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Excellent Showing by Richmond Conference

Not only members of the Methodist church, but also members of other denominations, are taking a pardonable amount of pride in the excellent record which the Richmond district has made in that denomination—leadership in the North Indiana conference as well as in the other conferences which constitute the Indianapolis area. The Wayne county churches of the conference contributed valiantly toward the excellence of their district, perhaps, leading other counties.

The report of the area conference recently conducted at Indianapolis shows that Indiana is one of the largest Methodist centers in the world, taken on a per capita basis. The property of the denomination in Indiana is valued at \$4,000,000, and the subscribers to the denominational paper published at Cincinnati are in excess of the number of readers in Ohio.

All this indicates that the members of the laity are aggressively and actively interested in the affairs of their denomination—a highly commendable state of affairs, for the real worth of church activity is the spiritual force which impels its adherents to exemplify their faith in works of benevolence, Christian education, and missions.

The Richmond churches of the denomination receive the co-operative support of their members, which is demonstrated in their zeal in entering into the forward movements of the body and in contributing more than their share toward the realization of the broader aims of the denomination, without impairing in the least the purely local activities of the congregations. They have found that interest in purely local affairs is augmented and animated in direct proportion to the zeal which is displayed in the broader work of the denomination, a principle of church activity that is as old as the church itself.

Completes Another Successful Year's Activity

The name of Richmond carries with it distinction and good renown wherever you go. Its reputation has been advertised by its type of citizenship, its merchandising facilities, its churches, its schools, its manufactured products, its flower culture, its clean environment, its men

Rippling Rhymes By WALT MASON

THE SLEUTH

In the best detective fiction there's a superman sublime, who, with little juss or friction, follows up the threads of crime. When the city cops are baffled, comes old Sherlock to the place, leads the guilty to the scaffold, and remarks, "A simple case!" Oh, the cops are represented as a bone-head bunch of yaks, men whose domes could not be dented with a clever or an ax. But the cops do things surprising, putting guilty gents in jails, though they get no advancement in the Sherlock kind of tales. Crimes of mystery unending shock the virtuous and true, and the fly cops wond'ring, following some feeble clue, and no Watson with them capers till their weary quest is done, writing up for cops and papers stories of the tribulations won. By biographers forsaken, sleuths go forth to earn their pay, and they oft bring home the bacon in their grub, official way. Not by making brilliant dashes through deduction's puzzling maze, not by analyzing ashes do they pinch the erring jays. Just by stern and patient plodding, just by using honest brains, they put down the base marauding of the sinful jakes and janes.

Good Evening By Roy K. Moulton

WHY DIDN'T HE
MARRY AN ORPHAN?
A man at our club asked me if the theory of relativity had anything to do with the way he felt towards his wife's relations.

I told him that that was not a theory, but an unfortunate fact.—Marcel Steinbrugge.

Some young women are born foolish and others go out riding in canoes.

Up where we live, on the river, there is a stone wall which holds up an embankment. Our side of the wall is about three feet high, but the other side is about forty feet high, if you get what we mean. Well, this wall for some years has been a great trysting place, and of an evening many young couples perch on it and talk about the future and all that and pick out the curios for the parlor and—dreaded upon the gramophone records and other important features of home-sleeping. The other evening one young man became so enthusiastic that the last thing we saw of him was a pair of pants, leather shoes and tray spats disappearing over the wall. He thought he was reclining in the Morris chair in his new home and leaned back. Well, the young lady tipped and several others seated on the wall did likewise, and we ran out of the house and joined the crowd that ran down the stairs to the drive to pick up the remains and carry them home in a basket, but when we got there we found the young man brushing himself off and humming "Bright Eyes." You see, he landed on his head, and, being in love, it didn't hurt him a bit.

MIXED JUSTICE.

Dear Roy: A cross-eyed judge had three men up before him for sentence. He said to the first: "What's your

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Corn Growers Organize

Wayne county farmers have organized to increase the yield of corn by participation in the corn growing contests of Hoosierdom, and also to encourage their sons to learn improved methods of growing this crop.

The latter feature of the organization has an educational appeal of great importance. The smallness of the profit which the farmer obtains from a crop, added to the hazard of weather with which he must always contend, makes it imperative for him to acquaint himself with the latest methods developed in the agricultural colleges to offset these disadvantages.

By participation in an organization which has for its purpose the harvesting of greater crops, and by enlisting the interest of his sons when they are young and eager to learn advanced methods, the corn grower of Wayne county is assuring for himself both a knowledge of the latest scientific data and the co-operation of the next generation which will till his soil and carry forward his work.

Every corn grower of the county should affiliate himself with the organization. Its purposes are wholly educational and beneficial to the members.

Two Minutes of Optimism By HERMAN J. STICH

"TREE TRAVELING"

Harper's, the well-known publishing house, used to have a horse which supplied the motive power for some of the old-time machinery.

Day after day this animal would walk 'round and 'round a post, manipulating a sort of windlass device, peacefully nodding his head and lazily flicking off flies with his tail.

There came a time when the horse was supplanted by modern engineering, and the owner, whose heart was as big as his purse was full, turned him loose in a pasture, there to spend the winter of his life in tranquility and comfort, amid plenty of long green grass, and soothing restful idleness.

And then happened a very amazing thing.

Instead of gratefully passing his declining years in browsing and undisturbed calm, the simple beast picked out a tree in his field, and day after day did nothing but walk 'round and 'round it during the usual working hours of the day, stopping only as he had done before, at noon, for the lunch.

At latest accounts he was still at it, and today maybe his spirit or his ghost is.

Which illustrates the reason why most of us do most things most every-where.

It is that we always have done them, have got the habit, and will not or cannot change.

We move in the line of least resistance, which is the line of habit, whether it is eating a heavy breakfast, spending a billion or more dollars a year on battleships, devouring packages of "coffin-nails" a day, voting for the "my-father-voted-for-it" party, wearing tight collars, shoes and hats, or railing against "investigating" and doing nothing about most everything.

That is one reason why the man who would improve us, reform us or do anything else to us that necessitates even the slightest departure from our daily routine is thanked for his pains with torrents of suspicion, abuse and nine times out of ten, mudslinging; these have always been the meed of him who would make us quit traveling round the tree.

However, there is one comforting thought, and this is, that while it would seem that every step of progress made must be cemented in tears, a certain amount of "tree traveling" is necessary to well-ordered and efficient living. Certainly there must be done out of habit if they are to be done satisfactorily. If we had to stop and think every time we wanted to do any-thing, we would have no time at all to do anything worth while.

So the "trees" courtesy, concentration, ambition, thoroughness, promptness, loyalty, cheerfulness, decency and others such as wonder trees to travel 'round.

And when you get to the point where this kind of "traveling" has become an irascible habit, depend upon it you will be there when your "trees" give shade, and bear plenty of rich, ripe fruit.

name?" and the second answered "Jones." "I didn't ask you," said the judge, and the third said, "I never said a word."

—F. D. D.

Now they say Lord Bacon was Queen Elizabeth's son, but they can't stir up any excitement over an old scandal like that with the first page crowded with modern divorce cases.

INTRODUCING THE YAK.

Dear Roy—A few weeks ago you stated that you were thinking of adopting a buffalo. Last Sunday I visited the zoo and saw a collection of yak which an engaging sign told me are thoroughly domesticated in Tibet. At once I thought of you! With what envy would you stir the hearts of your neighboring poofletuggers! And while the yak weighs a pound or two less than the buffalo, I think this slight shortcoming might be overlooked when counting the joy brought through a yak's services as teawagon trundler and similar domestic duties of the daintier class. It might be that Mr. Yak could be taught to yawn just as the dishes were ready for drying.

Writes His Thanks from Washington.

Only men and women who have suffered from kidney trouble can realize how grateful one feels for relief from Nathan Harned, 621 N. St. N.W., Washington, D. C. He writes, "I was troubled with my kidneys for years, but got no relief until I took Foley Kidney Pills. Now I am in perfect health again. They act quickly, tonic in effect. G. Luken and Co., 626-628 Main St. Advertisements.

Dinner Stories

A tourist while "doing" California noticed a long shanty which displayed the following sign: "Teeth yanked without a twinge." As he happened to be suffering from toothache he entered the shanty and asked the dentist: "Do you extract teeth without giving pain?" "Waal, I reckon so, stranger."

"All right; pull this one out," indicating the offending molar.

The dentist whistled and in walked his assistant armed with a club.

"Now, pard," quoth the dentist, "stun him."

Operations Unnecessary

Dr. Leonhardt says Hem-Roid should completely relieve any form of Piles. It gives quick action even in old stubborn cases. It's an internal treatment that removes the cause. Quigley's Foley Kidney Pills. Now I am in perfect health again. They act quickly, tonic in effect. G. Luken and Co., 626-628 Main St. Advertisements.

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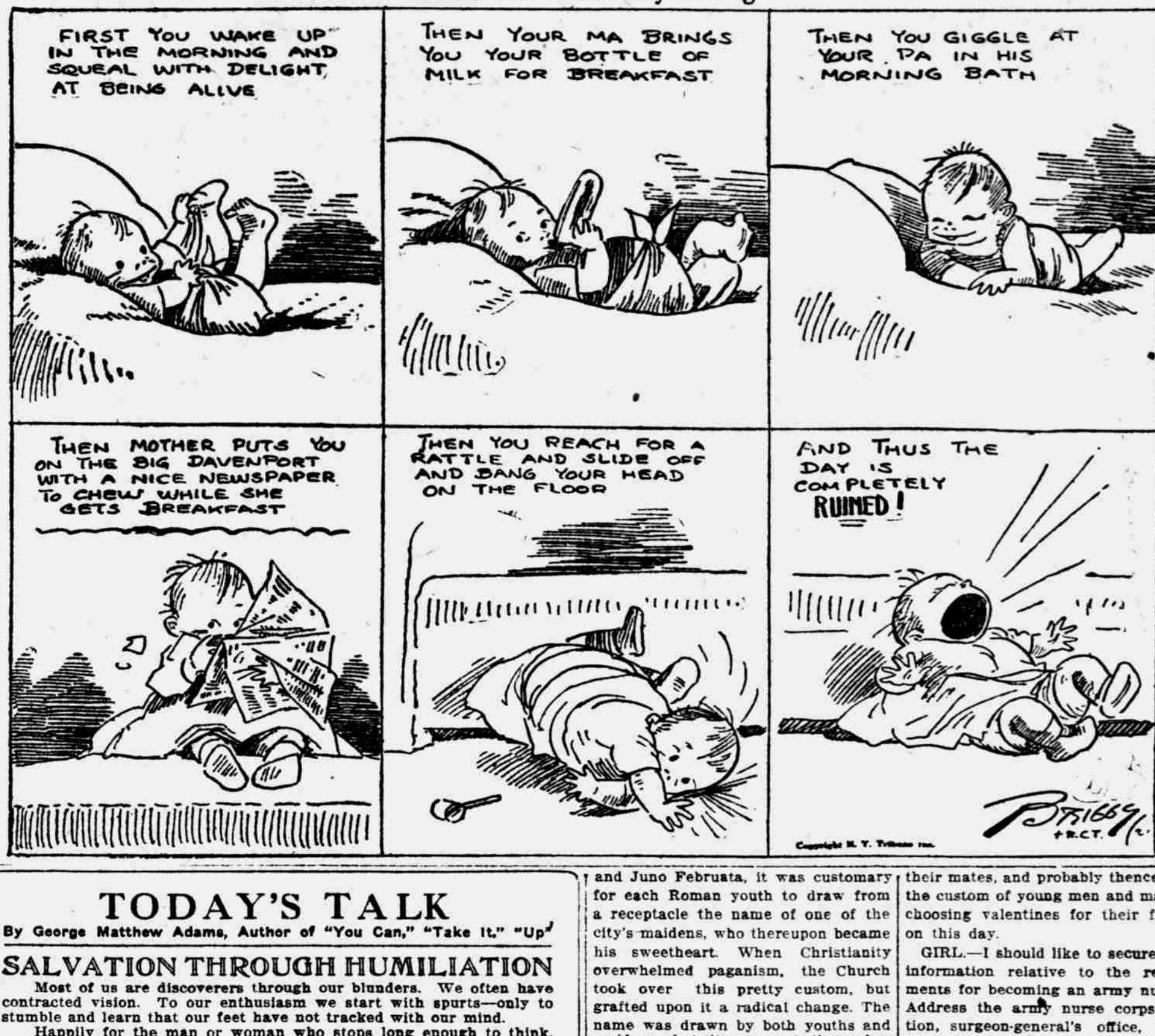
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How To Start the Day Wrong



and Juno Februta, it was customary for each Roman youth to draw from a receptacle the name of one of the city's maidens, who thereupon became his sweetheart. When Christianity overthrew paganism, the Church took over this pretty custom, but granted upon it a radical change. The name was drawn by both youths and maidens, but it was not that of a fellow being, to be admired, but of one of the saints, who was to become his sweetheart.

Happy for the man or woman who stops long enough to think, the course of life may be changed early in its day.

Salvation may come through humiliation! Rebuffs, opposition, insults even—are often necessary to wake one up.

Many a man has been able to look back to the time when he was literally "kicked out" to fight his own way the best he could—soon to find out that he had powers within him of which he previously was unaware.

The drowning man thinks of but one thing—how can I keep above water? Many a boy has learned to swim by thinking that he might drown if he didn't.

I know of a very successful man who dates his business growth from the day that he refused to be abused by his "boss".