

## Beauty, Does it Help or Hinder Girls Seeking their Own Career?

### Old as You Feel? No! Old As Your Brain Cells Are

Using Kittens, Rats, Guinea Pigs First, Scientist Now Studies Behavior of Babies to Discover Secret of Staying Young

NEW YORK—"Only as old as one's brain fibres," may take the place of "a woman's as old as she looks," and "a man's as old as he feels," according to new laboratory evidence found by Dr. Louis Casamajor, professor of Neurology at the College of Physicians and Surgeons.

He is seeking and finding "the anatomical basis for human behavior" in changes that take place in the developing brain. Using kittens, rats and guinea pigs at first, his experiments have now reached the point where he is studying the behavior of babies in relation to the development of the myelin, or tissue surrounding the nerve fibres of their brains.

Among other things he said his experiments have shown are:

"All animals are not the same age when they are born.

"Birth is merely an incident in life.

"Rats are young embryos when they are born, and are quite helpless for several weeks.

"The kitten remains helpless for a little over a week.

"A colt will walk around and follow its mother after twenty minutes.

"The guinea pig is probably the oldest thing in the world when it is born. It runs rapidly, sees perfectly and will start eating cabbage after five minutes, and will fight interference.

"The guinea pig is so old when it is born that it has already shed its milk teeth before birth, and at birth is beginning to show senile changes."

The brains of the animals studied showed development of the myelin in proportion to the development of their behavior.

Moving pictures, with normal and slow motion flashes, were made under Dr. Casamajor's direction, and when run off before the psychiatrists, showed these differences. Photographs of brain sections showed the corresponding development of the myelin. The kitten, blind at birth, has no myelin about its optic nerve centers, little development about the nerve locomotion, and depends almost solely upon the development of its hearing and feeling nerves. The rat, which is utterly helpless at birth, has no myelin in its nervous system at first. The guinea pig is completely myelinated at birth.

"The human infant comes somewhere between the rat and the kitten in its age at birth," said Dr. Casamajor—"Man at birth is not the oldest nor the youngest of the animal kingdom.

"We are now studying the behavior of children, noting carefully the exact ages at which a fresh behavior characteristic appears, and then, when we get the chance, seeing what change in the brain accompanies this age's new powers."

The future will have to tell what may be the applications of this new knowledge of the march of behavior linked to the brain fibre growth, according to the investigator.

For the present the colloquial mouthed public may content itself with a broader conception of the current phrase "Act Your Age."

### Throneless, Jobless King May Seek Work in America

George of Greece, Dethroned in 1925. Tires of Living on Charity of Friend, Contemplates Trip to New World in Quest of Work

BUCHAREST—King George of Greece, throneless and jobless, soon may go to the United States to seek work.

Since his forced abdication in 1925, the young sovereign virtually has been living on the charity of friends and relatives. He and his pretty wife, Elizabeth, the eldest daughter of Queen Marie of Roumania, lived until recently in two small rooms of the Royal Palace at Cotroceni, near Bucharest.

They did not eat with the king and queen of Rumania, but had their meals alone in their modest apartment and generally lived in the most frugal way.

Now, however, their funds have given out, and the former king of the Hellenes says he must find a job. Friends in the United States have urged him and the former queen to go there, promising both of them remunerative positions.

But Elizabeth, who is a retiring girl, is afraid they will not be able to stand the commercial and social pace in America.

For the present they have separated, George going to his Danish relatives in Copenhagen, and Elizabeth joining her mother-in-law, former Queen Sophie (sister of Kaiser Wilhelm) at Florence. Later they will meet in Florence, and then decide on their future plans.

Although he still signs himself "George Rex," the former Greek sovereign's friends say he has definitely abandoned all hope of regaining the Hellenic throne. He recently was offered a position with a big Florida real estate concern, the officials of which believed he would be useful in interesting the crowned heads of Europe and wealthy aristocrats in American real estate.

But George felt he had no experience or training that would qualify him as a salesman or promoter, and declined the position, which would have paid him \$40,000 a year in salary and commission.

In this connection it is interesting to recall that the former ruler of Greece already had refused an offer of \$50,000 a year from the Greek revolutionary government if he would voluntarily abdicate as king. He chose, however, to retire only under threat of force, thus spurning an income that would easily have kept him and his wife in comfortable circumstances for life. His friends say that he and his consort now regret his action, as there appears no prospect whatever that the Greek people will recall him to the throne. Moreover, he has no source of income except from small property holdings in Athens.

### She's Latest Screen "Protege"



Movie fans will become well acquainted with the young woman above in the near future, predicts Cecil B. DeMille, well known screen director. She is Miss Josephine Norman, his protegee.

### Poet's Kin Valued Pony Before Chicago's Heart

Grandfather of Edgar Lee Masters Refused to Swap for Site, Fraction of Which May Now Be Sold for \$400,000

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### Rufe's Ravings

NOW COME . . . . .

THE MELON-COLIC DAYS . . . . .

THE SADDEST OF the year. . . . .

(FOR THE SMALL BOY who over-indulges.)

SPEAKIN' OF WATERMELONS, there's only one drawback to eatin' 'em and that's the nuisance of havin' to dig the seeds outa your ears.

SOMEHOW OR OTHER I've never been able to find a melon that tasted quite so luscious and succulent as the big, green striped babies we boys used to purloin from old Fred Stapleton's patch back home.

THE NEWSPAPER HEADLINE. "Gangsters Battle in Chicago Streets" might just as well be set up and run daily in the box with the weather report.

THERE'S ONE THING about Trudy Ederle, she's one bathin' girl who won popularity by actual swimmin' . . . . .

A BASEBALL PLAYER is killed by lightning while runnin' bases. How come it didn't strike the umpire? . . . . .

"AMERICAN IS HEAD Incommunicado in Mexican Jail" says a headline. Does that mean they won't let the poor feller out? . . . . .

A Sob Story  
The broken hearted woman was pouring out her grief on the shoulder of her dearest friend. "I s-sent a b-beautiful bouquet of flowers to that poor man out at the penitentiary who m-murdered his wife" she sobbed, "and a big brute of a burglar got them instead."

NOW I WONDER if these fellers who make a specialty of inaccurately predictin' the exact date for the end of the

### Jap Star Looms As Victory Over Bill Is Weighed



The recent surprising victory of Takeichi Harada, Japanese tennis star, over William Johnston, wiry American veteran, in the Seabright tourney turns the spotlight on Harada and causes much speculation as to what he will do in the national tourney and Davis Cup matches. Photo is latest one of Harada.

world ain't disgruntled employees of the weather bureau? . . . . .

JUST FROM casual observation about town I've been wonderin' if one of those black-mallin' "Town Topics" publications wouldn't be a payin' proposition right here in Salem. . . . .

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### Sheer Force of Talent Is Held Success' Only Rule

Florence Smith Vincent, Citing Letters From Plain and Beautiful Girls, Finds Answer in Experience of Mature, Successful Woman

It is not an easy matter to scale the heights of success even when ambition goads. With life before them and the whole world theirs to conquer, youth finds the ascent steep and the way rocky.

And, of course, every one has a pet excuse for not going "over the top." Ill health. Too heavy a burden. A slip and a tumble in the dark. Anything is possible as an explanation for failure.

But in the mail there came to our desk, recently, two letters, each giving reasons for non-success diametrically opposed and each reason one we had never heard before.

"Mrs. Vincent, if any one should ask you whether a homey girl can succeed in business as well as a good looking girl you tell them no! I know what I am talking about, for I have spent several years trying to find the right opportunity to demonstrate my ability, and so far in vain. I am well educated. I am quick, capable and dependable. I work hard. I demand only a fair salary. But these things do not weigh against my plain features in winning for me the success I crave. Experience convinces me my failure is due to the fact I lack that charm which appeals to men who have the worthwhile positions to give."

Does Big Business hand out all the plums to beauty? Martha thinks so, but Mary doesn't. Hear her complaint:

"I have accepted one position after another from which, just as I was making good, circumstances have forced me to resign. Once it was a jealous woman who made trouble for me. Again, a man who resented my authority made things unbearable. Several times some masculine superior so annoyed me with his attentions as to make my remaining in the same office with him an impossibility. I have made no progress at all. I am now in the exact professional status where I was some years ago. Without conceit, I say that I am a failure because I happen to be too good looking."

Mary's accusation against Big Business is even stranger than Martha's. Is it as justified?

Martha, we think, has a bit overdrawn matters. It is true that impressions count and perfectly natural and to be expected that should two girls of equal ability apply for one position the girl who made the best appearance would get it. But every wise employer appreciates capability, wishes to engage it. And we do not believe that mere "plainness of feature" prevents him. If Martha does not have a "chance to make good" it is very likely that in Martha's personality there is a certain sharpness that scratches the masculine nerves. A good woman, a clever woman, may irritate and annoy a man to distraction. And she may be homely or beautiful—if her personality is not pleasing her opportunities are limited. This is a tip to Martha: Let her change her attitude and her way of thinking, and ten to one she will find the work and the success for which she is searching.

As for Mary: Well, we should have taken her complaint with a grain of salt, believing she was the victim of a beauty complex, if we had not run across an article in a current magazine that presented her side of the story so strikingly as to make us think perhaps Beauty really has a harder time in the business world than we had imagined. The writer says:

"My 15 years' experience in the business world . . . has convinced me that charm is not so much of an asset as an add-

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### Wilson, Roosevelt Evaded Guardians of Their Lives

Task of Protecting American Presidents Requires Endless Vigilance, Declares Captain Thomas E. Halls, Who Stood by Six

INDIANAPOLIS—Guarding United States presidents is no easy task and one of the reasons is that some of the chief executives elude their escorts.

So states Captain Thomas E. Halls, chief of the Indianapolis district, who after sixty years in the secret service will retire next month at the age of 62. The captain was body guard to six presidents.

President Wilson was wholly indifferent as to his safety. Roosevelt scoffed at danger and frequently eluded his guard for the pleasure of being alone. On one occasion his body guard after a frantic search found him walking unattended through a Washington tenement district.

Harrison, Cleveland, McKinley and Taft were the other presidents whom Halls served as body guard. Taft was the easiest of the six to guard because he followed routes mapped out by the secret service and schedules of public appearances. McKinley, like Wilson was indifferent to danger, while Harrison and Cleveland sometimes chafed under the constant attendance of secret service operatives.

Because of illness, Halls was unable to make the trip to Buffalo with the presidential party on the fateful occasion when McKinley was shot to death by Czolgosz. Czolgosz was in a queue of visitors shaking hands with the president, and as it came his turn to greet McKinley, fired from a pistol hidden in a hankerchief bound around his hand.

"Had I been there I believe my precautions would have averted the tragedy," Halls reminisced. He explained that instead of one guard at the president's elbow there should have been two, one on either side.

As it was the assassin, screened by a large man in front of him, was abreast of the president before he came under the eyes of the operative standing at McKinley's left. A guard to the right would have seen the hankerchief wrapped hand before Czolgosz was near McKinley, Halls said.

Always during his years as guard, Halls watched for persons with bandaged hands, or others carrying anything in their hands. Suspicious persons were searched without their knowledge. An operative would brush against them and run his hand swiftly over their pockets.

Once at Kokomo, Ind., Taft was entering the speaker's

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## The Busy Reader's Newspaper

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The official pamphlet containing the 19 legislative measures, proposed constitutional amendments, initiative measures and referendums to be voted on at the general November election, has been printed under the direction of the secretary of state and made public. It contains 104 pages, and 350,000 copies will be mailed to the registered voters of the state.

W. J. Elmendorf of Seattle, well known in mining circles over the United States as a mining engineer and geologist of high attainments, has been obtained as chief engineer by the newly organized Northwest Copper company, now controlling the mining properties on the Little North Fork of the Santiam at the mouth of Gold Creek.

Sixty-three prize ribbons, one for each pigeon he had entered, were the trophies A. J. Edwards of Salem brought back from the Multnomah county fair which just closed at Gresham. Mr. Edwards was the only pigeon fancier to take ribbons on every bird entered at the fair.

The state board of forestry, of which Governor Walter M. Pierce is chairman, issued a proclamation in which a reward of \$500 is offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person found guilty of maliciously and purposely setting fires in Oregon contrary to law.

Tuesday, August 10

The annual death toll in Marion county from diphtheria, which amounted to 19 last year, can be cut down to practically nothing if proper preventative measures are taken, it was stated by Dr. Walter H. Brown, county health officer and director of the Marion county child health demonstration.

Deaths from diphtheria in the county last year were second only to tuberculosis, with 21, among the deaths from contagious and preventable diseases.

Action on locating the new Tuxedo Park school house was deferred until next Tuesday night at the school board meeting. Two of the directors, Mark McCallister and L. J. Simeral were absent, and the architects, James & Bartholomew, failed to appear.

A. E. Clark, Portland attorney, in a letter prepared following a conference with Governor Walter M. Pierce here,

said he would act as counsel for the executive in conducting further investigations and study of the rates assessed by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company in Oregon.

Offers to furnish raw material at a price low enough to enable an unnamed Tacoma paper tablet factory to meet competition in case it decides to relocate in Salem, have been made by the Oregon Pulp & Paper company, it is understood, in hope the new concern may be brought to Salem.

Wednesday, August 11

L. P. Campbell was elected president and James Nicholson vice president at the first meeting of the newly appointed city zoning and planning commission. No other official business was accomplished, as the members wish to wait until they get a more definite understanding of the task before them.

"Railroads of today are not controlled as they once were by a few reckless, plunging, gambling magnates," according to Roy Shields, formerly of Salem, and now attorney for the Union Pacific in Portland, in a speech before the Salem Rotary club. "Now no one stockholder owns more than 2 per cent of the entire stock."

The population of the Oregon state penitentiary is now at the highest peak of its history, with 592 convicts behind the walls, according to an announcement by prison officials.

A substantial increase in exports from the Portland district during the period between July 1, 1925, and July 30, 1926, was revealed in a report filed in the executive department by the Oregon state board of pilot commissioners. Exports for the 1926-27 period will probably exceed those covered in this report, it was said.

Thursday, August 12

Voters of the state of Oregon at the general election in 1928 will express their attitude on the question of repealing the 18th amendment to the federal constitution, according to an initiative petition filed in the offices of the secretary of state. The petition was filed by the World War Veterans' league.

The first naturalization class at the YMCA this fall will meet the first Saturday night in September, it was announced. Classes will be held every Saturday night following that until some time in June.

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