NOW AND THEN

THE WATER LILY
By Mary Frances Butts

O star on the breast of the river,
O marvel of bloom and grace!
Did you fall straight down from Heaven
Out of the sweetest place?
You are white as the thoughts of an angel,
Your heart is stepped in the sun—
Did you grow in the golden city,
My pure and radiant one?
Nay, nay, I fell not out of Heaven,
None gave me my saintly white,
It slowly grow from the blackness
Far down in the dreary night.
From the ooze of the silent river
I won my glory and grace;
White souls fall not, O my poet,
They rise to the sweetest place.

Is there anything purer looking or more fair than the water lily as it is seen floating on the surface of the water? And yet, as the above poem says it grew from the blackness and the ooze of the water underneath. So it is that many souls rise pure and good, though all their surroundings are evil. It was from just such environments that John Bunyan rose, wicked and bad, as he was until converted by his God fearing wife. It was in prison amidst evil surrounding that he wrote his famous book, "Pilgrims Progress", a book that has been read by countless thousands, a book which has had, next to the Bible, the largest sale of any recorded publication. His three hundreth anniversary was celebrated a short while ago by people who delighted to show honor to his memory.

WORLD FAIRS

It seems a pity that both New York and San Francisco are to have a World Fair next Summer. New York, to celebrate the occasion of Washington being inaugurated as our first President, its 150th anniversray. This Fair promises to be a great show. Among its exhibits will be a huge Igloo, a great building containing a fashion show, fashions to show that Paris no longer has the say as to what the men and women shall wear, for in this respect America has come into her own. This building is to be delightfully cooled while huge themoneters will record not only the temperature within, but also the difference between its temperature, and that of the outside. It is expected to cover a large part of the Exhibition Grounds.

OLD JOE

The people of England are apprehensive, fearing that their young men, will have to be called out to war. Thousand of them fell in the World War, twenty years ago. Now the citizens crowd around No. 10 Downing St. the residence of the Prime Minister where their leaders sit in council, to hear anything that is to be done to avert war. Amidst their nervousness old Joe, the black cat that catches the mice in No. 10, Downing St. walked quietly up the front steps and began to wash his face. This simple act had a soothing effect upon the crowd.

THE BLARNEY STONE

The Irish are a quick witted and smooth speaking people, and, because of their ready compliments, they are said to have kissed the Blarny stone, a great stone which is claimed to give the one who kisses it the power of persuasion.

Ten tons of "Blarney stone" were shipped to the United States from Liverpool, Sept. 3.

The stone, quarried near Blarney Castle, was said to have been brought by an American syndicate to begin building a reproduction of the castle in Los Angeles.

It was the syndicate's second choice. Sir George Colthurst, owner of Blarney Castle, Cork, Ireland, spurned an offer of $500,000 for loan of its historic kissing rock for one year.

The offer was made through a London firm which wuold not give the names of the American promoters who proposed to show it at the New York World's Fair next year and then take it on tour to charge $1 a kiss.

Nobody seems to know why the Blarney stone is kissed or why it is supposed to impart "sweet eloquent persuasiveness." Legendary lore of the Celtic people sheds no light on the origin of the custom.

But, Blarney or no Blarney, the stone is one of the great tourist attractions of Cork and, at 25 cents a backtortous kiss, provides Sir George with thousands of dollars of revenue a year.

NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN

When he was called to be Prime Minister to England it was considered a great honor. But what care and responsibility is his today. He has grown years older in the short time he has served England in that capacity. He issued out tall and gaunt with his hair growing grayer every day. The English people are calling upon him to avert war. They remember the ruin which it wrought twenty years ago, they remember the young men who were drafted to go to war, who filled graves in foreign lands, or else returned home human wrecks, worse than dead and the staggering taxes with which they are burdened. No wonder they want to prevent another conflict. But none of the concessions which are made have turned Hitler and his sallelites from their course. Hitler seems to be a fire brand, ready to light a great conflagation. The only way to deal with a fire brand is to put it out.

CHEERS!

"Any girl can be gay in a classy coupe,
In a taxi they all can be jolly,
But the girl worth while
Is the one who can smile
When you're taking her home on the trolley."

That Nagging Backacne

May Warn of Disordered Kidney Action

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WHY THEY GO STAG

There is always a regret when people see so many pretty girls unattended at parties, and so many young men going stag. When these same men are reproached for selfishness they reply that the young women require so much, flowers, taxis and suppers so consequently they are not able to take them.

LONDON—School children here who spell certain words the American way are not to be held guilty of mistakes that cost them marks in examinations conducted by the London County Council.

This decision was arrived at after close investigation of the problem as to whether or not children attending London County Council schools should be taught from textbooks in which American spelling and American idiom are used.

The special committee entrusted with the investigation agreed that there is something to be said for familiarizing English children with the variations in spelling and phraseology —" as distinct from slang"—which have been evolved by a great English-speaking people in another continent.

REVIEW OF SOME OF THE BEST-SELLERS

Enid Bagnold came into the limelight with "National Velvel", but her "The Door of Life", coming on the twenty-eighth is so different that her customers shuold be warned. It tells of an English Woman who is expecting a baby in a few weeks. It tells of her thoughts and feelings about the baby and birth in general. It carries in till about a month after the baby is born. There is no plot it is a narrative rather than a story. The best parts of it are the all too brief a glimpse of the "Squire's" other children.

Two other books are said to be more important than the usual sure fire best-sellars. "Dynasty of Death" by Taylor Caldwell and "Big Show", by Charles Cooke. They will be reviewed next week.

Some other dark horses are "America's Quest" by Bradford Smith. It si something like "The Anointed" and tells how Walter Quest made a journey across America-searching for something he cannot define to himself. It tells how he affects the communities he visits, how women fall in love with him, how he leads people into better ways of living and how he plays the good angel.

"A Woman Screamed", by Robert Neumann tells the story of Rosza Sandro, the bandit general who put Louis Kossuth into power in Hungary and whom Kossuth betrayed.

Besides these best-sellers and dark horses there are a number of September fiction titles that are above the average. "She Was Carrie Eaton" is about "The Young Mrs. Meigs" and should share a large part of that novel's success. "The General's Lady" by Esther Forbes; "Hotel Hostess" by Faith Baldwin; "New England Born" by Sara Ware Bassett and "The Case of the Shoplifter's Shoe" by Earl Stanley Gardner are books that might be sure best-sellars if the competition were less.

Houghton Mifflin have another very good Felleowship novel, "Old Haven", by Cornel DeJong. Farrar and Rinehart are promoting "The House of Tavelinck, Jo Van Ammers-Kuller which they feel is "a superb story comparable in its sweep to "Anthony Adverse." Lippincott's fiction hope is "Broken Rhythm", by Dorothy Wagner, a story that looks good for the rental libraries. "Death of a World," by Jules Romains; "William and Dorothy", by Helen Ashton; "Appointment with Death" by Agatha Cristie and "The Housekeepers Daughter" by Donald Henderson Clark are in the news columns for the month.

Non-fiction is also crowded with good books. "March to Quebec", compiled by Kenneth Roberts; "Sailor on Horseback" a story of Jack London's life by Irving Stone; and "Science for the Citizen" look like they have the call but "Sailor on Horseback" will have a runaway race with them all. William Beebe has another book "Zaca Venture" which should prove as interesting as all his other books.

Sept. 6th thsi column received a complimentary letter from Darwin J. Adams who wrote a little yarn for kids called "The Adventures of Monte and Molly". The letter was written En Route to New York from California.

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As soon as Lorimer arrived in Philadelphia, Curtis departed for Europe in search of an efficient editor-in-chief. While abroad, he received numerous copies of his magazine and was astonished at the improvements introduced by his new man. He therefore cabled Lorimer to put his own name at the masthead as editor-in-chief.

When Curtis arrived home he inspected his find more carefully and fired a few questions at him. A bit of the exact conversation has been reported, and follows:

"You have been editing during my absence?"

"Yes, sir".

"What is your present salary?"

"Forty dollars weekly."

"From this day onward your salary is $250 weekly."

"Yes, sir."

George Horace Lorimer began by romanticizing big business and big businessmen. He carefully deleted everything that savored of questionable taste, contemptuously discarded anything "intellectual" (perhaps too narrowly in this case), and generally made his magazine, like himself, immaculately virile. It took five years and a loss of a million and a quarter dollars to put over the magazine. And then he did put it over—and magnificently, according to such standards.

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