# Horse Sense and the Lost Boy

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lander, was a rare lover of horses. frequent question. He saw in the horse more than in- "I would as soon shoot one of my stinct, more than "horse sense"; he family or at least one of you fellows, saw genuine intelligence. How he ad- as old Dan. He is not hurting anymired a fine specimen of the equine thing and is getting a rest from long, family as it stood with its head well- true and tried service. He is welcome erect; ears pricked forward and look- to the range of Caswell farm as long ing with investigating and knowing as he lives." eyes at some object that attracted its | It was well-nigh dark when Mary, of God as almost human.

Today, forty years later, some men are saying the horse is gone, and like the dodo or roc will soon become an extinct species. There are thousands. however, who however much they may delight in the modern "flery chariots" which now travel without the horse, will insist that the horse will never pass from among us. deed, there are many, many places where his faithful service can aid man that automotive power cannot reach. Even should this be overcome, there are too many people who love the animate so greatly over the inauimate, that the horse will be propagated and perpetuated up to that day when the world will be "changed in the twink ling of an eye." In fact, today, among the wealthier classes there are many, who having tired of limousines and super-sixes, are again turning to beautiful horses as means of joy in travel. And some of such horses their owners would not exchange for the most valuable motor vehicle yet placed on the market.

Though men like my father, who passed on some years ago, may not be here to champion the horse, the posterity of such men are carrying on and will not forget what good horse flesh has been, nor some of the remarkable stories about horses. My father, being an Easterner, was in close touch with the "Kindness to Animals" movement which became so firmly founded in Boston and which continues. Our Dumb - Animals were a favorite with him, and he had real personal touch with Mr. Angell.

Such association builds ideals in character and strengthens the purpose which already rules in one's life-and it is handed down to posterity. Hence, the love of mankind for the horse cannot pass away. The following story Is founded upon, or inspired by, a little story often told by the writer's father:

On the old homestead in Minnesota a mare and colt were running in pasture near the house. One night, after the family had gone to bed, the mare came running to the house, put her neighed. Realizing that something was wrong, my father quickly dressed and followed the mare toward the pasture. Every little way the animal would stop, turn and whinny and then draw father on. Down in the pasture was a shallow well-or where a well had been started and covered with boards. In some way the cover had been removed and the colt had fallen in the hole and could not get out. The colt was lifted out by my father and the mother tried in every way to express her thanks for the kind deed, running first to the colt and then back and licking father's hand and putting her face up to his. It was such demonstrations as this that so deeply impressed my father with the well-nigh "human intelligence" of the horse.

And here is another story even more remarkable:

Down in the hills of the Ozarks lived George Caswell. The family was composed of himself, his wife and two children. Walter aged ten and Mary aged twelve. The children one day wandered into the woodland, hunting hazel nuts. In some way they became separated. For some hours they searched for nuts and then became suddenly aware of being separated and quite far from home. Mary and Walter, unknown to each other, called and called, but without avail-they had roamed too far apart to be heard. Walter had started to go back, as he thought, but soon lost his way and wandered down into a deep canyon.

Mary, being unable to get an answer from her brother, decided to retrace her steps toward home, which she did. As she came out of the Byrd wires: "We have left civiliza- in 1912 and concluded in April, 1925, In September, 1925, the Society for bushes suddenly, old "Dan," the aged tion at last." . Fortunate man. No aimed at ascertaining the real worth the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals family horse, appeared. Dan was an more thugs, gunmen, reckless drivers of police dogs in tracing suspects or gave a reception in honor of "Billie," animal twenty-odd years old. In his and cheap politicians in his life for a escaped criminals. Major Most be- a dog of the Cape May County Poor day he had been an attractive stepper | while. Only icebergs and penguins. in single harness but having aged, he had been turned out to grass and was seldom used for any purpose. The keep him about any longer. "Why York from Bermuda.

My father, who was a New Eng- | don't you shoot him, George?" was a

attention! Standing with flowing tired-and worried about Walter, walkmane and tail, a form of life and jed into her home. She had hoped beauty, father beheld such a creation that he had preceded her home, but he was not there. The parents grew uneasy as the shadows gathered and twilight merged into darkness. Caswell called, yodeled and whistled with all his ability in these lines, hoping for an answer from Walter. None came. Then the father set out into the woodland. He went up one canyon and down another, working farther and farther from home, until he realized he might become lost in the wooded hills himself. His frequent calls and whistles echoed and reechoed along the rock-ribbed gulches, but no answer came other than the whippoorwill or the "whoo-whoos" of the hoot-owls.

After some time Mr. Caswell, by following a cow trail, reached a roadway which he soon realized was two miles from home and far from the hollows where the children had been nutting. "No wonder." he thought, "that a boy would get lost even in daylight, when I, who have been here for years, get lost so near home." Quickening his step he pressed toward

As Caswell approached his house he heard Mrs. Caswell and Mary talking but the voice of Walter was not mingled with theirs. Suddenly old Dan came trotting up, with almost as much spirit and action as in days of

"Daddy," exclaimed Mary, "what do you suppose ails old Dan? This makes twice he has come up to the house, acting as if something was wrong with him."

him come that way once before. What possesses him?"

around and around and then started away. When Caswell did not follow, A fox terrier brings aid to the vic- dogs to patrol and guard service.

if I call, you come, too." never slowed his pace till he stopped, the alarm fails to go off. snorted and turned and whinnied.

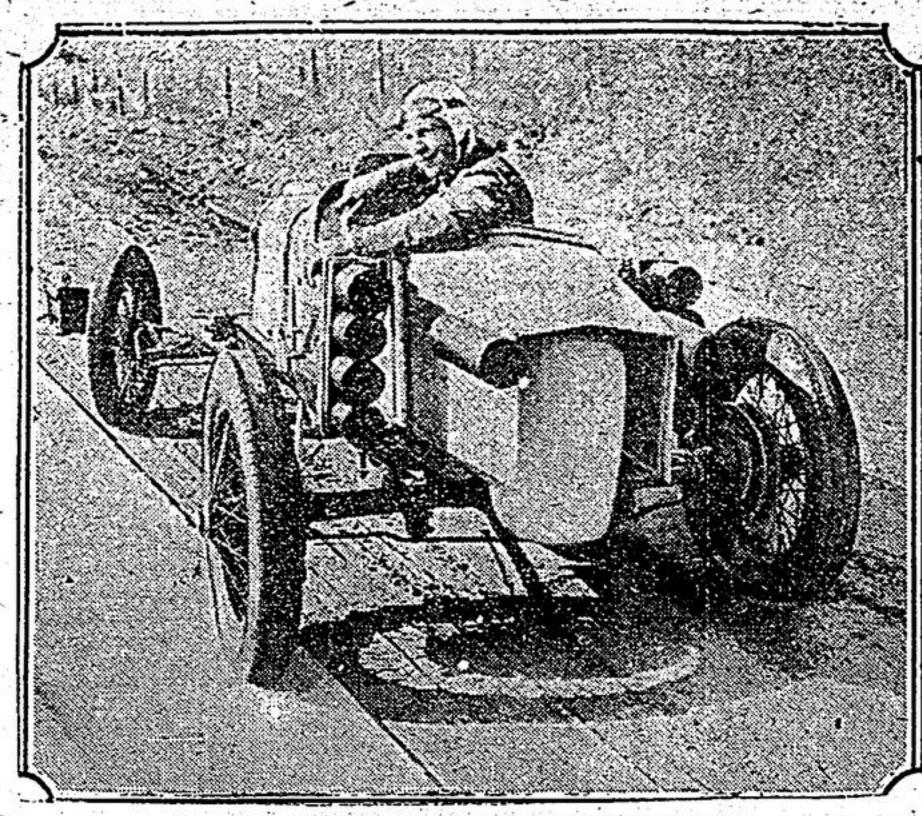
the brush crackle. He threw his flash- alleged burglars were caught through by way of a ladder made out of sheets. however, that the disease may be conlight in the direction and saw two feet the efforts of dogs, a German police Pearl did not descend the ladder, nor tracted from cattle and hogs. The he said, "was necessitated by our comprotruding from a hollow log. His dog setting the precedent early in the did she jump. After giving the warn, disease is not only disabling but ex- mitment to France. This commitheart was in his mouth. Walter! morning by leaping into a running ing she stayed in the bedroom, prob- tremely chronic in duration. The pa- ment was not known to Parliament; Fast in the log-and except for slight taxi-cab, causing the driver to stop ably overcome, and died there. movements of the boy's feet, he would long enough for the policeman to "Spot," partly a fox terrier and the before any improvement is noted. Im- members of the Cabinet. More than have believed him dead. Caswell ran catch up with him. A few minutes rest doubtful, and lacking his left portant studies made by Miss Alice C. this, its existence was denied. How to the other end of the log, and called. later a patrolman was attracted by a front leg, was the hero of another res- Evans, a bacteriologist of the United binding the moral engagement was Walter faintly answered. "Be quiet, small dog who ran yelping from a cue from fire several months later. States Public Health Service, have soon became clear. son," ordered Caswell, "don't strain little candy store. He reached the Dorothy Mackaye, of "Rose Marie," shown the relation between this con- "Whatever may have been the yourself any more-I will get you store in time to see two men leave by and her husband, Ray Raymond, of dition in human beings and contagious causes of the war, the German inva-

A "hitch" and a pull on a pry-pole, and the log opened to the end where Walter was fast. Caswell sprang to his boy; rolled him out and clasped him in his arms. The boy was unconscious; but after a few moments opened his eyes and recognized his father, only to become unconscious

Two things he fully decided. - One was never to try to catch a rabbit in a log: and the other, that Old Dan had more to shoot him-whether that be plain willingly. or horse sense. Old Dan had won his laurels and an unending vacation at however, of dogs in the role of detec- old girl of Washington, NJ., who was derived their infection from hogs. the Caswell ranch, even should there tives. Early in 1926 discussion, raged knocked down by a bull on her father's be no horse heaven-and sometimes I think there must be.

## EARLY POTATOES

### Rockets Make Speed



CALIFORNIA SEES TEST OF ROCKET CAR

Lou Moore, at the wheel, experimenting to prove the practicability of utilizing rockets to obtain tremendous speed, at Santa Monica, Calif.

# Worthy Services Credited to Dogs

(From The Humane Pleader)

There are good dogs and bad dogs, and sometimes a good dog will turn suddenly bad or vice versa. Looking only upon the sunny side much can be found to prove that dogs are still run- owner, tracking down a person and ning true to ideals of loyalty, bravery, perseverance and service.

There was the story, early in 1925, "Yes," added Mrs. Caswell, "I saw of dogs racing hundreds of miles in running down a man from his tracks. zero weather to carry serum to the Despite the result of the tests police from cattle and hogs which are in-Caswell, nosed him about, turned freely, some of the dogs dying in the pects, but a demand was made for

Dan returned. Then Caswell said, "I tim of a fall in the Alps; "Duke," a

Disadvantages of Civilization Gruenheide School for Police Dogs, ing the animal so vigorously that it Detroit Free Press: Commander following an analysis of tests begun was driven off. also asserted that it was almost im- mark of honor for animals.

possible for dogs to pick up a cold

These statements were promptly lowing the lead of Japan, began early challenged by a police inspector, who this year to train dogs for communioffered to put his dogs to the test and disprove Major Most's contentions, tives, patrolmen, coast guard aids and Six dogs in active police service were messengers, dogs continue to prove used for the experiments. These con- the worth of their existence. sisted in picking up a somewhat cold scent, recognizing a fresh scent, finding an article by the scent of its finding a man after having smelled of an article belonging to Lim. In twenty-seven tries the dogs made good only twice, once finding an article and once diptheria-stricken town of Nome. All dogs are still being used in German

For sheer courage and unselfish de- ported from various States. know Old Dan-he wants me to go mongrel, saves his master from a votion the story of "Pearl," a beautiwith him. Stay here, both of you, but fire; "Nellie," an Irish setter, helps ful wolfdog of Chicago, stands out is quite prevalent among cattle and save three boys in a quicksand; among the rest. Pearl belonged to hogs throughout the country. Persons Old Dan started and Caswell could "Spot," a three-legged terrier, saves a the Jones family, and the occasion on who drink raw milk from infected hardly keep pace with him. On, on baby and her governess from a fire; a which she showed her mettle was a cattle or who handle hogs that are inthey went-up Hazelbrush hollow for sled dog awakens his master to save fire in the house. The dog, roused by fected are likely to contract the disa half mile, then turned into another his team-mate from strangling; a dog the smoke, barked furiously, but suc- ease. The name, "undulant fever," is length the work of official propanose in the bedroom window and gulch (it was close to where Mary had in Chicopee, Mass., saves a family ceeded only in arousing the neighbors, applied to the disease because the atemerged from the woods), then on from gas, and another one in Ken- Pearl broke through the flames that tacks of fever come in waves or unduand on for nearly a mile. Old Dan tucky foils a robbery by barking after were beginning to creep up the stairs. lations. The disease was first recog-A moment later she bounded into the nized on the Island of Malta in the During the past two years dogs have bedroom and licked his master's face Mediterranean, and it was thought for At first Caswell could see nothing done good detective work. In a single to arouse him. The family, including a time that it was spread only through nor hear anything. Then he heard day in November of last year two a baby, escaped through the window the milk of goats. It is now known,

the, alley. He caught them, and the "When You Smile," were at their thea- abortion in cattle. In certain States sion of Belgium was certainly not one dog accompanied them to the station, tres playing. In their home at Forest it has been said that undulant fever of them. Nor was it even the reason Again, there is the case of "Smock," Hills, L.I., were their three-year-old is of greater importance from the of our entry into the war. But the a giant St. Bernard, who became the daughter, Mimi, her governor-and standpoint of public health than is Government, realizing how doubtful terror of thieves in the neighborhood Spot. Suddenly snifling smoke he ran typhoid fever. Many cases are con- it was whether they could rouse public along Grove Street, Jersey City. For up the stairs to the door of the nursery tracted from-infected milk. Fortun-enthusiasm over a secret obligation to years he guarded the adjacent whole scratching at the knob and the panels ately, however, efficient pasteurization France was able to represent the sale poultry yards, effectively eliminat- and barking until the governess open- readily destroys any of the germs of invasion of Belgium and the infringeing youths bent upon raiding poultry- ed the door. Spot led the way odwn- this disease which may be present in ment of the treaty of neutrality as laden freights. "Smock" worked the stairs as the woman carried the child milk. The chief precautions, there- the cause of our participation." It was many days before Walter re- beat" with his patrolman friend, who through the smoke, which was pour fore, are the use of pasturized milk covered from his terrible experience. described him as the most faithful dog ing from the cellar. That done, Spot and care when coming in contact with he had ever known, a "natural born stood still for a while, but then, re- animals known or suspected to be inpoliceman." He would be sent after membering something, he sprang fected abortion. In a series of cases escaping fowl, bringing them back until through the flames back into the of undulant fever recently studied sense than the neighbors who wanted harmed and working night and day house. Soon he returned defeated, smong adults living on a farm there The love-bird was dead in his cage.

Not too much is to be expected, Then there is the story of a 10-year- the male cases are known to have in the Berlin press as a result of the farm. The animal was trampling her publication of conclusions reached by when the dog that accompanied her Major Most, former manager of the caught the bull by the throat, worry-

lieves that so far it has been impossi- Farm, for saving the lives of two men ble to train the dogs so that they and a number of cattle when a barn would recognize the scent of a strange on the farm property was destroyed Quantities of Easter lilies, early person after having smelled of that by fire. Billie was given a collar hearneighbors said Caswell was foolish to potatoes and onions come in to New individual or of his belongings. He ing a red star, the Society's highest

That dogs prove valuable as messengers was shown when Argentina, folcation purposes. As firemen, detec-

# A Health Item

### Importance of Undulant Fever Being More Widely Recognized

Undulant fever, a disease contracted fected with contagious abortion, is belem of considerable importance from

The disease of contagious abortion . tient may be ill for two or three years it was not even known to all of the were 39 males and 6 females; six of

## TOO THIN

Mildred had just had her first dip in the ocean.

"How did you like it, dear?" asked her mother as she fastened up the little six-year-old's frock. Mildred glared angrily at the spark

ling sea. "I didn't like it at all, mother," she replied, coldly. "I sat on a wave, and went through.

The man to-day who wakes up and finds himself rich is the prize fighter. -Lord Dewar.

Says Horrifying War Stories Lies Falsity of Accounts Declared

by Arthur Ponsonby,

PUBLISHES BOOK

### Describes How Reports Were Colored or Mis interpreted

New York .- The black label of "Lies!" has been written across virtually all of the horrifying stories of atrocities in the World War by Arthur Ponsonby, M.P., former British Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in his book, "Falschood in War-Time."

Taking reports by letter and by

word of mouth as they came from the

front line trenches and invaded towns, Ponsoby traces them from point to point describing how they were colored or misinterpreted until they became widely circulated accounts of amazing cruelty on the part of the enemy. The book deals mainly with stories reaching Britain, but uses them as an example of how such reports were circulated in all countries. In proving the falsity of stories cited. Pousonby cites the statements of war correspondents, of government officials and others, and shows that the stories were never more than

Ponsonby's book asserts: The accounts of mutilated war nurses were lies.

The story of German soldiers cutting off the hands of French and Belgian children was a lie.

The report that a Canadian soldier (sometimes it was a French girl) had been crucified was a lie.

The stories of German "corpse factories" where bodies of soldiers were used for manufacturing of fertilizer

### FALSITY OF STORIES.

The volume, which is published by E. P. Dutton and Company, also shows the falsity of many other stories, including the destruction of the By this time Dan had run up to Mr. that was-asked of them was given country districts to track down sus- ing more widely recognized as a prob- Louvain altar piece; the mistreatment of nuns and priests; the striking of a regulations limiting the work of the a public health standpoint. A number German medal in "honor" of the men of cases of this disease have been re- | who sunk the Lusitania; and the fantastic report that Russian troops had passed through Great Britain.

"When war is declared, truth is the first casualty," quoted the author in his condemnation of British officials who did not deny many of these stories of atrocities. He points out at ganda bureaus, employing thousands of men, to arouse and keep high the hatred of a nation for the enemy.

Many of the stories originated from hearsay near the front or from mistranslation of war reports in other languages.

"Our prompt entry into the war,"



YOU BET

"The next time that fool fellow of yours comes around I'm going to sit "Won't do a bit of good Dad. I

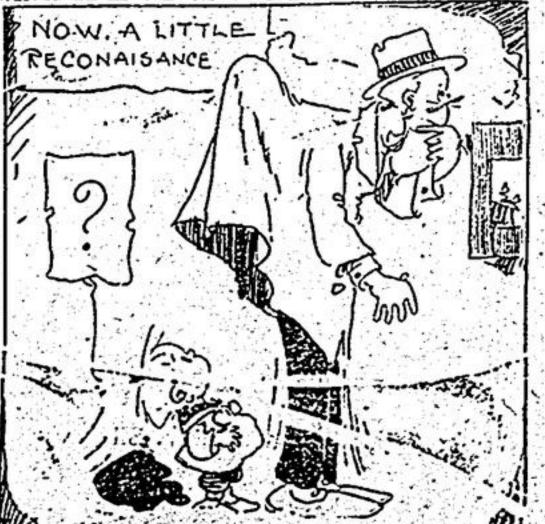
tried it last night and he simply likes

S'MATTER POP-











You Can't Hurry.