

**NEW WHITMAN BOOK
OF MUCH INTEREST**

SHORT STORIES COLLECTED

Several by Famous Authors are Gathered Together by Prof. Mabbott; Some Rare and Little Known

A book made up of five short stories by Walt Whitman, collected from the files of rare periodicals by Professor Thomas O. Mabbott of Northwestern University and illustrated by Allen Lewis, has just been published by the Columbia University Press.

The first, "The Half Breed, a Tale of the Western Frontier," is said to be Whitman's second longest story. The others are "Shirval, a Tale of Jerusalem," "Richard Parker's Widow," "Some Fact Romances" and "My Boys and Girls."

These tales, it is said, belong to Whitman's long period of apprenticeship in newspaper and magazine work which precede the production of "Leaves of Grass." They are of great value to the biographer and to those who wish to study the growth of Whitman's genius and power.

First Publication

Four of the narratives were first published in "The Arjstidean," a monthly magazine edited by Thomas Dunn English, author of the song, "Ben Bolt," in New York in 1845. This magazine, according to Mr. Mabbott, is one of the rarest of all literary periodicals.

As the articles were not signed when the magazines were issued, only the discovery of a complete volume among the books purchased by the late George D. Smith enabled Whitman's contributions to be identified. The initials of contributors appeared in an index printed with the last number, the initials in turn being expanded on a page, which the English call "A Card," expressing his thanks to his collaborators, which follows the index.

"The Half Breed," under the title, "Arrom-Tip," and "Shirval" were printed in the first issue.

"Shirval," Mr. Abbott declares, is highly significant as revealing the writer's deep reverence for Our Lord, at this time as well as later. For, though Whitman did little save give a background or setting to the story of the raising of the diow's son from the dead at Nain, that reverence is apparent enough.

"The story of 'Richard Parker's Widow,'" Mr. Mabbott continues, "is avowedly a mere retelling of what has been told elsewhere. But it has been called 'admirable' by Poe."

Among those who aided Mr. Mabbott in preparing the book are Herbert F. Gunnison, Cleveland Rogers, Professor William P. Trent, Professor A. H. Nanson, Professor Emory

Halloway, Miss Mary A. Wyman, Miss Ruth S. Granniss, H. L. Menckon, Ralph Marcus, Nelson Nichols, of the New York Public Library, and the authorities of the Library of Congress, the Brooklyn Public Library, the Long Island Historical Society, the British Museum and the Columbia University Library and Press.

Final preparations were underway today for Chicago's seventh annual "Own Your Home Building and Equipment" exposition, which opens in the Coliseum, April 2. Already a carload of national building material exhibits is waiting to be unloaded.

Chicagoans are promised the most educational exposition of its kind ever held. Every type of house construction, together with the planning, selection of the homesite, financing, building, decorating, furnishing and landscaping of the home, will be shown.

The feature of the exposition is the "Court of Homes," surrounding a garden. Houses of brick, stucco, frame, concrete and faced concrete units will be shown. The front elevations will be finished but the interior will be a cross section appearing like a gigantic knife had cut through them to show how walls, floors, roofs and structural work should be done.

The exposition is conducted under the auspices of the Chicago Real Estate board. The "Committee of Administration" appointed by the board for the supervision of the exposition is headed by Henry G. Zander, Jr., who is fifth vice-president of the Chicago Real Estate board. Mr. Zander's committee consists of: S. O. Stone, 4503 Milwaukee avenue; George Beaton, Hinsdale; Marvin E. Ellinwood, 25 N. Dearborn street; George L. Bruckert, Oak Park; Harry W. Hopp, 134 N. La Salle street; Howard W. Elmore, 29 S. LaSalle street; Cornelius Tenings, 11324 S. Michigan avenue, and Elmer E. Stultz, 1901 Montrose avenue.

"Home ownership is the ambition of every family," says Robert H. Sexton, managing director of the exposition. "The purpose of the exposition is to visualize every step in satisfying that ambition—from the selection and purchase of a lot, designing and planning of the house, methods of financing, character of building materials, types of construction, heating, ventilating and sanitation systems, labor saving devices, decorations and furnishings and so on to the laying out of the grounds and their landscaping."

"The exposition here and the one in New York City, are the pioneers in the visualization of the 'Own Your Home' movement. They are operated under a national code of ethics with its main purpose to teach fundamental principles of good construction practice. They stand apart, conspicuously because of the standard set and the strict observance of the ethics practiced," concludes Mr. Sexton.

There are fifteen exhibit committees devoting their time in working out the most interesting and attrac-

tive displays in their respective divisions. Every exhibit before it is placed in the Coliseum must be passed on by one of the committees. The exhibitors are also bound to conduct themselves in line with the code of ethics in their dealings with the public.

The exposition will open on Saturday, April 2, at 1 p. m., and will continue daily, including Sunday, to the following Saturday night, closing at 11 o'clock.

PAYING FOR FUN

An Irishman was before a judge on the charge of beating his wife.

The judge looked down at him and said: "That will cost you exactly \$2.20."

"And, please, sorr, phat is the 20 cents for?"

"Federal tax on amusements."

EDUCATIONAL

"I certainly would say that the porcupine as an animal, has a great many fine points," said Willie, the hunter.

**SUN WASTING AWAY
BUT LOSS TRIFLING**

IS NO NEED FOR WORRY

So Declares Famous Vienna Scientist Who Will Lecture This Month at Northwestern U.

The sun is wasting away, but in millions of years it has lost only an infinitesimal portion of its mass, according to Dr. Arthur Haas of Vienna who delivered two addresses at Northwestern university March 29. From the time of the ancient Egyptians to the present day not one percent of the millionth part of the solar system has been sloughed off, according to the Vienna savant.

And so, folks who worry about the end of the world or the possibility of the earth just running off into space

as fluid matter or bumping into another planet, need have no fear, the learned man asserts. The fact is, Dr. Haas recently stated at Syracuse university, it is perfectly sane and scientific to indorse a theory that the universe, wasting away slowly now, may be reconstructed out of energy into which its matter has been dissipated, and that this change will produce another earth upon which life will be present.

Who Lecturer Is

Dr. Haas was born in Vienna in 1884, the son of Dr. Gustav Haas, a barrister. From 1902 until 1906 he studied at the Universities of Vienna and Göttingen; six years later he became privatdozent in physics at Vienna; in 1913 extraordinary professor at the University of Leipzig, and in 1922 professor at Vienna.

Professor Haas was the first physicist to apply the quantum theory to the study of the atom. He discovered in 1910, thus before Bohr, the relation which connects the fundamental constant of spectroscopy with the fundamental quantities of the electron theory and the elementary quantum

of action. He has also treated the problem of the nuclei of atoms and the isotope doublets in molecular spectra.

Author of Scientific Books

He is the author of a number of books, the best known being: "Introduction to the Theoretical Physics," "Atomic Theory," and "The New Physics" (Dutton), and are available in English translations. He has also written two books on mechanics and a treatise on vestorial analysis. His latest work, "The World of Atoms," is a collection of popular lectures and appeared during the past summer.

SMART ALEX

"Didja hear what happened to Jim?"

"No, what happened to him?"

"He swallowed a dictionary, and nobody can get a word out of him!"

ABSOLUTELY

Chief: "You say the tracks of the criminal were well covered?"

Detective: "Yes; with about six inches of snow."

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