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And a Fine Young Man
Since there has been no change in fundamental principles, it is safe to assume that aviation has reached its adolescence and that maturity is just ahead.—The American Magazine.

Green Old Age
"Mrs. Bently has milked fourteen generations o' cows, has all her original teeth and don't use terbacker in any form except in a pipe."—Abe Martin in Farm & Fireside.

Esther Gould's Book Corner

JUST PARAGRAPHS

Claude G. Bowers, whose book, "The Tragic Era," is the Literary Guild selection for September, discloses the fact that research for the book, which had to be done in a library, has occupied him every lunch hour for three and one-half years. This might be a lesson to the effect that if we want to do a thing badly enough we find time for it.

The Oxford University Press is starting a new department of books for boys and girls. If it keeps to the high standard it has always maintained for other publications this should be a real event in children's literature.

PORTS OF ADVENTURE

"Tomorrow's Voyage"
By Leonard Hess.
Ives Washburn.

"Tomorrow's Voyage" by Leonard Hess starts out as if it would be one of those books of dreams come true. We warm to the picture of the small boy, Samuel Jones, who lives over Hummel's butcher shop, and dreams of the moment when the "Ventura," tramp steamer, will come into dock. Then, playing hookey from school, he will go down and stand breathlessly scenting the spices and other things which speak to him of the East and far off ports where he longs to be.

He is only twelve and his poor, overworked mother, though she used to have dreams herself, cannot hear of his going away to sea. But Sam takes matters into his own hands and applies for place as cabin boy on the "Ventura." If only the captain had taken him then! It is we who are breathless now—this we know will decide the issue. Either he goes to the land of adventure or the long arm of reality reaches out and claims him for its own.

It is the latter. Mr. Hess is not a spinner of yarns, but a very penetrating and sincere recounter of life. A whim decides the captain against it and this time it is through a blur of tears that Samuel sees the ship depart.

The next years are a long, hard grind for Samuel. Adversity follows hard upon adversity, as it so easily might in such surroundings, and Samuel is firmly caught in the arms of reality. In the end he has his chance to go, but as so often happens it comes too late. He is tired, he has spent in the grocery business the high hours that were meant for the ports of adventure.

NOT SO ORDINARY
"The Life of an Ordinary Woman"
By Anne Ellis.
Houghton Mifflin Co.

There is something intriguing in the title, "The Life of an Ordinary

Woman," by Anne Ellis. In the first place we know she isn't an ordinary woman or she wouldn't be willing to be called so, in the second place we know she isn't or no publisher would be willing to publish her story. So here in the beginning is a challenge.

When we start reading, we find it is as we thought, Anne Ellis is no ordinary woman. The person who, cooking for a telephone construction gang, keeps a volume of "Hamlet" open beside her, who puts flowers on the table, and wears a bunch of wildflowers herself, is not an ordinary woman. Nor has her life been at all ordinary. Her childhood was spent in pioneer mining camps where starvation was only one of the minor hazards run by the large family of children.

Anne Ellis has the gift of telling things amusingly. She has also remembered and is not afraid to tell the small things most of us would have probably wanted to forget. For instance when she takes an unconventional but quite innocent trip to the city with a young man and is taken to a hotel for the first time, she sees no need of the hall light burning all night so goes and blows it out. It is gas, so soon there is a strong odor and a large commotion outside her door. She hears it, but says it is one of the few times she has ever been able to hold her tongue. She could not be so discreet when she had a failure with the jelly roll she was making, fed it to the cow and the cow died of it.

The whole book is full of amusing adventures which could only have come to a girl living in such precarious and primitive circumstances. It is a picture of a life foreign to anything most of us have ever known, of an era which is almost gone and of a person with quite an extraordinary amount of humor, courage, and resourcefulness.

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by ALICE GRANT ROSMAN

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