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A Morning Smile

ECONOMY THAT HURTS

For several days Macdougall had suffered agony with the toothache, and his wife asked him the inevitable question:

"Why don't you have them cut?"

Mac, between groans, replied: "I'll cost a lot of silver tea he's six drawn, Maggie."

Maggie—"I'll no charge mair than five bob with gas?"

Mac—"Five bob! Phone and ask him how much he'll charge just to loosen them—I've awfu' strong fingers!"

SETTLED HIM

There was a certain amount of not always very friendly rivalry between the congregations of the two churches in the small Highland village, and when one of them installed a handsome new organ, feeling ran very high.

It was not long before the beadle of the organless church encountered his opposite number in the street.

"So ye've had an organ," he said, "ay ye need the noo is a monkey."

"Ay," was the calm reply, "and ay ye need over yonder is an organ."

How Can I???

By ANNE ASBLEY

- Q. How should lace be sewed on linen?
- A. When sewing lace on linen or underwear, turn the hem up on the right side and sew the lace over the stitching. Both sides of the material will be neatly finished.
- Q. How can I test mushrooms?
- A. The healthful parts of mushrooms can be tested by stirring while cooking with a silver spoon. If there is any foreign substance in the mushrooms, the silver will turn color.
- Q. How can I clean white linen window shades?
- A. Use equal parts of flour and borax. The shade should be laid out and the dry mixture rubbed in with a clean cloth.

THE HOLY TERROR!

Story of a World Dictator

By H. C. WELLS

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CHAPTER X

LAMBS DON'T ESCAPE

In Rud's reveries of a stupendous pantheistic ascent, there had been great marches and demonstrations, flag-waving and cheering, there had been battles (heard of) and tremendous displays of armament, thousands of planes in the air and the like, but so far the rougher stuff had always been fairly remote from his person.

But now, in clumsy and distressful speeches, in broken sentences and broken English, came harsh reality at first hand. One of the German refugees had been crippled and broken. He limped. He clung to the chair in front of him as he spoke. "Even here," he said, "among friends, one hesitates to tell."

He spoke admirably, bookish English, slowly, carefully and with a miserly but such things do not torment you with hope and snatch it away, they do not caricature and disgrace you as well as destroy. They do not leave your friends in doubt whether you have betrayed them. They do not make those you love vanish without a trace or put them to pain and indignity before your eyes. I did not know it was in my fellow creatures, to do such things as I have seen—such things as I have been through. Let me tell you—I will tell you—a part of it. What happened to me. If I can tell you...

It was a hideous and circumstantial tale he had to tell. The speeches of the inexperienced feeble and pale. It was difficult to listen to them with that man's story fresh and vivid in the mind. Then came a woman recounting at second-hand, but no further off than second-hand, the frightfulness that had happened to her family.

Rud sat in his place during the outbreak of this little old Jew from Vienna, digesting the ugly realities of the other two refugees had related. The tumult of the world for a time he could not find anything to say. The thought of violence filled him with angry fear and the urge to save his neck. He felt just as he had felt when he read of gorillas and wolves in his childhood. The shadow of it lay plainly across the path of his imaginations. What the little old Jew was saying meant nothing to him. What stirred his imagination was the thought of himself being treated brutally and filthy, and subjected to sub-human indignities.

"Get your blow in first," he thought. "Nothing else for it. Always carry a gun. Carry a gun."

When at last he spoke, he raged against Nazis and Fascists, he spoke of the little ways of the British police and the reports of rumors that came out of prisons. He was all for vehement reprisals.

"Never forgive a bully. Mark your man down," he said, "and wait for him. Even if you have to wait for years."

"You've got to attack your only safety lies in attack. Choose your moment for attack. Strike first at the devil's strike first."

His voice became a scream.

"Easy," whispered Chiffan. There was still a rather shaken minority for non-resistance, but most of the men and nearly all the girls were with Rud, for fighting and killing bitterly. But the refugees said little and the little old Jew shook his head. "If you had my Magna Carta," he whispered.

"That night the summer school talked long and late and loud. And well we may," said Chiffan, "for after all violence is the fundamental thing in life. As old as hunger and earlier than lust..."

Household Scrapbook

By ROBERTA LEE

- Chapped Hands**
A good lotion for chapped hands is a part of glycerine divided into two parts of glycerine. Add enough rosewater to obtain a slight perfume.
- Cleaning the Radio**
If your radio is an open set, try to keep it as free of dust as possible. The hose of the vacuum cleaner, with the blower attached, can be used by holding it close to the dusty parts.
- Baked Beans**
Bake a small sliced onion with Boston baked beans, or season with olive oil to prevent indigestion and add their fine flavor. Grease the beanpot with butter or the rind of the pork before cooking beans and it will wash much easier.

Modern Etiquette

By ROBERTA LEE

Q. Should children be permitted to converse with visitors?

A. Not unless the parents speak first, and then the child must not be permitted to monopolize the conversation.

Q. What should a bridegroom provide for his best man and ushers at a church wedding?

A. The ties, gloves, and boutonniere; and he usually gives a gift of a small piece of jewelry to each one.

Q. When carving a turkey should a host ask the guest which piece he prefers?

A. It is better merely to ask if he prefers light or dark meat. If there is but one turkey, and six guests would request a leg, it would be embarrassing.

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How to Make a Splendid Cough Remedy at Home

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Dorothy Dix

If Husbands and Wives Were More Frank in Their Discussions of Conduct Toward Each Other There Would be Fewer Trips to Reno and Like Places

We try to dignify and justify divorce by pretending that it is a great tragedy brought about by some unforfeitable wrong that a husband or wife has done. But this is an aim we concoct to save our faces. In reality, we all know that where there is one divorce for infidelity or brutality or any other major sins, there are a hundred for peevishness, grumpiness, selfishness, boredom, the craving for adventure or just because a husband or wife loses his or her taste for the party of the other part.

Divorce is bad enough. Heaven knows, but I often wonder if it is not less painful and less demoralizing than those marriages in which a disgruntled husband and wife drag along through the years the chain that binds them together, while he quarrels and argues and accuses each other and all each other's lives with bitterness and strife. Divorce is the surgeon's knife that cuts away a gangrened limb. Sometimes the patient recovers. Sometimes he dies. But in either case he escapes the long, drawn-out torture of those who make marriage an earthly purgatory for each other.

Now if these fighting couples were villains; if they found a sadistic pleasure in making each other miserable, there might be some logic in their conduct. But such is not the case. Nearly always they are good, kind, conscientious men and women, anxious to do their duty and often better than they will love the husbands and wives they so mistreat.

Because they don't know that they do it. I think the answer is: wives never get a close-up of themselves after marriage. In the days of courtship they have lovely visions of themselves as perfect husbands and wives, but after marriage they never check up on their performances to see whether they have delivered the goods or not.

They don't make the effort to get along with their matrimonial partners that they do with their business partners. They don't think it worthwhile to waste any tact, or even politeness in dealing with a partner in making each other miserable, there might be some logic in their conduct. But such is not the case. Nearly always they are good, kind, conscientious men and women, anxious to do their duty and often better than they will love the husbands and wives they so mistreat.

Perhaps the cure for this appalling situation in which the punishment seems so much greater than the crime is just a little frankness between husbands and wives. Perhaps if the husband could tell the wife just what it was about her that was disillusioning him and driving him to other women, she would mend her ways. Perhaps if the wife could longingly tell her husband that she was not doing it, that the reason he has ceased kissing her is because he has no appetite for cold cream. That the reason he puts on his hat and steps out after dinner is because she never reads anything or writes. Perhaps if the husband could tell the wife just what it was about her that was disillusioning him and driving him to other women, she would mend her ways. Perhaps if the wife could longingly tell her husband that she was not doing it, that the reason he has ceased kissing her is because he has no appetite for cold cream. That the reason he puts on his hat and steps out after dinner is because she never reads anything or writes. Perhaps if the husband could tell the wife just what it was about her that was disillusioning him and driving him to other women, she would mend her ways. Perhaps if the wife could longingly tell her husband that she was not doing it, that the reason he has ceased kissing her is because he has no appetite for cold cream. That the reason he puts on his hat and steps out after dinner is because she never reads anything or writes.

Now can a wife tell her husband that the reason she has got cranky and hard to live with is because she is starving for love and flattery and he takes her for granted. That the reason she is snappy at breakfast he eats an egg nearly every day and she has to eat it. That the way she wants and don't get from each other, it would do a lot to promote happy marriages if such is the weakness of human nature that the one person from whom no man or woman will take criticism is his or her wife or husband.

DOROTHY DIX.

THE COOK'S CORNER

ORANGE BREAD

Rind of 2 oranges chopped very fine, 1 large cup water, 1 cup sugar, 1 cup half quantity (3-4 teaspoon) salt, 1 cup butter, 1-2 teaspoon soda.

When lukewarm add 1 beaten egg, 1 cup sweet milk, 3 cups flour, 3 teaspoons baking powder. Bake in loaf tin one hour in a slow oven.

This is particularly nice for afternoon tea, and I regret that I have forgotten the kind contributor's name.

CHRISTMAS CAKE

One cup butter, 2 cups brown sugar, 1 cup oil, 1-2 teaspoon salt, 4 cups bread flour, 1 dessertspoon each clove, cinnamon, ginger, 1 teaspoon nutmeg, 1-2 pound mixed peel (orange and lemon citron), 1-4 pound almonds (chopped), 1-4 pound red cherries, 2 pounds seedless raisins, 2 pounds best currants, 1 teaspoon soda.

Caramelize 1 cup sugar, add water. Cream butter and sugar; add eggs, well beaten, and caramalized sugar and water.

Mix in separate pan all dry ingredients; mix thoroughly. Bake in a slow oven 4 hours. This will make 3 large cakes, or a set of 3 like wedding cakes.

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THE HOUSEWIFE —AND— HER ACTIVITIES

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And since at Christmas time, we have been told To give a thought to needs of others too— There's my sick friend, across the way, who wants A box of metal soldiers dressed in blue.

Some houses, Mothers says, have no way down Where stockings hang, though little hearts are sore; Please Santa, let me help you in your task—I'll carry cheer to some neglected door.

In closing now, I hope, though growing old, In rain or shine, each year, you'll never fail to smile. To fill with happiness the hearts of all Who wait and watch along the Christmas trail. —Bd. H.M.R.

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GOODY!

meal time after school bed time

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REGAL FLOUR

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By Carol Aimes



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