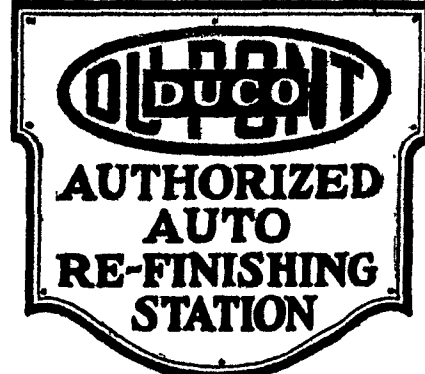


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## Night in Borneo Has Charm All Its Own

In all places there are lovely interesting things to listen to at night, if you are not sleeping, but the night noises in Borneo are different from those elsewhere. There are deep jungles of closely growing vines and ferns just off any road. The jungle climbs up and down very steep hills. There are great trees and small trees. Many have varieties of orchids and other air plants in them. And there are many monkeys. So there is the drip, drip of the gentle rain, and perhaps the roar of a little stream ever full. Then a great chatter with rough shrieks drowning out every other noise for a while. Then as all the gentle noises begin broadening again, groan, swelling to a deafening crash. Other smaller groans and crashes follow. A great tree, not too well rooted, has gone down, taking all the tangled other trees along. As things quiet down, you will hear a few tentative bird calls and just as you begin to feel sleepy, the gun in the village is discharged. This means business and every one with work to do jumps out, for the time to get the work done when you live in Borneo is while the night's coolness lingers in the air.

## Anyway, She Thought She Got Fresh Air

"Speakin' of the weather 'minds me Doc Brady was tellin' the boys up to the store the other night 'bout that old couple that lives in that house over to North Danville that Hiram Pritchard owned before he moved up to Center. Doc says the old man won't have no window open at night time and the old woman's all for fresh air, and Doc says their hired gel told him that the other night the old folk were havin' it back and to after they were in bed 'bout the window not bein' open, and Doc says the hired gel said the old woman got so mad she jumped up and broke the glass with her fist, and it seems the next mornin' the hired gel heard the old man laughin' his head off. Doc said the gel was scared at first, she thought the old man was havin' a chokin' fit. "It seems that when the old folks woke up they found the old woman had smashed the mirror instead of the window."—Beatrice Herford in Life.

**Unkind Comparison**  
"You used to tell me I was bird-like," complained the fond wife.  
The brutal husband continued to bury his nose in the paper.  
"You used to tell me I was bird-like," repeated the fond wife, "but now you never act as if you thought so."  
"You're still birdlike," growled the brutal husband.  
"One wouldn't think you thought so," said the wife.  
"You're a parrot, a bird!"

## ABOUT THE CITY

Money will keep a man out of jail, but it won't get him into heaven.

About the time a man gets too old to do wrong he begins to do right.

You never can tell. A deliberate truth may carry more malice than an innocent lie.

The Bible says man is made of dust, but somehow or other he always seems to want more.

### Mammoth Water Tank

Nairobi, in East Africa, has the distinction of possessing the largest municipal steel water tank in the world. It holds a million gallons and was erected by the Nairobi corporation to prevent the nightly waste of 200,000 gallons of water, owing to lack of storage facilities.

The Nairobi tank is mosquito proof, is erected with manholes to facilitate cleaning, is painted inside with a special paint to prevent corrosion, and is halved by a partition to enable one portion of the tank to be used while the other is being cleaned out, which will be necessary at least every five years.

The weight of the water to be stored is 4,500 tons, over an area of 10,800 square feet.

### Flowers Tell Time

It is a simple matter to tell the time if your watch has stopped, if you have a knowledge of the actions of different plants and flowers, so nature lovers say.

An early riser is the goat's beard, which opens at three, hides its yellow face at eleven o'clock in the morning. The cat's ear—a yellow bloom found on the roadside and the well-known pink convolvulus wake at six o'clock. Sharp at seven the scarlet plimperi opens its eyes, to be followed at intervals of an hour by the hawkweed and the chickweed.

At noon the nippleworth goes to sleep. The water lily retires at four. Check these up with your timepiece.

### Engineers' Good Work

The pontoon bridge constructed by the First engineers of the army of occupation across the Rhine in Germany was constructed in 41 minutes, 8 seconds on June 8, 1918. The bridge was constructed at Hunningen, Germany. The river there is 1,400 feet wide. The depth of the channel is approximately 25 feet. The strength of the current is about 4 miles per hour. There were 93 boats and 3 trestles used in the bridge and 400 engineer soldiers were used in its construction. The best time made by the Second engineers in the constructing of a pontoon bridge at the same point under similar conditions was 58 minutes, 30 seconds.

## Persons of Short Limbs Not Hard to Classify

If accidents and disease could be eliminated, it would be quite easy to classify mankind into "long-livers"—those who will live to seventy years and upwards—and those whose span of life will be in the neighborhood of the fifties.

Medical men and scientists are in agreement in stating that a long trunk and short limbs are infallible indications of longevity. The long trunk means that the organs of the body—heart, lungs, liver, and so on, are sound and fully developed, with plenty of room for functioning.

Trunk length, too, means longer organs, and investigation has proved that the soundest hearts and lungs are always long. Under normal conditions tuberculosis never attacks long lungs, nor does heart disease attack long hearts.

Smaller, but interesting, indications of longevity are long hands with short (but non-stumpy) fingers, and wide nostrils. The latter may or may not accompany large noses, but the nostril holes must be large and almond shaped.

"Brain longevity" is indicated by the position of the ear orifices. The latter should be low. That always betokens a good quality, deep-seated brain.

## Small Insects Not Named by Scientists

Some tiny insects are never seen except in winter and so little known that they have no popular name. Scientists call them Borus, and they leap on the snow like miniature black grasshoppers. What they eat and how they live has not yet been discovered.

The crane flies, better known, perhaps, as "daddy longlegs," with their narrow wings and dangling, awkward legs, are strictly summer insects. But they have a small and poor relation without any wings at all and only moderately long legs, which enjoys itself in the very coldest kind of winter weather and goes a-wooting across the snow with the thermometer below zero.

By far the largest number of snow insects belong to an insect division familiarly known as "springtails." Some 900 different kinds of spring tails have been recorded. They are found all over the globe from the Arctic to the Antarctic.—Nature Magazine.

## Few Snakes Harmful

Most common snakes are beneficial in their food habits and should be protected. Wherever snakes are present in abnormally large numbers, there must be an abundance of living animal food in the vicinity to attract them. This food consists largely of injurious rodents and insects, pests of garden crops and stored foodstuffs. Snakes eat such small living creatures as earthworms, spiders, grasshoppers, salamanders, small frogs, mice, rats, chipmunks and young rabbits. King snakes are able to kill rattlesnakes and have been known to eat them. The little red-bellied snake subsists to a large extent on slugs, which are very destructive to gardens. Bullsnares and gopher snakes destroy large numbers of injurious rodents in the course of a year. The food habits of very few snakes conflict with man's interests.

## Briquette Composition

The briquette is a form of fuel, known also as "patent fuel," consisting of small coal compressed into solid blocks by the aid of some binding material. For making briquettes the small coal, if previously washed, is dried to reduce the moisture to at most 4 per cent, and if necessary crushed in a disintegrator. It is then incorporated in a pug mill with from 8 to 10 per cent of gas pitch and softened by heating to between 70 and 90 degrees centigrade to a plastic mass, which is molded into blocks and compacted by a pressure of one-half to two tons per square inch in a machine with a rotating die plate somewhat like that used in making clay bricks.

## GIFTS

Give me a golden pen.—Keats.

The gift without the giver is bare.—Lowell.

A woman's mind is affected by the meanest gifts.—Livy.

Rich gifts wax poor when givers prove unkind.—Shakespeare.

Take gifts with a sigh; most men give to be paid.—John Boyle O'Reilly.

The manner of giving shows the character of the giver more than the gift itself.—Lavater.

Of gifts there seems none more becoming to offer a friend than a beautiful book.—A. B. Olcott.

The gift, to be true, must be the flowing of the giver to me, correspondent to my flowing to him.—Emerson.

In giving a man receives more than he gives, and the more is in proportion to the worth of the thing given.—George MacDonald.

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## First Use of Scissors

It was formerly believed that scissors were invented in Venice in the sixteenth century, but records show that implements similar to our modern scissors were in use very much earlier than this period. In the remains of Pompeii shears were found made of iron and steel, as well as bronze. Scissors were also in use in various oriental countries from a very early period. It is stated that those manufactured in Europe were copied from the Persian. The Oriental scissors were very much ornamented and frequently in the form of a bird, the blade forming the beak.

## Nuts Classed as Fruits

In botany the fruit of a flowering plant is the matured seed vessel, and its contents together with such accessory parts as become finally incorporated with them. Thus in a botanical sense not only apples, grapes, etc., but all berries, nuts, grains, beans, pumpkins, cucumbers, etc., are fruits. Popular usage has become much narrower. The grains have been dropped, and the tendency is to drop nuts also, so that a fruit is now generally understood to be the fleshy, juicy product of some plant which when ripe is edible without cooking and adapted to use as a dessert.

## Life's Span Extended

In 1800 the average length of life was thirty-three years. In 1855 it was forty years and in 1920 it was fifty-eight years. Actuaries of the large insurance companies report that within the last 50 years the span of human life has been lengthened ten years. The great decrease in the death rate is due primarily to the better preservation and care of infant life, but the actual longevity of man has been advanced. According to Mr. Mayo the virility of man has also been extended over a longer period.

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A working can smile in his days of success,

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Isnt skiles that are sunny and fair.

But how do you stand for the blow that is struck

And how do you battle despair?

—Edgar Guest.

GOOD THINGS TO EAT

For a change from the every-day muffin here is a good one to try:

Rice Muffins.—

To two well-beaten eggs add one cupful of milk,

one teaspoonful of salt, one table-

spoonful of sugar, three cupfuls of

flour sifted with

three teaspoonfuls of baking powder;

add one cupful of boiled rice and five

tablespoonfuls of melted butter. Stir

lightly and bake in muffin pans.

Asparagus Cream Salad.—Dissolve

two tablespoonfuls of gelatin in one-

half cupful of cold water, add one cup-

ful of boiling water and cool. Rub

one can of asparagus through a very

coarse sieve, or cut it into small

pieces. When the gelatin has dis-

solved and cooled add the asparagus,

one cupful of pecans, one cupful of

grated cheese and a few dashes of

cayenne. Whip one cupful of heavy

cream until thick and fold into the

mixture. Let it harden in molds. Serve

on lettuce with mayonnaise.

Stuffed Egg Salad.—Cut six hard

cooked eggs into halves lengthwise

and remove the yolks. Cream four

tablespoonfuls of butter and mix with

the egg yolks; add six skinned and

boned sardines to the egg yolks and

stuff the whites with the mixture.

Serve on head lettuce with a mayon-

nalse dressing.

Pimento Butter Sandwiches.—Cut

white bread into one-fourth inch slices