

# HEROES OF AMERICAN HISTORY

## MAD ANTHONY WAYNE

The son of a farmer, Anthony Wayne was educated at Philadelphia, and at 18 became a land surveyor, a profession that took him to Nova Scotia. Upon his return to the Colonies, he threw himself into the Revolutionary movement and organized a regiment of Pennsylvanians.

An adroit and daring soldier, Wayne's conspicuous gallantry at Ticonderoga and during the winter campaign in New Jersey with Washington led to his promotion to the rank of brigadier-general. The crowning achievement of his career and one that earned for him the title "Mad Anthony" was his midnight assault and capture of Stony Point, the important British post that commanded the road to New England.



After the war, Wayne entered Congress and later became general-in-chief of the U. S. Army. His expeditions against the Northwest Indians, the celebrated victory at the Battle of Fallen Timbers, and the treaties that he negotiated settled the frontier and opened the immense Northwest territory to civilization, materially increasing the size of the United States.

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## Bob Davis Reveals

"Shores and Ships and Sealing Wax—" and Rickshas PEIPING.

LEWIS CARROLL, author of "Alice in Wonderland," made for himself an enviable reputation by balling up the language and injecting into his manuscript references that had nothing whatever to do with the story.

The caption on this column is designed along the Carroll lines, but the word "ricksha" really stands for something.

Roughly speaking, the last census report on rickshas accounted for 44,000 of the rubber-tired, two-wheeled, one-passenger vehicles, drawn by fleet-footed coolies capable of hauling human cargo on most any kind of a thoroughfare—aspaltum preferred—at about the same rate of speed and with less noise than goes with the old-fashioned horse-driven cab.

In point of grace and luxury nothing has ever been invented that can compete with it or make a better showing along the boulevards where traffic streams.

### Lot Is Not a Happy One.

While a spectacle of this sort fills the eye it seldom drifts into one's mind that the lot of the ricksha man is not a happy one. The easy loping stride of the man between the brass-mounted shafts, the three-foot bicycle wheels running silently on ball bearings, make Mercury and his machine a floating unit, gliding onward apparently without effort, but it never occurs to the casual observer that perhaps there is a limit to the physical endurance of the human animal swinging along with a human burden lolling under a pith helmet.

Nothing so completely fits a white man for the indolent life as spending four or five hours a day in a ricksha. The very construction of the device invites a half-reclining posture; added to which the gentle oscillations, more soothing than any motion experienced from the cradle to the grave, produce a relaxation matched only by insensibility. A New England woman brought up to sit erect in a straight back hickory chair and hold herself like a Bunker Hill ramrod thinks nothing, after a

week of rickshaing, of imitating Cleopatra on her chaise longue eyeing Mark Antony. A ricksha "sure do break down" one's resistance and makes a formal posture, coincident with good manners, quite a bore.

### "Strut Sitting Down."

Old boys who can't even get the nomination for county clerk back home look like senatorial timber after doing a stretch in an upholstered ricksha. And a tin horn sport who can't even get a kind glance from a head waitress, after a few spins between ricksha wheels has difficulty dispelling the rumor that he is Clark Gable. This, however, is not the case with residents of Peiping, who, having passed the inflation stage, are without bombast. Only the foreigners seem able to "strut sitting down," as some one once said of an unpopular statesman.

And the cost is nothing, compared with the sense of superiority with which the consumer is infected. For the small sum of \$1, Mex., which here in Peiping means 35 cents in American spondulics, a thoroughbred high-stepping, first-class coolie ricksha boy can be hired for the day, which is understood to be 12 full hours, with such time for lunch as the patron, in the fullness of his enlarged heart, feels that he can surrender to his faithful foot servant. This rate holds good at \$7 per week. Beyond that, the tariff falls to \$20 a month, Mex., of course, which places the rick at your disposal practically when wanted, the boy actually haunting your headquarters awaiting orders.

### Ricksha Boys Faithful.

A pet dog couldn't be more at your beck and call. The system solves the whole question of transportation throughout the city. For long distance trips, motor fares are comparatively low.

The average daily mileage of a ricksha boy is about twelve, ranging in special cases up to fifteen a day for all seasons except during snow fall, brief in this latitude, and hard on the ricksha boys, many of whom are unable to buy blankets with which to keep out the chill after a long lope. It is estimated that fifteen years is about the average life of a two-wheel hauler, but there is no scarcity of men who are easily in the sixties. The majority of them are under twenty-five, from that down to eighteen. It is easy to distinguish the country from the city ricksha pullers. The former put on less style, take a longer stride and think nothing of doing thirty miles a day between town and country; round trip, tip and all, \$2 Mex., the owner of the vehicle to feed himself.

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### "Manuscript Mill"

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## Greetings!

Not all peoples greet each other with our familiar handshake. For example, the hug and squeeze, cheek to cheek, is used in France. Among the New Zealanders, the Malays, Burmese, Indo-Chinese, the Mongolians and even the Eskimos and Laplanders the "hongli" is the thing. This consists in touching noses lightly. The word itself means to "smell." When a Chinese is introduced he shakes hands with himself.

The Italians and Germans have revived the ancient Roman greeting as a military salute. Reports from Ethiopia, or Italian East Africa, as it is now called, indicate that the Italians are teaching their new subjects to greet each other in the old Roman way by extending the arm upward with the palm to the front.

Each form of greeting has a meaning all its own. The handshake and the Roman salute, for example, began as a gesture showing that the hand was free of weapons.—Washington Post.

# THE DOCTOR HELPS JACK



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