

Esther Gould's Book Corner

Are You Interested in Books of Fiction, Biography, Travel, or History? For lists write to ESTHER GOULD, care of The Highland Park Press.

"Elizabeth" in Role of Mentor
"LOVE," by "ELIZABETH"
Doubleday Page & Co.

"Elizabeth" has come out of her "German Garden" and it seems that she has strayed into one of sterner realities. With the same light and whimsical style she is treating a subject of more weight.

Catherine Cumfrit and Christopher Monckton were among the adoring few who went to see "The Immortal Hour" several times a week. Because they were so few, on Christopher's thirty-third night and Catherine's tenth, Christopher moved over to sit beside Catherine. She was glad to have him but she did not encourage any sudden advances. Yet Christopher was a sudden young man. So sudden that he was dead in love with Catherine before she had time to tell him that she was a widow, with a married daughter as old as Christopher himself. So that by the time she could tell him Christopher had gone too far.

And all the time, while Christopher is feeling the ecstasies of first love, the refrain of the world's judgment is going over and over in the mind of his best friend, in whom he has confided. "Poor Chris. A widow. Good him in her clutches. And what a name. Cumfrit. Good God. Poor Chris."

But Christopher's headlong methods prevail, and the widow promises to marry him. She feels so young with the rejuvenating power of his love that it surely cannot be a mistake. She even looks so young now that the bus drivers all call her "Miss" or "Missy."

They are married and go for a wonderful honeymoon on the Isle of Wight. When they return to London they settle down comfortably in Catherine's apartment. Then, the inevitable happens. Christopher wants to dance, Catherine hasn't danced since she married George Cumfrit twenty some years ago. Christopher leads her such a pace of exercise and gaiety that Catherine takes to frequenting beauty parlors to keep her newly found youth. People begin to take them for mother and son, or at best, aunt and nephew. Catherine becomes hectic with anxiety and the effort to keep up. Then, all at once, reality steps into her life and she finds a new standard of values. "Elizabeth" has tried to solve the problem of how much older can a woman be than her husband? Whether or not she has solved it she has made of her attempt a clever story.

Adventures in Temple-Breaking

"STOLEN IDOLS"
By E. Phillips Oppenheim
Little Brown & Co.

To any but the "Prince of Story tellers" such a title as "Stolen Idols" would be but symbolic. But not so to him. Here are the idols, little grinning Chinese things that for a thousand years have been sitting complacently in a sacred temple making faces at the public. Then along comes Gregory Ballastan, a young Englishman whose family fortune has dwindled so alarmingly through an excessive patronage of the race course, that he is reduced to desperate straits. Gregory and his father have heard the oft-repeated legend that inside these polished idols are hidden all the jewels of this sacred temple, and Gregory and a friend have come over from England to have a look. But the priests for reasons of their own resent the intrusion and we first meet Gregory on his way to be fed to the crocodiles, and the friend we meet not at all, since he is dead. But, Wu Ling, a Chinese trader,

rescues Gregory, and takes him back to Peking from whence he may set sail for England, taking with him one of the idols which he has in his possession, the other having fallen through various vicissitudes into the hands of Wu Ling.

Now the man who carved these grinning idols a thousand years ago, made them symbolic, one of the soul, the other of the body. One was spiritual, the other bestiality. Together, they gave an impression of oneness, or of humanity, alone each becomes the symbol of only one side of human nature. It was said that the "body" without the "soul" would have a devastating effect on its possessor, but Gregory is willing to risk it. It is not long, however, before it begins to take effect.

Arrived in England the worst is not yet over and many things are scheduled to happen before the idols weep—since they come through their eyes—their gems.

The moral code of the young Englishman who thinks that because he and his family have squandered their own wealth they have a right to squander other people's, is a strange one. It makes rather strained relations between you and your hero throughout the story. Otherwise the story is good for entertainment, which is what it is meant for. Mr. Oppenheim has written better tales than this and yet he has no reason to be sorry he wrote them.

HELL'S PLAYGROUND
by Ida Vera Signton
The famous novel upon which the play "White Cargo" is based.
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A Novel of Wanderlust
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STOLEN IDOLS
The strange adventures of Gregory Ballastan, following his theft of a Chinese carved idol with whose jewels he hoped to restore the fallen fortunes of his house.
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BRIEF NEWS ITEMS FROM LAKE COUNTY

NEIGHBORHOOD JOTTINGS

Happenings Here and There in This Section of the North Shore; Doing at the County Seat

Mrs. Sarah Needles of 3233 Sheridan road, Zion, died at the County Hospital from apoplexy. She suffered a stroke about six weeks ago.

An effort to beat a speeding passenger train over a Barrington crossing of the North Western railroad caused the instant death last week of Milton Mertons, according to the verdict returned by the coroner's jury.

B. C. Thompson, of Zion, supervisor from Benton township, has been appointed as the republican member of the board of review by Judge P. L. Persons of the county court, it was learned today.

W. B. Stewart, 75, a life-long resident of Lake County, died at his home, 709 North County street, Waukegan. He had been ailing for some time.

A mail pouch, carrying stamp supplies, blue prints for Great Lakes and considerable registered mail, was cut to ribbons one day last week beneath the wheels of the Chicago Northwestern railway mail train at North Chicago.

Arthur Guber, aged inmate of the county farm at Libertyville, died today. He formerly lived in Waukegan, and leaves a brother and sister in that city—Frank Guber and Mrs. Will O'Neil. Mr. Guber had been ill several days and apparently died of natural causes.

Bernhardt Mylin and Edward J. Smith, sentenced to 25 years in the state prison at Stateville after being convicted of the murder of Russell Gage Dickey in an attempted robbery of the Viking Express of the Chicago and Northwestern railway, were taken to prison last week.

Mrs. David Parmelee, aged 84, 420 South Sheridan Court, one of the city's oldest and best known residents, died at 10:25 o'clock this morning at Victory Memorial hospital as the result of a fracture of the hip.

POLAND FUNDS DEBT TO UNITED STATES

Better Financial Condition; Synopsis of Indebtedness of Other Nations

Poland has completed the funding of her debt to the United States. She has delivered \$178,560,000 worth of Polish bonds to the Treasury. This will no doubt mean that even more firmly entrenched position by Poland in the world's financial affairs.

A synopsis of the sums owed the United States by the nations of the world indicates the principal amount of obligations now held as follows: \$10,556,804,223.40; the accrued interest, amounts to \$1,594,434,169.99, making a total indebtedness of \$12,151,238,383.39. The payments on account of the principle give a total of \$27,261,993.16, while payments on account of interest amounts to \$946,430,821.72. The funded obligations held, which are included in the foregoing totals, are as follows: Finland, \$8,910,000.00. Great Britain, \$4,554,000,000; Hungary, \$1,953,412.50; Lithuania, (this funding agreement has been approved by Congress but the bonds have not yet been exchanged) \$6,030,000.00; Poland, \$78,560,000.00 which gives a total of \$1,749,458,412.50. It will thus be seen that outside of the debts funded, there remains to be paid \$7,401,779,980.89, exclusive of interest. For the sake of convenience and figuring, the indebtedness owed the United States is, in round figures, \$7,500,000,000.00, which if interest were to be paid upon it at 4 per cent per annum, would yield the United States the tidy sum in interest alone of \$300,000,000.00.

The dove of peace seems to be about as popular in the Balkans as a safety razor in a barber shop.

European nations seem to be approaching the debt settlement negotiations about the way that the average man goes to the dentist.

Every day in every way Uncle Sam seems to be getting debtor and debtor.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Weber of Ridgwood Drive are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son on Friday, June 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Blanchard of Walker avenue had as their guests over the week-end Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McCormick and daughter, Miss Emma of Aurora.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Rosenberger of the Moraine hotel are now occupying their new residence in Forest avenue, Glenview.

Miss Nellie Brown of Bob O'Link road entertained at a shower for Miss Helen Thompson on Tuesday. Miss Thompson's marriage will take place on Saturday, June 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith have given up their house and will be with their mother, Mrs. Albert Paul Smith of North Linden avenue until Mrs. Edward Smith goes abroad the early part of July.

Mrs. Henry Boynton Johnson who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Arthur G. McPherson has returned to her home in New York City.

Miss Lulu Dittmer of North St. John's avenue is spending a couple of weeks in Abilene, Kan.

Don't forget the ice cream social on the lawn of the Grace M. E. church on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William Oscar Bell of Beech Lane are leaving the end of the week on a motor trip to the east. They will be accompanied by Mrs. Bell's parents of Area, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Larson of South Green Bay road, Ravinia, are announcing the birth of a daughter on Sunday.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Bernice Rundquist of Lake Forest to Mr. Robert Yoe Williams, on Saturday, at four o'clock in the Presbyterian church of Lake Forest.

Mrs. Edward Bock of Chicago was the guest of Mrs. W. E. Salyards of South St. John's avenue last Friday.

The Wednesday Afternoon Sewing club gave a birthday party in compliment to Mrs. Fred Ruby of Glenview avenue yesterday.

Miss Eva Wycoff of Central avenue left Saturday for Ashland, Wis., where she has spent six weeks each summer for the past seven summers, giving a private course in vocal instruction.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Kauffman of Vine avenue will entertain a few friends from Chicago at dinner on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Minnie de Anguera of N. Sheridan road is in St. Louis, Mo., where she will remain until after the marriage of her grand-daughter, Miss Virginia de Anguera. Miss de Anguera who is a former Highland Park resident will be married to Mr. Richard Reiner on Tuesday, June 30. Mr. and Mrs. Reiner will return from their wedding trip to Europe about Christmas time, and will then make their home in Rochester, N. Y.

Mrs. Roger S. Vail, Mrs. Edward A. Smith, Mrs. C. M. Vail and her daughter, Edith sail on July 6 for Europe. They will return the early part of September. Mrs. C. M. Vail's son, Carl will leave the latter part of this month for a camp in New Hampshire, where he will spend the summer.

Mrs. Paul W. Blanchard entertained at an evening luncheon on Saturday evening, June 13. The out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McCormick and Miss Emma.

Theodore Kauffman, Jr., is on a tour of Cincinnati, Cleveland, and Chaglevois. He will return after the Fourth.

DO YOU KNOW

THAT 21,000,000 letters went to the Dead Letter Office last year?

THAT 803,000 parcels did likewise?

THAT 100,000 letters go into the mail yearly in perfectly blank envelopes?

THAT \$55,000.00 in cash is removed annually from misdirected envelopes?

THAT \$12,000.00 in postage stamps is found in similar fashion?

THAT \$3,000,000.00 in checks, drafts and money orders never reach intended owners?

THAT Uncle Sam collects \$92,000.00 a year in postage for the return of mail sent to the Dead Letter Office?

THAT it costs Uncle Sam \$1,740,000 yearly to look up addresses on misdirected mail?

THAT 200,000,000 letters are given this service, and—

THAT it costs in one city alone \$500,000 daily?

AND DO YOU KNOW? THAT this vast sum could be saved and the Dead Letter Office abolished if each piece of mail carried a return address, and if each parcel were wrapped in stout paper and tied with strong cord?

MORAL: Every man knows his own address if not that of his correspondent.

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