

ELDERS TAKE SECOND PLACE

Writer Asserts That Spanish Children Are the Worst Spoiled Youngsters on the Earth.

W. B. Trites, a writer, who recently returned from Spain, was talking in Philadelphia about Spanish children. "Spanish children," said he, "are the worst spoiled, and Spanish parents the most indulgent, in the world. The dining and reception rooms of Spanish hotels swarm with screaming, frolicking, fighting children, but the Spanish guests smile indulgently. A child of six eats as much as it likes of everything on the table, and accompanies its parents everywhere. At three or four o'clock in the morning, the usual hour for Spanish entertainments to come to an end, innumerable tiny tots, exhausted, are bundled into waiting carriages by loving parents. If you ask them why they didn't leave the poor babies at home, they shrug their shoulders and answer, helplessly: 'They wanted to come.'

"I suppose the only reason one doesn't see Spanish babies seated at the cafes behind glasses of beer or whisky is because they prefer their sugary air-ups."

Mr. Trites smiled.

"An English newspaper correspondent," he continued, "strolled through the reception room at the Madrid hotel at which I stayed, when a Spanish mother said to a friend beside her: 'That Englishman doesn't like children.'

"How do you know?" said her friend.

"Because," was the reply, "my little Carlos went into his room yesterday, while he was out, to have a little fun with his typewriter. The child only played with the machine and sharpened the pencils on his desk with a razor that was there. And yet I notice that whenever the Englishman sees Carlos now he looks cross."

Wild Animals in Banff.

Although Banff, Alberta, is a bustling village during the summer and is thronged with tourists, wild deer from the mountains are to be seen daily on the streets and at night stately elk leap from the roads in the bushes to escape approaching automobiles. If a Banff cottager expects to eat his own "garden truck" he builds a deer-proof fence around his patch. The grounds of Brett hospital are open from the street and the other night a half-dozen mule deer made a raid upon the flower garden. Banff is the capital of Rocky Mountain park, and shooting game within the park limits is forbidden by law. The deer, being unmolessted, have become very tame, and even a bear now and then pays a friendly visit to the village. Not long ago a bicyclist, speeding down one of the side streets at night, hit a dark object and turned a somersault or two before he hit the macadam. Sitting up, he looked around and discovered a bear hitting the trail for home as fast as four legs could carry him. Although tame and somewhat obtrusive, the deer, elk and bear do not really too close an acquaintance with man, and have proved themselves to be not only picturesque but perfectly safe neighbors.

MICKIE SAYS

NA SEE, READERS, IT'S LIKE THIS—EVERY WEEK A WHOLE GANG OF SUBSCRIPTIONS COMES DUE 'N WE GOTTA ALL 'N TIME BE SENDIN' OUT NOTICES 'N WE DON'T LIKE 'T BE DUNNIN' OUR FRIENDS 'N IF YAD JES KEEP TRACK OF YER DATE 'N RENEW AT THE PROPER TIME—MY GOSH! IT'D SAVE US A LOTTA TIME 'N TROUBLE 'N WE WOULD SURE BE OBLIGED 'N EVERYTHING!



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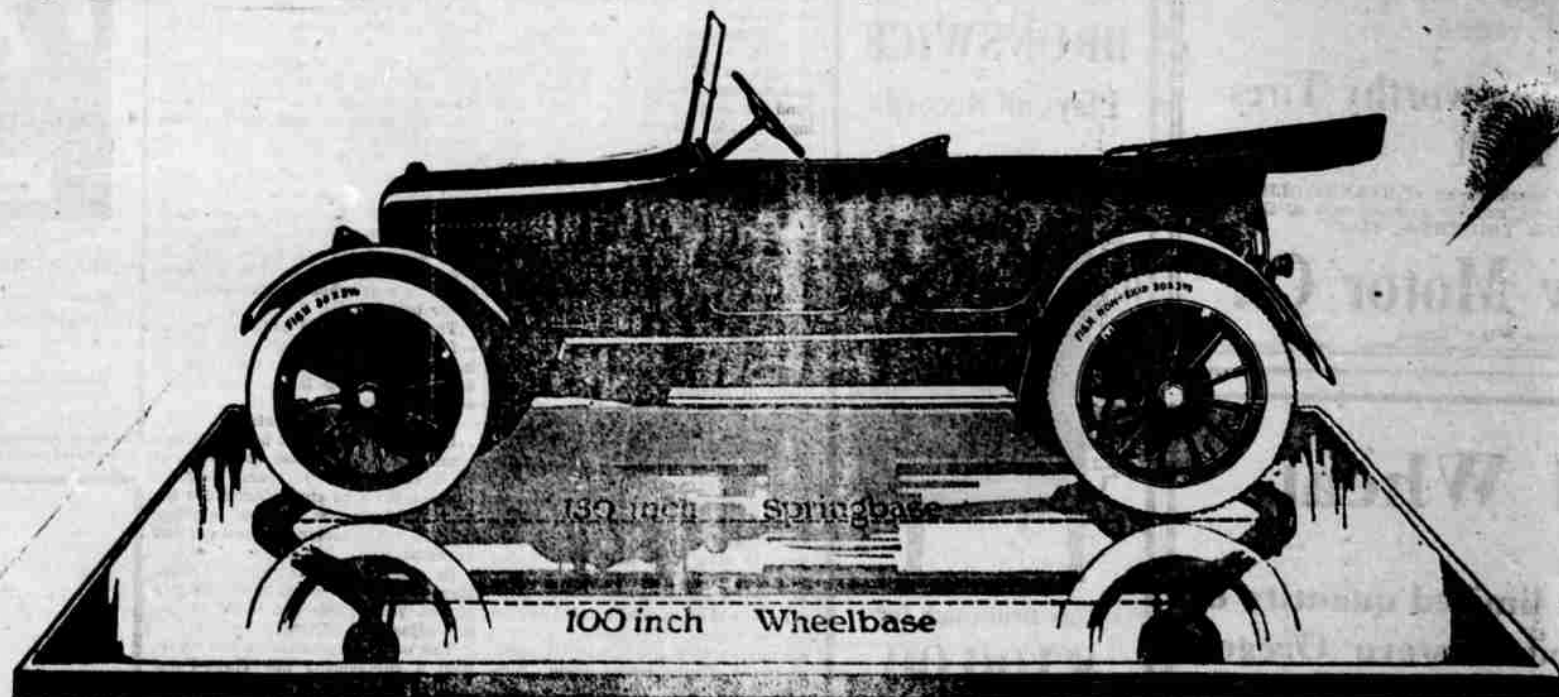
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