

ARE YOU SURE ABOUT IT? **A** WOMAN with two stomachs is discovered by the X-ray in Allentown, Pa. She is Miss Annie Moore. The two stomachs, each almost normal in size, are joined together by Dr. Englehardt. That's something you never heard of before—probably never will again. For nature is great on standardization. While she makes our faces so different that no two are exactly alike in the whole world, we're all about the same when the surgeon begins exploring our interiors.

You read about Miss Moore of the two stomachs, and say to yourself, "Thank goodness, I have only one stomach. Enough indigestion as it is, without having two."

How do you know you have a stomach at all?

Did you ever see it?

Did any one else ever see it?

Of course not. You take it for granted that you have a stomach.

Maybe you have two stomachs, maybe none.

At least nine-tenths of what we think we know is hearsay—second-hand knowledge. You believe that there's a country, China. But were you ever there to find out for yourself?

The only proof some of our soldiers had that they were in Europe was the word of their officers. Without accepting second-hand proof, for all they knew they might have been in Africa.

A favorite line of Big Talk makes much of the advisability of careful investigation—such as "Don't believe it unless you see it with your own eyes."

Alas, there's so much to be seen, and life's so short, that we have to accept rumors as authentic when a sufficient number of persons verify the rumors.

In the last analysis, how do you know that the stuff you use to run your auto is gasoline instead of water with a peculiar odor? Did you ever analyze it to make certain? Even if you tried, how can you be certain that the method is correct?

With most knowledge based on hearsay evidence—rumor—small wonder that the world is cluttered with misinformation. Back of this is a definite peril: Certain groups are forever conspiring to make the public accept faked hearsay as established fact.

**BORAH'S LITTLE MOVE** **S**ENATOR Borah, Republican of Idaho, has done the country and the world a great service.

His resolution calling on the President to act to restore this country to normal by getting at the seat of the trouble, which is in Europe, has been withdrawn, but not before it got in its work.

For one thing the camouflage concealing the Administration's foreign policy has been sadly rent, if not entirely sundered. The "isolation" idea is an admitted failure and the "no entanglements" abroad doctrine a proven myth.

We now know that the campaign slogan of "To haves with the rest of the world," hasn't worked, and that the Administration has at last waked up to the damage the practice of it has done American business and the ruin it has helped bring upon the American farmer.

We now know, too, that the Administration is actually at this moment negotiating with foreign capitals with a view to changing all this if a way can be found. And, parenthetically, we know these negotiations, quite honorable in themselves, were kept secret only because the political leaders of the party could not stomach the idea of publicly confessing their "isolation" stuff had been just plain campaign bunk.

Having reluctantly admitted as much on the floor of the United States Senate, and given their open promise that the President would soon act, Administration leaders secured the withdrawal of the Borah resolution.

But the resolution was not killed. Far from it. Today it hangs like a club over the Administration's head and may be brought down with a bang any time the situation might seem to require.

And now that the fog has been lifted a little, let it be kept lifted. Let the Administration forget the hokus-pokus of its campaign promises. Let it admit it was mistaken in saying America is not a part of the world, and then practice a little of that open and responsible diplomacy we hear so much about but so seldom see.

Then there'll be no more Borah resolutions to hurt the feelings of a sensitive chief executive.

**COUE'S COMING VISIT** **E** MILE COUE will arrive in our country Jan. 10, for a visit of two weeks. He will make speeches in New York, Washington and Cleveland. Coue is the French auto-suggestionist who preaches that many who "enjoy poor health" can cure themselves by repeating his formula, "Every day, in every way, I get better and better."

Europe's favorite indoor sport is "panning the tar" out of us. But as soon as a European gets a good "act," he buys a ticket for America. The U. S. A. seems to be an international magnet. Be glad you're here.

**Battle of Saratoga Was Most Important of Revolutionary War**

You can get an answer to any question of fact or information by writing to the Indianapolis Times, Washington, D. C., inclosing 2 cents in postage. Medical, legal and law and marriage and census questions, if signed letters cannot be answered, but all letters are confidential, and receive personal replies. Address all correspondence to the Indianapolis Times. It does not require it, it will assure prompt replies if readers will confine questions to one letter, and if more than one letter it answers on various subjects are desired. EDITOR.

What was the most important battle of the Revolutionary War?

Most authorities consider the battle of Saratoga the most important, as after that victory, France formed her alliance with the United States.

How old is William Farnum? Forty-six.

What church is Billy Sunday a minister? He is a Presbyterian.

On what day of the week did Sept. 3, 1907, come? Tuesday.

Where in the United States is there the most snow? In the Sierra Nevada and Cascade Mountain ranges in the Pacific coast States, where at some places from thirty to more than forty feet of snow falls during the winter season. At Summit, Cal., which has an elevation of about 7,000 feet, nearly sixty feet of snow has been recorded in a single

season and about twenty-five feet in a single month.

What does "Creole" mean?

The term Creole is the name used in the Southern United States and in Latin America to designate the pure-blooded descendants of the French, Spanish and Portuguese stock.

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## Employer Who Turns Business Over to Workers Advises Other Firm Heads to Follow His Example

Act Entails Sacrifice of Son's Birthright to Prospering Establishment.

By BOB DORMAN,  
NEA Staff Correspondent  
NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Henry A. Dix, 73-year-old enlightened employer, who cut his own salary from \$45,000 to \$50 cents and turned over his \$1,000,000-a-year business to his employees, hopes that other employers will follow his lead.

His sacrifice entailed the passing up of his son's birthright to the prospering dress manufactory. But Mark Dix, 42, was willing.

"Happiness," he says, "is not what you have, but what you do."

So father and son worked out all the details of the transfer of the business which was thirty years in

**WHAT EMPLOYEES SAY**

Elizabeth Blumenthal—It's simply wonderful. I can hardly realize that I have become a capitalist.

Nellie Brennan—Sure, it's more than we expected from the kind heart of Mr. Dix. His equal is not to be found in the whole world.

Florence France—It's just like having your dreams come true. Maybe I now can do some of the things that I have always wanted.

developing. Now it is in the hands of their several hundred employees, who will pay for their stock out of the profits of the company.

**Co-Workers, Not Employees**

"The things that we have done for our workers," explains the younger Dix, "the five-day week, the bonuses, sick benefits, steady pay, vacations with pay, no overtime, recreation centers—all have been done to ease our own consciences."

"We felt that they did not appreciate justice to our co-workers."

"The success of any business is not only due to the acumen shown by its heads, but to the loyalty and devotion of its employees.

"Real justice demanded that they be regarded as co-workers, not as employees in the proprietary sense.

"As for myself, I am ready to



LEFT TO RIGHT: ELIZABETH BLUMENTHAL, HENRY A. DIX, NELLIE BRENNAN, FLORENCE FRANCE AND MARK H. DIX.

take a job with the new concern. My dad will act in an advisory capacity."

"But first we hope to preach the gospel of fairness to all employers."

"They will find that it pays to be just."

"At the end of the year it is the usual thing for the business man to fill out a two-page sheet—on one side are assets, on the other liabilities."

**Bettering Conditions**

"If the record shows a large volume of business and a correspondingly greater volume of profits, the board of directors or the individual owner is well satisfied."

"But suppose that at the same time a third sheet were placed before the man—a sheet devoted to a record of what the firm had done toward the betterment and progress of its workers."

"In how many firms would that sheet be a blank?"

"But if such sheet were to become as customary as the assets and liabilities record, employers would soon see that it would not be blank."

"That is what we want to preach."

## A Tip to Other Employers

By HENRY A. DIX

Because I have turned over to our employees our prosperous and profitable business, some people, in fact nearly everybody, seem to call my action radical or an experiment.

To us it is neither radical nor an experiment, but the natural outcome and climax of a policy pursued during many years.

We have been "feeling" our way toward this step for a long time and in many ways and we have found from actual experience that the policy paid. It paid in the loyalty and interest and cooperative spirit of our group of workers. It paid in the good will and esteem often expressed by buyers and merchants. It paid in creating a spirit, without which no business can be truly and safely conducted.

We found that the more we gave, the shorter hours we adopted, the more liberal our general policy became the greater we grew. We found that the workers were highly appreciative, not alone of the various innovations and actual deeds, but also appreciative of our attitude toward them.

No business can succeed without a good organization and yet—in place of a hearty cooperation between employers and employees there is generally antagonism and strife. In place of a co-partnership there is enmity; in place of team work and unity there is division of interest and of aim.

**MAN ABANDONS MACHINE AFTER DEMOLISHING IT.**

Police Believe Wrecked Car Was Stolen.

An unidentified man wrecked an automobile reported to have been stolen last night when he drove it over the sidewalk, tore down a fence and wedged it between two trees. The accident happened in the 700 block on N. Ketcham St. According to witnesses, the driver ran from the wrecked car. Lieutenant Kynes said he thought the car belonged to Lloyd Turpin of the Indiana Girls' School, and it was stolen from Alabama and Ohio Sts. yesterday morning.

**Standard Oil Is Piker on Profits by Comparison**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Those Standard Oil Companies of New Jersey, New York and elsewhere are "pikers" when it comes to declaring stock dividends, according to figures on stock dividends of some concern gathered by Senator Brookhart of Iowa.

Here's a sample from the list which the Senator will read into the Record to show Senators how stock dividends are being declared to evade income taxes:

Davis, Brown Wooden Company, 3300 per cent; Moore Drop Forging Company, 1630 per cent; Whiting Machine Works, 1400 per cent; Strathmore Paper Company, 500 per cent; Victor Talking Machine Company, 600 per cent; Oakdale Worsted Company, 500 per cent.

Clothes are the big money-maker, these figures show. Food doesn't pay so well, though the Exchange Buffet Corporation, a quick lunch concern of New York, just declared a 300 per cent stock dividend.

"Yes," said Anita Loos, who, as



ANITA LOOS

go scot-free for generations to come.

"Indeed, I believe, more mothers, with their old-fashioned ideas and attitudes, have ruined girls than men.

"My message—were I asked for one—is to the woman who is trying to forge ahead, would be, 'Women, you men and get everything for any woman without getting something in return—something if only a thrill.'

**Not in Malice**

"Do not think I talk in malice. Frankly, I don't think I have ever paid, as far as my relationship with men has gone. You see, I was born wise!"

So said Anita Loos, scenario writer, film director, and one of the highest salaried women in the country.

"But, mark you," she adds, "I say nothing about fair man having changed. I don't believe he has. I see men of today as selfish individuals, who never do anything for any woman without getting something in return—something if only a thrill."

"Some day," a saucy, humorous glint came into her alert eyes, "when I am rich, I intend creating a charity to finance girls that like the color of one's hair!"

The woman of Tibet has it on us. There, each woman can have four husbands at once, and believe me when I say that it would take four men to equal any one woman in devotion and thoughtfulness.

"But, even feeling about men as I do, they are not the only ones who have made women pay.

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## TOM SIMS SAYS:

**N**EAR Pittsburgh, Pa., bandits got \$20,000 from a coal dealer. Bandits know where the money is.

They had a \$350,000 fire in the Los Angeles movie section, which was already a pretty warm place.

Better make a resolution to keep your resolutions.

With forty million other things to hope for, some still insist on hoping the ex-kaiser's wife beats him.

A traveler tells us he can't sleep at home unless they rock the bed and throw cinders in his