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My Neighbor Says:

The surface of the soil in which dahlias are planted should be stirred up twice a week during the growing season. This permits air to get into the soil and helps to conserve moisture.

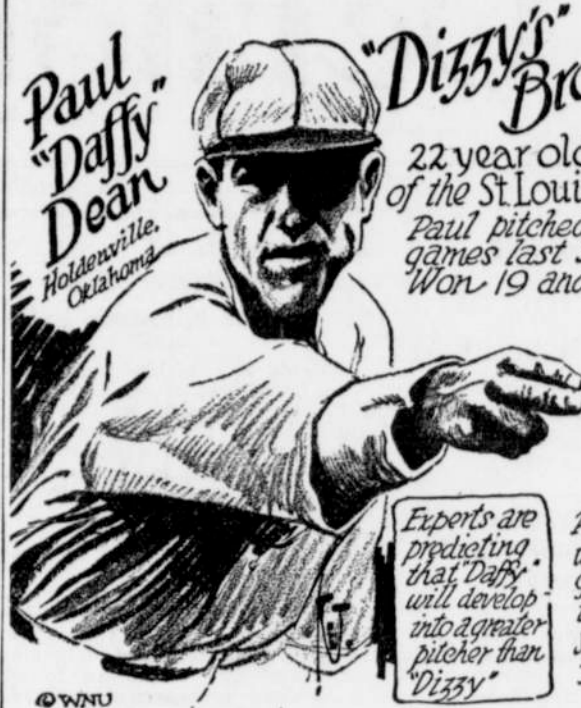
Always use boiling water when making tea. If water is not actually boiling, it will not bring out the full strength of tea.

Wash lettuce, dry with towel and place in cheesecloth in the refrigerator some time before using in salads. If lettuce is washed when salad is made, it will not be crisp enough to allow dressing to stick to it.

To prevent juice from blueberry pies running over into oven, after having thoroughly washed and dried berries in a towel, sprinkle with flour before placing on crust.

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TOPNOTCHERS by KET



Paul "Daffy" Dean
Holdenville, Oklahoma

"Dizzy's" Brother
22 year old pitcher of the St. Louis Cardinals
Paul pitched 30 games last season.
Won 19 and Lost 11

Pitched a no-hit game against Brooklyn last year

Experts are predicting that "Daffy" will develop into a greater pitcher than "Dizzy"

Pitched and won two games in the World's Series last year

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Uncommon Sense

By JOHN BLAKE

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Never was there any very good reason for ignorance.

Today there is less than ever. Around the World You can go down the street, or if you are rich enough, sit in your living room and look at a religious procession in Russia, a bull fight in Spain, or a tiger hunt in India.

You can hear the voices and the words of great men and women in almost every nation in the world.

When Shakespeare wrote: "Home-keeping youth have ever homely wits," he could not foresee a time when home-keeping youth, and adults for that matter, could sharpen their wits by looking at the world by means of tiny sparks that may be carried from one end of it to another.

But although these opportunities are here, they will prove of scant value if people do not make use of them.

And comparatively few people do. I think that the speakies are excellent, many of them.

Even if their stories are too often florid, their settings enable one to get and keep a wider understanding of people all around the world than they could ever gain by mere reading and using their imaginations.

The imagination has to have something to imagine, or it is not very useful.

There is little doubt that within a comparatively few years we shall have sight with our sound.

That means that we can look across the sea and witness events in foreign countries while they are actually happening.

We shall be able to look out on the ocean, and see friends and acquaintances walking decks that are a thousand miles away from us. And they will be able to look at us, if they like us enough to do it, and to hear what we are saying to them.

I am not convinced that another war will come immediately. I am not persuaded that it will come at all.

But to prevent it, and at the same time to avail ourselves of all the possibilities for happiness which have been created by thinking and studying men, we have got to get rid of international disputes and hatreds, and with the endless endeavor to gain new territory which nations would not know how to use if they captured it.

What blessings men may have a hundred years from now we do not know, and it will not make much difference to us.

"Let dogs delight to bark and bite," says the old poem.

Some of those old poems contain considerable hard sense.

The growling and biting will go on in the kennels, but one would imagine by this time that it ought to be eliminated from the living room and the business office.

Tempers are not easy to keep. But when you realize that the minute you lose your mental balance you stop thinking clearly, perhaps you will put a stronger curb on your utterances.

I have worked in many offices, under many men. Never have I known a growler or a snarler who wouldn't have got more and better work out of those under him if he had been a little more tolerant of mistakes, and a little more sparing of hard words.

In the prize ring the man who loses his temper loses the fight.

The man who beats his boy because he has been impertinent, the woman who slaps her baby because it gets into some mischief it knew no better than to get into, are storing up trouble.

It is just as sensible to "get mad" at a root which trips you up while you are walking through the woods, or a door which slammed in the wind and hurt one of your toes.

John Fiske said that George Washington, on one occasion when one of the men under him had done something foolish, threw his hat on the floor and stamped on it, or did something of the same irritated kind.

But Washington did not loose any profanity when battles were going on, and neither did Grant or Lee or any other great generals.

I have heard that anger really breeds poisons in the system.

Certainly it breeds poisons in the soul, poisons that are likely to prove very harmful.

Learn, if you can, to accept misfortunes, even failures, with philosophy.

Learn to forget hard words that are said to you, or the mistakes that people who are working with or for you or over you may make.

Happiness is one of our heritages. It makes life pleasant, and it is

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Origin of Mermaid

The legend which gives us the mermaid fantasy is perhaps traceable to the dugong, a marine animal resembling the whale. It has a long crescent shaped tail and side fins much resembling short arms. The female carries her young under this fin and this habit is thought to have given rise to the mermaid story.

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likely to make it more successful. If, as you are advancing in years, you get grouchy, be careful. So cheer up. It can't hurt you. And it will probably do you no end of good.

Mediterranean Sea of Ages

There is only one sea that has been contemporary with all his history—the Mediterranean. The Pacific and the Atlantic have been known to us for less than a thousand years, but the "Mare Mediterraneum" has been "the Great Sea" from the unremembered past. The ancient nations which ruled the waves—Phoenicians, Carthaginians, Greeks, Romans, Venetians—were all Mediterranean peoples. It is the sea of the ages. On its waters Odysseus journeyed home from Troy, and Aeneas made his eventful voyages. It bore Caesar's prows as he set forth to conquer and carried the argosies of Byzantium as they brought home the wealth of earliest commerce.

NOT WET YET



"You ask me to kiss you? Why, I hardly know you."
"That's just it. What quicker way to get acquainted?"