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Civic Reformer Won Her Point

By JANE OSBORN

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MRS. DAVENPORT DAWKINS, as president of the City Improvement society of the flourishing town of Benton, felt it incumbent upon her to right every civic wrong that was brought to her attention. And sometimes she sought out wrongs that were not brought to her attention. She had watched the workmen going past her house to the Granger factory and had noticed with increasing concern the fact that they all carried lunch boxes. The thought of all those poor men eating cold lunches troubled her. She did not reflect that most of the boxes were supplied with vacuum bottles containing hot tea or coffee. As she thought the matter over it became to her a burning shame that Mr. Granger with all his millions should force his men to eat cold lunches.

"I don't see how he forces them," said the vice president of the C. I. S. when Mrs. Dawkins drew her attention to the "burning shame."

"He ought to have a lunch room in the plant," said Mrs. Dawkins.

"Well, I'll bet you a new hat you can't get Mr. Granger to do anything of the sort," said the vice president. "None of the Grangers have been any too philanthropic and from all I can hear young Harry Granger who manages the place since his father's death is a chip off the old block."

"I'll bet I can—one way or another," said the indomitable Mrs. Dawkins.

So Mrs. Dawkins wrote to a niece of hers who had taken a course in lunch room management as part of her college course in domestic economy. Then she met her niece in the big city fifty miles away and talked the matter over with her. She told of her burning shame—and the poor workmen who had to eat cold lunches at the Granger factory.

Polly Proctor, who was becoming a little weary of the life of idleness she had lived during the two year since her graduation, donned an inexpensive little blue serge frock and went to call on Mr. Granger. She told him that she had heard that he had a large corps of workmen who had to eat cold lunches and that she would be very glad to advise him concerning the installing of an up-to-date lunch room in his factory. She would furthermore like the job of directing the lunch room after it started.

Mrs. Dawkins heard with deep gratitude that Mr. Granger had seen his civic duty and had given orders for the installation of an up-t date lunch room in his plant. Not wanting to let Mr. Granger know that Mrs Dawkins had been promoter of the scheme Polly did not go to live with her aunt, but took a room in a boarding house and ate three meals a day in her own lunch room.

Mrs. Dawkins did not know that Mr. Granger often found it convenient to wait until he came to the factory to have his breakfast and that then he sat with Polly in the lunch room kitchen leisurely drinking coffee and eating muffins or griddle cakes which Polly had made. Sometimes, too, he dropped in at half past five to join Polly in the light supper that she ate there before leaving the factory for the night.

Then one day Mrs. Dawkins was surprised to see an expensive car draw up before her house and to see her niece Polly and a tall young man jump out and come hurrying up to the door. "I had to tell Harry that you were my aunt," said Polly. "We came to tell you the news. We're engaged—isn't it wonderful?"

It was indeed unquestionably wonderful to Mrs. Dawkins for the Granger millions were said to be numerous.

"Now I suppose you'll have to get another girl to run the lunch room, that is if you are going to be married soon," she said.

Harry Granger laughed and so did Polly.

"I don't believe that we'll bother with the lunch room any longer," said Harry Granger. "You see, only two or three of the men ever eat there. Outsiders are allowed in and it's been crowded for the most part with office workers in the neighborhood who take advantage of the low prices and the good cooking. The factory men don't like it—they even resent it a little. They'd rather drink their rank coffee out of a vaccum bottle and munch a hunky meat sandwich out of a box sitting on a plank out in the factory yard than eat what we call wholesome food at a civilized table in an up-to-date lunch room. It wasn't Polly's fault though—I knew from the start that as far as the factory men went the lunch room idea was no good—"

"Then why in the world did you spend all the money to have one installed?" asked the dumbfounded Mrs. Dawkins.

"Well," said Harry deliberately, "I figured right from the start that Polly was the girl I wanted to marry. And I thought that if I said 'Yes' to her then she would say 'Yes' to me later on."

And as Polly and Harry exchanged a look of perfect understanding, Mrs. Dawkins dropped back in her chair and murmured "I'm blessed."

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Explains Why Senator Was Great Politician

When Tom Platt and Chauncey Depew were the senators from New York, they represented two widely different types of politicians. Platt accomplished most of his work "behind the scenes," while Depew was famous for his wit as a public speaker. A friend of Platt's once brought up this point on one of the occasions when Platt did make a speech.

"I don't understand," he said, "why you are so sure your speech made a deep impression. All you got was a little polite applause and not a single cheer."

"That's just the point," explained Platt. "I am one of those fellows who don't say much, but when I talk, it's important. My constituents know this and they'd far rather listen to what I say than to hear themselves applaud."

Self-Winding Watches

Napoleon Bonaparte always carried a watch that wound itself, says an article in the Montreal Family Herald. Such watches often have been made since his day, some by well-known makers, and many still are in use. We may well ask how any watch can wind itself, for such a thing seems to savor of perpetual motion, but the matter is really very simple. The self-winding watch is built on the principal of the pedometer. A weighted lever is kept in its normal position by a curved spring, so weak that the ordinary motion of the body, as in walking, causes the lever to fall. The spring then returns it, and so an oscillating motion is kept up, which, by means of ratchet wheels, winds the spring a little at a time, sufficient to keep the watch going when the wearer is still. Every step helps to wind the watch.

Credit to Aristotle

By study we learn that the two greatest men of the world were both horsemen. Aristotle was the world's first schoolmaster and the world's first scientist. He taught school, we read, in the open, and all of his pupils were taught to ride horseback. Aristotle is identified as the tutor of Alexander the Great. It was none other than Aristotle who taught Alexander to ride the wild horse, Bucephalus. Aristotle wrote a book of a thousand or more pages on horses. He said, in that book, all there was to say of the subject and any man writing at length of the horse since then dares not venture far without quoting from Aristotle.

Virgin Islands

On March 31, 1917, the United States took possession of the former Danish West Indies, renamed the Virgin Islands of the United States. The ratifications of the treaty of sale took place on January 17, 1917, confirming the purchase by the United States of these islands from Denmark for $25,000,000. The first permanent settlement in the Virgin islands was effected on the island of St. Thomas on May 25, 1672, by an expedition of the Danish West Indies company under Gov. Jorgen Iverson. From that time the islands were continuously owned by Denmark until their sale to the United States, with the exception of brief occupations by British warships.

Silent 30 Years

Samuel Frommer, a business man known as "the silent man," has died at the house of the "miracle rabbi" in Czortkow, Spain. Frommer had not spoken a single word in 30 years, but lived a most retired life and spent much of his time in prayer. He had confessed to a priest that he had hastily told his wife that he wished she was burnt to death, and shortly after that she met death in a blaze in a fire at his home. He made a vow to the priest that he would keep silence and spend his time in prayer.

Famous Gothenburg

Gothenburg, second largest city in Sweden, owes its eminent position to its illustrious founder, Gustavus Adolphus, who was one of history's most famous generals. In addition he wrote excellent prose and his "Speeches" hold an important place in the literature of the Seventeenth century. To visit Gothenburg without seeing its gardens is unthinkable. Students of medieval history, folklore and geology revel in Gothenburg as a storehouse of legend and history.

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