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Events in the Lives of Little Men

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THE STORY OF SIDNEY

1—Sidney had talent. For a time was thought to be genius.

2—He showed an ear for music when he was a babe in arms.

3—When he was only three years old he surprised his parents by carrying a tune perfectly.

4—"Maybe he will grow up to be a great musician," said mommer. "Maybe a great singer," said popper. They were full of hopes.

5—They gave him music lessons when he was five years old and he showed such skill with the violin that they put him under a great master.

6—By the time he was seven Sidney was a boy wonder.

7—At the age of eight he gave his first public concert. It was at Carnegie hall.

8—His picture was on all the billboards.

9—"A second Kreisler!" thought Sidney's parents. Some of the critics predicted great things for the lad.

10—And some of them did not.

11—He made a tour about the big cities and seemed to be going pretty well.

12—Two or three papers said he was destined to eclipse Mischa Elman.

13—And then something happened. Sidney seemed to stop developing or something.

14—Maybe it was something he ate.

15—Anyhow, you can see him, if you look hard enough, any night now, and without paying concert prices.

16—He is a fiddler in one of those movie house orchestras employing 22 violinists, maxed.

MORAL—Many are called but few survive it.

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DIET WARNING

In the sultry days of summer
Be most careful what you eat;
Certain foods should be avoided
In the season when there's heat.

Pork is not a summer foodstuff
To be taken to excess;
Any meats in weather torrid
Should be passed up, more or less.

Thick soups are often harmful
In a very torrid clime;
And in eating "hot dogs" never
Eat a dozen at a time.

Sparing be of your potatoes
When the day is very hot,
And you shouldn't feast on pastries
Even when the weather's not.

Take all ice cold drinks with judgment,
Don't go wild on soda pop;
And in eating ice cream sundaes
You should know the time to stop.

If you don't commit these errors
You will be a prudent kid —
But there's still a chance you will be
JUST AS SICK AS IF YOU DID!

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SCRAMBLED LETTERS CONTEST

Rearrange these letters so they will spell the names of well-known birds and beasts:

Woc, Cagnar, Swallwo,
Odg, Parrro, Throhs,
Cta, Wnre, Ctabrid,
Ronib, Hinerldb, Hsore.
Swrrepa, Ocelnmin, Gato.

(If you fall to do the above work in less than three days, four hours and thirty minutes you are slightly subnormal, and that's giving you all the breaks.)

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WHAT'S WRONG WITH THESE SENTENCES?

1—The fighter who had won twelve out of fifteen rounds was awarded the decision.

2—The convention keynote speaker refused to make any statement that he did not believe.

3—"I have looked over the terms of the new income tax," said the American business man. "and I think they're just grand."

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PROBLEMS

1—If it takes a radio comedian 4 days and 17 hours to dig up enough old jokes for one broadcast, how much better would his program be if it took about a half hour to think up something original?

2—How long will it take a woman weighing 107 pounds to change the tire on a car 11 feet long while her husband, weighing 200 pounds, and 6 feet in height, is in the vicinity?

3—Mrs. "A" takes 15 minutes before she can pick out a satisfactory cantaloupe; Mrs. "B" thumbs them for 20 minutes before reaching a decision; it takes Mrs. "C" all day. How much time could be saved if they would buy bananas instead?

4—Williams had a speedboat 36 feet long; Arthur has a sloop 40 feet long; Walter travels by bus. Which of the three gets home on time to dinner?

5—The radio program was so good it put only half the unseen audience to sleep.

6—The newsreel weekly release contained no picture of a ship christening.

7—When stocks were at ridiculously low levels the investment expert boldly advised purchases.

8—"Let's not park here," said the girl in her boy friend's sedan. "There's no electric light."

9—The taxicab driver slowed down so a private car could cut in ahead of him.

THE SCHOOL

Whom have we here?
We have Philo,
Who is Philo?
Philo is a yachtsman.
How do you know Philo is a yachtsman?
Because he looks so worried and has a yacht hung on him.

Why is Philo worried?
If you had a yacht you would be worried, too.
What is there about yacht ownership to worry a man?
You don't know half of it.
But isn't a yacht supposed to be an instrument of pleasure and contentment through which one finds surcease from care?
Yeah, that's what it's supposed to be.
Then why not in Philo's case?
Because this is one of those years when half the yachtsmen in the country don't know where the next sheriff is coming from.
Is the sheriff after Philo?
If he isn't then Philo is the exception.
But if Philo can't afford to run a yacht why does he put it overboard?
He had an idea it would be harder for his creditors to find the boat in commission than if he left it on the ways.
What does it cost to own a yacht?
Well, J. P. Morgan once answered that question by saying that anybody who had to ask that question should never own one.

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INTELLIGENCE TEST

Check the word which properly completes the following sentences:

Schottische is the name of.....the people of Scotland.....a dance.....a great composer.....a dish something like Hungarian goulash.

Baroda is.....a type of sailboat.....an old-fashioned carriage.....a place in India.....a great movie director.

A stereoscope is.....an optical instrument.....a device used on submarines.....something used by doctors to note heartbeats, etc.....a device to keep ships steady at sea.

A gnu is.....a person who works on the Gnu Republic.....a member of a tribe of East Indian savages.....a fish found in tropical waters.....a beast something like a buffalo.

Mennon was.....a figure in the Trojan wars.....a member of the peace conference.....a Kentucky derby winner.....lack of memory.

Gnome is the name of.....a City in Alaska.....a type of dwarf.....a piece of electrical equipment.....a negative answer to a lady, as for example, "Do you want to take me to a dance?" "Gnome, I do not."

The tocsin is.....the sounding of an alarm.....a serum used to ward off disease.....a type of Indian headdress.....a small flag flown at the masthead of rum-runners.

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A QUILT OF EIGHT SUNBONNET BABIES

By GRANDMOTHER CLARK

PACKAGE No. 575.

This little quilt answers the question, "What shall I make for the baby." Eight cute Sunbonnet Babies. One for each day in the week and a holiday. This quilt requires the pictured eight 9-inch blocks and seven plain blocks. Embroider the stamped blocks in simple outline stitch using any color thread desired. The plain blocks and border may be white but dainty pastel shades will be very effective. One and one-half yards of 36-inch material is required for the plain blocks and 6-inch border allowing one-fourth inch for seams. Finished quilt measures 37 by 54 inches when using a 6-inch border.

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Toys Are the Realities of World in Which Child Lives

Toys are to the child what work and tools and recreation are to adults. To a large degree, appropriate toys for the various age levels depend on the individual child; the toy should be just a little more advanced than the child's present stage of development, says Billie Teel Mettel in Hygeia.

The preschool child should be given playthings of an order not so painful in school, that will give him contact with nature, instruct him in simple handwork and exercise the large fundamental muscles. Imitative play becomes important at this time, and the laundry set, drawing paper and wooden garden tools are welcome and appropriate toy gifts.

SMILES

Pity Great-Grandpa

Mamaleen.—We in this generation know more than our parents did, and our parents knew more than their parents did.

Simolean—Maybe that's true, but I hate to think what fools your grandparents must have been.—Pathfinder Magazine.

In the Contest

Miss Aid—Jimmie is one boy in a hundred.

Miss Wait—Does he know he is competing with that many?

The Evidence

"Have a good time at the party?"
"Oh, splendid! I feel awful this morning."—Tit-Bits Magazine.

Help! Help!

"What's your idea of civilization?"
"It's a good idea. Somebody ought to start it."—Tit-Bits Magazine.

In His Steps

Prisoner (to jailer)—As a special favor, I wish you would put me in cell No. 38.

Jailer—Why so?

Prisoner—It's the one that my father always had.—Pathfinder Magazine.

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THE STANDARD OF QUALITY

Ancient World Was Silent as to Voices, Says Scientist

In its ancient days when hideous reptiles crawled about in its great forests and swamps, the earth was silent as far as animal voices were concerned. Dr. L. T. Evans, of Harvard, after studying fossilized skulls of all ages, has concluded that none of the great reptiles of early ages, could either hear or make sounds.

These faculties came near the close of the Age of Reptiles when the mammals, first began to take form. Doctor Evans estimates the age of animal voices at about 60,000,000 years.—Pathfinder Magazine.

Do You Ever Wonder

Whether the "Pain" Remedy You Use is SAFE?

Ask Your Doctor and Find Out

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THINKING OF HIM

He—Dearie, we shall have to economize somewhere.

She—Yes. I was just wondering what else there is that you can get along without.

In Police Court

Teacher—Is it possible to have a sentence without a verb?

Son of a Judge—Yes, sir. Thirty days.

He Invented the Gun That Helped Tame the Frontier

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

ONE hundred years ago this month—on February 25, 1836, to be exact—there was issued in Washington, D. C., a patent for an invention which probably attracted little attention at the time but which was destined to be a maker of American history. During the next three quarters of a century it would not only become a common name (analogous in usage to Pullman for a sleeping car and Ford for an automobile) but it would also be an important factor in taming the American frontier and "revolutionize military tactics."

That last is a quotation from the recent biography of the man to whom the patent was issued—"Yankee Arms Maker—the Incredible Career of Samuel Colt," written by Jack Rohan and published by Harper and Brothers. For the invention which was patented just a century ago was the revolver, the first successful firearm of its kind in history.

Connected with Samuel's Colt's revolver are two interesting paradoxes. One of them is that this weapon, which would become so much a symbol of the "Wild West," was produced by a native of one of the oldest-settled parts of the East. The other is that it, an instrument in the conquest of a wild land, had its real genesis at sea.

Samuel Colt was born in Hartford, Conn., July 19, 1814, the third son of Christopher and Sarah (Caldwell) Colt. His mother was a daughter of Maj. John Caldwell, a veteran of the Revolution. The fact that she was the daughter of a soldier and therefore had no prejudices against firearms probably had much to do with her son's early interest in guns. At the age of eleven Sam Colt was indentured to a farmer near Glastonbury and during his service there two factors had a decided influence in shaping his future career.

The only books in this farm home were the Bible, the almanac and a volume known as the "Compendium of Knowledge." Young Colt spent most of his spare time reading the latter. In it he found considerable scientific information—because of the arrival of his brand new son that he doesn't know whether he's on his head or his heels.

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Kay Francis has a lot of fun when she deserts Hollywood; she is one of the few actresses who doesn't look actressy when she's not working; as a result of that fact, few people recognize her and she can go to the theaters and night clubs without being mobbed by admirers. She doesn't depend on dark glasses, either.

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If you have sat and suffered through some of the shorts that supplemented feature pictures, and decided that you could think up better ones yourself, here's your chance. Centaur Films, a new organization, would like to have the public submit ideas for short subjects—and they'll give away an automobile each day for the best idea presented!

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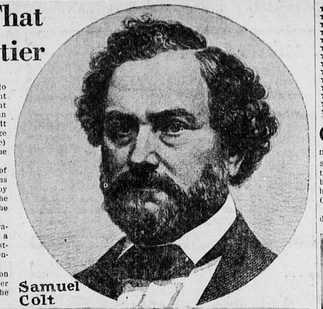
Errol Flynn, who became famous overnight as a result of his looks and his acting in "Captain Blood," is one of the few movie stars who have really written a book—written it all himself, I mean. A good publisher has accepted it. Which reminds everybody of all those announcements of the novel that Jean Harlow was said to be writing, ever so long ago, and of the reports that it never came to anything because she had a quarrel with the person who really was writing it for her. Elissa Landi has written several novels that have been published, of course; they're good enough so that she can abandon the screen for the typewriter any time she wants to. She returned to the stage briefly not long ago, but the play was not a success, and now she's going to make some more pictures in England.



Samuel Colt

The Cavalry Charge

BY FREDERIC REMINGTON

All pictures shown above, from Rohan's "Yankee Arms Maker—the Incredible Career of Samuel Colt," courtesy, Harper and Brothers, publishers.

clusively to the War department their value as weapons for our soldiers. Another significant event at about this time was Colt's meeting with Capt. Sam H. Walker, a famous Texas Ranger leader, who had come to Washington with a delegation of frontiersmen to urge the admission of the new Republic of Texas as a state in the federal Union.

Up to this time Colt had been making a .34 caliber revolver but out of his conference in New York with Walker came the .44 caliber Walker-Colt which soon became a favorite weapon on the southwest frontier. A few years later this gun became even more significant in that part of the country.

By the time Texas was admitted to the Union in 1845 war between Mexico and the United States was inevitable. President Polk sent a force under Gen. Zachary Taylor to the Rio Grande to "provoke" the new state against its former rulers, the Mexicans. When a detachment of American cavalry was ambushed by a Mexican patrol, its commander, a Captain Thornton, was the only man who escaped and he had shot his way to freedom with a brace of Colt revolvers.

"General Taylor was impressed by this fact and asked for more information about these weapons. Capt. Sam Walker of the Rangers, who was guarding Taylor's lines of communications, told the general that the only thing wrong with the revolvers was that there were not enough of them. Thereupon Taylor sent Walker to Washington to make known this need to the President and the result was an order on Colt for 1,000 of his revolvers, which he at once supplied. More than that he put over as clever a publicity campaign as any modern press agent ever thought of doing.

"It was not the sales of his revolvers to the army that made Sam Colt," says Rohan. "It was the manner in which he capitalized the victories of the Americans over numerically-superior forces. The revolvers in use at Resaca de la Palma, Monterey and Buena Vista were few and far between. But those few, when Sam Colt got to spreading the story around the world, accounted for the defeat of the Mexicans. And the latter, glad of any excuse for their humiliation, cheerfully corroborated his claim!"

If the Mexican war gave Sam Colt his first real start, the War Between the States sent his enterprise booming toward the pinnacle of success. The extent of that conflict soon called for production of the new weapon on a bigger scale than ever before. In 1861 the Colt factories turned out nearly 70,000 revolvers. The next year production jumped to more than 110,000. But the inventor did not live to see the amazing success of the thing which he had whittled out of wood on the brig "Corso." He died January 10, 1862, but others carried on his work.

When the war ended and Americans set about to conquer the last frontier, Colt's invention became increasingly important in that conquest. It hung at the hip of virtually every horseman of the plains, whether Texas Ranger, trooper in the United States army, cowboy, frontier marshal or outlaw. It barked in cavalry charges against the wild tribesmen of the Comanche, the Sioux and the Cheyenne; its roar was heard in many a frontier dance hall and saloon in the cow towns on the Texas cattle trails. It became not only a synonym for a certain type of firearm and a common name, but it also became a symbol of the reign of law in a lawless land. "Judge Colt" was judge, jury and executioner and a man's life depended upon the quickness of the "draw."

That era ended just 30 years after Sam Colt died. One event was significant of its close. Into the little town of Coffeyville, Kan., one day in 1892, rode the Daltons. When one of the hottest street battles ever fought in the West was over, the Daltons, last of the old-time bandit gangs, had been wiped out. The "wild West" was no more. Incidentally, among the weapons found in the streets of Coffeyville that day was the Colt "frontier six-shooter" which is pictured above and which hangs on the wall of the room in which this article is being written.

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STAR DUST

Movie · Radio

By VIRGINIA VALE

GINGER ROGERS is a girl to be pitied, though you may not think so when you consider those gay, glamorous pictures that she makes with the nimble-footed Fred Astaire. But it's because of those same pictures that Ginger has a grievance.

For it's as a result of all that dancing that Ginger's feet hurt. She has to practice the various new routines for days at a stretch, and then do them over and over again for the picture.

You'd think that would make her feel that, when her work was done, she'd had enough dancing. But not at all—when she arrived in New York recently for a vacation she announced that she was going to see a lot of new plays—and do a lot of dancing! As for her partner, Fred Astaire, he's so happy these days because of the arrival of his brand new son that he doesn't know whether he's on his head or his heels.

Ginger Rogers

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Mary Pickford just can't stop working. As if producing pictures weren't enough, she's going to broadcast again—this time from the projection room of her home, Pickfair.

Isabell Jewell is finally getting the breaks that she has wanted. She did very well, indeed, in "A Tale of Two Cities." Then she turned in an excellent performance in "Ceiling Zero." So she was given a test for the role of "Lotus" in "The Good Earth," for which practically everybody, including Anna May Wong, has been tested, and so far hers is the best. They're going to get at the making of this picture at last, and a good thing it is, too—the planning and discussing of it have been going on everlastingly, it seems.

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Popular football players used to sell bonds after they were graduated from college. Now they go into the movies, if they can. Nick Lukats, a Notre Dame star, is the latest recruit.

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ODDS AND ENDS . . . That weekly program of Bing Crosby's has become one of the most popular on the air . . . Add "The Ghost Goes West" to the pictures you really must see . . . Margaret Sullavan, who is too, too temperamental, was actually ordered to throw things in a scene for "The Moon's Our Home" . . . Douglas Fairbanks has sold "The Mark of Zorro" to Twentieth Century-Fox, and reluctantly, because he wanted to make it again himself . . . With songs added, it will probably be used for Laurence Tibbett . . . Myrna Loy may be teamed with Robert Montgomery . . . John Barrymore almost lost his job in "Romeo and Juliet"; however, told that he'd have to do better work, he improved so fast that he's turning in one of his best performances.

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Throw Me a Cable, Captain, and I'll Give You a Tow!

A man in search of a quiet holiday set out in a small sailing boat, his only equipment consisting of provisions and a wireless set. He sailed serenely for several days, until at last he sighted one of those liners which resemble small towns rather than ships, says the London Observer. The appearance of the little boat created excitement on board the liner, which slowed down.

The captain was wondering whether it was a matter of going to the rescue when the holiday maker moved to his transmitter and tapped out the message: "Is there anything I can do for you?"

Cornaro Learned Gentle Art of Dying Old at Age of 40

History's outstanding example of the value of hygienic living is Luigi Cornaro, whose serious sickness when he was forty years of age directed his attention to regulating his habits of life. Instead of dying before fifty, as a result of what was considered starvation diet, he lived to be one hundred.

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The Mind Meter

By LOWELL HENDERSON

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The Syllables Test

In this test there are two columns of syllables. Take a syllable out of the first column and unite it with one in the second column to form a word. When you are finished, you should have ten words.

First Column	Second Column
1. ros	1. tuce
2. pal	2. ise
3. na	3. cord
4. prem	4. rel
5. let	5. sar
6. con	6. try
7. con	7. lect
8. col	8. trum
9. bar	9. pon
10. bur	10. sal

Answers

1. rostrum 6. coupon
2. paltry 7. concord
3. nasal 8. collect
4. premise 9. barrel
5. lettuce 10. bursar

Jiffy Knit Sweater With Matching Hat

PATTERN No. 5512

Any four-to-eight-year-old will be warm as toast in this sweater and cap set. The sweater's a "jiffy" knit—just plain knitting combined with yoke and sleeves of easy lacy stitch, and finished almost before you know it. The cap done in a straight strip, gathered at the top, also includes these two stitches, adding a pert pompon for good measure. Choose a colorful yarn, and there'll be no "insisting" she wear it!

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Yellowstone Bears Develop Gangster Habits; Are Shot

With depression, Yellowstone tourists have grown fewer, hotel scraps scarcer, and bears hungrier. In Washington recently Director Horace Marden Albright announced that the National Park service had been forced to kill 49 Yellowstone black bears and one grizzly last summer and autumn.

The worst offenders among the park's 550 black bears and 175 grizzlies were earmarked or had their feet painted so they would leave tracks when they broke into cabins or motor cars. For repeated offenses the penalty was death by bullet.

"They didn't mean any harm," Mr. Albright said, "but when they developed gangster habits and pestered the tourists . . . we had to kill them."

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