

### Esther Gould's Book Corner

#### Just Paragraphs

For the many enthusiasts of Anatole France, Dodd Mead has brought out what will probably be the last in the long series of his work. It is "The Unrisen Dawn" a collection of the speeches and addresses made by that eccentric genius during a considerable period of time.

"The Magic Mountain" probably the masterpiece of the great German novelist, Thomas Mann, has been reissued by Alfred Knopf, in a small one volume edition. It will give an opportunity to many of those who have never had a chance to obtain this work to do so more conveniently and reasonably.

#### Gift Books—

There is always a call at this time of year for small books, books which though a little more than a Christmas card, are yet a good deal less than a present. Among these one of the most promising is "Love" by William Lyons Phelps, a companion to the "Happiness" volume which he published last year. It is attractively bound and contains a very clear and pleasing little essay on the function of love in human life.

Another of these Christmas books is "Even Unto Bethlehem" by the writer who has so often entered into the spirit of the Holy Land, Henry Van Dyke. It, too, is charmingly gotten up and its story is the Christmas story itself.

A little more pretentious and comprehensive is "A Christmas Book" compiled by D. B. Wyndham Lewis and G. C. Heseltine. It is truly a delightful creation, verses, songs, stories of Christmas "freely ranging the ages from St. Hilary of Poitiers to Mr. Pooter, nay from the Saturnalia of Martial's Rome to the more lady-like revellings of post-war London—all mixed up jovially like a Christmas pudding." The authors' hope is that they have not fallen too hopelessly short of their devout desire to exclude the banal, the hackneyed, the false and the sentimental. They have not. They have created a treasure house on the contrary, of the unusual, the odd, the genuine and the sincere, something to keep on one's shelves and enjoy.

#### WHO WAS CASPAR HAUSER?

"Caspar Hauser" By Jacob Wasserman. Horace Liveright

No one could have chosen a stranger or more alluring subject for a novel than did Jacob Wasserman for this "Caspar Hauser." It seems that in the year 1828 there wandered into Nuremberg an uncouth figure, dressed as a peasant, a boy seemingly about 17, but so undeveloped mentally that he could speak only a few broken words. When he could not make himself, were murdered. Who was he? him a piece of paper and on it he painfully formed the letters "Caspar Hauser." This, then, he was called.

As time went on it became clear that this boy was no ordinary defective, but a person of acute mind and super-sensitive sensibilities who because of a lifelong imprisonment in an underground dungeon—so much could be gathered from Caspar's memories—had never developed normally. Many people, in fact, most of the thinking people of his country and even of other countries became interested in his case. Some thought he was an impostor, imposing, for it would be hard to say what object such

a difficult role upon himself, many thought he was the Crown Prince of Baden done away with for reasons of state. But who had kept him imprisoned so long instead of killing him? And who had set him free? His chief companion, then Caspar himself, were murdered. Wh o was powerful enough to carry through without slip such a bold scheme?

Could more baffling questions be imposed by many of the incidents of history? It was this story that Wassermann takes for his book, making of Caspar Hauser more than a human figure, making him a symbol of man undefined, unspelled by the contacts of the world and contrasting with him the figures of civilization. Wassermann's books are always powerful, he uses words as if they were meal, forging them strongly, this book is no exception. It is a tremendously interesting piece of work.

#### BY A SYRIAN

"Jesus the Son of Man" by Kahlil Gibran. Alfred A. Knopf

The subject above all others which will never grow old is this one "Jesus the Son of Man." But here in this book by Kahlil Gibran we have for the first time in twenty centuries, so say the publishers, the writing of a countryman of Jesus, on that subject. Kahlil, a Syrian already well known for his other works, principally "The Prophet," is peculiarly well suited to write on this subject, by reason of his birth, his knowledge, and by the fact that he is a poet and an artist.

He has written in simple Biblical prose a beautiful book, illustrated by his own very fine drawings. It is a book difficult to review for it arouses emotions rather than ideas. The ideas are old, perhaps that is it, but the emotion he brings to them is new. He tells the story of Jesus through the eyes and lips of many of his contemporaries, and fortunately, since it does not violate our sense of the inviolateness of Jesus, the man of mystery.

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#### Things to Cook

By Mrs. Louella Mc Allister  
HOME SERVICE DEPT.  
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**Ragout of Mutton**  
1 1/2 lbs. neck of mutton  
1 tablespoon butter  
1 1/2 tablespoons flour  
1 chopped onion  
1 carrot cut in dice  
2 cups hot water  
1 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon pepper  
Sprig of parsley  
1 bay leaf  
1 whole clove  
1/4 can peas  
Put butter in the frying pan; when melted, add flour and brown. Add carrot, onion and meat, and cook until all are browned. Put in a kettle; add water, salt and pepper and the herbs tied in a bouquet so that they can be removed. Cover and simmer for two hours, adding the peas ten minutes before serving and removing the herbs.

**Grapefruit and Celery Salad**  
Remove the flesh from the grapefruit and cut the meat, from which the white fiber has been carefully peeled, into small pieces. To one cupful of this carefully cleaned pulp, add a cupful of celery hearts cut in small pieces, and mix the two together well. Moisten with French Dressing while mixing. Arrange in spoon-

fuls on crisp yellow lettuce leaves and serve thoroughly chilled.  
**Sunshine Cake**

8 eggs  
1 cup sugar  
1 cup flour  
Grated rind of 1 lemon  
1 tablespoon lemon juice  
Beat yolks until lemon color and add 1/2 cup sugar, beating thoroughly. Put stiffly beaten egg white to which has been added the remaining 1/2 cup sugar into mixture. Then fold in flour. Bake forty to fifty minutes in oven at 300 degrees.

**Cocoanut Crispettes**  
3 egg whites  
1/2 cup shredded cocoanut  
1 cup sugar  
2 cups corn flakes  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
Beat egg whites stiff. Add other ingredients. Drop by teaspoonfuls on an oiled baking sheet.  
Pre-heat the oven for 10 minutes at 550 degrees, then bake for fifteen minutes at 375 degrees.

**Maple Sugar Fondant**  
4 cups brown sugar  
2 cups maple syrup  
1 scant teaspoon cream of tartar  
2 cups hot water  
Stir all until sugar and cream of tartar are thoroughly dissolved. When it is dissolved, wipe off all sides of kettle to be sure there are no sugar crystals. Bring syrup to the boiling point and cook without stirring until it forms a soft ball in a cup of cold water. Take from fire and cool slowly. When cool enough to handle,

stir until creamy, then turn out on slab or large platter and knead until velvety. Put in bowl and cover with damp napkin. Twenty-four hours longer will improve it.

### GOOD EQUIPMENT ON MANY FARMS

#### MECHANICAL NEEDS GROW

Illinois Chamber of Commerce  
Releases Statistics; 85%  
Have Automobiles; 16%  
Use Electricity

Eighty-five per cent of all farms in Illinois have automobiles; 13.3 two or more automobiles; 11.9 per cent have trucks. Putting it another way, on 193,936 farms you will find one motor car, on 30,017 you will find more than one and on 26,879 you will find motor trucks.

These figures are announced by the research department of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, which has just completed a tabulation of mechanical equipment on Illinois farms. This brings out basic data taken from official sources and arranged in convenient form for the business men interested in the farm market in Illinois.

**Many Electrically Equipped**  
Here are some more interesting figures:

Thirty-seven thousand and seventy farms are equipped with electricity which is 16.4 per cent. Of these the farmers on 22,756 farms own their own electric plants which is 10.1 per cent and 14,314 or 6.3 per cent get their current from power lines. Acetylene lighting systems are operated on 12,479 or 5.5 per cent of the farms and 25,876 farms or 11.5 per cent of them have plumbing systems classified as "complete." A total of 20,921 or 9.3 per cent of the farms in Illinois have septic tanks for sewage disposal.

Mechanically operated water systems on Illinois farms are classified as follows: electric, 12,846 or 5.7 per cent; gas engine, 27,528 or 12.2 per cent and windmills, 36,357 or 16.1 per cent. Forty-two and six tenths of the farm homes, or 96,164 have sinks and pumps in the kitchen. Heating systems classified as modern are in 57,808 or 25.6 per cent of all Illinois farm homes. These are classified as, warm air, 44,779 or 19.8 per cent; hot water, 9,726 or 4.3 per cent and steam, 3,303 or 1.5 per cent.

**Learning to House Machinery**  
The farmer for many years has been criticized for the treatment he gives his machinery. The investigation shows that 63.4 per cent of all Illinois farms have machinery sheds and that 48.1 per cent of all farms house all machinery while 31.2 per cent house part of the machinery.

Fifty-nine and six tenths of all farms have sulky plow or gang plow equipment of some kind and 25.0 per cent have tractor plows. A total of 61,398 farms or 27.2 per cent are possessed of tractors while 26.4 per cent of the tractor owners are more or less equipped to do their own tractor repair work. Of all farms, 99.8 per cent have some sort of plow. Sixty-six and six tenths of all

farms have cream separators but only 3.1 per cent have power milking machines. Power used to operate grain binders is divided this way: horse-drawn, 62.4 per cent; tractor drawn, 13.3 per cent of all farms. Power shredders and huskers are used on 9.4 per cent of the farms.

Other interesting facts gleaned are:  
Fifty and nine-tenths per cent of all the farm homes in Illinois are now equipped with radio and 40.8 per cent have incubators.

### FIELD MUSEUM GETS GIGANTIC METEORITE

Specimen, Found in Queensland, Australia, Being Prepared for Exhibition

A large meteorite from Australia, one of the heaviest falls recorded in recent years, has just been acquired by Field Museum of Natural History, it was announced today by Stephen C. Simms, director of the museum.

The specimen is now being prepared for exhibition, and will probably be on view early in 1929. It is an important addition to the museum's collection of meteorites, which is the largest in the world as to number of falls represented, and one of the largest in aggregate weight. More than three-fourths of all known meteorite falls are represented by specimens in this collection.

The new specimen, which weigh about 1,400 pounds, was found near Gladstone, Queensland, Australia, by a kangaroo hunter. It was resting on the edge of a deep gully, where it had apparently remained undiscovered for several years. It was slowly sinking into the clay, was already half buried, and had it not been discovered soon it would probably have disappeared forever. It is composed chiefly of iron, nodules of iron sulphide and graphite, a small percentage of nickel, and contains a few grains of platinum.

The museum's meteorite collection now numbers in all about 700 specimens, the combined weight of which is approximately ten tons. The largest one weighs 3,336 pounds. Included in the collection are two tons of meteorites from the famous locality at Canyon Diablo, Arizona, among them the largest known individual piece, weighing 1,013 pounds, from this fall. Both iron and stone meteorites are well represented in the collection.

### SWEDISH DIRECTORY BECOMES DEMOCRATIC

The new telephone directory for Sweden contains, for the first time among the regular listings the names of King Gustav and members of the royal household, the King being in among the "K.s." Formerly the King and his household were listed in a special section of the Swedish telephone directory, but the new directory has been patterned after those of New York and other American cities and contains many simplifications and elimination of duplicate names, so that the size of the volume has been reduced from 2,000 to 900 pages.

These anti-fat remedies would be all right if they really could take the fat out of the cranium.

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And Of

Our best wishes for a  
Merry Christmas

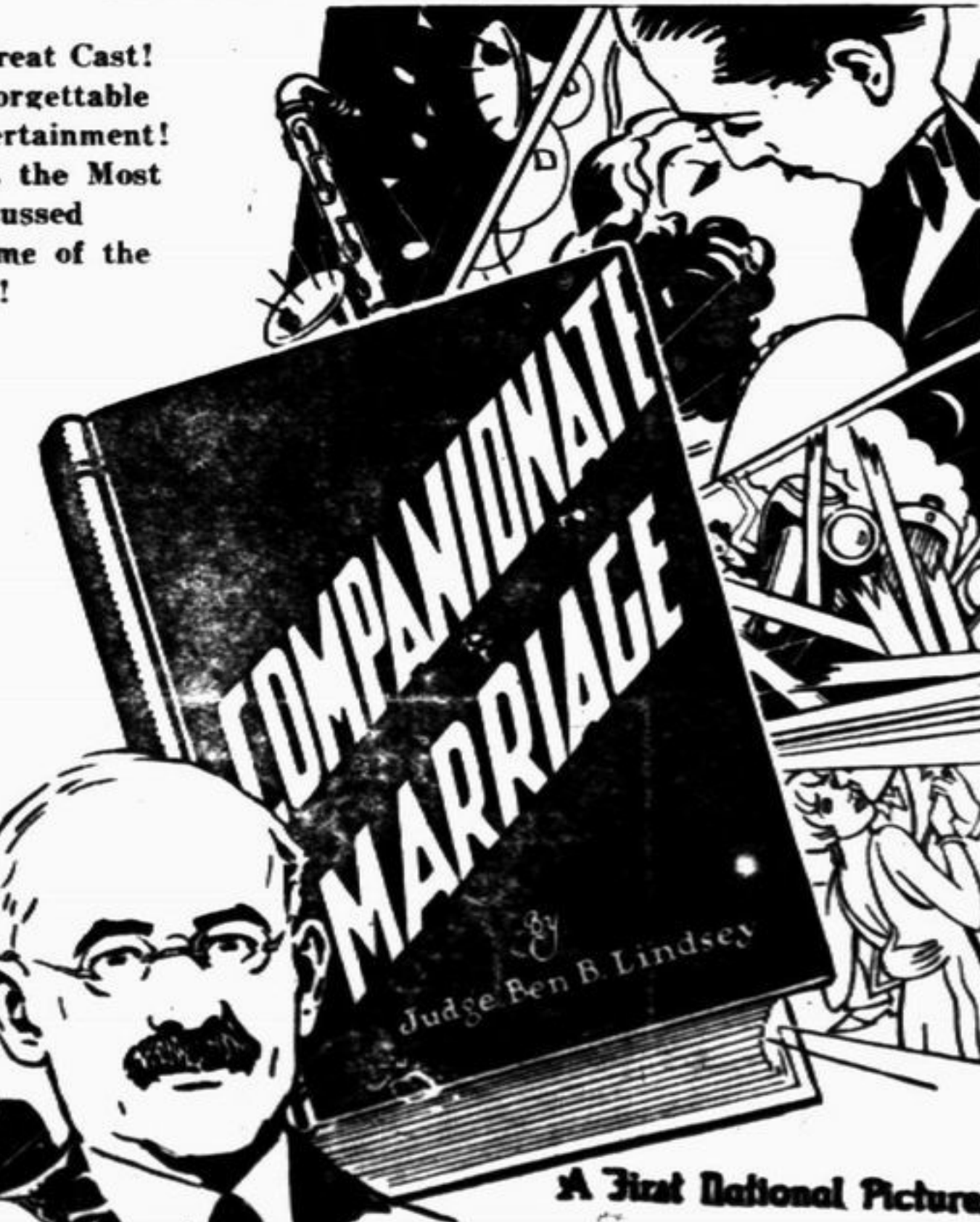
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