

Man to Attempt Malay Ascent

Peak of Nanga Parbat, 15,000 Feet High, 1,000 Miles West of Everest, in Hindustan

A German expedition is on the way for the conquest of Nanga Parbat, which is 26,620 feet high and lies west of Mount Everest. The expedition is led by Dr. Heinrich Harrer, who has been in the Himalayas for several years. He is a former prisoner of war in India, and he has been in the Himalayas since 1931. He is a very experienced mountaineer, and he has been successful in climbing several of the highest peaks in the Himalayas. He is now preparing for the ascent of Nanga Parbat, which is the highest peak in the Himalayas that has not yet been climbed. The expedition is expected to start in the next few weeks.

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Junior was dejected walking home from school, and his woebegone appearance attracted the attention of a kind-hearted woman who happened to pass him on the street.

Kind-Hearted Woman — "What is troubling you, my little man?" Junior — "Dyspepsia, rheumatism, asthma and appendicitis."

Kind-Hearted Woman — "Why that's absurd. How can that be?" Junior — "Teacher kept me in after school because I couldn't spell them."

We must either keep step with the changing times, or be cast aside. The attempt to hide our lack of ability to adjust ourselves to a changing world, by declaring the changes are all wrong, will never get us anywhere.

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"Christians, Awake," was being sung as a carol, when a window was raised, and a voice said: "Go away. We are not Christians, and we are not asleep."

Doctor — "Well, Mr. Jones, I am sorry to tell you that your wife's mind is completely gone."

Jones — "Well, doctor, I am not at all surprised to hear that, for I've had a piece of it every day now for these last six years."

Husband — "It is a strange thing, but true, that the biggest fools have the most beautiful wives."

His Wife (pleased) — "Oh, what a flatterer you are, darling."

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Travel Impressions BY CAPT. F. H. REID

Pisa, the maritime Comune that vies with Genoa and other Italian city republics up to the 6th of August, 1284, when it was conquered by its rival, is today a city of art, absorbed in a dream of its glorious past and noted, chiefly, for its architectural treasures, above all for its Leaning Tower.

The history of this tower—or, at least, peculiarity—is shrouded in mystery. At the top, it is 14 feet out of perpendicular; 100 years ago the projection was only 13 feet. It is said that the angle was discovered when the structure had reached the second storey and the builders continued their work, endeavoring, however, to counterbalance it. So it has stood, for people of all nations to see and wonder at, since the year 1174.

Here are but a few of the features: Lakeland — Lake Windermere, Loch Lomond and the Lakes of Killarney; the Welsh Mountains and the Highlands of Scotland; Cathedral Cities—Salisbury, York, Chester, Durham, Wells, Ely, Hereford, Lincoln, Peterborough, Winchester, etc.; Castles — Warwick, Blarney, Carnarvon, Edinburgh, etc.; Shakespeare, Scott, Wordsworth, Moore and Handy Country; The Fens; The Dukeries; Glorious Devon; Cornish Riviera; The Trossachs and the Garden of Ireland; Glean's Causeway. Lovely roads, beautiful scenery. London, Edinburgh, Belfast, Dublin, Douglas—all in one glorious holiday.

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ber of the Misericordia Society (Brothers of Charity), an organization which exists only in Tuscany, of which Pisa, Leghorn and Florence are a part. This organization was founded by the nobles and wealthy people of the Middle Ages, who, in order to conceal their identity, while performing works of charity, clad themselves in this sombre garb. Their duties consisted mainly of giving assistance where there was death or sickness among the very poor. We saw two Misericordia funerals, one in Pisa and the other in Leghorn. In each case, the procedure was similar. At the head of the procession walked the officiating priest, attended by cross bearers. Following him and flanking the ornately decorated black and gold hearse, were men clad as I have described above. These men were carrying huge torches, from which a smoky reddish flame came, as if the material used was of a tarry nature. The two men, on the coachman's box, wore gold-braided black uniforms and, on their heads, they wore three-cornered cocked hats. The hearse was heavily draped and surmounted with long black plumes.

We found Pisa a very interesting place; most tourists stop there only long enough to see the three buildings hurriedly—we spent a longer time than usual and found much to admire. The Arno River runs through the city, as it does in Florence and, in many respects, Pisa resembles her sister city. During the week of March 5th to 10th the students of the University of Pisa are enlivening the streets of the old city with masked processions, donkey races, humorous tours and a cavalcade of 14th century costumes.

Next week we will take you to the land of dykes and wooden shoes—Holland.

Fewer Millionaires In United Kingdom London.—Millionaires are decreasing in the United Kingdom. Figures issued recently by the Board of Inland Revenue show that 897 persons last year had incomes in excess of \$150,000, compared with 1,160 in 1932.

The total amount of super-tax, imposed on incomes in excess of \$10,000, dropped by \$70,000,000. On the other hand, the total death duties increased by \$579,000, reaching the figure of \$380,000,000.

Number of persons with incomes between \$150,000 and \$200,000 dropped from 479 to 372; between \$200,000 and \$250,000 from 221 to 192; between \$250,000 and \$375,000 from 225 to 182; between \$375,000 and \$500,000 from 196 to 57, and over \$500,000 from 109 to 94.

Every generous illusion of youth leaves a wrinkle as it departs. Experience is the successive disenchanting of the things of life; it is reason enriched with the heart's spillo.—J. Pettit-Senn.

Most women like to run a house if you'll really let them run it. They get so much real fun out of changing things around every week.

Anne Boleyn's Name Not to be Given to New London Street

Girls of Today Might Ask Who She Was, and "Who Knows What Consequences Might Ensnare"

London.—After some worried pondering the London County Council has rejected suggestions that a new street be named after Anne Boleyn, second wife of Henry VIII and mother of Queen Elizabeth, and left it to the name of some personage entirely without blemish.

It has been the council's custom to perpetuate the memory of many historic figures by adopting their names for new streets. When it was proposed to thus honor Anne Boleyn, however, Dr. Emil Davies quoted a declaration that "she appealed to the less fine part of Henry's nature, and her virtue was not of a character to deserve the respect of her own or subsequent ages."

If the name of this Queen was to be put on the road of a respectable neighborhood, said Dr. Davies, the young ladies of to-day would be stimulated to ask who she was—"and who knows what consequences might ensue?"

Sir Paul Latham attempted to come to the rescue of the unhappy Anne and the laborites then suggested the new street be named after Wat Tyler, who led the men of Kent in the 1318 rebellion. In the end the council rejected both.

Slovenly English

There is a good deal of truth in the remark "that probably the best English is spoken by foreigners who have taken the pains to learn it correctly." This should be taken to heart by every one who stands before the public. Every minister, every teacher, every public speaker should take time and trouble to learn how to use his own language, how to speak grammatically and to pronounce correctly. This, of course, means labor, but it means well spent labor, and the reward will be a more interested audience. The dictionary is too little used by our people. Why should we excuse a man or woman for mis-pronouncing a word when two minutes' search in the dictionary would enable them to give that word its proper sound? There is altogether too much slovenly English in use, and if our young folks would determine that they would do better than their elders it would be a distinct improvement. It is no excuse to say that we have had but a scanty education, for that is not the real fault; the real difficulty is that we are not willing to learn to use our own language correctly. It will take some time and effort, but it will more than pay for both. Surely it is incumbent on those who are born of British ancestry to see that they are able to speak their own tongue at least as correctly as those who have had to acquire that to be as a foreign language.

Beautiful Sunsets

We wonder how many of our readers are enjoying the sunsets, since the days are lengthening. Quiet blessings—one writer who has had the habit of looking at them, notes; in ordinary blues and grays, with a touch of some more exciting colors, that we get at this time of year; one of the rich inheritances God has given us. Let us form this habit, which is free, and it will help us to forget the long winter—and incidentally, the depression.—Smiths Falls Record-News.

Little is Known Of New Empress

Mrs. Elizabeth Pu-Yi Will Share Her Husbands Throne—Will Be His Only Wife Hsinking, Manchuria.—When Henry Pu-Yi dropped his civil title of "Mr. Chief Executive" on March 1 and became Emperor of the new Manchurian Empire, his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Pu-Yi was automatically raised from the position of a commoner to full queenhood. She is the daughter of a Manchu business man named Jung Yuang, now head of a Manchukuo investment concern here. Little is known to the outside world about her, for it is the tradition and practice in the Orient for women in the ruling circles to stay discreetly in the background.

Manchu Beauty Ten years after his dethronement as Emperor of All China, Mr. Pu-Yi as his bride from a group of photographs of "marriageable young ladies" submitted to him by his advisers. She was then described as a "Manchu beauty."

Later, in accordance with Chinese imperial custom, the youthful Manchu nobleman acquired two additional "unofficial wives" or concubines. In the course of time, he got rid of these extra wives, largely at the instance of his "No. 1 wife."

It was announced that when Mr. Pu-Yi became Emperor he led a "strictly monogamous life," even dispensing with the time-honored eunuchs, who have always been employed in all Chinese imperial households to protect the women of the ruler.

Modern Education In her earlier days in Peiping, Mrs. Pu-Yi received part of her education from Miss Miriam Ingram, daughters of a Congregational missionary of Philadelphia, from whom she learned English, history and something about western life. She was described then as modern in her ideas and tastes.

Mrs. Pu-Yi has never been seen in public since her husband became chief executive. She leads a secluded lonely life. The authorities tell correspondents that she is in delicate health, never receives visitors and never appears in public. In any case, she did not participate in the ceremony March 1.

The fact that Mr. and Mrs. Pu-Yi have no children—especially no male children—has given Manchukuo and Japanese authorities considerable anxiety. When asked how the question of succession would be settled, they told questioners: "Constitutional means will be found for providing an heir, in case the Emperor's present wife does not present him with one."

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