

On The Side

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Kiss me, though you make believe,
Kiss me, though I almost know
You are kissing to deceive;
Whisper to me sweet and low,
Tell me how you sit and weave
Dreams about me, though I know
It is only make believe.
—Alice Cary

Note it stated that over two hundred young men under 30 have become millionaires in the United States since the end of World War II. That claim I doubt. Still several young fellows have proved it is still possible to become a millionaire in a brief period. As for example, Hal Zimmerman, who began his career selling watches by mail. He now has one of the largest mail order outfits in this country. That mail order field has great possibilities. I advise young fellows to check on it.

Sidelights

How many earnings has your wife lost lately? Does she know there is on the market something called an "earring guard" that prevents such losses? ... Smokers who inhale absorb 10 times as much nicotine as those who don't.

Among the Married

Recently wives who are identical twins sued their husbands for divorce on identical grounds. They said their husbands "yelled" at them. Divorces were granted. Do you ever yell at your loving wife, mister? Better be careful. That is, unless she yells back. Then it is all right. Gives you both a chance to let off steam. Is an emotional release. Incidentally, the claim that a soft answer turneth away wrath doesn't always work with a wife. A soft answer seems to increase the anger of many wives. Average woman likes a man who will fight back.

Get It Right

I said the official song of the New Orleans Mardi Gras was titled "If I Ever Cease to Love." A Crescent City subscriber, demanding a stogie, states it is "If Ever I Cease to Love," and he quotes one line as follows: "May all dogs wag their tails in front if ever I cease to love."

Briefly

"It was Renee Odoree who played Charmaine in the original film version of 'What Price Glory,'" says a San Franciscan. Renee Odoree played a somewhat similar part in "The Big Parade." Dolores Del Rio was the original film Charmaine. ... Add members My Name Is a Poem Club: Anita Civita, Pleasantville, N. Y. ... The law in Argentina is that a dismissed employee must be paid a month's wages for every year of service.

Mules & Men

The preference of many young women for middle-aged men as husbands continues. It has been cynically observed that this is because men of that age can offer a girl more security than the young fellows. Also because they are more "appreciative" of the affection bestowed upon them by a younger woman. However some young women deny security has anything to do with it. To this argument Joan Crawford recently added the following observation: "The young lover is an amateur. Till a woman is 30 and her husband is at least 35, it is strictly high school stuff."

Asking

Queries from clients. Q—You

say Lee Magee, whose real name was Leopold Hoernschmeyer, was "a major league infielder." He was an outfielder. Stogie, please. A—The stogie is on you, mister. Lee Magee was an infielder. You are thinking of another fellow, Sherwood Magee, was an outfielder.

Trackless Trolleys

Any trackless trolleys in your town? How do you like them. Last year 7,000 trackless trolleys earned \$7,000,000 for city transit systems. During the same period \$8,000 buses showed a net loss of \$2,000,000. So I am reliably informed.

Great Play

The greatest war play I ever saw was "Journey's End." As a film it wasn't much. That, in my view, was because exterior scenes were shown. On the stage all the scenes took place in a trench. The power in the piece was in the fact that those in the audience had a chance to give their imagination full play. They felt as if they were in that trench too. That was a psychological angle that escaped the producers of the film.

Young Mothers

The observations young mothers make as to their offspring, especially when same is a first child, are most interesting. A Chelsea, Mass., subscriber says her three months old daughter blows her nose. That when she, the mother, holds the handkerchief to her infant's nose the child blows it. Is this unusual? asks the proud mother.

The Grange

Plan Program

An entertaining Easter program, complete with the appearance of both Peter Cottontail and the Chocolate Rabbit, is being planned for the meeting of Griffin Creek Grange Thursday, April 10. The program will follow the anniversary dinner at 6:30 p.m. for Grangers and friends.

In addition, recitations and songs will be on the program, a reading of the Easter story will be followed by a pantomime, "Rock of Ages."

Blind Man Works To Build Own House

Oakville, Conn. — (U.P.) — Carmen Ezzo is gratified when friends tell him that the house he's building by himself is good looking. Ezzo will never see it himself. He is blind.

Two years ago, he undertook the job, despite protests by neighbors that he was "crazy." They asked, "How can he hit a nail? How can he saw a straight line?" Ezzo, who is about 50, soon proved that he could compensate for lack of sight. Having had experience as a carpenter, plumber and electrician, before his eyes gave out six years ago, he has done nearly all of the work on the two-story, eight-room structure himself.

Friends helped dig the basement and lay the attic floor but "everything else I've done alone," Ezzo said. "The frame, roof, siding, upstairs windows, partitions and shingling ... everything is my work."

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