

The Way of Life

by BRUCE BARTON

VICTORY

Three interesting and very different experiences occurred one Sunday last fall.

In the morning we sat in the chapel of an historic academy in New England and, while the preacher prayed, we peeked a little. Our eyes wandered over the bowed heads of the boys; our imaginations were busy with thoughts of what might be in store for them.

Riding back to New York on the train we read an impressive speech by the President of the United States.

When the train stopped at Hartford we looked out of the window to see a crowd filling the air with rice and confetti, and presently an embarrassed but happy young couple hurried through the car and into a drawing room.

Of these events—the prayer in the academy chapel, the speech of Mr. Hoover, the marriage of an unknown and apparently commonplace young couple—which was the most important? Which will leave the most lasting impression on history?

No one can possibly tell. If every child and every happening were labeled "This is important" or "This is unimportant" the business of living would soon lose its zest. The eternal uncertainty

of it keeps it exciting.

For example, a King of England, coming down from Scotland, stopped for refreshment at a little town called Scrooby. The young man who waited on the table was so obscure that the king probably never noticed him. But who is more important in the light of history, the weak king James I of England or the strong young man William Brewster who sailed on the Mayflower and became the first governor of Massachusetts?

In 1704 occurred the Battle of Blenheim. Most of us remember nothing about it except the last lines of Robert Southey's poem: "And what was the use of it all?" asked little Tweedledee.

"I don't know," the man said, "but 'twas a famous victory." Just one year before, not far from the battle-field, was born a red faced baby. His name was John Wesley.

Battles, kingdoms, fortunes—they are all part of the great human drama. But the thrill lies in the fact that a word dropped into the fertile mind of a boy, or a young couple starting a new home or a helpless infant uttering its first cry—these also may have underlying significance.

And any one of us, quite unwittingly, may be a part of a famous victory.



BILLBOARDS

The war against defacing the scenery and endangering the lives of highway travelers by advertising billboards is gaining new recruits daily. The latest is the Fox Film Company, which has announced its abandonment of billboard advertising in favor of newspapers. Newspapers are better advertising media, the Fox people say, and of that there is no possible question. If there were no other argument against billboards, that should be enough.

Safety on the highways depends upon every driver keeping his eye on the road. There should be no signboards by the roadside, except those which call attention to the wares of the roadside retailer on the spot, direction markers and signs established by the highway authorities to indicate the condition of the road ahead.

"SPORT"

Two-thirds of what passes for "sport" in the United States is pure commercialism. Some of the inside of the "boxing game" was revealed the other day when a fight promot-

er sued Gene Tunney for half a million dollars, claimed as commission for arranging championship bouts. The court decided against the claim, but in the course of the testimony the whole business of prize-fight promotion was exposed as the money-making scheme which it is.

There isn't any reason why people who like boxing and wrestling matches, professional baseball or college football or any of the other so-called "sports" which are promoted for the big gate-money, should not go to see them. It is a degradation of the word "sport", however, to call such things sporting events. They are in the same class of entertainments as the circus and the movies.

DUPONT

Although related to one of the richest families in the world, T. Coleman Du Pont started in life with nothing but his bare hands and a keen mind. He worked as a coal miner, with pick and shovel, in a coal mine which he later owned. He loved to build, but cared little for the thing he had built after it was done. When the Du Pont powder industry was dying of dry rot and his cousins, who owned it, wanted to sell out, Coleman Du Pont offered to take hold and see what he could do. He built the business up into one of the most important industrial corporations in the world, and then retired to do something else.

A great American passed away when Coleman Du Pont died at the age of 66.

MATING

The head of the Westfield, N. J. schools, told a convention of school nurses the other day that one of the

things which high school students should be taught is how to select their future husbands and wives, and how to judge the characters of men and women.

That is extremely practical advice. The problem of mating wisely is the most difficult one which the young man or young woman faces, and the one in which he or she usually has had less help from parents than in any other of the problems of real life.

Three-quarters, at least, of all the marital difficulties which have brought the divorce rate up so high in this country, arise from the fact that young folks have had no instruction at all as to the qualities in the other sex which make for married happiness. In a completely civilized state, the proper mating of young human beings will be regarded as of equal importance with the proper mating of livestock.

CASH

Within the next three weeks the largest amount of cash newly put into circulation at one time will

find its way into the tills of merchants all over the country. That is the annual distribution of the Christmas Clubs, maintained by 8,000 banks. Eleven million persons have been depositing small amounts every week since the first of the year, in order to accumulate a fund for Christmas buying. The average in these Christmas accounts is \$56.40 this year, but the grand total runs to six hundred and twelve million dollars.

Not all of the money will be spent for Christmas presents. Some will go into permanent savings and investments, some to pay off debts incurred during the year, some for other purposes. About a third will be spent for gifts; but all of the six hundred million will change hands, and it is money changing hands that makes business good. The faster it changes hands, the better business is.

The stimulus of this immense sum starting to circulate again should go a long way toward restoring prosperity.

Try a G. W. Want Ad.

TASTY, FRESH

Shell FISH

Eat them here now. Prepared to your order.

FOR A GOOD MEAL ANY TIME or just A LIGHT LUNCH OR FOUNTAIN REFRESHMENTS

ELKHORN RESTAURANT

ED CHINN, Prop.

SPEND THE HOLIDAYS IN

CALIFORNIA

LOW ROUND TRIP FARES DAILY

California invites you to playland where winter is summer. Fast trains to take you there in comfort.

CIRCLE TRIP One way via Salt Lake City; the other via Portland, San Francisco and Coast Resorts. Stopovers going and returning.

UNION PACIFIC

Chester Darbo, Agent, Heppner, Oregon

Sweets Don't Rot Teeth; Idea Changed, Says OSC

For many years candy and other sweets have been portioned out sparingly to the children of careful parents on the grounds that too much of it would "rot the teeth."

Today this indictment against too much sweets has been changed, says Miss Mabel A. Wood, assistant professor of foods and nutrition at Oregon State college. They are still considered bad for the child's teeth, not because of any tendency to rot them, but for the same reason that they are bad for the rest of the body—simply that they dull the child's appetite for foods containing vitamins, minerals and other substances necessary for health.

"Candy and similar sweets pro-

vide heat or energy that can be used to good advantage if taken in the right amount and at the right time," explained Miss Wood. "But if candy is eaten before a meal it not only irritates the lining of the stomach, but spoils the appetite for solid foods such as milk and vegetables."

"Pushed aside by the child who has too much candy, are a greater part of the foods containing protein necessary for growth, the calcium for bones and teeth, iron for blood, and other minerals and vitamins.

while the candy brings only calories in return." The loss to the child from such eating habits would not be serious in one day, of course, said Miss Wood, but when it is repeated day after day it cannot help but prove disastrous to growth and general development.

For Sale—15 head of Jersey cows and heifers, some fresh now, all fresh by next spring. Will sell one or all. Dairy Butler, Willows, Ore., or phone Cecil. 35-38p.

U.B. Prifty

A BANK

STRONG in resources, conservative in management, progressive in its policy with ample capital, modern equipment and splendid organization; officers of experience and a strong directorate.

Our customers have found our services entirely satisfactory and do not hesitate to recommend us to their friends.

Your patronage is solicited.

FARMERS & STOCKGROWERS NATIONAL BANK

There is No Substitute for Safety

Your voice reaches other cities with speed and clarity

It's easy to place an inter-city call. Just ask for the place and number you want. If you don't know the number, Information will help you. If you will talk with anyone who answers, instead of a particular person, the charge is usually even lower.

THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY

MACMARR STORES

HUNGRY?

Does your family look forward with pleasure to meal time when they are hungry? You may be sure they will hurry home if you serve meals made more delicious by the variety of good foods which we offer you. Freshness and quality are of first importance in foods and we give you both at our up-to-the-minute food stores.

WELCOME EAST OREGON WHEAT MEN

Saturday & Monday Specials

Soap F. & G. White Naphtha Soap. For all laundry purposes. 12 Bars 45c	COFFEE The Wonderful MacMarr 3 LBS. \$1.00	Flour MacMarr Quality pat. hard wheat. The fact this flour is so satisfying proves its quality. Per Sack \$1.37
COFFEE Economy Blend—for the price it can not be excelled. 3 LBS. 79c	Flour 2 Large 2 1/2 Lb. Pkgs. 29c 2 No. 10 Sacks 98c	
Shortening Sold in Bulk. Light and Fluffy. 4 Lbs. 59c		
FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES THE QUALITY IS BEST AND THE PRICES ARE RIGHT		
ORANGES Med. Small Navel. Real Juicy. 2 Doz. 43c	CELERY Large Jumbo, Well Bleached. 2 Bunches. 23c	SWEET SPUDS Smooth, even sizes. 7 Lbs. 35c
PEANUTS Fresh Roast. ed. 2 LBS. 29c	Candy A Real Good Mix. 2 LBS. 29c	
SYRUP Our best Cane and Maple, delicious for those pancakes. Quarts 45c Gallons \$1.45	CORN A Golden Sweet Yellow. 2 TINS 25c PER CASE \$2.75	Potatoes Good grade, Govt. Insp. 50 LBS. \$1.00 100 LBS. \$1.79
Tomatoes No. 2 Tins with Puree. 2 TINS 25c PER CASE \$2.75	Hams Good Quality Sugar Cure PER LB. 29c	
MACMARR STORES	Prunes Good Grade, Med. Size. 10 LBS. 89c 25 LBS. \$1.98	

More and More Equipment

.....to Serve You Better and Better

Hardly a half-century ago Electric Service was almost unknown. Today it is universally the most used and useful of utilities. No element known has rendered such service to so many people. There is not a room in the modern home that is not made more livable, comfortable and convenient through Electric light and all-doing appliances. Each of them is as economical in operation as it is convenience-bringing.

Your home should be as modern and up-to-the-minute as the electric service supplied to it so economically and dependably by

Pacific Power and Light Company

"Always at your Service"

CATERPILLAR

REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.

SCHOOL free!

A SHORT course of profit-yielding instruction on tractors—tractor uses—power machines—work you can do with such machines and how to do it—how to get the most work from machines and the longest life and best results—care and operation—correct lubrication.

Told by experts from the "Caterpillar" factory—shown by pictures, diagrams and motion pictures—both told and shown by thousands of feet of new TALKING MOVIES!

Dec. 15 and 16

A. E. Page Machinery Co., Inc.
Walla Walla, Wash.

WHO? This school is not only for the owners of power equipment—and the operators—but also for everyone who has an interest in machinery and how to use it most effectively and profitably.

WHY? This school is conducted not to sell but to tell—a sincere effort to be of service to users, operators, and all others who are interested in power equipment, in this community.

WHERE? Right in your community—the "Caterpillar" school is brought to you—near at hand and convenient.

WHEN? See dates below. The school is a brief one, but it's chuck-full of interest and value from start to finish, you can't afford to miss a minute of the sessions.

HOW? Just come—the school is free—no tuition fees nor any charges—bring your friends. We'd like to know how many to provide for—so write, 'phone, or drop in to tell us you'll attend this school.

MACMARR STORES