

GIRL STUDENTS SHINE BRIGHTLY

But Boys Perk Up After Classroom Is Deserted

After observing and teaching men and women students for twenty-three years, Dr. Roy C. Flickinger, who has been dean of the College of Liberal Arts of Northwestern University for three years, in an article just published in School and Society, a weekly journal of psychology published in New York, comes to the following conclusions respecting the comparative mental abilities of the average girl and boy student:

"I do not state that women have better memories than men and scientific tests show that there is little difference between the sexes in this respect, but women are more willing to employ what memories they have than are most men. When students pass from college into graduate school or business life, the men suddenly forge to the front. This happens, as I believe, because memory work, though of course still important, occupies relatively a less commanding position."

Case for the Girl

Dean Flickinger proceeds to analyze his composite girl and young man student, first favoring the girl and then making strong inference that, after all, the boy has the greater ability in the long run. He favors the girl student in the following selected sentences:

"Since in all co-educational institutions there is a distinct tendency for women to outnumber the men in the liberal arts course, they can reasonably be expected, in the same ratio, to outnumber the men also in the award of honors."

"In South Dakota it was found that senior men in the high schools of that state who were planning to attend college averaged somewhat lower in an intelligence test than the average score of all senior men whereas senior girls who were going to college somewhat surpassed the average for all senior women."

"In schools of all grades memory work plays an exceedingly important role—and it is my observation that men are quick to rebel against large assignment of memory work and that most of them prefer to receive a gentleman's grade of C rather than submit to the demand of their instructor."

And Now the Men

Dean Flickinger refutes the accepted theory that girl students may possibly receive greater consideration in the classroom than men. He calls attention to the pride of the professor in turning out successful students, that the ambitious professor realizes that few girls actually capitalize classroom knowledge in business and adding this about the co-eds:

"Most of them quickly marry and give up all active interest in their academic specialty."

Now, as for the men—Dean Flickinger makes more than a gesture in their favor. He says:

"In business, it is no longer so much a matter of memorizing assembled data or ready made solutions as it is of accumulating data for one's self or of penetrating by original thought to the depths of an unsolved problem. Such tasks excite the better types of men to exert their best efforts."

"In the classroom boys scorn the unreality of their tasks and rebel against being required to perform them—They are dazzled by the seeming superiority of the girls and nourish their self-respect by a disdainful refusal to participate wholeheartedly in the recitation rather than run the risk of being outdone. Throughout high school and college, oftentimes even in the grammar grades, most of the boys know more than they reveal and are capable of doing more than they actually do. Their record falls far short of indicating their real ability, which is revealed by the different conditions of later years in graduate school or in the business world."

As it happens, at Northwestern University the last few years, Phi Beta Kappa honors were largely awarded to the girls for superior scholarship, the ratio being about three to one. Dean Flickinger has been frequently called upon by one and another inquirer, by letter and otherwise, as to the whys and wherefores of this predominance of maidenly mentality and therefore he felt he could answer one and all by writing a short article on the topic.

10,000 Chicago Teachers Get \$4,000,000 Pay Raise

Chicago.—Chicago school teachers next year will receive approximately \$4,000,000 more in salaries than they are now receiving. The increase, approved by the Board of Education, will affect about 10,000 instructors.

FAMED WARRIORS IS MOURNED IN TEXAS

'Chief', Known Over Southwest, Passes Away

Abilene, Texas.—"Chief Clinton is dead!"

All up and down the plains of Western Texas and in the Panhandle the chief topic of conversation for several days has been the death here of John J. Clinton, affectionately known as "Chief" Clinton.

"Chief" Clinton had a notable career, and to those who knew him his name will go down in history with those of "Buffalo Bill" and other notables of the early days.

Born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1848, young Clinton came to this country in his seventh year, his parents settling in Wisconsin. In 1862, when he was fourteen years of age, "Chief" entered the Military Academy at Little Rock, Ark., one year later joining a company of cadets who volunteered for service with the Confederate Army, with which he fought during the closing battles of the Civil War.

After the surrender of General Lee Clinton entered the Government service as a scout. As such he participated in many battles with the Indians, among the more notable being that of the Adobe Walls, on the Canadian River; the Lone Tree Crossing and the Battle of the Water Hole, in 1874, near Van Horn, Texas, under the command of "Big Foot" Wallace. This latter battle was made famous by the celebrated painting by Frederick Remington, who secured his description of the encounter from Clinton.

After a continued drought of many months' duration water holes were precious possessions, few and far between. As the band of scouts under Wallace approached the water hole they observed a large party of redskins approaching from the opposite direction. A thrilling race ensued, in which the whites reached the prized water hole first. They were almost immediately attacked by the Indians, but the scouts reserved their fire until the Indians, circling closer and closer and firing furiously from the backs of their ponies, were almost upon them.

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when their guns spoke with telling effect.

Indians Fell Back

The Indians fell back, but made another attack the next morning, at which time Sam Gibbs a close friend of Clinton, was killed and Clinton himself wounded. The Indians held the camp in a state of siege throughout the day, but a storm came up during the night and Wallace and his band succeeded in making their way through the Indian lines, only to wander, almost exhausted, all night long in an endeavor to reach Fort Davis. At dawn they were found by a small detachment of United States cavalry and escorted to Fort Davis, where they ate like famished men, enjoyed a good night's rest, as did their mounts, and were again ready for duty.

Clinton later became a peace officer at Dodge City, Kan., known as the wildest settlement on the frontier, where gambling ran wide open and where dance halls and saloons vied with each other for the patronage of the "Wild West" cowboys.

While at Dodge City Clinton met and became a close friend of the late Bat Masterson.

Clinton had been for the last thirty-seven years Chief of the Fire

and Police departments of Abilene and was one of the best-known characters in the Southwest. He was active almost to the day of his death, and it is said he never failed to respond to a fire alarm.

"Old Timers" from all over the Southwest attended his funeral, many of whom recalled the days when "Chief" Clinton rode as a Government guard on the trail from Fort Davis to

Fort Bliss, El Paso, at a time when encounters with the Apaches and Comanches were almost a daily occurrence.

During the course of his career "Chief" Clinton had many narrow escapes, but he was a modest man and never told narratives of his remarkable prowess with the six-shooter.



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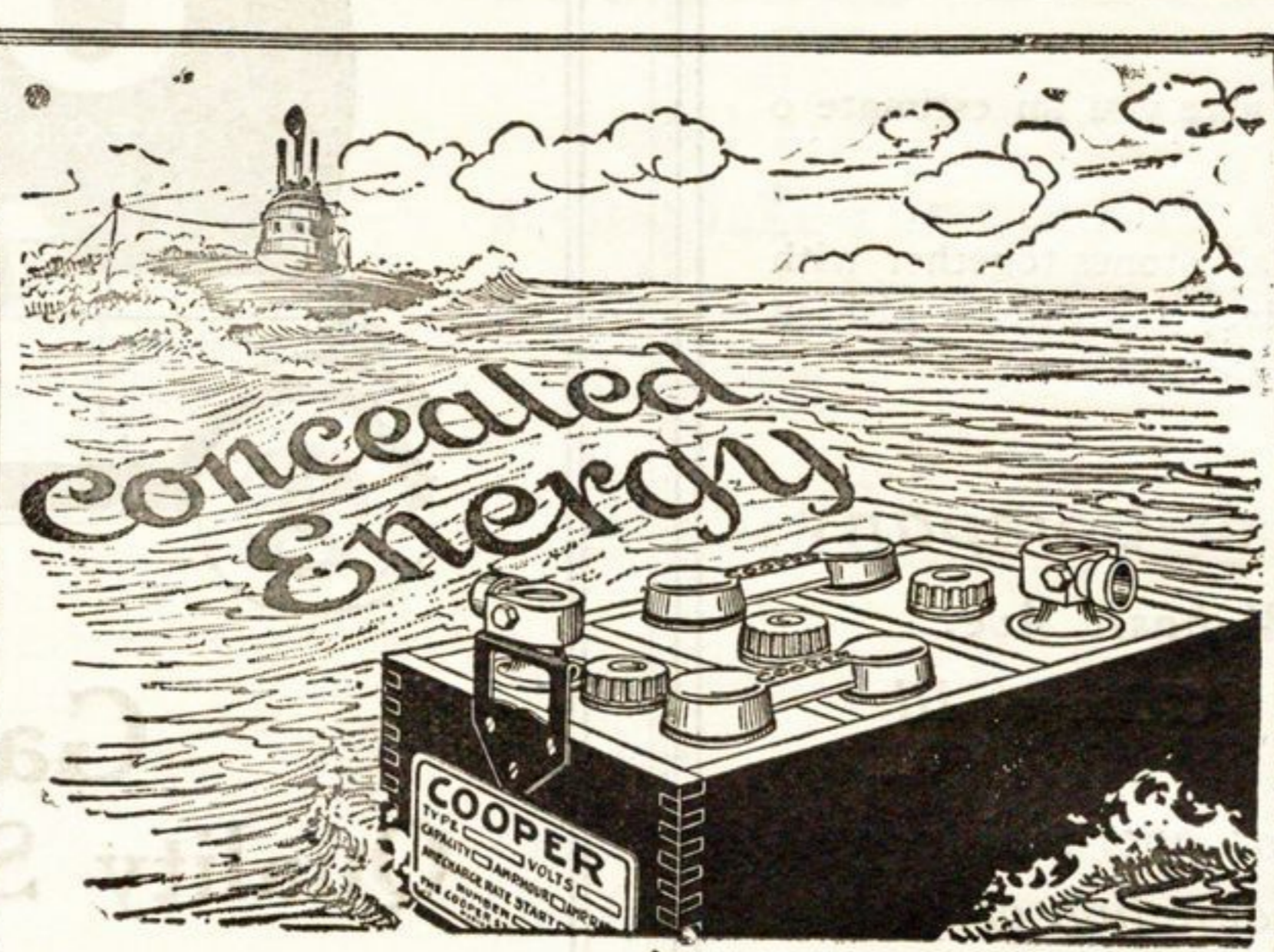
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