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Hair 'On End' Sensation Explained

By HASKIN

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Q. WHAT CAUSES hair to "stand on end?" S. O. G.

A. This is a sensation produced by the contraction of tiny muscles that run out in a slanting direction from the hair follicles. These muscles contract when sudden fright or shock is experienced.

Q. How many newspapermen ordinarily cover the sessions of the United Nations? S. E. D.

A. At Lake Success, N. Y., about 350 journalists cover the routine activities of the U. N. They are chiefly Americans. More than 1500 correspondents from 60 different nations were accredited to the Third General Assembly recently concluded at the Palais du Chaillot in Paris.

Q. Is it possible for a fish to drown? P. N. S.

A. Under certain conditions this is possible. If a fish is placed in water devoid of oxygen, or if a fast moving fish such as the mackerel is restricted so that it cannot swim rapidly and thus secure enough oxygen, it may drown.

Q. Are the days growing longer or shorter? F. R.

A. The friction of the tides acts as a brake to slow down the rotation of the earth. The days are, therefore, getting longer. It takes 100 years to lengthen the days one-thousandth of a second.

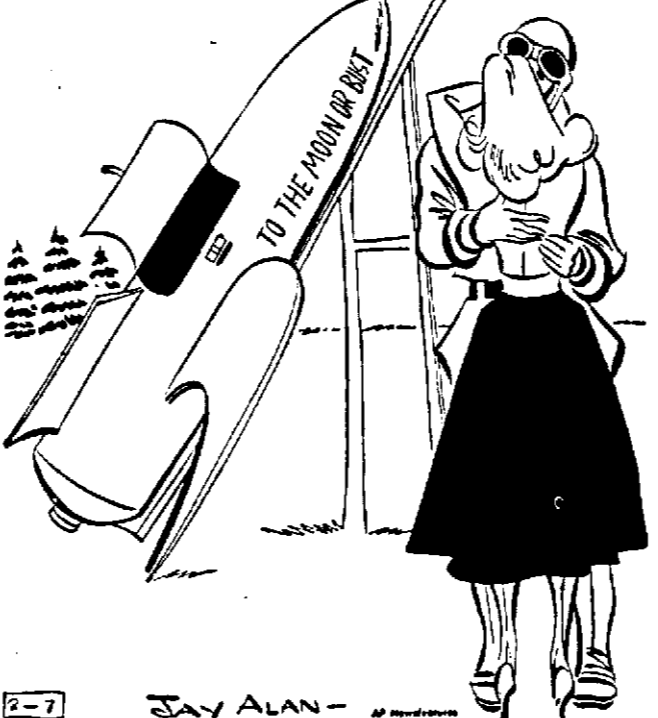
Q. Can a person in this country be accused of murder if no body is found? E. R. Y.

A. It is not always necessary for the body of the victim to be found in order to convict of murder. The term "corpus delicti" refers to the body of the crime, not to the physical body of the victim.

Q. What is the meaning of the name Singapore? E. B. S.

A. Originally, the city was known as "Singapura." This is a Sanskrit word which means "City of the Lion."

incapable of realizing the truth, it is probably because we aren't yet developed enough to survive it. (Copyright, 1949, Publishers Syndicate.)



"Don't forget to write to me, Darling!"

ROLY POLY BOYLE

By HAL BOYLE

Plump People Should Stay That Way, He Says

NEW YORK. (CP) The other day I puffed up to a door about the same time as two young ladies did. Instead of waiting for me to open the door, they giggled and held the door open for me. My gallantry gone, I followed my stomach in with a sigh. And the next time I saw some scales I put in a penny and watched the pointer swing around—way around. It quivered to a halt at the 197-pound mark. No wonder those two girls had giggled. So now it begins all over again—the dreary business of dieting, the leading American pastime. And what good does it do? In the last 30 months I have been on at least eight separate diets. My weight has varied in that time from a peak of 202 to a low of 175. Every time my weight fell I had to go to the tailor and have my suits taken in. Every time I gained the weight back I had to return to the tailor and have the suits let out again. The last time I saw him he said:

"What, you again? Why don't you just buy a suit with rubber seams?" It is wives who cause husbands to go on diets. "Nobody loves a fat man," they say. But is that really true? Henry VIII had more wives than he could shake a gullotina at. Napoleon didn't lose at Waterloo just because he was plump. Julius Caesar never wanted folks with "a lean and hungry look" around him. How about Grover Cleveland and William Howard Taft? They won in a fair vote—and they both were fat. Who was America's most famous beauty? Lillian Russell. And she had an appetite to match her curves. The Turks, noted connoisseurs of feminine charm, always liked their ladies rounded. In most lands today the well-upholstered woman still has an edge over the one who tries to go through life looking like a pencil. But here in the land of plenty the ideal isn't so much the new look as it is "the starved look." I suppose if we get hard times back it then will be fashionable to try to look fat. Why don't the normally lump people have the courage to grow into the shape nature intended us—and enjoy it? A fat man can go as far in life as a skinny man. Which can you throw a hot potato or a toothpick? Yes, and which has more bounce? Did you ever think of the ominous meaning behind the phrase, "He's had all the starch taken out of him?" That's what happens to a healthy fat man when he quits eating starches—bread and potatoes. He wilts. A piece of string is slim enough. But can it stand by itself? Who wants to look like a piece of string if somebody has to keep holding him up? Civilization worships the vitamin. It ridicules the calorie. But

One Truth Still Remains Hidden From Ken of Man

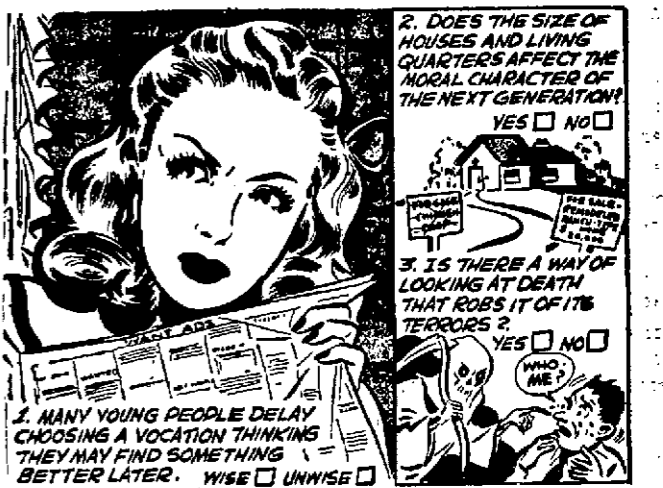
By ROBERT QUILLEN

PEOPLE grow smarter and better educated with each generation, but one truth still remains hidden from their understanding. Long ago the psalmist wrote: "Wise men die, likewise the fool and the brutish person perish, and leave their wealth to others. Their inward thought is that their houses shall continue forever and their dwelling places to all generations; they call their lands after their own names." How little mankind has changed through the ages. "This is the Smith place," says the sign; but it is only a little square of earth that many have claimed and another will claim tomorrow. Mr. Jones prospers and builds a "skyscraper" on Main St. His name is carved in everlasting granite above the entrance, so that all who pass may know this monument to success belongs to Jones. But he is fooling himself. He

has only a temporary lease. Tomorrow he will die, and the building will be sold to settle his estate, and another man named Robinson will call it his property. But let him not deface the granite and carve his own name there, for his deed, which reads "forever," is a deception. He bought only the right to use for a little while. Fliers in the first war, expecting death every day, had no interest but to eat, drink and be merry. They gave no thought to the future, for the certainty of death made ambitions and plans seem foolish. So all men, if they fully realized how short life is and how certain the end, might lack the heart to keep on trying. Certainly their attitude would be changed. Some would despair, some would find ways to forget reality, and only the strongest, driven by an unselfish sense of duty to posterity, would plan and plant and build. If we are

Let's Explore Your Mind

By ALBERT EDWARD WIGGAM, D. Sc.



Answer to Question No. 1

Very unwise. It is very difficult for inexperienced youths to know the vocation which they really prefer and even more difficult to know the vocation for which they are best adapted. Each vacation time young persons should grab any job they can get regardless of pay and even of agreeableness as the experience so acquired will add them greatly in sorting out the talents and preferences and will cure many false ideas. Should they later consult a psychologist in deciding their best lifetime vocation these experiences will be of great value to them in reaching a correct decision.

Answer to Question No. 2

Yes, not only their moral character but the number of children per family. A New York City survey taken 12 years ago showed 81% of low income families preferred to eat in the kitchen. Now 60% of the same people want a dining alcove, and 16% a dining room. Instead of the in-a-door bed and stream-lined apartment, they want two or three bedrooms. With no place for the family to play and live the children have nothing but the streets—the worst place in the world to build character.

Answer to Question No. 3

Yes, English Cardinal, Patrick Stephen Wiseman, one of the greatest men of his time (1802-1865) was told he was nearing his end. His friends asked "Your Eminence, how do you feel?" "Feel?" he replied, gaily. "I feel like a schoolboy going home for a holiday." Whatever may be your faith, certainly this is a glorious end to a glorious life. Death has no terrors for anyone who has always done what he believed his best, has sought to make every day like Holmes' "Chambered Nautilus," "nobler than the last"—and like J. M. Barrie has always been "Kinder than necessary."

Asked in the Imaginary interview how he felt about repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act, John L. Lewis rumbled "What Taft-Hartley Act?" (North American Newspaper Alliance.)

Sen. Soaper Says:

By H. V. WADE

It was a boxing instructor, correcting the Washington reporter's style: "No, no—keep the left arm up when asking a venerable Senator his age."

The board's ruling, that he was only a minor war criminal, seems not to distress Von Papen. It was Victor Moore, in the old musical, who was outraged at being rated no higher than public enemy No. 13.

RADIO PROGRAMS — TODAY AND TOMORROW

Table with radio station call letters and frequencies: KLAC 570, KFI 640, KMPC 710, KECA 790, KHJ 930, KFWS 980, KNX 1070, KFOX 1280, KFAC 1330, KGER 1390.

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