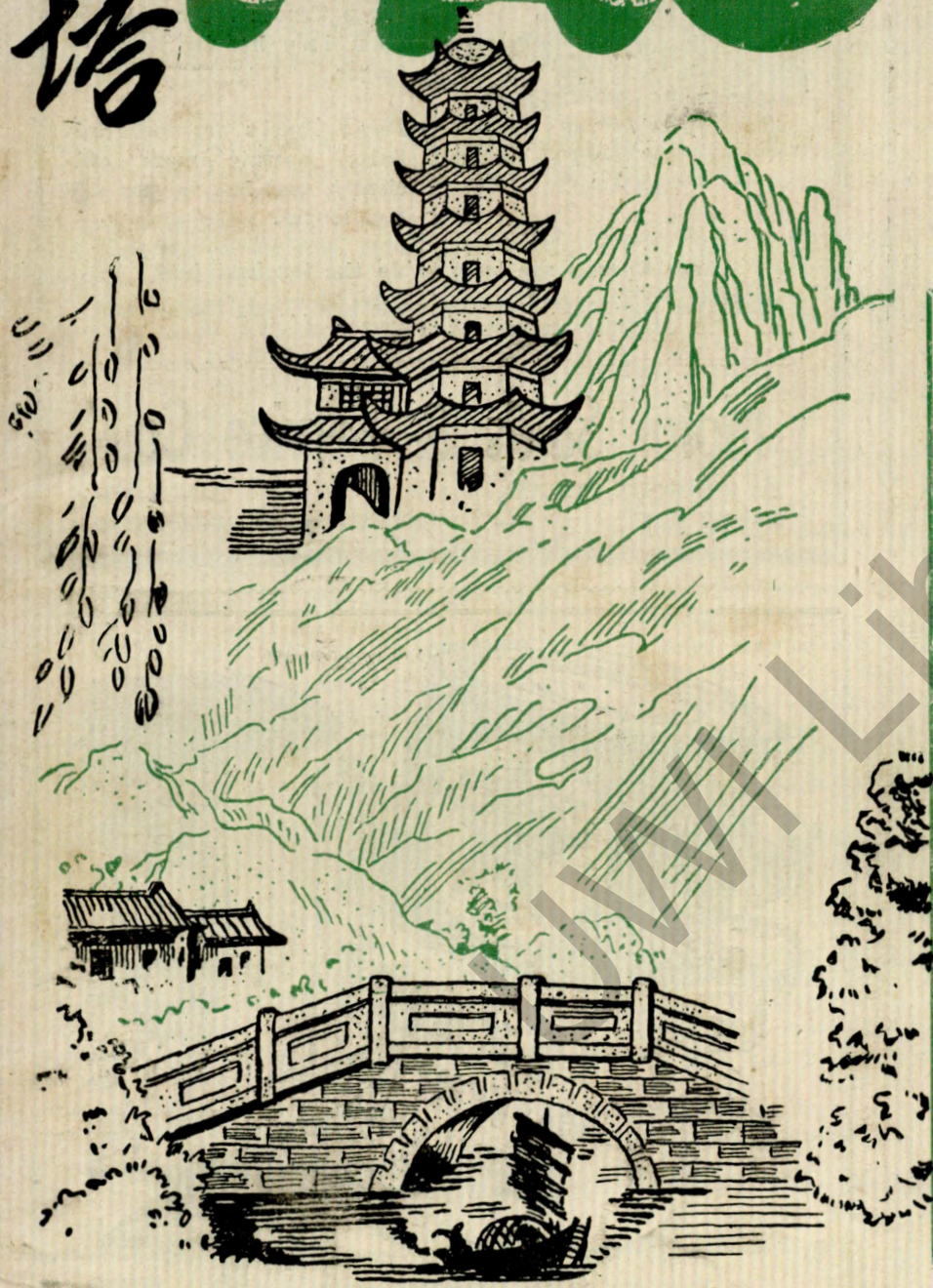


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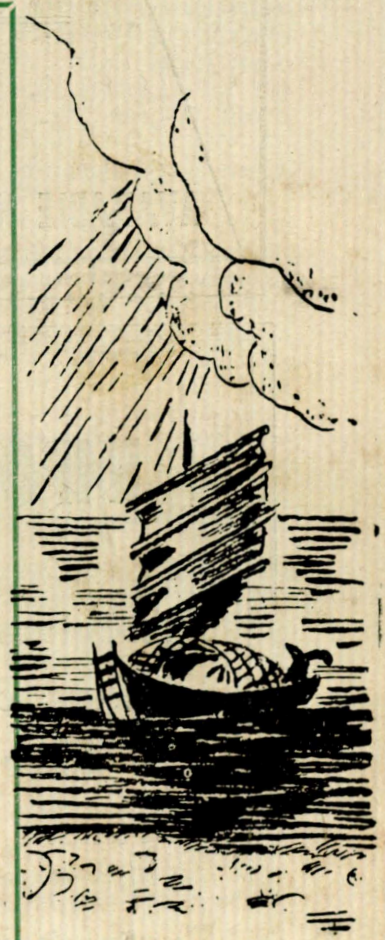
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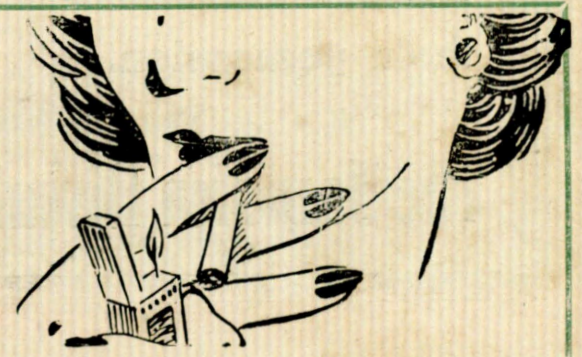
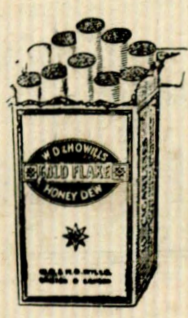


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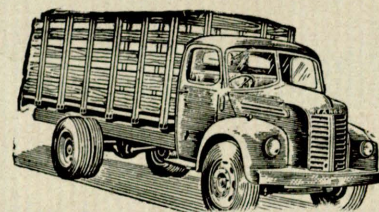
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WIND AND WATER

Manifestations of the Yin and Yang

By PIONEER
From SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST

ONE of the subjects which intrigued the westerner, during his early contacts with China was the science of Fung Shui, or the influences of wind and water.

A very rare book on the subject, of which a copy existed in the Tientsin Library, ended with the conclusion that the practice was deserving of respect, whatever its scientific basis might be, and he cited the instance of the first British Consul at Canton.

Land allotted for Foreign Concessions by the Chinese authorities was rarely valuable from a residential point of view.

Tientsin was practically a stagnant lake, the Bund and the Taku Road alone being more or less permanently above flood level.

The island of Shameen was a sand-bank just off the quay of Canton City, and its Fung Shui rating was in the lowest category. Its only advantage was its comparative isolation in days when the sentiments of the local inhabitants were none too friendly to foreigners.

The Consul, who felt some diffidence in looking a gift horse in the mouth, accordingly took up his residence on the ill-omened island but was driven out by white ants, and was obliged to hire a house under the protection of the White Cloud Pagoda, whose location with reference to the elements left nothing to be desired.

THE rudiments of the magic art are to be found in ancient China, being manifestations of the Yin and Yang, representing the dark and the light, or female and male principles. It was not until the twelfth century that it was elaborated into a science destined to play a large part in the ancestral worship, particularly the disposal of the dead.

All possible reverence is due to corpse, so it is natural that the descendants should desire to see it bestowed in the most com-

fortable fashion. The site for the burial has to be selected to combine all that is good for the children and grandchildren, as well as the peaceful repose of their ancestor. As this may require considerable time and as a propitious day for the funeral has also to be chosen, the coffin may have to wait for months waiting interment.

Even when the eldest son has discovered such a site, and is confident that it will bring happiness and prosperity to his descendants, it may be that the location will have the very opposite effect on the prospects of a younger brother, necessitating a fresh reconnaissance until a compromise is reached which is favourable to all parties.

So many elements are involved in determining lucky sites that the services of a professional are essential to reconcile the claims of all parties.

ALTHOUGH the disposal of the dead is the chief attribute of the Fung Shui man, he must also be consulted in the selection of the site for a house, or an ancestral hall, or the building of a temple.

He may even be called in to modify the arrangement of an existing dwelling whose inhabitants have experienced some inconvenience.

A bedroom may be changed to a sitting room to suit the psyche of its occupant, or a partition may be erected to counteract some adverse influence.

If the expert cannot find the ideal site, or circumstances, such as built up areas dictate the adoption of an unfavourable location he must produce the necessary antidote. The Colony is full of houses with mirrors facing some line of approach of malevolent spirits to deflect their path, and protect the inhabitants from their evil designs.

Most of them are reinforced with the Eight Trigrams which are disliked by the

evil spirits to the same extent as Holy Water is abjured by the Prince of Darkness. The forms of hills, direction of watercourses, forms and heights of buildings, direction of roads and bridges are all supposed to modify the Ch'i, or universal spiritual breath of the universe, and Fung Shui is the art of adapting the residences of the living and the dead to conform, as far as possible, with the local currents.

THE expert works with the Geomantic compass, which is on sale in numbers in most Chinese towns. Those taken home as curios are invariably mistaken for the Celestial form of mariner's compass, which they are not.

The instrument of navigation is rarely seen in the shops. The "reticulated plate" (Lo Pan) or astrological compass, consists of a baked clay disc, six or more inches in diameter, with a magnetic compass about an inch in diameter in the centre. The disc is coated with yellow lacquer, and is inscribed with concentric circles. The centre is the limitless circle of the Yin and Yang, and the whole arrangement synthesises the Chinese conception of the harmonies between the forces of nature, the time relations as indicated by the sun and moon, and the directions in space from any point on the earth.

As many as sixteen concentric circles may surround the compass, but the local practitioners work with considerably fewer. According to the explanation given by one of them the Pa Kua or Eight Diagrams form the innermost circle. These denote figuratively the evolution of nature, and its cyclic changes. The eight represent respectively Heaven, Water as in a lake, Fire, Thunder, Wind, Water in rain, Hills and the Earth. They also stand for eight animals, Horse, Goat, Pheasant, Dragon, Fowl, Swine, Dog and Ox, and the points of the compass.

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"So He Huffed And He Puffed..."

By S. H. C.

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AFTER a long life of paganism, Jeppers is now a convert. He admitted at last that he was a believer. And it all came about in this way.

All day long at office, we had reports coming in from our homes where housework was being done to the background music of the radio. Each report brought the hurricane nearer, but never near enough for Jeppers to believe that we would be hit. At about three o'clock, we heard that the storm was a scant thirty three miles away from the island, with winds at the centre hitting up a lively 120-plus m.p.h. I left my desk and went over to Jeppers.

"Did you hear that one lunk-head?"

"You mean that little rumour about some wind doing one twenty?"

"You still don't think that we are in danger? Do you realise you nut, that thirty three miles away is only a matter of inches, and we are liable to get our hair mussed up some if even the hem of that skirt switches by?"

"Aw, go back to the Old Ladies' Home and catch up on your knitting."

I threw up my hands in disgust, and started packing up.

"Hey wait for me!"

"Do you mean that some sense has finally seeped in through that reinforced concrete casing of your head?"

"Nope! But if the boss says you may go, if you want to, that is, who am I to pass up a pleasant hour or so at the pool-room?"

"But, stupid! You got to get home and batten down. You may even get your roof blown off if this comes any closer. If I were you, I'd pick up some lumber and nails."

"Once upon a time" he began "there was a little pig, who batted himself down—as down as down could be. Then, in the same little fairy tale, there was a wicked, wicked wolf . . . and he was bad, as bad could be! 'Open the door' yelled wolfie, 'I won't' replied piggy. And the wolf huffed and he puffed, and this time he didn't blow the house in. You see, this little piggy listened to the hurricane warnings over Radio Jamaica, paid no attention to rumours, and batted himself down, oh, most securely!"

"Okay wise bird! But I told you so" can be a very painful reminder after an unheeded warning."

"Oh, by the way," I stopped to hear what else was fermenting in the giant cranium, "did I tell you the sequel of that story?"

"No, please do tell."

POISON WITHOUT A LABEL

by Robert Power

One does not find Malice listed among poisons in a medical dictionary. Yet it is one of the most potent. Such expressions as "poison pens" and "poison tongues" are not just the language of sensation. They have their roots in truth.

Malice is nearly always the malady of people with little and corrupt minds, and its cause is often trifling. A twinge of jealousy, a fancied slight, a wicked proneness to put two and two together and make it five, and the cup of malice is set a-brewing to destroy kindness of feeling, charity of thought, decent human relationships.

How wicked is the malicious slander which gossips away a character in an afternoon, and runs lightly over acquaintances, leaving a drop of poison on them all, some suspicion, or some ominous silence.

Yet the malice of a remark does not go unnoticed. There are plenty of people with justly balanced minds who see it for what it is, and set it down to the discredit of the speaker. As Algernon Blackwood wrote, "the Recording Angel entered it as evidence the destroyers unwittingly gave against themselves — a confession that what they had in their own hearts and minds they saw most easily in others."

If only malicious people could be made to understand that by their poisonous words they reveal their true nature and condemn themselves, they might undergo a change of hearts.

But the trouble with maliciously-minded folk is, usually, that they are incapable of seeing themselves or other people as they really are — in short, they suffer from a mental and spiritual ailment for which drastic remedies may be necessary.

"Well, following instructions like a good little piggy, our hero, let's call him Montrose, well, our Montrose filled his bath tub, after sterilizing it, and filled every piece of furniture that would contain water even, a large wooden tray and his typewriter cover. Then the wolf huffed, and he puffed, and he threatened to blow the house in.

Did it collapse on old Monty! No sir, he had heeded the instructions which came over every hour on the hour. And his house rocked and teetered, but it never blew in. No sir, it never did! You know what happened? At six o'clock the next morning, after the storm had spent itself, he reached over to the shelf above his bath for his toothbrush, and fell in and was drowned!" Poor Montrose!"

"Well thank you dear Nanny," I told him as I took my leave to go home, I enjoyed your lovely story. But if the situation becomes untenable at your place, do drop in to ours, if you can find it, and tell me another one."

HE went to the pool room, and I went to indulge in some amateur carpentry at my place.

My experience, I am sure, was very little different to yours, except of course you had your roof blown off, which I didn't, or you had all your clothes soaking wet, which I didn't. All in all, we just lost a few shingles, I think we fared very well indeed. So much so, that we could take in the neighbours' children the very next morning. But that would have been a very tame end to my little tale.

Somewhere in between ten and ten thirty, the wind was at its wildest. At that time, it seemed to my worried mind, that every wall about the house was bulging inward from the strain. It seemed to me that the roof was like a wild horse straining at the reins. It seemed to me that any minute now the house would be airborne. I heard the lashing of the rain against the house and I was thankful that the boarding up had proven so effective. Time and again I could see dark shadows hurtling by the house, through the rain misted windows, like witches on a holiday. Incessantly I prayed that none of

them would seek entrance through a window, since a broken branch powered by a hurricane could be a most effective battering ram.

AFTER a sample sized eternity, there was somewhat of a lull. I waited tensely for it to start again. A gentle, sighing wind sprung up. Then to my ears, still thrumming from the noise of the hurricane, I heard a rapping. It sounded like the rapping of someone who had read Edgar Allan Poe's "The Raven". And I knew one man who had.

"JEEPERS!" I yelled, fumbling with the front door.

He came in, looking very much like Poe's raven would have looked, after weathering such a storm.

The wind started up again! Then I noticed that all he had in his hand was his little overnight bag.

"Coming to stay," I asked him, as I dragged him in out of the storm and slammed the door.

"Lord I believe, help thou my unbelief" he murmured prayerfully.

I hurried him into dry clothes and then we heard his story over a cup of coffee, which I had also put by in a large thermos.

Jeppers is of course another story. Maybe some day he'll tell you himself what happened.

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MOVEMENTS OF NOTE

By I. C. Evre Ting

FRIDAY, August 17, 1951 will be a day to remember. It will be a day that you will relate to your grand children or even your great grand children. But at the moment many of us are trying to forget the memory of awful terrifying moments when man wrested with the elements and came out second best.

Many there were who were not inclined to take it seriously. A few went to the country for their holidays despite the warning and realised too late that it was not 'cry wolf' this time. At the Club the invariable Friday-nighters were there to pass the evening. One anxious wife telephoned her spouse to come home early and when he did, it was not a moment too soon. One had to run all the way home through wind and rain when all other means of transportation failed him. Another passed anxious prayerful moments as he drove home through falling trees and flying zinc sheets. Never, he says, will he forget that drive home.

Those who stayed at home and prepared for the worst were unfortunately in the path of the strongest wind and saw their roofs lifted neatly off its support. Whether they liked or not they had "open house" to all friends and relatives.

Te CAC, unfortunately, was one of the worst sufferers. The loss of the bowling alley, the only one in the island, may never be replaced and so we may never know what a bowling alley and the pleasure of bowling is like.

For Club members, one of the strange aftermaths of the hurricane is the lost feeling with no

place to go to after working hours. The experience of going home early and to bed was an unusual one.

BEFORE I leave the subject of the hurricane I would really like to express my sympathy to all those who have suffered from this blow. Many are still dazed at the enormity of the destruction. I hope they will all make a start for an early recovery and make plans for a brighter and bigger future.

One philosophical reader from the country who had his roof completely blown away took it very lightly. He said he had planned extensive alterations on his shop and the roof was due for complete remodelling. The hurricane, he said, did the job very neatly for him.

THE grand CSA carnival evidently has to be called off and what with all their preparations is very disappointing indeed. But nothing undaunted, our melody makers are still planning their debut for early October. If it is not the CAC it has to be somewhere else and they now have the USO.

OF no little worry to the parties concerned are the couples whose wedding will take place in the next week or so. Many churches have been hit and it appears unlikely that they will be repaired in time. Other arrangements are keeping them very busy.

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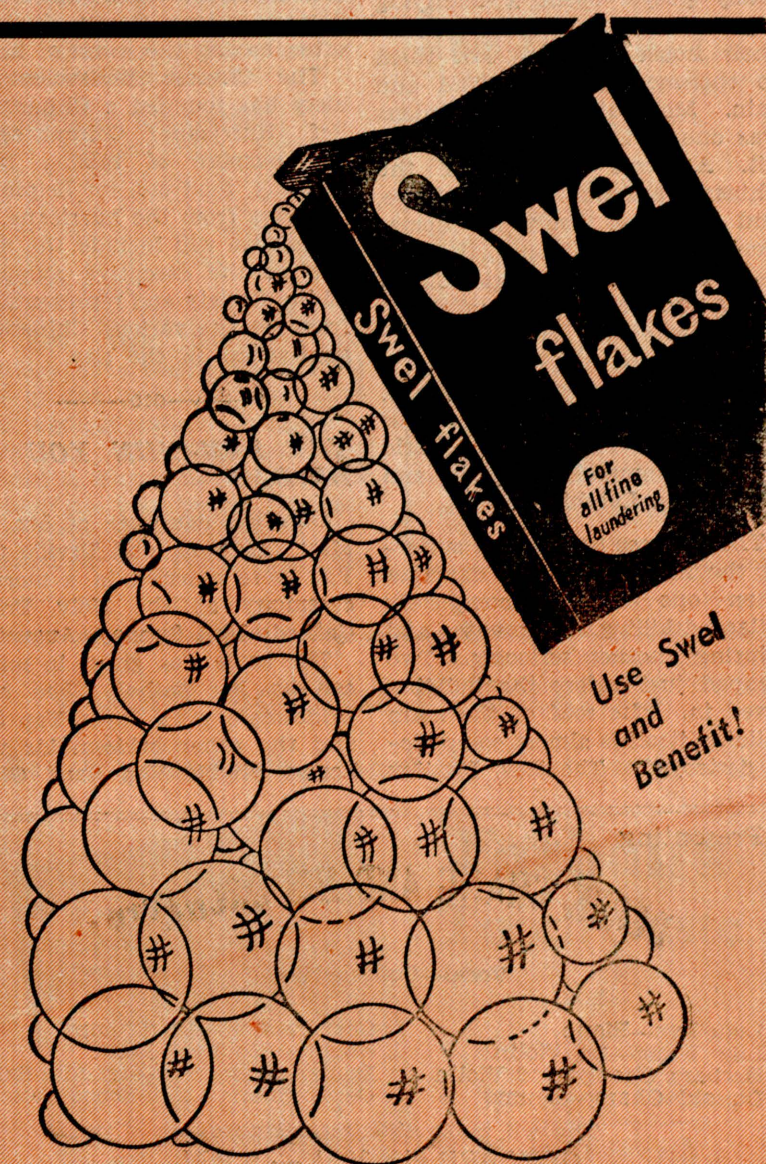
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HURRICANE DAMAGES

The city of Kingston last Saturday morning presented a scene of shambles and desolation after the worst hurricane in half a century spent its destructive force on the greater part of the island. Many people spent a terrifying night after the hurricane blew off their house-tops and left them to the mercy of the wind and rain. Mountain View Gardens was one of the areas most badly hit. A large number of the Chinese community live there, and the most badly hit homes were the Arthur Wongs, the Gilbert Lees and the Eric Chins, whose roofs completely collapsed. Others who also suffered heavy damage were the Oscar Lees, Lennie Chins, Garden Suppliers, Sago Chins, Hugh Cheongs, John R. Wongs, Thrift Store, Eric Wong, Commando Grocery and the Wilfred Lueshings.

The Chinese Sanitarium suffered the most disastrous damages when one building completely collapsed killing two inmates and injuring another seriously. Two escaped just before the building caved in. The roof of the main building itself is almost completely destroyed. The Rev. Fr. Fox

and other fathers from nearby Winchester Park were there early on Saturday morning to assist in removing dangerous debris out of the way.

The Chinese Public News suffered damage to its roof.

The Chinese Athletic Club suffered a total loss of its Club-house as also the bowling alley which was under construction.

There is hardly a shop in Kingston and St. Andrew that escaped damage, two-storey buildings often having the worst of it.

The Chinese Benevolent Society has founded a Chinese Relief (Hurricane) Committee for the purpose of raising funds, clothing, food etc. for helping all sufferers from the hurricane. The committee will include the members of the executive committee of the Society and representatives from all the various Chinese organisations in the city.

YAP SAM-CHIN YOU BRIDAL

Dorothy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yap Sam, and Urville Chin You were married in a morning ceremony at the Holy Trinity Cathedral on Sunday, August 19.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. The chief bridesmaid was Joyce Yap Sam and the other bridesmaids were Louise Phyllis Yap Sam, Gloria

Yap Ying and Ovida Yap Sui.

The bestman was William Chin and ushers were Cecil, Ferdie, and Bernard Yap Sam and Willie Chin See.

After the ceremony a dinner was held at Clark's Town.

Tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock a reception in honour of the young couple will be held at 33 Lady Musgrave Road, the home of the Yap Sams.

ENID TAI TO WED

Another September wedding will be that of Enid Tai to Ainsley Mooyoung. Enid who is a stenographer at the Canadian Bank of Commerce is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Tai and Ainsley is the son of Mrs. Hilda Mooyoung and the late James Mooyoung. His is engineer-in-charge of the Ariguanaboa Knitting Mills.

The wedding will take place at the Kingston College Chapel on Sunday, September 9.

PARTY FOR VISITORS

The Louis Changs of Malvern Avenue had as their honour guests at a large function, Mary Chin of Canada and Wendell Wong of Trinidad. Dancing was very enjoyable to the music of two three-piece orchestras play-

ing at different intervals. Among the guests were the Jearns Chins, the Donald Leahongs, the Sidney Changs, Mrs. Albert Chin Yee, the Misses Joyce and Fay Lyn, the Albert Chin Fooks, Reginald Lyn, the Capitor Ho Yens, the Headley Hosangs, the Cecil Lai Fooks, the Wesley Changs, the Robert Chins, the Edgar Lyns, Dorothea and Pansy Chin, Mrs. Lyra Fung, Mrs. Clea Hysert, Dotty James, Dr. Victor Chuck, Lily Wong, Millie Chin Yee, Dorothy Hoo and many others.

VISITORS FROM PANAMA

From Panama on a short holiday here are Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lowe and their young daughter, Elinor. They arrived just in time to experience the island's worst hurricane in half a century. Milton will go to Miami next week, while his wife, the former Beryl Sun, will stay another month before returning to Panama.

SURPRISE PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Wong of Montego Bay had a real surprise sprung on them when friends went to their home on the eve of their moving in and had a party there. It was planned that someone persuade the Wongs to show

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PANORAMA

A STORM BREAKS

Third in the series of tropical disturbances which travel the Caribbean area during the hurricane season every year, was the hurricane which broke over our south coast on the night of August the 17th spreading inland to some of the midland parishes before leaving us. This hurricane is said to have been the most severe ever to come our way, and not since that of 1903 can one remember tales of similar havoc in Jamaica.

Due to have reached us by five o'clock in the afternoon according to original warnings, the storm delayed until after nine in the evening, then having gathered speed and an intensity to 125 miles per hour, it broke loose on us, raging for near on an hour at the start in a terrifying fury. Trees fell before the onslaught like so many ninepins, and the telegraph and electric poles followed after. Greeting the eye on the following morning was wreckage everywhere. The elements had had their fun.

The force of the wind struck near the coast and some areas lying in its direct path have been more severely hit than those more far placed. South Camp Road, Vineyard Town, Mountain View Gardens, and the coast have been laid in ruins, carrying a death toll that is record enough of the havoc wrought. Many large buildings have been partially unroofed, and smaller ones laid flat. Few are those who have got away with little or no damage to property or person.

MORE RECORDS FOR HISTORY

Many are the tales handed down to us in the historic records of Jamaica of the little seaport towns of Port Royal and Morant Bay. Numbering among these tales have been some of disaster. Those who pen such records have fresh ones to add for laid in ruins by this hurricane have been these two towns, lying in the direct path of the raging storm. Port Royal, with its adjacent airport, is there in name only. Once again our buccannier town of historic fame has suffered a crushing blow, complete with its tale of tragic deaths and massed ruins.

At Morant Bay and Yallahs there is also only a heap of ruins to tell the story. The historic Court House has been unroofed and medical and other aid had to be got to the thousands of

homeless sufferers without delay. Later, the H.M.S. Bigbury Bay was sent with relief supplies to this more distant scene of the aftermath of the hurricane, for the entire parish of St. Thomas is in a state of destitution.

FURTHER INLAND

Sweeping inland from the coast the hurricane gave a hard slap in the face to another historic site, that of the old capital. Much suffering was experienced at the hospital, and many lives have been lost in that area also. The Rio Cobre River broke its embankments and flooded into the residential area of the town, endangering the houses and Rio Cobre Home.

On hurled the monster of disaster to Old Harbour, May Pen, Mandeville where the picturesque clock tower has been destroyed and the Country Club and many other places, including the Bauxite establishment badly affected. The north coast was the least of the sufferers on this occasion, receiving only the switch of the monster's tail as it rushed by.

THE RED CROSS

Only a short time ago the local branch of the British Red Cross put out a special public appeal for funds to aid its work, realising that we were entering the dangerous season of hurricanes. A big raffle is even now being conducted for such a purpose. And, indeed, this Body had rendered the most efficient and yeoman service in the disaster which has come to us, headed in person by Lady Foot, wife of Jamaica's Governor, who is the president of the branch.

In little or no time twenty-six centres had been opened at which the thousands of poor and needy, hungry, homeless and in some instances requiring first aid treatment, were able to receive all the care possible.

Prior to the hurricane when the warning had been issued, the Red Cross opened up numerous places of shelter in anticipation of the need, and other bodies such as the Y's, the Boy Scouts etc. have all rendered aid with them. So efficient, indeed, has been their service, that the offer of assistance from the American Red Cross may not have to be accepted.

DIFFICULT DAYS

As is readily understandable many difficult days lie ahead of us after so awful an experience, for various reasons. Firstly, there is the food shortage which is bound to be one of the main outcomes of the hurricane damage. The bananas in three parishes are said to have been completely

destroyed, and, so, too, must all the vegetables and much of the ground provisions. Even the most hardy are bereft of all their fruitage on the bough or limb, even when the tree remains standing.

The inconveniences for those who have lost their homes in these days of housing shortage will be many and the damages to public buildings, churches and the like will handicap many of the customary activities. On every hand there will long be some reminder of the night of horror so lately passed.

RELIEF AND RECOVERY

The reconstruction necessary to the clearing up of the debris and getting the various forms of communications and services into working order once again is going on apace.

Apart from the relief given by the Red Cross, the naval and military have been busy offering aid by the conveyance of food and medical assistance, and His Excellency the Governor has opened a Hurricane Relief Fund to help the poor people rehabilitate. Generous donations are requested for this Fund from those

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Hurricane Disaster

Although ample warning was issued to the public of the impending storm, coupled with all the necessary precautionary measures which should be taken to avert dangers and difficulties in the home and on the streets, none were prepared in mind or estate for the catastrophic hurricane which eventually descended upon us, leaving in its wake such scenes of disaster as Jamaica has never yet witnessed from like cause in all its long and turbulent history.

At dawn a shattered city lay naked to the terror-stricken eyes of all who had survived the night. In every direction lay trees both great and small, uprooted or standing disfigured by their valiant resistance to a merciless wind; electric poles lay twisted and broken across roads trailing dismantled wires around them; fences had been torn down, and, worst of all, houses, barracks and large buildings had been laid in ruin. This was disaster, indeed.

The death toll has steadily mounted to well over one hundred and forty; damage has been estimated at some sixteen million pounds, while the homeless are said to number some 25,000 for it was not only the metropolis which suffered the most acute blow of the storm, but Port Royal and Morant Bay have been laid flat, and in other more inland areas such as Spanish Town, May Pen and Mandeville the havoc wrought has been immense. Cut water mains in many areas brought days of discomfort, and with electric power and every form of communication severed and disrupted, the life of the island has been paralysed. The losses in bananas and other food products have been huge, and all this in a land already hard pressed.

With the resiliency of people under strain, Jamaica has risen to the occasion with everyone working indefatigably to ease the difficulties for one and all. Rehabilitation measures were put into full operation early, and discussions among the Governmental heads speeded the work of recovery. An air tour of the island was made by His Excellency the Governor to determine the extent of the damage.

Early on the scene, also, had been the local British Red Cross and other social services, and at their centres thousands of the poor people have been tended and cared for. The danger to health through the outbreak of epidemics is one of the most vital matters to be dealt with, for with water supply gone temporarily and the debris around us in so many areas every care must be taken. The public has been asked to give every facility to those at work in the devastated areas.

The Governor has launched a Relief Fund for the assistance of the poor and the reconstruction of their dwellings, and an appeal has been made by him for generous donations to this Fund. Each one of us should take our individual part in the recovery of our island home from the aftermath.

WIND AND WATER

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In the next circle are the twenty-four hills, each divided into three parts from which derive the fortnightly climatic periods of the solar cycle and the 24 characters including four of the Pa Kua, eight of the ten Celestial Stems and the Twelve Terrestrial Branches. This is colloquially called Trench Hill over the Land line.

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THE height of the hill is material, as it may exert a good or bad influence. If the birthday is unpropitious an excellent site may have to be discarded. Sometimes a counter-acting feature may be discovered. A big tree, pollarded so that it has lost its leader, makes little difference to its virtue, but a mutilated sapling is a hopeless proposition. Water and fire can never combine, but wood and water are propitious.

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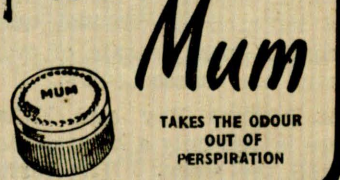
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Rainmaking Raises New Problems

by Maurice Goldsmith,
Unesco Science Editor

Though it is still not possible for the experts to give us completely reliable weather forecasts, we have reached a stage when we can begin to influence the weather on a large scale. So much so that a U.S. Senate Committee is now considering three separate Bills to control the control of the weather.

During recent years, a Nobel prize-winner, Dr. Irving Langmuir, has been responsible for a series of experiments whose results have well earned for him the name of "Rainmaker". He was responsible for bringing down from the skies no less than 320,000,000,000 gallons of rain, and for causing the weather to change over most of the United States.

The story of the first man "to do something about the weather" began during the last world war when Dr. Langmuir and a young colleague, Vincent Schaefer, were investigating the conditions which led to the icing of aircraft. They came to the conclusion that generally there was sufficient moisture present in the air to produce rain, but it did not fall because of a lack of proper "sublimation nuclei". These "sublimation nuclei" cause the formation of ice crystals. In the process, heat is released and a turbulence is created in the cloud, causing a kind of chain reaction which results in rain.

The first artificial "nuclei" which they "sowed" on clouds were solid carbon dioxide, which resulted in the spontaneous formation of an enormous number of ice crystals. Meanwhile, another scientist, Bernard Vonnegut, was investigating other possibilities for artificial nuclei, which would be as effective as ice crystals but would be more convenient to handle. He found the answer in silver iodine. Very small quantities of this would induce crystallization in clouds. It is estimated that one gramme of silver iodine will produce 1,000 million million drops of rain.

With these two materials this team of "rainmakers" proved that it was possible to change the weather. There were still sceptics who said that it was going to rain anyway and the experiments merely made it rain

sooner. Therefore, a long-term, carefully-planned project was begun. Over the arid regions of New Mexico seeding experiments were carried out on a seven-day cycle with a fixed amount of silver iodine regardless of the cloud conditions. It was assumed that if there was any evidence of a weekly periodicity in subsequent weather data, this could be attributed directly to these operations. After he had collected a year's data, Dr. Langmuir reported that throughout the USA there had been a certain degree of seven-day periodicity in the weather since the periodic seeding was begun. There were also seven-day cycles in pressures, humidities, cloudiness, and temperatures.

Although much work still remains to be done, the practical effect of all this is of tremendous social significance. Silver iodine is cheap — the amount needed to influence the weather over an area of 40,000 square miles costs only one dollar. Theoretically, throughout the USA it should be possible to double the rainfall on one day at the cost of only a few hundred dollars.

In one area in the USA, wheat-growers say they increased the value of their 1950 wheat crop by \$750,000 through the use of local rainmakers. In 1949, pear-growers in Oregon attributed a hail-free season to cloud seeding operations. The California Electric Power Company claims that during three years of seeding their hydro-power output was increased by 14,300,000 kwh. Incidentally, they claim to have produced an extra 6,500 acre-feet of water for the city of Los Angeles and to have put out a forest fire.

Clearly, if the rain can be made to fall in the mountains, the hydro-electric potential will be increased; and if it can be made to fall over the deserts, this will be an important aid to reclaiming these lost territories. It may also be possible to reduce rainfall in quantity and frequency in given areas, thus helping the development of agriculture.

It should also be possible to set up a weather control bureau, which will receive reports of the way in which the weather is likely to behave and then decide on

appropriate action. For instance, if over the waters a weather front is building up, the experts will have to decide whether they want rain or not. With the aid of radar, we can find out whether the clouds are about to give up rain, for they give back characteristic radar echoes. If rain is not wanted over the land, the clouds will be seeded by aeroplanes over the sea. If rain is wanted inland, either planes or ground "blowers" can be used for seeding. In East Africa a new method of rain-making had been tried out. It consists of exploding, by a time-fuse at a predetermined height, small charges of gunpowder impregnated with silver iodine carried in high-flying hydrogen-filled balloons.

The main difficulty in rain-making is to pinpoint the area in which the rain will fall. That is why the US Senate is now considering the Bills which would place research and control in rain-making in government hands. The American scientist, Dr. Vonnegut, has said that he believes nobody should be allowed to use silver iodine to seed clouds, except under public control.

He pointed out that three main benefits would be derived from a federal programme: first, control over the weather, increasing and reducing rain where desirable; second, alleviation of damaging storms, floods and hail; and three, the reduction of such aviation hazards as icing and poor visibility.

All three bills aim to take rain-making out of the hands of private interests—for rain-making on behalf of one person or group, at the wrong time and place, can easily bring hardship, if not ruin to others. The disparity of interest between a fruit-grower and the owner of a resort hotel, for example, requires authoritative adjudication.

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"My dear Judith,

I am so sorry to hear about your troubles; it must be very lonely for you on that farm with no-one to talk to all day. Is Trefor absolutely sure that the people round about can speak English quite well if they want to? It is too bad of them if so because, as you say, I see no hope of you ever learning their awful Welsh. But surely Trefor could make them speak to you in English? After all, he married you and took you there, and...."

* * *

21st June.

"Dear Frances,

Your letter was so welcome. Thank you for your sympathy. Yes, Trefor could make our neighbours speak English to me if he wished, but he says that if he did so they would always be contemptuous of me and I should never really get along with them, which would be a catastrophe indeed if I am to spend the rest of my life here. However, don't waste any more sympathy on me: I have solved my problem and am doing fine...."

* * *

"TREFOR, I am asking all our neighbours to a meal on Saturday evening. Will you pass the invitation round please? In Welsh of course."

Judith put her husband's breakfast before him as she spoke, and then went to stir the coals in the stove. The farmer continued to eye a catalogue for a moment before, with a jerk he dropped it and eyed his wife's back instead. The stove seemed a little difficult and so, after a while he said, "Why is this? Is it turning the other cheek you are my dear? What will you be doing with them all, the foreigners that they are?"

"Oh, I shall manage," shrugged Judith. "Anyhow, it's what I'm going to do, so you just 'speaka da language' and let them know about it. All of them mind." And she would say no more, turning a deaf ear to all arguments and pleadings from a husband who viewed the proposition with considerable foreboding. Trefor knew his fellow countrymen and he loved his wife.

However, as Judith remained firm it stood to reason that when Saturday came so also came the neighbours, old and young. By six o'clock the huge farm kitchen was thronged with excited folk,

running from one group to another, gesticulation rife and talk continuous, but the latter always in Welsh.

Judith greeted them all in careless English, smiled upon them, shook hands and patted a shoulder or a head here and there, according to the age of the recipient. And Trefor looked on askance and shook his head over it. If Judith thought she could hurry these mountain folk into liking her, (and he'd bet they would never speak her way until they did,) she was in for another disappointment. It would never work. They'd take their time if he knew anything, and time in these parts was counted mostly in years.

Interrupted in sympathetic consideration of his wife, Trefor found that she had thrown open the parlour door, that enormous, never used barrack of a room leading from the kitchen, and everyone's eyes opened wide with the door. Here was a feast indeed. Cold hams and chickens and galantines. Salads and sweets and cakes.

THEY all lived well in that little community, and good things were commonplace, but it was the strangeness of the dishes that proved so exciting. This cookery belonged to other places and other ways, and some of the Welsh folk approached it with suspicion accordingly, only to be overcome by the general deliciousness of it all.

Judith benignly poured beer and fruit punch, tea and cider, but was quite awake to the gestures and the whispers around her. Awake and waiting. All the same, it was a full half hour before Trefor came up beside her and said that Blodwen Owens here would be grateful she would for the recipe of that strawberry meringue thing at the end of the table there.

Judith's heart gave a leap, but she only smiled at Blodwen over the teapot and said she would give it her with pleasure but it was rather difficult to make, and how to explain it when she knew no Welsh, was beyond her. What a pity it was wasn't it?

Trefor drew a swift breath and gave his wife's hand a sudden squeeze. So that was it, was it? Clever Judith. Good girl, good girl. He wheeled round, shrugged helplessly at Blodwen Owens and started to tell Mrs. Evans of "Bryny Ffrydd Poultry Farm" how

Judith had doubled his egg output on the same number of hens, and the he was blessed if he knew how she did it. It was like magic so it was.

Dai Williams was the next one. He sent his wife Morgwen to find out about the fruit layer cake. A rare one for cake was Dai, and a rare cross one too when Trefor pointed out that his wife couldn't possibly explain how it was done, and wouldn't hear of telling him first and then trusting him to get it right afterwards in Welsh.

Mrs. Jones of "The Plas" and her husband's brother Ivor came next, one about the cheese savoury and the other about a cream soufflé. Some merely edged their way closer to hear the replies. But it was always the same; Judith's regret and her husband's helpless shrug.

BUT they had reckoned without old Mrs. Evans all the same. To Mrs. Evans eggs were the world, and life also was eggs. If hens could be made to lay double, then double they must lay, and nothing should stand between. She plodded up now with a firm hand on the shoulder of her only son, thrust the boy before Judith and stood behind him with her hands on her hips.

"Ma'am please," said young Evans. "Mother says, what you do please about hens and eggs?"

Judith's heart gave another leap, but her head remained steady. "Oh no you don't," she thought. "Oh dear no." And turning away momentarily she whispered to Trefor, "How much English does this child really know?"

"Very little," he whispered back, "a lot less than Mother Evans herself as a matter of fact."

Judith patted the boy's cheek and drew him aside with a gentle smile at his mother. "Come into the kitchen dear," she said to him, "it's quiet there and I can explain better. As they went she said to him casually, "Do they teach you French at school chérie?" Seeing the boy's blank stare she smiled

even more gently than before and then explained about hens and eggs partly by means of three syllabled English words, and partly in French. The child's blankness became fixed, and when he finally returned to his impatient mother he was practically tongue-tied, even in Welsh.

But it was Dai Williams and the layer cake that really brought things to a head. He brought Morgwen across himself this time. "Morgwen speaks English small bit, Mrs. Judith," he ventured, sheepishly tracing patterns with his toe and prodding Morgwen from behind. She tittered, a bit scared it seemed and finally said, "It's the layer cake. Dai wants me to make one too. Tell me how Mrs. Judith, will you?"

It seemed that everyone suddenly stopped talking. All those Welsh people stood in complete silence and watched Trefor Morgan's English wife, and Judith knew that a terrible lot depended upon what she did next. All the same, she never paused but turned cheerfully from her cups and

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Jamaican Proverbs

Their Meaning and Significance

De fambly dem all lacka green lizard.

The whole family are like green lizards. That is, they are all renown for ingratitude.

Compare with the following Jamaican Negro saying: "Me noh lacka fowl, eat done wipe me mout ah grung" the correct English of which is, I am not like the fowl that wipes its beak on the ground after eating what you give it. Also the following: "De same mout say sweet, say sour." The same mouth which says sweet, also says sour.

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De gal hab a berry bad sidung.

De gal means the girl; hab a berry bad sidung means has a very bad practice of sitting down when she should be busy doing some work. Hence the meaning of the proverb, which is a warning against Laziness, and an urge to industry

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Yuh eat dirty, yuh eat trash. You eat a dirty stuff, you will be eating trash. Compare with the following, which, like the foregoing, is an appeal to cleanliness thus:

Clean wash betta dan dirty wipe.

Clean wash is better than dirty wipe.

* * *

Ef face didn know dat him hab place fe contain yeye glass, him wouldn buy i'.

Fe contain means to accommodate; yeye glass means eye glasses or spectacles. The proverb in correct English read. If the face did not know that it has a place to accommodate the spectacles, it never would have bought them. That is, "Look before you leap," as the English proverb puts it: which reminds me of a recitation I used to know as a boy. It was written in poetry which has escaped my memory, so please accept the prose version, thus. The eye and the nose had a quarrel, the point at dispute being to which of these organs the spectacles really belong. It was found

necessary to submit the case to the Mouth as arbiter, and the following verdict was handed down, namely, That whenever the face puts the spectacles on, in daylight or lamp light, the eyes should be shut. Try it, and mark the result — Hence the meaning of the proverb, that in all affairs of life each one has his own part to play.

* * *
Rope run harse 'tan up

The rope runs, and the horse stands up. The pumpkin on its vine is the similitude, which is first cousin to a certain class of proverbs.

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De rum trow, way, but de bottle no bruk

The rum escapes although the bottle has not been broken: For a solution we must revert to slavery days in Jamaica when 'bochra rum miraculously escapes through the thieving propensity of negro slaves. Hence a proverb born in slavery days.

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Ef yuh craven fi one finger yuh plain, yuh wi' lose de whole bunch.

If you are craven after one finger of plantain, you will lose the whole bunch. Gluttony does not help you very much.

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Ah 'fraid fe dis corner lacka how ah 'fraid fe de debil.

I am as afraid of this corner as I am of the devil. This is a frank confession of a particular corner; but I know of several vile corners that answer to this description; for example, "Hell Below" in St. Ann, which is so named not only because it is dangerous, but also on account of its precipitance. It is known that many vehicles have fallen over this precipice and been badly damaged.

Yoh wi' eat an eat, till yoh seet ena yoh dish.

You will eat and eat, till you see it into your dish. That is, you must never be ungrateful.

PLUTO.

saucers and said, "Why of course I will my dear. You just stay a while after the others and I'll tell you all about it. Have some more while you wait Dai." And she waved them towards the cake as if nothing unusual had happened at all.

"...and my dear Frances, when it came to staying after the others, it seemed that most of them stayed, (including Mrs. Evans, you may be sure), and they all wanted to know something — in English too! Trefor says that now they have what they want, there is a chance that they may forget their English again, but you take it from me my dear that by the time they cook the right thing from the recipes I gave them, they're more likely to have forgotten Welsh. Besides, I believe they are beginning to like me a little.

Your loving friend,
Judith."

THE END

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HEALTH FOR ALL

TB AFTER 40

Because tuberculosis takes the highest death roll of any disease among young people from 15 years of age on, it is often thought of as a young people's disease.

Actually, tuberculosis belongs to no age group. It may strike any age, though pulmonary tuberculosis is comparatively rare between the ages of 5 and 15. The fact that tuberculosis is not a disease of youth alone is proved by statistics which show that more than half of all the deaths from tuberculosis occur among persons 40 years of age and over.

People who die of tuberculosis after they reach the forties may have contracted the disease in their younger years or they may

have caught it in their more mature years.

Tuberculosis is caused by a germ and anyone who is exposed to the germ may get the disease, regardless of his age. Years do not create immunity to the disease—there is no immunity against tuberculosis unless it is a healthy body, strong enough to resist disease when germs invade the body.

One of the reasons that so many of the tuberculosis deaths occur among people of 40 years and over may be that the disease was not discovered early enough for treatment to be undertaken successfully.

Tuberculosis seldom has outward symptoms in its early stage. The germ works quietly at first and great damage may have been done by the time the symptoms are apparent and the disease is discovered. Tuberculosis can be cured, but it is easier to cure in that early, symptomless stage. If the disease is allowed to progress until one lung is badly damaged or both lungs are affected, it is difficult to arrest the disease.

There would be fewer deaths from tuberculosis if the disease were always discovered in its early stage. And it can be discovered before the outward symptoms appear by means of a chest X-ray.

Everyone 15 years of age and over should have periodic chest X-ray examinations. If everyone did form the habit of having X-ray pictures taken of the lungs at frequent intervals, cases of tuberculosis would be found before it is too late for successful treatment and deaths from tuberculosis would be greatly reduced.

In the next article, giving the child a healthy start in school will be discussed.

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Progress comes from the desire of man to live above his income.
—Samuel Butler.

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Such truth as opposeth no man's profit or pleasure is to all men welcome.—Thomas Hobbes.

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CANADA

"Men move mountains and build their cities; and yet, one wonder I would like to find, the Fact the mind would embrace as a lover and would greedily uncover under the design is the city built within him that moves a man!"

Louis Dudek: "Flowers on Windows."

KOREA

"My heart is full of sorrow; for the sound
Of crickets, chirping gaily in the rain,
Is like his laughter coming back again.
My eyes are full of sorrow; for the dawn —
A crimson tapestry on hills of jade —
Is like his robe of red and green brocade.
My house is full of sorrow; for the sounds
Of all the voices in the courtyard seem
To mock his voice that now is but a dream."

Yi Soong-in: "Lament for his Master."

GREECE

"These are the Powers who earth-born mortals save
And ships, whose flight is swift along the wave,
When wintry tempests o'er the savage sea
Are raging, and the sailors tremblingly
Call on the twins of Jove with prayer and vow,
Gathered in fear upon the lofty prow,
— they suddenly appear,
On yellow wings, rushing athwart the sky,
And hurl the blasts in mute tranquillity."

Homeric Hymns: 7th Century B.C. "Hymn to Castor and Pollux."

POT POURRI OF THOUGHT

JAMAICA

"Yellow Poincianas light this dew-wet glade
Holding yellow black-eyed Susans in their shade
Like candy is the vase of deep Venetian gold
And yellow gleams this feather-robe of Chieftans old,
I dream of yellow yacca, ivories and shells,
Of Temple music and of yellow wedding bells
I know not what is loss or what men count as gain
But best of all are alamandas dripping in the rain."

Constance Hollar: "Yellow."

PERSIA

"Comrades, the morning breaks, the sun is up;
Over her pearly shoulder the sky dawn
Winds the soft floating mists of silver lawn;
Comrades, the morning cup! the morning cup!
With dew the tulip's cheek is dappled gray,
And from the ground sweet smells of morning rise,
The breeze blows softly out of Paradise.
Drink to the morning of another day!"

Hafiz: "Ode."

ENGLAND

"It is not the whistling of black-bird or wren,
Nor yet the plump chaffinch that sings in the lane;
But a little starved boy that is crooked and lame,
A little starved ruffian who hasn't a name...
Oh, what put that sprit of spring in his breast,
Oh, what makes him pipe like a bird by its nest,
Oh, what makes him whistle like blackbird or wren,
The little starved ruffian rejected of men?"

Sylvia Lynd: "The Whistling Boy."

CHINA

"A raging storm draws near. The ripening grain
Will fall before the howling wind to-night.
Of all we sow how little do we reap."

Yi Kyu Bo: "To his Daughter."

GERMANY

"A howling wind is brewing,
The wind and rain are wild;
And what can my love be doing,
That pale and frightened child?
There at the window dreaming,
I see her, worn and white
With eyes no longer beaming,
She stares into the night."

Louis Untermeyer: "The Storm."

AMERICA

"Early I rose
In the blue morning;
My love was up before me,
It came running up to me from the doorways of the Dawn.
On Papago Mountain
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PERSONS PLACES THINGS

By Old Joe

PERSONS

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Born in Kingston December 25, 1908, Cupidon was the only son of Daniel Joseph Cupidon and Catherine Elizabeth, his wife, daughter of John Archer. As a boy he attended All Saints Elementary School, west Kingston, of which Mr A. L. Walcott, an outstanding educationist of those days, was Headmaster. Later on he went to Wolmer's High School for Boys, under William Cowper. He gave his first public performance at the age of thirteen, when he recited "Old Mother Hubbard," and he was immediately acclaimed for his originality of delivery. He continued to give recitations at all kinds of entertainments until he left school, after which he faced the footlights as a full-fledged comedian.

As a lad he was attached to the Church Lad's Brigade, and for many years, he was one of its Commissioned Officers. As an able Elocutionist, he won several Cups and Medals and for many years was Champion Elocutionist of Jamaica. His ingratiating impersonation on the stage of local life will live long in the memory of those who always will recall his name with such memorabe productions as "Susan Proudleigh" and "Jane's Career." Cupidon's histrionic ability brought him fame not only locally, but it took him to London in 1934, when he won acclaim, and to the United States of America in 1936 and 1939, where he enjoyed a successful tour. He also visited Costa Rica and the Republic of Panama in 1938. Cupidon was not only Jamaica's greatest comedian, but a most likable person. In fact he was regarded as Jamaica's Prime Minister of Mirth, as he was the genius and the key which opened new vistas of pure local laughter to Theatre and Concert audiences. So great was his subtlety that only the complete, finely etched perfection of his humour ever reached the beholder. He died on the 18th December, 1940; and

when, a year after, his portrait was hung in the foyer of the Ward Theatre, a Memorial Recital was celebrated in his honour; and in order to show the universality of the appreciation in which he was held, I mention the names of the Memorial Committee and some of those who assisted in one way or the other to make the venture the success it was: Messrs. L. A. Thoywell-Henry, Eric Coverley, B. deC. Reid, and Aony Ableton, all of whom contributed to the Recital's programme. Among the many who helped otherwise were Messrs. Erni Webster, Vincent Aguilar, J.P., Abe Issa, Andrew Aguilar Kenneth Kemble and Everard Aguilar. Mr. Walter Morais enlarged the portrait; Mr. John Gray mounted same; Mr. Waller Hendricks made, polished and framed the picture, and Messrs. P. C. Vendryes and Son engraved the silver nameplate which is attached to the portrait.

PLACES

THE GARDEN ON THE PARADE

In a former issue this subject was dealt with under the heading "The Parade Garden." In this issue I am dealing with it in order to compare conditions of nearly 90 years ago with what they are today. The following is a verbatim extract from the "Gleaner" of February 22, 1867.

"It must be regretted that the funds necessary for keeping up the garden on the parade cannot be raised among the inhabitants of Kingston who have always been noted for acts of generosity and a desire to assist in useful undertakings. It cannot be denied that the establishment of a permanent garden on the parade would add materially to the improvement of the city and present to strangers visiting it something like an effort to appear in keeping with other civilized towns. Much labour and attention have been bestowed upon the trees now growing on the parade, by Mr. Andrew Lyon and Mr. Henry Ford, without which no doubt these trees would have languished and died shortly after being planted, although the community subscribed handsomely at the outset of the project. The small amount of 10/- or 12/- per week. (Mr. Lyon says), would be sufficient to keep up the garden effectively. Will Kingston really allow such a shame to come upon her as the abandonment of the undertaking without making an effort to prevent it? We would recommend Mr. Lyon to enlist the kind offices of the ladies—a practice that has met with approval in other com-

munities, and by the appointment of a collector to visit subscribers of even a shilling a quarter, sufficient funds, we are sure, would be raised to keep up the garden."

THINGS

EDUCATION IN JAMAICA

(continued from last issue)

The Crossman Commission of 1883 reported that the expenditure on education then averaged about £23,400 a year, for a population of about 292,000. This means that only about 22,000 adults were able to read and write. In more than one half of all the schools of the Island, the teachers were totally unfitted for the posts they occupied. The moral code of the scholars was low. Of the 687 schools in all, 247 were placed in the first or the second class of efficiency, the remaining 440 being of a low standard. 390 trained and 290 untrained teachers were in charge of these schools.

The earliest Training College for female teachers was opened by the Moravians in 1861. Shortwood College for the training of women teachers was established in 1885. St. Joseph's College is a useful training institution maintained by the Roman Catholic denomination in Kingston.

In 1879 a Schools Commission was established by Law as a kind of Board of Secondary Education. During the present century, further provisions for higher education has been made by the establishment of Government Scholarships tenable at a University, or at the Imperial College of Agriculture in Trinidad. The

gift of annual Rhode scholarships to Jamaica has also done a good deal to raise the standard of higher education, and to develop attention to games.

It is of interest to give the educational status of the Island as shown by the Census of 1943. Out of the 924,278 people in Jamaica in January of that year, aged 10 years and over, 24 per cent had never attended school; 71 per cent had an elementary education; one per cent was trained in some practical course, either technical, industrial or stenographic; 3 per cent of the total had received a secondary education, and 4 per cent, or about 4,000 persons, had reached the pre-professional stage, which included those with the Cambridge Higher School Certificate. There were 2,000 professional people in the Island, which was approximately 2 per cent of the population.

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TALKING IT OVER

By ELIZABETH MARTIN

Dear Miss Martin:

I recently became engaged to a boy who is very fond of drinking. He doesn't drink during working hours but always keeps a bottle at home and invariably gets drunk at parties and dances. Although he does not become loud and boisterous when he drinks it is enough to embarrass me and spoil my evening.

I'm afraid he might become an alcoholic. How can I break him off this habit.

"Afraid".

Dear "Afraid":

I think the time to break him of the habit is now, before you become his wife. The mere fact that he keeps a bottle at home shows that the tendency is quite strong. A lot of boys get drunk at parties just for the fun of it, but never touch drink otherwise.

If you wait until after marriage you will find it hard. Most boys will do anything to win a girl and if he loves you well enough he will stop drinking for you.

Don't threaten him or leave him now because this is the time he needs you most but tell him you have decided not to marry until he has given it up—not entirely but limit him to a few drinks at parties and cut out the bottle at home entirely.

E. M.

Dear Miss Martin,

A girl with whom I grew up is in love with me. I'm not just being conceited because all our friends seem to know it as she has never concealed it.

She is a very nice girl in every way, and we usually have a lot of fun together playing tennis, swimming and dancing. She would make any man a fine wife but although I like her very much it has always been in a brotherly way.

She has never embarrassed me in any way with her love and I admire her for it. Do you think if we got married I would grow to care for her that way? I am twenty-four years old.

"Uncertain."

Dear "Uncertain",

No, I would not advise you to marry this girl with the idea that you might grow to love her. You might not like her in a romantic way but you seem to care for her very much. I would suggest that you keep your friend-

ship the way it is. You never can tell — you might find yourself falling in love with her overnight. And if you don't, you will probably meet someone else who will make your heart beat. In either case, make sure it is the real thing before you jump into marriage.

E. M.

LESSONS IN CHARM

For our own sakes we should try to be as beautiful as possible. For our families' and friends' sakes we must. Some of us very early in life manifest the desire to dress and groom ourselves well. Other people seem more or less oblivious of the necessity for making a good appearance themselves, yet they help to comprise the vast number who are interested in seeing their own kith and kin look their best.

Several times I have been impressed by a small child saying: "Mummy, will you wear this frock when you come to school, and your beautiful new hat? I want the girls to see you". Such childish interest is sweet and precious and very touching — appealing enough to make even the busiest mother think twice before she throws her coat and hat on carelessly, takes her gloves in her hand, and looking distinctly badly-groomed and unattractive, departs for her visit to the school. Children absorb an amazing amount of personality of one type or another through their mothers. It is essential to give them a good example.

Why not be your own child's heroine? It is quite a valuable role to let slip to some other woman. Look smart and trim, lovelier than you have ever looked, and see the little chest swell out with loving pride when "My mummy" appears on the scene!

—Agnes McCall Parker
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Dear Miss Martin,

When a lady stops at a table in a restaurant or at a formal party and the gentlemen rise, what is she supposed to do. I always feel very self-conscious and awkward, and try to get away as quickly as possible.

G. W.

Dear G. W.,

Gentlemen always rise when a lady enters a room or stops at a table to speak. If the lady does not sit they keep standing until she departs. So as not to keep them standing she should say nicely, "Do sit down. I'm only stopping a minute" or something to that effect. And do make your stay as short as possible. It is never nice to stay too long at any table — you upset the party you

are visiting and also the party in which you came.

E. M.

The world would be better and brighter if our teachers would dwell on the Duty of Happiness as well as on the Happiness of Duty, for we ought to be as cheerful as we can, if only because to be happy ourselves is a most effectual contribution to the happiness of others.

—Sir John Lubbock.

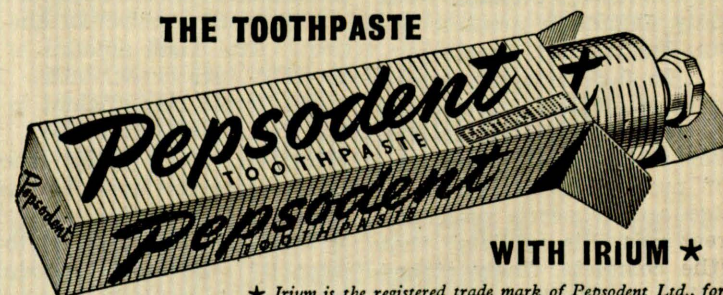


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"He's always been a model of propriety — doesn't smoke or drink; never uses strong language and hasn't ever been to a theatre or the cinema," the nephew explained. "In fact, my uncle has absolutely no vices or excesses. And he's going to celebrate his 80th birthday tomorrow."

"How?" asked the editor.

Ignorance is what you don't know when somebody else finds out that you don't know.

Said the first boy, "My father is a great song writer; he can write a love song and get ten guineas for it."

Second boy: "Well, my father is an author; he can write a short story in the morning and sell it for 20 guineas."

Then the third boy spoke: "That's nothing," he said airily. "Why, my father gets up in a pulpit on Sundays and talks for half an hour, and it takes three men to carry the money up to him."

Then there's the lady who enjoys driving her own car in Kingston. She runs into so many interesting things.

Two people can make a bargain. But it sometimes helps if there's a third to witness it.

Male shopper in toy department squeezed a doll. It said "Mama." He squeezed another. She yelled "Floorwalker!" Thefts from motor cars are increasing. The high cost of leaving things about.

Lace nylon swim suits are promised for next year. One wonders what the net result will be.

Shirley Temple has married for the second time. And it seems only yesterday she would swap any man alive for an ice-cream cone.

Workman: I've been and got married, Sir, and I'd like you to raise my wages.

Employer: Very sorry for you,

but I'm only responsible for accidents that occur in the works.

A dollar won't do as much for you nowadays, but you won't do as much for a dollar.

Then there's the tearful lady who asks of her husband only pin money — a pin with six diamonds on it.

"Will you have a ticket for our charity concert?"

"What are the proceeds to go for?"

The girl came closer and whispered, "To cover the deficit from our last charity concert."

Then there is the story about the Scot's wife whose doctor told her she needed salt air. She woke up next morning to find her husband fanning her with a herring.

Sometimes a man takes a wife for a mate, but she turns out to be a skipper.

"Bobby," said the teacher sternly, "you know that you have broken the eighth commandment by stealing John's apple?"

"Well, miss," replied the unrepentant boy, "I thought I might just as well break the eighth and have the apple as break the tenth and only covet it."

Only an echo can cheat a woman out of having the last word.

Scientists say that the nucleus of an atom of gold is three tenths of a trillionth of an inch in diameter. Only a dentist can see one with the naked eye.

What with our new types of criminals, Jamaica becomes more and more recognisable to magazine story readers.

Now that rationing has been abandoned Britons find the future so painful.

"Honey, I need a new fur."

"What? Say, I bought that fur not quite two seasons ago."

"Yes, Dear, I know, but you must remember that the fox wore it three years."

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—Isaac d'Israeli.

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THE AFTERMATH

By GLADSTONE HOLUNG

At 9:30 on the fateful night of August 17, the hurricane struck. For three everlasting, frightening hours, lashing winds and driving rain ripped and battered a cowering Kingston. Buildings crumpled, roofs tore away, huge trees crashed down, telegraph poles toppled over, as the shrieking, howling, snarling hurricane raged in all its untamed fury, drowning the screams of the injured and the mortally stricken. Flying masonry, whizzing sheets of zinc, added peril to an already hideous night—and a terrified populace rushed hither and thither in feverish endeavour to salvage what it could, while others less fortunate huddled shivering in rain-lashed corners of roofless homes, fearful for their lives, praying to their Maker, anxious yet fearful for the dawn.

Yet throughout this night of terror, heroic men and women, tearing fear out of their hearts, thrusting aside thought of self and personal safety, strove unflinchingly, gallantly to succour the injured and the afflicted—while others, alas, looted shamelessly.

The grey light of day disclosed undreamed-of destruction.

Wrecked homes, gaping roofs, splintered trees, tangled electric wires, greeted the eyes of a dazed people. Soon, news of the horrible toll of lives trickled in, and with it, news of the damage in other parishes—one hundred and thirty-two dead, twenty-five thousand homeless, sixteen million pounds damage, ship sunk and driven aground.

Self-pity evaporated as we gazed at the havoc around us. We had lost the roof of our home, our neighbour had lost his entire house. And even he whose home had collapsed and all his earthly possessions lost, gratefully gave thanks to God that life was still in him... Self-pity? No room for that. Our hearts were filled with grief and sympathy for others far less fortunate than us.

The day was still young when weary backs were long toiling, helping less fortunate neighbours, repairing damaged homes. Young and old, rich and poor alike, without distinction, played their part, with smiling fortitude.

All men that day were brothers, and all men knew it.

We look around us, and we see smiling faces, and meet with

anxious solicitude. The poorest of us, even the destitute, despite their overwhelming distress, can yet give heart-felt sympathy to others less fortunate than they. Could we but look behind those smiling faces into the hearts of those around us, how much hidden grief would we not discover, what desperate plea for aid! They who own nothing now, yet give abundantly of what they have.

We who have lost some, could we not give a little of what remains to those who have nothing? Thousands are homeless, many are almost naked, still more are hungry. His Excellency the Governor, the Clergy, the Red Cross, all appeal to us to aid them. The Hurricane Fund has been launched. Should we not contribute as much as we can?

The experience of Friday night and the fuller realisation of its consequences on Saturday will leave an indelible, never-to-be-forgotten mark in the minds of those who lived through it. And of all the lessons learnt, this one should stand out above all—that amidst the shambles, desolation and fearful suffering shone the undimmed splendour of the brotherhood of man—at least in his hour of need.

Let us lift up our hearts in profound gratitude for this and pray that that spirit of unselfish helpfulness and co-operation will continue to inspire our efforts in the

great task of reconstruction and rehabilitation which lies ahead of us... Let us put this hard-earned knowledge to even greater use—in our political, financial and social aspirations, for instance. Let us help our perspective by laying our suffering and loss, our homelessness and fears of the future besides those of our fellow human beings in other lands—in China, in Korea, in Europe.

Let us cherish above all, this lesson of thoughtfulness and concern for others and keep it ever present in our hearts so that out of the ruins of the past, the adversity of the present moment we may truly build towards a new and surpassing future.

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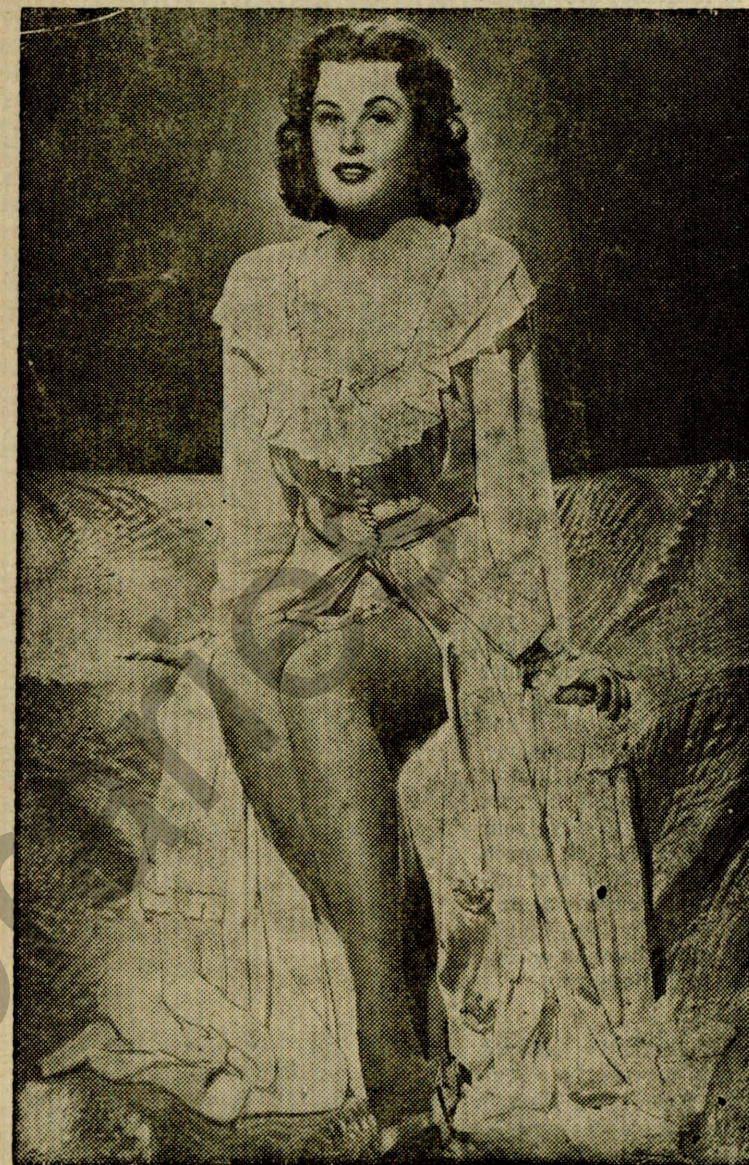
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A LUCKY YEAR FOR ARLENE DAHL

by Brian Young



Arlene Dahl is unquestionably one of Hollywood's most beautiful girls. She is five feet six and one half inches tall, has red-gold hair and a quick, easy smile.

A lot of words have been written to describe her loveliness, but in addition to being beautiful, she is also an excellent actress. She has made rapid strides in Hollywood since her arrival a few short years ago.

The past year has certainly been the best of Arlene's short but important career. Appearing in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "Three Little Words," "Watch the Birdie," "Inside Straight" and most recently "No Questions Asked" within twelve months, she nevertheless realizes there is much to be done.

Arlene got first notice, probably, when as an eleven-year-old youngster she borrowed anthologies of best plays from Minneapolis libraries and read them cover to cover. It was then she decided that acting was for her.

She visited Hollywood the next year with her parents, Rudolph and Idelle Dahl, and that did it. Arlene's home town had practically lost a citizen, although she did return to that city long enough to gather experience on a radio children's adventure serial, be picked as "The Most Likely to Succeed" by her high school chums and learn enough about modelling to get a job with the important Walter Thornton Modelling Agency in New York. Then came the ingenue lead in "Questionable Ladies," a leading role in the musical, "Mr. Strauss Goes to Boston," and Hollywood once more, this time to stay.

In her very first picture, Arlene got the leading role opposite Dennis Morgan in "My Wild Irish Rose." M-G-M executives saw the picture and decided Arlene deserved a build-up to stardom. She was signed and at once was cast in "The Bride Goes Wild."

He who is passionate and hasty is generally honest. It is your cool, dissembling hypocrite of whom you should beware.

—Lavater.

Not to make every effort towards pleasure, but to find one's pleasure in effort itself, that is the secret of my happiness.

—Andre Gide.

SEVENTEEN

PERSONALIA

(Continued from page 6)

them their new home and then surprise the couple when they turned on the lights. The newly married pair, a popular Montego Bay couple, were married in June this year. Hubert is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lennie Wong Shue and his wife, Ena, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Chin. Among the guests at the party were Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Hew, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Hugh, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Chin, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Chang, Millicent Lee, Blanche Lee, Marian Lee, Janet, Joan, and Christine Chin, Lily Chin, Barbara Wong, Blanche Chin, Icilda Hew, Mavis Chin, Esie Chin, Lucille Chin, Stanley Hew, Milton, Ben and Winston Chin, Herman Chin, Andy Hanson, Happy Rosseau, Horace Williams, Earle Leaning, Austin Chin, Alric Ho, Bobbie and Victor Chin, Stanley Chin, Lipton and Arnold Chin, George Hew, Osmond Chin, Lester Chin, Lily Fung, Mrs. Lyra Chin Foong, and Henry Williams.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Hew Young of Montego Bay recently announced the engagement of their daughter, Millicent, to Stanley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chin of Cambridge.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

A birthday party for Cecil Yap Sam who recently returned from a holiday in Panama was held at 33 Lady Musgrave Road on Sunday, August 12. More than 100 of the younger set were present at this very enjoyable party. The guests spent the time dancing to radiophone music, and a buffet supper was served during the evening. Mrs. Myrtle Chong was responsible for all the catering and arrangements for the function.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Eustace Chen announced the birth of a daughter on Friday, August 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack W. Lee (nee Lily Hoo) of New York City announced the birth of their son, Daniel Andrews, on Monday, August 20th.

GARDEN PARTY POSTPONED

The Chinese Students' Association Garden Party which was to have been held on Sunday, August 26 has been postponed due to the hurricane damage to the C.A.C. where it was to have been held.

It is hoped that a suitable place can be found to hold this Garden Party in the near future.

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BOUND FOR CANADA

Mrs. Cleta Hysert and Mr. Cecil Chuck of the National Life Insurance Co. will leave sometime next week to attend the National Life Convention which will be held in Montreal in the next two weeks.

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WIND AND WATER

(Continued from page 8)

between the Colony and Canton was opposed on the following grounds: The capital of Kwangtung is the City of Rams, which is suitably guarded by the Tiger's mouth, and the Nine Dragons of Kowloon. Nothing could be more unpropitious than to lead the Ram by a string into such dangerous company.

Sites for foreign business also caused an infinity of friction for, if the Tiger were higher than the dragon, death or bad luck would result. A two-storeyed European residence could not therefore be erected next to, and on the right hand side of an existing Chinese house.

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Does fatigue cause combat neurosis?

Answer: Not in itself, writes Dr. Frederick R. Hanson in the Bulletin of the U. S. Army Medical Department. What physical exhaustion does is to lower the soldier's "resistance to the emotional stress of combat." But such

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By LAWRENCE GOULD
Consulting Psychologist

changes in resistance are "reversible" as the fatigue wears off, so that an important part of the treatment of mental casualties in forward areas is to provide complete physical rest through warmth, food, sleep and sedatives. You, too—if you can—should learn to have a night's sleep before facing serious problems.



May suspicions reflect secret wishes?

Answer: Yes, if they are without real foundation. When you believe something which you have no real ground for thinking, it is apt to be because you either want or "need" to do so to preserve your peace of mind. If you are planning to wrong someone, you may need to suspect him of hostile intentions to you because this is the one way to save your conscience. A dishonest person usually suspects everyone of trying to cheat him, and a wife or a husband who suffers from groundless jealousy may have an unconscious wish to be unfaithful.

championship was listed to start there on Monday, but I believe the Lawn Tennis committee will wait until things are in better shape. Tennis fans who need practice will not be affected for a shed, the most delicate of all, is still erect.

Mr. Tai Ten Quee said: "It's very distressing and I suppose we will have to pass the hat around". He spoke with optimism, for the CAC should have some pride on its illustrious history of winning the Caribbean Cup, which his firm donated, for four times. Hannason's fortunately won it for the current season—a few weeks before the hurricane arrived, and so cricketers may put their bats and balls away until next season.

Mr. Tai Ten Quee's sporting career seems to be left in the background nowadays, but the younger generation (and I think he is not too far from their era) will be surprised to know that he was once finalist with Bertie Leachong for the doubles tennis championship of Jamaica, a senior club player for Melbourne for many seasons, runner-up in a table tennis club tourney at the YMCA when McKenzie was champion, and revelled in billiards, basketball and softball. So his heart is in sport and club life and his philosophy right when he says that "a sports club is not properly run if it shows a profit". It is for all CAC members and the community to rally to his call to rebuild sport.

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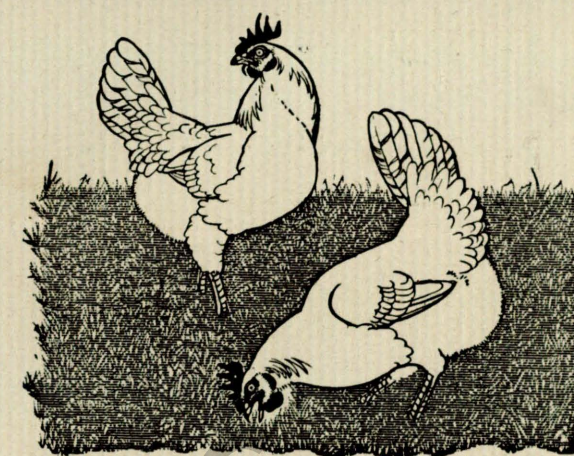
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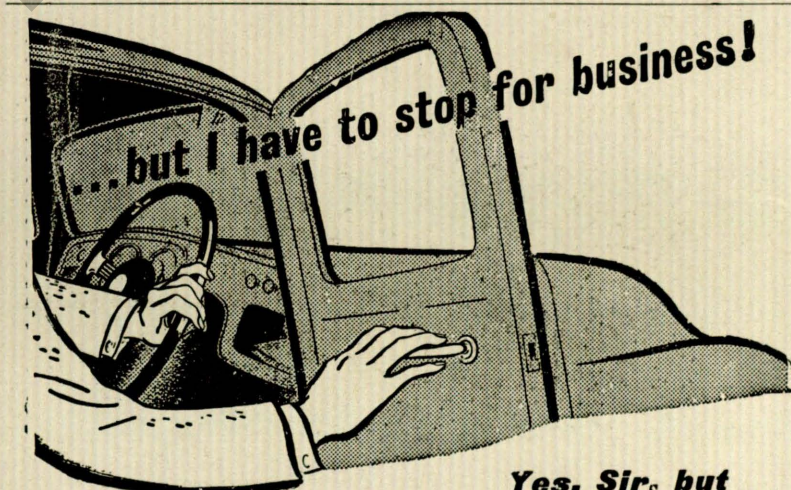
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SPORTS PARADE

By GEORGE BECKFORD

Many Moons will pass before the pagodaed pavilion at the Chinese Athletic Club on Deanery Road will ring again with cheer and comradeship. The red-roofed building which housed over 200 members and their sporting rivals since 1937, crumbled like a matchbox when a 125-miles-per hour hurricane punched it for six hours from Friday night to Saturday morning last.

With this prostrate landmark fell the budding Bowling Alley which was to be completed at month's end. The total loss of these recreational theatres is estimated at £1,100—the Pavilion £500, and Bowling Alley £600. Both were only covered by Fire and Burglary Insurance. So that the £30 worth of liquid, which was looted from the bar, promises the earliest recovery.

Wednesday afternoon, I met Mr. Hubert Tai Ten Quee, president, and Mr. Gladstone Chang, secretary of the Chinese Athletic Club.

President Tai Ten Quee, who was secretary of the club at its

birth and held office for 12 years, smiled as he looked toward five-acres of land about a ball's throw from the St. Andrew Parish Church, which his father, Mr. Alexander Tai Ten Quee has given the Chinese Community to erect a club house and playing field. He said that it would be better to occupy this new ground where they could place a more imposing building rather than continue on the present site which is leased from Miss McCarthy.

The old field, however, would not be discarded for the Chinese Students Association, an enthusiastic body of some 60 youngsters, could take over and continue the tradition of sportsmanship which spectators have so learned to expect from the Deanery Road players.

CAC members have not altogether been marooned, for though the club is folded up, the hard courts which were resurfaced three weeks ago, are in such good condition that they made the storm appear as water sliding off a duck's back. The Junior Tennis

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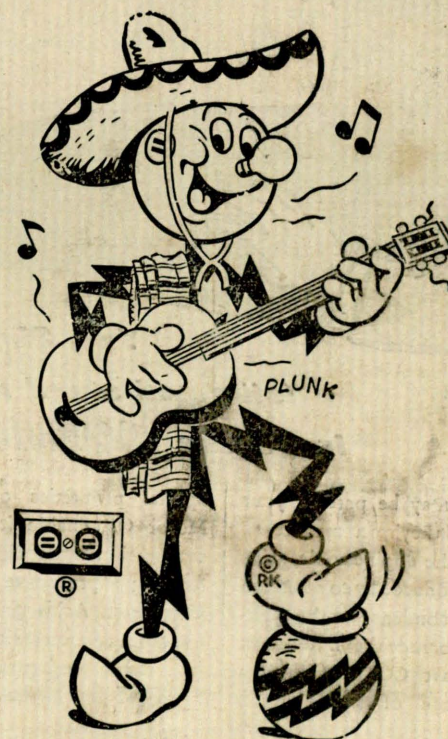
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