

# What Is a Bar-Bell? 

ABAR-BELL is simply a long-handied dumb-bell. It has many advantages over a pair of dumb-bell. For instance, it is far easier to handle a 50 lb . bar-bell than two 25 lb . dumb-bells. Again, with a bar-bell you can do certain back and leg exercises where it would be awkward to handle a pair of dumbbells. The bar-bell became

## The Greatest of All Body Builders

when the adjustable feature was added-for then it became possible to employ the progressive method of exercise which has proven to be the only way in which a man of below-average physique can gradually but steadily improve his build, his muscular development, and his stock of organic vitality until he becomes a physical superman-the very pattern of health. strength, and manly beauty.

## Look at These Pictures

and you will get a good idea of the kind of physical development which results from the use of bar-bells. Most of our bar-bell users succecd in getting 42 proportion: and a large percentage of our pupils, do even better than that, it is not an unusual thing for us to take a man of average physigue, and by a few months' training give him a 45 -inch chest, $16 \frac{1}{2}$-inch upper-arm, a 21 -inch thigh; increase his bodily weight by anywhere from 20 to 50 fbs., and give him a physique which is a combination of the Hercules and Apollo types.
(The pictures will also give you a good idea of the different size combination bar-bells we manufacture, and show you the iron plates which fit insile the spheres, and which are used to graduate the weight of the apparatus.)

## By Using a Bar-Bell YOU Can Become a Physical Superman

With every bar-bell we sell, we give courses of training to suit the individual purchaser. Our pupils vary in age from fourteen years to as old as sixty four. We have seen slender young pupils gain as much as twenty pounds in weight, and six inches in chest measurement in the first six weeks they were under our regain the fine proportions, the elasticity and the vigor of athletic youk. We regain the fine proportions, the elasticity and the vikor of athletic youth. We get orders from hundreds of business men and oltice workers, and we show them how it is possble time. (Possibly forty per cent. of our patrons are indoor men.) One of our greatest delights is taking husky farmers, outdoor workers, and fymnasium devotees, and show them what real strength and development is like Every case is individual with us and we have handled so many different kind: of health-acekers, shape-seckers, and strength-seckens that it is hardly possible your case would present any new problems for us.

## We Give Unlimited Service and an Absolute Guarantee

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## We Make Adjustable Bar-Bells of all Varieties

Every outfit we make is a combination affair, which can be used ax a bar: bell, a dumb-bell, or as a pair of kettle-bells. Every part of each outfit is adjustable in weight. Some types have hollow spheres which can be loaded with iron plates of assorted sizes. Other types load both with lead shot and iron plates, Still other have no covering spheres, but consist jus of am assemblage,
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## $\$ 10,000$ a Year

O. H. Malfroot, of Boston, Mass., stepped into a $\$ 10,000$ position as a SAIES MANAGER-so thorough is this training.

## NOW FHEE

IT seems such a simple thing-but the eight men on this page who did this simple thing were shown the way to quickly jump from deadily, monotonous routine work and miserable earnings to incomes running anywhere from $\$ 5,000$ to $\$ 10,000$ a year.
They Sent for the Book, "Modern Salesmanship," That You Can Now Get-Free

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The only question is-do you want to increase your earning power? If so-this book will quickly show you how to do it in an amazingly easy way.

## Success Inside Twenty Weeks

There is no long, drawn-out wait after you have sent for this book before you begin to do as the men on this page did. Within twenty weeks you can be ready to forge ahead. This may sound remarkablebut after seventeen years of intensive investigation the National Demonstration Method has been perfected-and this means you can now step into a selling position in one-fourth the time it formerly took to prepare for this greatest of all moneymaking professions.
Men in every walk of life have made this change-farmers, mechanics, bookkeepers, ministers-and even physicians and lawyers have found that Salesmanship paid such
large rewards and could be learned so quickly by this new method that they preferred to ignore the years they spent in reading law and studying medicine and have become Master Salesmen.

## Simple as A B C

There is nothing remarkable about the success that men enjoy shortly aiter they take up this result-securing system of Salesmanship training. For there are certain ways to approach different types of prospects, certain ways to stimulate keen interest-certain ways to overcome objections, batter down prejudice, outwit competition and make the prospect act. Learn these secrets and brilliant suceess awaits you in the selling field.
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# Neglect of Home-Study Training Cost This Man \$47,424! 

## How much are you paying to stay untrained?

The other day we received a letter which every man working for a living ought to read-whether he's making $\$ 20$ a week or $\$ 200$. Here it is:
"During the forty years that I have been working, my salary has averaged less than twenty-four dollars per week with the exception of the last two years while I have been acting as foreman of a department. I made good in this position on a small scale and saw, thru the failings of others, what would happen to me unless I found a way to train for larger responsibilities.
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SHERMAN C. WOOD, Maryland.
We quote the above letter not because

Mr . Wood is now making a staggering salary as a result of his training, but because it illustrates so clearly the principle behind LaSalle training.
Here is a man who all his life had accepted the thought that he was compelled to work for little or nothing.
For one thousand, nine hundred and seventy-six weeks the writer of this letter paid at leastsef a week for the doublfut privilege of staying in the ranks of untrained men.


## If You Could Use $\$ 47,424$, Pause Before You Turn This Page

Perhaps you are now making quite as much as Wood-perhaps more. Perhaps, on that account, you may think that Wood's experience does not apply to YOU.
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We're not going to moralize. We're not even going to cite you any of the thousands of letters from men who have not merely doubled but tripled and quadrupled their incomes thru home-study training under the LaSalle Problem Method. We have the letters. We will show them to you, if you like. But understand, please, that they would not aller the factsthey would merely omphasise them.

Can anyone doubt that training would have doubled his salary just as easily when he was thirty-eight years youngerwhen he could attack his work with the abundant energy of a younger man?
Yet his neglect of this one main avenue of business progress cost him-leaving simple and compound interest out of the reckoning - the appalling sum of $\$ 47,424-a$ fortune in itself.

Below this text there is a coupon. It will bring you not only full details of the training that appeals to you, but also a copy of that most inspiring book, "Ten Years' Promotion in One."
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#### Abstract

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"The Colonel may look his age, but by all that's remarkable he docsn't act it-nor feel it, if his enthusiasm is any indication"

## Bride and Groom!

DECEMBER and May! OnceI would have condemned any mating of age with youth. Yet a month ago I was best man for my old friend Col. Bemis-and "old" friend he is, for the colonel is in his fifty-eighth year-and his petite bride who then lacked a few days of being twenty!

There isn't a happier couple in the state; their happiness is apparent to allobservers. But I wonder what others would think if they had seen Col. Bemis as I saw him less than a year ago-before he had taken the big brace that two physicians said a man of his age could never take!

Bemis had let-up and slowed-down; he had become a mere spectator in life's race-when something happened.

The remarkable means by which this man regained an almost youthfulenergy should interest any man who has lost even part of his normal capacity for work and play. This is the story:

Did you ever hear of Spine Motion? Neither did I until two years ago. Neither did Col. Bemis until less than a year ago. But within a month Spine Motion moved him up several notches, physically, and his energies have been on the rise ever since. This simple but unusual principle of revitalization has to do, as the name implies, with the spine. It seems that settling of the spine accounts for many of the nervous disorders that age the body; and the slightest clongation of a "settled" spine is often all that's needed to restore abounding energies and endurance. When Hobart Bradstreet discovered Spine Morion he gave us men past the forty mark a ten or twenty year renewal on our lease of active life! Here's how it works:

Let's assume you start Spine Motion todaý;
you take one motion only, it takes but five minutes. Your spine is s-t-r-c-t-c-h-e-d like an accordion. It may elongate but a quarter or half inch, but you feel the difference in an hour -you sense a subtle change for the rest of the day. For Spise Motion spreads the tiny bones that make up the spinal column which have been pressing on every tiny nerse of the body. The whole nervous system is connected with the spine. In youth, the cartilage between the spinal vertabrae is a springy, cushiony protection for the nerves. As we age, these pads or "insulators" wear down-the sensitive nerves come in contact with the bones-you know the result! Loss of nervous energy-sluggish vital organs; indigestion; constipation; headaches.
With the flexing and "shaking out" of the spine the impinged nerves are freed - the nervous forces are no longer "short-circuited" but flow freely to every extremity-you feel new power and "pep."

Spine Motion is absolutely, all that Col. Bemis used to recover the energies Nature had provided so liberally. He made it a fixed daily habit for a time. After several weeks he found the cartilage stimulated to new growth and resiliency, and dropped to twice or thrice weekly with the motions. Nature has now reasserted herself so that he tells me it is only occasionally he employs the unique stretching process. The spine does not so readily "settle down" once the five movements in Spine Motion have been introduced. They are most unique motions; hard to describe but easy to do; they give the system an indescribable thrill even at the time. I haven't had a backache since I learned them; nor had a day without a healthful evacuation. As for the colonel, he is doing more work than
ever, is up till all hours, eats what he likes, smokes incessantly-and he doesn't seem to have any nerves.

Bradstreet no longer offers his personal services in conditioning men, but you can have Spine Motion in the same form it was given Col. Bemis. The motions have been made clear in five photographs that Bradstreet posed himself. He gives you simple, unmistakable instructions with them. There is no "apparatus." You just do those movements in a few minutes, and in a few days you experience the most marvelous "pick-up"-you look better-feel better-and function better in every way. Oh, that everyone knew of this rejuvenator-young men prematurely old-men whose years have dulled normal interests and desires-all men physically below par!

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Neglected health and flagrant violations of Nature's Laws are the curse of this generation. We are becoming a Nation of physical misfits-stunted, flat chested, underdeveloped-suffering from a host of chronic ailments and weaknesses. It is high time that the people realize this dangerous state of affairs before it is too late. Otherwise we shall surely repeat the physical, mental and moral decline of ancient Greece and Rome which rapidly fell from the pinnacle of supreme civilization thru physical neglect and abuse of the inflexible Laws of Nature-Lionel Strongfort.

## Weaklings Are Despised

How can you expect to be popular, admired or respected, or efficient and wholesome physically, when your blood is loaded with the results of Constipation, Indigestion, Biliousness? How can you be mentally efficient when your Brain is soaked with the poisons from your contaminated blood, and your Nervous System wrecked with the aftermath of Youthful Errors, Bad Habits and Excesses? (See consultation coupon.) Nobody wants you while you are a physical weakling and look as badly as you feel. You are drained out physically and mentally-your feet are on the downward path-you will end up on the scrap heap if you don't ACT NOW before it is too late.

## Be a Real Red-Blooded Man

You can be strong, healthy, vigorous, successful-you can freo yourself from the nilments and weakneses that are holding you down-you can build yourseli up, elear your befuddled brain, develop your muscles, purify and enrich your blood, correct cvery organ and function andurely in the face and get busy NOW. You wrene not placed on this earth without a purpose. It was never intended that you should lead an aimiless, useless life, and end up a physical and mental failure. You can be the man you should be-the red-blooded man you have always longed to be. There isn't the lenst doubt abont it. Com
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and health attaimment. These are the same wonderfally efective principles that it want to apply in your casc.

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#### Abstract

What is more wonderful than the growth of a charming girl to the perfect flower of womanhood? Can there ever be anything more romantic than the dawn of the first enduring love of man for woman? And what, to a woman, can be more marvelous than the birth of her first child? let the wonder of womanhood, the romance of love, the marvel of the first-born may often stand at the brink of disaster. Read here the advice of a famous physician who tells out of his experience how every woman can avoid the unknown dangers that threaten the beauty and splendor of her sex-life.


LOVE is a beautiful thing. It is the most wonderful of human sentiments. It is a woman's whole life. From the day she realizes, perhaps for the first time, that she is a woman love enters into her being never to depart.
It germinates first as an irresistible attraction for some one man. It buds into marriage. It ripens into the glorious flower of motherhood. Woman's whole career is centered around love. Everything she does, everything she is, everything she hopes for rests upon and is governed by this most beautiful and lasting of human passions.

Yet within this beauty lie dangers that ever threaten to rend and destroy the perfect happiness that true love brings. They wait; sometimes unknown but always present. An unguarded moment, a careless word, a brief angry scene and these monsters may rip apart the love-life of some unfortunate woman. These are the dangers that blight the lives of young girls, that turn the heaven of marriage into a hell, that fill the divorce courts with unhappy men and women whom love once joinedit seemed in the beginning-forever.

Of course, every girl, every woman expects and knows that her romance, her lovelife can never be wrecked. She feels sure that her future is safe in the hands and the heart of the man she has chosen for lier mate. Whatever may happen to other women, in the blinding happiness of her love, each woman knows that her happiness must continue forever unbroken.

But the modern ginl will face the truth bravely. She will recognize the facts. She will appreciate that no love can be so strong but that it must be watched tenderly and carefully lest a slight rift should widen into an impass able chasm. The modern girl will not go blindly into the boly relation of marriage. She will learn what it means and what it is. She will know that the truest love is founded upon a clear-sighted knowledge of sexual relations-and she will take hold of this knowledge and make it her safeguard against the dangers that threaten her love-life.

However, only the sagest advice and the wisest counsel can initiate innocent women into sex. Prudery has made it such a mystery that very often mothers are afraid to tell their daughters about it. They dare not tell about the most sacred relation that a man can have with a woman.

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how to reveal the truth to their daughters; it is for these daughters themselves who want to learn the truth unsullied, that Dr. William J. Robinson has written his priceless book, "Woman: Her Sex and Love Life."

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Dr. Robinson has written his inspiring book as if it were meant for his own daughter. He tells the truth-all of it. He hides nothing behind technical terms or scientific language. In plaim, ordinary commonsense language- exactly as though he were talking to his daughter face to face -he explains the meaning of the changes in woman's physical structure and of her mental desires. And he tells of the troubles which must be guarded against and which must be pushed away from the young girl who has just begun to experience sex-consciousness.
Then Dr. Robinson slowly unfolds the next beautiful chapter of woman's love-life. He explains the marvelous organs that Nature has provided for the continuation of the race. In simple language; free from prudery, free from grossness; beautiful in its outrightness he explains how a child is born. He explains what the expectant mother must do before the baby comes into the world-and what must be done afterwards. At the same time Dr. Robinson takes time to explode some of the foolish notions that have long frightened women. He brushes away some of the nonsense that has hitherto made motherhood a terror to some women who believed in them. He treats this sacred subject so carefully that every woman who longs for the blessing of
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By BENNY LEONARD, Undefeated Lightweight Champion of the World

IF Fate has jabbed you in the solar plexusHIT BACK. If Nature has been unkind to you, has laid you low with sickness or cursed you with a frail weak body - HIT BACK.

Are you content to lie down like a yellow dog and whimper just because you were not born with a strong physique, with big muscles, broad chest, brawny limbs? Are you satisfied to go shuffling wearily to your work, with rundown, half-dead body? Are you willing to admit defeat-to allow your unfitness to keep you forever down and out, just struggling for a bare existence-scorned by your boss, a disgrace and a hindrance to your wife and family and shunned by society wherever you go? If you are, then you are doomed to misery and failure. You are destroying your chances for WEALTH, HAPPINESS, SUCCESS.

My message to you is-Snap out of it, old man. HIT BACK !

I can tell you of no better example of this reasoning than my own life. I was a skinny, frail youngster. They called me the "powder-puff kid." But I didn't accept that as my fate. My climb to the highest rung of physical suprem-acy-the championship of the world-was begun
 the day I decided to H IT BACK. From that day to this I haven't stopped hitting back.

And here is the way I've done it. By scientifically studying the human body and actually working out the theories with my very own body, I have perfected a method of physical development that has proven a real knock-out blow to friend Satan, the old boy who plans all our misfortunes and physical shortcomings.

Thru my system, I have licked every competitor in sight. So many people wrote and asked how they might use my methods, and so many did adopt them with such great success, that I am now devoting practically all my time to spreading my invaluable lessons in muscle and body building to all the people I can possibly reach by letters.

Do you want the very last word in physical culture, if you do not believe in old fogy ideas, if you wish to adopt the best methods of this day, of 1925, if you want to gain the love and respect of women, if you want to make good in your job and reach the top in whatever you hold nearest your heart, then there is only one way, my friend, and that is HIT BACK-HIT BACK like

## Benny Leonard

discoverer and conductor of the famous BENNY LEONARD HOME COURSE OF MUSCLE AND BODY BUILDING

## June

## Why Not Work Together?

YQU will find on page fifty-four a full account of the meeting that the A. C. W. L. A. held in our building in Philadelphia on Saturday, April 4th. Unfortunately, as this is being written, the May meeting has not yet been held.

However, at the May meeting and at all future meetings we expect to include boxing and wrestling in our program as well as weightlifting, tumbling and allied sports.

These events are bringing out a host of good men that no one knew about before, and we can certainly say that we are onily too glad to have any of our readers who want to take a hand let us know.

Berry has now competed on three different occasions, and any 126 -pound man who thinks he can take his measure or who feels sure he can give Berry a good match can take a shot at him by writing Mr. Jowett, who will then arrange for a match on June 6th.

Armstrong and Dettor in the featherweight class. Bob Snyder. Losey, Pitt and Maier in the lightweight. Frank Dennis and H. C. Hall in the middleweight, Mills in the light heavyweight, and Hoffman and Manger in the heavyweight class, are willing to meet all comers. The A. C. W. L. A is giving medals to the winners.

Everyone has a chance. You all know what the five official lifts are, and you can tell from the accounts of the past three weeks how good you will have to be.

## How About Some Group Competition?

We are also anxious to have any two lifters or any groups larger than two, who want to stage a competition among themselves, get in touch with us.

We expect to continue with our regular meetings in Philadelphia through the summer, providing sufficient interest is shown by our members. Next year we hope to hold contests regularly in at least three other cities besides Philadelphia, and in more than three if possible. The various clubs can help by getting in touch with Mr. Jowett and arranging the weeks on which they would like to hold meets.

Those clubs which first show interest in this will assure themselves of the best programs. So
get your name in quickly before we begin scheduling the various shows.

## What the Inter-Club Contests Will Be

Just what programs can be arranged will have to be worked out over a period of time, and we hope to be able to put all our members who are anxious to compete, in touch with the nearest clubs so that every one will get a good chance. The most successful lifters will be given a chance in competitions outside their own home districts, and we hope to arrange inter-club contests as well.

Such contests should include boxing, wrestling. tumbling and hand-balancing as well as weight-lifting, wherever it is practicable to include other events in your programs. We hope to put in at least one weight-lifting contest in some city each Saturday night, after our clubs get to functioning, and we do not see why this could not be arranged by September or October of this year.

## Articles By Our Readers

We are still pleased to get articles from our readers telling of their personal experiences in seeking health and strength. We also like to have our readers send us items of interest about any of their friends who are particularly noteworthy in this field.

Recently Mr. Jowett wrote for us some incidents from the life of Saxon, and his article has called forth a great deal of favorable comment from our readers. In like manner the story of Jackie Ott has been enthusiastically received. The fact that such diverse subjects as the world's strongest man and a boy whose whole athletic future lies before him, should prove to be of equal appeal, shows that our readers are just as interested in human problems as in the technic of health and strength building.

By writing us you can help others who are battling with difficulties similar to your own, and if you are wondering what is the best course for you to pursue, possibly we can be of assistance to you.

The struggle for health, which in its higher sense includes strength, can best be carried on when we are working together. We ask you each to do your share in making the way of the health-seeker easier.

## Speed Swimming

How to Prepare Oneself<br>for Real Competition

By<br>L. B. De Handley



COMPETITIVE swimming, besides affording the opportunity to enjoy interesting sport the year around, for it has virtually no closed season, stands out as the most valuable and beneficial form of athletic pastime.

Its greatest claim to usefulness is that it provides an appealing incentive first to gain proficiency, then to practice swimming faithfully and often.

While, in fact, every one knows that real skill is necessary to properly equip for self protection or life-saving, and most people are aware that swimming is a particularly beneficial form of exercise, the majority are too lazy, or think they are too busy, to become adepts unless some attractive inducement spurs them to effort.

This inducement competition provides, for there is nothing like the prospects of exciting rivalry and honors to be won, to serve as an urge. Then work becomes play and schooling turns from drudgery into interesting study. No sacrifice seems too great to achieve success.

And, once launched, there is seldom inclination to draw back. The outlook for enjoyable experiences is too alluring. The way is open to all kinds of possibilities, perhaps the reaping of signal victories, even national or international laurels, and coveted trips, at home and abroad, with the chance to see many places and meet many interesting people.

Meanwhile, too, the training for competition keeps one in the pink of health and fitness, with the feeling of buoyant well-being and high spirits imparted by perfect physical condition, far better able to enjoy life, at work or in play. Recreation and profit are most fortunately combined.

Educators should not overlook the potential influence of competitive swimming on school and college students of both sexes. Aside from the great benefit derived from the exercise involved, contestants are taught to abstain from indulgencies which are undesirable, if not actually harmful, and they are helped to develop good sportsmanship, the spirit of fair play, which is so important a factor in the moulding of character.

If you would succeed in competitive swimming take
care to build upon solid foundations. On no account enter the game unprepared. Try to realize at the outset that two things are indispensable if you are to fittingly exploit your natural resources: first, a good stroke completely mastered ; second, muscles thoroughly trained to this stroke. Time which you may think wasted in gaining these assets will be amply made up by eventual results.

Of course, it is not within the ken of every swimmer to become a topnotcher. Certain innate qualifications, which we are unable to accurately define, so term collectively "natural ability," are imperative to the making of a champion. Few possess them in the required degree to attain leadership, or even high rating.

But bear this in mind: even the potential champion must acquire form and muscular efficiency to reach the top, while any normal person who will take pains to prepare thoroughly for racing may count on developing sufficient speed to perform creditably, win a prize occasionally and derive enjoyment and benefit from competitive activities.

To be specific: no swimmer should attempt to start racing until he or she is able to cover at least 220 yards in good style and without tiring.

A great mistake incurred by most prospective contestants is to imagine they must swim fast in practicing, to develop speed. The contrary is the case. If every effort is devoted to making time there is no chance to study and perfect the movements; also, the muscles tire before they can be given the steady exercise needed to effect their gradual upbuilding.
The only way to achieve fully satisfactory results is to swim at moderate pace, paying close attention in turn to each detail of the stroke and increasing gradually, but regularly, the distance covered. Even experienced contestants will profit by working out chiefly at slow speed over the middle courses and doing very little sprinting.

The best system for you to follow for general training is to start each practice with an easy swim of anywhere from 220 to 1,000 yards, according to your stage of development and inclination, then take a rest, indulge in
one or two very short dashes, say, at 20 or 25 yards, and end up with a few racing starts and turns. Make this schedule a matter of routine.

When an important race is near, however, you may vary the foregoing procedure to the extent of cutting the middle distance swim if you are slated for a sprint, or increasing it if a long contest is before you.

Avoid frequent time trials. They should be few and far between. The important consideration is to gain condition, strengthen the swimming muscles and perfect the stroke. Speed tests against the watch, far from fostering these ends, sap a lot of energy, strain the muscles and spoil form.

On this score do not allow yourself to be influenced by those who would have you believe that swimming at moderate pace blunts sprinting speed. It is an exploded theory. John Weissmuller, fastest 100 yarder any country has produced, paddles one or more quarter miles almost daily; Miss Ethelda Bleibtrey, whose time for the century only one other fair swimmer has touched, covered 1,000 yards nearly each day during the six months preceding her rise to world leadership.

Understand, too, that a swift stroke is not needed to attain even sprinting speed. Almost without exception the great champions of both sexes have been, and are, swimmers affecting slow arm action.

Concerning the question of diet in training for swimming, it may be said that plain, wholesome food can be eaten freely. A little superfluous flesh is desirable. rather than otherwise, as it increases buoyancy and tends to make you impervious to cold water.

Naturally every competitor should avoid indigestible viands, but here it is impossible to lay down any general rule, for the very simple reason that some people thrive on edibles which are bad for others. Each contestant undoubtedly knows the peculiarities of his or her own constitution, however, and should be guided accordingly.

Needless to say, alcoholic beverages, tobacco and drugs of all kinds must be taboo by the racing swimmer.

Sleep aplenty is a necessity to anyone undergoing the physical activity attendant upon training, and the natatorial contender should devote to slumber at least seven or eight hours of every twenty-four.

As to the advisable frequency of practice, the oftener, the better. Most champions and stars practice almost daily. At least three or four work-outs weekly are
necessary to attain and retain top form for speed.
The crawl is the fastest stroke evolved so far, because, better than any other, it yields propelling power with a minimum of resistance to the water. Arms and legs afford continuous and effective impetus; the above surface recovery of the arms and narrow scope of the leg thrash cause very little stoppage; the position of the body and constant propulsion enable the swimmer to hydroplane, thereby further reducing resistance.

With the body gently arched in the back and the shoulders higher than the feet, any momentum acquired by the swimmer tends to force him or her upward as well as forward, cutting down immersed volume. Since the driving movements of arms and legs are steady, without break, the crawl swimmer rises and is firmly supported throughout, offering a minimum of resisting surface to the water.

Remember, though, that to plane adequately the poise must be correct and the arm movements in particular accurately executed.

Endeavor to hold yourself so that once under way your eyes will be approximately at water level, except when you turn to inhale, and the feet high enough to just break the surface with the heels at full upward lift.

Make sure that the shoulders are square during the recovery of the under arm, at a slight angle during the recovery of the top arm, and that you start the drive of the former arm before turning to inhale, and of the latter before rolling back. See that you do not twist at the waist in rolling back and forth, but allow the feet to follow faithfully the swaying of the shoulders. Take care to begin each arm drive with elbow a trifle higher than hand and that pressure is applied directly downward at the catch.

The foregoing points are exceedingly important, for if the shoulders are not well up and the elbow higher than the hand as each arm starts its drive, there will be loss of power, failure to plane and general disarrangement of balance and efficiency.

In coming to the action of the legs it will not be amiss to take a backward glance through the annals of modern natatorial history, as there is much to be learned therefrom.

A survey of the various strokes developed since the introduction of the trudgeon makes clear that the progress achieved in swimming within the last thirty or more years has been due very largely to improvement in


Aileen Riggin and Sybil Bauer, American representatives on the Olympic Team, both of whom are making women's swimming records higher year by year.
the leg drive and that this improvement has consisted of a very steady narrowing and quickening of the movements.

Note, in fact, that from the original kick of the trudgeon, with its bent knee, wide spreading scissor, swimmers passed by degrees to a much smaller, almost straight-leg trudgeon kick. Then came in succession the Australian crawl, with its two reduced scissors, and the four, six and eight-beat crawls, unfailingly keeping up the trend toward a faster leg drive of decreasing scope.

This quite obvious tendency is particularly interesting in that it supports the claim of present day experts that the quicker and narrower the leg drive, the greater its effectiveness. These theorists base their claim on the premise that on the same amount of expended energy a small and rapid thrash will yield propulsion equal to that of a wider and slower action, yet minimize resistance, thus increasing speed.

These technicians realize, of course, that there is a limit to the swiftness of thrash which the human muscles can stand without incurring crippling strain, but they are by no means convinced that the eightbeat, let alone the standard six-beat, marks this limit. Nor do their views lack some practical corroboration, for a few ten-beaters have appeared in competition and a number of young girls and some youths have displayed the eightbeat successfully in races of all distances, up to several miles.

You should keep these
 quick, short sweep. rising on tiptoe, and immediately thrust them forward and up, dipping at knees as they pass the legs on the front swing and leaping out as they reach full extension ahead. Have the head high on leaving the take off and aim to strike the water as far out as possible, but lower the head on nearing the surface and try to enter at a glancing angle, with body in shaft-like position from fingers to toes.

Seek to go to a depth of fifteen to twenty inches, and so soon as feet are submerged set them to thrashing, then raise head and arms gently to come to the surface and fall in with arm action, using the top arm first.

In effecting the turn at the end of pool or course place on the wall the hand of the arm in front at the time, and as it touches draw up knees to crouching posture, at once swinging the hips
around and using the hand on the wall to thrust outward the shoulder, the other to press on the water inward. palm toward body. Then place both feet against wall, a few inches from surface, bring both hands to chest, and simultaneously thrust arms forward and push off vigorously with feet. Straightening out full length start the leg drive, then follow with arm stroke, again using top arm first.

If you happen to strike the wall with left hand turn to the right, if with the right hand turn to the left, and in case you are a foot only or so from the wall when either arm attains full reach don't start another stroke, but glide up in that position under the impulse of the leg drive. Try always, though, to reach the wall with the top arm forward, as nearly all swimmers turn faster on that side.

Eyerything which has been said in regard to conditioning and training for crawl competition applies to back stroke racing also and you should follow the same routine in preparing for a contest and developing speed in this as in the other.

As, however, back stroke events seldom are held at distances greater than 150 yards, you may shorten the middle distance stretches after you have perfected form and accustomed the muscles to the action, also indulging in more sprinting at the approach of a race. But even when you are an experienced competitor you will find that regular practice over reasonably 10 ng courses at moderate pace will profit you most.

To a greater degree than in crawl racing, the starts and turns are important in dorsal contests, because of the shorter races, and since totally different methods must be used it behooves you to give them special study.

Instead of taking off with a dive, like in crawl events, contenders in a back stroke swim are lined up in the water, back to course, and start with a supine push-off.

To learn this method of getting off face starting wall, rest hands atop or against wall, and draw up knees so that your feet press on wall well up, not much below surface. Then throw up and backward one or both arms, at the same time using the legs to push off vigorously, leaping out.

Authorities are not of one mind concerning the relative
value of the single and double arm throw in getting under way, and there is reason to believe this is a matter for individual decision, as extensive experiments have indicated that swimmers with very limber shoulders do best with the double, those less supple with the single. The solution of the problem is to give both a fair trial.

In the back stroke turn contestants are required to stay "in supine position until one hand touches the wal1, whichever this hand may be,
 Australia, who although he has been beaten by many swimmers in pool contests has not yet lost in open water contests, even defeating Arne Borg (above), famed Swedish holder of world's records.
executing the turn by rolling toward it. As the hand touches swing the other arm over, that it may help to spin you around, and as you roll face down draw up the knees quickly, thrust the feet against wall, high up, then take the starting throw of one or both arms, according to the outcome of undertaken tests, push off and get into action.

It hardly needs to be stated that the back crawl is the only stroke for racing. No other affords anything like the same speed.

It should be mentioned, however, that it helps very materially to at intervals exaggerate the respective timing of the movements of (Contimued on page 93)

# You Can Cure Your Indigestion 

The Stomach Is a Muscle-Why Not Treat It Like the Rest of Your Muscular System? How Diet and Exercise May Be Appliẹ

By Ira W. Drew, M. D., D. o.

REST your stomach. That is one of the most important bits of advice that can be offered to the American people today.

It is also one of the easiest to carry out, for it does not require any physical exertion and not a great deal of self-denial.

We hear a great deal about stomach trouble. It is a com'mon ailment, so called. This person cannot eat that food, another must abstain from some other, and so it goes. The truth of it is that real stomach troubles are so uncommon it can almost be said there is no such thing as stomach trouble. Very likely if you undertook to tell that to the first person who claimed to have stomach trouble you would be looked upon as a fool, but that does not change the facts at all.

Stomach trouble is a bugaboo that is almost nonexistent. The thing that is generally known as stomach trouble is a condition in the intestines.

If the people who bemoan the fact that theit stomachs are ill would merely stop to remember occasionally that the stomach is a muscle and would treat it as such, ailments of this sort would not be nearly so common. When the muscles of the legs or the arms or the back become tired we rest them. The reason we do that is because we can understand their method of letting us know they are tired. When our leg muscles become tired we sit down. When we are doing any work that tires our arm muscles we stop and give them a chance to recuperate. Too many of us fail to understand the language of the stomach when it tries to tell us it is tired. We merely say we have indigestion or stomach trouble, pour drugs of one kind or another in and let it go at that. The thing the stomach needs under those conditions is the same thing the leg muscles need when they are tired-rest.

Take the conditions commonly termed an acidy stomach, or indigestion. They are due to the fact that the stomach muscle has lost its tone, just as an exhausted muscle in the leg or the arm or any other part of the body loses its tone. When this occurs in the stomach muscle the secretions, particularly the hydrochloric acid, are changed. In other words, the stomach


Dr. Ira W. Drew
cells are not throwing off the proper secretions that help make the process known as digestion.

Very often this is due to our eating white bread, ice cream, substances containing too much sugar, such as pastries, etc. The more we eat of these foods the more tired our stomach muscles become. They speed up in an effort to supply the needed amounts of the secretions that will neutralize the harmful foods. They work overtime as long and as hard as they can and they become constantly more exhausted. It is exactly the same as the man in athletics who develops what is commonly known as the "charley horse," or strained muscle. The ball player with a "charley horse" in his arm does not try to cure it by throwing. The runner with this same defect in his leg is foolish if he makes an effort to remedy it by racing. The only sensible thing that can be done is to rest it.

How can we rest the stomach?
Diet. There you have the answer. In the first place eliminate sugar as much as possible from your food. If you are possessed of a "sweet tooth" and find it a hardship to do without sweets, turn to honey. Instead of sugar eat honey. Eliminate meat and sugar and you will be giving the stomach a chance to straighten itself out and recover. This whole question of diet has been gone into pretty thoroughly, but for a diet that will give the stomach rest there is nothing better than raw foods, such as cold slaw, onions, salads, even raw carrots, and whole wheat bread.

In so-called stomach trouble we have several conditions. One of them which is very common is known as Ptosis, or fallen stomach. It is frequent in thin people, those who have the emaciated appearance, and it is very often responsible for this appearance of extreme thinness. Athletes do not have it. In Ptosis when the stomach drops it is strained, just as the pulled muscles in the legs of a runner are strained. The difference, of course, is that the runner can and does rest his leg muscles until they recover, while the stomach must go right on trying to do the best it can in taking care of the work allotted to it.

There are thousands of people dragging along through life today suffering from this condition without the least
inkling of what is wrong with them beyond the general term of stomach trouble.

The only real way to overcome it is by exercise. Some victims of it use belts to bring the stomach back into place, but the average belt made for this purpose is nearly worthless. Where a belt is used it should be placed by an expert until exercise can remedy the condition. And exercise will remedy it by building up a wall of muscle to hold the stomach in its proper place.

The first exercise for this condition and one which will benefit any human being is to stand erect, lean forward, placing the right hand flat on the stomach, then lift the stomach by drawing it upward with only slight aid from the hand. This is an extremely beneficial exercise and will not only help to overcome Ptosis, but to prevent it. It should be done five times in the morning and five times at night to start, increasing gradually to twenty-five times morning and night. I have never heard of this exercise being ordered, yet it will do more good than any medicine in overcoming such a stomach condition. While drawing the stomach up breathe deeply, also.

A number of other exercises can be taken in conjunction with this one, such as placing the hands on the hips and twisting the torso, lying on the back and lifting the body and legs alternately a few times.

The benefits of these exercises are amazing in overcoming stomach ailments, and with a raw food diet, including the elimination of white bread, meats and sugars, will overcome by far the great majority of cases of "stomach trouble."

But very often there is another thing the matter. This is a spinal condition. The great splanchnic nerves have their origin in that part of the spinal column between the shoulder blades. They control the muscles of the stomach, together with the nerves of the coealic axis, or solar plexus. Interference of any kind in either of these nerves causes a weakening of the stomach muscles and affects the glands that secrete the hydrochloric acid and pepsin so necessary to digestion. It is the task of the stomach to churn and mix the food, pour these digestive juices into the churning mass, stir the whole thoroughly up and pass it down into the small intestines. There the real process of digestion is finally carried out.

When anything is wrong in that part of the spine where these nerves leave they are of necessity affected, do not carry the nerve force to the stomach muscle , and the stomach muscle is consequently unable to function as it should.

Faulty postures in sitting or standing, harmful positions assumed at work, all these can and do tend to throw the spine out of alignment and are frequently responsible for "stomach trouble." The slightest variation in the vertebre where these nerves leave the spine, may put the stomach almost entirely out of commission in time, weaken the stomach muscle by cutting down on its supply of nerve force,

## Is Your Stomach Overworked?

 $\mathbf{W}^{\mathrm{HEN}}$ an arm or leg muscle has been overworked we call it "strain." When the stomach has been overworked we call it "indigestion." And very few connect that disorder known as indigestion with an overworking of the stomach muscle brought about by living on an unbalanced diet.We all know that a strained musele requires rest before it can recuperate; but few of us realize that this principle may be ap.plied to the stomach as well as to the other parts of the body.

If you are suffering from indigestion you will find this article not only interesting but also very helpful, inasmuch as the author explains the only natural way of overcoming this disorder.-The Editor.
causing genuine misery and ill health to the sufferer. It is so easy to prevent this in many cases that a large percentage so affected are victims of useless tragedy.

Just a little care in correctness of carriage while walking, standing or sitting and a few of the simpler exercises designed to maintain the shoulders in the right position and prevent the development of a "hump" or a tendency to lean to one side will almost invariably prevent trouble from the spine. A few of the simpler setting-up exercises in which a fair amount of stretching is involved will be found to have a desirable result. In outlining these exercises four will suffice.

No. 1. Stand with heels close together. Raise arms straight out from shoulders and up over head until tips of fingers point straight upward. Lean backward as far as possible without actually straining. Then lean forward as though seeking to touch the floor with the finger tips.

No. 2. Raise the hands straight out from shoulders. Swing the torso as far as possible to the right, then to the left, swinging from the waist up.

No. 3. Again raise the hands straight up over the head. Take a step forward with the right foot and bend forward as far as possible. Come back to position, then step forward with the left foot, leaning forward as far as possible.

No. 4. Raise the hands over the head as in the preceding exercise. Step sideward with the right foot and lean the body from the waist up as far over as possible, trying to touch the floor on the right side with the hand. Alternate this with the left.

These four are all stretching exercises and will serve a double purpose. They will not only tend to keep the vertebre of the spine in alignment and maintain a proper blood circulation through the spinal region, but will also help to build up the abdominal muscles supporting the stomach and thus prevent Ptosis.

Certainly these are nothing if they are not simple enough, and all of them will require less than ten minutes at night and ten minutes in the morning. Indirectly they will also benefit other parts of the body. Five times each would be enough for the stretching exercises and this can be increased as the patient desires.

There is another point that I wish to bring out and it will be of universal interest to men and women, those who are ill and those who enjoy normal health. By building up the stomach you are building up the strength of the whole body. Automatically you are obtaining a better figure and complexion. In other words, right here you have one of the keynotes necessary in the production of that idealized race we think of in which all the women will be beautiful and the men strong and well formed.

With the stomach functioning as it should, you can go ahead, assured that you will have a chance to build up the rest of the body, knowing that
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# Who Will Be Our Next Fighting Champions? 

## Can America Replace Dempsey and Leonard? -Foreign Bids for the Light and Heavyweight Crowns

By T. Von Ziekursch

FOR the first time in a mighty long while there is a good chance of the two most important titles fistiana has to offer being left to wander around loose without a real champion in sight to thrust his head into either crown.

In the mind of the average fight fan there are just two championships that mean a great deal-and the average fan is the one who indicates his preferences at the gate. They are the heavyweight and the lightweight. It is a curious fact that the men who hold these laurels are always the dominating factors in the roped square. Now and then a man arises in some other class who can lure the crowd, but he must be more than ordinarily picturesque-have the personality or the fighting methods, call it what you will. Such a one was Stanley Ketchell among the middleweights. Terry McGovern among the feathers and Jimmy Wilde among the flyweights. They were slashing, dangerous men, and the crowd would pay to see them in action. But these other classes have always suffered from lack of the color that the heavyweight and lightweight bunch could offer.

N o w these two most important classes are virtually lacking in rulers. Benny Leonard has retired. Ordinarily such statements don $n^{\text {, }}$ mean a $g \mathrm{reat}$ deal, but Leonard is sincere. His mother is not in


Underwood Photo
In the Dempsey-Firpo bout, Firpo proved that he possessed tremendous hitting power, and that he could take punishment. But is he the man to take the heavyweight crown when Dempsey has relinquished it?
good health, and for years she has suffered terribly every time Benny fought. In deference to her wishes, the doctors having warned him that it might cause her death to continue this worry, Leonard has decided to quit. Also, he is looking forward to other things and higher-a business career, perhaps, or the stage. The lightweight diadem awaits the man strong enough to stand out above the field.

As regards the heavyweight crown, it might as well be vacant. The only reason Dempsey holds onto it is because of its financial value outside the ring. It is a valuable asset to have in the movies, on the stage, in various other ways. Marriage and business success have weaned Jack from the fight game. He has little or no interest in it, and would certainly have retired but for those who shrewdly advised him to retain his championship as long as possible because of the money it would bring him in other ways than fighting and also for its publicity worth.

Inasmuch as there are no real opponents in sight for him at present and because of the fabulous purses he demands, it is likely he will not be bo thered with an actua I battle for a long time, a fight against an opponent who would push him to the limit as Firpo did.

All this means that the ring fan is apparently in for a period of mediocre bouts in these $t$ wo classes that have always d rawn greatest in-

terest. Who are the athletes most likely to compete?
In the lightweight class, according to all the accepted standards, there should be another great fighter ready to step into Leonard's shoes. He is Lew Tendler, the famous southpaw. Tendler is only about 26 years old, an exceptionally clever southpaw with a wonderful punch, but Tendler has apparently faded just as he should be reaching the heights. He seems to be burned out at a time when most men are just attaining the crest, and has been knocked out but recently for the first time. His conqueror, Jack Zivic, may blossom or Tendler may come back. That seems unlikely and there is no one in sight as a fitting successor to Leonard. It will be afl the more difficult to accept the one who does succeed him because of the very fact that Leonard assuredly rates as one of the greatest of lightweights down through the years, a man gool enough to be ranked with Gans, MeAuliffe, Lavigne and Griffo. There are plenty of good lightweiglits, men who can hit and take punishment, men who can box and are possessed of real fighting heads, but there certainly is not one of the present crop who combines all these qualities as Leonard does. It may be several years before one will stand as completely above the contending field.

And the same thing apparently holds for the heavyweights. Luis Firpo might have been the man to either wrest Dempsey's championship away or to succeed him on the throne. As the Argentine was when he first came to this country, filled with ambition and needing the money, he gave promise of becoming another Jef-fries-not in style but in the things he could do. He had the bulk, the tremendous hitting power, and he could take punishment. That immortal first round against Dempsey proved all that. But Firpo had many faults and would not correct them. He would not take advice, refused to listen to the coaching of men who might have made him a world's champion, and he is possessed of an indolent nature.

Although he knew next to nothing about the rudiments of boxing when he fought Dempsey, he was in physical condition and Dempsey's amazing hitting power was just about sufficient to bring Luis to the resin even though Dempsey could stand off at will and slam his hardest punches through Firpo's wide open guard.
Firpo faded when he accumulated money as the result of the Dempsey and other fights. Following his fistic introduction to Dempsey he refused to train and was in ridiculous condition against Wills and Weinert.

It doesn't take long to sum up the rest of the heavyweights hanging around the throne room. Jack Renault, the former Canadian Northwest Mounted policeman, would be a great fighter and might be the greatest of them all if he possessed the real fighting heart. Renault apparently cannot see red as Dempsey and all great champions can. Along fighting style he is built more like the English boxers, cautious, unvilling to take a chance or even to go in and mix it when he has an opponent wobbly. 'Tis said an effort is now being made to bring Renault and Dempsey together on the Pacific Coast this summer. That should be easy enough for Dempsey to induce him back into action.
Harry Wills is a really great fighter, but he has been waiting so long to get a chance at the title, that he, too, has begun to slip. The big negro is probably one of the strongest men the game has ever seen. They call him "the brown panther" because of his sinuous motions and tremendous strength. They could do better by dubbing him "the brown Adonis." He is possessed of a body that might have been a model for a Praxiteles. He can hit, has a clever trick of weaving his left arm about his opponent in such a way as to tie him up while Harry rips his body literally to pieces, and is a skillful boxer. But he has one flaw. A look at his hands and you marvel. They are so small as to resemble a woman's-the hands of a small lightweight. It is said
they are brittle. After he had beaten Firpo he showed a sprained thumb, and this despite the fact he only hit Luis one straight punch during the fight, when he dropped the South American in the second round. It really isn't that Harry's hands are brittle but that they are too small to stand the shock of impact when he unlimbers those great shoulder and arm muscles.

Wills has demonstrated his ability to beat anybody in the game except Dempsey and Tom Gibbons, nor could he have beaten Firpo as Dempsey did.

The only other man who might give Wills real trouble is Gibbons, the St. Paul veteran who withstood Dempsey for fifteen rounds. There is a clance Gibbons could beat him, for Tommy is one great heavyweight. He is the only man in the ring today who resembles in fighting methods the masters of a generation ago, men who stood off and really knew something about boxing as well as fighting. He is cool and takes his time about the job in a business-like fashion. They had to do such things in those days of forty-round and finish fights. If anything, Gibbons is the better fighter, Wills the stronger.

The rest of the present heavyweight crop narrows down to lesser men who have considerable distance to climb before they may be rated as contenders. Among these are Ralph Smith, the Californian who is staging a comeback after being terribly injured in a train wreck; Quentin Romero, the Chilian, who has the natural endowments of a great fighter but lacks skill as yet; Gene Tunney, American light heavyweight champion, who shows great promise and may soon be ready to step out, and some lesser lights such as George Godfrey, Charley Weinert and others.

But not one of them would be in the same class with Dempsey if Jack retained any of the form he was in the day he slugged Jess Willard down, the day he wrecked Georges Carpentier or the day he stopped - Firpo's furious charges.

At present Wills and Gibbons are the only two men who would draw at the gate with Dempsey. And with Dempsey definitely out of the picture the heavyweight class would be facing bad days just as the lightweight is.
This has happened before.
Although John L. Sullivan never really won the world's heavyweight championship he was the world's best in the eyes of fandom and a fighting champion at that. There could be no question about his right to be called the champion of champions in his day since Jem Smith, England's heavyweight titleholder refused to meet him, although the Boston strong boy dared Smith to get into the ring with him and offered him the entire purse if he could go four rounds. Sullivan also stopped

Slade, the famous Maori from New Zealand, and about the only blot on John L.'s record was the noted bout at Chantilly, France, in which Charley Mitchell, the English middleweight, eluded Sullivan's rushes in a most unsatisfactory battle.
The heavyweight crown was in good hands from Sullivan's time down through the reigns of Corbett, Fitzsimmons and Jeffries, but when Jeff retired it was knocked about considerably. Marvin Hart won it in a bout with Root, which Jeff refereed incidentally. Then Tommy Burns took it from Hart and the whole lot of them were mere second raters. Those were lean days for the heavyweight division, and now, if Dempsey is really through there will be more.
In the lightweight class the retirement of Jack McAuliffe brought about a somewhat similar condition, although it did not last overlong. Kid Lavigne was just beginning to push his way up through the mass when McAuliffe decided to become an undefeated champion of the world by retiring.
Lavigne was one of those marvels who stand out in the history of the game like a brilliant light. He was a small lightweight; in fact, would be classed as a featherweight today. He rarely entered the ring weighing above 130 pounds, yet he performed feats that have perhaps never been equalled. During his heydey as lightweight champion the formidable Joe Walcott held the welterweight crown. Wolcott, known as the Barbadoes Demon, was the terror of his own and all other classes above him. Squat, bul-let-headed, possessed of arms and a general bodily build like a gorilla, Wolcott fought middleweights. heavyweights, anyone who would fight him. Be it remembered that he knocked out Joe Choynski, and Choynski was a heavyweight of some class with a knockout to his credit over Jack Johnson in Jack's earlier career.

Lavigne's two fights with Wolcott are epics of the ring. With his ears almost torn off, his eyes closed, battered terribly, Lavigne would not be denied and kept rushing in, enitrely unafraid of the "demon." At last Wolcott became obsessed with the idea that Lavigne was not a human being and came to believe that it was impossible to beat him. From that moment on Wolcott, the welterweight champion. the man who knocked out heavyweights and was more feared than any man in the ring, was beaten and fell at last before Lavigne who would have been a modern featherweight.
Lavigne really won the world's lightweight title quite some time after McAuliffe retired, and thereby rescued that crown from dark days similar to the present. In order to definitely win it and set at rest the contentious ones he had to go to England and fight Dick Burge, holder of the English lightweight championship and claimant of the world's (Continued on page 68)

# Weight Lifting as a Sport in Germany 

Where Heavy Athletics Has Been Made a Field Event as Well as a National Sport-Why That Country Produces Such Prodigies of Physical Strength

By George F. Jowett

THERE is no other place in the world where heavy athletics are practiced and appreciated as much as in Germany. For in that country "heavy athletics," as they term the sport of weight lifting, is an integral part of existence, and this is undoubtedly the reason why Germany produces at the present time prodigies of physical might and bodily perfection every bit as good as it did in the past. In fact, their present day performances prove that their standard of records is eyen better today than it has ever been, although their heavyweights did not do as well as they have previously done. Yet Germany can claim the man who is the strongest man in the world at the present time and who is so acknowledged by all official weight lifting bodies. This person is now an American citizen and known to us all as Henry Steinborn.

Weight lifting has one great quality that boxing and wrestling do not have. It does not allow the controversy so often brought


[^2]up in these sports, to arise. People may question whether Dempsey is as good as Jeffries was, or whether Lewis is as good as Gotch or Hackenschmidt; but the poundages raised in weight lifting always stand until some lifter comes along and surpasses them. Therefore, we are in a better condition to judge the present day champion and to compare his abilities with those of past years in this sport than in any other. That is why I can safely say that Steinborn is better than all previous champions. There are readers who will talk of Swoboda, Steinbach and Saxon or tell what Louis Cyr has done. Much as I respect those glorious men, I can honestly say that Steinborn is a better man on the championship lifts, those lifts accepted by all national weight lifting associationsat the present time.

You probably do not know that since the war weight 1 ifting, like everything else in Germany, has changed. They have discarded the old methods for the new, and on the


Members of the Bonn Athletic Club who won the German National Middieweight Championship for 1924.
revival of national competition the old method of jerking, known to us all as the "Continental" style, where a bar-bell is taken to the shoulders in two or more movements and jerked overhead, was discarded, and the "clean" method as practiced in Britain and America, of taking the weight to the shoulders in one movement, was adopted. That is one reason why the poundages of the German heavyweight class as last reported were not so high as heretofore. In fact, there was not one man who was in what in German weight is called the " 300 pound class." The best two-hand "clean" and "jerk" was 285 German pounds. Remember, however, in comparing German weights with the American or English standards that a German lifting 300 pounds would be lifting approximately 331 pounds according to our standards. Therefore, G. Strassberger, the winner of the heavyweight class, while lifting only 285 pounds "clean" and "jerk," actually lifted a much bigger total than 300 pounds according to our weights.

It would be wise for my readers to remember that in Giermany all competitions are amateur performances.
Steinborn played with the record of Louis Cyr, that had stood for so many years- 347 pounds in the twohands "clean" and "jerk." He accomplished 353 pounds in this same "clean" style in America. Not one of the previous champions of any country could possibly come near this lift. Moerke, the former German champion, who, by the way, is now an American citizen, defeated Swoboda in the two-hand "clean" and "jerk" before coming to America. Swoboda's best record is 409 American pounds in the two-hand "Continental." Moerke had no chance with Steinborn, however, although the latter is a considerably lighter man than either of the other two. These facts prove my statement that the standard of weight lifting is much higher, and on the whole present day lifters are better than those of former days. I could continue comparing present day lifting with the feats of former lifters in every class, and further substantiate my claim if necessary: but that would be a digression from the purpose of this article.

1 am compelled to mention these facts in order to prove what is to follow.
The reason for such weight lifting proficiency in Germany is that they make the iron game a sport, and it is as interesting there to a multitude of spectators as baseball is in America. For American weight lifting enthusiasts to stimulate interest in the sport, we must devise some methods by which we can supply a thrill to the spectators. In this country when you mention bar-bells or dumbbells the majority mentally connect this apparatus with the vaudeville stage or the gymnasium. The names in themselves tell against the game with people who still hang on to the worn-out theory that weights are injurious or are good only for the superstrong. In fact, many lifting enthusiasts would wonder how it could be possible to make weight lifting a field event; nevertheless it is that in Germany, where these events are all advertised as "heavy athletics."

Some of their outdoor meets consist solely of "heavy athletics" in different forms, of which the game of "Jonglieren" is very popular and may be played by every body weight class.

I believe that nothing has ever been written in America on this sport, and I am sure that these photos are published in an American magazine for the first time. I am sure they will be of interest to all who practice with heavy weights, and since it would be very hard to devise a more spectacular and thrilling sport than "Jonglieren," which means the juggling of weight, it is appropriate to initiate this German practice as one of our first steps to stimulate general interest in heavy athletics. Germany has always been credited with being thoroughly efficient, and nowhere is such efficiency shown as when these German athletes step into the stadium. Their appearance has an appeal that is never felt in track athletics in this country.

A Jonglieren team consists of ten members, and they are divided in classes according to their body weight. Each man carries a kettle-bell that weighs about 43 American pounds. These teams go through an eliminat-
ing process similar to our trial feats. The opposing teams step toward each other, carrying the kettlebells upon the right shoulders, and go through a series of march formations to the exhilarating strains of martial music. Each team member wears the uniform and colors of the club he represents. After they have finished the march, they array themselves in a circle, and at a given signal they begin swinging the kettle-bells in unison. First the weight is swung between the legs, then out at a rm's length in front, when with a quick


The finals in the German National Heavyweight Weight Lifting Championship, Moerke (above) and Steinborn doing the deep knee bend, in which the former accomplished 448 pounds twice in succession and the latter raised 533 pounds in one effort.
weight Championship for 1924, and it is composed of members of the $\mathrm{B} \circ \mathrm{n}$ n Athletic Club.

Pictures of the finalist in the German National Heavyweight Weight Lifting Championship, two of the greatest weight lifters of the present time, Moerke, the former German champion, and Henry Steinborn, the present world's champion, are also shown.

I think you will agree with me that all these pictures are exceptional, depicting as they do such remarkable examples of man power. The two pictures show Moerke and Steinborn twist and immediate release the bell describes a circle in the air and is caught back and swung between the legs. Again it is high in front and thrown with the same hand twist, so that it describes another circle in the air, and is finally caught by the contestants on the opposite side, These movements are continued with variations such as casting the bells to each other while standing back to hack, and causing the bells to revolve twice in the air every time the player releases his grip, and then again catcling the weight. When a catch is missed, it is a point against the side of the man who misses the catch. The kettle-bells are always thrown to the man farthest away. If you have seen these teams in action once you will want to see them again, for the contest is clever, fast and exciting. It is a stunt that calls for great timing. If a person does not keep a keen lookout, he is apt to bestruck with a bell, which would certainly render him hors de combat. This sport produces a great grip and splendid arm development.

The action picture shown will give you an idea of how two opposing teams look.

The team shown won the German National Middle-
performing a deep knee bend, Moerke accomplishing 448 pounds twice in succession, and Steinborn making the effort once with 533 pounds. Examine both pictures and note how much deeper Steinborn squats than Moerke, and also note the tense expression on Steinborn's face. The judge standing on the right-hand side of the picture is Jian Hauptmann, the winner of the world's championship when the old Olympic games were held in Stockholm in 1910. Hauptmann is a huge man standing over 6 feet 4 inches in height and built in proportion. The other judge is Jian Williams, another famous German lifter.

In one of their exhibits Moerke elevated 320 German pounds in the two-hand "Continental jerk," which would be approximately 353 American pounds. He is very short in stature, but heavily constructed, as you can see. Henry Steinborn in the one-hand "clean" and "jerk" raised 231 American pounds. This was a splendid lift, and especially because of the fact that both men lifted on a platform composed of loose boards. Enthusiasm creates enthusiasm, and I am sure we would all enjoy seeing our big field events (Continued on page 93)


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# The Modern Miss Outdoors 

The Superb Womanhood That Has Grown from Competitive Sport - What Our Girl Athletes Are Doing

By Madeline Mulvey

ONCE upon a time when mother inquired as to her daughter's whereabouts the answer would run something like this: "Mary is in the garden knitting." Or maybe it was crocheting or embroidering. Nowadays when a young lady is outdoors we might be forced to answer: "Mary is jumping hurdles, or doing the hundred-yard dash, or rowing her boy friend's boat." But whether she is rowing her boy friend's boat or paddling her own canoe, there are ten chances to one that you won't find her knitting or crocheting. Not in the summer time, anyhow.

Those werc the good old days! Then a friendly gathering became the storm center for unburdening upon your friends all the headaches you had suffered since the last time you met, and a club meeting (or, rather, a sewing circle) was just the place to describe that dreadful operation you underwent so and so many years ago.

Now, of course, this wasn't the case everywhere. There always have been kind, considerate souls, cheerful minded enough to soothe other folks' discomfort and console their pessimism. But, on the whole, it was quite as proper to be an invalid in those days as it is to be a tennis star or swimming champion today.

Now things are different. There isn't any time for headaches in the day of the girl who is busy thinking of the game this evening. No, indeed! Life is much too interesting and cheerful. And we are inclined to feel ashamed of the pains and aches that, after all, show a little ignorance or carelessness or something for which we, personally, are responsible. We would rather not be numbered among the ailing folks these days. It is much
more popular to be healthy, and a great deal more useful.
Woman, it seems, is just beginning to realize all the fun that can be gotten out of living. She can at last hold her own in almost any field without being looked upon as a curiosity. Folks have long since ceased to wonder at the business girl and taken her for granted. In a like manner they are gradually accustoming themselves to the football girl, the baseball girl and even to the boxing girl. It is becoming quite an ordinary thing to see her jumping hurdles, and we look for her in basketball, handball, tennis, running, paddling, rowing and sculling, to say nothing of the one great sport in which she has held her own, ever since fashion permitted her to don the one-piece bathing suit and start making records.

We don't need to wonder long what girls have done in the way of competitive swimming. That was probably the first line in which their photographs began crowding out men's sport items. Since the Philadelphia Turngemeinde turned out the first Woman Olympic Champion, Olga Dorfner, new champions have been springing up overnight. There are Aileen Riggin, Elizabeth Becker, Sybil Bauer, and dozens of other record holders representing the American girl. And what a superb lot of women they are! When the Olympic Team went over, it would have been a difficult matter to select from the lot of them one who was not in the class with Venus or Diana or Psyche.

Probably more than any other class are our swimmers typical of the benefits which can be derived from the vigorous, athletic life. Far from losing their femininity, these girl athletes have shown the world how splendid womanhood can-really be. Health, symmetry, vitality,
endurance-their outstanding qualities-can be attained in no way better than through swimming.

Our girl champs aren't limited to one sport, however. Aileen Riggin gets almost as much fun from her dancing as from breaking swimming records. And there's Marian Knox, who, while classed as one of the best girl runners, holds several records in swimming and is out to make some new ones this year.

But swimming has long been acceded, even by the most pessimistic, to be a harmless sport for girls. Harmless! Well, if eating a well-balanced meal is harmless indulgence, if reading good literature is a harmless pastime, then swimming is a harmless sport.

There are some sports, however, on which we are not as sure of ourselves as swimming. Plenty of us still stand on the borderline wondering if it is safe to join in them. There's sculling, for instance, a more recent addition to feminine conquests. Not many of us are quite familiar with that as yet but some of our more courageous sisters have begun making sculling records. A woman's race

was included in a championship regatta, for the first time, in September of last year.

The race was given under the auspices of the New England Amateur Rowing Association, and the participants were Miss Ifelen Cort of Worcester and Mrs. Mollard of Philadelphia. Miss Cort won, making the halfmile distance in three minutes and five seconds. There followed a double race in which Miss Helen Cort and Jack Crooks of Harvard rowed against Mrs. Mollard and Sydney Mollard, her husband. Again Massachusetts won.

The girls' instructors claim that they show exceptional endurance in this sport, and that although both were merely halfmile races, that they are capable of holding their own in long rowing contests.

Now this race has a two-fold interest to us.

Marian Knox, shown at the left, is an outstanding figure in athletics, because she has begun breaking swimming and running records at the same time. Not only was it the first of its kind, but it established a precedent in another way. When Mr. and Mrs. Mollard went to Worcester for the race, they weren't alone. Oh, no! Baby Mollard, who was just five months old, went along. Doesn't that finally prove something that the farseeing have for some time been trying to impress upon the public-namely, that athletics are not merely for schoolgirls but can be made as much a
part of a woman's life as her home is at present?
Home, under the new régime, will be a great deal more cheerful. The woman who has acquired a love of the outdoors has, in the very nature of things, acquired also a love of sunshine, fresh air and cheeriulness that she will bring into the home. The mother who has been broadened by contact with the outside is far more capable of planting a sane viewpoint in the minds of her children. The housewife who is limber, active and healthy is not as apt to deteriorate into a "barge" or a "killjoy" as is the "nervous wreck."
The new era is having its effect mentally and physically upon everyone. Women of the present are just beginning to realize its benefits, but the younger generation is growing up with it. The schoolgirl has gained a new independence, a greater grip on life and a courage that is splendid to behold. We can watch her grow into her inheritance with the realization that she is our one great bid for a saner, stronger womarhood.

In tennis women have occupied the foreground for some time past. Susanne Lenglen has long been a marvel at the game, and Helen Wills-well, what American of either sex has not cherished a hope of seeing the tenniscrown brought to this side by Helen Wills?
Jeanne La Mar, the French boxer, has gone in for a form of sport not usually accepted by girls. She has succeeded, however, in attracting a great deal of interest to feminine boxing, and her speed and agility have kept more than one of our men boxers "up on their toes."
That brings us to the much-talked-of question of competition between the sexes. It has long been an accepted idea that women are the weaker sex, and those that first maintained that all athletics are harmful for girls have found their theory disproved by our robust young athletes, and are switching their war cry to competitive athletics. Their new slogan is, "They'll overdo!"
Permit us to reassure them on that score. Women aren't going into athletics with an idea that they can smash men's records right and left and dominate the field.
If there are any qualities created by athletics they are enthusiasm, level-headedness and quick-thinking. Without these no one can succeed in competition of any sort, and particularly in the sports. Sheer enthusiasm may carry one through the


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All ready for a dip! Elizabeth Becker, queen of hem all when it comes to diving, and Frances Clark (at the right), another of America's representatives on the Olympic Team. Who says the athletic girl isn't both feminine and charming?
first or second time, but the ability to conserve one's energy and release it at will has always been-and always will be-indicative of greatness in the athlete. Our women athletes will not be exceptions. They are cultivating good-fellowship, poise and level-headedness to a remarkable degree, and these faculties will make it possible for them to appreciate their limitations and their opportunities for overcoming them.

There are few sports in which women will try to compete with men. Why should they? Benny Leonard can be champion without fighting Jack Dempsey. No one would expect a lightweight and heavyweight to come together, because the world admits the obvious difference between the two great classes.

In like manner women can go on making new records and, with possibly a few exceptions, still remain within their own limits, setting marks for other girl athletes to live up to and work for.

What can be done in competitive sport depends upon two qualities, adaptability and strength. Probably, as time goes on, greater skill will be acquired in each particular sport, and that for which woman is most adapted will be that in which she will excel. But whether her increase in skill will be accompanied by a similar increase in strength and endurance remains to be seen. And some of the sports require great endurance. It always has been a question as to whether or not a woman's endurance equals that of the opposite sex-a question which has been answered in the negative by all the gentlemen and in the affirmative by all the ladies. At that rate we suppose it will always remain a question.

Fred Harvey, of Worcester, Massachusetts, who has had the opportunity of training a number of girls for sculling, is not the only man who has expressed surprise at the endurance displayed by the girls who are going in for sports. Comments are being made everywhere.

Mr. Eubanks, who wrote an article for this magazine called. "How Strong is a Woman?" stated that women, even those in casy circumstances, are not onetenth as weak as they believe themselves to be. He cited a case of northern exploration which he said failed because of the absence of Indian women, who are accustomed to hauling as much as two men, and without whom the expedition could not make the journey.

It is his belief that the prevalent idea that woman is the weaker sex has done a great deal to keep her under


Helen Cort, champion woman single sculler of America, who won her title in the National Regatta held at Worcester, Massachusetts, last fall. This was the first woman's race ever held in a national regatta.
that heading, and he has proven his assertion by citing several cases where girl gymnasts have given up contests with boys and done twice as well the next day when pitted against contenders of their own sex. Such being the case, competitive athletics should have the very good effect of removing this inhibition and replacing it with a desire to be strong and active.

For actual strength-if the word be used to denote muscle and ligament power-it is probable that there are but few women in the world who would challenge the average man, and these are the exceptions that, by nature of the publicity they receive, prove the rule. If the word strength, however, be taken in its broadest sense, as meaning energy, vitality and endurance, woman can well raise the question as to whether or not.there is a weaker sex. She is at her best in sport that requires staying power and agility. Swimming and dancing are good examples.
The sports which require endurance are those which, in the very nature of things, promote it. Swimming, alone, has worked veritable miracles in the way of rebuilding broken-down bodies and restoring weak individuals to health. Probably the first outstanding example of its value was given us when Annette Kellerman, that super-mermaid, announced what it had done for her. She swam her way from a crippled, emaciated child to a strong, beautiful woman.

As a girl she was told her case was hopeless, and friends pitied her because she dared to visualize herself as being a strong, graceful woman. "Not a chance in the world," she heard them say. "Why, she can't even walk."

Nor could she walk. But she found the water very merciful in sustaining her poor. crippled body, and it was much easier to use her museles there than on land. So.
day after day, instead of walking, she swam. Then after a time-a trying, struggling, persevering interval of time-the miracle began to assert itself. Not very suddenly but slowly and steadily the muscles in her crippled side began to respond and finally to develop. Her later years the public has had ample opportunity of knowing, and however great her childish vision could have been, we are sure her splendid womanhood has excelled it.

If this were the only example of what exercise can do. it, alone, should suffice to convince the world. But it is not. Day after day we come into contact with others who have profited in a like manner. When exercise or sport-which is only an agreeable way of getting exer-cise-can do that for withered and emaciated bodies. what will it not do for the girl who adopts it while unhandicapped by poor health?
Let the average girl go into sport and she will soon cease to be an "average" girl and become a "super" one. She will not need much strength and endurance in the beginning of the game, because long before she has reached the competitive stage she will have built up both of these qualities sufficiently to enable her to hold her own.

With our schoolgirls going in for swimming, running and all of the sports, why can't we hope for a constantly improving quality of feminine strength and endurance. as well as for gradually improving records? Remember each new record means a higher mark for the next year's class, and each new mark shows increase in the skill and strength of the competitor.

At any rate, it is apparent to those who are interested. whether they are for or against the development, that the Modern Miss is a permanent factor in society. The girl athlete is here and she's here to stay.

# Keeping Fit or Fat at Fifty 

> Do Men Ever Die from Overwork ? Keeping Fit Becomes Increasingly More Important and Vital as You Grow Older

By Charles Thomas Hicks

EXERCISES POSED BY E. RUSSELL

EVERY once in a while you meet the old story of the business man who worked himself to death. If such a thing is possible.
The classic example was that of the late E. H. Harriman, railroad magnate.

Harriman's career was perhaps the most meteoric and sensational in all the history of American business and finance. At the age of fifty he was just an ordinary stockbroker in Wall Street, apparently no

better, so far as the world then knew, than many others. But then he commenced to make use of the things that for so many years he had been learning, took a strangle hold on the railroad situation and in the next twelve yearsfor he died at sixty-two-amassed a fortune of something like a hundred million dollars.

In the process of accomplishing that magnificent result Harriman is supposed to have worked himself to death. He was regarded as one of the most "dynamic" of all the great figures in American finance, a man of intense nervous energy. The engine was too powerful for the chassis and shook it to pieces, according to the theory. He drove himself so hard that his body could not stand the strain and he broke down at sixty-two.

It has been said that Harriman really died of starvation. Now, of course, that is quite a definite possibility, in view of the prevalence of inadequate food upon the average dinner table. A great many of our best people die at least partly for the reason that they do not know how to eat any more than they know otherwise how to live. But it was once explained that Harriman died of starvation because his overworked brain consumed all of his food, so that there was nothing left for his poor, neglected body to feed upon.

Now, that made a very picturesque kind of story. But unfortunately it is wholly at variance with what we know about the consumption of food through brain work. Energy as expended through muscular work can be measured in terms of horsepower or in terms of calories, But where brain work is concerned, the consumption of food is negligible. So far as can be discovered. thinking all day does not seem to use up any more food than loafing all day. And people can usually think better on an empty stomach. The mind is unusually clear when one is fasting. If Harriman died of starvation, as was more or less possible, it was not because his brain consumed all his food. It might have been because he
did not eat good food. The chances are that through close application to work he took no exercise whatever, always made it a point to ride when he should have walked, never had an appetite, tried to eat a high protein diet in spite of that fact, probably smoked heavily and possibly did a number of other things that contributed to his premature breakdown.

There is another phase of the matter. It takes nervous energy to digest food. The neurasthenic, with nerveforce exhausted, sometimes lies down to rest a half hour before dinner in the evening in order to be able to eat. But how do nerves become so exhausted? Well, not through work. Through faulty diet and wrong living. It may seem like stress of work, but exceptional fatigue practically always indicates some serious underlying disorder, organic weakness, malnutrition or other fundamental defect. In short. Harriman died through lack of keeping fit.

Do men ever die of overwork? Look at Thomas Edison. On that basis he should have been dead thirty years ago. Look at Luther Burbank, working Sundays just as he does all other days, eternally working. Edison has no regular daily dozen, so far as I know, but he is an active man in all general respects and there is no stagnation of his circulation. Also he has his own ideas about simplicity of diet and eats very sparingly. Working eighteen to twenty hours a day, on small rations, you might wonder if his mind did not consume all his food, leaving his body to starve. But Edison's body, in his seventy-ninth year, is still splendidly nourished, after such a life of overwork. And look at Lloyd George, who carried the great strain of years of war and the trying period of reconstruction that followed it. He did not break. Everyone knows personal instances of the same kind.

So on the score of some of the men who do the hardest and most intense kind of work, and who manage to live and thrive on it, it seems clear that work, of itself, does not necessarily kill anyone. There must be something else. Overwork of the vital organs? Ah, that's a different thing. Abuses that involve overwork of the digestive organs, overwork of the liver in conflict with the poisons that are forced upon the body and overwork of the kidneys? Yes, that is the kind of overwork that kills. Without even knowing the details of Harriman's personal habits. one may assume that, like many other business men, he went on his way blindly, so far as health habits were concerned. He broke down just as any small retail shoe merchant or calico counter salesman might break down
at fifty or sixty, if he lived the same kind of a life, physically speaking.

It is said that you never miss the water till the well runs dry: And in that sense a young man often does not know the value of the liealth and vitality which he enjoys sometimes just because he has inherited a good constitution and because he is still young. He is like a new ear that is so well made that it runs well in spite of abuse-for a while. But when the passing years have robbed the man of that


The straight upward stretch. To make it as spine loosening as possible one arm is stretched downward while the elevated hand is stretched upward.

## Stand as shown

 in the second photograph. hands clasped behind your back. Twist around to look behind you first in one direction, then in the other. Do this a dozen times each way.state of youth he gradually approaches a time when continued health must be earmed, and when, unless he takes care of himself, he will break down. For now the mistakes of careless living will leave their marks upon him.

Indeed, the older one grows the more necessary and urgent it becomes that he should make it his business to keep fit. Heaven knows that among those who do not do this, plenty of them pay the penalty. For if you have a wide circle of accuaintances among persons of that age, you find that life is just one darn shock after another.

Every little while you hear that John Smith dropped dead of heart failure, at the age of fifty; that Tom Jones died last night of pneumonia, at fiftytwo; that Harry Brown keeled over yesterday with apoplexy, at fifty-four; that Mrs. Robinson died at the cancer hospital at forty-nine, and that Joe White just passed away with Bright's disease at forty-seven. And so it goes. What's Leroy Roberts doing with that new scheme of his? Oh, didn't you know, Roberts is dead? You can't get away from it. My own personal

faulty diet, overweight, chronc poisoning through tobacco, drink, bad teeth, autointoxicacation and what not.
But what is the other side of the picture? Ah, there is something to brighten you up.
For I know a whole group of men of fifty who have learned something about keeping fit, who have learned how to keep their weight, and how to eat to do it. One conspicuous example, though I don't know him personally, is Henry Ford. He is now sixtytwo, though he has the health and energy of a robust man of forty. He can still run and jump, he knows how to eat, he knows how to plan the affairs of his life so that he avoids any undue strain-in short, he knows how to live.

I know a group of men who regularly make use of the set-ting-up class at the New York Athletic Club, which meets three times a week from October to May, inclusive, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 5:30 P. M.., for a tiventy-minute workout. That keeps them in tune. These men are from thirty to sixty-five years of age, probably averaging about fifty. They know what they are doing and where they are going, in a physical sense, as well as in a business sense. I have in mind one typical example, a man of forty-nine, tall. straight, clean-limbed, powerful, with big, strong hands, deep lungs and seemingly unlimited vitality. He is in
acquaintance is limited, and yet in a few months a half dozen men, in middle life, have dropped out of my circle.
And why?
Pure neglect, as in Harriman's case. Lack of keeping fit, through lack of regular exercise,

Stand as in the first photograph, hands on hips. Bend forward, swing around to one side as shown in the center, then far back around to the other side and forward again. Six to ten times each way. The abdominal exercise shown below is done by lying down, feet braced under a piece of furniture, and rising, finally touching the toes with the fingers.
the front row of this setting-up class at every session. In the summer he does a lot of motoring and golfing in the country, but his particular hobby is wood chopping, and chopping apple trees at that.

You will find men of this kind in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasiums all over the country. And you will find others who have no large gymnasiums conveniently situated but who nevertheless solve the problem of keeping in tume by plans of their own devising.
For instance, I know a professional man who was formerly acquiring superfluous proportions around the belt line, but who saw his need for reform. He saw that it was a case of keeping fit or fat in his forties and fifties. He figured out that there were a few things that he must do, as follows:
Keep the spine flexible.
Keep the abdominal region firm and strong.
Keep the chest measurement above that of the belt.
Maintain youthful bodily weight.
Keep the heart and lungs sound by just enough constitutional exercise, but without strain and without excessive fatigue. And-

Maintain efficient elimination.

The system of exercises which our friend worked out consisted of a few movements, so that no matter however crowded for time he might find limself, it would always be possible at least to do these few movements. He thought that a more elaborate system would be likely to be neglected at some time when he was under unusual pressure. To make
the plan still further proof against the failings of his own admittedly very human nature, he arranged to do these movements in the evening, as a part of the routine of going to bed. If he had planned them in the morning, there would be occasions when the urgency of work or the eagerness to get down town to business would cause him to neglect them. So his routine is to shave in the morning, exercise at night. Thus, he could not
possibly take the exercise time out of his working day, but only out of his night, the proper time for recuperation and recreation. So he does these exercises a half hour or twenty minutes before going to bed, follows them with a warm shower, then a quick cold splash, the brushing of his teeth, and ten or fifteen minutes of reading in bed before turning out the light. If the exercise is somewhat stimulating to his nervous system, as he thinks, this short period of reading quiets his nerves and tires his mind so that he is ready for a deep and restful sleep. Here are the exercises:

First, there is the straight upward stretch, except that this is done first with one hand and then with the other. To make this as spine loosening as possible the other arm is stretched downward while the elevated hand is stretched upward. This gives the upper spine lots of action.

Second, stand with feet wide apart, arms outstretched at sides; then bend down to the left side with a twisting action, swinging the right arm forward and down to touch the floor just outside of the left foot, at the same time swinging the left arm backward and upward. Then reverse, going back to the upright position and continuing on down to the right side, the left arm swinging forward to touch the floor just beyond the right foot, and the right arm swinging back and up. You

each way will be sufficient exercise on this one.
Third, is a spine twister, from the neck down. Stand with your hands clasped behind your back and twist around, still erect, to look behind you first in one direction, then in the other. Stretch to look as far around as you comfortably can. You should not only be able to look straight behind you, but a little further around than that, perhaps three-quarters of the way
around with the corners of your eyes. But without strain. Yon can do this a dozen times each way.
Fourth, is a movement of rotating the body from the hips. With hands on

hips, bend forward, then swing around to one side, then far back, around to the other side and forward again, continuting around a number of times; then reverse. Six to ten times each way may be enough. You will note that in doing these spine stretching and twisting movements you will already have done some excellent liver-squeezing, as well as using the muscles of the trunk of the body extensively, including those of the abdomen. Also, you will have done some moderate chest expanding.
Fifth, is a chest expansion movement, combined with full breathing, and performed by raising the arms straight forward from the sides, all the way up to high over head, then lowering them sideways, and pulling them as far back as possible all the way down. Inhale while raising, exhale while lowering arms. A dozen times. The photograph makes this clearer. Sixth. is the classic abdominal exercise of lying on the back, with the feet braced under a piece of furniture, and rising to the sitting position, even stretching forward to touch the toes with the fingers. Do this only a few times at first. Later you will find that it will not take much time to repeat it a couple of dozen times, which is enough. You can (Continued on page 92)

# Save Your Teeth and Lengthen Your Life 

How Pyorrhea May be Prevented and TreatedWhat Mouth Hygiene Really Means to Health

By Dr. Edwin F. Bowers

DID you ever stop to think that the condition of your teeth has a great deal to do with the condition of your health? And that upon your health depends your success in life, your earning power, your happiness and your physical efficiency? Not many people, outside of dentists and doctors, know these things as yet. In fact, it is only within a comparatively few years that we learned the painful lesson that to spare the brush spoils the teeth-and sometimes the child, or the man or woman, who owns them.

Science is now emphasizing the importance of teeth in preparing food for digestion. It is also calling attention to the intimate connection between decayed teeth and a large number of diseases that apparently have nothing to do with teeth. A little reflection serves to show that improperly masticated food-improperly masticated because of bad teeth, or lack of teeth-is a primary cause of malnutrition, resulting in anemia, neurasthenia, and a host of symptoms that follow chronic indigestion and auto-intoxication from intestinal absorption.

Ulcers and cancers in the stomach have been traced to decayed teeth; so have rheumatism and diseases of the kidneys. We are spending much time, money and thought upon the subject of tuberculosis and its prevention; yet many cases of tuberculosis can be traced directly to malnutrition resulting from improper mastication of the food, or from the direct infection of foul mouths.

Mouth-breathing and adenoids develop frequently because of the lack of a proper combination of brush, tooth-paste and elbow-grease, persistently applied. Decayed teeth may cause disease in the ears and eyes, and various other unpleasant or dangerous conditions more or less remote from the focus of infection. Ulcerated tonsils and swelling of the glands of the neck, and those very serious diseases of the cavities of the facial bones (sinus abscesses) develop quite frequently from tooth infection.


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Almost every germ of a general infectious nature can be found in the cracks and crannies of hollow teeth. Measles, chicken-pox, whoop-ing-cough, mumps, scarlet fever, diphtheria, influenza and smallpox have bred in decayed and neglected teeth, and have started the particular kind of trouble for which evolution has designed them.

So great an authority as Dr. Osler declared that more diseases are brought about by neglected and lecayed teeth than by excessive indulgence in alcoholic liquors, and that there is not one single thing more important to the public in the whole range of hygiene than the hygiene of the mouth.

Yet, only in the rarest instances are poor teeth inherited. In fact, we are coming to the conclusion that, unless there be a distinct scrofulous taint, or unless the mother, through improper diet, fails to provide for her child an adequate supply of lime salts, Nature creates all children free and equal, physiologically speaking. So, bad teeth almost uniformly signify neglect, uncleanliness, ignorance and faulty food supply.

The chief cause of tooth destruction lies principally in lime and phosphate starvation, brought about by eat-ing-from the time the mother first conceives the child until the individual dies of old age-a diet robbed of its minerals, totally deficient in the lime and phosphates necessary, not only to make teeth and bones, but also to make nervous systems and brains and to keep the marvelous functions of nutrition from making a mess of the whole organic structure, mental, physical and moral.

Therefore, to have sound, hard teeth, one should eat nutritious, wholesome food, food that contains the mineral salts out of which teeth and bones are made. For you can't make tooth structure without minerals any more than you can make bricks without clay.

Also, it would be well to abstain from eating too much candy or ice cream, frosted cakes or other foods that contain any considerable quantity of sugar. For sugar, lacking as it does lime, iron and other mineral salts, and because of its capacity for selective affinity, abstracts lime salts from the bones, teeth and tissues, thereby
weakening the vitality and lowering the resistance of the teeth to the invasion of disease germs.

Also, it may be here stated that milk is justly considered one of the most nutritious, economical and wholesome of all foods. It is particularly valuable as a source of nutritive material for the teeth. For milk is particularly rich in lime salts, phosphorous and potassium, mineral substances vitally necessary for building up the teeth. A liberal amount of milk in the diet will do much to prevent pyorrhea and tooth decay and maintain the best standard of nutrition.
Pyorrhea is an inflammation of the dental membrane and the structure in which the tooth is imbedded, developing pus and progressing to the decay of the tooth processes and the final loosening and loss of the teeth.
It is believed that ninety out of every one hundred people in the world have pyorrhea, or conditions which, if untreated, might lead to pyorrhea. Pyorrhea, like all other inflammatory processes, is dependent upon three factors-a low standard of nutrition, injury and malocclusion of the teeth. This injury may be invisible or it may be decidedly apparent.
The first symptoms of pyorrhea consist in a tendency of the gums to bleed while brushing the teeth, or while removing impacted particles of food from between them with dental floss or toothpick.

As the condition develops, the gums shrink away from the teeth, thereby hastening the destruction by malnutrition of the sheath and alveolar process, the bony casing, and the nutrition chamber of the tooth.

With the retraction of the gums and the destruction of the tissues investing the roots, the attachments of the teeth to the socket in the jaw are loosened. In advanced cases they become so loose in the sockets that sometimes they may be rocked back and forth or even plucked out with the fingers. And wherever the periosteum, or bony casing, is destroyed the soft tissues attached to it are also destroyed, increasing the ulcerative process, together with the available supply of pus and pathogenic germs. However, where the membranes covering the roots of the teeth have been destroyed, or where the gums have receded, there is no earthly hope of ever replacing this tissue by any form of treatment. It is a scientific fact that when the teeth come together, or "occlude" perfectly, there is always a more healthy condition of the teeth and gums. As a general rule, where these irregularities exist, fully ninety per cent of cases have been entirely neglected, so far as any constructive effort to close the spaces where teeth have been lost or extracted is concerned.

Therefore, no dentist should feel that his work is finished when he has extracted a tooth. For no matter what the age of the patient, the jaw is never restored to normal again, until the space between the teeth is filled, the grinding sur-

> IN his article, Dr. Bowers cites a case of a patient who was being treated for acute rheumatism:
> "His sufferings were so great that he had to be watched carefully, day and night, to prevent suicide.
> "Every joint in his body was involved in the inflammatory process, even his face and arms being swollen. He had not slept in more than three weeks, except under the influence of an opiate. Every conceivable form of medical treatment, including hot air baths and electricity, had been employed on him without avail. Yet, after the extraction of two or three necrosed roots, this man, within ten days, was so far recovered as to return to his business, and is today in perfect physical health."

> His advice on caring for the teeth and preventing disease of the gums, is both illuminating and helpful.-The Editor.
faces and a normal mouth condition restored.
Associated with pyorrhea there is usually, but not always, a tendency to form tartar deposits on the teeth, and especially on the necks of the teeth, down below the gum margins. This tartar is merely the result of a combination of certain secretions of the mouth, mixed with mineral and organic substances derived from the foods, usually in the presence of mouth acids.

By keeping the mouth secretions more alkaline, using baking soda, salt or milk of magnesia for this purpose, much of this tendency to tartar formation can be prevented.

To treat pyorrhea successfully, it is necessary to scale thoroughly all calcareous deposits from the teeth, no matter how far up or down beneath the gum margins they may have extended, polishing and burnishing carefully all infected tooth surfaces.

Iodine, or some powerful antiseptic, used locally around the roots of the teeth, and at the gum marginshelps materially to asepticize the mouth, or at least to lower its toxic condition. Iodine may also help temporarily in overcoming those little abscesses at the roots of teeth, known colloquially as "gum boils." As a matter of fact, "gum boil," which may seem so trivial and harmless, is nothing more or less than a collection of pus at the roots or necks of infected teeth, forming what is known as a "focal infection." The absorption of this pus into the system is one of the most frequent of all causes for disease of dental origin.

Rheumatism is one of the most common of the disorders that frequently have their origin in decayed teeth or pyorrheic gums. Every once in a while some of these rheumatic cases make a perfectly astonishing gain following the removal of one or more teeth with putrescent roots, or the clearing up of some pyorrheal infection.

In one patient, treated by my friend, Dr. Frederick K. Ream, of New York, an acute rheumatism had existed for three months. The sufferings of this patient were so great that he had to be carefully watched, day and night. to prevent suicide.

Every joint in his body was involved in the inflammatory process, even his face and arms being swollen. He had not slept in more than three weeks, except under the influence of an opiate. Every conceivable form of medical treatment, including hot-air baths and electricity, had been employed on him without avail. Yet, after the extraction of two or three necrosed roots, this man, within ten days, was so far recovered as to return to his business, and is today in perfect physical health.

Another case, a "nervous wreck" who suffered from chronic neuralgia, insomnia, pains in the head and a general breakdown in all his functions, and who found it
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## What's Wrong With Your Nerves?

Learn by Analysis Whether Yours Is a Case of Malnutrition, Egoism, Emotionalism, or the Too Crowded Existence

By May Wilmoth

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W7.1T are the causes of "nerves"? That question can be summed up in three points: disease, malnutrition and "just nerves."
With disease this article can necessarily have nothing to do. A reputable physician should be consulted if the person suspects that there is a disease which can account for their nervousness. Oftentimes when the nerves are crying out for the proper food men and women resort to prayer, when in a case of malnutrition the person affected should be on speaking terms with a good dietitian. All the will power, all the prayers that were ever made will not help a case where food is needed.

But with "just nerves" the persons so afflicted can help themselves if they will consent to grow a brain big enough to recognize their plight. I know all about it, because I floated myself into a neurological hospital on a wave of perfectly superfluous tears.

Why did I weep? Well, something had happened! That is the reason why so many weep, just because something has happened and they have not discovered that tears are perfectly useless. Far be it from me to mean the tears that are shed over the loss of some greatly loved one. What a relief, then, to the distraught soul when the tears that with time help to heal a wounded heart are shed.

Since that period seven years ago when I floated my ship of life on a tidal wave of tears into the quiet harbor of the hospital, I have learned values. I have learned not to cry over spilled milk or a broken dish or a gown that has gone awry or pecuniary loss, or the thousand and one unimportant things which I used to think important enough to shed tears over. At that time the kindly care and sympathetic talks of an eminent neurologist helped me to float my ship of life out again into a comparatively smiling sea.

The trouble was, as it is wim so many, that I had not learned self-control to a sufficient extent to tide me over some trying experiences. Emotional excesses have to be paid for in the coin of nerve exhaustion. Grief, hate, love or ambition are some of the forms that these excesses take. Life is or should be a series of conquests in which each obstacle we meet makes us stronger and more poised to meet the next. This "vale of tears" should be turned into a mountain top of 'smiles.

Let us consider the importance of the nervous system to the human economy. The brain, the spinal cord and the nerves that originate from them, constitute the nervous system. These little filaments called "nerves" permeate every part of the body, all the impulses from the brain to action passes through them. Sever the spinal cord and your lamp goes out just as thoroughly as the lamp on your table goes dead when you switch off the electric current. Nerves are the motive power for all good, as they are for all evil.

Nerves prompted the American people to help far-off lapan when the earthquake almost destroyed the national life of that country. They sent us to war with Germany. They are the power by which the Hebrew is reinstating himself in Palestine. Nerves took Roosevelt to Africa and made him the darling of a nervous American people.

All that makes us worth while intellectually and physically flows through these minute channels. Nerves are responsible for insanity, they are responsible for the front page newspaper stories of crime. From them comes the impulse of self-destruction and of vice in its most repellant form; but they also give us our great pieces of literature, our fine pictures, the music that entrances with its beauty and harmony, the great pieces of sculpture and monuments of architecture. They send humanity to heaven or to hell, depending upon the use they make of them.

The summer day with its warmth and beaty stimulates, a gray day depresses. You walk down the street lead erect, feet fairly spurning the sidewalk, your heart bursting with love of life. Nerves! You walk that same thoroughfare again. The street is unchanged, but now your feet are laden, your heart beats slowly, your head droops. Nerves! You thrill with joy or you are planged into the depths of gloom. Nerves!

So there you are. We cannot get away from our nerves so long as we continue to live. What are we going to do about our nervous systems?

What are the causes of this nervousness which, aside from disease and malnutrition, makes one feel as if the universe is about to tumble about one's ears, and gives you that tired feeling, those vague pains and the desire to crawl away into some handy cave and never come out again?

Monotony! Monotony is one of them, the grim flavor of gray days!

The monotonous life has many cases of insanity to its credit, many cases of morbidity when life has become a burden to the person so environed. But monotony can be easily cured once the person has examined his life and discovered that to be the cause of his "nerves."

Suppose you are a housewife doing the same round of duties year after year until you have a desire to throw dishes and maltreat the furniture and slam the doors and quarrel with your husband? This would not be a case of nerve exhaustion but of nerves rampant, and comes
under the picturesque slang title of "general cussedness." Well, when you feel like breaking the dishes, instead of washing them why not pile them into the dishpan, attire yourself in your most comfortable walking garb and go for a hike? Whether you live in the country or in the city, you will gain a different viewpoint. I walk costs nothing but sole leather and soul determination.

You may object that when you return the dishes will not have washed themselves, but will still be there for you to do. The point is this: you will have changed yourr attitude toward them, and you will wonder as you attack the inanimate things how you could have felt as you did an hour earlier. I knew a woman who warded off a nervous collapse with a paint pot and a brush. She had grown so tired of her poor sticks of furniture that she told me she nearly screamed every time she cleaned her apartment. With a can of beautiful blue paint she changed that apartment from a nightmare to a pleasant dream. Her ambition grew with what it fed upon, and she decorated the furniture with handsome designs of her own creating, and was offered a fancy price for her furniture by an interior decorator. That is what I call "outwitting your nerves."

Personally I have a way aside from the physical exercise that I do and which I will tell you about later in the story, of controlling a gray mood. Writing is a herve exhausting profession, and I turn from a few hours of writing to the making of gowns and hats. I feel that had I not chosen writing for my means of self-expression that I might have been a great modiste or a milliner. I revel in the creative process of building a gown or a chapean, and wear my own creations with much more pleasure than anything that has been made for me by another person's brain and hands.

A hobby! That's the life-saver.
A man who pays such strict attention to business that he begins to hate his work ought to have a hobby. If be be a brain worker he should take up some form of physical exercise. Skating, ice or roller, horseback riding or golf, or just plain hiking would give him the necessary relief from the bugbear of monotony. If he works with his hands, then his hobby shoukd be some form of mental exercise, something that will absorb his mind and dull the pain of muscles that has come from lard physical work.

Then there is the too crowded life.
Perhaps the crowded life is responsible for more socalled "nerves" than is the life of monotony. Life is so complicated in these modern days, and rightly so it seems to me. for what wouk the complex twentieth century mind do with the "simple life"? The simple life was for the past. What we desire to do is to attune our lives to the complexities and grow up to our opportunities.

But to live a complex life you do not necessarily have to have a crowded life. When that hurried feeling begins to well up in your consciousness and you feel that you have no time for anything but to hurry, take a day off and make an inventory. No matter whether yout have time or not, take the day off and diagnose your case. What you learn about yourself and your activities will without doubt be illuminating. One thing you will learn undoubtedly is that you do your work and play too much in anticipation; that is, you worry a lot as to where the time is coming from in which to discharge all your obligations of a business or social nature. It might be a good thing when you feel that way to read the life of
some great man or woman who has created empires and thus lose something of your egoism.
The busiest man 1 ever knew always had the most time. He had a sure hold on life. He took up one task, completed it and fared to another. He always had time to listen and counsel, he never neglected play for work, and when time hung heavy on his hands he read Sanskrit. But it takes brain power to order your life like that.

Well, perhaps for you, you are doing too much. There is a great difference in capacity. I solved a problem like that once, and it may be of interest to the readers of this article to know how I did it. I believe that the body and mind are sacred possessions, and that never should we strain them to the breaking point which varies with the individual.

At this time, when for some reason in the prodigal expenditure of my energies I was wise, I was doing editorial work for a big newspaper syndicate. I had taken over the work which prior to my advent into the office had been done by two women. I had work enough. Not so that it worried me, but every minute of the day from nine to five, save for the lunch hour, was busily employed upon my eight pages of syndicated matter, two sheets of which were original "stuff."

The managing editor came airily to me one day and informed me that a new fashion sheet was to be added to my duties. It was to be named for me, and my salary was to be raised ten dollars! An embarrassment of riches. Then I began to worry. I have always been an expert in the gentle art of spending money as I have of expending energy. I wanted that extra tenner. It meant that I would have more money to spend on feminine fripperies, on grand opera, and let me confide, it meant that I would be receiving more money than any mere man in the shop save the managing editor. But also it meant more work!

It is always the last straw that breaks the well-known camel's back. That green and crackling ten-dollar bill dangled before my mental vision for a week, but as I was already doing the work of two women I made my decision. I sought out the managing editor. I told him that "life was more than meat and the body more than raiment," that he could have my resignation if they insisted upon giving me more money-and more work. I recall that subsequently I took a somewhat impish delight in watching the struggles of a man editor with the Anna May fashion page. Its heritage, being named after me, was somewhat hectic.

But that was my way of solving this problem of a too crowded life. There is only one way and that is to prune it. What you cut away will depend upon your own peculiar problem. It is all up to you. After a complete nervous collapse it is a very difficult matter to regain the health of the nervous system. I know that from experience.

I recall that after going to the hospital I did nothing at all for a long time. I did not read; I did not talk; I did not even think. Life had come to pause. I cared not at all whether it ever went on again. The will to live had died. Why I still lived on, puzzled me. But even that puzzlement was valuable as it was an indication that I was not entirely spent, a useless bit of flotsam drifting aimlessly about in this turbulent sea that men call life. Death beckoned me. With death all the problems would be solved, all the tears dried, all the turmoil of living over. I floated in a gray mist which obscured
the brightness of the sunlight, the beauty of starshine and moonlight. I was deaf to the sound of loved voices: I was apathetic to the touch of loved hands.

Nurses came and went; the good doctor whom I have mentioned talked to me and directed my treatment. I was to have massage, electric baths and later physical exercise. I acquiesced in everything. All the opposition had gone out of me. The vigorous warfare I had waged against life had exhausted me. Rebelliousness had been replaced by this dangerous apathy.

I was put upon a generous diet. Contrary to the popular theory, there is no such thing as a "nerve" food ot a "brain" food. The nerves depend for nutrition on material supplied them by other tissues and the blood. If the blood taken into the stomach creates a disturbance in that organ or the closely allied intestines, liver and pancreas, then the nerves are bound to be adversely affected. Nerves need to be well fed, and so 1 was well fed. The doctor was captain of my ship at that time.

After a course of electric baths and massage, there came a day when I was taken to the roof. The roofs of Manhattan, what wonderful places they are! Sunshine and the four winds of heaven are there. Up there I was left to sit in the sunshine, with a nurse to see that my eyes were shaded, but that 1 should receive a generous dose of Old Sol. There were others there in various stages of recovery from "nerves," but they were only a little more solid fragments of the gray mists which enveloped me.
The treatment was repeated again and again. Gradually the sunshine and fresh air, combined with the other treatment I was receiving, worked a subtle change. The gray mist lifted. I perceived that the bits of more solid gray substance were persons who were going through with all sorts of physical exercises. The first healthful sign I had given was the desire I evinced to take part in the exercises. A physical director had charge of the classes. There was music; there was sunshine; there was fresh air. What more healthful combination?

From the time I joined that class of convalescents my desire to live grew. I had days of relapse when the struggle did not seem worth the effort, and I would sink again into benumbing lethargy, but gradually my normal love for life triumphed.

I left the hospital. I had always loved the sea, and it was to the seashore that I went. Its quiet and its turbulence equally enthrall me. It took the place of the great physician who had rescued me from my plight. I swam, I lay on the sands in the sunshine, I walked miles and miles. The wind and the rain invited me as well as the sunshine. No matter how stormy the day might chance to be, I hiked. I got well. Melancholia had been beaten by proper food, physical exercise and mental diversion.

I took my pencil in hand and wrote. The second week I was out of the hospital I sold a short story. I shall never forget the moment I heard the editor's voice over the telephone informing me that my story was taken. He was a kindly man and knew that I had been ill and that every little encouragement counted. Later I sold him other short stories, but I never received quite the same thrill again. I had won. In every way, physically and mentally, I was on the upgrade. We all have pulsing moments when we feel that the heights have been scaled, the victory won. But there are always other heights far beyond, other thrills (Continued on page 87)

# More Energy from My Food 

"Fuel Food" Is Not the Only, and Not Even the Primary Factor In the Development of Human Power-Stop Fighting Poisons, Particularly the Insidious Food Preservative Chemicals

By Carl Easton Williams

HOW can I get more energy from my food? Any ten-year-old school girl will undertake to answer the question at once. And the answer is, according to what she is taught in school, to eat more "energy food." That is, eat more fats and carbohydrates.

However, it is not quite so simple as that.
Grandmother Murphy, who has long since forgotten what she learned in school on the subject of foods-if anything-and who may even never have gone to school, knows perfectly well as a matter of common sense that if little Annie eats very much candy she will make herself sick, that she will become pale-faced and nervous. that she will have endless trouble with her teeth and that she will be distinctively lacking in that spontaneous untiring energy that is the characteristic of normal and healthy childhood.

But in spite of that my little eight-year-old girl comes home from school, filled with the scientific information that she has imbibed there, and coolly assures me that she must eat lots of sugar-because it will keep her warm. On the theory that energy foods produce energy. Fuel will make you warm. Yes, may be-if you can manage to burn it!

You get the power of your motor car, the energy that drives it, from the explosive impulse of gasoline. But see how much power you will get out of it if your lubrication is defective, if the mechanism is badly adjusted, if the electrical system is not working right, the "timing" out of place, the cylinders full of carbon or the carburetor choked with dirt. If you can get more power just by using more gasoline, why not give your engine a "richer" mixture, even using the choke continually? As a matter of fact, yout find that you get more power by using a fairly "lean" mixture-more air and not so much gas.

The point is that in order to get the energy out of the fuel, or out of the food, you must be able to utilise it.

And this capacity to utilize it depends upon other factors. In the case of food it is very much dependent upon the use of a balancing allotment of other than pure "fuel foods."

## Just What Is the Energy Value of the So-Called "Fuel Foods"?

$F^{0}$UEL foods are the carbohydrates and fats, those foods which when burned up, produce energy. They are to your body what gas is to your motor car-the impulse that propels, the power that drives. But fuel in order to be of value, must be burned up. See how much power you get out of gas if the lubrication is defective, if the mechanism is badly adjusted, or the carburetor choked with dust.

The point is that "fuel foods" are of no value to the body unless properly utilized, and your capacity to utilize them depends upon a balancing allotment of other than fuel foods. For instance, when you try to overcome that "tired feeling" by eating more fuel foods, you are depriving yourself of the very strength and energy which you are eating to gain.

Let sugar, starch and fats, represent the fuel foods, and remember that the energy you gain from them depends not upon the quantity you eat, but rather upon the quantity you are capable of utilizing through the balance of the base forming foods represented in vegetables, salads and fruit.-The Editor.

It is in a way similar to the problem of getting the, right amount of air mixed with your gasoline vapor, in order to get the most power out of your engine, and this again must be conditioned upon the use of enough lubricating oil in all parts of the engine and of the car that require it, and of the right kind of lubrication at that. For the condition of acidosis that would follow, and that actually does follow a disproportion of sugar and starchy food and fat, is not wholly unlike the condition of the engine that is dry of oil. Pretty soon it will not work.
If you contemplate the large number of sallow, tired, listless people that you meet, and then observe the kind of food they eat, you will see that there are two chief faults in their diet, from the standpoint of energy building. One of these is the excess of purely energy or "inel" foods, comparable to the too "rich" mixture in your motor. The other is the excess of protein or tissuebuilding food, and particularly of meat-which is supposed to be strengthening.
If the mere eating of so-called energy food would give you energy, you could hardly do better than eat a pound of lard a day and let it go at that. In that way you would get about four thousand calories, more than you need, and at small expense. You could get it even cheaper by using a pound of cotton seed oil instead, and even then your only regret would be that you could not develop an appetite for kerosene or gasolene. But your common sense has now asserted itself, and you say, "Oh, but I could not digest a pound of lard, all by itself, or of cotton seed oil. I could not even get it down." Yes, that's the trouble.

However, you could do nearly as well by eating a couple of pounds of sugar, making up about thirty-six hundred calories, or to make it more attractive, let us say a couple of pounds of candy. You might be able to get that down, by drinking plenty of water. And the teachers at school tell my children that they must eat sugar to keep them warm. Or, if even the exclusive sugar diet is too trying for our outraged instincts, why not just go back to the assortment of high fuel
value or energy foods that make up the better part of the diet of these pale and tired-looking people that we meet everywhere. Yes, you can get a diet of energy foods by eating-what many poor people chiefly eatlots of white bread, rice pudding (made with polished rice), tapioca (pure starch) pudding, corn starch pudding, or other cake-like puddings (with a sweet, sticky, gluey, starchy sauce), pancakes, waffies with syrup, biscuits, buns, cookies, pastries, doughnuts (even better fuel than pure sugar, the grease raising the calory rating to nearly two thousand), boiled potatoes (with the minerals drained out when the water is thrown off), refined corn meal, other demineralized cereals, soda crackers, lemon pie (pastry plus cornstarch paste with artificial flavoring) and more of the same order. You might be able to get that down, because some people do. And what will you balance it with? Oh, plenty of meat. Sure, that's just what people do.

It's energy food. Teacher says so. You ought to be able to run Marathon races on a supply of energy like that, or to chop wood all day long without slowing up or getting tired. There's plenty of energy there. And the sugar in it will keep you warm. But what's the matter with it? Well, just that you can't utilize it that way, that's all. Otherwise it's all right.

You will find plenty of calories in that diet, but no iron, no lime, no organic phosphorus, no organic magnesium, sodium, potassium, none of the other organic mineral salts and none of the vitamins, enzymes, colloids and ferments that go to make fuel out of real food. You cannot utilize a diet made up exclusively of pure sugar, purè starch, pure fat or oil. You could burn these and produce energy from them in an iron stove. You can even burn them electrically in that instrument called the calorimeter, so as to raise the temperature of the jacket of water surrounding the combustion chamber or bomb, and thus measure their calory value. But the human body is a different sort of fuel consumer, a living and a very complicated organism, and certain very important condlitions are attached to the process of liberating the energy from these energy foods. And these conditions demand the presence, in adequate quantities. of other food substances of a "regulating" kind, as they have aptly been called, or of a nentralizing or balancing nature, speaking from a chemical standpoint.

If you will find a chart giving the fuel value or energy value of foods in terms of their content of calories per pound, you will find lard at the top and tomatoes just about at the very bottom. It takes a whole pound of tomatoes to make up about a hundred calories. So why bother with tomatoes if you want energy? That hard-laboring, ditch-digging, dirt-shovelling Italian that you passed on the street, who eats tomatoes with his lunch every day, when he can get them, must be foolish. Tomatoes cannot keep him warm, or give him energy, for they only have mineral salts and all kinds of vitamins, besides a lot of water. Should he not eat white bread, spread with lard, and covered with syrup? That's fuel.

The trouble is that the end-products of this fuel food, when utilized in the human system, are of an acid nature. It is necessary constantly to neutralize these acids. And don't confuse these chemical acid wastes of the processes of life with those organic food acids which we find in fruit. Normal, healthy blood is alkaline, and so are most of the secretions of the glands of the body.
including the saliva, which in itself is frequently capable of neutralizing the mild fruit acids. But these acid by-products of metabolism must be neutralized by bases or alkalis supplied by the blood, and this supply must be renewed by eating foods which contain these bases. including the so-called acid fruits, the low-calory tomato, all vegetables and green foods; in short, all foods well supplied with the organic mineral salts. Milk is one of the most valuable of these, and the greatest lime food in the world. You of course know what happens in the kitchen when the cook mixes the alkaline baking soda with the acid cream of tartar; they neutralize each other and form a neutral salt. Well, you have to supply the conditons for such a neutralizing of waste-acids in your body, or the increasing acidity of your tissues, ultimately of the blood itself, will become serious, and will be manifested in scurvy or beri-beri, also lowering your power of resistance to other diseases, and very certainly depriving you of the very strength and energy for the sake of which you think you must eat these energy foods.

The conclusion is that, if you are tired, instead of eating more energy food and less of tomatoes, you should eat less of the purely fuel type of food, and more of tomatoes and other mineral and vitamin containing food to balance the diet. You can't balance it with meat, for protein, like the carbohydrates and starch, is acid-forming in its nature, that is, its endproducts in the body are acid. Meat must also be balanced with vegetables, green foods and fruits.

As to bread, that is all right, if you eat whole bread. And whole bread means whole wheat or whole rye, or whole corn. The trouble is that white bread is only partly there. Put the bran back? Exactly. White bread is almost pure starch. The bran and the germ. which have been removed in the milling and refining processes, are rich in vitamins and mineral salts. The bran balances the starchy part of the wheat. The whole wheat is self-balanced, just as milk is self-balanced.

In short, the way to get energy from your food is to insure getting this balance of the base-forming foods rather than to try to eat more fuel foods. Go easy with the sugar, no matter what Teacher says. In the matter of breads and cereals, get the whole thing, not the starchy part. Use milk freely, if you like. You need not wholly give up meat, for meat is food. but you need only a little of it. If you eat eggs you don't need meat, and should not eat meat the same day. And see that your meat is balanced with vegetables, salads and fruit, some of each of these each day.

But there is here another important point, which is the desirability of getting these fruits and vegetables fresh, and of consuming with the vegetables all the water in which they have been cooked. For just as soon as you commence to use preserved foods you face another danger, of somewhat indefinite character, but very genuine, in the matter of poisonous chemical food preservatives. These chemicals are used upon the theory that very small quantities of poison will not hurt the dear public, or at least will not kill any one so quickly that the food packer can be blamed for it. However, poison is poison, and there are some conscientious food packers who will not use it in any quantity whatsoever, and it would seem the part of prudence, when one does eat canned or dried foods, to patronize such brands. Also, it is good public (Continued on page 74)

# Are Your Children Strong? 

How Are They Equipped for an Emergency? Establish a Gymnasium in Your Home

By J. Leonard Mason

ASMALL boy, neatly dressed and well appearing, was walking home from school one day, attending to his own business. He was happy and was whistling a merry tune. Just around a corner were gathered some other boys. They were not bad boys, but just a little rough. One of these kids was by nature much of a bully. He saw Harold (we'll call him Harold) approaching, and he said, "Oh, see mama's boy. Let's muss him up!"

Harold didn't run. As his tormentors reached him he carefully laid down his books and awaited developments. They came quickly. As the bully made a pass to knock Harold's hat into the dirt, the smaller boy dodged back, then quickly stepped in and planted a solid right and left punch on that bully's soft nose. It wasn't quite enough to keep the big boy off, and he madly rushed at Harold. The little fellow got his two unbelievably strong arms around his opponent's waist and quickly tripped and threw him down, flat on his back. That fall took all the wind and fight out of the bully, and I am glad to say that the "gang" had good sportsmanship enough to admire the fight Harold had shown.

Now all this didn't happen by accident. Harold's parents believe in physical training for children,



Children quickly acquire wrong habits of standing and sitting, which may be counteracted by a daily routine of setting-up exercises. Self-defense can best be learned through boxing and wrestling.
and boxing and wrestling had been part of the boy's . education.

There is amother true story of a little girl who was caught in an apartment house fire. Attached to the back of the building and leading to a tall pole was a rope. Hand over hand she made her way across the rope and down the pole to safety. This girl was a star member of a neighborhood gymnasium class, and the feat which saved her life was just "one of the gym stunts" to her.

These children liked their exercise. It was play to them, and the play spirit can be put into all forms of
physical training for children. Something is wrong with the child who does not like vigorous plysical exercise, or cannot learn to like it through the right kind of leadership.

Play is the natural form of exercise ior children, but we cannot expect them to grow to manhood and womanhood with strong healthy bodies unless we take an interest in the kind of play they indulge in. We should do all we can to encourage those sports and exercises

somewhere; but the average child knows little about such things except for an occasional vacation on the farm. So we have had to find conventional means of providing a chance for play, and have substituted Nature's playgrounds with gymnasiums and city playgrounds and public recreation centers.

The worst condition we are facing is the danger which our children are exposed to in the city streets. This is true also of the country roads in a lesser degree. Children will play in the streets if there is no other place near by. We can only do our best to reduce this menace to a minimum by providing as many playgrounds as possible in every city, repeatedly warning to keep off the strects, impressing upon and insisting that drivers of automobiles, trucks and trolley cars be careful at all times for the sake of these heedless little trespassers.

Practically all of the public schools have adopted a regular system of physical training which is more or less effective according to the thoroughness with which it is carried out. Neither the school nor the public playground, admirable as these agencies are, can take the place of parents' watchfulness and heipfulness in the matter of physical training. In this article I shall give some practical suggestions for parents to follow. Let us call it the Home System.

If father, mother, uncle, older brother or sister have been athletic, the suggestions can be more easily carried out, although this is not necessary. I know of one mother who had never taken regular physical exercises, but who began leading her children through a series of exercises every night and thereby formed a most bencficial habit for herself.

Begin some evening when the youngsters are getting ready for bed, which, I trust, is an early hour. Have them "line up" and stand before you for inspection. Explain to them about keeping chest up, shoulders back, abdomen held back and head carried well. There is a ical exercise should be given to improve posture, correct any growing weakness and build up his muscular and organic system generally. The body should be trained just as carefully as the brain. Every intelligent parent knows that his child must have proper exercise.
The question is, "What constitutes proper exercise, both in kind and amount, for the average normal boy or girl from six to twelve years of age?"

As we find Play to be instinctive, we may expect children to grow strong and healthy as Nature intended under favorable play conditions. Few have such conditions, however. Most of them do not have the chance to romp over fields and meadows and through woods and glens. Nor do they have barns in which to climb rafters and leap into the soft hay beneath. Oh, yes, this has been done and still is
great deal in trying to make these exercise periods interesting and full of real fun for the children.
Don't make the training appear too serious, although if a child needs the exercises but doesn't want to take them, you must insist that he do so. My own parents put me in a Y. M. C. A. gym at the age of eleven. For a whole year I hated to go, but 1 had to just the same. In the course of time, as I became stronger and grew into a more proficient gymnast, nothing could keep me away from the gymnasium.
Our children think it great fun to be "inspected" and line up, with little else on but a smile, while my wife and I carefully look them over for "posture," muscular development, and then for a superficial examination of eyes, ears, nose, teeth and throat. This inspection has three outstand-


Pyramid building, rope climbing and ring work should be done with the aid of an instructor.
in learning how to judge their children's condition and to intelligently help them.
Have the children form ideals of a strong, well developed body. Have them learn to hold their little "tummies" back instead of letting them protrude away out in front. Have them work for strong muscles in place of flabby fat flesh, or no flesh at all. Make a thorough physical inspection once a week, preferably on a bath night.

Although we often try different kinds of exercises, there are a few which we regard as fundamental, especially for developing good posture. Here are the three simple ones done without any apparatus.

A good trunk-bending exercise is as follows: Stand
with feet apart and arms straight overhead; bend forward, touching finger tips to the floor without bending the legs at the knees. Then bend back again, raising the arms overhead once more as when you started. This is the well-known forward and backward trunk bending exercise, with the arms in an extended position carried with the body.
 Repeat this exercise six times at first, and increase this number with practice.
Arm raising and lowering is begun by standing with feet together and arms straight at sides. Raise arms forward and upward until they are stretched high overhead. Next, lower arms sideways, keeping them as far back as possible, so that the chest will be well rounded. Breathe in as the arms are raised, out as the arms are lowered.
This is a very simple exercise, but to be really effective the arms must be stretched as far as possible in all positions of the exercise and the abdomen held back. Repeat the movements six times at first, and increase this number with practice.

Neck bending is done by standing with feet together and hands on the hips, chin firm. Lower the chin as far down as possible, drawing it back at the same time. Raise and carry it back until you are looking directly above you. This is the simple forward and back-


# How Hernia Can Be Prevented and Cured 

Exercises That Help and That Render One Immune-Is the Athlete More Apt to Suffer Than the Non-Athletic Man?

By George F. Jowett

WHEN America went into the World War and her fighting citizens were lined up for physical examination, much amazement was expressed as the statistics, showing the enormous number of men afflicted with Hernia, began piling up.

While this was a surprise to many, it was not a surprise to the mail-teaching physical culturist, whose large correspondence brings him into contact with more people seeking health and physical fitness than does that of any dozen medical practitioners.

We know the true state of affairs so far as this trouble is concerned. And in almost every case, when we have been consulted, the afflicted had previously sought the advice of his particular physician, which was the same advice that we hear from all. The physician emphatically states that all forms of physical exertion must be avoided and that positively no curative system of body culture can be indulged in. This same advice is given to all who apparently are in danger of Hernia, as the best possible preventive.

Naturally, this information has a very discouraging effect upon the person who feels that he is doomed for life and is in constant dread of making his condition worse by doing anything that will cause physical exertion.

This medical advice has been so dinned into everyone that the decision is automatically accepted, and even in the face of reason they shrink from any form of exercise.

Such advice is altogether wrong, and I am glad to know that there


Eric Tengrove, seventeen year old English Hercules, a good example of abdominal strength. Notice the pronounced development of the External Oblique muscles. These, with the four rows of abdominal muscles, are nature's fortification against Hernia.
are some few doctors who are alive to this fact, and who do advise their patients to place themselves under a reliable instructor, in such cases is do not require an operation. In that case Hernia is very bad.

Many of the afflicted, however, misunderstand their doctors. The patient is always told not to lift heavy weights and not to exercise, simply because the doctor knows that many of his clients would sooner follow the lines of least resistance and be given such advice.
"Not to lift heavy weights" is good advice, but there is a great deal of difference between lifting heavy weights and performing exercises with weights. Body culture is a science, and must be scientifically applied. We reconstructors of the body have separate remedies for the various physical disabilities.

I would not allow a pupil to lift a heavy weight until I was perfectly sure that lie had so developed himself physically as to make such an effort both possible and safe.

Let us get down to brass tacks and find out what really is the cause of this common trouble.

We must first know the cause in order to intelligently effect a cure.

Hernia is just another penalty imposed upon the human body, because of disregard for nature.

In various writings I have stated that the torso and the neck are the two most important parts of the body, the parts that must have special attention. The neck, because it is the seat of vitalized nervous force. and the torso, becatise it is the seat of organic power. By developing the torso you build a muscular bulwark that is a protection against Hernia, as well as develop-
ing the muscles that protect and stimulate the operating powers of the functioning organs.

Hernia exists simply because a degeneration has taken place in the outer muscular walls.

This condition is brought about by various reasons, the principal one being a lack of exercise which robs the abdominal muscles of the necessary toning.

The abdominal muscles are divided into eight separate parts, four deep, with two in a row. When contracted, the first three rows give the appearance of a washboard. Of the fourth row, which commences on the line of the navel, you can merely see the raise on the navel line, simply because this fourth section is the lowest part of the abdominals, and being considerably longer than any of the other sections, tapers away down between the groins. These two particular sections of the abdominals, along with the external oblique muscles, are the muscles that we are most concerned with in this article.

The external oblique muscles protect the groins. They commence at the sides over the hip bones and roll down in front of the lower extremity of the abdomen, over the groin, and co-operating with the lower abdominals complete the muscular wall that nature intended as a protection for the intestines and other functioning organs in this locality.

It can be readily seen that lack of exercise weakens this muscular resistance. The weight of the intestines behind this natural wall, not being kept in place, are forced forward, thus extending the lower abdominal muscles to their limit. In this condition the muscles have the appearance of worn out elastic. They lose the
cannot sustain the pressure, and it tears. Wherever this tear takes place the intestines will protrude and form the lump that necessitates the wearing of a truss.

Moving a heavy object is the least catuse of Hernia. Physicians state that the wearing of belts among men and high heeled shoes among women are the greatest means of producing Hernia.

The belt is always pulled around the line of the waist over the navel, and this binding pressure, with the weight of the clothes, helps the bearing down tendency just where the lower section of the abdominals commence. This robs these muscles of any power they have, and congests the limited space with crowded intestines.

The larger the abdomen, the greater detriment is the belt. The man with a large abdomen should wear suspenders.

Jumping or stepping heavily off a chair or any other raised object will cause Hernia quicker than any other movement. Reaching high overhead, bad sitting and walking positions, poor diet and constipation are all evils that lead to this trouble. The two latter usually result in a distended abdomen.
I suppose many of my readers who are not cursed with a large waist line will think they are immune to Hernia. Not so. Just stand naturally in a side view position in front of a mirror and you will find that your abdomen looks at least the size of your chest, although the probability is that your chest will be somewhat cayed in, with the abdomen bulging forward.

Whether you are a big bodied man or not, correct that waist line, and get busy on the exercises that will build up the muscular walls of the torso as they
 Hernia.


Ernest Cadine, one of the three greatest heavyweights in the world, and another example of external oblique development. which is illustrated in Figure 1. The chief value of this lies in the fact that by it the abdominals are developed from the lower extremities upwards, thus getting the valie of the exercise in the right place. When the legs are lowered to the ground the heels should never be lowered to touch the floor, as then the contraction is more forcibly controlled.

By keeping the hands under the hips a better balance is maintained. Always keep the legs straight.

A person who has Hernia should practice this movement with one leg at a time first, making the two-leg movement the second stage of progression, and performing on a slanting board with the heels a little higher than the head, as shown in Figure 2. This allows the rupture to sink back and gives the muscles better chance to operate.

This exercise should be followed by the one shown in Figure 3, al-


Many who take exercise will say, "Oh, I am all right, I do the sit up." The "sit-up" is all right for part of the torso, but of little use for the development of the muscles which protect against Hernia, simply because it develops mostly the first three rows of the abdominals. The lower muscles get very little help and the external oblique muscles get none.

The best exercise in my estimachief value of this


Figure 7
The upper photograph illustrates the one-leg movement described on the preceding page, and at the right is shown a fan-like motion in which the legs are spread with a slight forward inclination and brought together after each movement.
neously: Then go to Figure 3 and follow: it up with Figure 6. This re-
usually being entirely covered up by their trunks.
I happen to have two pictures which are splendid examples of this development, a close study of which will readily prove the value of these muscles, and how they appear when fully developed.
The following are two very good exercises that can be practiced not only with safety but also with profit:

Stand erect with a light pair of weights in each hand. Then bend directly sideways, not forwards, as far as you possibly can, helping the movement by pressing down with the down-reaching arm, as shown in ligure 9. Curl the other weight up into the arm pit, and repeat the movement from side to side.
Next, raise a light weight overhead, and while holding it at arms' length reach down by bending sideways and slightly forwards, so that you are able to touch the left foot with the left hand, when holding the
lieves the monotony of standing on the head so long, and the other exercises can be taken out as desired.

I once knew a top-mounter in a hand-to-hand balancing team who was puzzled by the fact that his Hernia never bothered him when performing. I explained to him, as stated in this article, that in the upside down position the intestines fall away from the groin and relieve the condition. I recited the farmer's experience and practice. He began on the same schedule of exercise and secured the same beneficial results as the farmer had secured.

Yet these exercises are not all. The external oblique muscles are tremendously important and must have the same care as the lower abdominals. Oi course, the exercises cited bring them into play considerably, but I always advise a specialization upon these muscles as they are the means of building the complete muscular wall which is the only protection against this trouble. By the development of all these muscles the rupture and intestines are forced back and held into their proper space, which enables nature to get to work and heal up the torn fleece.

Strange as it may seem, I find the majority of body culturists know very little about the external oblique muscles. I believe one reason is because in the photographs of athletes who have this pronounced development, these muscles


## Ask the Doctor

WHEN a man or woman is actually sick it is too late for 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 problems.

Sometimes it is only by interviewing personally a thoroughly competent physician that he can get the advice that will make his perfection in health and bodily development more sure. Should you write us and should Dr. Rubin find that you are in this class, we would notify you at once. Every physical culturist should know his organic and glandular condition as throughly as his muscular system and we wish to aid you in accomplishing this.

We have been receiving many letters every month similar to those Dr. Rubin has answered in this issue and Dr. Rubin will continue to answer such questions as he can and will publish a few letters each month, selecting from his correspondence those letters of the greatest general interest. Enclose a stamped return envelope with the queries and we can assure you of a prompt reply.


# "What Can Be Done for Articular Rheumatism?" And Answers to Other Queries 

 By H. H. Rubin, M.D.Dear Doctor:
Will you kindly suggest a remedy for arthritis (articular rheumatism) ?

My mother who is fifty years old was afflicted with this malady the day following her wash day with the weather pretty close to zero. This was approximately seven weeks ago today and so far no apparent remedy is in sight.

It first appeared in the right foot with the ankle severely swollen. A week later her left knee, which was injured about a year ago, was affected-the swelling was such that if any portion of the body was slightly moved, the portion affected was marked by severe pain.

At present the right foot is practically healed as it can be moved at will without pain. This no doubt can be credited to salt water, but the left knee is still in a swollen and painful condition.

Jorn H.
Madison, III.
Arthritis is a disturbance in joint function which involves all the structures surrounding the joint, including the synovial membrane, which not infrequently may be completely obliterated by the disease.

Medical science teaches us that the disease may originate from injury, rheumatism, syphilis, tuberculosis, gonorrhea, pus, typhoid, gout, spinal lesions or subluxations, as well as in a vitiated state of the nervous system.

It is generally understood, however, that arthritis is now quite frequently recognized as a manifestation of ductless gland disturbance, in which the adrenal gland and the gonads, particularly, and possibly also the thymus gland, which controls in a remarkable degree the mineral metabolism of the body, are deficient in secreting power.

Patients who are extremely susceptible to the influence of cold, who are easily fatigued, who are "born
tired" and who never seem to get enough sleep, who are often depressed and lazy, who have cracking noises in the joints, or whose joints are stiff, swollen and painful, who tend toward relaxation of the walls of the abdomen, who are chronically constipated, are almost invariably hypoadrenal and hypogonadal in type.

In other words, the hormones of the sex glands and the secretion of the adrenal glands, adrenalin, are deficient in amount. Endocrine stimulation by means of gamma ray radiation is one of the surest of all means of overconing this deficiency. Indeed, in many cases in my practice, complete relief has been experienced, although I may state that where there are definite joint changes, due to calcareous deposits in or around the joints, but very slight relief from the stiffness and swelling can logically be expected.

Diet is of very great importance, not only in arthritis, but in all rheumatic conditions. The greatest care should be observed in respect to keeping the colon as free from toxic material as is possible, for absorption of putrefactive products of a highly toxic nature from the intestinal canal, is conceded to be one of the principal causes of rheumatic manifestations.

- It is also desirable to have an increase in the alkalinity of the blood in this condition, however, as I have explained before in these columns, morbid and toxic products are almost invariably acid in their action. Increased alkalinity is therefore most helpful. One of the best and most pleasant means for accomplishing this purpose is by the use of bi-so-dol, a teaspoonful of the powder is dissolved in a full glass of water, three or four times a day.

The most scrupulous attention should also be paid to the diet. I don't mean by this that meat and protein
should be avoided, because many causes of arthritis have their direct origin in a lowered state of nerve functioning, and in anemia, both of which conditions may be due in a large measure to inadequate or imperfectly balanced diet. Remember that all protein. whether it comes from meat, milk, cheese, eggs, fish, fowl, vegetables, or fruit, must be transformed into animal acids before it can be used as building blocks to replace tissue lost by the system in the natural process of wear and tear. This being so, it would follow that that form of protein is most acceptable that imposes the least strain upon the organs of digestion. This protein, in the form of beef-rare roast beef or broiled steak-just returns up to $2.8 \%$ of its total protein content. Certain other forms of vegetable albumen, such as the albumen of oats, are recoverable in the feces up to 60 to $65 \%$ of their quantity, showing that the system has not transformed and utilized the albuminous portions of this otherwise valuable food product.

Right here I might say that one reason that oatmeal is no more valuable as an article of diet, is because it is rarely ever properly cooked. Oatmeal, to be really valuable as an article of diet should be cooked four hours in a double boiler until it is a thick gelatinous mass. In this shape it is readily digested and a most wholesome article of food. Sufficient water should be drunk at all times, so that the kidneys be kept thoroughly active, carrying out poisons from the system.

For the local swelling, some such soothing application as anti-thlegistine, batume Analgesic, or some similar preparation may be employed with benefit.

Sometimes a plain cold compress, a small Turkish towel rung out of cold water and wrapped around the joint at night on retiring, will give a very great deal of relief and materially help the local circulation. An oil soaked bandage or a dry towel may be wrapped around this to retain the moisture and keep the bed dry.

## Dear Doctor:

In the March issue I read the answer to the question, "Will a Fruit Diet Cure Skin Disease?" Yours was a negative answer. Now I want to ask you what will cure skin disease?

I have been suffering from skin disease many years. Not very much of a case, but a very persistent one. There are a few pimples on my shoulders, back and face that I can never get completely rid of.

My age is twenty-four. I am practicing dentistry. I am a lover of sports but can't do much of them on account of being too busy. I know many things about physical culture and practice a bit every day; so that I am pretty well developed and strong enough.

I never drink alcohol, tea, coffee, and don't smoke. I am boarding in a hotel and don't get the proper diet, I guess, My meals consist of orange, oatmeal, and eggs in the morning; a soup, meat at noon, and for supper eggs, soup and dessert. I guess I miss some leafy vegetables or whole wheat bread; but the others don't get more than I do and they don't suffer as I do. I have been consulting many physicians without any good results. I never took any medicine except a laxative sometimes-I have a tendency to be constipated, but I overcome it by special gymmastics.

## East Angus, Co. Compton.

Dr. A. H. V.
Assuming that you never had any venereal disease. I would say that your skin trouble is due to a combination of three causes. First, imperfect action of the thyroid gland; second, it may be from intestinal absorption due to constipation; and third, an imperfectly balanced diet. As I said in a recent issue of this magazine, a fruit diet may sometimes be an actual cause of skin
eruptions, pimples, and eczema. This comes from the acid fermentation which fruit produces in many individuals, especially when taken in conjunction with a meal. For acid fruit when taken with the meal inhibits or stops the normal secretion of hydrochloric acid, the natural stomach acid and pepsin. At the expiration of the period when the stomach digestion should be well on its way, the albuminous conditions of the stomach are not sufficiently peptonized. Also, constant fermentation may have been developed in the starches and the sugars taken in conjunction with the meal. This mass of hyperacid food is finally passed through the pylorus into the smaller intestines, where the heat and moisture of this portion of the food tube tends to drag down the albumen article in the food and produces putrefactive alcholoid, the absorption of which into the blood system, and the effort of Nature to throw them out through the skin, cause the appearance of pimples and eruptions. Fruit, of course, is a most valuable article of diet, especially the citrus fruit, oranges, grapefruit and lemons. However, for many people their use at meal time has a most pernicious influence.

One of the chief functions of the thyroid gland is to overcome these toxic products in the blood. When the thyroid is overwhelmed, month after month, and year after year, by a poisoned blood stream, it has a tendency to throw up both hands and let down on the job. and the skin. as well as the entire organism, suffers in consequence.
Again, anybody who doesn't have at least two daily movements of the bowels is constipated. I would suggest that you take a teaspoonful of oxy-christine in a full glass of cold water, so as to insure two or three daily movements of the bowels. If one teaspooniul is not enough, increase the dose until you get the desirable results. If one teaspoonful is too much-if it gives four or five evacuations-cut down to one-half teaspoonful, but be sure to get two or three movements every day. You need not be afraid that any habit will form. On the contrary, the taking of this preparation for a period of time tends to educate abnormally inactive bowels. I would also suggest that you take some homeopathic sulphur, three or four tablets of the thirty attenuation per day. If this does not give you results in a short time, go up and take the two hundredth. I believe that you will see results from this treatment in a very short time.

## Dear Doctor:

I have been reading your very interesting department in Strengiti and am taking the liberty of detailing a condition and asking advice on it. I could consult my own physician but I feel that you are more acquainted with the matter in mind.

About October 28, 1924, I was operated on for acute appendicitis, and for one week seemed to get along nicely. Then the stitches, or sutures, were absorbed entirely and the situation required further operation. For a while I was in great danger but after six weeks recovered. I rested for over a month and a half after leaving the hospital and then returned to my office where I have been since January 22. I have been wearing a bandage support most of the time. My weight, which dropped from one hundred fifty to about one hundred twenty, has been improving and I now weigh one hundred thirty-three in my clothes. Appetite good, strength good, vitality fairly good.

I want your advice about exercise. I had been a physical culturist for several years, having had many courses. I have several sets of barbells, the Milo set included. Now I realized the necessity of being (Contimucd on Page 90)


# American Continental 

## Weight Lifters’

## Association Notes

WEIGHT-LIFTING events have been moving swiftly in the east of late, and each occasion has seen old records pass away and some fine new records established. This is highly gratifying to the A. C. W. L. A. and its enthusiastic members, and rapidly are we fulfilling the promise to acquire a higher national standard, one that is equal to the best of other nations.

On the 28th of March the limelight was focused on the platform of Jersey City's second meet, which introduced some new blood, besides having the old standbys on hand to perform.

President Jowett went over to take charge as official referee, with Messrs. Craig, Losey, Berry and Mills filling the other offices as judges and inspectors of scales and weights.

At the last minute Frank Dennis walked in, and this favorite was given a fine reception. Frank had stated he could not be present, but the fascination of the weights was too strong for him. He just had to come.
On this occasion Dennis, at a bodyweight of 150 pounds, created three new records. He surpassed the British records in the middleweight class on the back press and shoulder bridge, by performing respectively 250 pounds and 300 pounds in each lift. These lifts go down as world's amateur records. He also beat his former two hands dead weight record, and incidentally the American continental record in all classes, by raising 475 pounds. thus beating the heavyweight record of 465 pounds formerly held by A . Martin of Los Angeles.
That classy featherweight. Mark Berry of Newark, New Jersey, gave a clever performance on the five lifts and finished with a fine exhibition stunt, pressing 275 pounds on the soles of his feet several times in succession. This performance was followed by S. Levani of New York, who, at 135 pounds, made a two hands slow curl of 115 pounds. Three or four times he almost succeeded with 125 pounds, but was compelled to "lay back," which disqualified the lifts. Levani is only seventeen years old and gives promise of becoming a very able performer.


Fournier, the Montreal lifter who performed at the Philadelphia exhibition, is acknowledged as the world's greatest middleweight.

Others who contributed to the night's fun were Mills, Furch, the Losey brothers and Rosen. The evening's enjoyment was wound up with a dance and a general good time, joined in by all the jolly good sportsmen, who enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

The week following, on April 4th, at Philadelphia. weight-lifting events took a sensational and unlooked-for turn.

- The program opened with a combination act of hand balancing, tumbling and strength stunts by the Dennis Trio. Much humor was injected into the performance, which was highly appreciated. This act was followed by an attempt by L. Schwartz of New York to beat his own right hand side press record of 137 pounds in the middleweight class. In this lift the New York boy was very successful. Commencing with 137 pounds he jumped to 147 pounds, and on his last attempt he beautifully performed 157 pounds, bringing his feet together nicely and holding a steady arm until the count was made. This lift created an American Continental Amateur Record and was splendidly received by the enthusiastic fans.

Schwartz is a fine appearing fellow and has a beautiful development, stripping at 152 pounds. He was presented with a special medal for his splendid performance. We expect to hear more from this New Yorker in the future. His lifting is a pleasure to watch, being so smooth and graceful.

A demonstration of self-defense tricks was then ably given by President Jowett and W. Mills, a performance which was both interesting and instructive.
The next record performance brought forward new blood in A. Manger of Baltimore, a member of the heavyweight class, who made a splendid attempt to lower the world's left hand military press record. Manger was very successful and performed in beautiful style -105 pounds.

We shall hear much more from this young man who is only breaking into the game. Stop and consider that only a short while ago this boy weighed less than 100 pounds, and that he now is 182 pounds of beautiful manhood. We
all wish Manger greater success. He is a credit to the A. C. W. L. A. and his splendid lift has put another world's mark on the map for the U, S. A, and won for himself the special medal and diploma.

A three-cornered contest at catch weights was the next feature. Frank Dennis of Birdsboro, Pa., O. Mair of Germany and M. Berry of Newark, N. J., were the participants and they used the five A. C. W. L. A. lifts.

This contest was made a triangle by an unfortunate incident that happened to Bob Snyder a day before the meet, which placed him hors de combat. Snyder and Berry, and Dennis and Mair, were to have met in separate matches on the five lifts.

The contest was well fought and ended in a win for Demnis, who forged ahead on the two hands dead lift, and so piled up for himself the winning total of 1,032 pounds.

Berry came in second with a total of 922 pounds. lifting in top notch form. His lifts were all accomplished with polish, and he kept himself under splendid control. Berry was by far the lightest man, weighing only 126 pounds,


President Jowett, the first American athlete to hold the world's record in the one hand swing.


Jowett and Fournier at practice during the latter's recent trip to Philadelphia.

Wm. Mills, of Jersey City, made his debut before the Philadelphia strong man fans with an attempt to make a one hand dead zeeight record in the light heavyweight class. He succeeded with 320 pounds, but was unfortunate with 350 pounds. Three times he stood erect, but failed to hold the bell for the full count. Better luck next time, Will!

The next on the program was the feature card and introduced the wonderful middleweight, Fournier.
President Jowett made a little speech to introduce his protége, and Fournier was given a rousing reception. He proved to us that he was a worthy successor of the former champion, George F. Jowett, and showed himself to be all that our President has said he would be.
Fournier commenced with the two hands clean and jerk with 240 pounds, which was nothing in the hands of the Montrealer He next succeeded with 260 pounds. and finished his third attempt by elevating the marvelous poundage of 270 pounds, amidst thunderous applause.

Following this lift came a tit-bit, which no one expected.

Fournier requested a brief respite and asked Mr. Jowett if he would perform a feat for him of which he had heard old timers speak so much. Fournier said it would inspire him as well as give him a rest.

Mr. Jowett has not lifted for a long while, had not even trained with weights, and the stunt had to be performed with his damaged arm and shoulder. This was a tall order, but like the game sportsman he has always shown himself to be, Mr. Jowett took off his coat and began.

As the audience saw the veteran lifter begin to remove his clothes. they burstinto applause.


Schwartz, a New York athlete, who is helping to raise American records. He recently made a new one in the one hand side press.

The President then stepped forward to attempt the feat that had stopped the best men of any weight.

Taking a fifty-six pound block weight, he gripped it so that the flat side remained up, and then taking a round ball of iron weighing 53 pounds (a total of 109 pounds) he essayed to balance the ball on the flat side of the block weight and military press it with one hand. The first time it rolled off, but the second time he pressed it to arms' length, much to everybody's delight.

It was a stupendous feat, and required more strength than the ordinary military press. Mr. Jowett used to perform this stunt with a total of 112 pounds.

Fournier came forward again and this time made an attempt to lower Mr. Jowett's double bodyweight record of 310 pounds. The President shook hands with him and wished his protegé luck. He began with 300 pounds, and continentalled it to the shoulders with ease. Twice in succession Fournier jerked it to straight arms' length, but each time failed to fix his arms, and down came the weight.

The gallant little lifter stepped up to Mr. Jowett and said, "Well, I guess your record is safe yet." Spoken like a true sportsman! But I know Mr. Jowett would have been proud to see his own boy break his old record.
Fournier's attempt was the best attempt made since the President set up the mark. When you consider that Steinborn at 215 pounds had such a terrible time to get 325 pounds overhead, one can better appreciate the enormity of Fournier's feat when he weighed only 154 pounds and had lifted several


The upper photograph shows Levani of Newark, seventeen year old lifter who recently made a two hands curl with 115 pounds. On the same occasion Frank Dennis (at the right) broke three records, two of which were world's championships. Such enthusiasm promises a great future for the A. C. W. L. A.

Fournier next commenced the bent press with $2321 / 2$ pounds, which went aloft smoothly.

Mr. Jowett then made an attempt to lower the world's twohand military

A. Manger of Baltimore (at the right), a member of the heavyweight class, who made a splendid attempt to lower the world's left hand military press record. He succeeded by raising in beautiful style 105 pounds.
press record of 230 pounds which was set up by himself.
Three times he took the weight in and placed it back on the floor. His reason for doing so, he told me, was because he knew that he would have to fight it harder than was necessary, as he did not have his legs locked sufficiently to resist the great downward pressure that a huge weight exerts upon them. But he knew he could do it.

Fournier went up 10 pounds more on the beit press with $2421 / 2$ pounds.

This done, Mr. Jowett made his next attempt. He got it right; and did he press it? It went overhead as smoothly as if it were oiled.'

Not satisfied with one try, he lowered the bell to the shoulder twice, and altogether three times in succession he pressed the enormous weight to arms' length while the crowd cheered and clapped with delight. Then be lowered it to the back of his neck and tossed it backwards into his hands.

The bell was next loaded to 265 pounds. The Montrealer got it to the shoulder and began his final press. Slowly he bent over, and with perfect control the weight started to go overhead. Amid silence he straightened his arm and began to stand erect. Not a tremble to the bar. As be rose with the weight at arms' length the crowd cut loose. How they did appreciate this marvelous lift that for the first time equalled Mr. Jowett's best professional performance and completely shattered the world's amateur records in bent press lifts.

Mr. Jowett announced that his final attempt would be to lower the record in the one-hand swing. It should be remembered that Mr . Jowett (Continued on page 80)

# Our Girls’ Circle 

## Conducted by

## Marjoric Heathcote


#### Abstract

$\mathbf{F}^{\text {ROM }}$ month to month we will publish photographs and measurements of our women readers sent in for our Gallery of Well-Formed Women, ranging in height from 4 feet 11 inches to 5 feet 10 inches. To every girl whose photo we find good enough to publish will be given a silver pin and to the winners a gold pin appropriate to the occasion.


WITHIN the next month or so we will begin giving out pins to the girls in our Circle whose photos we have published. Any girl who would like to be considered an applicant should send us her photograph and measurements. At a later date the winners will be chosen and the gold pins distributed.
It is our desire, however, before deciding on the winners, to have all women who are interested in athletics or who have acquired a beautiful form, wearing one of our pins. It will be a source of inspiration to their friends and may offer the incentive necessary to add new recruits to the ranks of strong, healthy women.

You can pick out from your friends those who have as yet taken no interest in body building, and you will find that the majority of them are those complaining creatures who are always fagged out or "tired to death," who are never quite sure whether they will be able to keep this or that engagement because they are so "played out evenings."
Possibly your enthusiasm and example will be of great help to them. One of our readers claims that none of her friends had gone in for sports until she took them up, but that now they "are crazy over it and have great fuin together."
You may be the cause of starting this spirit among your friends. You may organize a club of five or six girls who get together and go in for sports. Possibly they can mect for gym work an evening or so a week, or even two or three evenings if you work for only an hour or so each night, and you will find it not only helpful but great fun for all of you. They will be soon just as interested as you are.

Don't wait for a crowd to start. Begin today, yourself. Ask another friend to join you, and then another and another. You will soon have your club organized. Ever so many will be interested after the thing has been well started.

Tell your girl friends that we will help them with their exercises and that we will be glad to hear from them if they have any problems they want solved. Tell them that although the girls' field so far has been lacking in organization, that Strength will be glad to bring them together and show all girls what their sister athletes are doing. We will depend upon all our
readers who are interested in athletics to help us.
Tell them we will be glad to publish photographs of any clubs starting for this purpose, and to give any message they may have to our girl readers, or to write of their progress. We are more interested in it than you can possibly be; so don't hesitate to write us.
If you laven't sent in for your pin as yet, mail your photograph and measurements today. If you haven't begun working for it, then that is all the more reason why you need to do so. If your figure will not permit you to enter our contest, you certainly must be anxious to improve it, for it is the kind of figure you will be ashamed of on the beach this summer. It isn't too late to get ready for the summer yet; but if you put it off until tomorrow the chances are it will be too late before you finally get down to it.

The girl who romps on the beach has certainly the advantage of her more retiring sister when it comes to health and vitality. Almost all the girls whose photos we are receiving are praising swimming as a developer and are sending us their pictures in bathing suits. One of our friends this month has written from Cienfuegos, Cuba.

Mrs. Castellanos rises every morning at six and gets her exercise by going out on the road, where she starts the day by walking and rumning. She has also been a devotee of shadow boxing, and most of all of swimming. Easy seeing how she manages to keep so fit.

Then we have with us Miss Margaret Todd, of Inglewood, California. She is glad to tell the athletic girls all over what she considers the best method of living, and she wants them all to know the fun she gets out of it. Here's her letter:
"The great out-doors for me. That has always been my motto, and I try to live up to ${ }^{\circ}$ it to the best of my ability.
"When I was a child I was an awful tom-boy, and my parents often wondered what would become of me. Jump, play ball and climb fences-well, there were very few boys who could do better than I.
"When I entered High School I began swimming, and since then I
have indulged in it to a great extent. We live only a few miles from the beach, and in summer when my work is finished I hop into my suit and away I am gone for several hours. If you want an exercise that is really beneficial and will develop and strengthen your shoulders, chest and upper body, swimming is the one to choose.
"Next to swimming and diving in my outdoor sport list are tennis and basketball, which are both body builders and health givers.
"Because of the fact that my work keeps me inside a good deal of the time, I have a regular program of daily exercise. Besides walking a few miles each day, I do fifteen minutes in the morning and fifteen minutes in the evening of hard exercising. I certainly feel one hundred per cent better when I have finished this than I do before I begin. It acts as a relaxation period for me, and I think it would do the same for every girl if she would just adapt herself to it.
"Every Sunday and holiday that the weather permits finds me en route to the country or mountains for a hike. If I can't find a crowd to go along, my girl chum and I go by ourselves.
"Oh! the outdoor life is wonderful. If only every girl could realize the benefit she would receive from Nature, we would not have any sickly girls. If they want to be among the best developed, healthiest and best looking of the sex, let them enjoy the outdoors.
"Now please don't misjudge me on the last remark. By good looking I don't necessarily mean pretty. When a person is healthy she is usually happy, and for that reason, good looking.
"Besides all this, I attend a gymnasium class two evenings a week. Basketball and some of the simpler forms of tumbling stunts and apparatus work constitute the routine here. When I have to miss a class it is as bad for me as a baby missing a meal. I wish every girl could enjoy gymnasium and really derive the bencfits that are in store for her there. Why don't YOU try and do exercises every morning upon rising. and keep doing them until they become a habit, just like eating your breakfast? One thing that you have to be careful of, is to not do them too hard at first because there is a possibility of straining yourself. But on the other land begin slowly and only for a short period, and each day you can add a few minutes until you reach fifteen, twenty or even thirty minutes.
"When I find myself gaining a few pounds I do not run to the beauty parlor, but just do a little

more exercise, and I usually check that 'surplus' before it gets very far. I take a good hard hike or go to the beach and swim and dive like mad."

Well, if being a tom-boy will give us a figure like hers, I believe we are all feminine enough to want to be tom-boys, aren't we? Miss Todd works, mind you, and yet she finds time to be happy, cheerful and healthy. and to really live.

## Cutting Down Surplus Flesh

Dear Miss Heathcote:
I am immensely interested in obtaining a perfect figure or as nearly perfect as possible. I am five feet three inches and weigh 128 pounds. I think this is nine pounds overweight and would like very much to lose that much. How should I go about it? I am enclosing my measurements.
Is dieting recommended? I would appreciate very much an answer to my letter. I am also suffering from constipation.

Very truly yours,
Wisconsin.
G. R.

First of all, the foods that you would eat to overcome constipation would probably be the same foods you would eat to reduce. Anything that tends to normalize, also tends to bring the body to its proper weight and form. Cut the starches from your menus wherever it is possible.
By this we mean to eliminate potaThe first Cuban woman to enter our contest, Mrs. De Castellanos of Cienfuegos. She is a devotee of outdoor sports, a good swimmer, and is fond of shadow boxing. Between it all she certainly manages to keep fit and attractive. Her height is 5 feet $21 / 6$ inches, her weight 119 pounds, neck 13 inches, chest 32 , bust $331 / 8$, waist $271 / 4$, hips $37 / 2$, thigh 24, knee 15 , calf 14 , ankle 9 , upper arm $101 / 2$, forearm $91 / 8$. wrist $61 / 8$ inches. toes, white bread, refined cercals, pastries and
other sugary things. Naturally you will question what is there left to eat.
You still have all fresh vegetables, particularly greens, salads of a leafy variety, fruits with the exception of bananas, bran, whole wheat bread and whole grain cereals. For detailed information on the proper foods see Laxative Memus given in the Dinner Table in the April issue of Strength.
You are too fleshy around the waist and hips. Begin with the waist rotating movements done with the arms above the head. Rotate your body to the left, to the back, to the right and to the front, reaching as far as you can with your hands above your head. Do not move your feet during the exercise. Swing as far as you can, going straight from one movement to the other and feel the pull on the muscles at the sides of the waist and front of the body before you stop bending.

For your hips try vigorots kicking work. Try to raise your foot higher with each repetition, and hold the knee rigid throughout. Leg raising done a number of times without resting the heels on the floor will help bring your hips down to normal. (Continued on page 77)

WHEN this country decided to use the draft and conscript soldiers for the Great War, our citizens learned some few valuable matters in regard to physical defects. The percentage of men having broken arches amazed the average man, just as it has amazed many sufferers to learn that broken arches were responsible for many aches and pains'they had charged against different ailments.

The Medical Department of the Army was very quick to announce the existence of broken arches. It was quite ready to inform a man that his affliction produced a bodily condition that rendered him totally unfit for service. However, there was no instruction given as to how such an affliction could be made impossible.

- The prevention is simple. It requires no expensive apparatus. No instructor is needed, other than a plain statement, such as is the purpose of this article. A wholesale dissemination of information in our schools, a little attention by our teachers, and broken arches will no longer be a national disability.

That the remedy is effective the writer has proved to the most complete satisfaction of pediatrists of his acquaintance. Proved it by his own feet, which have carried a load averaging two hundred pounds for forty years. Feet that have borne the brunt of many active years, wherein they had to carry their load over long trails and up and down frame buildings for miles of climbing every working day. Feet that have never complained or ached.

There is one essential requirement in the method employed for the complete immunity of the feet. Perseverance in exercises which produce an ideal condition of the arch.

Yes, that is the whole matter in a nutshell-exercise. In a way that tends to one end primarily, but brings other benefits in its train. It is impossible for any child or adult to follow systematic training in one line, without finding that all parts treated by this exercise have cheerfully shared the benefits.

At the age of thirteen the writer found himself the butt of a vast number of jokes because he had grown upward so fast without developing calves on his legs. From knee to heel was one straight line. He had three brothers older than himself, all inclined to tease. He went to school with a bunch who preferred discovering a physical defect in any boy to eating a turkey

> NOT only are fallen arches extremely painful, but they frequently cause symptoms known as Sciatica.

> When the author was thirteen, he was the butt of many jokes on aecount of his undeveloped calf muscles. In finding a way out of his difficulty he struck upon a method which has greatly strengthened his arches. This training has stood him in good stead wherever foot strength has been required, and today he finds himself free from the foot complaints common to men half his age.-The Editor.
dinner. All boys seen.
So life became a burden becan. personal and irritating, to his legs, jus.
ried unbearably later by having the same sciu. inquire-"Hey, ain't it cold up there where you live: He resolved to force those legs into proper shape, and having a bit of the bulldog in his composition, he could stick.

So he began systematic exercises, rising slowly on his toes and slowly sinking to his heels once more. This he did in the early morning and when preparing for bed. Five repetitions at first, later ten. Soon he was doing his fifty. Presently he added the vertical hop, allowing the ball of the foot to furnish the spring and receive the weight. He gradually built that up to fifty.

For three years he persisted in these simple exercises. Then, at sixteen, standing six feet one and onehalf, weighing one hundred and sixty-eight, he was satisfied by the bulge shown at the calves of his legs. As yet he did not know that in developing those funny legs he had fortified his arches, in the only effecfive manner, against future agony.

A broken arch causes the most excruciating pain. My mother had broken arches, and doctors in three states treated her for sciatica. Not one of them suspected her arches or examined her feet. They had set rules and hidebound traditions. If anyone had mentioned septic poisoning from bad teeth they would have called him a fool. Had the doctor hinted that broken arches were to be blamed for the pains my mother felt in her thighs, hips and even in her lower body, he would have been denounced as insane. So they treated a symptom.

Thousands of times I had proof that my boyhood methods had been worth while. My life had depended many times on the power that could hold my two hundred and twenty-five pounds safely, though my foot found less than one inch of projection on a mountain cliffside on which to rest the sole. At times it became imperative that I should balance for an hour on the edge of a one-inch board, where my foot could pass only far enough over to get its ball on the support.

My arches never went back on me. Now, at the age of sixty-four, my arches are as perfect and strong as they were at sixteen. So, by my early effort to escape ridicule, I fortified myself (Continued on page 88)
$\rightarrow$ as though the calf and .ermined to remain on strike. oody culturists have good sized thighs aives, many of them also have good looking weeps but poor forearms. The fact that the thigh and biceps are well developed makes the lack of development in the calves and forearms more apparent.

This month, we will talk about the forearms and 1 will show you how these obstinate muscles can be made to respond to treatment by a method of development that is not only beneficial but also interesting.

As a rule, downright hard work is advised for the forearm muscles, but I find that this is something many will not stick to. In all cases I believe that when a person starts out to build up any special set of muscles, the exercises should be arranged so as to give him the greatest amount of results from the most interesting angle. When his work is interesting, the enthusiast forgets his troubles and his hard work, and settles right down to business, working harder than lie otherwise would.

There -re many reasons why the forearm muscles are apparently hard to develop, but the biggest fault lies with the body culturist. He is always more interested in the improvement of other parts of the body and forgets all about the forearms until the difference in appearance between these muscles and those of the upper arm, becomes too apparent.
It is true, though, that when a body culturist takes up this work, he
 starts in with his forearms generally much less developed than any other part of his body. The reason is that the forearms are used less than any other part of the body. This may sound strange to you. A rm propulsion, however, is done mostly by shoulder and upper arm movements, the arms constantly bending at the elbow.
minor part of our population.
The average person seldom picks up a heavy weight that compels a great gripping tendency.

Even those who follow laborious occupations seldom have an all-round development of the foreatm.

Without an all-round development, you caunot hope for perfect muscular coordination. Muscles must balance to give the greatest efficiency.

If you examine an anatomical chart of the forearm. you will be surprised to note how many muscles do exist from the wrist to the elbow. These muscles all have a different meaning. For instance, when yout pick a weight off the floor and bend the arm at the elbow, you contract the muscles on the front side of the forearm. If you bend the hand at the wrist outwards. you contract the muscles on the outside of the forearm. But just pick a weight off the floor and stand erect with the arm hanging straight by the side, with the hand hanging plumb straight, and you will see that the muscles on both sides of the arm are flexed.

The reason for this is that there are muscles attached to the back of the wrist as well as the front of the wrist, all of which are controlled by the hand and fingers. If you move the hand and fingers outwards or forwards, these muscles will function in that direction only. If your grip is direct and centralized, both sets of muscles will operate simultaneously.
Yet most of these muscles are involved in picking an object off the floor, or pulling an object dozen from an overhead position.


There are practically only two musdes (that converge and look as one from the surface) which straighten the arm out in an overhead position. These same muscles operate when you push an object away from you or press your weight away from the wall.
These two muscles commence almost on the front of the arm and curve over at the side of the elbow joint and are attached on the humerus bone. These muscles are most pronounced at the elbow joint, and when fully developed appear quite large and set the arm off beautifully.
I explain these points because they should be thoroughly understood by a person before he attempts to do anything with his forearms.
The fingers are very important factors in perfecting forearm development.
If you study closely the pose where the athlete is stooping over, picking up the weight, you will notice that his finger is placed inside of a loop on a hook that is attached to the bar of the dumbibell. The finger used for lifting the greatest weight is the third finger on the hand, which is inserted into the loop. The arm is held straight. The knees must be bent, with the back flat and the disengaged hand resting on the thigh. The weight should be placed well between the legs. The lifter begins by straightening his legs and back, continually pressing upon the thigh with the disengaged hand, until the lift is completed by standing erect.
This should be practiced with each finger, and the person who wishes to intensify the muscular contraction, can practice it with this variation.
When lifting with the finger, instead of standing erect with a-straight arm, bend the arm at the elbow and lift as high as you can. Do not allow your elbow to travel


George Haefner, of Rensselaer, N. Y., a young man whose present physical proportions show great possibilities.

Keep it close to the side. A great contraction of the front part of the forearm will be brought about. This part of the forearm should be catered to, as it is the part of the arm least developed and most coveted. It gives that beautiful fulness to the arm, whether the arm is tensed or relaxed.

Dead weight lifting with one hand off the floor to the erect position, is also a great developer, and it intensifies the grip.

This feat is performed with either a dumbbell or bar-bell, the latter always being preferred.

In this lift, 1 originated a handle that makes the possibilities of lifting a high poundage much greater.

Of course, there are many good exercises for the forearm, but these exercises generally take in a group of muscles which require greater exertion in order to make progress. It will be easily seen that with finger lifting you develop each muscle individually, and thereby work them out to their maximum, with a better assurance of results.

Some huge poundages are lifted in the finger lift-in most cases much higher than in the one hand dead lift.

By practicing this you will have the satisfaction of seeing your record poundage soar up higher all the time, as well as watching a constant increase in vour forearm measurement.

You can develop a powerful grip by trying the one or two hands dead lift, with thick handles.

The, thicker the handle the less weight you will lift. Some men specialize on thick bars because they have large hands. John Marx used monstrous sized bars, as did Louis Cyr and Saxon.

Thomas Inch has a dumbbell which has never been lifted from the ground to the erect position by any man but himself. There


One time a well known strong man asked to make an attempt- to lift it and when he arrived, Inch's brother, a tall, rather slender man, was there also. The strong man tried but could do nothing with the bell. Then Inch's brother stepped up and to the amazement of the big man, he raised the weight. Simultaneously, however, he let out a weird cry, and Inch, grabbing his brother, hustled him out of sight of the bewildered stronig man.
This was the trick as it was originally planned. Inch knew that the big man could not lift the dumbbell, and thought he would have some fun at his expense, by having his own brother lift the bell.

He took a wire and made a loop of it, which he passed around lis brother's neck, allowing the wire to continue down inside of the coat sleeve. To the end a hook was attached. Sad to relate, however, when his brother made the lift, the wire straightened up around his neck and nearly strangled him; which was the reason for the strange sounds he made while holding the bell.

Every story has a moral; so has this. Don't try to break your neck when lifting weights.

The most surprising feat of finger strength I have yet seen was performed by that splendid lifter, Fournier.

He placed the back of his hand on the seat of a chair, and allowed any man who would do so to place his thumb onto the second finger of that hand and press it with all his strength and body weight. Then, while the other was resisting with all his strength,

Fournier ac-
 tually curled his finger at the first joint without any trouble, lifting his opponent's body weight despite all efforts made hy him. I never saw muscles so prominent on
any man's fingers as they are upon the fingers of Fournier.

I wonder if my readers ever stop to realize that it is not lalways the amount of physical strength they are endowed with that secures for them the best results. The greatest in spiration for perseverance comes from the amount of mor al strength they


Two minds with but a single thought, Jack and George Ayers of Wilmington, Del., twins, are both enthusiastic body culturists.
possess. It is by cultivation of this that it becomes possible for a greater amount of concentration to be placed behind each effort. Mental concentration transfuses in greater quantity the energy necessary to the various parts of the body under physical stimulation. If you step up to an object with a half-hearted determination you are sure to fail, simply because you have allowed yourself to be demoralized to begin with, and have robbed yourself of your confidence.

I once knew a little athlete who always pleased me with the great amount of confidence he displayed and the determination he put behind every effort. If I told him he could do a certain feat, no matter how far behind he was at the beginning, he never lost track of the fact that I said he would do it.

I saw him fail no less than ten times in succession on one feat, but the eleventh time he won. He-had the moral strength to back up his physical power. Believe me, there is a lot of psychology in the practice of body culture, and in the sport of weight lifting. There is a saying that confidence is half the battle, and I believe it.

Another very important point in body culture, which is practiced even less, but which I want to bring before your attention, is Rclaxation.

Have you ever noticed how a proficient athlete, when he has finished an attempt, immediately relaxes all his muscles? They smooth out and become loose and pliable. Then when he renews his effort, the muscles seem to leap into action. Muscles in this condition have much greater power and speed. Their relaxed condition allows the nervous force to vibrate electrical motive energy in conjunction with muscular strength. The muscles develop a great
deal more "kick."
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utterly impossible to attend to even the most trivial details, was found, on X-ray examination, to have an infected area around an upper right molar.

This tooth was extracted. Since then this patient has not had the slightest recurrence of his trouble. It is the common neglect of these conditions that is responsible for thousands of cases of chronic disease and hundreds of deaths in every part of the country.

Another patient of Dr. Ream was sallow, pale, and presented the aspect of being completely run down. She suffered from chronic rheumatism, the pain in her arms and legs being almost constant, and, as she expressed it, she "was so tired she hardly had ambition to breathe."

Dr. Ream X-rayed her teeth and found some badly filled root canals. He told her that she was being slowly killed by these poisoned teeth, and advised having the teeth extracted and bridge work inserted. This was done in October. Dr. Ream did not see the lady again until Thanksgiving. The change in her was nothing short of marvellous; she did not look like the same person. For she was twenty years younger in appearance; her complexion was fresh and ruddy; she had had no rheumatism for weeks, and she felt and acted like a woman in the pink of plysical condition.

There are literally hundreds of such cases, proving, beyond doubt, that many of the gravest systemic conditions, having apparently not the slightest connection with the teeth, are due solely to infections arising from dead teeth, teeth improperly treated, or teeth that should have been extracted years before.

Every man and woman who feels tired and debilitated; or who lacks "punch" and energy; whose appetite is fickle and whose sleep fails to refresh; should have the teeth carefully ex-amined-and X -rayed.

If there are found any imperfectly filled root canals, any points of focal infection around the gum margins, or in fact any pathological processes anywhere in the mouth, the nose or the throat, go to your dentist, or to your surgeon and have him correct these without delay. It may make a difference of many years of life if you will see to it that the cavities of your head are kept in a thoroughly healthy state.

And here is something that should interest every woman reader. Never forget that as a cosmetic, there is nothing in the world equal to a clean, wholesome mouth, both for what it does and for how it looks while it's doing it.

- I remember a case of a young girl of eighteen or twenty, whose face was chronically broken out with boils and pimply eruptions. This girl had taken all manner of tonics and blood purifiers without any permanent benefit. It was found, on examining her mouth, that she had a spongy growth of gum tissue from which pus could be squeezed in alarming amounts.

A simple course of prophylactic treatments with iodine, supplemented by home treatment consisting of morning and evening mouth rinsings with a good antiseptic cleared up this condition within two months. And with the disappearance of the pus, the skin and the general complexion improved, so that today this girl has skin as translucent and perfect as any human being could wish.

So there is not a particle of use for a woman to use salves, lotions, face washes and blood purifiers to rid the system of something that is being constantly manufactured around the roots of her teeth, or in her nose or tonsils, every hour of the twenty-four. There is only one way to cure the condition and that is to find the cause and remove it.
There is one sure and certain method of ascertaining exactly whether the roots of a tooth are infected; or whether a root canal has been properly filled or not-and this is by the use of the X-ray.

Today there is hardly a progressive dentist who does not believe that the use of the X-ray is the greatest of all aids to accurate dental practice. For remember that blind abscesses and other focal infections may be present in and around the roots of teeth filled by even the most conscientious dentists.
It is only by the evidence of the X-ray, however, that any dentist, no matter how careful he may have been, can tell whether or not a root filling is perfect. The teeth of all patients should be X -rayed where there is the slightest indication of any infection; whether there is any suspicion as to the vitality of a tooth to insure root canals being properly filled.

People are at least waking up to the fact that their doctor or dentist is not to be ignored when he advises them to have an X-ray taken. Oftentimes when a stubborn run-down condition has persisted over a period of time, an X-ray reveals the cause to be infected gums. Likewise in cases of neuritis, rheumatism of every form, and almost any complaint, the draining of pus into the system is sometimes found to be the seat of the trouble.

No one need wait until the dentist or doctor discover this trouble although these are not apt to ignore the teeth today, but when an individual has noticed a swelling or some peculiar irritation or condition of the gum, usually connected with filled teeth or bridge work or caps, that individual can follow the thing up at once by seeking the advice of a physician or dentist and thus avoiding the possibility of the infection undermining his physical condition.

It is carelessness on the part of the individual which makes these conditions difficult to counteract. They can often tell when the first symptoms of trouble become apparent, but wait until they liave become a definite handicap before going to a physician. Very often such
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carelessness results in a long period of convalescence or in complications which are hard to counteract. The time to cure our ills is when they first manifest themselves, not when they have become acute.
In this way the X-ray has certainly been a blessing to the human race. Almost any condition which hitherto baffled science can be made clear under its penetrating ray, and where before the treatment of symptoms was necessary, the cause can be discovered quite easily today, and once discovered it is usually even more easily removed.
The movement popularizing oral hygiene has probably made more progress during the past five years than during the preceding five hundred years. The aggregate of money spent for mouth washes, dental pastes and powders, articles for the dental toilet, and toothbrushes must run into the millions of dollars annually.

The amount of good these do cannot be computed, except in terms of lives, happiness and health and in that tremendous sense of satisfaction that comes to individuals who are trying to make themselves as wholesome and healthy as possible.

Perhaps the most generally used agent in this connection is the "mouth wash"-either alkaline, of the so-called "antiseptic" or else a combination of both alkaline and antiseptic.

For the alkaline mouth wash there is a great deal to be said, because of the fact that most of the pathological germs of the month breed in an acid medium. Consequently, when the acid secretions of the mouth are neutralized by rinsing with an alkali, the medium in which the germs may propagate is decidedly less favorable for their growth.

Of these alkaline mouth washes, perhaps salt and water, a teaspoonful of common salt to a glass of water-used morning and night, is one of the best known and most generally effective, although soda bicarbonate and lime
water are claimed by many dentists to be even better. I have found personally, that a teaspoonful of milk of magnesia, rinsed through the mouth so that every part of every tooth is bathed in this alkaline fluid, is the most effective of all mouth washes.

For sore and bleeding gums, a homemade solution of alcohol, one part; vinegar, one part, and water, eight parts is an ideal preparation. This will overcome the trouble, usually within a week or less, and will wonderfully improve the local nutrition of the gum structures.

Where there is a tendency toward uiceration or "stomatitis blisters," lemon juice, is an admirable corrective. Used freely, several times a day, it beals up recurrent mucous patches that resist all other forms of treatment.
The teeth should always be brushed "longitudinally," from the gum margins to the points of the teeth, below and above, inside and outside, and then brushed laterally but carefully, so as not to irritate the gum tissues. The correct use of the brush, following the careful use of dental floss, I am convinced, will effectually remove food particles which otherwise might be left to putrefy and start decay.

There are upwards of eight million artificial teeth made in this country every year, each one of which goes to replace a tooth, which, with proper care, might have lasted a lifetime. This is the crime of carelessness, the neglect of the natural. There is no excuse for it, except ignorance. And soon, it is to be hoped, we shall no longer have even this excuse.
When this day arrives, men and women will demand and receive dental attention as they now demand and rereceive any other form of prophylactic attention. And when they do this, a very considerable source of suffering, crippledom, and life-shortening will be banished forever.

## Who Will Be Our Next Fighting Champion?

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honors in that class at that time. Burge was a great fighter, and in those days the limit was 133 pounds, usually at ringside. Burge refuised to weigh in and is said to have been very close to 150 pounds. Lavigne was a little under 130 . This fight was somewhat like Lavigne's bouts with Wolcott. He took a great deal of punishment during the first dozen rounds but his attack was resistless and in the seventeenth he knocked Burge cold.

It must be said of Lavigne that he was not merely a slugger and punching bag for the other fellow as were Battling Nelson and Ad Wolgast. He could box, but probably no lightweight nor any man in any class ever had the fighting heart that Lavigne possessed.

The heavyweight is probably the greatest attraction of all, but the only two who can draw at the gate with Dempsey will have to change their tactics considerably before they can hope to wrest the crown from its present owner. Dempsey is a great fighter and a greater champion and his equal cannot be quickly found. So things may be rather dull for the heavyweight division for some time to come.
Given a great lightweight champion and a great heavyweight ruler and fistic fandom doesn't care so much about the others. The trouble at present is there doesn't seem to be another man looming in the offing in either class with anything like the ability of a Lavigne, a Johnson or a Leonard or Dempsey.

# WHATI THINK OF PEIMTISM By duade PELMMAINISM = Ben Bilimisey 

PELMANISM is a big, vital, significant contribution to the mental life of America. I have the deep conviction that it is going to strike at the very roots of individual failure, for I see in it a new power, a great driving force.
I first heard of Pelmanism while in England on war work. Sooner or later almost every conversation touched on it, for the movement seemed to have the sweep of a religious conviction. Men and women of every class and circumstance were acclaiming it as a new departure in mental training that gave promise of ending that preventable inefficiency which acts as a brake on human progress. Even in France I did not escape the word, for thousands of officers and men were Pelmanizing in order to fit themselves for return to civil life.

When I learned that Pelmanism had been brought to America, by Americans for Americans, I was among the first to enroll. My reasons were two: first, because I have always felt that every mind needed regular, systematic and scientific exercise, and secondly, because I wanted to find out if Pelmanism was the thing that I could recommend to the hundreds who continually ask my advice in relation to their lives, problems and ambitions.

Failure is a sad word in any language, but it is peculiarly tragic here in America, where institutions and resources join to put success within the reach of every individual. In the twenty years that I have sat on the bench of the Juvenile Court of Denver, almost every variety of human failure has passed before me in melancholy procession. By failure I do not mean the merely criminal mistakes of the individual, but the faults of training that keep a life from full development and complete expression.
It is to these needs and these lacks that Pelmanism comes as an answer. The "twelve little gray books" are a remarkable achievement. Not only do they contain the discoveries that science knows about the mind and its workings, but the treatment is so simple that the truths may be grasped by anyone of average education.

In plain words, what Pelmanism has done is to take psychology out of the


JUDGE BEN B. LINDSEY

Other methods and systems that I have examined, while realizing the value of mental exercise, have made the mistake of limiting their efforts to the development of some single sense. What Pelmanism does is to consider the mind as a whole and treat it as a whole. It goes in for mental team play, training the mind as a unity. Its big value, however, is the instructional note. Each lesson is accompanied by a work sheet that is really a progress sheet. The student goes forward under a teacher in the sense that he is followed through from first to last, helped, guided and encouraged at every turn by conscientious experts.
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college and put it into harness for the day's work. It lifts great, helpful truths out of the back water and plants them in the living stream.
As a matter of fact, Pelmanism ought to be the beginning of education instead of a remedy for its faults. First of all, it teaches the science of self-realization; it makes the student discover himself; it acquaints him with his sleeping powers and shows him how to develop them. The method is exercise, not of the haphazard sort, but a steady, increasing kind that brings each hidden power to full strength without strain or break.
The human mind is not an automatic device. It will nol "take care of itself." Will power, originality, decision, resourcefulness, imagination, initiative, courage-these things are not gifts, but results. Every one of these qualities can be developed by effort just as muscles can be deyeloped by exercise. Idonot mean by this that the individual can add to the brains that God gave him, but he can learn to make use of the brains that he has instead of letting them fall into flabbiness through disuse.

Judge Ben B. Lindsey is known throughout the whole civilized world for his work in the Juvenile Court of Denver. He says,
"The human mind is not an automatic device. It will nol 'take care of itself.' Will power, originality, decision, resourcefulness, imagination, initiative, couragethese things are not gifts, but results. Every one of these qualities can be developed by effort, just as muscles can be developed by exercise. name of the absorbingly interesting booklet which tells about Pelmanism in detail. It is fascinating in itself with its wealth of original thought and clear observation. "Scientific Mind Training" makes an interesting addition to your library.

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going not too fast. Keep the head well back as the chin moves up and down. Repeat the exercise six times at first and increase with practice.
These iew simple posture exercises should become a daily program with growing children. You may add other movements which you know to be helpful and which will keep up the interest of the youngsters.

I would advise having an expert examine the child, perhaps once a year, just to see if any bodily defect, which can be readily helped, is developing. Such things as one low shoulder, spinal curvature or weak arches may be easily corrected in the growing child, if found in time.

Home gymnastics should be made universally popular. I mean the kind that teach children to swing on ropes, hang on ladders and turn over on rings and bars; also rolling over forward and backward on mats. Yes, or even standing on one's head. It is a natural sport and play for children, but, of course, it should be carefully watched. They will do "stunts" anyway and it is better to show them how to perform in safety than to allow them to get injured because they don't know of the danger. Let them learn from experience in small things how to avoid danger and they become better able to protect themsel ves in serious situations. A much guarded child never gets any real training in self-preservation.
Gymnastics help wonderfully to overcome awkwardness and develop grace and agility. They teach one to control the weight of the body in many positions. They are unexcelled for giving fine muscular development and strength.
We have in our home a small gymnasium mat which is used in the cellar in bad weather and taken out into the yard in fine weather.
Some of the stunts we do are illustrated here.
Forzcard Roll. This is simple enough if you know how, but it is surprising how many youngsters do not get the idea at first. The main point is "duck the head" and "double up" in a ball: then give a little shove off with the fect and over you go.
Backward Roll. This is just the reverse of the forward roll, but is a little more difficult. Start from a sitting position and roll backward letting the legs go smartly overhead as in the illustration.
Standing on the Head. The trouble with most first attempts at this head balance is that the gymnast has his hands on the same line with his head. Try keeping the head forward and the hands a little distance back. Don't have the weight on top of the head. Keep it more to the front as in the illustration.
Bending the Crab. This should be attempted at first with a reliable assistant who places his hand in the small of your back, and if necessary, is ready to keep you from bumping your
head on the first few trials. Balance, bending of the legs, keeping head back and arms back, all are improved by this stunt, which also develops a limber back.

Silting and Standing Carrics. These are excellent for developing balance and general strength. Care must be used not to put too much weight on the under child, and an older person with some experience should be near to catch the top mount in case of a drop.
Handled properly these variety of stunts are fine practice but they require an experienced leader. The mounts are simple but must be done correctly. This will, of course, require some little study of the subject.
Head-springs, hand-springs, cartwheels, round offs, handstands and walks are among the list of fairly easy and safe stunts to learn on the mat.
Every boy and girl should learn how to climb up and down a rope before reaching the age of twelve. The illustration shows how agile a small boy may become when his arms and grip become strong enough to carry his weight easily.
Children also get splendid exercise irom suspended rings if rightly directed. Rings are safer than the trapeze. "Skin the cat," feet overhead, reverse hang and "the bird's nest" are among the first stunts they learn to do. Apparatus can be obtained for use over the inner doors of one's home. This can be easily put up or removed.
Here again an oider member of the family should assist the children so as to prevent accidents. You can train them to take care of themselves by training their minds and bodies to respond quickly to any emergency. swimmers in every phase of the name. and adult differs; so do not expect the
The term "track and field athletics" is gencrally given to events such as short sprints and distance running, high and broad jumping and weight throwing. A basketball or baseball throw for distance, may take the place of weight throwing for boys' and girls' contests.
Youngsters can be taught something about the form of running, jumping and throwing as early as nine or ten years. This includes the correct sprinting start, use of the arms, long and short. stride, and distance judging. In jumping there is the approach, take-off and high lift.
I have seen some really good form displayed by quite young boys and girls. The competitive feature, however, should not be overdone with the younger groups. It involves a nervous strain which some boys and girls cannot stand as well as others.
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## Are Your Children Strong?

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We have a very light weight barbell and the boys have learned a number of the regulation lifts. No attempt is made to go the limit of their strength. In fact, the weight is kept well within their ability to handle. But they have learned how to properly apply their strength, and to use good muscular coordination. This adds one more interesting exercise which they like to practice.

A punching bag is hung in a corner of the cellar. This is their "fastwork." It is good for training the eye and making them quick with their hands.

Teach the children to swim at an early age. You can explain the different strokes during the regular exercise period. They can thus get some idea of the swimming movements out of the water. In the bath tub they can get some idea of the important breathing form, blowing bubbles while holding the head under water and taking a breath as the head is turned sidewise above the water. Real practice is to be had in the swimming pools and out-ofdoor swimming places during the summer months. Make the children good swimmers in every phase of the game. It is a valuable accomplishment for every boy and girl and is a splendid exercise.

The desire for the more highly organized team games comes as the boy grows older. Baseball, football, and tennis should be encouraged under proper conditions. For football, especially, the boy should be in good physical condition and play with boys of his own size and strength. Participation in team games gives him an appreciation of co-operative action and a good standing among his fellows.

All these things I have mentioned have a part in the well-rounded-out physical education of the child. They do not, of course, reach the stage of proficiency to which the older groups carry them, but they may be practiced in the spirit of play and will develop in the growing chikl a keen desire for healthful sport and exercise.

So much is being said about the viewpoint of modern youth that I am more than ever convinced of the value of gymnastics, athletics and vigorous games as a wholesome channel through which our boys and girls may reach the goal of clean-minded, stroug, useful citizenship. I know from experience that you cannot begin too early to train and strengthen these little bodies, provided judgment is used in making a gradial program suited to the age and physical condition of the child. Make the training gradual, a little at a time. Aim to get the child's interest in becoming strong and wanting to do physical exercise or stunts correctly.

A good coach or professional trainer will not do anything to injure his pupil. Your job is to be the physical trainer of your child. Study his growth and condition. You ought to find this most interesting. One becomes a better
iriend, better pal and better parent by playing with the children. If you haven't been athletically inclined before, you soon will be and the experience will do you good.

Remember the viewpoint of the child and adult differs; so do not expect the child to take this training seriously. That view will come in time and one of these days you will be surprised at what your boy or girl can accomplish.

I have recommended a number of kinds of exercises. That is because I do not want the children to get the habit of specialization in sport. They can specialize later if they want to, but an all-around training is undoubtedly the best.

The daily series of setting up exercises have been mentioned first in this article because they are of the most importance for the correct posture and physical development of the growing child. But bear in mind that there are other values to be aimed for. These are courage, self-reliance, resourcefulness, endurance, and ability to take one's place among manly men. Experience in athletic sports will teach these lessons as nothing else can.

Encourage your children to master as many of the manly sports as they may have opportunity to engage in. See that they get a chance to row a boat and paddle a canoe in the summertime and learn to skate in the winter. Many girls are becoming graceful and strong of limb by attending the dancing classes at the gymnasiums of the City Recreation Centers and private studios.

The automobile has done much to discourage walking, but even the anto can be put to good use. Drive out in the country on your holiday with the children, park your car by the roadside or up a wooded lane and take the kiddies on a ramble through the woods. Iump the streams; hang by the low limbs of trees and see how far you can hurl rocks. The great out-of-door is nature's gymnasium.

Open the windows and have plenty of fresh air in the children's sleeping rooms: Get them used to cold water bathing. Begin with tepid, then cool water applied with sponge or wash cloth. Follow with a brisk rub with a coarse towel. If you have a shower bath get them into the habit of using the cold water. The cold water application is only for a few moments duration and hardens the skin, stimulating the circulation and tonic reaction. The cleansing bath with soap and warm water is a different proposition.

I would not advise trying cold baths in a cold room in the winter time. The bath room should be comfortably heated, the body thoroughly dried and proper clothing be put on immerliately after the bath.

As a final word let me emphasize the value of an early start in the various forms of physical training. Do not hesitate to secure the adyice of a good physical instructor if you are inexperienced in handling the stunts.



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# More Energy From My Food 

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policy to do so. Approaching the subject from the standpoint of how to get more energy from one's food, you will see very quickly that one way to do this is to stop fighting poison.

The vitality lost in fighting poison can very well be utilized in better ways. And yet poison, in one form or another, is very popular these days. In this chemical and mechanical civilization of today you are likely to pick up a certain amount of lead, arsenic, aniline and other poisonous substances widely used in industry, at almost any time, involumtarily. Then, voluntarily, many people burden their systems with the various toxins of tobacco and alcoholic drinks. And bootleg booze usually contains a choice selection of poisons other than the alcohol itself. Caffeine, almost universally used, is the mildest of our poisons. And finally, unless constantly on your guard, you consume daily rations of these more or less toxic chemical preservatives. While you may figure that the dose with respect to any one of these various forms of poisoning is a small one, you can see that the grand total may be a rather formidable one, and especially so in view of the continuous and chronic nature of the burden.
The United States Government many years ago made an effort to protect the public by the passage of the Food and Drugs Act, compelling packers to state on the labels of all food packages the presence of any chemical preservatives. so that the people would at least have a chance to know what they were buying. Of course this in large measure puts the blame upon the public itself for its own consumption of these poisons, through its own negligence or acceptance of these unsatisfactory foods. But even that does not always work out, because while the presence of sulphur dioxide may be admitted on the large box of dried peaches purchased by the retail grocer, he does not so mark the paper bag in which he sells a pound of the fruit to the housewife.

Plain sulphur, such as grandmother used to mix with molasses to give to the children in the spring as an imaginary "blood purifier," was probably harmless, but that certainly is not true of its chemical combinations, such as sodium sulphite, copper sulphite and sulphurous acid. Sulphuric acid is one of the most powerful and deadly of poisons. Not only will you find mention of sulphur dioxide on your can of molasses and many other foods put up in cans and jars, but it is almost universally used in the bleaching of dried fruits; that is, in order to make your dried peaches, apricots, apples and pears look a pretty blond color that they would not enjoy if properly dried in the sun. Fortunately, we can still get prunes, raisins and currants in their normal brunette colorings, with no pretence of fair skins, and free from this chemical. But even some of our fancy
dates and figs are so bleached, as well as silver prumes and Sultana raisins. The lesson of this is to eat more raisins and pruncs, and to eat the other fruits in their fresh condition, unless you cau get them sun cured, free from sulphur dioxide, or canned, either in your own kitchen or by packers who avoid chemicals.

Bright food colorings should always be occasion for suspicion as to food purity. Often they represent the presence of coal tar dyes. That is why no sensible parent would ever permit his children to eat the cheap, highly colored candies so popular because of their decorative qualities. Indeed, one of the most reprehensible facts about the use of chemicals, in this connection, is that they disguise the truth about the condition of food that is not fresh or that is otherwise unwholesome. They are sometimes used not merely as a preserving agent of good food, which would be bad enough in itself, but even to check and cover up putrefactive processes and other clanges of a dangerous character, as Dr. H. W. Wiley and others have pointed out
Sulphite of soda is much used by butchers, sprinkled over the surface of a cut of meat to give it a fiery red color-as if fresh cut. Saltpetre is sometimes used, especially on preserved meats, to accentuate its red coloring. Brightly colored meat, particularly in the case of hamburger steak, often of mysterious origin, is always the occasion for more suspicion than the dull color which such meat is sure to develop through oxidation if left alone for a little while.
One should also be suspicious of brightly colored vegetables, particularly of spinach, green peas and green string beans. Copper sulphate, which is so much used to give vegetables this bright green coloring, is not even employed as a preservative, but for decorative purposes. Personally, I do not require my food to be ornamental. It has much better uses. Ice creams and ices are often highly colored. Let them alone. Artificial flavorings are to a large extent coal tar products. Why use them? They don't even taste good, any way.
Dr. H. W. Wiley, through whose efforts in comection with the United States Department of Agriculture the Food and Drugs Act was finally passed, demonstrated from eighteen to twenty years ago by experiments upon his so-called "poison squads," that the food preservatives commonly used, such as boric acid, salicylic acid and formic aldehyde. when added to food even in small quantities, exercised a harmful effect upon digestion and upon health. The use of borax in food is not permitted in the United States, but is still widely used in England. But we still use in America enormous quantities of benzoate of soda.

The truth is that poison is poison and
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# The World Has No Use For Weaklings 



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# More Energy From My Food 

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though a small dose of one of these poisons will not quickly kill one, yet it is impossible to know just what is its conduct in the human body, and especially is this true when several of these poisons are used more or less continuously over a period of years, or, to be more exact, throughout one's lifetime. In theory you are supposed to assume that if on a single day you eat one food containing a mere trace of just one of these chemical preservatives or colorings, you will not have hurt yourself very much.
Yet it is quite likely that-if you are not on your guard-a number of the foods that you eat in a single
day will contain such poisons, and more than a mere trace at that, so that the total dose will be considerable.
You hardly know just how much of it you are eating. Those who smoke tobacco often say that they cannot "feel" that it is doing them any harm, and yet there is no question about the scientific facts as to the harmiul effects of nicotine, carbon monoxide and the other poisons of tobacco smoke. When taking them in small doses, however, we do not realize the harm they do. The same is doubtless true of the toxic qualities of these chemical food preservatives. They are "insidious."

## Our Girls’ Circle

## (Continued from page 58 )

You may judge for yourself how often to repeat the movements at first. Make them more vigorous and add to the repetitions as time goes on. Write us in three or four weeks and let us know how you are making out.

## Developing the Legs

Dear Miss Heathcote:
I would like to know of some exercises that develop the hips, thighs and lower legs, as when I am of normal weight I am inclined to be tog thin below the waist in proportion to what I am above the waist.
Is it necessary for a woman to use dumbbells when taking exercise, or can you get just as good results without using them?
Would very much appreciate your advice, and am enclosing my measurements.

Very truly yours,
Comeil Bluffs, Iowa.
M. M.

There is a type of physique in which the chest development appears proportionately larger than the hips. This is the natural thing, and it may be that you belong to this class. But from your measurements we would judge that you have fat around your waist that should be removed, and that your thigh is undeveloped.

The best thing for you to do is to educe your waist and bring up your liip, thigh, and lower leg measurements. The exercises given in "Strong and Shapely Legs" in the April number go into detail on this development. However, you will find squatting work especially good for the thigh, and kicking and leg raising very good for the hips. Rope skipping would be a great help to you, making your ankles and knees firm at the same time that it develops the calves. The variations of the squat given in the April exercise article we would particularly recommend, as it is possible that the inside of your thigh is entircly undeveloped. and you may obtain quick results by specializing on that.

As you reduce your weight try waist rotating and bending, first with your arms above your head, reaching as far
to the sides and to the back as possible, holding the knees rigid and without moving the feet. Then the windmill motion of the arms can be done by keeping the arms out straight on a level with the shoulders and twisting the body at the waist until you can see yourself in a mirror behind you.
Don't make the work too strenuous at first, but increase both the repetitions and the vigorousness as you improve. Regarding the use of dumbbells, you would probably find light dumbbells a great help, particularly in developing your forearms. We have no prejudice against weights being used to develop girls. Probably progressive weights is the most certain way of developing any figure, but a program ior girls that includes weights would iequire the directions of an expert, and only under such direction would we advise that it be undertaken.

## Gaining Weight <br> Dear Miss Heathcote:

I have been doing gymmastic work for about six months, but thus far have not increased my weight. Every spring and summer I drop from 110 pounds to 98 or 95 . Do you think proper exercise will help me to keep my weight? I am enjoying good health. 1 get indigestion occasionally. Do you think that might cause me to be underweight?
I have very prominent wrist bones. The compliments I receive because of my large wrist bones often cause me to almost. if not, shed tears. Besides, I am often called skinny.
Will you belp me either by letter or through your magazine?
Thanking you in advance, I am,
Reamstown, Pa.

## M. F.

Probably the best thing you can do is to adopt good foods to eat, the kind of things that keep your digestion good and quickly make blood. The cause of most failures in gaining weight is the fact that most thin people try to stuff themselves with food instead of trying to create an appetite, to be sure that what they eat will be properly assimilated. Exercise is very necessary in creating this appetite.


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My advice would be to read over the Laxatize Menus given in the April issue of Strength and to adopt these to your everyday living. If you eat enough greens or leafy vegetables you will find you can drink milk. Cut out of your diet potatoes that are cooked without their skins, or any vegetables that are cooked with water and the water thrown down the sink. When you eat see that you make your meal of foods which contain all the mineral salts, potatoes which have been cooked in their skins or in a boiler in which it has not been necessary to use much water, vegetables which have been cooked in their juices and the juices retained, bread which contains all of the grain, cereals like bran and whole grain wheat.

Begin exercising with trunk rotating and waist twisting movements. If you can get your exercise through outdoor sports you would find the air very beneficial. If this is not possible begin in your room by going through all sorts of bending and twisting movements. You will find these in Strengtir from month to month. Particularly would we refer you to the waist and abdominal work given in the May issue of Strength.

The cause of your prominent wrist bone is probably lack of development on your forearms. The wringing movements which you would use in washing clothes would develop the forearms. Also try taking hold of part of a newspaper with one hand, then crumpling the paper up into the palm of that hand without help from the other. This is great for the forearms. As a final word, specialize on your waist and abdominal work for a while until you have improved your appetite and begun to gain weight.

## Removing Blackheads

Dear Miss Heathcote:
I have been following your column in Strength magazine ever since you started, and have found many aids to beauty.
I am especially interested in your set of exercises appearing in the last October issue. I have been following them with fine results. There is one exception, however, and that is my nose. I don't seem to be able to get rid of the blackheads. Is there anything else I can do for this?

Chicago, III.
J. W.

In removing blackheads you must be careful not to injure the delicate tissues
under the skin, thus leaving an ugly scar that will take seyeral weeks to wear away. Try rubbing the following lotion into your skin:

One and one-quarter ounces of Greer Soap
Two and one-half drams Alcohol
Two and one-half drams Glycerine One and one-half drams Borax
After rubbing it in, remove the blackheads with something not too sharp. Then close the pores with alcohol. (Your druggist will probably be able to give you an alcohol preparation which will not injure your skin and yet will be exempt from the Volstead Act.) A very good idea for closing the pores and making the skin healthy is to wash first in warm water (never hot) and then rub ice over the surface. You will find this method also very invigorating.

## Dear Miss Heathcote:

My ankles are very weak and it is almost impossible for me to wear the low shoes they are now wearing all year around. I am wearing them, but turn on my ankles a great deal and find it rather embarrassing. Can you give me some exercises for this or are there exercises that help the feet?
R. E.

## Boston.

There certainly are exercises which not only strengthen the ankles but also the arches and which will probably be of great help to you. Rising on your toes, walking on your toes will help. While sitting down, leg out straight in front of you, heel resting on floor, force the toe down as close to the floor as possible, then up and in as close to the shin bone as possible. Repeat a number of times. Then, with bent knee, bend your ankle outward as far as possible and roll your foot around to the inside in a twisting movement. Feel the pull on the muscles. Walk on the outside and on the inside of your feet as high as you can, and after a little perseverance you will notice a decided strengthening of the foot and lower leg muscles.

## To the Well Wisher

If the woman who signs herself a Well Wisher and whose home is in Scotland would send us her name and address, we will answer her privately. We do not answer any queries through the magazine unless the name is signed, and we never publish names.

## You Can Cure Your Indigestion

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the entire body is being properly nourished. With the stomach out of gear no amount of attention lavished on other parts of the body will bring satisfactory results. It is absolutely imperative to put the stomach in order before the rest of the body can be put in order, and it is very often so easy to do that one camnot readily understand why so many people complain of stomach disorders.
The stomach is the one part of the body which can be directly treated, and
the value of proper diet is not to be replaced by other treatment.

While the directions given in this article are all general and of service in practically every case, there are certainly specific cases that do need expert individual attertion. These articles are not written in order to get people to avoid their physicians. But if people would merely do the things outlined in this article there would be very little need of a physician for cases of stomach ailment.

## How I Took The Guess Out of My Life And Overnight Turned From a Failure to a Success

PERHAPS the title that I have given to this story of my experience is not exactly fitting, because I was never really lostI was only lost to the extent that I never could make any headway at the plant where I had been employed for over twelve years.

During this time, I saw many men leave my department. Some were promoted to higher places in our organization and some took more responsible positions with other firms. In every instance, their income was substantially increased-and, of course, I wanted to increase my income if for no other reason than to give Edna, my dear little wife, the funds she needed to run our home on.
The fact that Edna had to skimp so on everything nettled us so that many times Edna said, "Ray, why don't you leave Smith \& Co., as some of the other fellows have done if they won't give you a promotion?" One night after we had a little argument on my failure to advance, Edna called on a friend next door. Frankly, when she left, she was quite peeved and I was in the dumps-so much so, that I asked myself, what in the world was the matter with me? After some minutes of trying to reach a solution without success, I picked up a magazine and listlessly began turning its pages.
All of sudden, I saw a headiline, "What Shall I Be?" You can readily sec that this headifinc. I felt, was written for me alone, as sec asked the question that I had just asked my melf. Naturally I read the advertisement which told of William Rosengaten's vocational analessis whork, and I
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$A$ few days after 1 had sent for the book I came home as discouraged as ever when Edna said, "Ray, dear, here is a book for you which came today and I opened it, and I believe that this man has the right idea and can help you:" If elt that Edina was anxious to help me, and after dinner I read page affer page cagerly, seeking the answer to my problem. In iact. I liad atmost reached the answer when took it up where I had leit off It seemed the next night 1 took up where thad letit off. It seemed thast Eina had ocen reading it, and togethice we analyzed my character-
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I wold her I would. So the next morning I went to our president and asked him to give me a iob seline. Ho was sarprised and laughed at me; I had to actually beg him to just give me a chanoce and if 1 didn't make sood in a reasonable time. I would certainly expect to be fired just not spent twelve vears of Mr. Smith finslly consented to vive me $a$
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## American Continental Weight Lifters' Association

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is the only American lifter who has ever swung more than his body weight with one hand. At 154 pounds he swung 160 . This record was beaten by the great English swinger, C. W Wheeler, at $162^{1 / 2}$ pounds.
The bar was loaded to $1621 / 2$ pounds and using the back hang method with 30 pounds more weight behind than in front, the veteran heaved it to arm's length in perfect style, using his own "body thrust" style.
But in lowering the weight to the ground, he allowed it to strike the platform too heavily, which badly buckled the bar. Unfortunately there was not another swing bar, but nothing loth the veteran increased the weight on the same bar by 10 pounds. At the first try, the crooked bar twisted in his hand and foiled him; but quickly analyzing the trouble, he corrected it by a greater back pull. Then throwing all his power behind the effort, he heaved the bar and with beautiful timing he applied his "body thrust" and stood erect-with $1721 / 2$ pounds. The crowd went wild, tickled to death to see the old favorite come back and preserve for his followers and the A. C. W. L. A. his former world's records with a still higher poundage.

Fournier next performed a two hands shatch with 190 pounds in beautiful style.

Fournier and Jowett finished up with a stunt lift. Mr. Jowett gave a demonstration of his remarkable suppleness and back power. Assuming, the wrestler's bridge with a little over 100 pounds, which he held at arm's length. he performed the most maryelous stunt ever seen. From this position he actually arose to an erect position without any aid at all.
Notice how the crowd applauds when a tumbler does a back bend, touching his head to the floor and then coming to the erect position, and then imagine a man doing the same feat with over 100 pounds held at arm's length. Mr . Jowett has actually done this stunt with 180 pounds.

Those people who talk about being muscle-bound would have lost all doubt if they had seen this stunt, and done by a man who is short and heavily muscled. Not only did it disprove the well-known fallacy, but it showed that the strength gotten from the sport of lifting weights never leaves a man. For Mr. Jowett is a busy man and since his accident has never indulged in lifting heavy weights. Just keeps fit with what he calls light weights. But try and lift em!
On this occasion he also gave lifters a lesson in not wasting strength on uinecesary trials and on how to overcome contingencies. One could readily understand why Mr. Jowett has risen to be a master "iron man" and hailed as the cleverest lifter in the work.
Fournier showed the results of the master mind behind him. Mr. Jowett
never allowed him to waste his strength.
Perhaps never again on the same platform will the public have the opportunity of seeing two such great masters lift together as they did on the night of April 4th.

The come back of the veteran, Jowett, was remarkable. Everybody there longed to see him perform, but respected his condition. It was a sight they never will forget. Various ones bid for the bent swing bar as a souvenir, and it was won by W. Mills of Jersey City, a great admirer of a great man.
Rather than see a good man handicapped our president stepped into the breach and made good for himself, his man and his enthusiastic followers.

The officials for the evening were Messrs, Mills, Allen, Craig, Butler and E. Mack, who officiated as judges of weights and scale inspectors.
It is the intention of the A, C. W: L. A. to run a double program next year. The following five lifts, one hand swing, one hand clean and jerk. one hand clean and bent press, two hands clean and jerk and two hands anyhow, have been proposed for the five title lifts for 1926, together with the five Olympic lifts, which are the one hand snatch, one hand clean and jerk, two hands military press. two hands snatch and the two hands clean and jerk to be used in contests or competitions at various times if desired.
We desire all directors and state representatives to yote on the above program and the lifts.

We also wish to see something definite settled in the bodyweight classes. The British and Europeans all differ on class poundage. At present the American schedule is the same as the British, but we feel that the class weights are not satisfactory. We should all agree on bodyweights, or else we should change our own, or introduce another class. This change would be in the light heavyweight division. Many feel, and justly so, that a man of 170 pounds has too much to give away when meeting a 200 -pound man.

In Europe the light heavyweight goes up to 182 pounds and in Canada up to 176 pounds.

The question in our minds is this: If the English-speaking strong men eventually dominate the sport in numbers, should they all accept the same bodyweight classes? Or, should we accept the bodyweight classes of the Europeans, or introduce another bodyweight class of our own if we make no change one way or the other? It is a cinch that neither the British nor the Europeans will change their weights, but we should not invite more diversity if possible. The President was right when he brought forward these questions to be settled, and I sincerely hope that our officials and members will roice their opinions on them.

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(5) That almost always the effect of glasses is 10 gradually weaken the cyes, making them and stronger and stronger lenses necessary as thie years pass:
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By relaxation I do not mean slumping into a heap in a chair. That is a wrong thing to do. Keep moving around. The greater the previous effort, the more reason to keep moving and thus st.mulate blood circulation. Great physical efforts break down greater quantities of tissue, and more excrements are thrown into the blood stream. By sitting down you reduce the physical energy, which in turn stagnates the blood. This certainly does not help to dispel impurities from the body.

On the other hand, when you simply relax all the muscles from their former tenseness, this has the effect of releasing the contraction of the various muscle fibres, and allowing the blood to function over the stimulated areas, thus purging the body of its broken-down excrements and leaving in its trail a surplus reserve that feeds the muscles and nervous system with greater energy.

The walking around applies only in a case where there is a short space of time before the next physical effort. You recuperate more quickly.

After a person has completed the exercises and walked around two or three minutes, he should next massage the muscles and then lie down flat upon the bed, completely relaxing and allowing his mind to focus upon space. It is surprising the wonderful influence that is felt throughout the body when this is done.

Take a person of high nervous tension. There is nothing that will help him as much as this practice of complete relaxation after exercise.

## How to Do the Two Hands Clean and Jerk

The two hands clean to the shoulders and jerk overhead, is positively the key lift to the "clean" style of lifting. In order to succeed at this a man must be speedy, have muscles that will relax and tense to their capacity in the flash of a moment as the movements clemand. His movements must be powerful and dynamic with full co-ordination of mind and muscle. Each lift has a certain amount of technique that controls its success, and must be understood before it can be applied. Very few lifters know the real science of the lifts. That is my reason for ruming this series of articles. In each article I shall explain what is positively the best knowledge on every lift. Nothing will be withheld. Nor will the space be wasted on uscless theories. Everything will be practical. Therefore to begin with, I will explain the fundamental of all lifts-centralization between the weight that is being lifted and the weight lifter's body. The bony framework is the supporting factor between muscles, and the control of a weight, whether it is on the floor, at the shoulder, or held overhead. Therefore, if you stand further away from a weight or let it carry out from the body when lifting, you are forfeiting your control, not only in wasted effort but in lack of centraliza-
tion. The object is too far away for your bony supports to properly co-ordinate.

The hardest feat in this lift is getting the weight to the shoulder in one clean movement.

If you examine Figure 1, you will see that I have stepped so close to the weight that the bar is directly over the insteps of both feet. I have balanced the weight and gotten my feet the proper distance apart to safeguard my balance. With a quick dip, I have bent my body at the waist, and my legs at the knees, keeping a flat back and grasping the bar. Then with a simultaneous straightening of the legs and back and an arm pull, I pull in towards $m_{c}$ on the bar, getting the physical momentum that carriee the weight to the point shown in Figure 2. At this point, I immediately change my tactics. Releasing all effort on the weight, I relax my thigh tension. The quick change from one extreme to another causes a collapse, which gets me under the weight in the squat position shown in Figure 3, faster than any muscular contraction could possibly do. This movement is a muscle relaxation.

At the same time that I relaxed my leg muscles, I thrust the elbows downward and forzard, thus getting my arm support into the strongest position.

You will see in Figure 2 from the contraction on the front forearm muscles how close the elbows are kept to the sides when pulling in. From this position one has more power, and the elbows travel faster under a bar than in the style where the elbows are spread out from the body, as in the "scissor" movement.
Like the straight blow against the swing in boxing, the elbow thrust movement in weight lifting is faster.
Such a volume of effort is gotten when lifting from the stage in Figure 1 to Figure 2, that the weight has enough momentum to carry itself and thus enable you to make the dip.
In Figure 3 my right foot has moved about two inches. The slight movement gives better control under a weight when it is received in the position shown in that photograph. I have seen many good lifters fall backwards from the concussion of the weight when pulled in, because the squat with no slight foot change had too delicate a balance. In making the slight foot movement the foot should slide on the floor. It is a great error at any time to let either or both feet leave the floor when lifting a weight. It retards speed.
If you examine Figures 2 and 3, you will note that I have gotten under the weight while it was "hanging" at the position in Figure 2. Throughout my feet are held in the same place, and you will note that the bell is no higher in either position.
These were action pictures and I used a heavy weight in order to compel myself to better apply the scientific

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Isn't It Wonderful When You Stop to Think of It
how the human body can remain in the air
unsupported long enough to make a complete turn? It is wonderful to see it done and imagine the thrill, but it is doubly wonderful when you can do it yourself.
Starting at the risht of this strip of photos y you will see the first illustration depicting the dip from which the mighty spring upvard is obtained. In the second illusration you will see the completion of about to carry the feet from just ground. This photo nlso shows the start of the turn. In the the start of the turn. In the
third the feet have left the ground, and the fourth photo shows the start of the MacMAHON drawing up of the knees Is0 W. Somerset which spoeds up the turn. The "tuck" Philadelphia, Pa. Studio A-33
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When performed without weights, when the hands are free, this tuck further speeds up the turn. The remainder of the photo shows the body completing the turn and the feet coming over to the ground or mat
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## The Mat

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movements. The figures go to show the remarkable possibilities of this lift when the knowledge is properly applied. It could not be done if the weight were not kept in a centralized position throughout the movement, and carried close to the body.
The trouble with all novices is that they stand too far from the weight, and when they pull in, they try to pull the weight to an erect position with the back round and without relaxing a particle of the thigh muscles, and therefore securing no dip. Practice with a light weight until you acquire the form, and then take a good poundage and perform the movement several times. Each additional attempt will force you to make a deeper squat, which will be the means of increasing your clean record.

Next month, I will explain the second stage of the lift from the shoulder to overhead.

## This Will Interest You

Editor of "The Mat."
Dear Sir
Despite my slender build, I can shoulder a 150 -pound sack of grain with one hand. I have seen many 200 -pound men fail at this. It always seems to me these men are like balky horses, afraid to use their strength.
They say John L. Sullivan could blow a half dollar out of a drinking glass and never found a man who could duplicate the stumt. I have never seen anyone perform it either, though I have been performing it for several years. I sometimes do it with a ten-dollar gold piece.

A Mat Fan:
A Fine Comparison to Eric Tengrove Editor of "The Mat."
Dear Sir
While I am a little older than our British friend, being seventeen last October, I feel that his four year' training compared to my one balances the scales. I cnclose my measurements for your approval

Height, 5 fect $10 \%$ inches; weight, 157 pounds; chest, normal, 40 inches; expanded. $43^{1} / 2$ inches; biceps, $141 / 2$ inches: forearm, $113 / 4$ inches; wrist. $71 / 2$ inches; waist, $301 / 4$ inclies; thigh, $211 / 2$ inches; calf, $153 / 4$ meles; neck, 16 inches: ankle. $83 / 4$ inches. 0 . Doxoron.

## Editor of "The Mat."

## Dear Sir

What are the principal muscles brought into play in skating? I lave well-developed legs but am a poor skater.
R. D. C., Shawinigan Falls, Que.

The ankles must be strong, but a great deal depends upon the periect poise of the body in timing the stroke. The thrusting muscles of the thighs are the principal muscles involved.

## Editor of "The Mat."

Dear Sir:
Will you explain the "two arm pullover" for developing the chest? E. F.
Lie flat upon the back on the floor with the bar-bell held at arms' length behind the head. Breathe in, and bring the weight up in a quarter circle movement until it is at arms' length over the face. In raising the weight. endeavor to keep the small (Continuted on page 87)

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## The Mat

(Contimued from page 85) of the back flat on the floor.
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I do not advocate too much weight. If you struggle with a heavy bell you are apt to forget your positions and breathing.

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All readers writing to the Editor of The Mat must enclose their full name and address in order to receive a reply.

## What's Wrong With Your Nerves?

(Continued from page 42)
to capture, other ventures to make. Then there are the individual hounds for punishment to which I will devote a few words. These come under the general heading of wilful martyrdom. They love to sacrifice themselves. They are never so happy as when they are miserable. They embarrass everyone by benefits conferred and then talk about it and bemoan their "nerves."

Another type is too self-effacing. They forget about themselves until everyone about them does the same and then they are sorry for themselves and develop nerves. Another type desires sympathy and will lie to get it, magnifying some simple little malaise into a great malady, Then there is the person with the enlarged ego.
Those individuals suffering from that last-mentioned trouble are many. I hope they will never have to have the salutary experience that I had to cure them of that complaint. To see the world roll by and not miss you is, to say the least, an illuminating experience. Meredith's "The Egoist" is here indicated in large doses. Each person must examine himself and find out to which type he belongs, and then use the only remedies in his power-self-knowledge and self-control.
A few words about the importance of diet. I studied medicine once for a time in a large New York State University. I never expected to practice, but I had an immense curiosity as to how the wheels went round. I found during my studies that the human mechanism is constructed to be omnivorous; that is, it thrives best on a mixed diet. I mean, of course, when one is in health. Naturally there may occur intervals when a special diet must be adhered to.

However, the teeth, the alimentary tract, all man's internal arrangements. prove that through grace of thousands of years of evolution, man has passed the herbiverous stage. Neither is he a bird; the bird lives on grains. Nor can he live on meat, with nothing else. Man needs variety in his fare. Through


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dietary exploration for ages he has become the versatile and perfect (!) being that he is.

But let him choose that variety with discretion, having care for a sane balance and with special caution against overindulgence. Until the "roaring forties" he may need, perhaps, professional advice regarding his diet. By that time he is apt through experience to have become his own doctor.

And if so, he knows the truth of the saying: "Tell me what you eat and 1 will tell you what you are." He who eats wisely maintains an equable nervous system that is an inviting repository for all the virtues. He who eats too well is like to become, if nothing worse, a fat sluggard to whose drowsy mind the lesson of the toiling ant, with her ballet waist and her nerves fused in one hundred per cent constructive effort, is totally lost!

## At Sixty-Eight My Feet <br> Are as Good as New

## (Continued from page 59 )

against suffering. I did it unconsciously; of course, but none the less effectively.

If the schools of our country would add such exercises to their regular. daily programs, the aggregate benefit would be incalculable. Every muscle of the leg benefits proportionately. A regular routine of the simpler sort could be made to increase chest expansion, build up every part of the torso muscles and strengthen hands and arms, as the legs and feet are made perfectly strong.
This, without any apparatus whatever and by devoting only a half-hour to twisting, bending, tensing and hopping movements each day. Would it be profitable to the nation? As much so as profit may accruc from an increase in physical perfection produced by systematic exercises.
It is all so simple when one knows how that it seems incredible for so many individuals to suffer from foot troubles. Although I strengthened my arches quite by accident I have advised the method to many and in every case it has proved successful.

Immunity from broken arches would have been profitable to this country in the wartime preparations. It would increase the efficiency of thousands in peacetime employments. The fact that immunity is so easily gained makes it seem ridiculous for any parent to let a child grow up with undeveloped arches.
It seems to me that wisdom would impel such training, Too many demand only a bulging biceps. Often the legs and feet are neglected, just as are the waist and abdonimal muscles. Thousands of people never make any effort to produce a balanced form, which accounts for so many lacking in symmetry.

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Some time ago I had a party write in stating that his doctor said he was on the verge of a Hernia. He was distressed with the bearing-down pressure in the lower part of the abdomen, and was advised to wear a truss. This party wrote to me for advice. I told him to throw away the truss in his case and perform the exercises I have given here. He did, and a month after 1 received the happiest letter from this pupil, informing me he had completely banished all danger of Hernia, and had surprised his physician when he enlightened him that it was exercise and not a truss that had done the trick.

Another case I had was that of a rather heavy man, who possessed a very large, distended abdomen, with Hernia.

I worked carefully with this pupil along the same given lines. For the ground work he used an elevated board that held his feet a little higher than his head. I compelled him to discard his belt and wear suspenders instead, and advised a close study and practice of diet. When exercising he discarded his truss, wearing a good, heavy wrestler's jock strap. The result is today that he has a torso and development of the external oblique muscles that would disgrace many an athlete, and he never wears a truss.

Of course, these results are not all gotten in a day or a month. Like everything else, they take a period of time. depending on the condition of the person at the beginning and how seriously he applies himself to his practice during this time.

A person should get out of the habit of walking with a heavy step and avoid any movement that causes a downward pressure upon the lower walls of the abdomen. When such a movement is necessary, the one thus afflicted should draw in on the abdomen in order to make the movement more free and avoid danger of strain.

Many body culturists have such abdominal resistance that they can allow someone to jump on their bodies with no strain at all. This shows how thoroughly the abdominals can be developed and the great resistance these muscles can acquire. Such development can be gotten. however, only through exercise.

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## Ask the Doctor <br> (Continued from page 53)

very careful; for the last month I have been taking exercise, not of strenuous nature, and not involving my abdomen, never straining. I wear a heavy elastic jock strap. which is about eight inches wide, while exercising. I am doing exercises for the shoulders, chest, arms and upper body, with some for the legs.

1 wish to commence again with light barbelf work and in fact have been doing some work with modified barbells, weighing about twenty pounds. No bad results have followed and in fact I feel much better. Will you please indicate your opinion on the matter?
I wish especially to do the two-arm pull over, from overhead, while lying flat, for chest development and had been advised by sundry people not to raise my arms. I have been doing this exercise, after holding my abdomen so there is no strain on it.

If you will advise me, I shall greatily appreciate it. I would like to be sensible and careful but I feel that I am all right now. At times I had pains which seem like adhesions existed but never experienced this while exercising, and concluded that they may have been gas pains or constipation pressures.
If no strain is put on the abdomen, am I not safe in going ahead with my schedule of work, using nothing to strain me?

Mr. Mason D.
Dayton, Ohio.
Following operation for acute appendicitis, I would not advise active exercise involving any constant strain of the abdominal muscles, until after the expiration of a year, for fear of developing a rupture.

The light bar-bells of twenty pounds' weight would be sufficient to start with when you recommence.

1 am inclined to think that the pains you experienced really do come from adhesions, although they may be complicated by gas pains or constipation pressures. You should be most careful to insure having two or three daily movements of the bowels. Would suggest that you read the answer to Dr. A. H. $V_{\text {., printed above and profit by this ad- }}$ vice.

If no strain is put on the abdomen, by all means go right ahead with your schedule of work, just as soon as the abdominal muscles have regained their tonicity:

## Dear Doctor

I have tried physical culture for increasing my weight and got five pounds of flesh on me. I want to be a strong looking boy:

I am 20 years and weigh 135 pounds. I want to increase to 166 . I have practiced six months physicai culture. I am strong. 1 can lift 55 pounds from the floor to above my head. How can I get what I want? I stand 5 feet $43 / 4$ inches in height. May I try a method to increase height? 1 am very, very ambitious in sports. I am taking Hilton vitamins. Will this do any harm to me? I have taken them two months and have not increased a pound. May I continue or stop taking them? I have constipation too.

Mr. Dennis M,
Gana Co., Texas.
At twenty years of age, the chances are you still may grow another half inch or so, particularly if you practice stretching exercises religiously. To do this you might, every day, stand against the wall and attempt to reach to the very highest crack you can, especially pulling up, without raising from the soles of the feet, so as to put the backbone on the most extreme stretch. This excrcise tends to relieve the "squeezing" of the spinal vertebre against each other and stretch the muscles and ligaments of the spine.

For increasing your flesh, I would suggest that you increase the amount of sugar and starches and fats that you eat. Baked potatoes, ice cream, a tablespoonful of olive oil after each meal, candy in moderation-in fact everything that a fat person should not eat you can eat with profit and benefit.
I know nothing of Hilton's vitamins, although I can't say whether it can possibly do any harm. I know a number of persons who have taken Veges, a vitamin preparation, with very splendid results. You might try those.

## Dear Doctor:

I am 23 years old. I take physical exercise. I am neither lean nor fat. I am normaily strong. I weigh 135 pounds.

Whenever I have to keep late at nights. at theatres, I look particularly stupid and a bit weaker in the following morning before the mirror. Especiaily my cheeks look awkwardly hollow. Habitually, I am very nervous. Aiso whenever I do a strenwous exercise of any kind my cheeks look noticeably hollow. My digestion is good.
Will you piease let me know how this could be remedied?

Mr. M. A. K.
Singapore, S. S.
1 believe that your bodily weakness following exercise, assuming that your exercise is not too stremuous for your constitution, is due to lack of supply of adrenalin in your system, due to the inactivity of the adrenal glands. This deficiency tends to produce that hollowness in the cheeks, and that look of fatigue of which you complain. If you could stimulate the adrenal gland to a little better functioning power by radiating the gland by the gamma ray, I believe that you could overcome this condition entirely and have an increase of possibly 25 to $50 \%$ in strength and endurance. Meantime, you should lead a healthy out-door life and select a diet that is well balanced and rounded and that gives you a proper amount of protein for the system.

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## Keeping Fit or Fat at Fifty

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vary this one by twisting slightly Finally there is about a minute of stationary running, which one can do in the bath-room just before the shower bath. The movement is identical with running, except that you do not go for ward, but dance up and down, raising each knee almost to the chest with each step. My friend estimates that he does the equivalent of rumning somewhere between a couple of hundred yards and a quarter of a mile. Try a quarter of a minute of it first, then half, and finally a full minute by the watch, unless you find that this is an effort. Do not strain, and do not force yourself in any of this work if you become tired. If you are not still feeling fresh when finished, limit the amount of it so that you can feel fresh. Men who are in middle life should not exhanst themselves at any time.
For keeping youth ful weight and providing the constitutional exercise for heart and lungs my friend makes it his business to walk three or four miles every day, some of this being incidental to business. Busses and street cars, even taxicabs, in the present congested city traffic make such slow time that he loses very little time by walking. Sometimes he even saves time by waiking but he walks with a swing, he doesn't poke. Some men get this constitutional exercise by playing golf, but that is too irregular. It is the everyday stuff that counts. Therefore walking, the best constitutional of all.
But the matter of keeping weight is also partly a matter of diet. My friend used to avoid potatoes because they were fattening, but he ate plenty of rolls and bread. When he found out that bread was four times as fattening as potatocs he cut down on the bread and went back to potatoes, which he eats baked, skins and all; not the boiled and "drained" potatoes. That one cliange helps to take care of the weight question, and together with the walking and the exercise keeps him in very fine shape at all times.
The matter of elimination is pretty well taken care of by the use of bran in my friend's cereal food, and by the liberal use of fruit and vegetables in his diet. Further than this, there is a certain amount of perspiration developed in connection with his exercise. Really, it is an excellent plan to see that one perspires a little at least once each day. In my friend's case, it helps him to enjoy that shower. And he feels all the cleaner and the more refreshed because of it. Perspiration, as you know, is internally cleansing, and relieves the kidneys.

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## Weight Lifting as a Sport in Germany

(Continued from page 29) pulled off with the heavy athletics included. Then very quickly we would succeed in boosting our "strong man" status.
Germany has many enthusiasts who have always been willing to work hard to make heavy athletics a success, but none more willing than Wm. Haltterschield, of Rhineland, a recognized authority in Germany, and a very able athlete himself. Mr. Haltterschield was the German national middleweight wrestling champion. He threw the European champion, Kitzer, in three minutes with his favorite hold, the cross-buttock. He and Fischer, who is considered one of the greatest amateur middleweight wrestlers and strong men the world has ever produced, wrestled four times to a draw for the world's title, which they both shared. Haltterschield has to his credit in the two-hand "clean" and "jerk" 260 pounds, and 160 pounds in the one hand "snatch." He is also a splendid performer in Jonglieren. The day is fast approaching when America will lead in heavy athletics, for the American Continental Weight Lifters' Association is gathering together enthusiasts eager to test their mettle with the best men of any nation. It is true that we have a lot to learn, but the A. C. W. L. A. has the material, and they will produce champions in the sport of heavy athletics, just as we have produced champions in all other international sports.

## Speed Swimming

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recovery, making exceedingly slow the first half, when the arm is bent, and with more energy than required, the straightening act and the catch. A little of this practice now and then will go a $\log$ way toward ensuring that you will space the recovery in due proportion when yor quicken the entire stroke in racing.

If you are a candidate for breast stroke racing, obtain a book of rules for water sports and study carefully the laws covering this branch of competitive swimming before you attempt to engage in contest.

True, you have learned in this course what constitutes standard form, but undoubtedly the requirements will be fixed more definitely and retentively in your mind if you read a few times the official version of rules to be observed.

For the rest, your system of training should be the same as outlined for crawl racing and all that remains is to give you a few hints concerning the turn, as the start is made as in free style contests, with a dive. And let me impress upon you that you should devote good practice to the turn, as you are liable to disqualification if you fail to execute it correctly.

An important consideration in the turn is to learn to gauge your strokes as you approach the end of pool or course, so that you will reach the wall

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with arms extended in front. You can do this by quickening and shortening the movements, if necessary, to sweep in on the glide.

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In training for competition follow the suggestion made for the back stroke and occasionally exaggerate the relative timing of the movements. This is especially desirable in breast stroke swimming, for the arms and legs perform their respective motions together, not alternately, as in the dorsal crawl. Unless you make it a habit to distinguish clearly between the fast and slow acts in practice you inevitably will rush the latter in raising the stroke to make speed.

However, refrain even in racing from using a rapid action. Better pace is attained by means of strong drives, with a glide in between, than by resorting to hurried movements, which cause part of the energy to be wasted in the negative acts of recovery.

Swimming also is an effective normalizer. It works always toward establishing standard proportions of body. Its invariable tendency is to fill the unduly lean by building muscle and tissue,
to reduce the over stout by exercising off the superfluous flesh. An interesting illustration of this tendency is provided when one follows observantly the training of a competitive swimming team. At first some of the contestants lose weight rapidly, while others put it on steadily. But after all hands have rounded into racing trim, thereby gaining approximately standard proportions, the scales show only negligible changes from week to week.
Just to what extent swimming will affect conformation of body may, be realized from the fact that the writer has known a youth of eighteen to put on twenty pounds in his first six months of daily practice, and an unusually stout young woman of twenty-three to shed no less than thirty pounds in three months of steady training.
Of course, one should not expect swimming to work miracles. It must be given a fair chance. Those who look for results overnight, or think an occasional short paddle will transform them, are doomed to disappointment. On the other hand, anyone ready to practice faithfully, regularly and often may count on attaining the object in view.
For a number of years the writer has served as volunteer coach to competitive teams of both sexes and ascertained from constant personal observation that the healthiest and most rugged on every squad were those who devoted most time to practice, also that the same earnest workers never were more buoyantly and vigorously fit than in summer, when they spent practically the whole of every day at the beach, in and out of the water.

## An Interesting Letter

Dear Editor:
I have been reading your magazine for many months and I am sending you my experience in Physical Culture in hopes that it may be of interest both to you and to your readers. I have accomplished a great deal in the health line, considering that I started out so handicapped.

I was born forty-five years ago in England. From the first I was weak and undersized, and could not walk until almost five years old. All my life I stayed that way until I learned that exercise would imprave me.
It was after I had been rejected by the army and navy for flat feet and small chest; was too nervous to go aloft on a sailing ship. I had begun to work for physical betterment, and it seemed remarkably easy and simple. After once I discovered how easy it is to make oneself strong, I marvel at any one being satisfied to drift along unhealthily and, naturally, unliappily.

Since this discovery I have been through a great deal and am none the worse for it. Some accidents which would have killed the average individual have been braved through without any bad effects. To begin with I managed to get in for the South African War and also served in India and Malta,
In the Great War I served with the

Canadians, where both legs were pierced with bullets; but my blood was in very good condition and they healed quickly. My right arm was smashed with shrapnel, I was gassed and shellshocked. But thanks to pliysical culture I am nearly as good as ever, excepting for a crippled hand and wrist.

I am still able to do farm and-factory work and to marvel at the results -no, the miracles-that sensible physical training can bring about.
I found that all physical defects could be corrected, Breathing and spinal exercises helped my nerves. Rising on the toes and knee bending helped my flat feet and bow legs and the crippled condition of my arm was cured by exercises. I am not a champion strong man, but am improving all the time. Found the wrestler's bridge fine for the neck.

The lesson learned from it all is worth as much to the next fellow as to me. So put up with all the ridicule your worthy friends may care to heap upon you for sticking to the work Regulate your exercises according to how hard you have had to work during the day: but work and keep at it.
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## The Secret of Rejuvenation

Did you ever stop to think that all this is largely a matter of proper gland functioning, or, possibly, the rejuvenation of ageing glands? All medical practice is an attempt to prolong life by restoring injured or worn-out parts. All treatment consists in rejuvenating some of the body functions.
Remember that each cell is a separate entity with full powers of individual life. We are what our cells are. When the cells cease to function properly the whole body ceases to function as it should and gets old. Old age is, thus, a "disease" of the cell. bringing about senile decay, loss of memory and virile power, wrinkled skin, depletion of muscle tone, and so forth.
The problem of rejuvenation is to make the cells young again, and thus make the body young once more; for with this come all the evidence and appearances of youth. This means actually arresting the progress of senility, and setting the cells back to a point where they were years before, Can this be done?
One of the greatest medical scientists of modern times says that, in a surprising number of instances, it can.

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In his marvelously interesting book, "THE MYSTERIOUS GLANDS," Dr. H. H. Rubin, of New York City, makes this clear to you. Every page of this book is a veritable gold mine of wisdom, packed with helpfulness to you and to every memher of your family. Every chapter contains suggestions that may point the way for you to arrest or retard the progress of senescence, or to change entirely your physical and mental outlook on life.

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To enable you to visualize the possible transcendent value of this book to you, or to someone dear to you, read the following two letters, selected at random from among

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hundreds received by Dr. Rubin from grateful patients.

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By ALOIS MERKE \\ Founder of the Famous Merke Institute, Fifth Avenue, New York
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WHEN I first announced to the world that I had discovered a new way to make hair growa way entirely different from anything known or used before-many folks laughed at me.

They said it couldn't be done. They said that nothing could grow hair on a bald head. They were skeptical. So I made this guarantee - the most sweeping guarantee ever made for any treatment for baldness:

No matter how thin your hair is-my treatment MUST produce an entirely new growth of hair in 30 days - or pay nothing. A 30-day trial-and no cost. if it fails!

Overnight I was beseiged by thousands of requests for my trial treatment. There was nothing to lose I took all the risk. And I was perfectly willing to. For I knew exactly what my treatment would do-and it did it.

To say that people were amazed at the results would be putting it mildly. People who had been partially bald for years, could scarcely believe their eyes when they saw new thick growths of hair appearing. But it wastrue! Falling hair was stopped-often in a few days! Bald spots were gradually covered with strong, healthy hair! Men and women who had long ago despaired of regain-

\section*{More Proof!}

\section*{New Hair on Bald Spots}

II have used Thermocap Treatment for 6 weeks and although the top of my head has been entirely bald for 6 years the results uy to the present are gratifying. In fact, the entire bald spot is covered
with a fine growth of bair. -W. C., Kenmore, Obio.

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"My bair had been falling for the last two years and I had hardly any more hair on the iront of my head. But since 1 started using your treatment I am
raising a new crop of hair. Your treatment is best I ever saw? -O. J. Northbridge, Mass.

\section*{Falling Hair Checked}
"My hair was coming out at an alarming mate but after four or five trealments I noticed this was checked. My hair is coming in thicker and looks and foels full of life and vigor."-W. C. Great Neck, I. I.

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ing their hair were given brandnew heads of hair-in 30 days! And yet they had once laughed at my treatment!

If you have wasted time and money on hair tonics, massages, singes, etc., you are probably just as skeptical as these people once were. But I now make you the very same offer I made them. Try my treatment 30 days at my risk. Then, if you are not more than delighted with results, just say so, and the trial costs you nothing. Could I possibly make a fairer offer? I think not.

\section*{How My Treatment Works}

From experience gained in treating thousands of cases, I have found that in most baldness, the hair roots are not dedd. but merely dormant, or temporarily "asleep."
Massages, tonics, etc., fail to grow hair because they do not reach these dormant roots. They treat only the surface skin. To make a tree grow, you'd never think of rubbing "growing fluid" on the lazes. Instead you'd get to the roots. The same applies to the hair. You have got to stimulate and nourish the roots. And my treatment does just exactly that. For the first time, to my knowledge, my treatment provides a way of stimulating dormant rools; the cause of most baldness.

\section*{I Take All the Risk!}

At the Merke Institute, Fifth Avenue, New York, many have paid as high as \(\$ 500\) for results secured through personal treatments. Yet now these same results may be secured in any home in which there is electricity, for just a few cents a day. There is no inconvenience or bother about taking my treatments. You enjoy them.
I don't claim the impossible for my treatment. I don't say that it will grow hair in every case. There are some cases of baldness that nothing in the world can help. But my treatment has already grown hair for so many thousands of others, that I am entirely willing to let you try it at my risk. If it grows hair for you, as I believe it will, all right. But if it doesn't, then I don't want you to lose a penny: The cost to you is NOTHING. I take all the risk. And I take it gladly. Furthermore, I want you to be the sole judge.

\section*{Send for FREE Booklet}

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Sickness is Unnatural. Similarly you should reason that chronic sickness is NOT a part of the scheme of nature, since wild animals amid plenty are well. Chronic sickness is the invention of man, the only animal capable of planning his life wrongly.
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