

On The Side

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Heart to heart
And lips to lips!
Yet once more, ere we part,
Clasp me and make me thine
As mine thou art.
—Browning.

Why should a taxi driver, who does nothing for the passenger but drive him to his destination, be tipped? That is a question constantly asked. I don't know the answer. Have put the query to taxi drivers. Only answer from them I have so far is that if they don't get tips they don't make enough money to support a family. On the other hand, operators of taxi fleets say if they paid the drivers any more their business would be run at a loss. An unhealthy situation. How can it be rectified?

Fashions

What relation has feminine fashion to contemporary conditions? According to the distinguished fashion historian, James Laver, peace and prosperity has prevailed in practically all periods when women wore tight corsets and long dresses and featured long hair. That in periods when women wore short skirts and short hair and plunging necklines the countries where these styles prevailed suffered from unrest, inflation and wide variety of other difficulties.

Efficiency

The number of efficiency experts continues to increase. Now even cemeteries have efficiency experts. One of these had the size of the graves in the cemetery reduced from 33 1/3 square feet to 30 square feet. He pointed out that this reduction would make it possible to bury more people in the cemetery's vacant area and thus afford a substantial increase in profit.

So They Say

The way for a secretary to handle a boss born under Aries (March 22-April 20) is to use the maternal interest angle. Caution him to wear his rubbers, button up his overcoat and so on. Express the view that he works too hard. If he has a headache or a cold always have the aspirins ready. Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) executives are hot tempered. They hit the ceiling when mistakes are made. Secretary of a Scorpio should have a calm, soothing manner of speaking. When a Scorpio executive is in a gay mood he has a touch of the wolf in him. So his secretary should be a broad-minded girl. Or, so say the stargazers.

Passing By

"Heady Eddie" Arcaro. America's greatest jockey. Sometimes because of his generously proportioned proboscis he is referred to as "Banana Nose." It was Napoleon, who said, "When I want any good headwork done I always choose a man, if suitable otherwise, with a large nose." And Rostand observed, "A great nose indicates a great man, genial, courteous, intellectual, virile, courageous."

Asking

Queries from clients. Q. What was the origin of the name of Manhattan's "Gopher Gang"? A. The notorious group of hoodlums you refer to operated from hideouts in basements and cellars. Hence the name "Gopher." It was a very tough gang. One of the favorite diversions of its members was stealing policeman's overcoats. That is, from right off the back of the policeman. Imagine the embarrassment of a cop having to report to his captain, "Somebody stole my overcoat."

EASY COME

Scofield, Utah — (U.P.) — After hiking 15 miles in search of deer, Francis Strang returned home without so much as seeing one. The following morning his wife awakened him to report a buck in the back yard. Strang grabbed his rifle, shot the four pointer, then watched it roll 15 feet downhill to his kitchen door.

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George Bernard Shaw Not Expected To Be Remembered for Work on Alphabet

London—(U.P.) — George Bernard Shaw usually got his way, but the odds are that he will go down in posterity as a playwright and not as the backer of "Shaw's alphabet."

In the million dollar plus will that made him one of the richest writing men of all time, Shaw left his residuary estate for research into a new phonetic system of English with an alphabet in which each letter represented one, and only one, sound.

Infringed with Language

The hot-tempered Irishman worked with words all his life and before he died in 1950 at age 94 he had become pretty infuriated with the English

language, particularly its pronunciation.

Shaw argued that the word "fish" could just as well be spelled "jhoti" on the basis of present phonetics. He explained:

"The 'F' sound could come from the 'gh' in the word 'rough.'"

The 'i' sound from the 'o' in the word 'women.'

The 'sh' sound from the 'ii' in the word 'motion.'

Many Savings

It became Shaw's conviction that English could be so simplified as to save tremendous sums in energy, time, paper and money. Peter Denison Ridge-Beedle,

who discussed the matter with Shaw, estimates the Shaw alphabet would save \$250 million in a year in Britain and \$1 billion in the United States.

But Shaw gave very few clues to the alphabet he wanted except that he seemed to believe that 40 or 42 letters and symbols would cover every sound in English.

However, he realized a lot of people didn't agree with him and he left a loophole whereby his will could be attacked if the alphabet bequest was judged not practical. One of his beneficiaries, the British Museum, is now suing to have the provisions declared invalid.

But Ridge-Beedle and others are contesting the case. Ridge-Beedle has tried to assemble an

SNOW-MAKER

Pittsfield, Mass.—(U.P.)—What backers call "the largest snow-making equipment in the world" has been set up as Bousquet's Ski Area here. The new irrigation-type device can cover an area of 400,000 square feet with snow without any help from nature except temperatures under 30 degrees.

The modern agricultural fairs in America date from colonial times when farmers put their products on display in market towns, primarily for sale.

alphabet using some of Shaw's principles. The result is a collection of letters and symbols as strange looking as the Russian Cyrillic alphabet.

Sudden Eruptions

From time to time in later years Shaw erupted into print in defense of his scheme. After the explosion of the first atom bomb, he wrote to a newspaper ignoring the implications of the super-weapon but attacking the spelling of the word "bomb."

Why the "b" on the end, Shaw asked. The word as pronounced has three simple sounds. There, he said, is an example of a 25 per cent waste of time, energy and paper and it applies through-

out the language. He blamed the spelling of "bomb" on Dr. Samuel Johnson. Ridge-Beedle said that in the Shaw alphabet a word such as lacquer would be spelled "lakr." The word league would be "leg." The word leg then, presumably, would be spelled "lag." The lag? That's where you need a new letter.

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