



## An Aid or a Detriment?

Your eyes were given you for a definite purpose—that of helping you make your way in the world. Many times, through misuse, carelessness, or disease they fail in that purpose. And when they fail in their purpose they are more of a detriment than a help to you.

Your efficiency depends largely on the efficiency of your eyes. If your health is failing in any way we would advise an examination. Oftimes it will reveal things that when corrected double your efficiency.

### Morris Optical Co.

204-211 Salem Bank of Commerce Building  
Oregon's Largest Optical Institution  
Phone 230 for appointment

SALEM,

--

OREGON

## Winter Hats

We wish the ladies who read this paper to come and look at our Winter Hats the next time they are in Salem. We are quite sure that they will be delighted with our display which are in all the latest modes and fashions. Then we are quite sure that the reasonable prices prevailing in this shop will be very attractive also.

### Mrs. L. G. Curtis

Masonic Building 125 N. High St. Salem

Now Open

## Whites Dancing Academy

Private instruction from 7:30 to 9:30 evenings. 2:30 to 4:30 afternoons.

Individual instructions in the latest steps a specialty

For Appointments Phone 4911

### I.O.O.F. Bldg.

148 C St. INDEPENDENCE

## Advertisers

testify to the worth of

Post Advertising

### MOLLIE'S TRIAL

By AGNES G. BROGAN.

(Copyright 1921, Western Newspaper Union)  
"Now did you see that?" asked Mollie, dismayed, "there go the tops of my hollyhocks."

Her new neighbor's oldest boy could be seen from Mollie's window gleefully dismantling her tall plants of their flowers, while in the rear a grinning trio admired his boldness.

"Here you," cried Mollie, in as sharp a tone as it was possible for Mollie to use, "keep to your own side of the garden. You ought to be ashamed!"

Almost in tears, Mollie turned to her elder sister, Mrs. Manly, but now, the younger sister found not the championship she expected. Mrs. Manly instead, leaned out of the latticed window with a smile of sudden interest upon her face.

"Who?" she asked eagerly, "is that tall fine looking man? Tell me, Mollie." Her sister stared agrieved.

"Why that," she replied, "is the dotting father of those five irrepressible boys."

"The father!" exclaimed Mrs. Manly. "And you spoke of the boys as being motherless? What a pity, that there are five."

"I fail to see what his wifeless condition has to do with me," said Mollie crisply.

She had caught her sister's inference.

"The sour faced woman who keeps house for the man and his cherubs, told Chloe that the boys might have been better, if they had not been left motherless."

Mrs. Manly drew in her head, disappointed.

"And he has such a fine face—your new neighbor Mollie," she regretted. "If only he had happened along before he took unto himself a wife. Or at least if he did not now possess those five terrible boys—"

"Half impatient, half laughing, Mollie turned to her sister.

"You poor match-making hopeful," she said, "will you never give up your fancies for me? Now, that I have that careless father here in his garden, I shall go down in my severest manner and call him to task. A spinster has some rights of her own, even holly hock-flowers, and pet cats."

Indulgent smiling, Mary Manly watched her small graceful sister, ascend a small ladder upon her own side of the garden wall, and beckon her neighbor to conference. The neighbor came with alacrity. He appeared almost as joyous as young Denny had in his gaily pursuit of hollyhock blossoms. The conference lasted some time, ending peacefully with a floral offering from the opposite side of the fence. The neighbor had evidently given in exchange for Mollie's denuded plants, a rare and blooming one of his own, and as Mollie precariously descended with her burden it was necessary for the neighbor to hasten around to her side of the wall, and assist her.

"His name," Mollie calmly confided, "is John Ainsworthy. He has taken the place for the summer. The Lemon—it seems that the boys dub their crusty housekeeper 'The Lemon'—has no control over their actions; Mr. Ainsworthy will reprimand them."

Mollie turned her face away.

"He reminded me of the fact," she said, "that they have no mother."

"It was upon the following morning, that Mrs. Manly again saw her sister ascend the ladder to the garden wall. This time she bore a basket of Chloe's fresh baked cookies, and enjoyed tossing them to the freckled faced urchins, hastily congregated beneath. The boys caught the cookies with very thunder storm, when the rain is hurling itself down the mountain, and the falls are roaring in stentorian tones, and the trees are straining and moaning in the wind, you wonder that the men ever reach the top at all, and are more than thankful when the lights finally go on. For that is our only way of knowing that the men have reached there safely.—Kansas City Star.

Weather Affects Watch Springs.

Did you ever have the mainspring of a watch break? If you did, the chances are that this occurred in thunderstorm weather, writes C. A. Briggs in Popular Mechanics Magazine. It has been the experience of many jewelers that in thunderstorm seasons the number of broken watch mainsprings increases greatly. This has been erroneously ascribed, though somewhat vaguely, to the effect of electricity, magnetism, and of the noise from the thunder, but an analysis of the explanations attempted fails to develop any reasonable relation in accord with these ideas.

This matter has recently been made the subject of scientific study. It was finally found to arise from the fact that at this time of the year the air was both warm and moist, and that both of these conditions facilitated rusting. A small spot of rust often starts on the spring or in a crack, and the spring soon weakens and lets go.

Aged Woman Chokes Weasel.

Mount Carmel, Pa.—Although seventy-seven years old and recovering from a fractured rib sustained three weeks ago, when a door blowing shut knocked her down the cellar steps, Mrs. Mary Ramsey of Fishersdale went to the rescue of a chick she heard crying in distress and found a large weasel carrying it away. She caught the weasel with her bare hands and choked it to death.

### SECRET OF ASPHALT PAVING

Proof That it Was Known to the Ancients, but Was Lost for Many Centuries.

One of the great secrets which the ancients took with them into their forgotten graves is the process of manufacturing asphalt of the kind found in the ruins of Babylon. In some respects the substance is superior to the most improved kind today, and while it is presumed the asphalt beds of the ancients were in Egypt, few records are available telling us whence they secured their material, it is stated.

Modern asphalt paving dates from the year 1719. It was then that a Greek physician, Doctor Eirinius, discovered the famous beds near Neufchatel, and shortly after, the great asphalt rocks in the vicinity of Geneva were unearthed.

Count Sassenay was the first to lay asphalt pavement in Europe, and the test he made in 1832 was followed by various other experiments which in 1838 led to the discovery that the refuse from gas works could be turned into pavement.

American road builders have been using asphalt for scores of years, and in most cases they have followed the process of the famous Claridge patent, which was used in paving Trafalgar square in January, 1864.

### DIDN'T WANT TO MISS THAT

Youngster's Perfectly Natural Curiosity to See the Salamander at Its Particular Work.

Arthur still took people at their word, so of course he had not yet been graduated from the kindergarten. One morning the teacher, who had obtained a small salamander for the sand pile, took the children up to the table to see it and tell them all about its habits. In the course of the explanation one of the urchins attempted to touch the amphibian and the teacher reproved him by saying, "Mustn't touch the salamander, Billie; they make nice pets."

Presently she felt that they had seen about enough and so she led them to their chairs, all going willingly, except Arthur, who hung back.

"Come back to your chair now, Arthur," the teacher requested. "Why are you staying to look at the salamander so long?"

"I'm a-waiting to see it make a pet," replied Arthur solemnly.

### HUMANITY AND FISHES.

Picture to yourself an old man with a mild face and gentle manners—spending his life faring up and down the seven seas in a glass-bottomed yacht, year after year peering through a water telescope at the multiform life of the ocean. That is the prince of Monaco, greatest of all oceanographers, servant of science and benefactor of mankind. And the money that makes possible his really great contributions to science is provided day after day, year after year, by the steady stream of foolish gold that flows to him across the gaming tables of Monte Carlo. Does the prince, we wonder, find in the ocean creatures more strange than those who harbor in his palaces of chance?—Collier's Weekly

### MUNICIPAL HEARSE.

In Munich, Germany, hearse service has been "communalized" and will be carried out by means of gasoline automobiles exclusively in the future. Heretofore, the service has been partly in the hands of livery men, who furnished horse-drawn hearses and partly of the city which owned a number of electric hearses. The change from electric to gasoline hearses was due to the fact that the electric were about worn out.—Scientific American.

### THE QUICKER THE SOONER.

Motorist—Is there any ordinance limiting the speed of autos in this town?

Native—Gawsh, no! You fellers can't git through Squashville any too quick fer us.—Boston Transcript.

### REPLANTING FORESTS.

With more than 174,250,000 acres of national forests in its care the United States government is replanting denuded areas at a rate of 7,000 acres a year, one nursery having a capacity of 3,000,000 trees annually.

### "Appeal to O'Neill"

Eyes Tested and Fitted. Lenses Duplicated.

## Dr. C. B. O'Neill

Optometrist-Optician

BUSH BANK BLDG.

SALEM, ORE.

PHONE 625

Mr. Barnes, U. S. Wheat Director Says:

## "EAT MORE BREAD"

And reduce the high cost of living."

## HOLSUM BREAD

IS THE CHEAPEST AS WELL AS THE MOST WHOLESOME ON THE MARKET TODAY.

## BUY THAT EXTRA LOAF

Your Grocer Has It.

Cherry City Baking Co

## C STREET MEAT MARKET

Under New Ownership

A choice line of meats at very reasonable prices

CALL AND GET ACQUAINTED

### FRED LA FORGUE, Prop.

INDEPENDENCE, ORE.

### The Independence National Bank

Established 1889

AN ACCOUNT in a commercial bank is most convenient aid to modern business. It systematizes payments, is a check on all expenditures and shows you just where you stand each month. Open one with us today. It will pay you to do so.



Officers and Directors

H. Hirschberg, Pres. C. A. McLaughlin, V. P.

Ira D. Mix, Cashier

W. H. Walker D. W. Sears O. D. Butler

## We Go The Limit

This store always seeks to give you the best groceries, prompt service, honest weights and low prices as the quality of the goods permits. If at any time you think you have not been given any of the above, call it to the attention of Mr. McIntosh and if an error has been made he will promptly rectify it.

### J. G. McIntosh

INDEPENDENCE