

Morning Mail Offers Intriguing Form of Exercise

By HAL BOYLE
WASHINGTON — (AP) — My idea of the strenuous life is opening the morning mail.

Men who let their secretaries open their mail for them get sagging muscles and listless eyes. They are passing up the only form of exercise people over 35 years of age should indulge in.

To me each day's mail is always fresh and new, as exciting as a child's well-filled stocking on Christmas morning.

This is because I very rarely get depressing financial news in my letters. Some years ago I took care to see that all the family charge accounts were issued in my wife's name, so all the bills come to her now. I am spared the distressing picture until I come home from the office.

Thus my mail consists chiefly of thrilling offers and rosy business opportunities, chances to make great profits with "only a slight initial investment."

I must be on every class "B" sucker list in the country. This surprises me as I don't often buy anything except cigars, drugstore sandwiches and an occasional bus transfer.

Variety of Lures

But someone must have spread the word around that I am a junior Croesus. Right now a man is trying to sell me squabs so I can start raising pigeons in my bathtub as a profitable home hobby. Two other fellows are trying to get me to buy a cemetery lot, and any number of strangers want me to contribute to projects like starting an orphan home for armadillos or raising a statue to Benedict Arnold.

There is also a postal salesman who thinks I should buy a retirement annuity. He starts off his letters with this menacing remark: "Do you know only one man in five lives to be 65?" I make paper wads out of these letters and shoot them at sparrows.

Romance Involved

My favorite correspondent is a lady in Massachusetts whom I have never met. She writes about once a month. She begins "Dear Stinker" — and goes on from there. She says that I may have forgotten my pledge to marry her when I sailed for Cuba to fight in the Spanish-American War, but that she is still waiting. I wrote her that I wasn't even born until 1911, and she answered: "You'll have to think up a better excuse than that."

More puzzling to me is a correspondent in Ohio who sent a penny postcard with the word

"Act" scrawled on it. A week later came another postcard bearing the word "Prompely." So I sent him back a postcard with the word "Mission" on it, and a second postcard a week later that said only "Accomplished." There has been no reply.

Two Things Free

I can remember getting only two free things in the mail. Once a friend sent me a coconut, leaving me to draw my own conclusions as to why. Another time somebody mailed me a new ball-point pen, but the clip fell off.

The only financial investment by mail I am currently considering is an offer from an inventor. He said he will turn over to me his secret of a revolutionary form of atomic power if I will deposit \$15,000 in the bank to his account and buy him a new club convertible automobile.

"And the car," he wrote, "must be cream colored."

Germans Fight New Battle—This Time Over Loving

AP Newsfeatures
BERLIN — Berlin's marriageable youth has been waging a battle of the sexes in the city's newspapers.

The girls started it by charging that German young men nowadays were lackadaisical lovers. "And they can't blame calorie-sickness (skimping diet) for their laxity," the girls said, "for we get the same small food rations they do."

When answers came from twelve young men selected by a newspaper interviewer to defend their sex, there were evi-

dences of bitterness in their tones.

The young men noted that, because of Germany's postwar excess of women over men, female companionship was easy to find. But some complained that "allied men (occupation soldiers) are preferred" and others that their small wages would not permit them to court girls with cigarettes and chocolates, which are very expensive in the black market.

A young boxer observed that "nowadays many girls seem willing and eager to court the man" but he was hesitant about marriage because "it appears too many married women are unfaithful now."

A journalist complained that "all the girls now want to talk about the great love and marriage" and added: "In these times it takes courage for a man to marry."

A 21-year-old wounded war veteran remarked bitterly: "May-

be they aren't all pleasure-chasers, but it is well-known that women nowadays are bad. Too many women whose husbands still are prisoners of war have comforted themselves with others."

Upset Kills Trucker as He Tries to Leap Clear

PORTLAND, July 30. — (AP) — An attempt to leap clear of his overturning truck failed and Theodore R. Bradford, 44, Portland, was fatally crushed inside the engine hood today.

State Patrolman Larry Wadsworth said the loaded gravel truck slipped off an 11-foot rock pile. Bradford jumped but was caught between the hood, which flew open, and the engine and was crushed.

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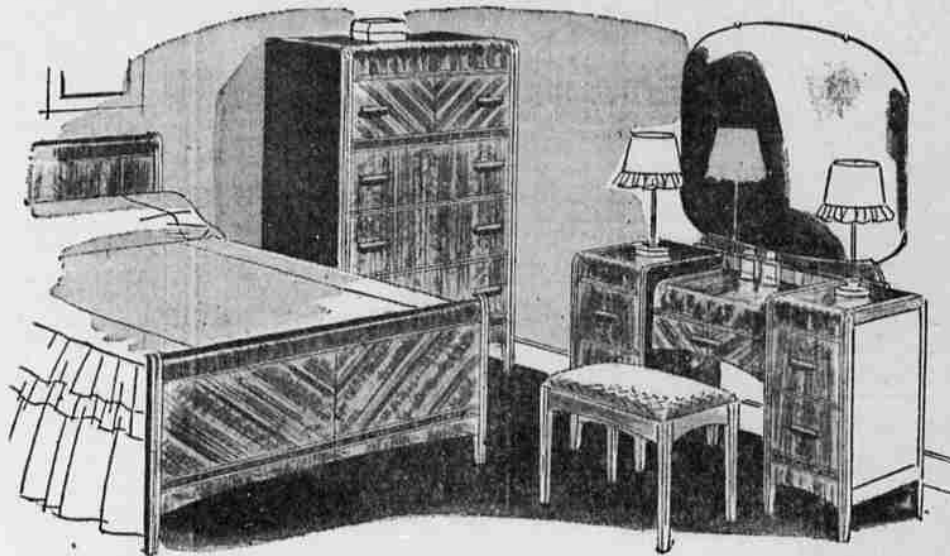
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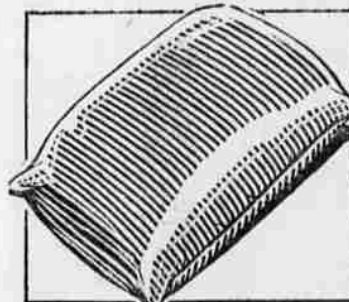
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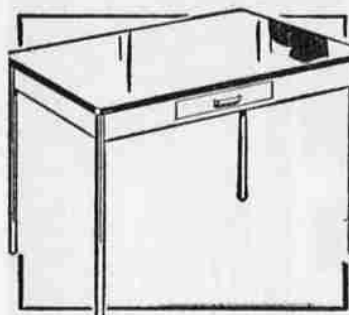
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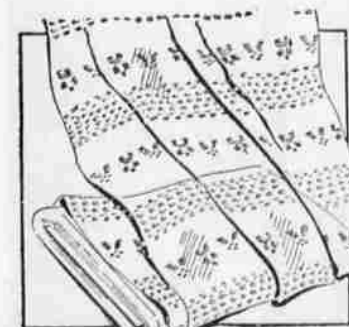
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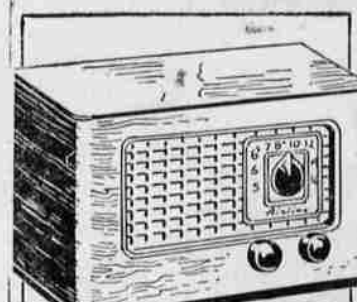
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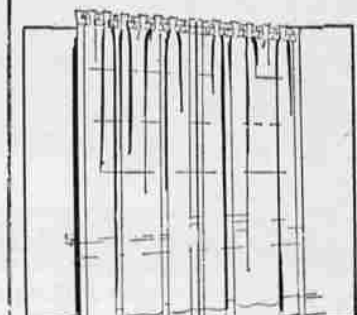
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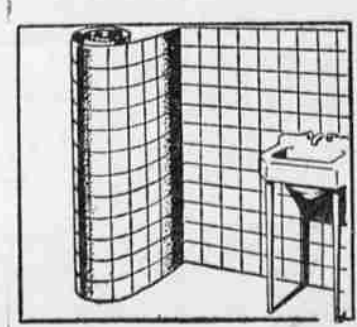
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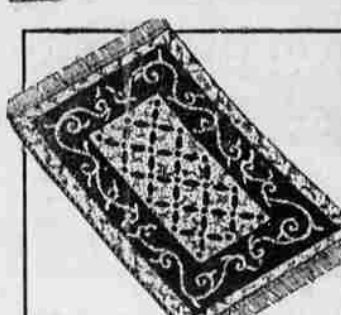
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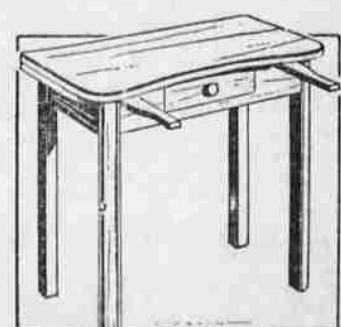
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