. Positions that were upheaved repeatedly until the subsoil covered the surface almost completely, giving every appearance of hopeless aridity, have been slowly covered by vegetation.

Even the famous height along which runs the Chemin des Dames (the Ladies' Way), is covered with thick herbage, that remains green in spite of the drought. In order to preserve certain famous war scenes such as the Bayonet Trench at Verdun, it was necessary to erect a shelter and protect the trench from the slow but sure work of nature in order to preserve it as it was during the great battle.

**Why Not Have Your Picture In the Movies?**

The Orpheum Theatre has made arrangements with a camera man to be here next Wednesday, October 5, to take a picture of the parks, schools and interesting places in Oxford, which will be shown at the Orpheum a few weeks later.

Make the parade bigger than ever before and be sure to be in line where the camera man will get you.

**ORPHEUM THEATRE**

**American Poisonous Snakes.**

There are four poisonous groups of snakes within the boundaries of the United States. These are: "the moccasin, rattler, copperhead and harrisquin. All are easily distinguished by their large, broad heads, deep-set black eyes, small neck, stout bulk, body and short tail. The most dangerous of these perhaps is the moccasin, for it usually rests on branches of low trees and shrubs and strikes a passing victim. However, it will refrain from striking unless irritated and will give battle only when teased or frightened.

—Chamiza sage brush may be used successfully as cattle feed, according to the announcement of the New Mexico Agricultural College. This is of great importance to ranchers of the Southwest as it has been found that cattle will live in drouth periods when fed only on the plant. It is found in the foothills but will be transplanted to the plains districts. It is not fattening but stock will survive if they eat nothing but chamiza which is hardy.

—Gondolas for the Thames is the plan of a London builder, who is making a fleet from real Venetian models.

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