

HOMER'S ODYSSEY—Condensed by Prof. W. F. Harris

It is the tenth year since Troy has fallen. Though the Iliad did not go beyond the death of Hector at Achilles' hands, other stories carried on the tale through the death of Achilles, the capture of Troy by the Greeks by means of the stratagem of the wooden horse, the sacking and burning of the city, the death of Priam and his queen, the slavery of Andromache which Hector had foreseen, the slaughter of the little son he loved so dearly, the escape of Aeneas with his aged father.

After the booty had been divided, the Greek chieftains took their course on their homeward. The great King Agamemnon sent his dramatic night letter, announcing to his queen at home by the light of flames leaping from hill-top to hill-top across the sea that Troy had fallen; for his pains he met the dramatic death at the hand of Queen Clytemnestra which Aeschylus has made forever famous in his great play, "Agamemnon"; the latter has in it the famous line, "The curse of the stars, Orestes, the curse Greek counterpart of Hamlet. The king's brother Menelaus had better fortune; he had journeyed homeward with his erstwhile queen Helen, as if the great Trojan episode had never been, and was reigning again in peace and quiet with The World's Desire by his side at Sparta, with no dread of a marauding Paris sent on the quest of beauty, Aphrodite. And so, the other heroes had returned with varying fortunes.

But not so the Great Adventure. Troy had taken 10 years to capture; 10 years more still found the wily Odysseus detained in the Isle of Ogygia by the fair Calypso. Meanwhile the patient Penelope bides at home, beset by the riotous suitors who make Liberty half of the absent king's home and destroy the quiet to wed one of them. She, ever as alert and resourceful as her wandering lord, puts off her promise till she has woven a web—of which she each night unravels what she has done during the day.

This first great story of wandering adventure has a much more perfect unity than the Iliad. It centers closely about the person of Odysseus, and divides itself into three parts, the adventures of Telemachus in quest of Odysseus, the adventures of the hero and his return home, where with the few still faithful to him he makes himself his own detective, lays the scene for the destruction of the villains, and finally brings about the happy ending which has so constantly distressed critics of the novel and the theater since it began to write and ordinary folk to listen to or read.

In the first chapter, which comprises the first four "books" of the odyssey, young Telemachus, amidst the mockery of the suitors, starts in quest of his father, and makes the rounds of the courts of our old friend Nestor, king of Pylos, and of Menelaus and Helen at Sparta, where he learns the whereabouts of his father and the other still homesick.

In this quest it is almost made impossible for Odysseus to start on his way home. But the sea, ever his enemy, again plays him false, and he is wrecked once more, though he is cast ashore on the land of the Phaeacians. There begins in the land of this fabulous folks one of the most marvellous adventures of the man of marvels. Probably the scene is real in the minds of the great majority of readers of Greek literature as the fairest bit of idealized beauty in it all is the picture of the young Princess Nausicaa. She had gone down to the river mouth with her handmaids to wash linen; their work done, they fell to playing ball upon the shore, where Odysseus, beneath the shade of the bushes, was keeping the women of his love, swimming, when having bathed and anointed themselves weekly with olive oil, they took their meal by the banks of the river and waited for the clothes to dry in the bright rays of the sun. And when they had cheered themselves with food, maid and matress alike, they began to play at ball, casting aside their veils. And for them fair-armed Nausicaa became the queen of the Arctae, the archer-goddess goath of a mountain, either lofty Taygetus or Erymanthus, taking her sport with bows and swift deer, and with her the wood-nymphs sport, daughters of aegis-bearing Zeus, and Leto rejoiceth in heart, and over all she holdeth head and brows, and easy to mark is she, all be that—so much the unwed maid conspicuous among her attendants.

The day's work and the sport were over; they were about to depart and leave the weary sleeper under the bushes—when one last throw sent the ball spinning into the water. Instant and unanimous scream from princess and from maidens.

So Odysseus was introduced to Phaeacians, and the introduction proved well that the hero knew not only the ways of men, but of maids as well. Of the many pleasing things he said to the princess to win her favor, one stands out conspicuously—the comparison of her perfect youth to the young shoot of a palm-tree he had seen in Delos. Whoever has a game, he who knows best, is the perfect tribute.

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Odysseus of the motion-picture in the vision of all past men and women who fitted before his eyes on his trip to the lower world, so, too, they introduced me to practically every form of human expression. The pro's e-romance came late in the development. The novel and the short story as they knew them for centuries were embedded in the Iliad and Odyssey. Whether one poet wrote the Iliad and the Odyssey has been a question that has busted many thousands of minds. The perfect form in which it has come down to us proves clearly that many centuries contributed to the perfecting of the literary style in which they are written. The discussions over the "Homeric Problem" have laid the basis for literary and biblical criticism in modern scholarship.

With Agamemnon of wireless telegraphy in the message he sent leaping across the sea from Troy to Argos in the flames upon the hill-tops, and with

stranger on his way. A feast is held; the court bard sings of Troy—the stranger weeps; the king presses him to tell his story. It was a wondrous tale he had to tell, the like of which was never heard before or since. Beginning with the fall of Troy, he had made his

course to Thrace, to the land of the Cyclops, when befall the adventure with Polyphemus, whose one eye he put out; next the trying experience with the perverse winds of Aeolus, with the Laestrygonians, and with the enchantress Circe, who turned her

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Homer: A Fanciful Sketch, Centuries Old.

CANAL BOAT HOMES IN PHILADELPHIA

Shortage of Houses Puts Tenant Population in Desperate Straights.

PHILADELPHIA, April 23.—A campaign for the building of homes is Philadelphia's answer to the question of how to keep rents down to a reasonable basis. The tenant population is in desperate straits for rents have been going higher and higher and no end seems to be in sight. The scramble for homes in the suburbs is so acute that when one woman moved some of the furniture out of her home, the other day, in order to clean the house, 25 persons came to rent it from her within a few hours.

To stop the profligacy in rents and homes, several organizations are attempting to unite on a program of house building to continue for at least six months or until the shortage has been relieved. These organizations include associations of tenants, trade unions, representations of the middle trades and mortgaging companies. They have been asked to undertake this work by the department of public welfare.

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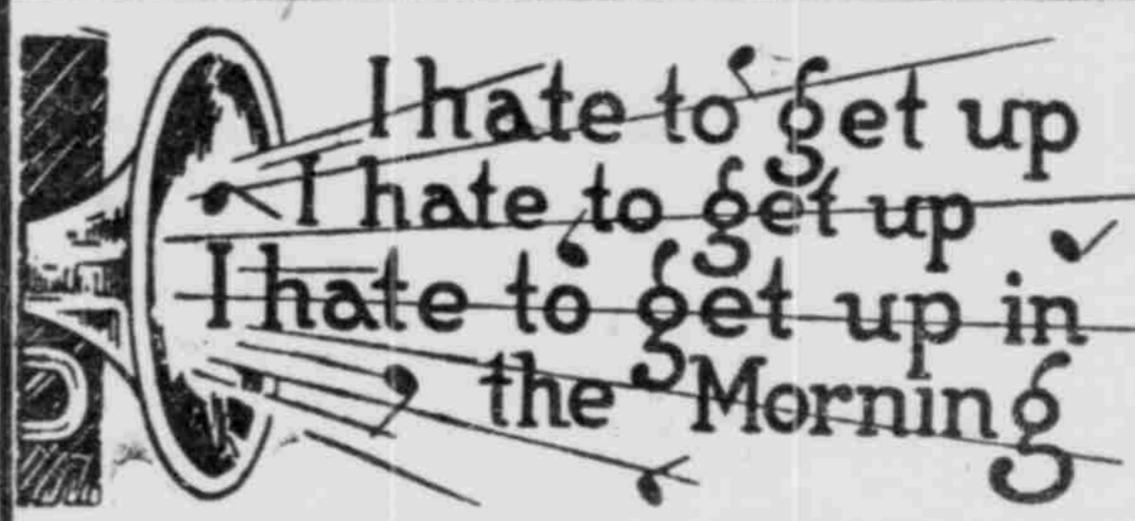
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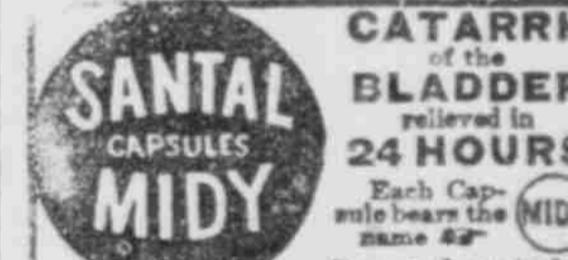
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