

Today's Smile by Dick Turner



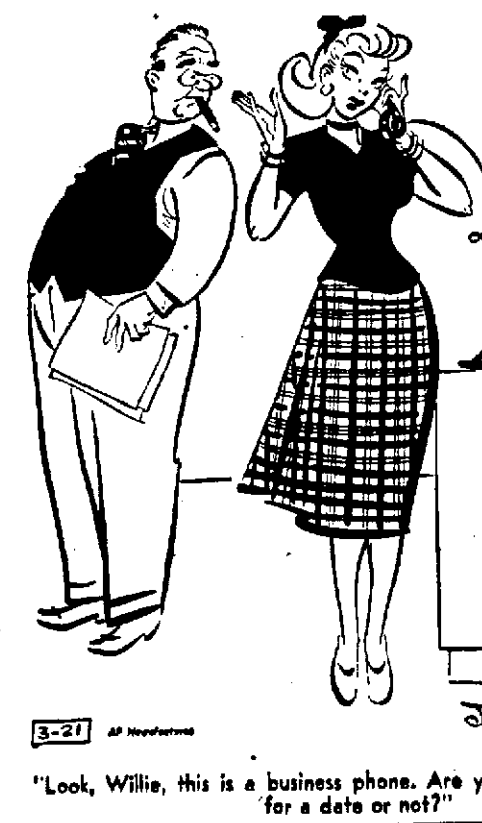
"Oh, yes—as to falling grain prices! Let's get out one joyous form letter to my livestock constituents, and one sad form letter to my corn and wheat constituents!"

Questions, Answers

Five Ballet Positions Long in Use

By HASKIN
A reader can get the answer to any question by writing to the Long Beach Press-Telegram Information Bureau, 218 Eye Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. Please include three (3) cents for return postage.
Q. HOW LONG have the five ballet positions been known and used? G. C.
A. The five traditional positions in ballet, based on gravity and body mechanics, were codified about 1670-80 by Beauchamps, the first director of the Royal French Dancing Academy. Ballet originated in Italy and was carried to France about 1550 when the King of France married an Italian princess.
Q. What is the largest single source of Government revenue in the United States? J. M.
A. The largest single source of Government revenue in 1947 was taxation of individual incomes, which amounted to 35 per cent of the total receipts, or \$127 per capita.
Q. When and by whom was the Lafayette Escadrille of World War I founded? How many of the fliers lost their lives? D. D.
A. The Lafayette Escadrille was formed in 1916 by Norman Prince of Chicago. Until its transfer to the U. S. Army in 1918, it was commanded by the late Colonel (then Captain) George Thénault, a French officer. In the squadron memorial near St. Cloud, France, 67 members who fell in combat and their French leader are buried. The tomb of Lieutenant Norman Prince is in the Washington Cathedral in Washington, D. C.
Q. Do elephants lie down to sleep? F. R.
A. Not all elephants lie down to sleep. Sometimes they rest their tusks in the fork of a tree while taking a nap standing up.
Q. Is there a periodic change in sea level? C. E. W.
A. Sea level is determined by careful observations made by specially prepared instruments over a period of time. The level of the sea changes constantly, and a period of 19 years is taken to constitute a full tidal cycle. Observations over this period may be taken to give accurately mean sea level at any place.

Modest Maidens



"Look, Willie, this is a business phone. Are you going to ask me for a date or not?"

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

AMERICA is not finished any more than the automobile is finished. Great advances are always possible. . . There is a big job for you to do. Progress is always unfinished in America.
—Benson Ford, vice president, Ford Motor Co.
I HAVE a hundred more novels that I would like to write (but) the business details of my first book still take all my time. Nobody believes that, but it is true.
—Margaret Mitchell, author of "Gone With the Wind."
IT IS APPARENT to all that the United States economy has been functioning quite well—not perfectly, by any means, but quite well. For a number of years, in fact, we have operated at more than usual capacity; more than our plant . . . was designed to carry.
—Assistant Secretary of State Willard L. Thorp.

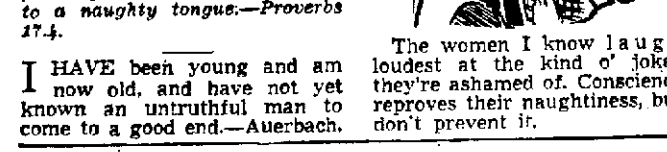
Let's Explore Your Mind

By ALBERT EDWARD WIGGAM, D. Sc.
E. WHEN A CHILD OF SIX OR EIGHT SNEAKS SHOULD IT BE PUNISHED? YES NO
F. DOES THE WAY YOU WALK TELL ANYTHING ABOUT YOUR PERSONALITY? YES NO
J. DOES FEAR THAT A MEDICAL EXAMINATION MAY REVEAL A SERIOUS DISEASE SOMETIMES CAUSE A CURE? YES NO
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Third Senator?

TAKING HIS STAND on the maxim that you cannot have too much of a good thing, the Democratic National Committee chairman proposes that the membership of the Senate be increased by one-third.
Years ago, Jack Garner advocated the division of Texas into four states so that it would have eight senators. Nothing quite like that plan had been heard of until Senator McGrath spoke up. But Mr. McGrath would be more generous—he would give every state an extra senator. And why?
Well, he says, it would speed up the legislative process, though there is nothing in history to suggest that the more people you have considering a question the sooner or better the question is answered. — Baltimore Evening Sun.

AUNT HET



The women I know laugh loudest at the kind of jokes they're ashamed of. Conscience reproves their naughtiness, but don't prevent it.

THOUGHTS

A wicked deer giveth heed to false lips; and a liar giveth ear to a naughty tongue.—Proverbs 17:4.
I HAVE been young and am now old, and have not yet known an untruthful man to come to a good end.—Auerbach.

CHARM EXPERT TOSSES HINTS Girls Advised to Quit Mouthing a la Durante

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK (AP) American women would be more charming if they quit acting like men in some ways—and more like men in other ways.
This gratifying discovery isn't my own—although, naturally, I've suspected it for some time. It comes from a beauty expert, Elizabeth Fraser, director of the Barabson School of Fashion Modeling.
Each week Miss Fraser casts a critical eye on the charms of some 200 hopeful would-be fashion models, of whom perhaps 20 to 25 make the grade.
This pleasant task has led her to the conclusion that too many girls today have developed manly mannerisms, which is awful, instead of a manly inner character, which would be fine, indeed.
"Too much athletics," said Miss Fraser, "has overdeveloped the leg muscles of girls, and they walk like boys. They—how shall I say it?—they positively swagger."
"They throw their hands about in gestures like boys. And they even move their lips like boys when they talk. Something like this."
Miss Fraser, a delicate brunette, then gave a restrained imitation of Jimmy Durante.
Another of her pet peeves is the way many girls let cigarettes dangle from their mouths while paying through their handbags for a lighter.
"I'm afraid I have you men to blame for the fact girls smoke in a masculine way," she said. "There was a pause while Miss Fraser put a cigarette between her pretty lips and held it there in a graceful feminine manner until a man in the room rushed over and held up a match."
"I hate to say this about men," she went on, "because I love men.
"I wish women would pick up more of men's virtues—such as tolerance, their lack of pettiness and their friendly attitude. I don't think men are as much on the defensive as women. Women lack self-assurance."
Going in more detail into the beauty faults of the younger generation, Miss Fraser said the habit of carrying shoulder bags and slippers was giving many girls

Sen. Soaper Sayst

By H. V. WADE
THE OLD SARGE isn't counting on a Rankin pension for some years yet, and in the meantime will look into these pyramid clubs.
It is a New England film fancier who claims to have sat 33 times through the same picture. If it's that songwriter's biograph, haven't we all?
Still, the outlook can't be all dark, if that Nobel peace prize board has three or four suspects under surveillance.
Education is the big weapon against Communism, our Harry insists. And here, on another page, a new Red spy suspect turns out to have been one of the brighter babes on the campus.
Answer to Question No. 2
No. A friend of mine heard his five-year-old swearing. He said to his wife, "Where in — do you suppose that boy learned to swear?" The parents should be punished. If the child learned it from his playmates, let them be punished. If he learned it from his parents, let them be punished.
Answer to Question No. 3
Everything you do tells something about your personality. Just what your walk tells has not been carefully studied. Probably a strong, vigorous walk indicates an active, vigorous, decisive personality, while a weak, wobbly gait (unless due to disease) a somewhat weak, wobbly personality. My impression is that men who talk slowly tend to walk slowly. I wish some

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