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SAYS CIVILIZATION FARCE; SOCIETY TOO

ODD ATTITUDE OF PROF.

Lew Sarett of Northwestern U. Decides to Seek For Wholesome Surroundings in North Woods

Professor Lew Sarett, of Northwestern University School of Speech, convinced that "much of our civilization is a farce, modern society a fraud, and life in a metropolitan center a tragedy," declares that he is done with it.

He will be leaving it all soon—the shrieking taxis, the jazz bands, the jammed "L's" the mad hurly-burly, the stench and the smoke, to bury himself in the forests of northern Wisconsin.

He will emerge occasionally for public lectures, or to talk to his publishers about new works, but he plans hereafter to follow the doctrine of his poem, "Let Me Flower As I Will." He is frankly nauseated with modern life.

Professor Sarett's proposed radical step will not surprise those of his intimates who know of his colorful existence and early struggles. Indicative of his outlook on life is the philosophy he expounds in an article in the February issue of The American Magazine written by Nell M. Clark, entitled, "The Story of Lew Sarett."

"A man's most precious possession is his integrity; the knowledge that he has preserved inviolate the soul, the spirit, the character that God gave him as peculiarly his own; the knowledge that he never sold out for thirty pieces of dirty silver; that he was steadfast; that he never knuckled under to the pressure of conventional thought (which in the nature of the average being, therefore the mediocre), that he never broke before the battering of adversity.

"In this day, when men often sell out their visions, their dreams, their convictions, in order to prosper in the eyes of their neighbors, in order to glut their bellies with meat and gild their homes with prosperity; in this day when men often knuckle under to group thought, to social pressures, to what their neighbors think; in this day, when men often succumb to the prevailing notion that a man is a success only if he has acquired the badges of material prosperity—automobiles, Oriental rugs, fine raiment—and like fools invest the only lives they have to live on earth in stacking up material things; in this day, when it takes vision and will and courage to stand against the multitude, to follow your own lights, to take the ridicule visited upon you; when you are laughed at as a dreamer, a vagabond, a fool—I say, it is something to know that you never sold out, that you remained true to yourself; that you dared to follow the gleam; that you never compromised; that you maintained the integrity of the soul that God gave you for your own to hold secure against the world. That consciousness, the fire and luster it puts into a man's heart, I wouldn't swap for the Denver mint."

The Cat

Beth: "How is Fred, your sweetie, these days?" Gladys: "Wonderful." Beth: "I'm glad to know some one thinks so."

NEW GENERATION OF INDIANS IS NOTED

Old Type of Civilization Among Them Disappearing; Imitate White Man Now

The old Indian civilization is gradually fading and the newer generation is taking up the habits of the white men, according to stories from the great northwest, and if all of these are to be believed we may soon have the full-fledged Indian flapper who will know more about jazz music than the tom-tom.

That the change is greatly for the benefit of everyone is generally admitted by all except the old-fashioned redskins. One of the largest Government Indian schools is at Bisbee, N. D., and it is reported that among the Indian maidens there in the school 125 Indian girls are being taught domestic science and the latest household arts. The school is in charge of Clark B. Dickinson who has the following to say on what is being accomplished.

"It is hard to induce the old-time Indian to sleep with windows open, but we teach the girls here to do it, some of them continue the practice after they have returned to their own people.

"Of course, the tendency is for the girls to fall back into the ways of their people rather than for the old folks to adopt the methods which the white man has taught the new generation. Like white people, they are inclined to follow the line of least resistance. But by persistent training we will elevate them.

"The Indian has come a long way. Imagine the plight of the white man if the civilization in which he had always lived were obliterated and he found himself forced to meet the conditions of an Indian civilization. The white man has expected too much of the Indian. I am sure that our red brother will eventually find himself and arrive at a place where he will be able to take care of himself, but it will take time."

A Specialist

Father: "Sonny boy, this is the day of specialists. Learn to do one thing so well that you can do it better than anyone else in the world."

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Father: "What can you do better than anyone else?"

Sonny: "Read my own writing."

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New Mexico Senator Sings Its Praises in Recent Issue of Magazine

A land of sunshine and opportunity for present and future generations and no longer the land of the two-gun man, the sage-brush and the cactus, is the substance of Senator Andreas Jones' remarks on New Mexico in the February number of Outdoors Pictorial. Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas upholds Lone Star laurels in this "Southwest" number. Nowadays when foreign travel is so over complimented, it is refreshing to pick up a publication so wholeheartedly supporting America's supremacy in natural beauty and recreational opportunities.

Through its pages it purports to have Americans "See America First—at Home" and in its February number it takes the reader over that great monument to Spanish history and modern progress, the Old Spanish Trail. It takes the reader on a novel journey with a geologist over the Santa Fe Trail, escorts the reader through the unique parks of Los Angeles, and over the famous Apache Trail in Arizona.

Congressman Thatcher of Kentucky reviews the progress toward making Mammoth Cave a national park. Attractions of Texas are enthusiastically described by Congressman Box and Conally of that state and the historic Alamo furnishes the subject for a lovely cover picture. Pictures are paramount and scenes of winter and winter sports in a half dozen states of the north country gives the needed contrast with the sunny southwest. It's an all-American number.

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HEAR HARPSICHORD BY MEANS OF RADIO

The harpsichord was heard over the radio for the first time, it is said, when it was used in connection with the Cincinnati Symphony orchestra in the eighth of a series of 20 community radio programs from station WSAI.

The works played included the by Cimarosa; Ancient Dances and Airs of the Sixteenth Century, arranged by Respighi; Cicciano from the Orchestra Suite, "The Jar," by Casella; a group of old Italian songs, sung by Jane Upperman, soprano, to orchestral accompaniment; and Orchestra Suite, "The Good-Humored Ladies," by Scarlatti-Tommasini. The Harpsichord was required for the Respighi and Scarlatti numbers.

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