



On The Side

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For they alone have need of sorrow.
And they alone are poor.
For whom in life, love's holy angel,
Hath opened not her door.
—Mary Clemmer.

The color psychologists have recently been emphasizing the fact that a color having great powers of male attraction is pink. Especially salmon pink. Consequently many women have been featuring that color in their attire. And now, what? Well, sir, it is reported that salmon pink colored swim suits will be popular at the beaches this summer.

That Game
"Here in Dubuque, Ia.," writes John W. Hird, "I am jobless after 55 years with the same firm. That firm, H. B. Glover, garment manufacturers, folded after 99 years in business. Richard Bissell once managed the Glover factory, thus deriving material for his Book of the Month club novel titled "Seven and One Half Cents," which in turn was recreated as the musical, "Pajama Game."

Please Note
Of course, you know and can quote offhand the Twenty-third Psalm? How about the Fifty-first Psalm? Anyway, in a recent divorce case in England, the husband testified that when he read the Fifty-first Psalm to his wife she suddenly broke down and confessed she had been unfaithful to him 30 years ago. And that he was not the father of their son.

Sidelights
On the restaurant orders of bacon and eggs usually only two eggs are included. Should be three eggs. That is the custom in Ireland where the idea of combining eggs and bacon originated. . . . Get it right! It was not Horace Greeley, but J. L. B. Soule, editor of the Terre Haute (Ind.) Express, who first said, "Go West, young man, and grow up with the country."

Asking
Queries from clients. Q. Is the author of "Forever Amber" American or British? A. Kathleen Winsor, author of the torrid novel you mention, was born in Olivia, Minn. Q. What major league ballplayer was nicknamed "Wildfire"? A. Frank Schulte of the Chicago Cubs. Q. What zodiac sign was Rudolph Valentino born under? A. Taurus (April 21-May 20). Q. Who played the title role in the original stage production of "The Great Gatsby"? A. James Rennie.

By Their Stars
Marlene Dietrich is a believer in astrology. When meeting a man who inspires her interest it has been Marlene's practice to ascertain the exact hour and date of his birth. She then sends this to her astrologer, Carroll Richter, to have the gentleman's horoscope read. This to be used as a guide on how to handle the man. Marlene also presents the gentleman with a variety of gifts such as cufflinks, tie pins, etc., inscribed with his zodiac sign. No wonder Miss Dietrich has had so many admirers. You may recall she once entered a Hollywood night club accompanied by six handsome male escorts!

Unusual Surgery
No doubt you have heard of dentists extracting their own teeth? Ever here of a surgeon who operated on himself for appendicitis? It happened. Dr. Theodor Herr of Hamdorf, Germany did it. With the use of

Officer Unimpressed By Reason for Kiss

Long Beach, Calif. — (U.P.) — Jos Blowers, 35, Wilmington, Calif., stopped traffic when his girl accepted his marriage proposal. Blowers, as soon as the girl said "yes," stopped his car at an intersection and kissed her. It was a lingering kiss. Too lingering, said Officer Bland Watkins. Blowers explained the circumstances, Watkins was unmoved. He cited Blowers for failure to observe traffic signals.

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OUT OF THE WOODS

Wood Railroad

On land or water, travel in the Pacific Northwest was on wood in the old days. The fact stands out in a record left by John M. Murphy, Esq. of Dublin, a travel writer for a London publisher in the early 1870s. His journeys brought him to Oregon, then up the Columbia by sternwheel steamboat—stoutly made of cedar and fir. He was heading for the Orofino mines.

Landing at Wallula, Murphy could find no conveyance to Walla Walla but a plank flat car pulled by Dorsey Baker's dinky locomotive on Douglas fir rails topped by iron scraps. Wood was its fuel. Because of the straps, Murphy was warned to ride aloft, else something from below might puncture him. The dinky had a squawling whistle, often sounded, striking Murphy's ears like the yowl of an enraged tomcat.

"Once in motion," wrote Murphy, "it dashed on at a headlong speed of two miles an hour, and rocked like a canoe in a cross sea. . . . I saw why I was not permitted to stand on the floor of the truck, for a piece of hoop-iron, which covered the wooden rails in some places, curled up into what is called a snake-head and pushed through the floor with such force that it nearly stopped the train. . . ."

Wild Walla Walla
There were seven hours of this, with smoke searing Murphy's eyes and sparks setting his silk hat and broadcloth coat on fire several times. It was desert country but the freight trail wound along by the railroad. "Immense prairie schooners, as the wooden wagons are called, drawn by teams of seven or eight pairs of mules or horses, or ten of oxen, wound in long serpentine lines over its bluish surface; and some of the drivers had the temerity to challenge the president of the railway line to run a race with them in his old machine, but he scorned their insinuations, and kept walking quietly beside his train." Murphy was the talk of the

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Retired Man Raises Funds for Hospitals
Memphis, Tenn. — (U.P.) — Retirement failed to stop Dr. Charles E. Diehl, 79, who started getting a hospital bill after he quit being a college president.

Since he retired as president of Southwestern, Diehl has:

1. Raised funds for Japan Christian university.
2. Talked Tennessee into allocating about \$1,000,000 for a state hospital for the feeble-minded at Dickson, Tenn.
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