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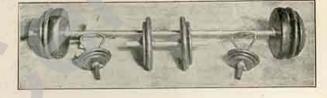
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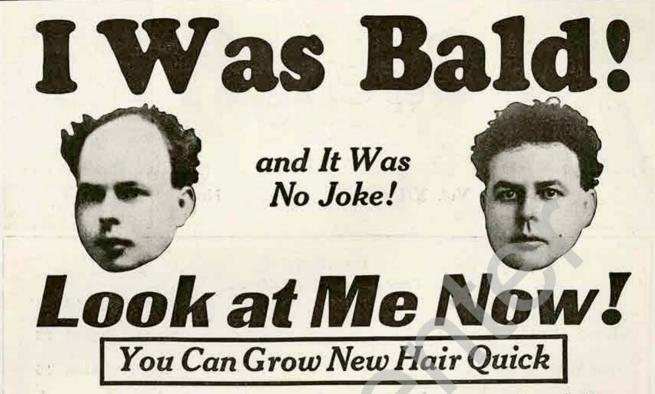
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night. I looked 10 years older than I should. At the beach I heard one sweet thing refer to me as "Old Baldy"— and I a little over 30. I thought everybody sitting behind me at the theatre was looking at my bald spot. Men, it was no joke to be bald. You who are bald know it. I'm not telling you a thing.

When I was bald I would have given \$500 for a head of hair. There isn't one among you who wouldn't do the same thing today. But I'm bald no longer, as my photograph will prove. Neither need you be bald unless you want to be. So keenly did I feel my baldness, made worse by my contact with other men who had full heads of hair, that I went to work on myself. If there was any way to make hair grow I was going to find it out. I set up a laboratory in my bathroom and there I tried out treatments originated by myself based on the soundest physiological facts. It was my hair and I could do what I pleased with it. I had a definite theory —and had not a lot of men like Edison done

—and had not a lot of men like Edison done things which had not been done before? The details are not interesting. Disappointment, of course, at the start—then success. 1

My hair began to grow! I tried it on other bald-heads whom I knew. Hooray—their hair grew! My friends and their friends were pop-eyed. I was almost mobbed by bald-heads who wanted hair. Whether I'm the first to unearth the great hair-growing secret, I don't know—but listen to this—



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Constipation Is a Crime

You are committing a crime against yourself when you unnecessarily permit your body to harbor foul, stinking, putrefying substances

NONSTIPATION is the cause of many physical ills. Faulty elimination clogs the excretory system harbors putrefying food, and forces a flood of disease-producing germs into the tissues.

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A LL my life I had been cursed with a shy, timid, self-conscious nature. With only a grammar school education I could never express ideas in a coherent, self-confident way. But one day my eye fell upon a newspaper article which told about a

wonderful free book entitled "How to Work Wonders with Words"a book that was causing widespread comment from coast to coast-a book that was being read not only by millionaires, but by thousands of others. It discussed men like me and explained how we could overcome our handicaps.

At first I was skeptical. I thought these defects were a part of my natural makeup-that I would never be able to overcome them. But some subtle instinct kept prod-

ding me to send for that free book. I lost no time in sending for it, as I was positively amazed at being able to get cost free a book that made absolutely plain the secrets that most successful men have used to win popularity, distinction, money and success.

As the weeks wore on and I absorbed the principles of this remarkable method, I became conscious of new physical and mental energy, a new feeling of aggressiveness, and a resurrected personal power that I never dreamed I possessed. Then came that day in the general meeting when the president called on the assembled department heads and assistants for suggestions on the proposed new policy.

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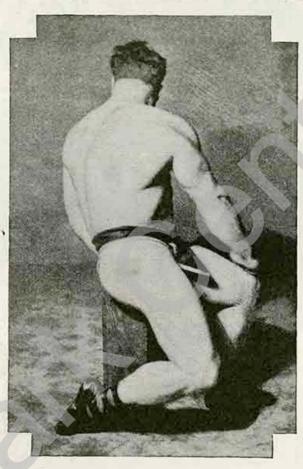
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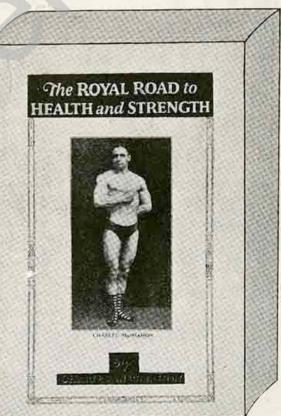
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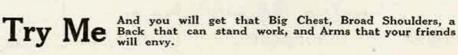
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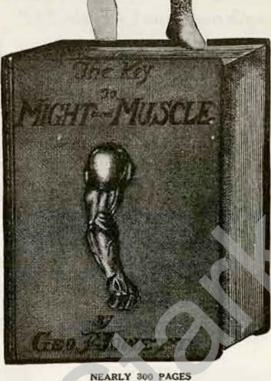
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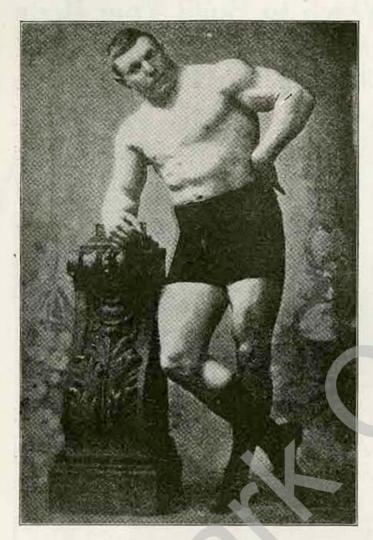
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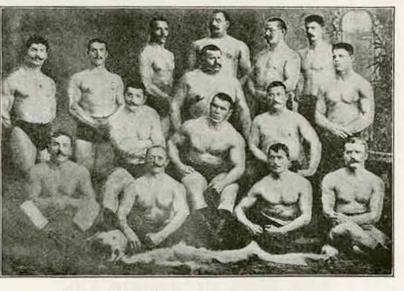
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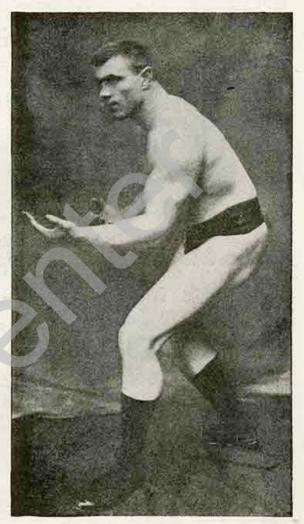
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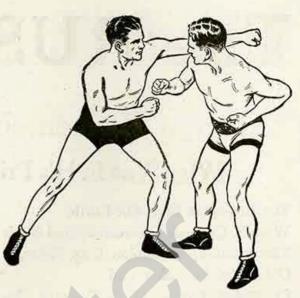


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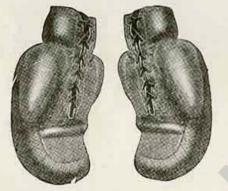
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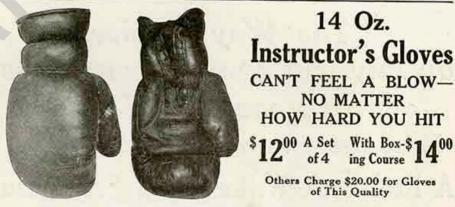
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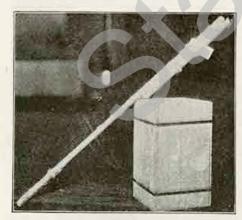
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Common Sense and Health

Editorial

ROCRASTINATION is the thief of time," and spring is the one season of the year, above all others, which tempts us to procrastinate.

The large tables of figures, so impressive and so true, frequently published by the Life Extension Institute, as part of their program to induce people to have themselves physically examined regularly, can not only serve that purpose, but also serve the purpose of reminding us all that we should so order our lives that we pay a decent respect to the laws of health.

No middle-aged man or woman should hesitate to have themselves regularly examined upon occasion and then, when the examination has been completed and definite recommendations made for the promotion of health, the recommendations should be followed.

Younger people, who have recently been examined in schools or colleges, and who feel themselves to be in first class physical condition undoubtedly do, and probably can, get away with neglecting this precaution.

However, none of us should hesitate, not only to maintain our health, but also to take positive steps to increase our store of vital energy, which we will then be able to call upon in time of need.

Occasionally we hear of over-exercise being positively detrimental to those people who indulge in it. No one can doubt that a man who puts himself through a stern athletic training and suddenly stops paying any attention to his physical condition does himself a real physical injury. However, in this day every man who does just that is perfectly aware of what he is doing and what the consequences may be.

Over-Exercise vs. Under-Exercise

For one man who injures himself because he used to exercise and has now turned lazy, there are thousands who have done themselves the much more serious injury of never exercising at all, and their reason is, nine times out of ten, the same as the ex-athlete's—lack of time and opportunity, which is just another way of saying lack of real determination to make something of themselves physically.

There is no magic system which will provide

health and strength for any one or everyone. The whole secret lies in the individual's taking pains to get results for himself.

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The best physician is of little value if his advice is not followed. The best physical director can not do your exercises for you. Reading a weighty diet book will not avail you, if at your next meal you ignore what you read.

It is remarkable how much we can do for ourselves if we will only use a little common sense and a little determination. We can not put all of our troubles, or even any very large percentage of them, on any other man's shoulders. We have to handle them ourselves.

To seek advice is always a logical thing to do, but to calmly ignore the advice is not so good. We do not know about the problems of those people who give advice in making love or making money, but we can testify to the fact that many people who seek advice on building health and strength seem to feel that knowledge is power, and then let it go at that. Knowledge is power all right, but it is not very powerful unless it is harnessed and put to work.

The man who proclaims that he has no faith in doctors and desires, above all things, to keep out of their hands, but wants you to know that once sick he will send for the best doctor he knows of, and having sent for him do as the doctor tells him, is wise enough in his way.

Once sick the best doctor is not too good for any of us, but how many of our illnesses are unavoidable and how many of us even think of trying to avoid them either with or without medical advice.

Certain things medical examinations will reveal. Diseases which are the result of bodily deterioration can often be detected long before they have become serious, and once detected can be either stopped or cured.

Health is Only a Basis

However, the mere fact that you are organically sound does not free you from the obligation. To build upon the health you have a really superb physical body.

A proper diet, hygienic living and regular exercise should be in- (Continued on Page 88)

Keeping Up With Years

You Cannot Remain Beautiful As You Grow Older Without a Great Amount of Effort on Your Part

By Margaret Sargent

"What shall I do for my skin—or my hair—or my ankles?"

Questions like these are endlessly pouring in—and what can I do? I sit down at my desk, pick up my pen and write and write—advising, hinting, threatening. Is not that enough to expect of me, or am I really responsible for answers to my letters, such as this:

"I tried your method" or "I exercised every night" or "I followed your advice—but have not received any results. What is the matter?"

> Exactly. What is the matter—not with me, my dear reader, or with the different exercises and methods I might prescribe, but with the writers of such letters. Now with only the few that write to me, but with all the thousands that wail, day in and day out, "What is the matter?"

The fault lies wholly in themselves. They can either "make or break" themselves, as the saying goes. And the greater percentage "break" themselves knowingly or unknowingly.

How many of you, who are reading this article, have, at one time or another, turned to exercise as a means of improving your figure. And how many of you stuck to those exercises before or after you achieved any results? Oh yes, I know, you came home tired every night and did not feel like going through a lot of movements that made you more tired when you were through. So naturally the next night you laid off and again the next night and so on. And you got up too late in the mornings to do anything then. Yes, you were out late the night before or you got up with a tired feeling.

Perhaps a week later your better judgment prompted you to try the exercises again and you did with the same results. You might have continued so for a number of months, then you gave up—wanting to know what was the matter.

If only you had known that after a short time of steady work-out every night, that tired feeling would have gone forever, providing, of course, that you continued with the exercises indefinitely after the trial was over, you would have been pretty well satisfied with yourself today, but you just closed your eyes and folded your hands and refused to look that far ahead.

One lady wrote to me: "How can I stop wrinkles? I am only thirty but my face looks forty." Perhaps that lady took notice of her face a little too late. I can almost guess that she never thought of exercise, of healthy living, in conjunction with growing old, when she was

twenty. Yes, my dear, you must begin to think in that direction at the youthful age of twenty. I don't mean to be a

Lovely, youthful curves — a figure suggesting symmetry and strength. "calamity-howler" or I don't mean that you should think like this: "Oh, I am going to get old some day." I mean that you should think like this: "Every day I am older. Now is the time for me to take care of my body, my complexion and my hair, so that when I am forty I will not look forty."

Every girl should bear in mind the fact that one does not remain beautiful as one grows older without a great amount of effort, and that effort does not mean cosmetically, either, but physically.

You cannot get anything you really want without effort. Sometimes a rich aunt will die and leave you a good deal of money—but no one is going to die and leave you beauty. That is impossible. And without health and beauty, no matter how much money you might have, you cannot find complete happiness.

A famous screen star told me the story of how first she started her career. Her mother had been a widely known stage beauty. Through an unfortunate acciden: she became an invalid and the daughter awoke to the realization that she would have to do something for herself. With all the confidence in the world she strode into Hollywood and straightway made for a famous studio.

When asked what she had done or could do, she answered, "I have never been on the stage or screen

before, but my mother was the famous ______." She was asked to give her age, which was twenty-two.

"He appraised me from head to foot and said, 'Really!' I was then signed up as an extra and you can

imagine my mortification. Why, I thought I would start at the very top! Who was more deserving of being a star than me, whose mother was known far and wide for her beauty and her ability? Such were the thoughts that coursed through my mind, and I was all for packing up and going home. I would have far rather been a plain typist than stay in Hollywood as an extra!

"It was then that I met a friend of my mother's, a kindly director. He told me that it was not what my mother was that counted, but what I really was. He told me that I was not beautiful, but with some effort on my part I could be beautiful; that my lazy life before had aged me beyond twenty-two; that I was a little too stout here and there, and that I would have to know a little more about dancing, athletics, etc., than I did.

"I took his advice. Every day found me working harder and finally I reached my goal, but only after I had started as an extra and worked my way up. And I have never once, since that time, missed a single night's workout with my exercises. I ride, I hike, I play golf and tennis. I love to swim and never miss my outdoor sports, if I can possibly help it."

So you see even screen stars have to expand a lot of effort to retain their beauty and their youthful figures. You would gasp with amazement if you knew the ages of some of your best favorites. They deserve all the credit in the world, for they know how to grow older and still keep their youthful beauty.

Although most of you do not aspire to become screen stars I know that every one of you wish to look your best at all times. You want lovely figures, so that you will look well in street clothes and bathing suits, and you want fresh clear complexions and sparkling eyes. You have worried and fretted, but you have actually done nothing. If you have sought advice and received it, you did not give that advice a chance to prove its value. Others of you have never even sought any advice.

Now all this beauty we are talking about so much can be gotten in one way *only* and that is by *working* hard. By "working hard" I do not mean actual physical labor— I mean activity, whether you get that activity from exercising or from playing some outdoor game.

A practical plan would be to adopt a set of exercises that will exercise every part of your body. You must do this if you want a symmetrical figure. Month after

month I have seen exercises printed in this magazine for the neck. shoulders, arms, chest. waist, hips, thighs, calves, ankles, etc. Glance through this issue and you will find somewhere a set of exercises which you can apply to your particular needs.

Stage beauties have to work hard to retain their youthful beauty. Put pep into your movements. Don't do them halfheartedly or you will never get any results.

After you have finished your work-out take a cool shower and see how invigorated you will feel. You will no longer have that tired, fagged out feeling, and you will get up in the mornings feeling like a different individual.

Let me tell you something else. A frequent cause of women becoming old prematurely is a weak back. To retain youthfulness you must retain suppleness of the spine and a strong, healthy back. So it would do you no harm to practice a few exercises to strengthen your back and limber your spine. Here are two you can practice right away.

Lie flat on your back on the floor, place the hands under the small of the back for support. Now raise the legs upward and over the head until the toes touch the floor in back of your head. Repeat this about ten times.

Kneel on floor with hands on hips. Now bend the body backward, endeavoring to touch the floor in back with your head. Do not bend backward from the knees. Bend at the hips only.

As a girl gets older she is apt to lose her shapliness around the hips and waist region. So you would be wise, girls, to pay strict attention to exercises for these parts. You will never regret the bending and twisting movements that these exercises involve.

Try all the exercises in which you endeavor to touch the floor with your finger tips without bending the knees. Then do the exercise in which you lie on the back, hands behind head and raise the legs, knees straight, to vertical position. Do this alternately at first, then raise both legs at the same time. Do this exercise slowly as then you will get more benefit from it.

Now let us revert from exercises to outdoor activities. You would do well if, in conjunction with your exercise program, you adopted some outdoor hobby. With summer almost here what can be more enjoyable and beneficial than swimming? Every girl and woman knows the many benefits that can be derived from swimming and diving, especially in summer when she can practice or prove her skill in fresh air and sunshine. I shall never tire telling how much swimming will do for you, nor shall I ever tire of practicing what I preach, whenever swimming is being "preached." No girl is too young and no woman is too old to swim, dive and exercise.

And you, Mrs. Housewife, don't give that ancient excuse: "I get enough exercise when I do my housework. I must have something else." That is entirely wrong, for exercise and outdoor activity is exactly what you need. Furthermore, with all the modern electrical household aids, a woman does not get as much "exercise" nowadays as she used to. See to it at once that you do something towards perfecting your body and your facial appearance.

I know a woman, who is now thirty-five, I am sure if my readers would meet her they would not take her for more than twenty-five. This lady has two children, keeps house and does her own cooking. Yet, every afternoon, from about two o'clock to five you will find her playing tennis with a friend or a neighbor. She attributes her health and her youthful appearance to the few hours she spends playing tennis. And in the winter, instead of playing tennis you will find her taking long walks.

> There is no reason why any woman cannot do the same thing. If she cannot play tennis

there are other things. As a last resort, but not in the least a bad one, she can walk. Walking will do much towards keeping fat away and the figure trim, providing you walk with the chin held up, the shoulders braced, the abdomen in. Do not walk slowly, nor too fast.

In ending let me add a word about bathing. Bathing is essential to beauty. It is necessary that you take a shower every day during the summer, and at least two warm baths a week. Follow these with a cold shower and then a brisk rub with a turkish towel.

Don't, on any condition, neglect to bathe your face every night, before retiring, in warm water, using a good castile soap.

Indifference to your personal appearance may mean failure in your life's ambition.



Will he beat the ball?

They're Off Again!

Who Will Be the Winners in the 1927 Baseball Race?

By Charles MacMahon

T SEEMS to be a veteran's year, at the time of this writing, especially in the American League. There doesn't seem to be anything to it but Cobb, Collins, Wheat and Speaker, at least in the East; and if stars of this type mean anything to a team, then certainly the Philadelphia Athletics will win the American League Pennant, because they have three of the four above stars.

Regardless of that slant on the situation, some authorities believe that Washington, and not the Philadelphia Athletics, will be at the head of the first division when the final games are played next fall. They name the Athletics as runner-up.

Last year at this time I thought the Athletics would win the pennant, but they didn't come very close to it finally, although they were a contender through a large part of the season. Again I believe they will win, because they lacked the fighting spirit in the last few years and the three newly-acquired stars will certainly supply that missing element, even if these stars do fall down at the bat and in their fielding positions. And really, while the old timers in question may not play regularly, I feel they will do their bit with bat and glove as well as install that sadly needed fighting spirit into the younger players.

Although I feel sure the Philadelphia Athletics will come through this season, they certainly will not be the whole show by any means. It is true that Washington should be up somewhere in front from the start to the finish, and Detroit and New York are going to be pushing them hard.

Getting back to Washington and *their* chances, it is a surety that Speaker will be a big help. They have a bad break already in Johnson's broken ankle. This injury may be all right by the official opening of the season and then again it may be bothersome throughout the season, in which case it is sure to affect Johnson's pitching. Then, too, regardless of this broken bone, Johnson cannot pitch winning ball forever. The same stands for Coveleski, Washington counts on these two



From this position it looks as though Cobb was out at the plate.

men every season, and so far one or both of them have come through; but sooner or later they must be a flopit may be this season.

On the other hand, the Philadelphia Athletics have, as everyone admits, a wonderful pitching staff both in quality and quantity. The trouble is that one year one or two of them go like wild fire, and then the following year another one or two have a spurt. I'm looking for Groves to have another year like last year; Gray to have a season like he had a year or two ago; Rommel to have one of his good years, and—well if Ehmke and the others show any form at all, the team cannot help but win the 1927 race.

The New York Americans' chances revolve largely around Babe Ruth. If he has a good year, the rest of the team is very likely to back him up with good ball playing. If he slips (and he'd better not at the salary he is getting) then his teammates are sure to lose some heart. One man can make a big difference in a ball team, but I do not believe one man can be even instrumental in winning a pennant.

At the present moment Herb Pennock is a holdout, and it looks as though he will get little consideration from Ruppert, the owner. If Pennock doesn't sign with the Yankees, it will surely hurt their pennant chances.

The rest of the American League, Chicago, St. Louis, Boston and Cleveland, will probably form the second division. St. Louis may finish in the first division, but it is doubtful.

In the National League, I favor the Giants to stage a comeback.

Pittsburgh seems to have been a flash in the pan, and while they are still a good ball club, I don't believe they will win another pennant for a while. Cincinnati ought to give the Giants a run for the pennant; maybe it will be reversed. The best the Giants will do is to give Cincinnati a run.

There have been so many shake-ups in the managerial berth, that anything is liable to happen. For instance, I beleive Stuffy McInnis will greatly improve the Philadelphia Nationals if he can get hold of a few more good pitchers. This team is gradually unearthing some good baseball talent. One of their new players this season hails from my home town; that is, he played semi-professional ball there last season. His name is Spaulding, and as I write this he has already become conspicuous with a home-run and a single in one game. I think he will shine this coming season. So you aspiring ball players can see that there is still room at the top if you keep plugging and learning.

I suppose the mid-winter fans who are reading this will not agree with me entirely, because I do not put the Western teams on top; but I assure you it is not because of any prejudice against Western teams, nor because I live in the East and want to see the Eastern teams win on that account.

Just as I like to see the best man win, so do I like to see the best team win. In picking the Philadelphia Americans, as I did last season, I do so because I believe they are due to win a pennant very shortly. It may not be this year, of course, but it is in the near future.

I pick the New York Giants in the National, not because they are another Eastern team, but because they are always a good bet. McGraw seems to have that "something" that makes champions or near-champions each year, regardless of changes made in players.

Roger Hornsby, last year's manager of the St. Louis Nationals, certainly will not lessen New York's chances for the flag. On the other hand, he is not the sensation he was several years ago. Maybe the job of managing the Cards told on his playing, and being relieved of that burden he may again stand out as he did a few seasons ago.

The St. Louis team of the National League (last year's World Series winner) certainly will be a different team. Yet I believe they will give the Giants a close race, but I don't believe they can repeat as a pennant winner.

The doubt concerning the signing of Thevenow, their star shortstop, has been erased by a three-year contract, which makes things look a little brighter.

Brooklyn probably is the next in the National League to be considered, and will no doubt be a first division team. However, it is all guess-work, even for those who are with the teams in the South and can observe them first-hand.

As there are many young players who aspire to land a regular berth on grammar school, high school and college baseball teams, as well as with amateur clubs, a little advice certainly would not be amiss. Advice of this kind surely will do more good for the young boy player than predictions on the 1927 race.

Pitchers who are out to hold a job on a little better team than they played with last summer, must use their heads as well as their pitching skill.

Study each batter as he appears at the plate. Observe the way he stands there. Take note of the fact that he crowds the plate or stands away from it; that he stands close to the front line of the batter's box or near the back boundary of the box. Notice if he steps into the ball or pulls when he swings. See whether he is a shortswing or a long-swing batter. Learn if he is scared by

a close fast one or fooled by a wide hook. If he hits, remember what he hit and where he hit it, too, for use when he comes to bat the next time.

If your batter crowds the

plate, he is likely to connect more easily with a pitched ball on the outside of

the plate. A batter that stands back is more liable to hit an inside ball squarely than an outside one. The batters that pull are, as a rule, very easily fooled by a good hook or out-curve that is started for the center or a little on the inside of the plate. When this curve breaks outward, the batter is pulling the other way,

> which doubles his chances of connecting with the ball.

When a batter

stands near the forward line of the batter's box, he is, as a rule, trying to hit your curves before they break. Some batters will try to fool you by standing back and running up as you let the ball go. As a rule, it is best to use all the speed you have and burn them

past the batter who runs up. This is especially the right thing to do if you are a speedy pitcher.

The batter who stands well back and remains there can be better worked by drops and out - curves. A short-swing batter is usually more difficult to strike out or prevent from hitting the ball than a longswing batter, but his hits are not so long and, consequently, are not always so dangerous.

Some pitchers like to speed a fast inshoot close to a bat-

ter's chin and then, if he shows fear, hook the next one on the outside. The temporarily-scared batter will be tempted to pull away from the hook and miss it, unless he is well experienced and outguesses you.

There is a rule among pitchers to the effect that all left-handed batters should be fed outside balls. This is supposed to be a weakness of all left-handed hitters. While it may not, like all rules, work out every time, I have learned from experience that there is a lot of truth in it.

If a right-handed hitter hits them down the first base line, it means that he is hitting late, and in this case the speed should be increased if possible.

Those who aspire to become great first basemen must take stock of themselves in this manner: Have I a long reach? Am I a sure catch? Can I scoop up grounders and low throws that hit the ground in front of me with ease and surety?

First, there are first basemen who are only of medium height, but the long, lanky player is usually the best for this position, for not only can he reach higher by several feet, but he can stretch farther to either side for wild throws. Furthermore, he can help the ball beat a runner to the bag on a close play by reaching his full length out into the diamond toward the ball. This would shorten the distance traveled by the ball by five or six feet and cause the umpires to call "batter out" instead of "safe" on many a close play.

I believe that a good first baseman who has a long reach is a great influence to the (Continued on Page 79)

Zack Wheat

Eddie Collins



Frank L. Kramer, the "oldmaster," just before he retired after a quarter century as a great rider, and champion for over twenty years.

deal with a game wherein the trained athlete, using human energy as a means of propulsion, is capable of vieing with high powered motor driven machines, whether gas, steam or electrical. Any red-blooded human is thrilled, to some extent at least, by speed; and anyone with even a small degree of sporting instinct is interested in the human factor in competition. Well, you have it here, for this game takes speed, brains, endurance and most of all—sand or grit, whatever you wish to call

that quality that makes men stick when everybody thinks they are beaten.

Among track and field events the most popular numbers are sprints. We like to see how fast a man can tear along using his own power. The fastest sprinter, running himself breathless in the 100 or 220 yard dashes, travels at the rate of twenty-two miles ; quarter mile men come near that, but after the 440 yard distance, man can no longer keep up any kind of speed.

But — here in the game we are about to discuss—mere man has accomplished over 75 miles an hour, riding a bike behind a motorcycle; that is one branch

The Bell Lap

The Fastest Traveling and Grittiest Men in Athletics are the Anklers, Who Regularly Attract Thousands to the Velodrome

By Mark Berry

PRESUMING you are, like the average reader of this p e r i o d i c a l, a keen student of physical condition and athletic accomplishment, you should be interested in t h e following paragraphs, inasmuch as they of the game; without any such pace, the riders commonly attain a speed of forty miles per hour, on outdoor tracks. Spare me a few minutes and we will chat about the boys who follow this interesting branch of sport. The Bell Lap! What excitement is recalled to those

who have stood up and shouted themselves hoarse at the magic of the Bell Lap. How about you, neighbor? Do you know the peculiar intenseness that makes you get up and yell like a mad-man as the anklers hit the bank rounding into the straightaway and cut loose with a speed of around forty-five miles an hour? If you don't yell like crazy, you'll suspend breathing momentarily.

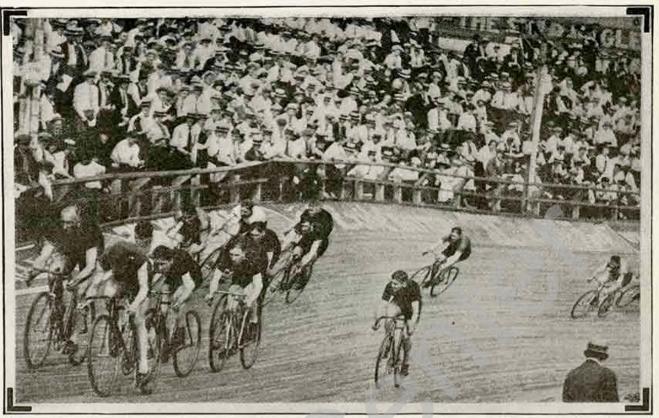
Bike racing has become very popular in New Jersey, New York and New England, and during the summer several tracks are busy. New York City has races three times and Newark twice each week during the warm weather. The same riders compete at each of these meets and put in some extra dozens of miles on the various New England tracks. There is quite a novelty, all its own, in attending one of these meets on a summer evening; after a hot day in the city there is no better place to cool off and enjoy one's self. The first gun is fired at 8.15; by that time something like fifteen thousand



The Spencer Brothers, Arthur and Willie; two of the fastest boys in the game. Art is the biggest man in competition; Bill is the present champion.

persons, a large percentage of whom are women, have swarmed in and found seats around the six lap board track. If, perchance, your glance wanders over the immense circle of humanity, you see what appear to be "lightning bugs" or fire-flies, as a smoke hungry spectator here and there strikes a match. I tell you, it's great out there under the stars on a summer night, with Joe Basile's band playing all the popular airs; the big lights over the track making it easy to discern the riders who sail around mile after mile.

To the fan who understands the game, the greatest lure is the match race, where two



The "Anklers" hitting it up near the finish of a five-mile race; Eddie Madden leading a field which includes some of the world's greatest distance riders, including the Australians, Alfred Grenda, Reggie McNamara, Alex. McBeath, and Cecil Walker.

or three star sprinters meet in a series of heats at a mile each. If two men are competing, it would be the best two out of three heats. The men line up at the starting mark, held upright by their trainers; at the crack of the gun, the trainers give them a shove and the race is on. The track is $\frac{1}{6}$ of a mile around, called a six lap track, so they have six times to circle the track. A newcomer to the races might imagine it best policy to ride fast all the way, but that would be the poorest way to ride a race. If one rider should try to start off fast, the other would follow him around till near the finish, when he could

easily jump out and win, as the leader would be mighty tired from his efforts at bucking the wind. The sprinters take it pretty easy, jockeying for position, perhaps trying to drop back near the finish, so as to suddenly jump out and get the lead at the "bell lap" or last lap. Usually though, they both start to sprint at the same time when the bell begins to "clang-clang," and then they do fly, about forty-five miles per hour is the rate they make for the last sixth of a mile. The time is always taken for the last eighth of a mile, twelve seconds being considered very fast, but it is made quite often; a few times a season it is made 1/5 of a second faster, while the record is 2/5 faster, or 113/5 for the 1/8 mile; nearly twice as fast as the fastest human can run.

On the whole the pedal pushers are a husky lot of athletes, larger than the average man and neatly built. Among the big ones are Arthur Spencer, usually over 200 in trained condition; Orlando Piani, Alfred Grenda, Peter Moeskops, Ernest Kaufman and Bob Spears, all tall two-hundred pounders. These men are among the world's greatest sprinters. Grenda is also one of the greatest distance and all-round riders. There are a few riders who are real small, but the average is of middleweight physique.

Among the sprinters, the greatest ever was Frank L.

Kramer, American born, who retired a few years ago at forty Kramer was years of age. amateur champion in 1899, and "pro" champ 1901 to 1916, 1918, 1921. It was a treat to see him ride. Frank used to compete with the fathers of some of his later rivals. Among the present crop of stars in the sprint game are Bill Spencer, the present champion, who also won in 1922 and 1923; his brother, Arthur Spencer won in 1917, 1920 and 1924; these two brothers came to the states from Toronto, Canada, about twelve years ago. They are now naturalized citizens of the United States. Raymond Eaton, the son of a famous rider of other days, came out on top in 1919. Another Spencer, not related to Art and Bill, won the title in (Continued on Page 64)



Reggie McNamara, the "Iron Man" of the bike game; winner of a dozen sixday races, and a consistent winner on the outdoor tracks.

A Perfect Figure for Every Womam

Every Feminine Reader, Whether Housewife, Schoolgirl or Businesswoman, If Willing to Devote a Few Moments Daily, May Look Well in Clothes or Bathing Suit

Fig. B

By Elizabeth Hollister

Such charming femininity may be yours, girls, at the price of a few moments daily at the exercises described on these pages. A lovely creature, isn't she?

S Aunty said the other day, "If girls had worn short skirts when I was young, I wouldn't have had anything to be ashamed of," and, no doubt, many of the girls in grandma's day wished they could display their beautiful forms. We don't believe that the human nature of girls has changed so much; more likely the trend of times just gives us more of a chance to satisfy our vanity. For what harm can there be in our

displaying perfectly shaped lower limbs to the gaze of the world? And how much more comfortable it is to wear the light, flimsy things of today, instead of the reams and bolts of cloth the girls were compelled by prudishness to wear in the days of yore.

About the time you read this overcoats and heavy wraps will be a thing of the past, so far as this year is concerned, and the less worn the better. Really, isn't it true that we girls almost wear nothing when the weather gets balmy and that we wish life was just one long motor ride in the breeze of life? And pity the poor girls who want to be in style and must expose their shapeless forms to the world of all-seeing eyes. How about you, sister, are you satisfied that you have nothing to be ashamed of, or do you secretly wish the styles of grandma's days were still in vogue? It is such a pity to think some girls should want to hide themselves under long cloaks on account of being either too fat or too thin, when it is such an easy matter to acquire the perfect proportions every normal girl yearns for. With summer so near at hand, when all the young men and girls who like fun will be going down to the beach for a day of rollicking enjoyment, we well built girls are thankful that we got wise to the benefits of regular, daily exercise, and found out the folly of trying to keep healthy by way of the cosmetic store and beauty parlor. I now know, like thousands of other girls, of the value of fresh air and

school girl a fter you've forgotten what year you last went to school. Oh, don't laugh, believe me, there are lots of women going around passing as girls just out of school, when it is about time they were sending Junior Fig. A a normal healthy diet; and best of all — the real secret behind it—those few daily stunts known as exercises that keep you looking like a

sunshine and

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and Dolly to learn their A B C's.

You can hardly blame a woman for wanting to keep her age a secret, when she has preserved a slender form and that schoolgirl complexion you hear so much about; why should she want to be confused with the foolish ones who joked about the idea of daily torture. Right here is where you can start in to make yourself young in appearance and actions, if you are starting to show a few more years than you would like to. Or if you are young and can see the value of getting and keeping a form to be envied, then just follow me through these few pages. It won't be long till you are in the perfect form class, and the peachy complexion will then be a matter of course.

The greatest benefit will probably be derived from performing your exercises at night before retiring, as

then you can sleep a little more sound, but it is great to stimulate that peppy feeling to do at least a few of the movements when you wake up in the morning. Don't lie in bed, it only tends to make you lazy and spoil your day for you; get up and do a few exercises in front of an open window, breathing the fresh morning air. Perform them in a snappy, peppy manner and then hop out

to the bath room and jump into a nice cold tub or shower, just jump in and out, don't stay in; then dry off good and thoroughly and that will be one day, at least, in your life when you never felt tired, not even a wee bit tired all day long; at first you may think you are back in kindergarten, you'll feel so young and carefree.

The best advice anyone can give you, from a health and efficiency standpoint, girls, is to take part regularly in some games or athletic sports.

Really, my dear. there is nothing like it for stirring up a sluggish circulation and putting the natural rose bloom of youthful maidenhood on your cheeks. Of course, the water is the best element for the athletically inclined girl or woman, and lots

of fun can be had in the sport of swimming; and if you have a liking for thrills, try diving and you'll get plenty. Then come the two sports where the better half of the human race scintillates and has been giving the men a run for both skill and popularity these past few years tennis and golf. The full-blooded actively inclined girl with a well developed sense of fair competition can find plenty of chance for the exuberating energies of vivacious womanhood to gain a safe and sane outlet in playing these games. Tennis offers the extreme in activity and strenuousness for the fair sex; that is, when the game is really played as it should be. Golf offers a milder form of exercise with almost an equal amount of benefit and should prove just as interesting.

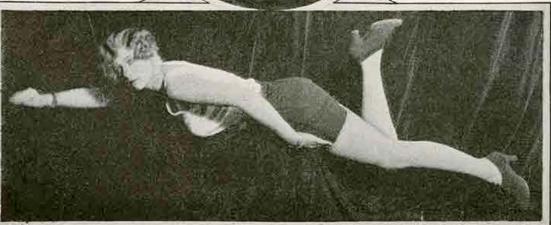
Then the girl with a little natural ability as an athlete will find an opportunity for friendly contest in track and



Fig. D



field sports; when properly coached, she may run, jump, hurdle, t o h e r heart's content and enjoy the happy association of other modern girls. Bask e t b a 11, soccer, field hockey and lacrosse are other sports where we girls have edged in on the stronger sex. My, I nearly forgot



the winter sports, wherein you have a chance to store up energy for the coming summer (too late this year, guess we'll have to wait till next year now to talk about this class of outdoor games), skating, toboganning, skiing

Fresh air is fine, but comfort is a and temperature guide you in the

> bit of action will be something of value for nice shapely rounded lower limbs;



Fig. H

you to forget such a thing as participating in those rough masculine athletics. My, how they do warn you of the dangers of becoming manlike from doing exercises and of the harm that might follow playing mannish games like tom-boys. But you take it from me, there is no such thing as a girl becoming masculine from exercising her muscles; just simply look in the daily papers or the magazines and peruse the photos of leading golf and tennis players, and then tell me what is mannish looking about those splendid specimens of womanhood. Many of the loud talking pessimists would turn green with envy were they to get a close look at the perfectly formed lady gymnasts, who daily exert themselves as much as a hard working man. Why, they are the loveliest creatures, really you couldn't meet any finer girls; and the girls who swim, well, we all know of the fame given to the bathing beauty, and isn't it well deserved. Who can say that swimmers have mannish physiques? It only goes to show the illogical reasoning of the pink-tea party feminists who would like to see all women of the clinging vine type.

Well, to get back to the main subject of this little chat, the best way to take your exercises is with as little on as you care to wear, and in the privacy of your own boudoir. Suit yourself and be as comfortable as you possibly can.

Fig. F.

here girls is a

good one for

that neat ankle

and snowshoeing. Oh, realize, dear, that a lot of sour - minded fossils from ancient history (or is it botany) will try persuade to

little better, so let the weather matter of ventilation. Exercise No. 1-Our first little

Fig. G

and calf we all prize so much: Standing with the hands on the hips, raise on the toes, then raise one foot behind you by bending the knee; now hold that position, as shown in Figure A and commence to hop up and down on one foot, keeping on the toes all the while. Hop all around the room as merrily as you can, then change to the other foot and continue till that leg is slightly tired, as the other should have been when you changed position. This exercise can be varied in different ways, for instance, you can swing the free leg while hopping around, or better still, you can make a sort of dance out of it by lively hopping from one foot to the other, meanwhile kicking up in back in a snappy manner.

Exercise No. 2-The next stunt is more like some kind of dance; holding the arms out to the side, raise on the toes. Now try to kick as far back as you can, keeping on the toes of the stationary foot as shown in Figure . B. The action is best accomplished by arching the back and bending the head backwards with each kick. It will also help if you swing the arms back somewhat with each upward kick. In this variation of the exercise you are not to bring the foot any further forward than alongside of the stationary foot; by limiting the movement to this backward kick, more benefit is gotten from it. Repeat several times with one leg and then change to the other. For the purpose of variation you may stand on one foot (be sure to keep on the toes) and swing the free leg as far to the front as possible and then as far back as possible, continuing the complete movement back and forward.

Exercise No. 3-By the (Continued on Page 70)

Girth for the Small Boned Man

The Man of Natural Slight Frame Can, Through Following Correct Methods, Attain Finer Proportions Than the Man of Heavier Frame

By George F. Jowett

OFTEN think that there are more fatalists among small boned men than any other class of physical culturists. They seem to be obsessed with their small boned wrist and ankle circumference, and believe that that which is will always be. You can hardly blame them for that, for so many have tried and tried, over and over again, only to meet with failure. Afterwards they naturally remain skeptical to any new or old proposal that they have not tried that is recommended as being good.

I remember a family which contained opposites in physique. The mother was tiny and fine featured, but the father was huge and brawny; a remarkable specimen of manhood. Out of the family of four boys, three took after the father and one after the mother. One day the father became unusually impatient over the small featured boy's lack of strength in some



Many husky athletes would be proud to possess the proportions of Mr. Batsis who realized that perfection was to be attained only by working for it.

manual work at which he was straining. With-out really meaning it the father spoke sharply, and the you n gster retort-ed, "Why father, I cannot help it that I am not strong." "Perhaps

y o u cannot," t h e father replied, "but y o u cer-



Edward Weinhold, a small boned man, who through persistent exercise has acquired a back and shoulders to be proud of.

tainly can try to improve yourself."

The words were spoken more in impatience than with any special intent to advise, yet the words sunk into the mind of that boy, and the more he thought it over, the more impressed he was with the idea. His deductions finally led him into channels that induced him to try physical training, and the result was that he later became able to teach his sturdy built brothers a lesson in vigor and strength. He did not acquire the huge hams of hands, or the neck like a bull that his father had. Truly his joints thickened, so that his six-inch wrist finally measured seven inches, but his frame filled out, the chest became deep, and the arms and legs were columns of twisted muscle. From a specimen of contempt he became an object of admiration, and no one was more ready to brag about his wonderful powers than were his

are, as they are still in the formative stages, despite the splendid physical spectacle that each one presents. What all small boned men should bear in mind is, that they naturally have smaller muscles and organs to work on, and that too much must not be expected. Do not become married to a tape measure. If you do your mind will always be filled with

seventeen inch biceps, and forty-six inch chests. Size is nice, providing you have the height and weight to back it up, but appearance counts the most. Perhaps you will recall in the last issue I made the statement that if a person has the necessary ingredients within themselves, they will build up to larger proportions than the one who has not. It is this amount of substance within each of us that enables nature to decide who is going to be big and who is going to remain small. Our bodies are like engines of equal horse power. Some always seem to be able to do better than others. No doubt the cause within us is the result of the organs being better able to convert the food we eat into muscle food. Thus is a body supplied with a surplus of manufacturing material. Anyhow we cannot all be heavies, so what is the use of kidding ourselves that we can be, and I do not think all would care to be heavyweights. There is a pretty good standard for us all to work by according to our height, if we are willing to accept them. A man of five feet four does not have to be satisfied with being one hundred and twenty-five pounds, and the taller man has less with which to be satisfied. I have known some men of five feet four to weigh very heavy, but that was because these men had wide clavicles and wide hips and that gave them more space to

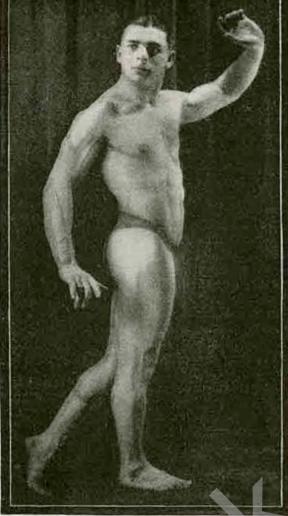
whom are in the category of small boned men. Of course they are not two hundred pounders, and they never will be, but they are much bigger than they would ordinarily have been. Also there is a possibility that they will become larger than they now



It is hard to believe you are not looking at statuary when you gaze upon this splendid pose of Jere Kingsbury, a small featured man who has reached the top rank.

build upon. Not always did they have a bone structure over the average, some times they were much under never theless perseverance is what counted in their case.

About the only thing that can be said for the big man, is that he starts in with thicker muscle cords, which is generally conducive to big muscles and power. Still there are always com p e nsations; what



Small bones were no handicap to Siegmund Klein, who exercised to attain one of the most perfect physiques and gained worldwide fame. wide fame.

father and brothers.

For some reason or other, the small boned man has the idea that in order to grow he must fight nature, because nature never ordained him to be other than he was. In the first place that is not true, and in the second place it is impossible to fight nature and get away with it. The main thing as I see it, is the height you have. Naturally the taller man has a better opportunity to become a heavyweight, than the shorter man, but all have an equal possibility of increasing their bodily size. As a rule the short man shows the best results in the shortest length of time, and really looks the part of progress better. The reason for this is that the length of his limbs is shorter, and that compels thickness of muscular girth. The taller man has more territory to cover. It really takes considerable gains for him to show up any visible improvement. A good example of the first case is provided by Arthur Levan, of Reading; Robert Snyder, of Hagerstown, and Siegmund Klein, of New York. These three men are wonderful to gaze upon, and are magnificent specimens of manhood, all of

the small man lacks in size he makes up in speed and greater pliancy, but that does not satisfy him. What he wants is size, and, generally speaking, he is willing to sacrifice all of his other talents in order to acquire it. Incidentally, it is a natural trait for us to hanker after what we do not have. Some things are hard to get, such as a million dollars, but muscle building comes a little easier. Perhaps some will say "maybe." Well, I contend it is all in the way you go after it. I claim if a man will concentrate on three sectors that he will derive more benefits than if he takes in the entire body. These three groups will do more to increase the muscular growth of the body, that will in turn send up the bodyweight. My selection is the chest, back, and the thighs. These are the three largest parts of the body, and the most easily influenced, because, being so large they can unite to give greater resistance against a satisfactory progressive weight. What I mean by that is, that your field of progression against resistance is broader. Other muscle areas are so limited that it is difficult to notice any appreciable increase no matter how hard you work. Let us suppose that your chest measures normally, thirty-six inches, and after a period of exercise concentrating on the back and chest-as well as the thighs, though we will leave these out for the time being-you find that the lattisimus dorsi muscles have spread out and given you at least a gain of two inches. The muscles of the back have thickened so that there is an inch more

depth, and the chest muscles have given you only half an inch muscular depth. We will say that the chest itself has increased two inches, and you will have altogether a normal chest increase of five and a half inches, bringing your chest up from thirty-six inches to forty-one and a half inches. Quite an improvement you will say, no doubt, and an improvement many do not secure, because they do not go about it right.

One part of the body alone has more to do with the change of your physique than you imagine. Just for the sake of an argument, we will say that chest size alone is not so very important when it comes to building a bigger frame. Now do not take this statement too seriously-let us figure out just where each thing belongs.



Walter Stratton. When systematic training will produce a build like this, why be discouraged because of your natural frame?



Tom Tyler—the popular movie-actor and weight-lifter, showing muscular proportions even in repose. Exercise brought him fame on the silver screen and the strong-man title.

Suppose you do a great deal of breathing and, with the aid of a few other exercises, increase the chest two inches. Where will that increase be? Now I can safely say that the increase is more apt to be in the squaring up of the chest. This would be caused by the sternum, or breast bone, being lifted up, for one thing, and the costal cartilages becoming stretched and thickened for another. The muscles that fit between the ribs, which are known as the serratus magnus, become stronger, but they do not acquire that thickness which helps to pile up the bodyweight. Therefore, all we find is a squared chest and some stretched cartilage, and I am not overlooking the possibility of the chest muscles becoming better built up during the process, and I am willing to bet that any increase acquired in body weight is not much.

For quite a length of time I carried out an experiment that kept me checking up on this fact, until I became quite satisfied

that I was right. It proved to me conclusively that the regularly adopted method of chest building did little more than give greater space for the lungs and other internal organs. That is, of course, a very valuable acquisition. Still it did not answer the numerous queries I received asking me why the body remained weight about the same, in spite of the change

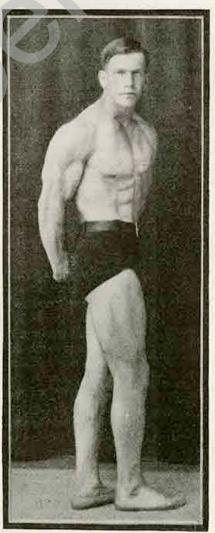
Art Levan, who commenced training with a small boned man's chances, and now has remarkable physical proportions for his size.

now why I say you cannot build up the chest without building up the back. These two parts positively must be worked up together. The only thing about the back is that the average body builder cannot notice the change that is actually taking place, and he is apt to bother less about the development; but here is what actually happens. The shoulder blades are termed weak joints because they are easily dislocated, and for the most part are held in place by the

muscles. The whole wing of the bone is muscularly attached, and under the blades there is a density of muscle thicker than on the top of the blades. Consequently, a greater amount of muscle building goes on underneath. You do not notice it, but it does, and the fact that there is so much density is one reason why a broad heavy back gives greater body weight besides making more room for chest expansion. As the back builds up heavier so will the chest, and the breast muscles are apt to acquire greater size, although too much back spread, without equal chest proportion, is very bad, and the chest will be inclined to cave in at the breast bone as a result.

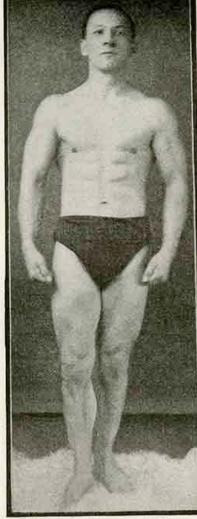
I do not know whether you have thought of this little plan or not, but it is a pleasing idea I had of checking up on what has been gained in upper body construction. Stand up against the wall, facing it, and hold the arms out level with the shoulders. Place the palms flat against the wall, and have a friend mark with a pencil where the tip of the longest finger ends. If you do this when you

commence this special training, you will see quite a difference in ninety days. The best way to check up is to stand up with arms held out in a natural position, make your marks and then spread the shoulders by reaching out with the



A. Sundberg, now of very rugged appearance, but naturally of the slender type. Consistent exercise brought him the lightweight title at lifting. hands and see just what results you have got. The more the lattisimus dorsi become developed the greater distance will be registered.

Now you will have a better idea of the checking up system which I gave earlier on in this article, when allotting only two inches of the five and a half chest measurement to the chest only. That is the correct way to get girth. Nothing is left to one part only, and you gain weight by foll o wing (Continued on Page 75)



Emmett Faris started to train a little late in life, but his natural framework, though small, became covered with firm muscular tissue.

made. The answer is easy. The chest itself carries little muscle, relying mostly upon its boney construction for the protection it affords the organs. Any thicker ossification in the rib bone structure is hardly probable, because the ribs are possessed of a peculiar pliancy that other bones do not have. This is meant to absorb any blows, and pressure brought about externally, consequently these bones do not ossify in the same manner as do others. Perhaps all those who have followed my articles will realize

Ask the Doctor

Department for Solving Your Health Problems By Dr. B. M. Middleman

QUESTION: I am a boy sixteen years of age. Have been sick most of my life and have been delayed in my school work and outside work. I am interested in bar bell work and get the STRENGTH MAGAZINE every month.

Now I have pimples all over my face and I can assure you that it isn't a pleasant sight. I cannot afford to purchase a complete set of bar bells and would like to know of a cheaper way to build myself up. I would be very glad if you could help me out as I am anxious to build up my body. I also have catarrh in the head and am underweight. Any advice certainly would be appreciated. F. D., Jersey City, N. J.

NSWER: For your pimples I would advise you to correct your diet and cut down on sugar, starches and coffee and use a very bland diet consisting of green vegetables, fruit, milk and coarse bread. Also take one tablespoonful of mineral oil every night before retiring. Drink plenty of water between meals. Frequent general baths followed by a rub down with a coarse towel are also beneficial. Be sure that your teeth, tonsils and nose are all right. Bathe the affected parts with water as hot as you can stand, then open the pus-filled pimples with a sterilized needle. Apply the following healing lotion twice a day:

> Milk of Sulphur Water

Alcohol-equal parts.

to which may be added one-tenth part of gum mucilage. If there is much irritation apply Benzoated Oxide of Zinc Ointment. Take plenty of exercise daily-to the extent of causing perspiration.

In regards to your nasal catarrh would say that you could do nothing better than spray the nose very gently at night and morning with a solution of

Camphor, 3 grains. Menthol, 3 grains. Albolene, 1 ounce.

If the above spray does not give you relief then try making a tampon by twisting layers of cotton about a wooden tooth pick until it is about the size of a cigarette, allowing the cotton to project about one-quarter of an inch over the pick so as to protect the tissues. Dip this in a ten percent solution of Argyrol; hold

WHEN a man or woman is actually sick it is too W late for them to seek the benefits of Physical Exercise. Then is the time to see a doctor. For the health seeker, as a distinct individual from the strength seeker, the gymnasium is not necessarily either the beginning or the end of his health problems.

Sometimes it is only by interviewing personally a thoroughly competent physician that he can get the thoroughly competent physician that he can get the advice that will bring his condition back to a normal state of health. Write us about any of your ail-ments of any type and Dr. Middleman will then advise you as to the proper treatments necessary. Every physical culturist should know his organic condition as thoroughly as his muscular system, and if possible we will aid you in accomplishing this.

We have been receiving many letters every month, and with the advice given by Dr. Middleman the "Strength" readers have successfully obtained bet-ter health and strength. Dr. Middleman will continue to answer such questions as he can, and will also publish a few letters each month, selecting from his correspondence those letters of the great-est general interest.

Inclose a stamped addressed return envelope with your health questions and we can assure you of a prompt reply.

your head level and push the tampon straight back, keeping it horizontal. Apply to both nostrils and leave in place for half an hour, catching the black discharge on cotton or gauze. Then remove the tampons and blow the nose. Spray the nostrils with above solution. This treatment should be repeated at least two or three times a week. Should the above treatment not prove effective then I would advise you to see a nose and throat specialist.

Now with regards to exercises to build your body up would say that you will find numerous exercises in the STRENGTH MAGAZINE each month that will greatly help you.

The following is a diet which will help you to increase in weight:

Fruits-Dates, figs, raisins, bananas.

Vegetables-Beets, sweet potatoes, peas, lentils, beans, potatoes, carrots, parsnips, corn, squash, cauliflower, creamed onions.

Grains-All starchy foods. Bread, cake, rice, macaroni, tapioca, spaghetti, noodles, hominy, bran, grits, etc.

Salads-Potato salad, beet salad, with olive oil dressing.

Soups-Bean, pea; thick, creamy soups.

Fish-Clams, oysters, lobster, shrimp, salmon, crabs. Meats-Bacon, ham, pork, veal, fat beef, sausage, mutton, duck, goose, salmon, eggs.

Desserts-Puddings, pastry, cake, preserves, ice cream, candy, nuts, cheese and crackers.

Drinks-Milk, cream, coffee or tea with half

cream, chocolate, cocoa. malted milk.

QUESTION: Can you give me a little advice on skin irritations. I am bothered with a rash or There are red eczema. spots on my skin that are itchy. They appear on my face, hands and other parts of my body. This rash comes in the spring or summer and seems to last only a few days. 1 would very much appre-ciate any advice you can give me.

G. K. Hamtramck, Mich.

ANSWER: For the rash or eczema which appears on your body I would advise you to try the following:

Sulphur precipitate, 2 oz. Zinc oxide, 1 oz. Icthyolis, ¹/₂ dram. Menthol, 30 grains. Petrolati, 4 oz.

Mix and rub in thoroughly each night after washing the body with some germicidal soap or sulphur soap.

Greasy foods and sweets as well as fruit and pastry in any form should be forbidden for a time.

QUESTION: I would appreciate some advice on the following. I am a girl twenty-three years of age and have what the doctors call psoriasis. My whole body is almost covered with scales. When the scales fall off at first the surface is pink then it gets very red and sometimes bleeds. The scales are very dry and look like mother of pearl. I have been to quite a few doctors and took X-Ray treatments for six months. That treatment only cured me for a few weeks. I have had this skin trouble since I was sixteen years of age, and at that age I had a great deal of trouble with my right ear. I have had blood test after blood test taken and there is nothing in my blood.

I have had hard places in my neck as large as a marble, and if I take cold they get very sore. The doctors call that enlarged glands, but nothing seems to make them normal, and I have been under a doctor's care for seven years.

About six months ago I went to a chiropractor and he took an X-Ray of my neck and ears. He tells me I have a lowered bone in my neck that is pressing on the main nerve of my skin, which is the cause of all the trouble. He said he could cure me in six months and I have been taking adjustments in both spine and neck for five months and a half and it is not any better than it was when I started. It is getting very painful. I use olive oil to soften, and have used Cuticura Ointment which gives me more relief than anything else. I also take a bath in very hot water once or twice a day.

Is there any cure? Is psoriasis contagious? I can assure you I would appreciate any suggestions you may give me. B. N., Ohio.

ANSWER: Psoriasis is an almost intractable disease, disappearing for a while, then reappearing.

Have you really consulted a good skin specialist instead of ordinary practitioners? The following bath is a good remedy in extensive cases. The patient anoints the body with tar ointment such as the following :

Ung picis, 2 drams.

Adipis, 1 oz.

He or she then steps into a warm bath in which they remain for a half hour. Internally try the following which may do good both to the glands of neck and to the psoriasis condition:

Liq. potassii arsenitis, 2 drams. Olei morrhuae, 4 oz. Syrupi ferri iodidi, 1 dram. Acaciae, 1 oz. Aquae, q.s. 8 oz.

Make emulsion. Take one or two teaspoonfuls after meals followed by a glass of water.

Have your teeth examined and the tonsils also to determine whether swollen glands are due to local infection.

If tar ointment and bathing is too dirty try the following ointment:

> Acid salicylic, 20 grams. Petrolati, 1 oz.

Use night and morning.

Finally, if this fails, try using thyroid extract carefully, watching signs of intoxication such as rapid pulse, shortness of breath, dizziness and palpitation. Start with one grain daily, gradually increase to one grain *three* times a day and so on if possible till three grains, *three* times a day are taken. Stop if drug is not tolerated.

QUESTION: I am a young man, age twenty-eight, and am clean living, do not smoke or drink. Will you please help me by advising me how to treat my condition. For the last four years I have worked inside and got into an exhausted rundown condition through this confinement. I was unable to find work outside at that time and could not leave home to find work outside as I had to support my mother. I took long walks at night and did lots of exercising but the confinement kept me in an exhausted rundown condition. I saw two doctors and they both said that I needed a good tonic. They gave me a small bottle of iron and the dose was one teaspoonful in a little water before meals. This tonic lasted for one week but it did no good. Then they told me to stay outside all I could. My mother is dead now and I am alone and for the last eight months I have been working outside, doing light laboring work, getting the fresh air, and a liberal amount of exercise and plenty of sleep. The following is my condition;

I am exhausted and rundown. I sleep good and always did. My appetite is lost and has been for the last two years. I live by forced eating, which is unnatural. There is no stimulation. My vitality is poor. My ambition is poor. My bowels move slowly and scantily. My circulation is poor. My stomach is not functioning properly.

If I stuff a big meal into my stomach the food decomposes there and causes bad breath. I have no pains or aches, but I am in a stagnant sluggish condition. I have tried beef, iron and wine, but get no signs of results. My body is soft muscularly. Now I think if I could get my appetite I would gain the rest quickly.

I think I should have some medicine or a good tonic to gain my appetite, but I am at a loss to know just what I need and how to treat my condition. I will appreciate any advice that you give me.

W. H., New York.

ANSWER: It may be possible that you have a condition of the stomach called Achylia Gastrica, in which there is a deficiency, or absence of normal hydrochloric acid of the stomach, because those who have excess hydrochloric acid in the stomach generally have to feed often to allay hunger pains.

Try anywhere from ten to thirty drops of diluted Hydrochloric Acid in a glass of water before or with meals; sweeten with a little sugar if too sour. This is to be sipped as you eat the food. Start with ten drops and work up to 30 drops, three times a day.

One hour after meals take Pancreatin Compound Tablets, which are composed of Extract of Nux Vomica, Pancreatin and Takadiastase and made by Park-Davis and Company.

Let us hear from you if there is no improvement in appetite after one month's trial.

QUESTION: I buy STRENGTH magazine because of the health column edited by you, as I find this column very helpful and interesting. There are a few questions I want to ask you, and I feel sure you can help me.

I have done hard work on the railroad for a man of my height and weight, and to insure my health I gave up my job and am now exercising horses, which work I like very much. I am inclined to worry, just before mounting a horse, that I may get hurt, even though I have confidence that I shall not be thrown off. There is a sickly, dizzy nervousness which grips me and I can hardly talk I shake so. Then sometimes it seems to get to my head and I have a feeling of losing consciousness. After I have exercised the horse and dismount, I feel perfect. How is this? I can't understand it. Do you think I am suffering with neuro-circulatory asthenia? I think so, because over-exertion causes palpitation of the heart, dizziness and shortness of breath. I become nervously weak and perspire until I have a feeling of fainting. Can you advise me as to how to cure the above ailment?

I am twenty-one years old, 4 feet 11 inches tall and weigh 102 pounds. What should I weigh? How can I reduce this weight down to 95 pounds without injuring my health? The work I do doesn't require much physical exertion as you can figure. At times I become greedy and eat plenty. Will you prescribe a diet for me?

I can't understand my eyes. Five other boys saw a big clock on a tower at a certain dis- (Continued on Page 73)

Why Get Spring Fever?

Usually, the Individual Who Gets That Tired Out Feeling Known as "The Springs", Never Does Anything to Really Get Tired Out

By Mike Drummond

H, spring is here, with its winds, showers, robins, and that doggoned lazy feeling. When a nice balmy day comes along, how the deuce are we going to resist the temptation to lie down on the job? It's darned hard to do, we know, but it can be done; it's all a matter of discipline and physical adjustment. Maybe you have figured it out, and come to the conclusion that "spring fever" is more of a mental condition. With that we agree, but a certain

physical lassitude induces the mental condition; all winter you have been used to keeping warm when the weather was cold, and you are up against a condition something like an eskimo visiting our clime. Your physical barometer is adjusted to frigid temperatures and you find yourself trying to work in a semi-tropical atmosphere. Then another reason is that a countless number of individuals try to keep on their winter underwear for fear of "catching cold," and how the deuce can they expect to have any ambition then?

Notice, however, that the spring is the time when the athletic portion of the population starts out to do big things, so there you have it; mostly a matter of non-athletic persons having spring fever, while the athletically inclined are hardly bothered by the thoughts of it. Baseball players must get out in the spring and prepare for a season of batting averages, and fielding errors; to be overcome by a lazy feeling go to see the bare-kneed soccer players booting the ball on one of those warm spring days; they have been used to exertion out-of-doors all through the zero weather, but still they keep going on the warm days when the spectators daren't move for fear of over-exertion.

If you have been following me, by this time you have probably solved the problem. Become accustomed to exertion and there won't be any such thing as "spring fever"; but still you must pay some attention to a few

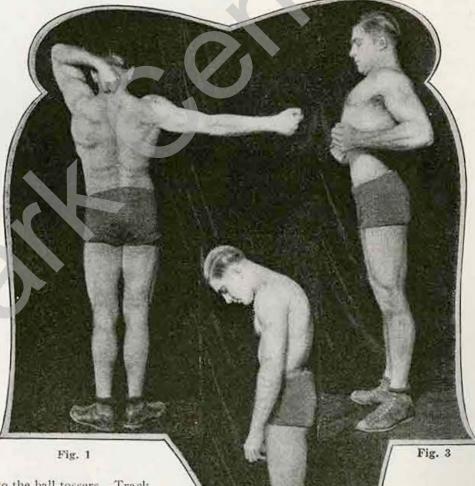


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would mean heavy financial losses to the ball tossers. Track men come out in the sunshine to chase father time around the cinder path in an attempt to run him into the ground: if sprinters got "the springs," you wouldn't be reading of the winged-footed sons of mercury clipping the record time closer to nothing. You don't notice the "pugs" going on a vacation at the time of the year when the office clerk stays away from his job for a day and he wishes he were a millionaire so he could take it easy for life. Instead, the boys of the cauliflower ear fraternity start working harder than ever for the big purses of the outdoor arenas. You should

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other rules of life, such as diet, bathing, and clothing.

What we are about to say won't mean so awfully much to the fellow who has kept up his training faithfully all winter, for he will welcome the spring as a time when he really feels like doing something. The man who has been slack at his exercises or hasn't done anything more strenuous all through the cold season than shovel snow a couple of times, if he has done that much, you will find him the typical short winded, "dasn't" run upstairs, couldn't catch a car sort of a guy, (you'd wonder how he ever catches a cold); he seems so self-contented though. but every now and then, one of these birds gets wise and considers, more or less seriously, taking some course in physical culture. He is the reason why physical culture professors get rich, as this class of citizen buys one course and system after another, and gives none of them more than a desultory trial of a day now and then. If you are in this class please don't imagine you are maligned, but face the facts as they are and resolve to

shake out of the lethargy and get the blood circulating through your veins as nature intended it should, Start right in tomorrow morning-no, make the first move tonight by going to bed kind of early; set the alarm an hour or so earlier; if you don't set the clock to ring, your good resolves will go flying; soon as you come out of your last dream, jump up and shut off the alarm (caution: to insure getting up you had better put the clock on the other side of the room); now you are ready to go: perform in a snappy manner about six or eight free hand exercises, such as you will find in this magazine any month; then put on some old clothes and go out doors for a brisk walk, or if you live near a park or other open space. jaunt along at an easy pace for about a mile. Turn back to the house, discard the old perspired clothes and take a quick cold shower or tepid sponge bath; don't linger in the water, make it snappy, then use a coarse towel to dry, but do more than just wipe off the water, give yourself a friction bath by rubbing all over. This will make your skin glow. You can eat a good breakfast and feel fit for the day. Somehow or other you will wonder why the day goes so quickly and you accomplish so much work with so little

lunch such as a salad, light sandwich, and fresh fruit; there is nothing so conducive to that drowsy feeling in the afternoon, than eating a big lunch or heavy meal at noon-time; by eating only fruit, or very little else, you will go through the afternoon with a zest and a wideawake feeling previously unknown to you.

When the weather commences to get warmer, throw off the heavy underwear and put on the light summer

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Fig. 4

variety. Of course this applies to the average citizen, as I know there are many men who wear summer weight unionsuits the year around, and also I am acquainted with a few of the rough and ready type who wear none at all, the year round.

For comfort wear as few clothes as you can and take that old collar and tie off when you get that "hot under the collar feeling."

As to diet-in the winter you've no doubt been eating por- (Continued on Page 80)

ease. At noon,

eat a light



American Continental Weight Lifters' Association Notes

By John Bradford

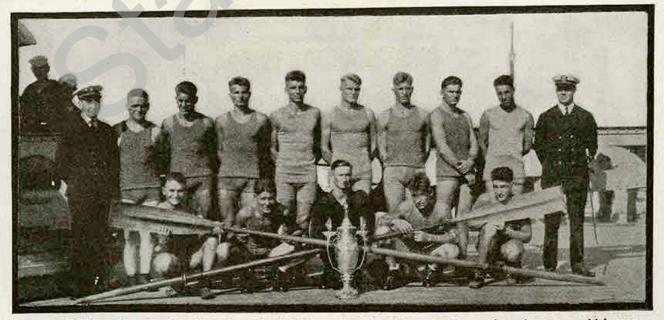
O followers of sport looked forward with more eager anticipation to a coming event than the followers of Ironia did to March the 5th. That night was to see the first clash in which an American Continental Title was involved. A fine crowd assembled at the Philadelphia Academy of Physical Training for the occasion, but to our regret the affair was a great dissappointment to us all, but I will speak of that as I come to a certain turn on the program.

The show was opened by Anthony Pellicotti with a contribution of muscle posing that was really fine. Pellicotti gets better and better all of the time, and is building up into a very sturdy looking man. After he had given his turn, he teamed with his old partner, Frank Dennis, in a mixed act that consisted of tumbling and lifting weights.

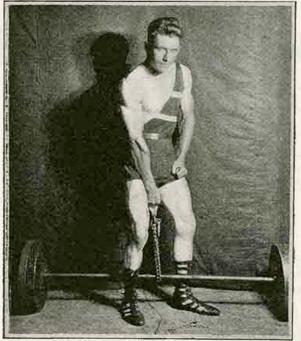
After Frank Dennis had regained his health, Pellicotti and he started in the sport together. They gave their first exhibition together, and although business and one thing and another parted them for a time, they never gave up the sport that they loved. Consequently, it was nice to see them drift back together into their old act for the sake of their old associations. Their stunts were all good and skillfully performed. Dennis was the first to swing into lifting, first performing a Back Press of two hundred and fifty-five pounds, which he followed with a Wrestler's Bridge of two hundred and fifty pounds, only five pounds below his world's record performance. Pellicotti tried to do two hundred and twelve pounds in the Two Hands Anyhow, using one hundred and seventy pounds in the right hand, and forty-two pounds in the left hand. He was entirely out of luck, and had no success on any trial.

The next turn brought out the Andros Brothers, pupils of the famous Paulinetti. They kept the crowd delighted for about fifteen minutes with their clever exhibition of the technique of balance. Each stunt was skillfully trimmed off with a tumbling trick that carried a smack of the old master.

Next came the grand old man of gymnasts, Professor Paulinetti, who has not performed for quite a while, but never fails to attend a show. He went through the various stages of head and hand balancing, from the learner's stuff to the difficult feats of the master athlete. His planches are still wonderful and every movement graceful and finished. Everybody was glad to see the professor back on the job, who, incidentally, is one of America's oldest iron men. His One Arm Curl record of seventy-nine pounds at a body weight of one hundred and ten pounds, still stands. He performed this feat way back in the days of Dr. Winship and Dick Pennell,



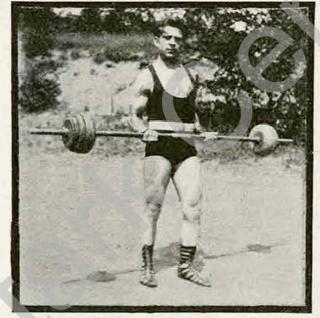
Bruce Williams (next to the officer from the left) is a sturdy member of this naval rowing team which won first honors at Los Angeles, Cal., last summer. He is also a member of our Association and by merit of his fine athletic ability reflects great credit upon it.



Andy Skrodinsky, of Patton, Pa., making a one finger lift.

about whom Mr. Jowett has spoken so much of in his recent book, *The Strongest Man that Ever Lived*. That record was made before the great Louis Cyr was made famous. Naturally the dean of acrobatics received a glad welcome and a big hand.

Nick Cippolini, at one hundred and twelve pounds, came next with an exhibition on the Two Hands Military Press, and the Two Hands Dead Lift. On the first lift he succeeded with one hun-



Edward Weinhold, of Reading, Pa., getting a kick out of a two arm curl.

dred and ten pounds and on the second lift he scored a new American Amateur Record in his class with three hundred pounds. Then Archie Allaire went through three lifts. At a body weight of one hundred and sixtyeight pounds, he performed one hundred and nine and a half pounds in the Right Hand Military Press, and one hundred and ninety pounds in the Two Hands Military Press, finishing up with a Bent Press of two hundred pounds. Allaire is a powerful boy and looks the part. His biggest trouble is that he lacks confidence in himself to meet others in competition. In time we hope his embarrassment to perform before an audience will pass away, and then the heavy middleweights will have to look out for their laurels.

A match at catch weights was next announced between D. Canova, at one hundred and ninetcen pounds, and Art Levan, at one hundred and twenty-four pounds. They chose the old five Olympic Lifts, the One Hand made a big effort and appeared, but it was too late to bring on Gratton. However, Mitchell signified his willing ness to meet Manger, who was present, and a match was made at catch weights. Mitchell

Rumolt Szewczyk, a member of the Easth a m p t o n, Mass. Weight Lifting Club who has won the distinction of t w o honors for iron snatching.

Snatch, One Hand Clean and Jerk, Two Hands Slow Press, Two Hands Snatch and the Two Hands Clean and Jerk. Conova lifted in the order named, one hundred pounds, one hundred and twenty pounds, one hundred and forty pounds, one hundred and thirty-five pounds and one hundred and eighty-five pounds, total, six hundred and eighty pounds. Levan did not have to extend himself in order to win, and made the following poundages in the same order of lifts, one hundred and twenty pounds, one hundred and twenty pounds, one hundred and forty-five pounds, one hundred and twenty pounds and one hundred and eightyfive pounds, total, seven hundred and twenty-five pounds. Both boys lifted splendidly. Every lift was a picture, particularly can this be said for Levan, who is very classic in his style.

The semi wind-up was supplied by our old favorite from Baltimore, Albert Manger, who stripped on this occasion at one hundred and eighty-seven pounds. In his first attempt he created a new American Continental Record in the Two Hands Slow Curl, by beating the old mark set up by Al. Martin, of Los Angeles, at one hundred and fifty-six and a half pounds. Manger did one hundred and sixty pounds. In the Rectangular Fix he also created an American record with one hundred and

twenty-five pounds. For his final lift he performed a Two Hands Clean and Jerk, with two hundred and seventy pounds. That performance turned Gratton's eyes green with envy.

Everything now was made ready for the wind-up, which originally was intended as a contest between Donald Mitchell of Easthampton, Mass., and Adelard Gratton, of Montreal, Canada, for the Heavy Middleweight Championship of the American This match was Continent. slated for February 5th, but Mitchell sustained an accident and wrote he could not come. We immediately notified Gratton that the bout was postponed to March 5th. At the last Mitchell

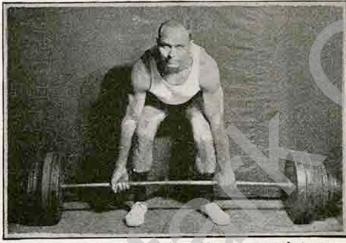


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was unfortunate, and hurt his back some more when he slipped on the floor with the weight. He tried hard to overcome his handicap, for his heart was set on this match. At the last minute he sent word it was impossible for him to lift on March 5th. We hoped up to the last he would come, and as the hour drew near for the contest, we realized that our favorite heavy middleweight champion would not appear. The only one who has reason to be glad for the non-appearance of Mitchell, is Gratton, for the Easthampton boy would have hopelessly outclassed the Canadian even if he had been in no better shape than he was.



We were greatly disap-



Emil Pearson, of Cambridge, Mass., our crack two hands dead lifting champion, snapped as he was practicing with 510 lbs.

pointed in Gratton. He did not show the same spirit that had made the other Canadian performers for the A. C. W. L. A. in Philadelphia, New York and Jersey City so greatly admired and appreciated. He positively refused to meet Manger at catch weights as Mitchell had done, and he also refused to lift under the recognized American ruling of lifting. This was a shock to us, and it was the first time any lifter from another country had refused to lift under the recognized ruling of the A. C. W. L. A. or the A. A. U. As a matter of fact all the Canadian lifters have lifted in our style. Gratton demanded the ruling of the International Federation, and simply because we had spent money to bring him here, and to avoid an unpleasant scene, as Gratton was getting very excitable, the ruling was granted to him; something which I doubt any other country would have allowed one of our boys to do under the circumstances. The lifting was horrible, entirely different to anything we have ever seen or want to see again. We are glad it was so. It gave us a better idea of what President

The Milo Athletic Club, of Williamsport, Pa., present an imposing group. This club has risen very rapidly in both numbers and popularity since its inception.

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Jowett has so often said when explaining how some foreign lifters raise such heavy weights. Our president told Gratton he did not believe that the Canadians lift in that manner, and we have sufficient proof of it, by the other boys we have seen. Every lift was a violation of the International Federation Ruling.

If Gratton had lifted under the A. C. W. L. A. ruling, he could have claimed the Continental Title by default from Mitchell. We were even willing to consider it under International ruling, but the violation was so apparent that the board of directors, sponsored by our president, refused to allow it as an official contest.

Gratton refused to meet the substitute, Manger, which was perfectly all right, as we agree he was too heavy—but if Gratton had he would have won more

than he could have lost-we had to find another. None was there but Dennis, and he was pretty tired from the part he had already played in the performance, but he agreed to do his best. He only divested himself of his shirt, and lifted with his shoes and other clothes on. Dennis won the toss, but he gave Gratton the privilege of selecting the first lift, which choice fell on the Two Hands Press. Dennis performed with one hundred and eighty pounds in perfect style, and Gratton finished with one hundred and ninety-five pounds. It was a terrible lift. In the first place he started with the weight held too high and with the knees bent, and he rocked and twisted his body and moved his feet before he got it to arms' length. At the finish he stood with feet apart. The second lift was the Two Hands Snatch and was worse than the first. Gratton finished with one hundred and eighty pounds. He only pulled it to the height of his head, then pressed it out, and he also stopped while the lift was in process. It was a horrible lift, and everybody cried out in disgust. (Continued on Page 62)

What Will Tunney Do?

A REAL PROPERTY.

Looking Back at Some Past Champions May Give Us an Idea

By William Boone

The recent crowning of a new champion, as a result of Tunney's effective onslaught on Dempsey's title, raises a question in the minds of many boxing fans. They are interested in what his attitude to the public will be and how willingly he will defend his title.

This present era of high pressure finance, which the boxing game is in the midst of, has a tendency to cut down on the number of championship fights and thus minimize the number of chances for other boxers to compete for the championship. The purses have been getting higher and higher; for this, no doubt, Tex Rickard & Co. are to be credited or blamed.

The boxers themselves have taken advantage of the

trend of the time and are demanding as large purses as they can get. Of course the old adage that "every man has a right to his hire" is applicable here but the

> idea is on the verge of being overworked. Let us hope for the future of the game that the boxers will not "kill the goose that lays the golden egg."

> What Tunney will do is undoubtedly a question that thous ands of followers of boxing are a sking themselves. This is a question that can only be ans wered

with certainty in the future. Of course we can form opinions by judging present circumstances and studying the past, but even this is really inadequate so far as arriving at an absolute sure conclusion is concerned.

What the champions in the past have done has no bearing on Tunney, aside from any little influence resulting from a regard that Tunney may or may not have for some champion of the past. Tunney appears to be a man of ideals and ideals are shapers of destiny. Dempsey is said to have been a great admirer of the original Dempsey, the nonpareil. In fact that is supposed to be the reason that he adopted "Dempsey" as his professional name, Many of us may argue that Jack's ring career during his championship was very unlike the ring history of the original Dempsey, yet the fact remains that he took his name from the first notable of that name and that his predecessors, undoubtedly, left some effect on the late champion.

Tunney, so far as boxers go, may be considered a man of many parts. Some, possibly we should say many, boxers have been boxers only, with small ability and less

inclination for other things. We are led to believe that 'Tunney is vastly different. From all indications, he appears to be a very exemplary young man with some inclination for things "high-brow" and a man of some intellectual attainment.

The new champion will probably run true to form, insofar as expecting his share of the high purses that are now possible for him. We believe that he is intelligent enough to make the most of his possibilities. His climb to the top of the pugilistic ladder shows that he has some perseverance. The climb was made under some difficulties. He had a physical handicap and a bit of public opinion against him. For a long time he lacked weight and this created considerable public opinion against matching him for the championship. We all know that there was a general opinion among the boxing fans that he was too small to weather the storm against Dempsey. For was not Dempsey a giant-killer? Had he not battered down the giant Willard? We fans are too apt to judge by superficial appearances. We took the giant killing idea too seriously, not realizing that giants are not always the hardest thing to annihilate.

Tunney increased his weight, made himself a recognized contender and proved that a lot of the supposedly "wise guys" were decidedly wrong. Tunney, apparently, had sense enough to realize just what was required from a championship contender and governed himself accordingly. If he is as successful in his championship career as he was in winning over the boxing public and making himself a popular contender, he will be one of the most popular champions in the history of the fistic game.

Jack Delaney, the hard hitting light heavyweight, who is always likely to cause upsets in the pugilistic game,



ney's championship career will be run is a matter of the future. How his activities as a champion will compare with his work as a contender is difficult to judge. Will he fight often or will he hold out for prohibitive purses? Will he soon tire of the championship and shift his activities to some other field?

Just how Tun-

We can possibly get some idea about what Tunney may

do from a little study of previous title holders. Of course the trend of the times is vastly different now to what it was in the early stages of the game, but there are some points in common. Some of the requirements of the present day are similar to those of the past. Boxing has mental requirements as well as physical. The game is more favorable to the motive type of temperament. Champions of the past have varied in their temperament just as men in other vocations vary in the prime requirements of their chosen professions. The fact remains, however, that boxing predisposes to the motive temperament.

Some boxers have the natural combativeness that is a heritage of the past. Others may have equal physical capabilities, but lack the inner urge for their use. Some champions have been actuated by financial ambition rather than the love of combat. A certain amount of fighting instinct is required to attain a championship. In fact it is a very valuable asset in a boxer but mere love of contest alone will not develop a world champion boxer. This is amply tested by some rough and ready persons who will fight at the drop of a hat, yet never attain anything in the ring. In fact some of these do not have the higher ambition that gets them above the level of the street fighter. Others appear to be actuated almost entirely from the personal advantage standpoint. Some have had the ambition that was satisfied by becoming a ring champion and others have had a supreme ambition that was not satisfied when the championship was reached, but desired to excel in other lines.

Let us turn back to some of the early pages of pugilis-

tic history and look at some careers of the past. We will go back to the infancy days of the game. The first code of rules for the observance of boxing was formulated in 1743. Jack Broughton of England was the recognized champion of that time and evidently had a deep interest in the game itself. He saw the need of regulation if the game was to endure and he wrote this first code of rules. He was in the heyday of his career at the time he originated the regulations and held his supremacy until about 1750 so far as the early records show. His career was just about what was necessitated by the dictates of that time. His talents and efforts were directed to the game itself. The game required undivided attention in order to endure, and the financial aspect was necessarily a secondary consideration.

Turning to a little later date we find that the game is on a much more solid basis and that there is more importance attached to the boxing championship. We find that a boxing champion has some recognition among his fellowmen and that he has some financial advantages. At Bristol, England, in 1783, was born a man who was destined to become remarkable in more ways than one. This man, John Gully by name, was the son of ordinary peasant people, but John had some exceptional characteristics. He had an ambition that was overwhelming. When he attained his full manhood, his intelligence and

magn i ficent muscular development so impressed sport s m en that they furnished him with all the necessary funds for training and backing. H e was so ambitious that he spoke about becoming champion of the world. His friends regarded him with amusement. They evidently did not Gully's realize rare capabilities and his faith of the kind that moves mountains. He had the same supreme confidence as possessed by Napoleon, he merely applied it to different tasks. His friends were surprised when he won the (Continued on Page 74)

T o m m y Loughran, f ast stepping boxer who is one of the leading contenders in the lightheavy class, whose weak point is a lack of a knock out punch.

Kidney Disorders

Causes and Probable Cure-How They Function

By Hamilton Dana

IDNEY disorders of one kind or another are prevalent at the present time to a surprising degree, due principally to our mode of living and the faulty diet to which we all more or less subject ourselves. You can make up your mind that anything which is going to contaminate the blood stream is going to cause distress to the kidneys sooner or later. The blood is like a stream coursing through the inside of our body, and like a stream coursing through a city it becomes contaminated with the debris that is collected in its flowing process. No matter how pure and clean it is to start with, the blood would become saturated with various poisons if it was not for the various cleansing methods of the organic machinery which we possess.

The principal organs of purification are the kidneys, which are employed solely in purifying the blood stream. They are a peculiar affair, being different from any other organ that the human body possesses in that they produce practically nothing themselves. They are two in number and are located in the section of the back that is generally spoken of as the small of the back, in the lumbar region just beneath the loins, one on each side of the spinal column. If you desired to be exact as to their location you would find them on a level with the two upper lumbar vertebrae. They have an average length of four inches with a width of two and a half inches, and generally weigh in the neighborhood of ten ounces.

The kidneys have a thin transparent fibro elastic envelope which can be detached in the normal condition, but which is often adherent in diseased states. The actual construction of the kidneys is very complicated, as they are composed of a system of minute tubes. All of these open into a hollow space in the interior, known as the pelvis of the kidney. Leading from this cavity is a draining tube or duct called the ureter, which is more than a foot in length and carries the urine from the kidneys to the bladder.

The kidneys are the actual filtrators of the blood stream. It is for this reason that danger does not exist in what passes through, as much as it does in that which does not pass through. This evidence has taught us that the role of the kidneys consists in excretion and not in secretion. The kidneys do not make the elements of the urine, but find them already made in the blood, from where they select them, allowing some to pass and rejecting others. While a person is in a healthy condition everything is all right, the kidneys perform their duties without a hitch. The poisons are carried away from the blood and dissolved in the urine, thus keeping the blood pure and normal in its constituents. These organs of filtration are most generally affected after an illness that causes inflammation of the kidneys to various degrees. The ailments that have a tendency to affect them the most are scarlet fever, diphtheria, measles and auto-intoxication. Only too often does nephritis follow, as inflammation of the kidneys is called.

The history of acute nephritis is still somewhat obscure. In fact the nature of the lesions, the etiology of the disease and its modes of termination have been the subject of so many contradictory opinions that it is neither possible nor safe to propose a classification of the acute infections of the kidneys. It is not so long ago that acute nephritis was divided into catarrhal and parenchymatous. Catarrhal nephritis had the attributes of being slight and temporary, of limiting its process to the excretory canals, and leaving the organ, more or less unaffected. Whereas parenchymatous nephritis, which was more grave and more persistent, was localized in the epithelium. Some medical men have likened the similarity of catarrhal nephritis of the secretory tubes to common bronchitis, and parenchymatous to lobular pneumonia, or capillary bronchitis. However, these distinctions cannot be said to correspond in any way to the true lesions of acute nephritis in which the entire kidney participates more or less in the morbid process. In a case where acute nephritis has proven fatal both kidneys will be found equally affected and much larger than they are ordinarily. The enlargement is due to the vascular congestion and swelling of the cortex. In severe cases of inflammation of the kidneys, they have been found to weigh more than twice their normal weight, and in such acute stages the amount of urine passed within twenty-four hours is apt to fall below thirty ounces. It is quite possible to cure acute nephritis, if slight, within a few weeks, providing the patient exercises proper care and is given proper treatment. In many other cases the condition will pass into what is termed the sub-acute stage, and in such a case it will be several months before the symptoms will disappear. Only too often it terminates in the chronic state known to us all as Bright's Disease, so named after Dr. Richard Bright, an English physician who discovered the disease nearly one hundred years ago. Although there are two conditions of this disease, the acute and the chronic, yet in nearly every case it is chronic, because it is the result of general inflammation of the kidneys.

The early symptoms produced are generally severe headaches and vomiting with palpitation of the heart. Other conditions begin to manifest themselves such as a cramping of the calf muscles, and often when the nose is blown the first thing after arising in the morning, blood will be found streaked on the handkerchief. The patient will also suffer from malnutrition, itching, defective hearing and electric shocks. A puffiness under the eyes appears with blue circles and deadness appears in the fingers. At the same time the urine contains albumin and casts. The face becomes puffed and a swelling of the ankles is always apparent. In the chronic form of indigestion, a progressive loss of weight, ill health and a visible weakness exists. All the energy and life seems to have gone and a lack of interest is shown in everything.

There is grave danger when hemorrhage appears for blindness may often result. Sometimes the hemorrhage may occur in the brain thus causing a paralysis of the limbs. Every case of sub-acute or chronic nephritis implies a change, greater or less, in the urinary depuration. It does not matter whether the nephritis is interstitial, epithelial or mixed, and whether the lesion is limited to the kidneys, or whether other organs are more or less affected, the condition *is* Bright's Disease no matter what other name is given.

Earlier in this article I stated that it was not what passed through the kidneys, but what did not pass that is important. It has been positively proven that it is not because the kidneys allow some albumin to pass through every day that there is danger. The real danger exists in the fact that the discased kidneys are unable to allow the constituents of depuration to pass through regularly in proper quantity. Consequently the poisons are retained in the system, and accumulate rapidly and in great quantity, especially when the urinary depuration is much affected. Sometimes one is often misled because the effect on the urinary depuration is slight. The fact that the poison has taken longer to accumulate in the system, nevertheless, the danger is still there.

As a rule the walls of the blood vessels become thickened and hard which naturally increases the blood pressure. The patient will often notice that the artery at the wrist feels very hard and full. In fact high blood pressure is one of the first and most important symptoms of this trouble. We generally think of hardening of the arteries as being arteriosclerosis, but it is always associated with kidney trouble. It is a much disputed question, which comes first, nephritis or the arterial hardening. On the other hand, what we are mostly interested in is how best can we avoid these troubles, and the best manner to overcome the condition once it has become fastened upon a person. In the first place if a person would only take good care of themselves, by learning how to eat, and how to exercise so that the circulation of the blood stream is invigorated and the bowels kept open, there would be less kidney trouble. It is all the result of self poisoning; loading the system with foods that react upon the system and making a garbage sewer out of the blood stream. Overeating is the original sin, and heavy meat eaters are nearly always subject to kidney disorders. A milk diet is of prime importance, and the patient should concentrate upon it for at least three or four months. There is a possibility that milk will not agree with the patient, in such a case the diet should be replaced with a mixed diet of fresh vegetables, farinaceous foods, cakes, and fruits; with no meat. During this period tonics and injections of cacodylate of soda have often proven very helpful.

Although milk is very hard to digest and has a tendency to cause diarrhea, its great value lies in the fact that it contains small chlorination and has other special advantages as food. We know that chloride of sodium is absolutely prejudicial to patients suffering from Bright's disease, especially to those who have edema, and the salt, therefore, must be excluded from their diet. In view of the fact that the kidneys fail to do their work the skin must be encouraged to act freely, therefore, skin massage is very helpful although it is something that should not be overdone, and the patient should be kept off his or her feet. In all acute cases the patient should be kept strictly in bed. Sweating is another essential feature of the cure, but care must be exercised so that no chills are experienced during, or after, the process. When sweating is resorted to it is not wise to give the patient alcohol to induce the perspiration process, for all forms of alcohol are dangerous to the kidneys. Correct diet will be found to be the safest and surest cure for this trouble, and it is entirely up to the person to take care of themselves. Due to the fact that a patient is always easily fatigued when in the chronic stage, it is not wise to enforce exercise. Not that it throws any undue strain upon the kidneys, it does not, for in the first place the patient is far too weak to practice any lengthy form of exercise. During the early stages of the disorder, exercise will benefit the condition greatly as it will stimulate the blood circulation and help get rid of the poisoning toxins that are floating around in the blood stream.

The kidneys are a weak organ inasmuch as they are not able to force the toxins that corrode the minute tubes and choke the system. It becomes a matter of slow elimination, as the substance is dissolved and passed through. Quite often the bladder becomes affected in consequence and thus helps to make the whole condition extremely painful.

Drink plenty of water so that a cleansing process is formed and this will also help towards relief.

For the purpose of clarified understanding, we may sum up briefly as follows: the kidneys have a certain function to perform in the separation of waste matters, and in the form of urine from the blood, in this way assisting in the maintenance of the normal blood composition. These waste matters result from the function of metabolism, chiefly coming from proteins, water, salts, and foreign matters such as toxins, no matter whether formed in the body or taken in from the outside. The quantity of urine does not count so much in the matter of work done by the kidneys, as does the concentration of urine; and these organs are, no doubt, most severely taxed when they are called upon to remove from the blood a maximum of dissolved solids in a minimum of water.

The composition of the urine depends both on the condition of the cells of the kidneys and upon the quality of blood which passes through these organs. The kidneys are unlike most organs of the body, in that they receive their blood supply from only one source; therefore, these organs receive their nourishment from this blood while removing the accumulated poisons therefrom.

So, you see, if the blood stream through the kidneys is slowed, less blood comes in contact with the purifying parts of the organ, and at the same time the cells of the kidneys suffer from undernourishment. The percentage of solids in the urine mostly remains within certain limits, rarely above twelve per cent and just as seldom below three-tenths per cent.

The Mat

Analytical Comment on Subjects Connected with Body-Building, Muscular Development, etc.

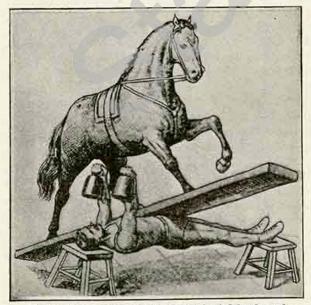
Conducted by George F. Jowett

IRON JAW FEATS

NCE more we have spring with us in all its glory of budding nature and pulsating life. Everything seems to be caught up with a new spirit filled with gladness that is almost intoxicating. Boy! But you do learn to appreciate these days of sunshine and clean winds as they bathe the face, after all the long months shut in by cold weather or smothered in extra clothes to resist the erratic temperature. When the days are coldest you wish you were South, West or any old place but freezing to death. But, I often think, the inclement winter weather conditions make us appreciate the glorying springtime all the more. I know they do me. I have been in the tropics and in the cold zones, and believe me you get wearied to death of the eternal snows and in time the riotous colorings of the tropics become dreadfully monotonous.

Every spring unfailingly brings back to me a few bars of an old song I learned in my early school days, "Oh, blooming spring, Oh blooming spring, with all my heart I love you." I love it because it always brings with it another impression of the vigorous life. Everything looks so clean, so strong and vigorous, that you cannot help catching the same spirit. It keeps up your determination to excel, and build up better than ever for yourself. That is always the way I feel, and though each

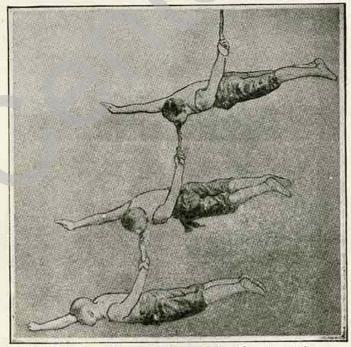
'Zat So



Here we see a man with a wonderful back and neck performing a truly remarkable feat, but not impossible, depending on the weight of the horse as compared to the bodyweight of the athlete.

spring means that another year has passed over my head, I never notice it as the old war horse within keeps me plugging away. So here's hoping you all feel as good as I do this springtime.

I have before me a letter from a Mat Fan who asks me to talk on the Iron Jaw Stunt. Incidentally, quite a



A most extraordinary feat; requiring the utmost in skill, strength and the ability to stand pain. This was performed some years ago in Europe, but we have lost track of the names of the athletes.

number of Fans seem to be interested in the same kind of stuff, and the mention of it brings back to my mind some dazzling feats of jaw strength that I have not seen imitated for many years. Some very spectacular performances were put on in the past, and in this issue I am reproducing one of the feats that always impressed me as being tremendously good. All these performances are spoken of nowadays, more or less, as exhibitions of teeth lifting, professionally the term is: *The Iron Jaw*, which is more appropriate and correct.

Men who specialize in these acts usually develop a very powerful neck and mastoid muscles, but they are not often very heavy men, particularly if they combine aerial trapeze work with their iron jaw act. In this case, the lighter the man is the better. Just straight teeth lifting does not matter; it is in such performances that we find the real heavy men.

The easiest iron jaw stunt is first practiced between two chairs, and they are so placed that the seats face each other and are spaced far enough apart so that you can stand between them. Between the chairs a weight is placed that is attached to an apparatus that fits into the mouth. When this is all properly arranged you insert the mouth piece into the mouth, and then place the palm of each hand upon the seat of each chair. From this position, throw up into a hand stand and as you press out to a complete long arm hand stand you raise the weight from off the floor. Often a person is used in place of a weight and sometimes a bar bell is used. You can use a bar bell placed lengthways between the chairs, or lengthways in front of the two chairs. You will be surprised to find how easily this feat is mastered. It is not necessary for you to be a good hand balancer in order to do it, the fact is that there are many who perform this perfectly who are poor on a regular hand stand. The weight suspended from the teeth helps to steady you. It really is a leverage stunt, in which your bodyweight is balanced by the amount of pull exerted against the weight. From this stage, the performer passes to the Roman rings where he performs the same stunt while the weight, or the person, is spun around.

The important thing in all iron jaw stunts is to have a good mouth piece, this should be made to fit the mouth fairly snug, with a flange around it, so that the teeth can grip the leather. Professional performers always have them made to fit. They first bite on a piece of leather so the impression of the teeth is made, then they place a lift on each side and bevel it off, so that it fits up in the roof of the mouth, and the lower lift presses on the tongue. It is then trimmed down so that there is no uncomfortable pressure upon the mouth and a flange is left around to bite on. Made properly, there is no real pressure against the teeth, and the mouth piece cannot slip away. The rest depends upon the strength of your neck and the mastoid muscles.

I remember a very thrilling incident I once witnessed in the way of an iron jaw act, in which things turned out anything but what was ex-The pected. athlete in question was the star performer in a French iron jaw act, his name I cannot now recall. Anyhow, to finish the act he went up into the balcony of the theater where a wire tightly was slung on a slant to the stage. After biting on the mouth piece which was attached to a little grooved wheel that ran on the wire, he was tied hand and foot and was blindfolded. In this manner he was given a push



Dimitri and Lorina, two specialty performers, going the rounds of the music halls in England.



Speaking of finger strength, this mat enthusiast has it; J. A. Marshall, of England, holding 56 pounds in his teeth while doing a finger stand.

that started the ride down towards the stage over the heads of the people. This particular night the wheel jumped the track and the wire became wedged beside the side of the wheel. He was helpless and could not even call out his distress. There was no net underneath to catch him, and naturally when his condition was realized a panic commenced among those directly under him. The management did not know what to do. He was completely beyond reach. Finally one of his helpers decided upon a daring plan. Hand over hand clinging to the wire he walked out to the helpless man. Reaching him, he hung with one hand and lifted the man with the other arm until he got the wheel back on the wire track, and with a push he started him out to complete his journey to the stage where he was caught by ready hands. It was a terrible experience for both men. The performer had hung helpless for nearly thirty minutes, so you can imagine the exhausted condition he was in when finally rescued. He suffered no injury, for his neck and jaw muscles were so powerful, and in such good condition that he was enabled to get over any affect of strain very . quickly. Nevertheless, neither the performer or his rescuer, whose hands were terribly cut with the wire, nor the spectators, are ever likely to forget the near tragedy. This story gives you a little idea of the great strength this man had developed by this practice.

Did you ever try to make a planche in the Roman Rings? If so you will have some idea how difficult it is to do, then figure out how much harder it is for the arm of the man in the picture who is bearing the weight of the other two men besides his own body weight. Then there is the feat itself which all depends upon the wonderful control and strength of the first man. It is a remarkable feat, and holds a lesson to all those who love to perform. Look how perfectly each man holds his position. The balance is perfect. That is what is called showmanship, the hardest thing for the performer to learn. Study the picture, and the longer you do, the better you will appreciate it.

Another iron jaw feat that looks good, is tearing a deck of cards in half while held in the mouth. You have more strength in the neck than the hands, so it stands to reason that a deck of cards should be more easily torn in the mouth than the hands. When beginning to tear the cards, do not pull them down; shove them up, then pull down, then twist up and over. In times past straight teeth lifting used to receive a great deal of help from a prepara-



Buster Lord, of Monticello, Ill., demonstrating a novel way of developing the neck. The enthusiast who is really after results will find a way to get what he wants.



Robert L. Jones, of Pine Bluff, Ark., showing unusual balance and strength in the fingers; a truly difficult stunt.

tion made beforehand. The teeth lifter generally stood with the feet spaced fairly wide apart, and the weight to be lifted rested on the floor attached to a rope. The other end of the rope was fastened to the mouth piece. He placed the mouth piece in the mouth then folded his arms and bent at the knees. At about the line of the folded arms-slightly lower down if anything-he tied a heavy knot. When he started to lift he made sure that this knot rested on the top of the folded arms. As he began to lift he lifted against the knot with his arms, thus aiding the neck muscles as they put forth their effort to raise the weight. Strictly speaking this is not a fair teeth lift, but whenever you see a claim for a very large record in this lift, you can be sure it was performed with the aid of the knot and the arms.

There is always a great deal of difference between a genuine teeth lift, and the method explained, although the knotted rope is safest and is of more value for exhibition lifting.

A genuine teeth lift is done with no other aid than that which is given by the jaws and the strength of the neck. One of the best lifters I have seen in this style is a young man by the name of Vitole. He hails from Brooklyn, N. Y., and I believe that he would be pretty hard to beat in any iron jaw stunt.

Among my recollections of a dare devil iron jaw stunt is one of an Italian parachute jumper. This athlete used to make his descent hanging by a mouth piece only. It sound terribly risky, but to men like the Italian, who specialize on daring performances, it is just as easy to descend hanging by the jaws as by the hands.

What Can You Do?

Here are a few letters from some of our brother *Mat Fans*, who have been so impressed and inspired by the doings of others that the urge became strong within them to follow as near as possible in their footsteps. I find these letters very interesting and I believe that they will appeal to you. If you have any experiences or new ideas that you think will interest others, or help them, pass them along. If you feel you do not have any experiences or new ideas worth while, tell us which is your favorite exercise and why.

DEAR MAT EDITOR:

I read the Mat talks in the STRENGTH MAGAZINE and like them. I will tell you what I can do. I am not a strong man and I am not entirely a weakling.

I can put up a one hundred pound bar bell fifteen times with one hand by the push method. I can make a (*Continued on Page* 89)

Health-Strength-Beauty (Our Girls' Circle)

Conducted by Marjorie Heathcote

EAR MISS HEATHCOTE:

I am greatly interested in your circle and have been for a long time. Will you please give me the correct weight for my height? I am 5 feet 5¾ inches tall and am 19 years old.

For years I have been constipated but am trying to overcome it now.

My hips and legs are too large for the upper part of my body. Should I try to reduce or build up my body? My chest and neck are so small that I am ashamed of them. What should my measurements be?

Please help me, as I want to have a better form and be healthier. What should I do for pimples and coarse pores around my nose? E. W., Burke, Texas.

Your weight should be about 140 pounds and your measurements as follows: Neck 13 inches, chest 31¹/₄, bust 36¹/₄, waist 26³/₄, biceps 11¹/₂, forearm 9¹/₄, wrist 6¹/₂, hips 38, thigh 24, calf 141/2.

A regular daily movement of the bowels is essential for good health. You should take some means to eliminate your constipated condition immediately.

The pimples which appear on your face are,

und o u btedly, caused by this condition. Exercise and strict attention to diet will remedy this condition. In planning your menus try to include:

Breakfast:

Any fresh or stewed fruit,

such as prunes, apples, apple sauce, peaches, pears, grapefruit.

Put a tablespoonful of powdered agar-agar or bran in the juice of the fruit. Do not try to chew the agar or bran, as it tends to stick to the teeth and is unpleasant. Drink a glassful of water at this time.

Luncheon: Always include vegetables or fruit or both.

Dinner: With the usual meal try to include at least two vegetables, such as spinach, beets or dandelion, greens, cabbage, asparagus, lettuce, string beans, carrots, cauliflower, brussels sprouts, squash, peas, celery, tomatoes,

lima beans, parsnips, turnips.

On arising drink at least one glass of cold water. Then exercise for 10 minutes.

For reducing the hips, try the following exercises:

Lie flat on the back with arms at sides and feet and legs raised midway, making a quarter circle. Move the right leg downward toward the floor, and at the same time kick upward with the left. Then reverse and kick upward with the right leg and lower the left leg. Do this vigorously.

Lie flat on the back, with legs extended. Stretch arms

overhead with the back of the hands touching the floor. Now swing legs upward from the floor, keeping arms on floor. Then lower the legs to the floor, at the same time raising the upper part of the body, with the hands extended forward so that the tips of the fingers almost touch the toes. Finally swing backward to the floor, arms overhead.

To reduce the thighs, practice the one leg squat.

> For the chest practice the floor dip and deep breathing exercises.

DEAR MISS HEATHCOTE: I always read "Our Girls' Circle" in STRENGTH with much interest, and having seen what you have done and still do for all those other women and girls, I have decided to write to you for information.

The only exercises I go in for are horseback riding, swimming and walking. I live out in the country, so I have the benefit of fully enjoy-ing the fresh air of our "Sunny South Africa."

Miss Heathcote, could you please give me a couple of exercises for making my bust firmer and if I am overweight, some for reducing? I am 20 years of age and am 5 feet 2 inches tall and weigh 130 pounds. What should my correct measurements be? At present they are: Neck 10 inches, bust 36 inches, waist 281/2 inches, biceps 10 inches, forearms 91/4 inches, wrist 6 inches, hips 39 inches, calf 131/2

Mrs. G. Henry Stetson, 1926 Na-tional Golf Champion.

inches, ankle 18 inches. thigh 221/2 inches. With every good wish to yourself, Miss Heathcote, and to "Our Girls' Circle, I re-Ain, Miss M. P., South Africa. Your correct measurements and weight should be: 119

pounds, neck 121/4, chest 283/4, bust 323/4, waist 241/2, biceps 101/2, forearm 81/2, wrist 6, hips 35, thigh 211/2, calf 131/4.

Your neck needs considerable building up. Try these exercises:

With hands at back of head, force head backward and then forward against the resistance of your arms.

Place the palm of the hand under the chin, with the elbow of that arm supported on the other hand. Force the head backward and forward against arm resistance from the front.

In last month's issue I gave a few exercises for reducing the bust. It would pay you to look them up.

If you have a tendency to be overweight, a very careful modification of the average, normal diet is necessary. Cut down sufficiently on fats, starches, and sugars. You must increase your exercises so as to burn up your surplus fat. The diet which I outlined above to E. W., of Burke, Texas, would be helpful to you.

You will be a very wise girl if you continue with your out-door activities. Vigorous walking is a first class exercise for any one who has a tendency towards overweight.

DEAR MISS HEATHCOTE:

I have read some of the recent issues of STRENGTH, and I want to know whether I can be an all 'round girl. By that I mean, can I be a boxer, wrestler, gymnast, bar bell lifter, etc., and etc., still retain my grace and feminine curves.

Thanking you in advance for this favor, I remain, G. V., India.

It is the general opinion that a girl loses her feminine charms and grace when she enters the fields of boxing, wrestling, or bar bell lifting. Personally I do not advocate bar bell training for any woman, as women are easily susceptible to strain.

Boxing and wrestling, in a mild form only, are general body builders. However, there are so many other activities that a woman can indulge in that these pastimes are best left to men. Why not go in for golf, tennis, swimming, horseback riding, dancing, and acrobatics?

I have seen many women gymnasts with beautiful forms. You could do nothing better than take a course in acrobatics to retain your feminine curves and grace.

DEAR MISS HEATHCOTE:

I am a reader of "Our Girls' Circle"

in STRENGTH. Your page is very interesting and helpful. I am writing to ask you for some advice. I am well developed, all except my legs. They are knock-kneed and have the appearance of being bowlegged. This is very embarrass-ing, especially when swimming. If you will give me some exercises to do that will overcome this, I will be very grateful.

F. E. M., Washington, D. C.

Knock-knees are not quickly overcome. If you will practice the following exercises persistently, you will get some results.

Stand with hands on hips; cross the feet, and while in that position sit on the floor. Rise again without help from the arms.

Heels together, hands on h , rise on toes. Bend the knees, and with the hands pull them far apart against resistance, until you are sitting on the heels. Return to position on toes, then lower the heels. Keep the back erect during the entire exercise.

For developing the calves, practice rope skipping and toe raising.

DEAR MISS HEATHCOTE :

Will you kindly tell me of an exercise to raise sagging cheek muscles and to erase frown lines between the eves? would be very grateful if you would give me a recipe for keeping the pores clean and for closing enlarged pores. P. C., Washington, D. C.

To raise sagging cheek muscles and erase frown lines, I would suggest massage. You can have this done by a specialist or do it yourself. If you do it yourself, use a very

good and highly recommended cream as a base, and make all your strokes upward and outward; never downward.

After massaging, an ice rub for about five minutes will be found very beneficial in making the muscles firm and closing the pores.

Keep the pores clean and closed. All you need to do is use a very good soap, and after washing the face, dash some cold water on it. If you have an oily skin it would be best for you to wash your face three times a day in the above manner. The ice application will be a great help in keeping the pores closed and, therefore, clean, as no dirt can get into them if they are closed.

If you use powder and rouge, buy those that are highly recommended only. A great many cases of enlarged pores and black heads can be traced to cheap powder and rouge. It is best, if you use makeup to remove it first before washing by applying a good cold cream and then wiping it off with a soft cloth, You will then be sure that every particle of powder and rouge has been removed.

Anna Pavlowa, whose marvelous art should be inspirational to all

Children's Diseases

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Are They Necessary? An Intelligent Understanding May Prevent the Chances of Serious Illness Later In Life.

By Dr. B. M. Middleman

HILDREN are a blessing to any home; to have happy, healthy tots playing around should make the heart of any parent young; but to have ailing, sickly children in the house fills life with care and sorrow. It is the privilege of every child to be healthy and happy, and it is the duty of every parent and guardian to see that the child is given proper care. How pleasant are the memories of a carefree, healthy childhood? Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could absolutely guarantee health to our children? So far as childhood is concerned, the world is full of sorrow and sickness, and infant mortality is appalling in this age of enlightenment and mechanical and business efficiency.

To what extent diseases of infancy and childhood are due to improper care and negligence is hard to estimate; but at the present day we believe every parent has a right to be well informed on matters pertaining to the welfare of his or her offspring. With such an idea in mind this present treatise is presented in the hope that it may cause some readers to realize the possibilities of a proper understanding of diseases with which childlife may be stricken. Of course, one must realize that in such limited space the subject can only be touched upon in the most brief manner.

Some authority has seen fit to define the periods of childlife as follows: "Infancy, or the nursing age, is that period of life during which the child is at the breast, usually from birth to the end of the first year. Childhood is the succeeding period, extending to the tenth year, with a division of two parts, the first from one to five, the second from the fifth to the end of the tenth year."

Up to the tenth year, diseases affecting the respiratory apparatus form around two-fifths of the cases. Next in frequency are diseases of the digestive tract, and then come acute infectious illnesses, such as fevers and breaking out diseases. Respiratory diseases are more common in the second and third years; constitutional diseases are more likely between six and twelve months; scarlet fever and measles are more common from the fourth to ninth years; the period from the second to fourth years is notable for filth infections, like diphtheria, as children infect themselves with dirt and dust and through personal contact. Tuberculosis is also common at this age. Diseases of the newborn infant occur within a short time after birth, and are, for the most part, septic in nature. Diseases common at this time are favored by conditions; the skin is not fully formed; the umbilicus is an open wound; the mucous membranes of the intestine, eye, mouth and ear make easy entrance for bacteria; especially if the infant be artificially fed, then it is open to all sorts of infection and contagion, lacking the protective antitoxins in mothers' milk; and with clothes keeping it warm, and careless handling the newborn is particularly subject to diseases of infection.

Summer diarrhea is more prevalent among bottle-fed infants than among breast-fed babies, although in institutions epidemics do occur among breast-fed infants. In large cities more than half the deaths among infants under one year old are caused by this complaint. Milk must pass through so many hands, that no matter how well it is handled, it is exposed to infection; the summer heat then tends to multiply the infectious agents.

The infant attacked by this complaint is restless and suffers colicky pains; vomiting occurs after feeding, the rejected matter having an acid odor and being curdled. The bowel movements become frequent and contain curds, either whitish or green and white, and may have an offensive odor. The temperature may mount to 103. In severe cases the vomiting is more marked, the bowels pass more fluid than is usual in the milder forms of the disease; the infant becomes pale and languid and loses weight; the pulse is rapid and weak and blood may be passed from the bowels. Bronchopneumonia may be a complication in the more acute forms of the complaint.

Cholera infantum is the severest form of summer diarrhea prevalent among infants. As a rule, the infant has been suffering from a mild form of diarrhea; then following a slight fever, severe vomiting and diarrhea set in, quickly exhausting the infant and leaving it soon in a prostrated condition. These severe forms of diarrhea occur among bottle-fed infants under two, chiefly in the heat of summer.

If the baby is nursed on a bottle, the nipple should be sterilized daily, the bottle should be filled with a saturated solution of sodium bicarbonate, allowed to stand for a few hours and then carefully washed inside and out with a bristle brush. After attending to the diapers, the hands should be washed carefully before feeding the baby. The milk should be the best obtainable and kept on ice till feeding time, and the nursings should be conducted at regular intervals; any milk left in the bottle should not be used for another feeding. The infant should be bathed daily. The greatest danger in handling this condition is the possibility of reinfection, where the strictest care is not taken with the cleanliness of hands and utensils. This is especially true in hospitals, sufficient care being very difficult with the numerous cases, a high mortality, therefore, resulting.

The breast-fed baby should be fed at regular intervals; the breast nipples should be washed with a saturated solution of boric acid before and after nursing.

To prevent severe form of gastro-enteritis, as soon as the baby shows signs of even mild indigestion or stomach trouble, the milk should be discontinued, a simple cathartic given, and the infant kept for twentyfour hours on a solution of egg albumin. After the bowels move, if the infant shows no further signs, feeding should be continued cautiously. If the food is unsuitable, then it should be changed if possible. If summer complaint develops in spite of all precautions stop the food and give white of egg with acorn-cocoa, or beef juice and barley water. The cathartic given should be either castor-oil or calomel (which should be followed by castor-oil); in case of vomiting, the latter is preferable. Enemas of warm water should be given.

Whooping cough is an acute specific infectious disease, caused by a micro-organism, and is characterized in the majority of cases by a spasmodic cough accompanied by a so-called whoop. It prevails in all countries and climates and is most frequent in Winter and Spring, being very prevalent at times in large cities; and is essentially a disease of infancy and childhood. Whooping cough is both infectious and contagious; the sputum and nasal secretions contain the micro-organism of contagion and the disease is especially contagious at the height of the attack. The disease is most frequent in the first and second years of childlife, the frequency diminishing after the age of five. One attack does not necessarily confer immunity, but cases of second attack are rare; observations show that whooping cough, measles and influenza frequently follow one another in epidemic form.

Whooping cough may develop anytime from one to two weeks after contact, the characteristic whoop may not appear for three weeks, though the patient is infectious long before that time, and it ordinarily runs a course of three stages after the appearance of symptoms : these stages are-the catarrhal, the spasmodic, and the stage of decline, without any sharp line between these stages. The catarrhal stage is marked by a cough, especially troublesome at night, which continues to grow more severe; after a few days this cough may be accompanied by vomiting, and gradually progresses to the spasmodic stage, with its characteristic cough, wherein the child has an inspiration followed by several explosive coughs, after which comes the deep, long drawn inspiration giving the whooping sound.

The child, when attacked by the weakening cough, may run to an older person for help, or grasp some object of furniture with both hands, the face becoming flushed and the eyes bloodshot. Bronchitis may complicate whooping cough. For relief, vapors may be inhaled and the accustomed steps taken to relieve the cough.

Croup may be caused by exposure to cold along with the invasion of some form of bacteria. It usually starts with running of the nose during the day and a slight rise in temperature; then a croupy cough with croupy breathing comes along towards evening. In most cases the croupy cough becomes worse during the night, with labored breathing; the cough may continue at frequent intervals till the patient falls asleep, worn out, towards morning. Through the day, with the exception of a slight cough, running of the nose and swollen tonsils, the patient may seem better, only to be attacked again at night. This may be repeated for several nights.

The patient should be isolated; place the bed or crib

under an improvished tent, and fill the tent with a steam vapor saturated with benzoin or turpentine.

Diphtheria is a contagious fever disease affecting the throat and air passages, characterized by the formation of a false membrane on the parts affected. Epidemics occur all the year round and the disease is prevalent in all parts of the world. It is infectious as well as contagious. Among children the largest number of cases occur from the second to the sixth year, and among infants it is more frequent from the first to the third month than from the third to the tenth. Diphtheria has a high rate of mortality. In some of the more simple forms of the disease the false membrane may be lacking, and indeed the throat may be afflicted in only a slight degree, though swallowing may be somewhat difficult. In the septic form of the disease, the swelling in the neck and false tissue increases rapidly and the temperature is moderately high. Complications may set in with heart paralysis, vomiting, abdominal pain, or paralysis of the soft palate may set in allowing food to get in the windpipe and causing pneumonia. In malignant septic diphtheria the complications become very great, causing alteration in the structure of the affected parts; few cases recover and among those who survive permanent defects result.

The diphtheria patient should be isolated as soon as the disease is detected, and kept in a well ventilated room. The nurse or attending person should not come in contact with others. After convalescence, the patient should not mingle with other children until cultures prove the absence of the diphtheria bacillus in the throat.

Bronchitis, acute and simple, is an infection of the larger and medium sized bronchial tubes, though it is liable to attack the smaller bronchi in very young infants. It may be caused by exposure to cold or wet, or injury to the mucous membrane of the air passages by inhaling dust or irritating vapors. Very often it occurs as a complication of acute infectious diseases. The bronchial tubes become filled with pus, and there is a feeling of suffocation, accompanied by a rise in temperature and coughing. Care should be taken to see that bronchitis does not develop into bronchopneumonia.

Bronchopneumonia is the prevalent type of pneumonia occurring before the fifth year, but there are other forms of pneumonia occurring during childhood. Bronchopneumonia very frequently complicates some other sickness or disease, which causes it to have a high rate of mortality, usually in connection with measles, scarlet fever, typhoid fever, diphtheria, whooping-cough and influenza; and the majority of cases follow an attack of ordinary bronchitis. As a rule bronchopneumonia is attended with difficulty in breathing, coughing, fever (except in a few cases) and a rapid pulse. Treatment should be directed toward supporting the heart, reducing the effects of the fever and relieving the cough.

Mumps is an infectious and contagious disease of the parotid gland, at times involving the other salivary glands, as well as the testis or ovary. It is common in large cities and very often is epidemic in schools and places where large numbers of children congregate. Children of school age are most commonly affected, because they are exposed more than those younger or older. It is not known just what causes mumps; after infection the disease may attack in from ten to twentytwo days, and runs its height in from three to six days, running its course in seven to (*Continued on Page* 60)

The Wizard of the Mat

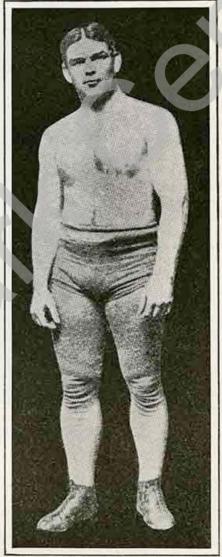
The World Has Never Seen His Like, and May Never Again

By Dean Carrol

WISE wit once remarked that it was wisest and safest, when offering comparisons, to look backwards instead of forwards. Perhaps it is the truth behind this statement that makes the world admire a genius more after he is dead. Only the wild optimists prophesy the future for the future is never written across the sky as is the past. It may be more satisfactory for the general public to believe that we have never had another Shakespeare, or another Beethoven, but I do believe it is easier to compare the

philosophy of sayings and the beauty of music, than it is to compare the athletic ability of an athlete, particularly of a boxer or of a wrestler who relies entirely upon his general physical supremacy, where time or height cannot convey the full meaning of his efficiency, as is possible for the runner and jumper. It takes a fight or wrestling connoisseur to decide a question of this nature, and the subject does not necessarily have to be dead in order to be justified for a comparative criticism. I believe wrestling is more difficult to estimate because of the more numerous. intricacies of science and physical ability it involves than boxing does. The wrestler outlasts the fighter by many years, and this enables him to stay in the game much longer, and take on all newcomers that come during those years.

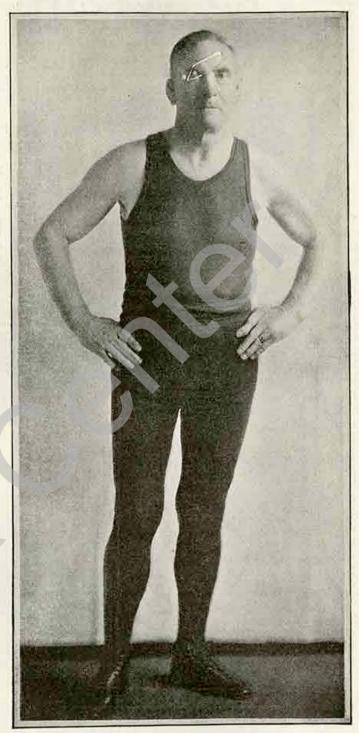
Personally I can refresh my mind many years back in the grappling sport. I had the acquaintance in my youth of men who knew the wrestling game from its first inception in American history. In fact, I believe I know the wrestling game as well as any other man, and throughout the years that I have followed this sport, my mind has always been drawn as by a magnet to the memory of Farmer Burns, who I saw when he was touring America with the Jeffries All Star Show, taking on all comers. I felt an intense fascination towards the man who had met the original "Strangler," Evan Lewis, and successfully defied the genuine choke hold. I want you to remember back to 1895 when the strangle hold was not barred, and Lewis was a holy terror in choking his opponents into a comatose state. Everything was against Burns; he lacked weight and strength, but he had acquired that something which was to make him the invincible mat man. I remember how people raved over him; they could not understand how a man less than 170 pounds could defeat a monstrous foe of 220 pounds, whose very name struck terror into the hearts of most grapplers. When he began to uncork his stuff the spectators got a new



Frank Gotch, greatest of wrestlers, who became champion under the wing of Farmer Burns; Frank met and defeated the best in the game when the mat warriors really were good, and wrestled on the level. sensation. For the first time they saw the genius of science introduced into the grappling game. The Farmer knew his stuff. He developed himself for wrestling only; his neck he had strengthened until it was like a steel cylinder, and all the art and wiles of the throttle grip were wasted effort upon the throat of Burns. That was what beat Lewis. When he realized how futile his deadly lock was on the Iowan he was lost. From that time on during the match he was like a bear trying to uncoil the trapper's snare net. The Farmer tied him up until he looked like a crossword puzzle, while the crowd howled out their delight at the perplexing holds, and the funny contortions the big man went through in trying to break loose. It was of no use, the tricky Farmer worried and wearied him to death, emerging the winner of two falls out of three.

That was the greatest day in the farmer boy's life. He won the world's championship, demonstrated the possibilities that could be achieved by a small man in wrestling, and became the first of the long line of westerners who have continued to thrill mat followers up to the present time. When Burns took the world's crown away from the choking fiend, he settled a score he had chalked up against Lewis for six years. It was their second collision and the choker was out for blood. The first time they met holds a story full of humor. Burns had driven into Chicago with a load of hogs for shipment, and to kill time he strolled along by the bright lights to take in the sights. The first thing he saw was an array of placards announcing that Jack Carkeek and Strangler Lewis, champion of the world, were open to meet all comers at the Olympic Theatre. Twenty-five dollars was offered to any man who could stay with either of them fifteen minutes, and two dollars for every minute after. When Martin Burns saw that his eyes stuck out like saucers and his blood pressure soared so high that it made him dizzy. Here was the chance of his life to bust into real wrestling. He had thrown all the cornstalks on their ears, and now he was determined he was going to try his mettle against a real man. So off he went to the theatre to arrange points of contact. When the manager asked which man he preferred. Martin replied. "both of 'em." They got kind of suspicious. Here was a guy, dressed like a hick from the sticks, who wanted to take on both the best men in the world in one night. It looked phoney, so the manager conspired and decided they would give Burns a chance on the fifteen minute time limit. They were afraid that the two dollar a minute stuff might prove ruinous. The night was arranged and the Farmer waited his turn back in the wings of the stage. Time was called and a howl went up from the people when they saw Burns step on the mat clad in overhauls and stocking feet. Poor Burns was scared almost stiff. He had never seen such a crowd in his life before, but the razzing he got touched him in the right spot. His first opponent was Carkeek, and at him Martin flew like a hurricane. He swept Jack off the mat into the stage scenery knocking it all over. Not for a moment did he let up. The whole stage was a mat to him, and it was just the same to him whether he was wrestling in the orchestra pit or any other place. The crowd went delirious with joy as it showed its enthusiam for the importation from the wild and wooly west. Carkeek was never in such a deluge of arms and legs in all his life, and he began to think he had got mixed up with some wrestling fiend let loose from an insane asylum for the occasion. Carkeek was clever, but he met his master in the "overhauls wrestler," while Lewis looked on in wonder and amazement. Fifteen minutes was up and all Carkeek had been able to do was defend himself. He gladly made way for his more powerful partner with the deadly strangle hold.

Martin did not like the looks of the Strangler's face, and sensed that this hefty looking customer was likely to do him some damage if he got a chance, but Lewis never got that chance. Burns was too quick. He acted like a bull terrier baiting a bear, and led Lewis into all kinds of treacherous locks and holds. Nevertheless, that fifteen minutes was bitterly contested and it needed all of Burns' wits to stay with the Strangler. It was a night of triumph for him, and Chicago did not forget that memorable double contest. The newspapers were packed with details of the bout, and Farmer Burns became besieged with so many offers, at a salary beyond his wildest dreams, that he felt like sticking pins into himself to see if he would wake up and find it all a dream. It was no dream, as his aching neck muscles later testified. He accepted an engagement with Conners and Greens' Specialty Show, and toured the season meeting all comers with success.



Farmer Burns, 66 years of age, and still in splendid condition; Burns was the wizard of matcraft and defeated some of the giants of the game when only a middleweight.

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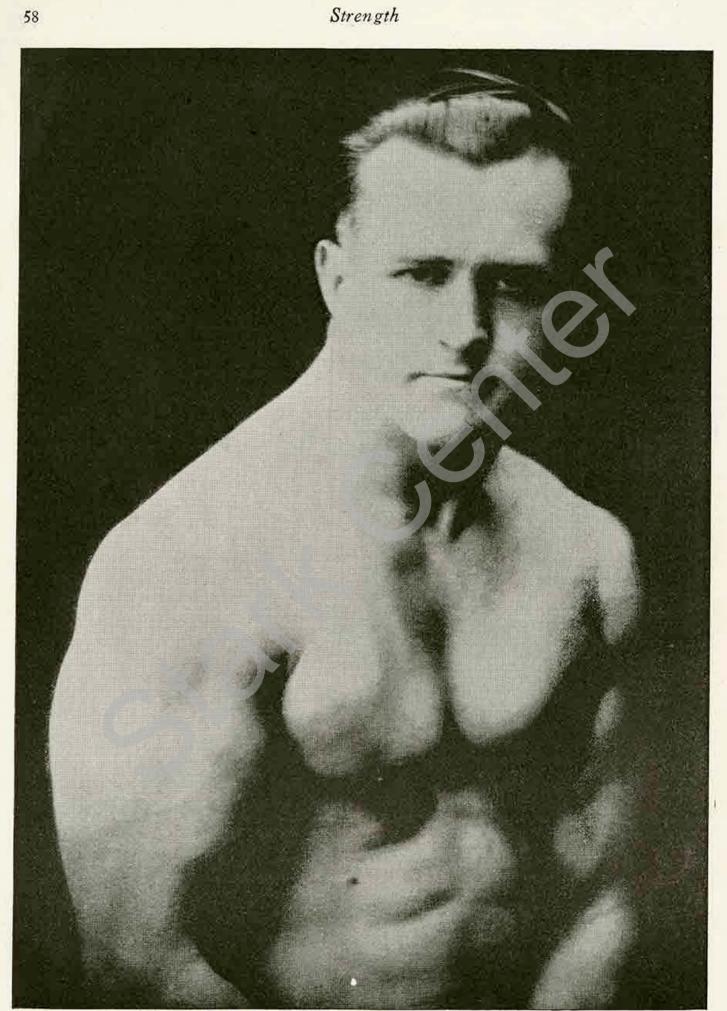
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fourteen days; mild cases may last only two days. Severe cases are very rare. Very little can be found out concerning this disease, due to the fact that it is seldom, if ever, fatal. The patient should be isolated and kept in bed as long as symptoms are present. The swelling should be anointed with oil of Hyoscyamus and covered with cotton, and the bowels kept open.

Rachitis (or rickets) is a disease of nutrition causing well marked changes in the structure and form of the growing bones, and may begin before birth, or develop any time during the first three years of the child's life, after which age it is very rare. Both sexes are equally subject to the disease which is favored by a moist or damp climate, while being very rare in warm dry climates. It is more common among civilized communities, especially large cities where the infants are fed upon substitutes for breast milk, and develops among infants who are weaned early and fed on artificial foods, sterilized milk, meats and other solid foods. These foods cause an intestinal disturbance by creating a tendency toward too much lactic acid in the stomach and too little hydrochloric acid, thus causing certain food elements to be eliminated. The most marked, as well as general symptoms are changes in the bony structure; the bones become soft, and do not form in the normal manner. In advanced cases, the head takes on a peculiar shape and the chest becomes deformed along with other very marked symptoms. It is wisest not to wean a child until at least the ninth month, and then if cow's milk is to be used it is best diluted; eggs, meat, potatoes and vegetables should never be given a very young child. It would be best to give two breast feedings daily and several artificial feedings rather than to wean a rachitis child. After the sixth month a child with rickety tendencies should be given fruit juice in small quantities, preferably orange juice. Constipation must be guarded against, and damp, ill-ventilated dwellings shunned. Medically, cod-liver oil, with hypophosphites of lime and soda are excellent.

The exanthemata, or infectious diseases accompanied by skin eruptions, form a distinct group, in which the infectious element originates in the body of the patient; the nature of this poison is unknown, though suspected to be bacterial. It is known that these diseases: scarlet fever, measles, German measles, chicken-pox and small-pox, are conveyed from one person to another through the atmosphere, being truly contagious; differing in this respect from a disease like typhoid fever, in which the disease-carrying agent must be introduced into the body. Most persons are susceptible to some of this class of diseases, such as measles and smallpox, while not everyone exposed to contagion will get scarlet fever or chickenpox; likewise, few people are attacked twice by any one of this class of illnesses, but an attack of one of these diseases will not confer immunity from another. Each of the exanthemata is distinct in itself and has a certain period of incubation, between the time of exposure and attack; and it is possible to have two of these diseases at one time.

Scarlet fever is highly contagious, and has a characteristic rash. It occurs at any age in all countries, being peculiar to North America and Europe and is most prevalent in the Fall and Winter. All children exposed to infection do not contract the disease, but it is very easily caught or carried to another person, if one remains near the patient for any length of time. Clothing and articles of food may also carry the infection for quite a length of time.

Scarlet fever may come on in from one to eight days after contact, but usually occurs in from three to five days. The eruption usually comes out on the second day and generally lasts till the end of the fifth, after which scaling be-gins, which may last for a long time. Such patients are liable to spread infection anytime within six weeks, and anyone subjected to infection cannot be sure of being immune until eleven days have passed. At the beginning of scarlet fever the temperature may rise to around 106, later to drop to subnormal, with occasional recurrence of high temperature, and is accompanied by sore throat. Generally twenty per cent. of the patients have ear trouble afterwards, and it is figured that ten per cent. of deaf-mutes can trace their affliction to this disease.

The patient should be isolated and kept in a warm, well lighted and ven-tilated room. Those having contact with the sick should not go near others. During ordinary fever, sponging with lukewarm water will bring relief; in cases of continual high fever the patient can be placed in a full bath every four hours, having the water at a temperature of 100, then gradually reducing the temperature to 85 while the patient remains in the bath.

Measles is an acute infectious disease, distinguished by a characteristic eruption on the mucous membranes and skin. It is highly contagious, especially through the atmosphere; most persons are susceptible, though infants up to five months are not so susceptible as at later times; the first born seems to be more immune at this early age than subse-quent offspring, but it is very infrequent during the first year of life. Measles is prevalent in all parts of the earth, cli-mate or weather seemingly having no influence on its prevalence. Measles usually occurs in from ten to fourteen days after exposure, the rash appearing three to five days after definite illness sets in and lasts from five to seven days, and the patient may spread infection anytime within two weeks after the appearance of the rash. At first, a rash appears in the mouth, accompanied by a slight feeling of illness, possibly head-

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ESS than a year ago I was friendless, lonely, unhappy. No one seemed to take to me. Then came the amazing event that changed my whole life. Sud-denly I found myself with hosts of friends the center of attraction-the life of every party. I was popular everywhere! Here's how it happened!

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to dreaded solitude. One night my spirits were at their lowest ebb and the four blank walls of my bed-room seemed to crush me like a prison. I could stand it no longer. Anything was better than that lonely room. I wan-dered out into the deserted streets-unconscious of the drizzling rain.

Suddenly the sound of jazz and happy laughter caught my ear. For an instant my spirits rose, and then fell as I realized that the fun was not for me. Through the open window I could see couples dancing-others talking-all having a good time.

Everything seemed to center around the young man playing the piano-Tom Buch-anan. How I envied him! He had friendspopularity - happiness - all the things I longed for-but didn't have! I was just an outsider. I turned away with a lump in my throat.

All the way home I kept thinking of that scene through the window. It depressed me. The next evening I dropped in to see Tom. He greeted me cordially: "Hello, Dick, glad to see you." "Feeling pretty blue, Tom, so I thought

I'd call. Lucky to find you in, though. It doesn't happen very often," I answered. "Well, you came to the right place. Music

will soon make you forget your troubles."

Tom sat down at his piano and began to play. Never have I been so moved by music. The happy hours sped past as rhapsodies, The happy hours sped past as rhapsodies, waltzes, jazz hits, sonatas poured from his expert fingers. When he had finished, I sighed-sighed enviously. "Thanks, Tom, it was wonderful. What I wouldn't give to play like that! But it's too late now! I should have had a teacher when I was a kid -like you!" Tom smiled and said: "Dick, I never had a teacher in my life. In fact not so long ago, I couldn't play a note." "Impossible!" I exclaimed. "How did you do it?"

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piano?" Amazed at my confidence, I spoke up: "I'll try to fill Tom's place—if you're not too critical." Everyone seemed surprised. "Why I didn't know he played!" someone behind whispered.

Quictly I sat down and ran my fingers over the keys As I struck the first rippling chords of Nevin's lovely "Marcissus," a hush fell over the room. I could hardly believe it, but—I was holding the party spellbound! Then as I played, I forgot the people and loss my-field dotted with nodding white flowers and filled with rick, fragrant perfume. When I finished, you should have heard them opplaudi Everyone insisted I play more. Only too giad, I played piece after piece. My heart was filled with ioy—for I—who had been an outsider—was now the life of the party. Before the evening was over, I had been invited to three more parties. Now I never have a lonessom and so casy!

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ache and a slight disturbance of the stomach. Then in a couple of days the rash begins to appear on the face and head, with running of the nose and eyes and coughing; then the rash spreads to other parts of the body, the fever reaching 104 or 105 at the height of the rash; then the rash and fever begin to fade and scaling sets in. One attack is quite positive to cause immunity from further attacks. In severe and fatal cases, complications set in as a usual thing, such as pneumonia, kidney trouble or mastoid disease. Diphtheria may likewise complicate measles.

The disease alone needs very little medicinal treatment, the aim being to make the patient comfortable. The sick room should be well ventilated, and the cough sometimes needs treatment. The patient should be kept indoors for about three or four weeks after the eruption appears. A soap bath is sufficient before allowing the child to mingle with others.

German measles (or Rotheln) is very much like regular measles, but lighter in attack. The fever does not mount so high, nor does it remain quite so long. After exposure to infection, this disease may not attack for a period as long as three weeks, while it may set in one week from exposure. The rash usually appears two to four days after definite illness and lasts about three days, but the patient is contagious about ten days after the appearance of the rash.

Chicken-pox is an acute infectious disease of childhood, rarely occurring after the tenth year, and is transmitted through the atmosphere. It is peculiar to certain countries and does not appear epidemically, as a rule. After exposure to infection, the disease may attack in from ten to sixteen days, and is marked by eruptions in the mouth, rash on the face and body, slight fever, feeling of uneasiness and possibly running of the nose. The rash continues to break out on different parts of the body for the first four days and then begins to fade. The patient is liable to spread infection till the scabs have all disappeared. If itching is present, eruptions should be covered with 5 per cent, boric acid ointment. Slight scarring sometimes results.

Cow-pox is similiar to Chicken-pox, though, as a rule, it occurs only at the point of inoculation. It is peculiar to the cow and occurs on the udder. It is transmissable from animal to animal and from animal to humans.

Though a child may suffer from any disease that may afflict an individual of more advanced years, there are certain diseases more common to children; included in this group are a few that seldom afflict the adult. Until the last few years there was a common belief that each child must catch certain illnesses before adolescence, or something terrible would attack them in later years. Due to this belief, many parents have been known to expose their offspring to contagion, in direct violation of the public health code and quarantine laws. Nothing could be more pernicious than to believe a small child must suffer the ravages of filthy disease, and the prac-tice of exposing little ones to the unknown consequences of health destroying disease only existed because of downright ignorance on the part of those who had every right to be better informed. I say "unknown consequences," as at that time very few had any idea of what effect these "harmless" diseases had on survivors. Today we know they are far from harmless, and the present day medical man can point to statistics showing an increased death rate from certain degenerative diseases, such as "heart disease" and say with absolute positiveness that a large ma-jority of those deaths are due to weaknesses left after attacks of the "children's group" of sicknesses. There is no way to tell just to how great an extent humanity has suffered because of so pernicious a belief. And the horror of it all is, that we have not yet groped our way out of the darkness of such ignorance; it is a blight on our boasted present day civilization to know there are people living in some communities in this country who still believe in this relic of the dark ages.

American Continental Weight Lifters' Association Notes

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Everyone laughed when Dennis imitated the style and lifted one hundred and eighty-five pounds The Two Hands Clean and Jerk came last. Here was a lift in which murder could not be committed as had been done in the other two lifts. Dennis did two hundred and thirty-five pounds; Gratton did two hundred and forty-five pounds. The totals were Gratton six hundred and twenty pounds and Dennis six hundred pounds.

In the last lift, Mr. Jowett threatened to disqualify Gratton for the remarks he was passing all of the time. He wanted to referee the lifts according to his own ideals, but was promptly stopped.

Our president gave an imposing talk afterward, and while he did not disparage the visitor, he told the truth. Mr. Jowett went the limit on this occasion in order to give the visitor a show, and of course Dennis had the same chance, but our president emphatically stated that it would never be allowed again for no man. They either have to lift according to A. C. W. L. A. ruling or Olympic style. There is no beauty or ability to what we saw, and if a man cannot lift in that privileged style, he cannot lift at all. Gratton should at least have made a total of seven hundred pounds. Mitchell, lifting under our rigid ruling, could allow Gratton to lift in his privileged style, and our boy could hopelessly beat him in the bargain any old time.

Gratton is a much over-rated man, and is the poorest lifter we have seen from the land where we know real

lifters are. He realized his deficiencies as he saw Manger, Levan and others go through their lifts in that smooth, polished style of the purest lifter.

There is no possibility of a match be-tween Mitchell and Gratton now. We know the latter has no chance and if he is the best of Canadian amateurs at his weight, the title is pie for America. What we could not understand is why Gratton refused to meet Manger, when the Frenchman claims to be the all weight Canadian Amateur Champion. There must be some mistake for we know of many others in Canada who are superior to Gratton at his bodyweight.

Marineau, Fournier, Giroux and Dandurand, unfortunately, are profes-sionals, but they always lift our style as does Angers, the Canadian amateur featherweight champion. It looks as though America has all of the Continental amateur titles in her hand with the exception of the heavyweight class that is ruled by Caouette.

The German heavy middleweight champion has signified his desire to lift. The more the merrier, for each international match will show how good our boys are. Our president has surely led us right, and I hope we will be led to the world's championships by him.

The officials for the night were: Geo. F. Jowett and Mark Berry referees; Chas. Durner and Dr. Raftery as judges, with Carl Collier and Philip Piantone supervising the loading. Norristown, Pa. blossomed out with a

splendid strength shown on February 26th, that was held in the City Hall. It was a fine affair, and reflects great credit on Frank Carfogno and James Messer, the promoters, and is shared by the splendid work of the performers. Mark Berry went up to officiate as the official representative of our president, and opened the show with an introduction of all the performers. The actual show opened with a comedy song and dance act by Miss Emma and Charles Zone. The act was a knock-out, and won the applause of the house. Gallo and Santillo came next in an acrobatic act, which was splendid. Full of pep and brilliant stunts it was well received. Miss Emma and Charles Zone later came on and the whole four broke into a regular acrobatic and tumbling free-forall.

Zoley Lucas, at one hundred and forty pounds, did a Two Arm Curl with one hundred and twenty and a half pounds, coming four and a half pounds behind the record held by Charles Swift, of Pittsburgh, Pa. After this. Tony Pellicotti tried a Left Hand Bent Press with one hundred and ninety-six and a half pounds, but failed. This was followed by a match on an assortment of six lifts between Messer and Piantone. It was won by Messer with a total of nine hundred and seventy-six pounds against nine hundred and sixteen pounds. Bill Lilly, Jack Russell and Archie Allair, went through their usual stuff that was a revelation to the watchers who wit-nessed the performance for the first time.

Levan next obliged with some stunts that are mighty good for a one hundred

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and twenty-five pound man. He laid down and got up while holding a one hundred pound bar bell at arms' length throughout. Next he held a one hundred and twenty-five pound weight in the teeth and performed a deep knee bend several times. With two hundred and fifty pounds he went through some more squats, laid down with the weight and pressed it in the shoulder bridge, then he placed it on his feet to be shoved up and down a few more times. For the final stunt he bent into the Wrestler's Bridge, and pressed a one hundred and twenty-five pound bar bell and supported three men on his body at the same time.

Nick Cippolini curled ninety-five pounds to a new record mark in the one hundred and twelve pound class. Held out in front raised from below fifty-five pounds, and the same weight lowered from above. In the Pull Over and Press on Back, he did one hundred and sixty pounds and one hundred and thirty-five pounds in the Wrestler's Bridge as his contribution. All these lifts are new American Records.

Frank Dennis, assisted by Joe Dettor, gave an interesting turn of lifting, tumbling and acrobatics as the wind-up. The performance was ably assisted by

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The Bell Lap

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1925; Freddie Spencer is a native of New Jersey and not long out of the amateur ranks, but has proven one of the best all-round anklers in the game. Orlando Piani, a big fellow from Italy, who first came here about seven years ago, is among the foremost as a sprinter. Due to his ability as a sprinter the management uses him as a drawing card by having him specialize in match races; the Italian-American populace attend the races by the thousands to cheer him. Though very successful as a match racer, he doesn't fare so well in the championships. Among other great sprinters are Cecil Walker, of Australia, who finished second in the final standing two years in succession; Harris Horder, "Bobbie" Walthour, Jr., a youngster who is a likely candidate for title honors; he is the son of one of the greatest riders of old days, whose records still stand; the father is still in competition in Germany.

William Spencer, known as Willie and Bill, is the elder of the Spencer brothers, being a little over thirty. He is much lighter in weight than his giant brother and more successful at distance races, but lacks "Artie's" finishing ability in the sprints and matches, though he is the most popular of the two.

Arthur Spencer as a sprinter of pure speed is positively tip-top and at match race riding, averaging over a few years, he is about the best the game has seen. He is extremely large for one who makes his living on a wheel, always weighing well over two hundred. Seemingly due to the excess flesh he carries and evidently finds impossible to eliminate, he is notably weak in any sort of distance race, seldom showing to advantage in any race over a mile in length. Were it not for this inability to keep going when the pace is hot, he would have no trouble to win the sprint championship year after year. But, where a sudden burst of speed is needed, as in a match race, he leans over the handle-bars, puts his weight on the pedals and the bike sure travels. Art finished third in the title series last year.

Another form of match riding is to pair the riders into teams, two or more teams competing in a series of heats. Most often two teams will be sent on the track at one time. The usual method of riding such races is for one member of a team to pull the other, that is ride in front as pacemaker, breaking the wind resistance and riding himself "out" in order to pull his part-ner into a favorable position for sprinting to the finish. Throughout the heats the teams will jockey for position and try to separate the men on the opposing team.

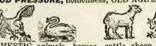
Every rider, whether professional or amateur, has a handicap mark at which he must start in handicap events; this mark is determined by his ability in general competition and gives each rider a chance to win prizes. The star sprinters are placed on scratch, the others are strung out in front according to their ability and the distance of the race; in a two mile race of this sort, some riders get as much as two hundred yards lead on the scratch men. At the gun every one starts and it is up to the back markers to pass those in front. The stars must ride at their best to win very often in the handicaps, and some remarkably fast time is made, especially where a star has the field spread out fairly well in front of him, and keeps getting pulls from those just in front, till the last man is nipped at the tape. Some very large fields enter the amateur $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1 mile handicaps, necessitating the running of several heats and a final. In two-mile handicaps the entire field is started at one time, with the riders strung pretty nearly the whole way around the track. Spills are the general rule, there being many on the track at one time. I recall an instance, a few years ago, when at least fifty started in one of these events; as the front men were slow getting away, the back markers came up to the limit men at one time, with the result that there was one grand pile, and when they stopped piling there were about six left on their wheels. It was necessary to call that race off to sort out the fallen riders and twisted mass of busted bikes.

A race requiring grit and plugging is the "Australian Pursuit," most often contested by two riders, who start from opposite sides of the track and ride till one passes the other. In the case of two evenly matched riders, it may require a few miles of riding till one triumphs. When in his prime, Oscar Egg, the

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(Continued from Page 64) Swiss, was unbeatable at this style of Sometimes they contest Ausriding. tralian Pursuit team races, two men on a team, and for novelty's sake frequently have eliminations, with four men starting at different parts of the track in each heat, the winners going in a final.

Oscar Egg, we might mention, was one of the most famous of six-day riders, and won many endurance races in Europe and America. To give you an idea of his remarkable plugging ability, some years ago riding on a track alone, he covered twenty-seven and a half miles in an hour. The best ever ac-complished by an American was twentyfive miles, six hundred yards, by W. W. Hamilton, away back in 1898. Riding alone a man must buck the wind all the time, which accounts for the few miles when compared with some other records.

A regular feature is the popular "miss-and-out," usually not entered into by the stars, so it gives the second raters a chance to cash in on the prizes. In order to make the idea clear, we will suppose that thirty riders line up for this event; each time they come around the track the last man is called out by the officials. This is continued till seven are left in the race, when the bell rings and they tear around for final positions; in this case, where thirty started, the distance would be four miles and one lap, providing no one quit during the race. It requires some tricky riding to. keep in a miss-and-out, as there is a merry scramble each time the field nears the official whose duty it is to call them out; a rider may consider himself safe, only to have someone sneak past him. A dollar is the prize for the first man around each time, but if a fellow goes after the lap money, he won't have much energy left for the finish. If a man wins a dozen of these during an entire season, he is going to land at the top of the heap.

To keep the pace hot in distance races, like a five, ten, twenty-five or fifty mile race, they use a system of pacing. A number of riders, generally six, with plenty of plugging ability but not quite classy enough to have a chance of winning, are chosen to act as pacers. The duty of the pacer is to ride in front of the string of competitors, as hard as he can, alternating every two laps. As a pacer is relieved he swings off and rests until it is again his turn. The field is supposed to follow the pace, though at times they refuse to follow as fast as the pacers choose to go.

As a means of varying the season's program, frequently another sort of race is carded-the 100 kilometer team race (621/2 miles is the distance actually raced) this being a miniature six-day event. Teams of two men each are These are as evenly matched formed. as possible, with about twenty teams starting and sprints for points every two miles. Generally, the members of a team relieve each other for each sprint, though once in a while a man may stick for two in a row. The atmosphere is much like that of a six-day race, with lap stealing, etc., lasting about two and a half hours.



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To win the American sprint championship means holding top form over a long period; in fact, most of the summer, as where the championships used to consist of one series of six races, now they consist of four series of six races each, or twenty-four races in all. Each series includes races at the following distances : Quarter, third, and half mile, one mile, two miles, and five miles; riding heats, semi-finals, grand semi-finals and finals at each distance. We will say there are sixteen men who have a chance of winning, the $\frac{1}{4}$, 1-3, and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile championships would each be run as here outlined. First, there are 8 heats -2 men to a heat; second, the 8 winners are paired in 4 semi-finals; third, the 4 semi-final winners are paired in grand semi-finals; fourth, the two winners meet for the right to first and second place; fifth, the two grand semi-final losers fight it out for third and fourth.

In the one-mile, two-mile, and fivemile championships, the heats, semifinals and grand semi-finals are run at a half mile distance, only the two finals being at the full distance. This makes the eliminations purely sprint affairs, bringing only the best sprinters into the point standing and keeping out the distance men who lack speed. It is figured that if they were to put the entire field in a two- or five-mile championship race without heats, too much teaming would result, in which case the winner would be the member of the strongest team and not necessarily the best man. Obviously, heats couldn't be run at the full distance, for by the time the riders reached the final their pep would be gone. It may be interesting to note that the ultimate winner of the championship doesn't win all the first places, in fact the men are so evenly matched that he may win only five or six first places out of the twenty-four, relying on a high average of second and third places.

The curious thing about this sprint championship, is that although the classiest and fastest men are pushing pedals in America, they don't have the right to call the winner the world's champion, the various controlling bodies manage to keep the world title events over there, just like the Olympic Games are kept over there for several years. Only once were the title events held over here; that was in 1912, when Kramer won with Grenda second. Evidently the American stars can't get enough money over there to make it worth while going over. Most of the best foreign stars compete over here as the money comes in much easier

the money comes in much easier. In 1913 Walter Rutt won the world title in Europe. Rutt competed over here a great deal and Kramer was always his master. Owing to the war the championships were discontinued till 1920, when Bob Spears of Australia won; from 1921 to 1924, inclusive, the title was held by Peter Moeskops, of Holland, a veritable giant. He competed in this country quite a lot and was defeated at different times by our riders. Then the title of world's sprint champ went to Ernest Kaufman, of Switzerland, another giant.

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Goullie has long had the ambition to win the sprint title, and, although he has given a good account of himself each year, he has been unable to capture the crown. Probably the real reason for this is the fact that he made a practice of riding all the distance races throughout the season. Followers of the game have held the opinion that would he have given up the long distance affairs he could have won the sprint title, at least one year.

The Australians are a wonderful lot of distance men, including Goullet, Reggie McNamara, the "Iron Man" of six-day fame: Alfred Grenda, Cecil Walker, Alex McBeath, and a host of second raters and coming stars who always manage to give a good account of themselves. Then there was Jackie Clarke, a great little rider of several years ago, and Bob Spears, a champion sprinter of recent years who has also figured prominently in distance races.

Now a new star has come from Australia, who promises to shine at all branches of the game-Harris Horder, a little fellow, may be champ once he is thoroughly acclimated. The reason for starting the Australian invasion some years ago was that when Frank Kramer was in his prime he won so many races it almost killed the game; the sport had no competition, people knew he would win and quit going to see the same old thing. It's the uncertainty of the thing that makes sport popular. In recent years, it has happened only once where one man copped pretty near all the races in the championships; in 1920 in a series of nine races for the itle, Art Spencer won eight, getting second in the other which his brother Willie won.

During the summer of 1912, shortly after coming to this country, Goullet rode in Salt Lake City, Utah. and won the Western sprint title, the riders being split into Eastern and Western groups. Kramer won the Eastern title and the two were to meet in a deciding final but it never came about. A lot of records were created in Utah and Colorado, back in those days, that some authorities don't like to acknowledge, claiming the light air of such high altitudes makes it unfair to compare those records with records made elsewhere.

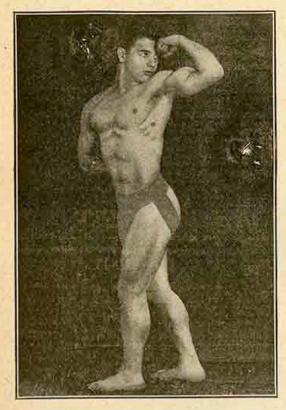
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The outdoor meets are wound up with a motor-paced race, where the riders follow the pace of a motorcycle, keeping the front wheel of the bike within a few inches of the rear wheel of the motorcycle, and average around forty miles an hour in most of the distance races, though at times they hit something near a mile a minute. Some riders in Europe, using huge specially built pacing machines, equipped with windshields, have made astounding speeds, the record being that of John Brunier, a Frenchman, who rode over seventy-five miles an hour; but we are dealing now with racing over here, where the riders are not aided with windshields and large pacing machines. On our tracks regular motorcycles are used, and when the European stars come over here they are no better than our boys. The official American mile record is one minute, four and a fifth seconds, made by Menus Bedell, at Philadelphia in 1917. At the same time he rode five miles in five minutes, eighteen and twofifths seconds, and ten miles in ten minutes, fifty-nine and three-fifths seconds. Generally, forty mile races are finished in less than an hour. Last year the motor-paced title was won by a young lad from Iowa, who has been riding but a short time, Victor Hopkins beating out Frank Keenan, of Boston; Vincent Madonna, of Italy, and George Chap-man, of Newark, who has held the title for some few years. Madonna was also a former champion.

The bike racers are well remunerated, the stars making small fortunes each year. Some of the top-notchers receive a good sum to sign up for the season and then clean up in the winnings. The six-day game adds a handsome sum to their bankroll in the winter.

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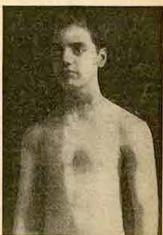
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Exercise No. 4-For the next scene I will give you a chance to rest those Procure a important calf muscles. stool or chair without a back, and we are ready to go on. As swimming is such a wonderful exercise in itself, we can hardly do better than to copy a natation movement as one of our health stunts; so we will proceed by lying face downward on the stool, as shown in Figures D and E. To begin with you stretch both arms overhead, palms downward; the legs should be extended with feet together. Bending the elbows slightly, start the exercise by bringing one arm back towards the hip by describing a downward and backward sweep. When the hand touches the hip, sweep. start the other arm backwards and swing the first arm forward; keep both elbows bent slightly all the while. Continue this alternate arm action at a comfortable rate of speed, but don't work too fast. Meanwhile, the feet should be kept thrashing up and down, swinging from the knees and keeping the toes well pointed. This movement is not exactly like the famous crawl stroke, but for the purpose of exercise it is possibly a little better. Continue till your circulation is causing the skin to glow and

you are breathing a little deeply. Exercise No. 5. You may now assume a standing position for the next valuable movement. With feet well apart raise the arms out to the sides on a level with the shoulders. The exercise consists of bending forward in a snappy mainer and swinging the arms so that they fold over the chest; now quickly snap back up to the erect position bringing the arms to the outstretched position from which you started. The first and third positions are shown in Figure F; the second position is illustrated by Figure G. In performing this movement, you should endeavor to keep the knees straight and use the hips as a hinge, as it were.

Exercise No. 6-The last number in this set is something on the order of a stationary run, and like most of the others, performed on the toes. To start this exercise bend the arms at the elbows and clench the fists; raise on the toes. Now commence to bring the knees up toward the chest, alternating right and left, at the same time swinging the arms vigorously back and forth. As the right knee comes up, swing the left arm forward and the right arm as far back as you can; then as the left knee comes up, the right arm comes forward, etc. Make this stationary running motion as fast as you can, but continue for only about one minute, unless your breathing does not cause you much trouble, then you can continue as long as you like. Hold the head up and keep the chest well arched. This exercise is illustrated by Figure H.

There is a little point which, seemingly, I have neglected to consider so far in this council on health giving movements. This is the matter of telling you what parts of the body receive benefit from following above advice. To save possible confusion, I have purposely left this for the last. Exercise No. 1 is for the entire leg, though chiefly for the calf and ankle. The second movement is largely for the hips, but is also excellent for the back and the entire leg. The third exercise is given with the idea of improving the shapeliness of the legs and waist, at the same time perfecting the poise of the body in general. Number 4 can be relied on to improve the general physical The fifth stunt is recomcontour. mended for the improvement of the abdomen, hips, back, shoulders, arms and chest, at the same time having a beneficial effect on the calves.

The last exercise can be said to have an almost identical effect as the one just enumerated above, though in a more active manner, and the calf and leg muscles are given somewhat more strenuous exercise.

Now let me give you a warning, just reading these exercises and trying them only once will bring you no benefits. If you really want to gain ideal physical proportions and shapeliness and become known as a girl or woman with a beautiful form to be envied, it is up to you to really give this little set of exercises a fair trial. Then, no matter whether you are in abbreviated bathing costume or in the shortest skirts dictated by fashion, you will have nothing to be ashamed of, and will have cause to envy no woman her possession of physical charms.

Before saying adieu, it is only proper for me to add a few words on the all important subject of diet. Truly, there is no reason to become a nut on the subject by restricting one's self to one kind of food, but then you will do best to limit the taste for such things as candy, cakes, pickles and pastry, and to endeavor to eat quite a lot of fruits and greens and all sorts of wholesome foods. The girl who is too stout would do well to limit the quantity of potatoes, bread and cereals she consumes; while the girl who wants to gain weight must try to eat more vegetables, mashed potatoes, cereals, cream and puddings.

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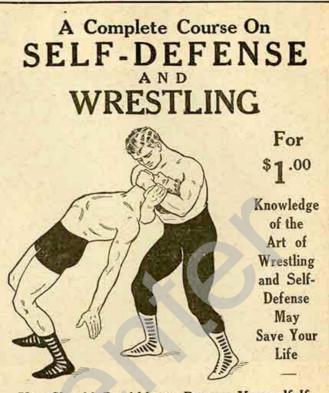
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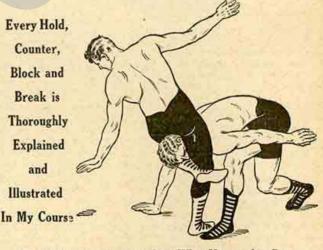
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Ask the Doctor

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tance, and they could tell the time, but I couldn't make out the hands. How is this? Would glasses help me to see things at a distance more clearly?

S. J., Maryland.

ANSWER: Your symptoms sound a great deal like neuro-circulatory asthenia.

The doctor finds it difficult to treat anyone for asthenia who is obliged to still reduce his weight, unless that person is greatly overweight for height and age, which you certainly do not seem to be. I certainly would not take any chances on further reduction, especially if you are wiry and muscular at present. Have your eyes examined by a competent eye specialist to see if you need glasses, as eye strain itself causes a lot of nervous trouble.

For your nervous condition and general health try a number of oack-bending exercises, such as bending the crab from the floor position and relaxing by going all the way forward again. Stimulate the brain center by head or hand stands frequently during the day. Lie with the foot of the bed higher than the head, to stimulate nerve centers.

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OUESTION: I am a constant reader of STRENGTH magazine, and would be glad to get something to secure relief and would be grateful if you would give me something to benefit my condition. I am twenty-eight years of age and weigh 165 pounds, am bothered with sick stomach nearly all the time, but do not vomit. I see little specks and long circles before my eyes all the time. I feel lazy, tired and weak and have a little tenderness in upper part of stomach at times, am somewhat nervous and do not rest very good at night. My tongue is coated nearly all the time and I am very pale and yellow at times. I do not suffer with constipation, but when my bowels move they are very light in color and I have a bad taste in my mouth. Also suffer with headaches a great deal. G. L. W., West Virginia.

ANSWER: You are no doubt suffer-ing from a chronic inflammatory condition of the liver or gall-bladder, which affects the stomach reflexly. This con-dition alone is responsible for all your ills, as most stomach specialists are familiar with.

The modern treatment of such condition is known as duodenal drainage. which is both of a therapeutic and diagnostic benefit. Our advice is to consult a stomach specialist before taking such natural means as corrective exercises.

If operation is not desired, primarily your only salvation is as before stated, duodenal drainage and a dieting regime. Your condition is not to be tampered with.

Your diet should be easily digested foods, avoiding heavy fried, smoked, and spiced foods. Keep bowels open by daily dose of sodium phosphate, two teaspoons every morning.

QUESTION: Have read some of your articles in STRENGTH and would greatly appreciate it if you will answer the fol-lowing questions. My sister, aged forty-nine, has diseased tonsils and doctor advises an operation to remove them and to use an anesthetic. She is very delicate so I would rather she could be cured through natural methods. She has had asthma colds, coughs and pleurisy and sinus trouble for the past two winters, but gets over them during the summer.

She has had arthritis in finger joints which left them knotted. Doctors think it is due to diseased tonsils. She also has sore throat and tonsilitis occasionally the year round. My sister uses sal hepatica daily for years. I have read that osteo-paths can cure diseased tonsils by drain-ing them, also that they are a necessary part of the anatomy and should not be re-moved. I also read that they can be cured by proper diet, and hope you can recom-mend a natural treatment whereby she can avoid an operation. She has low blood pressure.

Can you suggest a cure for noises in the ears like escaping steam? This lady is in her forties and has had the noises con-stantly for eight months, with an occasional sore feeling in one ear and it aches slightly when weather is damp. Her hearing is not affected, but she fears it will be in time if

allowed to continue. What is normal blood pressure for a woman of forty-six?

Does high blood pressure always indi-cate hardening of the arteries?

How high can it go before the arteries begin to harden?

Is eating candy injurious to an adult when they eat a well balanced diet be-sides, such as whole wheat, raw fruit, green vegetables, milk and some meat and baked potatoes?

R. H. F., New York. ANSWER: It is evident from your letter that your sister is suffering from a general infection of upper respiratory passages-nose, throat, possibly eusta-chian tubes, and middle-ear. Arthritis arises from this condition. Associating with best physicians, they advise the removal of the infected processes, either by operation or by some specified means advocated by a specialist.

The rheumatic condition of the joints can be cleared up as before stated. Body building and health cannot be associated with foci anywhere.

High blood pressure does not always indicate hardening of the arteries. However, it may mean Bright's disease, brain tumor, sometimes undetermined, then called Hyper-Pyesia. Any blood pressure consistently over 160 systolic, or 105 diastolic is bad, with kidneys mostly at fault.

Candy, when pure, is of benefit at times, depending on whether or not you are in good health. It is tolerated by most individuals, except in cases of diabetes. It may be used in such cases when advised, with taking of insulin. In fact candy is used as a stimulant before major operations.





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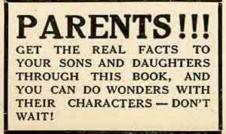


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What Will Tunney Do?

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championship of England in 1808 and was regarded as the champion of the world. These same friends were astonished when he handed both titles over to Tom Cribb without meeting him in combat. Gully said: "No, having achieved my first ambition, I must give my attention to the others."

He also said that he was going in for racing and expected to become an owner of race horses and also intended to enter parliament. He then started in as a bookmaker

He then started in as a bookmaker and made a very good success of it and acquired considerable wealth. He next purchased a very useful bunch of horses and won several first prizes and was now ready for his political career. He contested against Lord Mereborough, who made considerable reference during the election campaign about what raindignity it would be to be represented in parliament by a low pugilist. Evidently the electors had a different viewpoint, for the noble lord was beaten, and the indomitable Gully became a conspicuous figure in the political life of Westminster.

Gully and the present champion seem to have some characteristics in common. Tunney has the intelligence, physical ability, and ambition which were so strikingly combined in Gully. Tunney's intelligence is universally acknowledged among the sporting writers and those who have had an opportunity to know him. Tunney does not have the muscular development and strength attributed to Gully, but likely his other physical qualities make up for any differences in strength and development. Tunney's quickness, timing and coordination of movement would certainly compensate for any lack of sheer force. Tunney's victory over Dempsey tends to prove this. Whether or not Tunney has other ambitions that will cause him to quit the ring like Gully did, is a question difficult to answer.

Perhaps Tunney may develop some interest that will take him away from the boxing game entirely like the one time champion William Thompson. Bendigo, as Thompson was better known, beat Burke on a foul in ten rounds at Ashby, England. He gave many years of brilliant work to the boxing game, but finally tired of it and turned to religion as an outlet for his energy. He became a parson. The people flocked to the chapels where he preached, probably because of his fame as a champion. One of his former sparring partners said, on hearing him expound the teachings of the Bible: "Now that Bendigo can't find any man to stand up to him, he's tackling the devil."

A rather interesting tale is told concerning Bendigo that tends to prove that, notwithstanding his religious interests, he still retained the natural combativeness that made him a world champion. It seems that one day he was extolling the benefits that accrue to those that lead Christian lives when a gang of half a dozen roughs interrupted



his sermon. They spoke aloud while he was preaching and referred to his pugilistic past. He swallowed his pugilistic past. wrath and completed his sermon. Then he said aloud: "My Lord and Master, for more than six months now I have unfalteringly looked after your interests. Do you now give me six minutes in which to arrange my own affairs?" Then he fell upon those roughs and in a short time administered a physical lesson to them. He then returned to his pulpit and made the following piquant remarks: "May this lesson prove effective. Sit where you are. Having to listen to my words may punish you still more than my blows. Behave yourselves or I may have to punctuate my sentences again."

While we can see no reason to expect Tunney to become a second Billy Sunday, yet there is likelihood that he may forsake the ring for some other profession just as did his predecessors, Gully and Bendigo.

He and Corbett both belong to the scientific side of the boxing game. They are both highly intelligent and real gentlemen out of the ring. Corbett lost his championship by defeat at the hands of Fitzsimmons, but we doubt if Tunney has as formidable opposition at the present time. Of course we do not know what the future will bring.

The boxing game, at the present time, is commercialized to the saturation point. A present day champion cannot escape this commercial influence. The commercial associations of a present day champion are such that his business ability is enlivened and he develops a broader financial outlook. The more that interest in the financial end of the game is stimulated, the less desire there is for boxing in itself and eventually this leads to v romotion, rather than to the competition idea. The trend is to become a handler of money rather than of gloves. If the intelligence is equal to the demand, this often results in the boxer becoming a promoter or a financier. Tunney's predecessor Dempsey became more and more interested in the financial aspect of the game. He took to handling more and more of his own investments until his time was devoted to his own personal interests and his fights were few and far between. Tunney, so far, has shown very good indications of being possessed of sound judgment and business acumen. Just where Tunney's interests will finally lead him is a matter of conjecture. Until the future reveals there can be no adequate answer to the question: "What will Tunney do?"

Girth for the Small Boned Man

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this program which is after all of the most importance.

Now let us see what the legs can do for us. I said that the thighs were the third important sector for us to concentrate upon, but I want you to realize that this includes the hips also, for what affects one usually affects the other. The thigh muscles are long and heavy, and an inch gain in circumference means quite a little help to swing the scale. dial higher. As the hips become firmer they will provide weight, but never worry about the fact that you may build up too heavy in that region. You will not, particularly if you do not have a wide pelvis. Do not think the only muscles of the legs to develop are the large ones on the front of the thigh. Not at all. There are those on the inside of the thigh, just above the knees, and those that lay upon the back of the leg. Work on all of these and you will build up a finely shaped pair of legs.

I guess that I have explained the reasons why these three sectors are the most important, and now I will pass on to a few exercises that I have all the confidence in the world will give the small boned man, who is out to secure more pounds and inches, real satisfaction.

For spreading out the back and putting brawn upon it, I do like the following four exercises. The first is the old swinging movement where you take a kettle bell in one hand, and swing it from between the legs to a high front position. Start with about fifteen or twenty pounds, and stand with the feet apart with the disengaged hand pressed upon the corresponding knee. As you bend forward to grasp the weight, bend the knees, and keep the lifting arm In one movement always straight. throw the weight out in an arc, and as it returns, repeat the movement. When you get good enough at it, you can catch the weight in the other hand, and alternate your swings in that manner. Do not do too much of this, for it is hard on the legs as well as the back, and is apt to set the heart racing and make the breathing short. It is a great exercise to give you pep, and you usually feel the whole body tingling with in-vigoration afterwards. I often do it as a bracer first thing in the morning, and thoroughly enjoy it.

The second exercise is a variation of the old reliable pull in to the chest with a bar bell, but I think this is a little better. First load up a dumb-bell and place it between the feet, and with the other hand grasp hold of some immovable object that is a few inches off the floor. As you pull the dumb-bell to the chest, pull hard upon the other object, and as the weight descends, again tighten upon the grasp and pull. These two actions cause an opposing spreading pull on the muscles which is what is desired. In the movement you keep bent over from the waist all of the time, and do not straighten up as you pull the weights in. Instead, point the lifting elbow out-wards, until it is on a line level with the shoulder. This is important. Do it when practicing the slow pull in with a bar bell also.

I still like the two dumb-bell pull in, where you stand bent over, feet apart, with a dumb-bell in each hand held an inch off the floor. Pull them in to the



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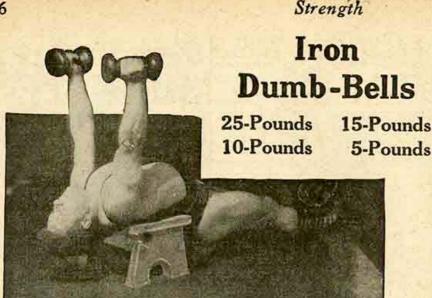
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chest alternately, and keep the elbows out, and you will find some real back action secured.

Here is another you may like to try. Take a dumb-bell or a kettle bell in each hand, and press them overhead together and while held overhead throw the head back and look up. Also turn the hand back on the wrist so that the distance between the hand and the elbow is shortened. This done, keep the arms rigid and bring the wrists together, but positively do not bend the arms at the elbows or lean too far back. This brings a different pull on the shoulder blades, which is the important part of the exercise.

For the chest I like the two arm pull over, the lying down crucifix, and the exercise where each arm does a one arm pull over in a complete half circle, but where each arm operates separately, and I do like the chest inspirational exercise where you stand erect and press one dumb-bell after the other to arm's length. I described all of these exercises in last month's issue.

Another good exercise is the dip, but I like to do it with the feet raised upon some object. This is done by placing the hands upon the floor and lowering the body until the chest touches the ground, and then press back to straight arm position. It gets the breast muscles nicely besides opening the chest and giving the back some work to do.

An exercise you will like is performed with a fifteen pound bar bell. Stand erect with the feet together and the bar bell hanging in the hands across the thighs. Breathe in and slowly raise the weight until it is held level with the shoulders. Do not lay back as you raise the bar bell; fight to keep the erect pose and you will feel the tension in the back, chest, and thighs.

The thigh exercises are not so many and they are not absolutely essential. In fact, one must always be careful not to overtax the thighs. Stand erect with a bar bell held in the hands behind the back, and by bending the knees, endeavor to sit upon the heels, then rise. This has a little different influence on the thighs for it keeps you straighter, and less weight is handled, causing a more direct pull upon the muscles that lie at the back of the thighs. You can also practice the deep knee bend while resting a bar bell across the neck. Also stand straddle over a heavy weight, grasp it with one hand in front and the other behind, stand straight up and then make only a slight deep knee bend.

Another good exercise for the thighs is to walk with a bar bell resting across the back of the neck.

I have given you quite a few exer-cises, but that does not mean you should include them all in your schedule of training. That would be too much. Start out with two of each, and build up as you feel able. The idea of the number of exercises is to give you a selection. Change about so that the muscles are developed from every angle. They become accustomed to one movement and then the results become less.

One thing never should be forgotten. After each exercise period massage the muscles thoroughly. Keep them pliant

so that they will respond better to growth. Never get discouraged, just battle away; you are bound to get some gratifying results. Muscle is a queer thing in a way. As much as it is associated with strength, the latter is often found more abundantly than the former. That comes from becoming too enthu-siastic and forcing results. Take your time, especially when you are out to secure additional girth. Always give full extension as well as full contraction to the muscles, so that they will grow long and full. Some men have those strap-like muscles that make one think that they are starved to death. They have too much separation, and while that person is no doubt of the wiry type, he will find it a little more difficult to get size. His progress will be slower, but he will always be very strong, more so than many sturdier looking men. The reason is that he is alive with nerves. He is just a bundle of them. His nerves consume so much fuel that he apparently does not have the chance to accumulate weight. He should study his diet a little so that all he eats actually counts, and will be converted into muscular tissue. Good hours and plenty of sleep are great factors towards body building, and the mind should be kept free from all morbidness. I have always found it to be a great help to keep the mind fastened on the subject, be ever conscious of what you are doing so that there will be no danger of falling into any slouchy habits.

The muscles are all subject to growth. No matter what disappointments have been experienced I know that the small boned man has a chance. He always becomes the most shapely athlete. In that respect, nature is kind to him. He acquires symmetry and pleasing proportions easily.

When considering the chest, always figure the depth through from the chest bone to the spine. Just the same with your legs. Depth and a balanced circumference is what counts. After the body has been developed to a satisfactory degree from this training, you can turn your attentions towards other parts of the body, but I feel quite sure that they will be influenced by the other muscles so much that you will be given

a pleasant surprise. Do not hesitate to follow this pro-gram every day if necessary. If you do, be a little more conservative on the number of repetitions for each exercise, and do not include too many exercises. Use your own judgment; your own physical condition will always be your best guide, and with a little thought will lead you to success.

One of the finest examples that the world has before it, of what a small boned man can achieve, is the one afforded us by Thomas Inch. Here is a man who stood five foot nine inches at the age of twenty-one, and weighed a little over one hundred and twenty pounds stripped. Even at that he was an accomplished athlete and possessed unusual strength. He believed that he had reached the natural extent of physical size, as portioned out to him by nature. Secretly he had big ambitions,

Health and Strength Are Mainly a Matter of Nerve Force

Thousands of people conscientiously exercise to build up their muscular power and improve their health without realizing that Nerve Force is the basis of all strength and health. A muscle is only as strong as the amount of Nerve Force back of it. The same applies to digestive power, or the the power of any vital organ. You can have an arm as thick as your leg and still not be able to lift a hundred pounds, unless the necessary Nerve Force is there to give the muscles power.

Endurance also is mainly a matter of Nerve Force. Allan Calvert, that well-known authority on strength and muscle building in an assida building, in an article entitled "Great Bodily Strength — W h a t Is It?" very wisely em-phasizes the fact that without Nerve Force there can be no strength and endur-ance. It is the fluctuating degree of Nerve Force in an athlete that accounts for the fact that one day he will make a record that for weeks there-after he will be unable to duplicate.

It is absurd, therefore, to exercise and exercise to build greater muscle and forget entirely that which is of far greater importance - N e r v e Force. Similarly, it is foolish to use the utmost care in the selec-tion of a diet and for-get that the condition of the nerves that govern digestion is what, in reality, determines the benefit that is derived from the food.

Most people, not

knowing anything have been trans about the Nerves, Nerve Force, and Nerve Weaknesses, ruthlessly squander their Nerve Force without knowing it. Of course, they know that loss of sleep and other dissipations undermine the nervous system, but these evils are but a few of many that wreck the nerves.

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twitching muscles, that are the most impor-

tant nerves. Y e s, W A T C H YOUR NERVES. We are living in an age of speed; we are leading a mile-a-minute life that is tearing our nerves to shreds and undermining our health and strength. If you feel tired, men-tally depressed, lack mental endurance and concentration, and are generally run down, think first of your Nerve Force and don't be deceived into believing that some magic system of physical exercise can restore your nerves.

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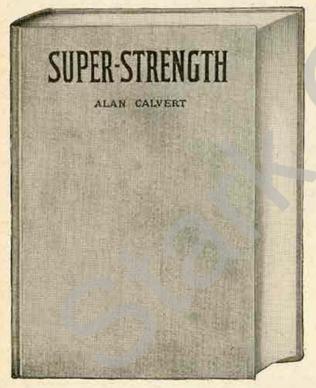
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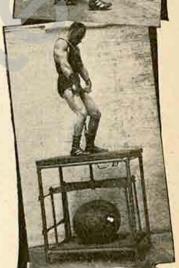
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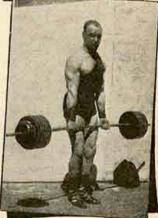
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the dream of his life was to be big and a world beater. Little of this he said to anyone for it always brought about an embarrassing situation for him. Just the same he trained determinedly and believed he had found the secret. Gradually he became larger and soon he stripped at one hundred and sixty-one pounds, with beautifully shaped muscles. He won a world's championship at his weight and became the wonder of 'hat time. He was not large boned by any means, and never acquired rge bones, for that matter. His hands were so small that he could wear a woman's glove, and wear a woman's ring on his fingers. People marveled at him and scientists claimed he had done the impossible, but he rejected that statement by claiming a man can build up to any size, providing he has the height and knows how. He was not believed, so he made a wager that within six months he would increase his then forty-four inch chest to fifty inches, his sixteen and a half biceps to eighteen inches and all other measurements in proportion. The wager was accepted, and he was measured and checked up by a number of physicians and interested parties. As you can imagine, he was watched with unusual interest. When the time came he met the same parties who had checked up on him, and those with whom he had made the wager. Not only did he

get the required proportions, but he even exceeded them. His chest was fiftytwo inches and his biceps twenty, thighs twenty-seven inches and calf seventeen inches. He proved, under a strict test, what I am telling you can be done, but, personally, I am against people striving for huge proportions. It is so unnecessary. Surely you should have proportions worth while, and muscles shaped with symmetrical contour, but never overdo a good thing. Not that Inch did. His size was a business to him and proved of inestimable value, but few of my readers are professional strong men, or want to be.

Whatever the small boned man has in mind, he should never forget that while he is engaged in body building, reserve should be an important feature of the program. The program I have outlined assures you of that. You will never run any chance of burning up all those stowed up energies of nature, instead they will be increased, and stored away to keep your body in fitness all the days of your life. That is physical happiness and content, which is far better than financial content and poor health.

When you plan, plan right and if you plan on the program I have outlined here, I am sure you will find yourself on the path where muscular increase, great strength, and abundant health are always found.



They're Off Again!

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rest of the infield in this way: The second baseman, short-stop and third baseman do not have to be so conscious of their pegs. I mean by this that they know their first baseman will get the pill, regardless of a few feet of wildness one way or another. This lends confidence and does not make them overcareful in pegging. In other words, fear of a mispeg doesn't bother them.

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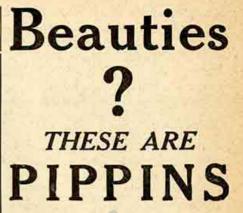
Why Get Spring Fever? (Continued from Page 40)

ridges, meat and eggs, pancakes and syrup, and a lot of other heavy foods for breakfast; well, that sort of diet won't do for the warmer weather, pro-viding you wish to feel alive all day long. No, sir, to be up and at it all the time, you'll have to eat something sensible: Try a breakfast of grapefruit, a light cereal, stewed fruit (either prunes, peaches, apricots, or apples) and a drink of whatever you are used to drinkingmilk, cocoa, coffee, or tea. At noon make it a light lunch, and then in the evening eat a solid meal of whatever you please, so long as the food is wholesome. Don't be afraid of starving on this one heavy meal idea, as I know from personal acquaintance that many famous "strong-men" eat fewer meals than you will imagine; and lots of wellknown athletes get along on two meals a day, one light and one heavy. They are generally the type who have been built up and are inclined to take on extra weight, so if you are trying to build up it would be best to make it two light meals and one heavy. The above diet recommendations, understand, are for warm weather, particularly for spring; during the cooler and the cold weather you should profit by eating a little more of substantial food, especially if trying to build up. If you are used to coffee or tea, and seemingly suffer no harmful effects, there can be no reason for an active person passing them up. If you work indoors, you will do well

to keep in the shade at noon, and not exert yourself, providing you wish to feel peppy the rest of the day. I have noticed how many persons will go out at noon and get all sweated up, and it takes them a couple of hours to get feel-ing comfortable when they go back to work. Eat your evening meal early so that you will have plenty of time for activity in the evening. Allow about two hours' time if you are going to exert at all strenuously, otherwise an hour will suffice. The evening is the time to ride your hobby, whatever it may be, but anyway make it an active hobby of some kind. It may take the form of some home training system, or a trip to the gym, a walk along the avenue, or a short game of twilight baseball.

Speaking of home training exercises, try these few and see if you ever came across any that were better, so far as effective exercises of a light nature are concerned. Light exercise has its many benefits and a place in the training system of every individual who is earnestly after results. The movements given below should not be confused with the usual calisthenics of a free hand nature. In the set here given, there is a forced contraction and range of muscular extension seldom seen in exercises performed without bulky ap-paratus; likewise the degree of progres-sion keeps pace with the increasing strength.

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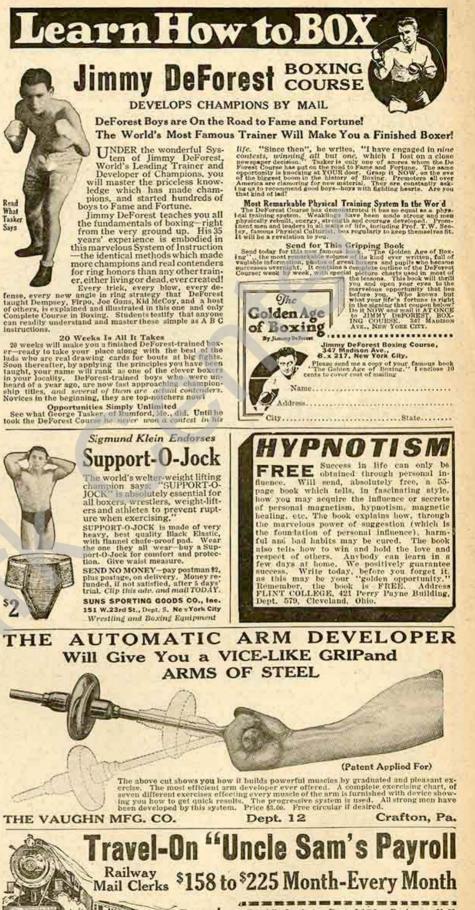
Bring the right hand up and over to a position in back of and between the shoulder and neck, causing the muscles to contract as forcibly as you possibly can; to properly accomplish this it is necessary to raise the elbow as high as Simultaneously you you are able. should bring the left arm downwards and backwards as far as possible with-out twisting the body. The aim should be to contract the triceps and back muscles to the utmost. Now moving both arms at one time, reverse the positions of each arm by bringing the right down and back and the left up and be-hind the neck. The best results will be obtained by keeping the muscles contracted and tense throughout the movement. This exercise is very aptly illustrated in Figure 1

The above exercise is intended to give the utmost in full arm and shoulder development, causing as they do, com-plete contractions of the various muscles involved.

Exercise No. 2-Stand with the feet close together; now, let the arms droop and the shoulders sag forward into an exaggerated street corner slouch; also as befits the type, let the knees bend somewhat; then with as much life as you can command at one moment, bring the shoulders back tightly with the arms bent at the elbow and the fists tightly clenched. Throw the chest out to the limit and bring the chin in against the neck. The knees should also be tensed; in fact the whole body will now be perfectly rigid, as shown in Figure 3. Of course you understand that this complete movement was performed at one time from the upright position. Slouch forward again and repeat the exercise. This is a capital movement for the spine and the muscles that hold the body erect, and will enlarge the chest by several inches in a few weeks time if persisted in regularly; but most of all, the vital forces and energy sources are increased wonderfully by a number of days at this exercise. The essential point is to make certain of bringing the chin in tight against the Adam's apple while the chest is arched and the spine straight. Exercise No. 3-Stand erect with the

heels together, clenched fists at the shoulders with the elbows bent. This movement is somewhat complicated, so for the purpose of a clear understanding we will first describe the leg action; first we will take the right leg, this should be extended to the side about as far as you can, while the left leg is bent at the knee and the body inclined far over to the left side, at the same time extending the arms vigorously, so that you will be in the position shown in Figure 4. Return to the first position and repeat, then reverse the movement, extending the left leg and bending to the right side; this is a general exercise for the whole body, and something needed very much in the spring when the system must be livened up.

Exercise No. 4-Procure a piece of rope (about ten feet in length) and holding each end of it in the hands, run it under the right foot; now stand solidly upon the left foot and keeping the body upright, make a two-arm press



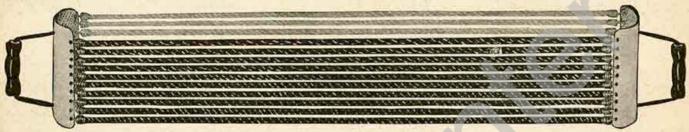
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with the arms, resisting steadily with the downward pressure of the leg. The movement of the arms should range from shoulder height to arms' length overhead, (Figure 5) after the arms are overhead, press downward with the foot till the leg is straight, resisting with the arms. Repeat several times and reverse to the other foot. This exercise will develop the thighs, hips, back, shoulders and arms. As a result of practicing this movement you will acquire a good sense of balance.

Exercise No. 5-Is a variation of the foregoing exercise, excepting that you grasp the rope at about hip level and make a two-arm curl out of it, bringing the hands from the thighs to the shoulders. Repeat this several times and reverse to the other foot. This is essentially for the biceps and forearms, as well as the thighs and buttocks.

Exercise No. 6-Hold the rope at arms' length to the side and have it passing under the instep of one foot. Now raise the arms as high as you can overhead, keeping the elbows straight, and resisting with the downward pressure of the foot, then pressing downward with the foot resist with the arms. Repeat several times and reverse to the other foot. This is best for the deltoid and trapezius muscles, but also benefits the legs, as in the two previous exercises.

Exercise No. 7-Stand with the feet spread well apart, the left extended to the front; make a baseball throwing movement with the right arm, describing a complete overhead swing with

dom, and he was closing in on his for-

tieth year when he defeated the huge

Turk, Hala Adula, "The Sultan's Lion."

This playful baby weighed three hun-

dred and two pounds, and was as wide

as a city block. When he gripped a man

he let out snorts and roars, and blew

with enough volume to sweep referee

and opponent off the mat. Anyhow, he

kept the mat clean of dust, and might

possibly have been the Sultan's vacuum

cleaner before he had left the land of

Turkish delight and many harems. It

took the Cedar County light heavy-

weight to mop the mat with this giant.

Wherever Adula clawed Burns was not

there. He darted in with rapier speed,

grasped the Turkish beef trust by both ankles and brought him to the mat with

sufficient force to jingle his teeth like

castanets. The match took place in

the arm and finishing with a forward bend, as shown in the illustration No. 6. Repeat several times, keeping the fist tightly clenched; then switch to the left arm with right foot extended and practice a number of throws with the left arm. This exercise is intended chiefly for the abdomen, though it gets quite a few other muscles as well; the greatest benefit will result if you make the forward bend full and complete and perform the exercise with a lot of pep.

If you are out after real results in the way of physical improvement, whether for the general health, muscular development, or increased efficiency, just give these stunts a fair trial for the next four or five weeks; once a day is sufficient, preferably in the evening, and it will never cost you another cent for physical exercise, for you will have a set of stunts that no one could persuade you to quit. The time necessary will depend on the results you are after. For the best results practice each one quite a few times in a thorough manner,

Following this active period, treat yourself to a good bath of tepid water. continued but a few minutes, and about twice weekly take a soap bath. Follow every evening bath with a rub-down, using alcohol or some other emollient, and get to bed early for another day of your new life. For it will be a new life, at least you will have a new lease on life-and wonder where you have been existing all the time before you woke up to the fact that exercise is a sure cure for that condition of physical lassitude known as "spring-fever."

The Wizard of the Mat

(Continued from page 56) Evan Lewis from the kingship of grip-

Chicago, but the fall could be heard in Frisco.

Burns was forty-seven years of age when he defeated Oscar Samuelson, the two hundred and twenty pound grappler at Des Moines, Iowa, and he has a victory over the brilliant Mat Acton. Altogether he wrestled in over six thousand contests, and won all but seven. I doubt if there ever was another wrestler who could say the same. Burns was not only clever, he was brilliant. He was the original man of a thousand holds, and the true wizard of the mat. Frank Gotch is given credit for inventing the toe hold, but it was Burns that taught it to him. I have a picture of Farmer Burns applying the toe hold to an opponent during one of his bouts, long before the great Frank Gotch began to even think of wrestling. We owe Gotch to Burns; he was a genuine



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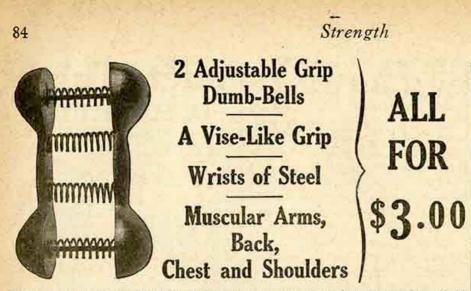
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By doing this Burns proved that he had the ability to impart to others correctly some of the immense knowledge that he had of the science and art of grappling. Gotch never denied what he owed to his trainer and always spoke in glowing terms of that great master. Burns knew how to train a man. He knew that wrestling did not begin and end with wrestling practice. There were certain muscles to be built up, and to be conditioned in a certain way that was no mystery to him. His own muscles were smooth and silky, full of power and endurance. Gotch was built the same way, only much larger, and so is Johnny Reynolds, the king of the welterweights, also a product of Farmer Burns.

Martin Burns was born in the rural section of Cedar County, Iowa, on February 15, 1861, of pioneer stock. He always was obliged to work hard as his father died when he was only eleven years of age and this threw the responsibility of being the bread earner upon his shoulders. One of the great tributes that all mat lovers have for the Farmer, is to the clean life he always led. He never dissipated, and that is saying something when you consider the times his early days were lived in. Those were the days of the little brown derby and the little brown jug, when all holds in wrestling were legal. Our style was the real rough and ready stuff, and always proved too much for the foreigner. Speaking of this reminds me of a cartoon I once saw in Europe, that a certain newspaper was

caricaturing an American wrestling bout. The subject was between a European wrestler appealing to an American referee over the gruelling tac-Foul," the European yelled. "He has bit my ears off." "Go on wrestling," the American referee ordered, "That's nothing. It ain't a foul until he kills you wilfully." That was supposed to represent that the sky was the limit in wrestling fairness. Of course, that was not so. The thing was that our boys knew so much more about holds, locks and blocks that the foreign and and blocks, that the foreign wrestler was often tied up so badly as to bewilder him until he often doubted which part of the anatomy he saw was his or belonged to the other. An amusing joke of this instance was once given in a Dublin, Irish paper. The Irishman was just extricating himself from a fall won by the American wrestler, who had tied the Irishman up in a confusing tangle. The son of Erin still clung to a foot though, and in amazement he said, "Begorrah! By all the saints in hiven. Here oive been struggling for that foot for the last half hour, and now I've got it I find it's me own." Well, that was the kind of entanglement Burns could weave with his opponents' arms and legs to the huge delight of all. This alone made him immensely popular, and earned for him the title of the "wizard of the mat."

He had won over such notable performers as Jack Carkeek, Evan Lewis —"The Original Strangler," Dan Mc-Leod, Jess Westergard, Jimmie Parr, Jim Brantsfield, Emil Klank, Sebastian Miller, Charlie Hackenschmidt, Greek George, Mat Acton, Anton Perry and the famous Tom Cannon. His record is one of the most brilliant in the annals of wrestling. He did more for the game than any other grappler by reason of his ingenuity, his willingness to meet anyone irrespective of his own body weight disparity, and his ability to beat them. He elevated the sport and made it what it is in America, the home of scientific wrestling. The world has never seen his like, and may never again, but we who love the game, will always remember him as the cleverest wrestler that ever pulled on a pair of trunks-the real daddie of American wrestling.



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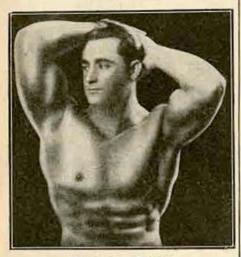
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American Continental Weight Lifters' Association Notes

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a three-piece orchestra that kept everything lively during the show which wound up with a dance.

The Cincinnati, Ohio, strength boosters have decided to call their club "The Holtgrewe Strength Club," in honor of the famous veteran lifter who first made lifting interesting in that city. Would all who are interested in that locality, get in touch with Mr. Emmett Faris, of 907 Baymiller Street, the club organizer.

For the first time in the Philippine Islands a strength exhibition was given under the auspices of the A. C. W. L. A. of which the Philippine Weight Lifters Association is a branch. All credit is due to Mr. Ernest J. Seva, the president, who has worked hard for it, and who put on a splendid program that thrilled the audience. We are glad to see things started out there, and we wish them the very best of luck. So here's how Philippine iron men!

Florida is also beginning to do something under the efforts of our old friends, the Ayars twins, and A. B. Chapman. They put on a swell show last February, and in a recent visit to this city, Jack Ayars expressed his enthusiasm at the prospects for the future.

Hagerstown, Md., the home town of Bob Snyder, former lightweight champion, has organized a club to be known as, The Arcade Athletic Association. Mr. Robt. F. Knodle is the prime mover behind the club, and our old favorite, Bob Snyder, has joined the club. Maybe he will be encouraged to come out of We would like to see his retirement. him back again.

A match took place in Detroit, Mich., between John Valentine, formerly of Boston, Mass., and Dick Hunter, of Detroit, at the lightweight limit. They contested on the Right Hand Clean and Jerk, the Left Hand Bent Press, the Two Hands Clean and Jerk, and the Two Arm Pull Over and Press on Back. Valentine was an easy winner, scoring a total of seven hundred and twenty-five pounds, against three hundred and twenty pounds. Hunter failed on all of his attempts in two lifts. Valentine made a new record on the Back Press, scoring with two hundred and twenty pounds over Schieman's record of two hundred and ten pounds.

A. Friedmont, of Chicago, Ill., stuck up two new records in the light heavyweight class, performing with two hundred and seventy-six and three-quarter pounds in the Wrestler's Bridge, and three hundred and twenty-five pounds in the Back Press. Both these lifts are world's records.

In the last issue of notes, I overlooked to mention the matrimonial alliance between Miss Grace Attila, of New York and Siegmund Klein, formerly of Cleveland, Ohio, and now of New York. The announcement of their engagement was given out last summer, and the knot was finally tied on Jan-

uary 25th, 1927.

The thousands of iron men that compose this organization, offer their belated congratulations with a sincerity that can only come from the hearts of others who feel a mutual friendship for another who loves a sport as we all love ours. We are delighted to see an alliance between two such famous houses and we hope that long life and prosperity, with never ending happiness will be their lot through life.

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Miss Attila is the daughter of the famous Louis Attila, the man who made Eugene Sandow all that he ever was. When Sandow was down and out it was Attila that went to his aid and helped him, after he had broke away from the professor, thinking he was good enough to hoe his own row. Attila built Sandow up. He taught him the Bent Press which Sandow made a success of, and for years gave that lift his name. The professor was a past showman and for hours each day drilled Sandow in gesture and style. It was he who took Eugene to London to meet Sampson and fame, and afterwards brought him over to America.

The professor died at a very advanced age, and during his lifetime developed some famous characters. Two of the best known to us are Warren Lincoln Travis and Lionel Strongfort. The mother of Miss Attila was also a famous American lady athlete, and a wonderful performer with the weights. Madame was known for her beauty and bodily shapeliness, and still takes a great interest in the doings of the men of iron

Of Klein there is nothing to say, we all know of him and his devotion to the sport he has covered with honor, and we feel sure he will always do so.

Up to date nothing seems to have been done in clinching the match between Gorner and Samson. What the difficulties are we do not know, but we would like to hear of the results as much as our British friends. Perhaps the public is not interested in the match, but according to a letter Mr. Jowett received from Gorner recently the South African German is not in England, though perhaps he will be by the time these words appear in print.

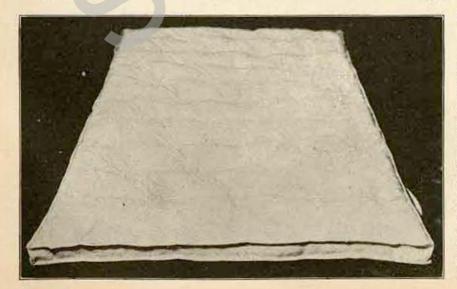
Challenges are flying right and left in the tight little isle. Thomas Inch, the great veteran lifter, has challenged all and sundry to a match on dumb-bell lifting. It is wonderful to see how well that fine athlete wears. He has alway been a wonderful inspiration to British body builders and strong men, and deserves a lot of courage for what has been accomplished in Britain. Recent reports have it that W. A. Pullum has accepted the challenge. He surely cannot be serious, for all he could hope to meet Inch on would be a weight handicap match, which is unpopular and not any help to the game. Aston, Inch's old foe, has also accepted the challenge which is more like business. We are



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informed that Cadine wants to take up the Inch gauntlet since the latter threw the challenge out to the world, including Gorner. How Cadine will be able to meet Inch is rather hard to figure out, for we understand that Cadine and Rigoulot have combined forces and are touring the European continent in vaudeville. The contract is supposed to last the whole season.

Everything is quiet with our big men. Warren Lincoln Travis states that this year will be his last as a professional showman. When asked if he was going to quit the iron game for good, he quickly replied, "No, sir, I shall have more time to play with the weights then."

Common Sense and Health

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cluded in our daily programs and we should be conscious of the place that all three play in our lives.

We know that some men can and do abuse themselves and apparently get away with it. That some men can stand more physical abuse than others, whether the abuse is self inflicted or not, can be attested to by every trainer of athletes. But the same trainer will testify that no man helps himself by ignoring health requirements.

Some may hurt themselves more than others, although doing the self-same things, but any one who neglects his health suffers from his neglect.

The difference in the care that big league ball players take of themselves proves its value when we consider the length of life of the star players of today in comparison with the stars of a generation ago.

Cobb, Collins, Speaker and Walter Johnson are four men whose records are not approached by the records of the old timers, and their superiority is largely the superiority which is the re-sult of present day health knowledge and present day training methods.

These men would have been great athletes, had they abused themselves, but they would not have been great athletes over a period of twenty years.

They had to know how to get the most out of their physical equipment and having the knowledge they had to apply it.

That more individual players have been mechanically in their class is true and it is also true that their records will in time be surpassed, but the men who surpass them will have to have superb physiques to start with, and will have to know more about taking care of themselves than these great players did at the start of their careers.

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two hand dead lift of two hundred and fifty pounds fifty times in succession, or I can lift four hundred and five pounds once. I ift four hundred and hve pounds once. I can bend a twenty penny spike with hands alone. I can tear one pack of cards. I have torn a Sears Roebuck Catalog. I can lift the front end of a Ford car. I wish you would let me know what you think of this as I have not been training very long. I am nineteen years old. N. PEACOCK, Pleasant Hill, III.

DEAR MAT EDITOR:

It is almost a year, according to my diary, since I last wrote you. I expect your memory will not take you back over that long period, as your correspondence must be great. I am now twenty-one years of age, and my specialty is acrobatics. I have studied, and am studying, different methods of gaining strength and figure through systematic practice of acrobatics. My theory-which is gradually material-izing-consists mainly of balance. I do not particularly mean hand-balancing, but feats or exercises that require concentrative and delicate balance. It is well understood that to develop muscle, an enormous amount of concentration is required, and you have to concentration is required, and you have to concentrate when performing a leg or hand balance. Here are a few comparisons, and maybe interesting feats which I perform: One leg squat six times both legs, with sixty-five pounds in each hand. From the head crab, or it is called the wrestlers bridge, return slowly to standing position holding aloft a ninety-eight pound man. Perform a crab using only the left leg, and right arm and vice versa. I think you will agree that these three leg feats require balance, also strength. I am a great admirer of the marvelous Paulinetti and his wonderful planches. I will confess that I have tackled Planche work and was not successful. Perhaps my weight has something to do with it, being one hundred and fiftyseven pounds stripped. I am five feet eight inches high. I am submitting for your inspection three of my poses and two feats. The one

on fingers with half cwt. in teeth, I can walk five yards thus. The half arm walk five yards thus. Planche I perform on both arms, from a long arm balance. Before many months have elapsed, I hope to perform the half arm planche on fingers, I don't think this has been performed before. Well, Mr. Jowett, I hope you will for-

give the personal tone of my letter, but I thought it might interest you. I peruse your articles with great interest and am an ardent admirer of your splendid physique. England is not so far off from America with the binding link of physical

culture between us. J. A. MARSHALL, Derbyshire, England.

DEAR MAT EDITOR: Out in Omaha in 1920 I became acquainted with the Finn welter weight wrestler, Gus Kallio. Gus has a truly wonderful physique and his neck and trapezius muscles are accessible welt do trapezius muscles are especially well developed. Being quite enthusiastic about such subjects at the time I, of course, had to find out how he "got that way." He had an old automobile inner tube hooked over his bedpost and he would go through a routine of exercises with it daily in addi-tion to his regular mat workouts. Those exercises I am herewith passing on to Strength Mat readers.

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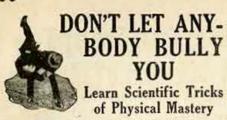
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to the door jamb by means of floor flanges. In the first exercise loop the tube around the back of the head and alternately pull and relax until tired. Be sure and keep the tube high up on the head and not on the back of the neck so your neck will have a greater leverage to overcome. Vary this exercise by pulling back hard and rolling the head from side to side.

In exercise two, stand sideways to the apparatus and pull as before, being careful to exercise both sides evenly.

Exercise three, loop the tube across the forehead and carry on as in the first two. Work assiduously on this one as it trains muscles that need it badly. This exercise is also valuable to counteract a tendency to a forward head position that many men acquire as they grow older. In exercise four the band is placed across the front of the throat. You will,

most likely, have to go rather easy on this one at the start, but you will become toughened to it in a remarkably short time, and will be enabled to resist strangling holds which you are always apt to have fully applied on you in wrestling de-spite watchful referees. You can also demonstrate your neck strength by allow-ing your friends to try to choke you with their hands. After considerable practice you will be able to talk while resisting their grip.

BUSTER LORD, Monticello, Ill. DEAR MAT EDITOR:

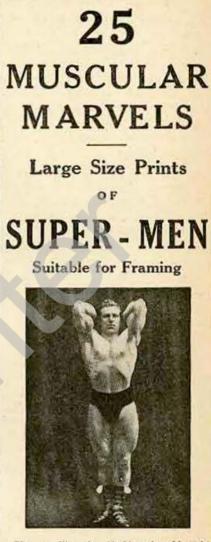
Am very much interested in your articles in the *Mat* and have been putting your tips into action. Now here is something I would like to know. I have heard so many arguments relative to the benefits of tensing or concentration exercises that I would like to hear from you the truth about them.

I want to know: (1) Can a man de-velop any strength by means of those exer-cises? (2) Can he, as Maxick once claimed, develop as much strength by them as by means of bar bells? (3) When properly executed are not their effects somewhat similar to wrestling? (4) What are the objections to them?

If you could devote a paragraph in *The* Mat on this subject I think it would inter-est many of your readers. I know it will develop muscle, but how about strength? P. J. CLARKE, Baltimore, Md.

Each of these letters holds something different, and no doubt they will be of interest to you all. I only hope that it will prompt others to write in and share their views with the rest of the Mat Fans. The last letter is one that advances a question more than anything else, and since it involves the name of Maxick, I shall answer the question so that there will be no misunderstanding about that man.

The idea of tensing and concentration exercise covers the one system. The exerciser tenses a certain group of muscles, and then concentrates upon it with all his mind and might, until he has finished going through the series of movements and repetitions, that cover that practice. To simply tense a muscle means nothing. It is only stiffened, to contract it is better, but no man can ever hope to develop man power from that practice. It is possible to create size, but of purely inflated tissue. We must never lose track of the fact that our muscles were given us to fully take care of our bodyweight in all its physical movements of volition. When we seek to strive to develop muscular size and strength by using the body only, it means just one thing-



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that the movements must be made often and with numerous repetitions. When this is done there is always a reaction on the nervous system, simply because the movements are devoid of the requisite physical resistance; and as the body tires, the movements become jerky. Imagine a man performing a hundred "sit-ups", a thousand squats, and three hundred bending movements. I know fellows who do it regularly for a while, then they blow up.

The nervous system must be catered to, not imposed upon, and therein lies the great value of bar bell training. You have the weight to secure the resistance, the movements are few and are purely physical with not the slightest interference upon the nervous system. Recuperation and replacement come faster, neither of which take place, only very slowly in concentration exercise. The continuous training becomes a drain, and altogether is anything but what I would advocate. Now do not misunderstand me. I am explaining this method to build muscle as being wrong and impossible with which to build strength. To use that method to just limber the body up and increase the blood circulation is not bad, for the length of time and number of repetitions required are not so numerous in this case as in the other.

There are some exercises where physical resistance is sufficient, such as balancing the body weight entirely upon the hands, and making a series of dips and pressing up of the body. This is a difficult feat though, and few ever become able to perform it. On the other hand, the floor dip and the press up while hanging between the backs of two chairs, are such which any novice can do, and are really good, but this kind are too few as against too many of the useless type. Maxick never developed his great powers from the tensing concontrative system. He first became an adept hand balancer, and his greatest practice was to perform the hand stand and dip a number of times. He then took up bar bell training and by concentrating on this method of training he became what he was. In the meantime he delighted himself with the control of his muscles, at which art he became so proficient. After he had acquired his powers it was not necessary for him to train as assidiously as formerly. So, by running through a series of muscle control stunts, and dipping from hand stands, he kept his body and power at the peak. Yet he had some practices which we would term eccentric. A

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friend of mine, with whom Maxick lived a long time, told me that every day for one solid hour, he would sit motionless in some position staring at some object. In this way he believed he marshalled his nervous enegry. This is another instance of concentration. Concentration is the greatest factor in anything, providing it is applied in the right direction.

Friend Clarke asks if the tensing concentrative method will produce the same kind of muscle as that of a wrestler. My answer is, no more so than it will produce the calibre of a strongman. A wrestler specializes in the rubbery muscle that is subject to contortion, while the other type creates a tense muscle display in repose equally evident as when under control. That type are never very strong. They are too much on an edge. In repose, the muscles should be smooth, silky, displaying only lines and contour. When displayed, they should leap into action like uncoiled springs, and separate into their respective muscular segments. From this description you get the idea of muscular restfulness in repose, and action in the right place. In such an athlete, you never see the tense nervous muscle display, and you do not want it either.

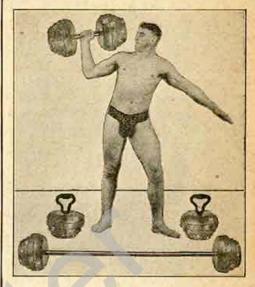
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Your talks are the greatest ever. What can be done for knock-knees. Is it possible to straighten them?

CARL FREIDRITCH, New Haven, Conn.

It has always been my contention that knock-knees are more readily corrected than bow legs, no matter how acute the condition may be. There are several causes of a faulty knee appearance, and, strange as it may seem, I have found that the trouble is more often caused by the foot than the knee itself In fact, rarely is it the knee. If it is not the fault of the foot it is the fault of the hip. Quite often it is found that





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the angle set by the thigh bone in the hip is swung out too much, which gives the thigh bone a slant towards the knee more than is natural. This brings both knees together, and throws the lower limbs out in much the same manner as is the general condition among women, only this is not as unnatural for women as for man. The wider hiped a woman is the more inclined she is to be knockkneed.

As a rule a knock-kneed man is poorly developed on the inside of the thighs and calf, and he is apt to wear his shoes out towards the inside of the foot. This places him too low on the inside of the leg and he will be inclined to hit his ankles sometimes as he walks as well as rub with the knees. To prove this, take a straight stick and stand it up so that it becomes a straight line through the center of the knee to the foot, and you will see that the foot is inclined outwards from the straight line. As a first step towards correction, I would advise that the inside sole and heel of the shoe be built up higher than the outside. For a time this will cause an uncomfortable walk, but one becomes soon accustomed to it. Along with this, calf exercise will have to be specialized upon in order to build up the inside of the calf. Leave the muscles of the outside alone. The same applies to the thigh, concentrate upon the biceps, sartorious and the internus vastus of the thighs. As these muscles become stronger and larger, they will draw upon the knee and balance the pull. Particularly will the knock-kneed person be obliged to strengthen the ankles. The quicker this is done the more noticeable the improvement will be.

I am sorry that space will not allow me to go into lengthy details upon this subject, much as I would like to do so. It really would take a very lengthy article to cover it thoroughly and explain, as well as illustrate, the many exercises that are absolutely necessary to bring about correction. Anyhow, no one can go wrong if they will spend a little time in study and forethought on the parts of the leg that I have explained as being the factors to concentrate upon.

DEAR MAT EDITOR:

Who is Apollon or Apollo? Are they the same man? What were they famous for? Was there ever a man in this country called "The German Oak?" How good was Frank Gotch? Could he beat any of our best wrestlers? We have a club and always enjoy the Mat and we thought you might answer these questions for us. Thanks.

NINE MAT LOVERS.

Apollon and Apollo, are two distinctly different persons, though the similarity of the names is apt to confuse a person. There have been several Apollo's, all very good men, the two best, as I recollect, were an Italian strong man of that name, and Wm. Bankier, the Scottish Hercules. The Italian is a very old timer, but in his day he had a very shapely figure and was extremely clever in balancing heavy objects. He was a vaudeville performer and combined juggling and acrobatics with his feats of strength. I have not heard of him for many years, the last was that he had retired from the profession. Bankier is also a veteran, but still active. He has spent most of his time in Britain and South Africa. He was very strong and possessed a splendid form. Your question prompted me to look through some old material I had, where I came across his measurements which will no doubt interest you.

He stood five feet six inches and weighed one hundred and seventy-six pounds stripped. Chest normal fortyfive inches, expanded forty-nine inches; biceps sixteen and three quarter inches; waist thirty inches; thigh twenty-four inches; calf seventeen inches and neck seventeen inches. This Apollo was also a very spectacular performer, and was responsible for the introduction of Jin Jitsu wrestling into the British Isles. He was manager to Yukio Tani, the brilliant little Jap, and I understand that they are still together.

Apollon was the French Giant, a huge man possessed of terrific strength. His measurements were enormous, but he was a fine built fellow and a tremendous favorite in Europe thirty years ago. He stood six foot one half inch, and weighed two hundred and seventy-six pounds; his chest was fiftytwo inches normal, and waist fortytwo inches, but his weight and strength laid like that of Louis Cyr, in his enormously girthed limbs. His neck was nineteen inches; biceps nineteen and a half inches; forearm eighteen and a quarter inches. His thighs measured thirty and a half inches, and his calf twenty-two and a quarter inches. Some man, you will say. He was, but dreadfully lazy, and no one ever knew the extent of his strength. He was severely injured in 1914, which crippled him for life, and ever since he has lived in retirement.

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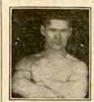
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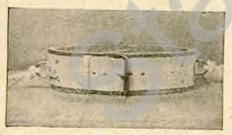
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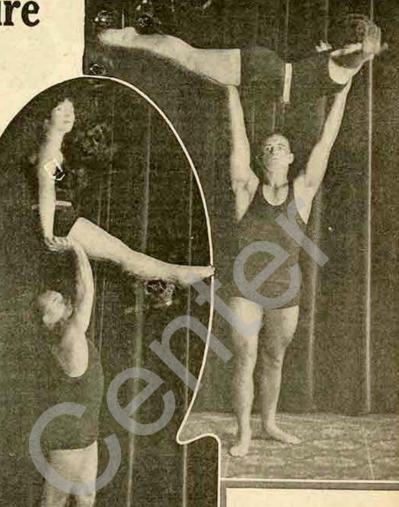
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