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Office With Al Hermanson

AMONG OUR UNFORTUNATES

The writer took advantage of the opportunity, Tuesday to attend the graduation exercises of the State School for the deaf at Salem and was very much impressed with the efforts put forth by the students of that institution, as well as the directors and teachers.

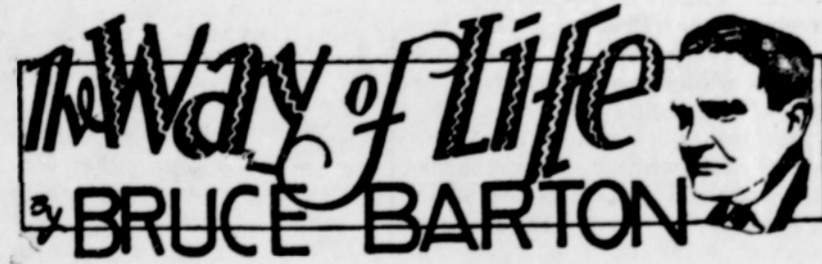
This was our first experience to witness such an affair and we marvel at the way our state is looking after the affairs of these unfortunates. Little tots from the age of six are sent there and are taught to talk, write, read, sing, play the piano and a great number of things. Each of the girls who graduated made their own graduation dress.

At this institution we have a complete school plant offering a training equivalent to a grade and high school education and including the teaching of several trades which people afflicted as these are, will be able to follow. Dormitories are provided, meals served, laundry washed, even hospitalization is provided for the sick. Large beautiful yards and grounds are provided including play sheds for the younger children.

The deaf children and their parents, of this state are indeed fortunate to have such a well directed and efficient plant in this state for their use.

Chicago is staging another miniature war to make the city safe for the gangster and the "ward healers." We wonder how long it will be before an expeditionary force will be sent there to teach the rude Chicagoans how to peacefully conduct themselves. This government has sent such contingents to other quarters of the globe to attend to such chores. Perhaps the old saying that "Charity should begin at home" would not be amiss.

Secretary of State Hal E. Hoss just returned to the state from a conference in Washington D. C. called by the president to discuss safety. It seems to be the sense of the persons called into the conference that an examination is what the drivers of automobiles need. While it is true inexperience is a very possible cause for many of the accidents we believe that many more accidents are caused from over-confidence than by inexperience. An even greater source of trouble is carelessness and drunken driving. How will an examination reach these classes? Yet, they are the most deadly. Anyone may become reckless at times and take chances which they should not with the result that an accident might occur. And there are many who "kid" themselves they can drive as well with their head swimming from the effects of alcohol as they can while sober. In the case of this class the examination is usually given after the damage is done with the result that no one is benefitted.



IN PRAISE OF EARTHWORMS
If the earthworms were to publish a magazine, some dramatic success stories would be recorded. It would tell, for example, the remarkable career of John G. Worm. Born of humble parents, in dark surroundings, he managed by his own effort to push himself up to the surface. There he was spied

by Fortune in the form of a robin, which snatched him high into the clouds. His moment of elevation was brief, but while it lasted the vision was splendid. It would tell of Frederick L. Worm, who was working along quietly one day when an upheaval tossed him to fame and glory. Success was attended by pain, as is

often the case. He was impaled up on a fishhook and carried away to be immersed in a strange element. There his life ended, but not before he had done the biggest job ever achieved by any member of his family. The fortune he landed devoured, but it was a big fortune.

To the other worms these stories might be discouraging. "Fame is for the few", they would say. Nothing ever happens to us. We just stir around awhile and die."

It would surprise them to know that a book on worms was written by the great scientist Darwin. Their surprise would be intensified if they were to learn that this book makes no mention of the exceptional members of their tribe. The few worms that are carried in to the clouds, or succeed in landing big fish, are dismissed by him as of small importance.

But the great mass of unknown worms, who spend their whole lives beneath the surface of observation, he hails as the most important creatures in the world.

If for one year they should cease their industrious digestion of the leaf mold and their incessant stirring of the ground, no crops would grow, and animals and men would die.

I think that Darwin's book on earthworms should be a part of all education along with the inspiring biographies of the great. It would tend to teach us humility. We human beings who walk so proudly as monarchs of the world—what are we anyway? Beneficiaries of the worms, without whose leave we could not live a year.

As for fame, it is stimulating, and lifts the spirit of the crowd. But shall we despair because to most of us it is denied?

Beneath the surface life is carried forward by the sustained loyalty of the mass. And who shall doubt that there are Purposes as far beyond our reckoning as our lives—which they make possible—are beyond the vision of the worms?

City Gas Convenience Miles From City

City gas used everywhere from cook stoves to furnaces by four out of five families, is now taking country homes by storm.

Standard Flamo, condensed natural gas, is rapidly being introduced in this district by the Standard Oil Company of California. And there are mighty few things that can bring more comfort to folks in the country than this city gas, the quickest and cheapest fuel for everyday cooking and heating—ready for instant use without installation of gas mains.

In ushering Standard Flamo into suburban homes, the Standard Oil Company, one of the pioneers in developing "home gas plants", is offering a product proven in scores of California households during the past year. This new fuel gas, condensed to a liquid and stored in steel cylinders, enclosed in an attractive metal cabinet may be installed outdoors and connected, by ordinary piping, with modern gas ranges, water heaters and other gas appliances that mean so much less housekeeping drudgery.

Time was when country women just had to get used to carrying wood and shoveling ashes, but these days are about to go out of style. With Standard Flamo being delivered everywhere and comparable to city gas both in quality and cost—there's not much excuse for spending long hours over a hot cook-stove, for exorbitant fuel bills or late meals.

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And She's Out of Reach

By Albert T. Reid



IN THE RADIO STUDIOS

with ALBERT ZUGSMITH, Jr.

DID YOU KNOW—

That President Hoover has addressed the radio audience 22 times in the 14 months that he has headed the nation? Coolidge in his seven years of office broadcasted but 37 times while the present Chief Executive has sent his voice over the ether waves 45 times in the last five years.

That the height of Henry Burdick's (CBS comedian extraordinary) ambition is to play Hamlet in Eskimo dialect?

That Ozzie Nelson's orchestra, which has been on the air only three months, is leading Rudy Vallee, Will Osborn and others of broadcasting fame in a popularity contest being run by a New York newspaper, by several thousands votes?

That those visiting a transmitting station are advised to check their watches at the door so that their time-pieces don't get magnetized by the apparatus within. A magnetized watch is just as liable to gain a couple of hours a day as it is to lose a few hours the next day.

That Amos of Amos 'n' Andy is now the proud father of a five-pound baby girl. Floyd Gibbons insists that it should be named "Kingfish."

That Rudy Vallee uses a glass magnaphone when he broadcasts from his night club, so that his feminine admirers may set all of his face!

When the Prince of Wales decided to learn how to play the banjo, he comandered the services of none other than Harry Ieser, who leads the Clicquot Club Eskimos on the NBC network.

That farmer in Rhode Island with no previous technical experience built a twelve-tube receiver with which he has heard broadcasts from

over 700 stations in 52 countries in all five continents? His six children are acquiring a foreign accent by mimicking announcers of far-away lands.

Believe it or not, but Bob Ripley receives over 1,000,000 fan letters a year. And the bottom has dropped out of the waste-paper market!

The smallest broadcasting station in the world, WPRC, has been carried in the left hand of Ed Cohan, director of technical operations for the Columbia system, from Times Square to their studios on Madison Avenue. Its aerial is a hollow brass pipe, one inch in diameter and three feet long, which when carried in its bag looks like a soldier's pack and rifle. Soon I guess, we'll be opening our wallets and taking out our personal broadcasting station to radio the wife that we'll be late for dinner to-night.

Very Latests

By Mary Marshall
Some mothers don't care whether



their small daughters appear well dressed or not. Some mothers would rather not have their young daughters look well dressed for fear their tender young minds might become preoccupied with thoughts of clothes. But most sensible mothers take a real pleasure in having their children well turned out and feel that they owe it to them to provide clothes in which they may appear to the best advantage.

The actual money spent on clothes is of less significance with children than it is with grown women—so much depends on color and contour of the clothes selected and on their spic and span spotlessness and neatness.

The older one grows the more one stands in need of costly fabrics and fine workmanship to achieve distinction. The plainest of serge or flannel, or gingham or calico answers the purpose for young girls, and the rules of achieving distinction are comparatively simple.

There should be a definite and simple color scheme. The hat and other accessories should always be related in color to the wrap or dress. Everything should be as nearly spotless as possible, and free from wrinkles. Skirt hems should be carefully adjusted so that they are neither too long or too short.

The little girl's ensemble, shown here, consists of a navy blue coat with red and blue printed silk dress, and a red straw hat with blue and red feather. With it are worn navy blue oxfords.

Bishop Attacked



Rev. James Cannon, Jr., Methodist Bishop of Virginia, whose activities as a "dry" lobbyist are under scrutiny by church and Congressional authorities.

PINKEY DINKEY

PINKY'S IDEA OF SAYING NOTHING

By Terry Gilkison

