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Just Folks
by Edgar A. Guest

CONTENTMENT
Contentment has no fixed abiding place.
No favorite haunt for weary men to seek;
Her tongue is one which all may learn to speak,
Her beauty sometimes tints the saddest face.
The humblest home may know her gentle grace;
She has been found upon the mountain peak
And in the valleys left her lovely trace.
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THE FUNCTION OF LAUGHTER

THERE are two features essential to the ludicrous. First, it always involves some maladjustment, something inappropriate, which, if we contemplated it without laughter (as do some persons who seem incapable of laughter), would displease us, as every lack of harmony and order in nature displeases us, writes William McDougall in Scribner's Magazine.
Secondly, in every case, the ludicrous situation or action is one which, if we ourselves suffered it or performed it, would be mildly distressing to us; and it is one which as a matter of fact is mildly distressing to the person who suffers or performs it, except in the case of the clown who acts the part and finds satisfaction in the success of his efforts to provoke laughter.

Now, if we had no capacity for laughter, in virtue of the primitive sympathetic tendency we should, on contemplating these disharmonies of action, share in some degree the distress, the embarrassment, the disappointment or the humiliation, in short, the pain and depression, which accompany all failure of action.

That is to say, a human being, deprived of the capacity for laughter, but otherwise normally constituted and leading a normally social life, would suffer very frequently from sympathetic pain and depression. For the pain of every little embarrassment, disappointment, failure and mishap of all those about him would be sympathetically shared by him. We are saved from this multitude of small sympathetic pains and depressions by laughter, which, as we have seen, breaks up our train of mental activity and prevents our dwelling upon the distressing situation, and which also provides an antidote to the depressing influence in the form of physiological stimulation that raises the blood pressure and promotes the circulation of the blood.

This, then, is the biological function of laughter, one of the most delicate and beautiful of all nature's adjustments.

SERVICE MEN FAVOR SCHOOLS

DURING the fourth annual convention of the American Legion, department of Florida, in session just closed at Palm Beach, there was unanimous and enthusiastic adoption of the following resolution:

"Whereas the public school system is the fountain head of better Americanism, therefore be it
Resolved, That the convention favors federal support of the public schools under a system that will not interfere with state supervision of such schools; and be it
Resolved further, That this convention favors an improved system for the vocational training of ex-service men, backed by ample appropriations."

Senators and representatives in congress who favor the Towner-Sterling bill, establishing a department of education with a secretary in the president's cabinet, find in this action of the premier young American man organization great encouragement. So many organizations of all sorts have endorsed the bill that sentiment in congress is rapidly crystallizing toward its early passage, it is said. To find the ex-service men of Florida solidly behind support for the public school is very gratifying to all friends of the bill and all proponents of Americanization plans which are to work out through the public school.

RADIO TIP BRINGS WOE

WHEN Major General George O. Squier, chief of the army signal corps, recently succeeded in operating a radio telephone apparatus by connecting it with an ordinary electric light, amateurs all over the country decided to try his method, says the New York World.

As a result electric lighting plants in various cities have been nearly disorganized, hundreds of homes have been plunged into temporary darkness and many of the amateurs have had their machines wrecked. Electricians and dealers in electrical supplies have been the only gainers.

The explanation was quickly forthcoming. Newspaper accounts of General Squier's experiment were not technical reports, and the idea took root that his scheme did away with antennae and other wires—that one simply turned the switch and enjoyed the music.

But the average electric light circuit gives 110 volts, while a radio machine is built to take about six. The combination was disastrous. Either the fuse, the radio machine or something else had to go, and they went, in large numbers.

LIFE-LONG INVALID SAYS RADIO IS REAL BLESSING



A. J. De Long and his Radiophone.

(By International News Service.)
LAYFAYETTE, Ind., April 20.—Shut in because of physical handicaps, A. J. De Long, magazine subscription agent of this city, is finding renewed joy in the radio musical programs now being broadcasted throughout the nation.
The invalid has become a regular radio enthusiast and has had set up in his room a complete receiving set. He listens with ease to programs from stations in Schenectady, Newark, Springfield, Mass.; Washington, Detroit, Chicago, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Dallas and other cities.
"I would like to see a radio receiving set in every American home where there is an invalid," declares De Long. "Radio furnishes bread and meat for the soul. The new fad has come as a blessing to those of us who are shut in."
De Long probably is the busiest invalid in America. His income is derived from his magazine subscription agency. During the pre-holiday season he is especially busy, he says. Last December, according to his estimate, he handled more than 12,000 letters containing magazine subscriptions.
In April of last year De Long opened in this city a doctors' information exchange, which has become famous throughout this section of the country. An article regarding his exchange has appeared in various medical journals throughout the country.

TOM SIMS SAYS

A Chicago traffic cop was fired for flirting. The girls just couldn't resist an officer.

When a woman looks her best she finds what she is after.

A square deal is a good deal.

The king of Siam has 10,000 wives. But he hates to go shopping.

Low shoes are lower, but still high.

The main trouble with a reformer is he often becomes a deformer.

Volstead, we read, will have a hard time getting reelected. He ought to poll the bootlegger vote.

A cynic thinks that if there is honor among thieves they stole it.

This is the time of the year that politicians begin to love the American flag.

One college is advising its girls to get jobs as cooks. A shortage of can openers is predicted.

Used cars are all right, unless they are mistused cars.

A boat load of Russian ex-generals has arrived in New York so there will be no water shortage.

The real friend of the farmer is the farmer.

Sharp words don't cut much ice.

A girl seldom leaves home to get out of bad company.

A California cop arrested his wife for speeding, but just wait until she gets out again.

Small heads are the spring styles. Count on the girls to keep cool.

RADIO USED TO BEAT BOOKMAKER ON RACES

LONDON, April 21.—(L. N. S.)—The first race course swindle by wireless telegraphy, in which two American citizens are concerned, has been discovered by the Vienna police.

The Americans, one a wireless operator, backed horses heavily in the Paris races about ten minutes after each race was run. A Viennese bookmaker accepted the bets, believing that communication between Vienna and Paris was impossible except by telegraphing, which takes at least four hours.

After the bookmaker had paid out large sums several times he became suspicious and informed the police. Both swindlers were arrested and admitted the fraud.

COLLEGE SPORTS

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, April 21.—(U. P.)—A dual track meet between the University of Oregon and the University of Washington, a meet between the Oregon freshmen and O. A. C., comprise the athletic program for the annual Junior Week-end May 12, 13 and 14.

Preparations for the festivities are well underway and it is expected that a large number of the high school students of the state will take this opportunity to inspect the university and its equipment. In an effort to show as much of the actual university as possible, rather than the college in holiday attire, the number of events on the program has been cut down.

The canoe race, which is held on the mill race near the campus will this year for the first time be viewed comfortably as bleachers are being erected which are expected to seat approximately 1100 persons. Men's and women's housing organizations will work together in preparation of floats. This plan was adopted to enable the floats to be constructed with the minimum loss of time and money. Silver loving cups will be awarded to the winners.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 21.—(U. P.)—It looks like a bad season for veteran oarsmen. When California and Washington meet on Lake Washington on April 21 to decide who will represent the Pacific Coast at the intercollegiate regatta at Boughkeepsie, N. Y., late this spring, both institutions will expect laurels at the hands of new shellers.

California has but two letter men working in the first shell under Coach Ben Wallis. Three veterans are manning seats in the Sunodger shell. Coach Leader is trimming for the great race.

Dan McMillan stroke, is in the Bruin shell, to the unmitigated joy of the southern supporters.

Captain Mike Murphy, Bob Ingraham, and Sam Shaw are the only members of last year's crew pulling in the first shell for Washington. Two likely freshmen of last year's babe crew, Red Mason and Fred Spohn, seem likely men for other seats. Clarence Magnusson, Toly France, and Zeke Clark, letter men from last year's squad, so far have failed to cop a seat.

California has arrived here and is practicing daily on the lake with Bear supporters and critics generally giving the southern shell the daily once over. It appears to be nip and tuck at this stage of the game. With Washington having just the shade, if any, over last year's victors.

28 YEARS AGO

(From the Daily East Oregonian, April 21, 1904.)
T. A. Leuaten went down to Umatilla Sunday evening.

Rheumatism at 60



S.S.S. Thoroughly Rids the Body of Rheumatism Impurities.
Somebody's mother is suffering tonight. The source of rheumatism has wrecked her body; limping and suffering, bent forward, she sees but the common ground, but her aged heart still belongs to the stars. Does anybody care? S.S.S. is one of the greatest blood-purifiers known, and it helps build more blood cells. Its medicinal ingredients are purely vegetable. It never disarranges the stomach. It is, in fact, a splendid tonic, a blood maker, a blood enricher. It banishes rheumatism from joints, muscles and the entire body. It builds firm flesh. It is what somebody's mother needs tonight. Mother, if you can not go out to get a bottle of S.S.S. yourself, surely somebody in your family will. Somebody, get a bottle of S.S.S. now! Let somebody's mother begin to feel joyful again tonight. Maybe, maybe it's your mother! S.S.S. is sold at all drug stores. In two sizes. The larger size is the more economical.

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1—New Ellington Player, Walnut; was \$750.00. Special Friday and Saturday \$525.00	1—Violin, 1-2 size; was \$15.75. Special Friday and Saturday \$11.00
1—Good as new Brunswick; was \$285.00. Special Friday and Saturday \$225.00	1—Violin, 3-4 size; was \$16.75. Special Friday and Saturday \$13.00
1—Used Brinkerhoff Player Piano; was \$475.00. Special Friday and Saturday \$375.00	20—Music Rolls, tan leather; were \$2.35. Special Friday and Saturday \$1.50
1—P. S. Wick, Mahogany, Player Piano; was \$900.00 new. Special \$500.00	25—Music Rolls, black leather; were \$2.35. Special Fri. and Sat. ... \$1.50
1—Violin Outfit (includes case and bow); was \$106.00. Special Friday and Saturday \$58.00	12—Music Rolls, black leather; were \$2.75. Special Friday and Saturday \$1.75

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