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## Editorial

## Exercise-Diet-Hygiene

EVERY once in so often an enthusiastic diet fan writes in and suggests that we devote a little more space to diet and a little less space to exercise. Occasionally we wonder if that might not be a good idea.
We know that diet, hygiene and exercise are all of paramount importance in the well being of ourselves and our readers, and yet we do give more space to exercise than we give to hygiene, and more to hygiene than we give to diet.
In the first place this is because we feel the fundamental facts of the diet situation are fairly clear and fairly well-known and simple when all is said and done. Most people know what they should eat and what they should not eat, and all we try to do is to recall this information to our readers and ourselves from time to time.
We know that not all of us eat just what we should, and when we should in the way we should, but most of us know what to do and what not to do.
So far as hygiene is concerned we can only say that Strength was originally wholly devoted to exercise, and hygiene has been introduced primarily because some knowledge of the fundamental laws of health are necessary, if we hope to obtain the best results from exercise.
If Strengri's name was Health, it would have to have an exercise department, because, after all, exercise is a very fundamental part of any system of health building, and conversely health information is a very fundamental factor in successful body building, which is the end of exercise.

We are always impressed by the charts put out by the "Life Extension Institute" and the various life insurance companies showing the percentage, relatively small, of the population of America who reach the Biblical three score and ten. We are even more impressed by the charts showing the percentage of those who die young from obviously preventable causes.

However, we do not feel that it is our job to pick out the largest single preventable disease and hammer away on that particular disease month after month, occasionally alternating with it the second and third of such diseases.

A magazine could be wholly devoted to aiding people who are suffering from any single pre-
ventable, or presumably preventable disease as, for instance, pneumonia. It could come out month after month with very valuable information and should be doing a very valuable job. Or it could be devoted, as we suggested above, to preventing all preventable diseases after their contraction, and again it would be doing a very valuable job.

However, our magazine is really written for well people who hope to improve their physical condition, rather than for ill people who hope to become well ; and for well people, we believe that a real devotion to and understanding of exercise is one of the most important things in the world.
If you are well and want to be strong, well built, agile and athletic, you will not have to worry about your immediate decline, provided you are doing something which seems to have a possibility of making you a thorough master of your body.
Of course, you cannot neglect your diet nor can you forget the general rules of hygiene, although for some strange reason a great many athletes seem to think that they are absolutely above all the ordinary laws of life. An old physician friend of Theodore Roosevelt's once told me that the real cause of Theodore Roosevelt's death was his neglect of his teeth.
Every one who has known athletes knows scores of men who have felt that they could get away with anything, and it is true that they can get away with a lot of stunts the ordinary man cannot do.
We certainly try to give enough health information so that our readers will not do the obviously foolish things which so many people do every day. We do more than that, however, if we succeed in getting our readers exercising intelligently, and our whole aim is to put before our readers various methods of exercise which will enable them to make the most of their bodies and at the same time make their exercises easily understandable and interesting.

In this issue you will find an article on hand ball. If you have never played hand ball this article ought to make up your mind to give the game a try. It ought to beat that and make you give it a try. If you know the game it ought to give you a (Continued on Page 76)

# Stretch-for Health and Beauty 

Exercises for the Tired, Overworked Girl-to Keep her Fit.

By Margaret A. Sargent

(Posed by Margaret McGoniglc, a Gerirude Hoffman Girl)
 HIS article is written for the girl or woman who earnest desires to improve her personality and charm-for the girl whil wishes to retain her youth and beauty. There is a way tha will aid you in winning the admiration of all your friends There is no need for you to merely exist-a physical and mental failure !

You exclaim at seeing a picture of a beautiful girl yet when you mee that girl personally you are greatly disappointed and think to yourself "Her pictures flatter her. Why, she isn't even attractive."

Really, the girl is beautiful, but she does not possess that knowledg which permits her to bring out her beauty-the knowledge that woul, develop a charming personality. And she does not realize how clos within her reach that knowledge is.

I have a friend whom everyone (including myself) admires and loves We all love to be in her company and to do something for her. Why Because she is beautiful or because she wears beautiful clothes or becaus she stands high in her set Not for any one of thos reasons! She is admire and loved by all becaus of her charming person ality-she has time for smile here, a kind wor there-time for ever thing and every one.

There is a reason fo her charming and delight ful personality-and tha reason is exercise. Sh is not a girl whom con noisseurs would conside as having beautiful fea tures-but to me she very beautiful. She he found and grasped th secret of being attractiv and making the most $\in$ her physical and ment: charms.

I knew the girl sine she was a child. Just lih any other average chil going to school, she got 1 more exercise than that playing and romping wit the other children. O entering high school h romping stopped, an being very studious, si did not "waste time," she then called it, indulging in sport

Margaret McGonigle, of the Gertrude Hoffman Girls, in "A Night in Paris," and taken as she appeared slid ing head first down the futuristic chute the chutes, in the Central Park Playground. She gets a lot of fun and excitement out of this.

[^3]Fig. 1
hortly before raduating with igh honors, she iffered from a omplete nervous reakdown. "Too uch study and not nough exercise nd fresh air," was he doctor's verdict. "No one can ver realize the terfible blow it was to me not to e able to finish that last term in figh school. I had put all my heart and soul into that moment when I would proudly receive that little white paper, tied up in pretty white ribbon, that meant So much to me, amid the glory of white dresses, flowers, and conbratulations," she had confided on me years later.
About the time she was convalescing from her serious illhess, I visited her again, having been away to another city for some time. The sight of her brought tears into my eyes, and, anxious to help her all I could, I told of the wonderful results others in her condition got from exercise. By that time she had fully realized the folly of neglecting her health and she was willing to do everything I told her, despite the fact that the doctor had predicted she would be a nervous individual all her life and that she should not over-exert herself in the least.
However, she had a great deal of confidence in me, and I started her on a light exercise program. The change that was wrought in the girl in a few months' time was marvelous. The color came back into her cheeks and the sparkle into her eyes, the hollows in her neck and chest filled out-and the result was that today she is considered as being one of the most beautiful and pleasing girls in town.

Her family and friends could not believe the extraordinary change that came over her in so short a time. After she had regained her health I gave her a routine of exercises and told her to practice them every day of her life, whether she felt in need of them or not, if she wanted to retain her vigorous health and charming personality. These exercises consisted of stretching movements for toning up the nervous system.

The average girl of today is not like the old-fashioned girl of yesterday. whose most serious problem was what kind of lace she would crochet the next day-she is now on a par with the average man of today. The stress of modern lifethe hurry and
Fig. 2
feel disagreeable, nervous and sluggish after your day's work is completed? Certainly if your friends meet you they cannot say, "What a lovely girl so and so is, and what a sweet disposition she has." You were not, nine chances out of ten, born with that disagreeable disposition-it is the constant strain on your nerves, the humdrum of daily activities that causes you to become so. When you do develop that condition, do not think that your remedy is something that you have to swallow. Get that idea out of your head immediately. What you need is to go through a series of soothing exercises and you will see for yourself how much better you will feel. Everything will take on a brighter aspect and you will begin to really enjoy life.
The greatest need of the present day is a relief from the constant nerve tension. We


Fig. 6
would then have physically perfect women. Nervous strain causes one to be thin, anæmic and disagreeable. Girls should take this into consideration and endeavor to get more muscular exercise, outdoor activity and eat better food.
The one important thing they should learn is how to get away from the exhausting state of tension. The muscular system is the only part of the body that is under voluntary control, and exercise of the right type

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Fig. 4
constitutes not only the one eff tive means but the ideal meth through which voluntary mental nervous relaxations may be acca plished.

If you cannot directly get control your nerves, at least you can acquire s control of the muscles through exer that they can be relaxed when disused

In many cases of nervousness you find the individual in need of real developing ex cises. Their muscular build is poor and build up is necessary.

In cases of nervousness the exercises should done very slowly; thus they will be quieting effect.

Aside from special exercises the nervous of dition can often be relieved to a large extent some moderate muscular activity. Walking, instance, has a soothing remedial effect on nerves and muscles. Special attention should paid to the diet. Green salads, vegetables fruits should be eaten plentifully.

Finally, I may say that everything which conducive to the building up of the general hea will be helpful to a great extent in toning up the nervo system-hence your beauty will be enhanced-your you prolonged and you will acquire a lovely personality-

Now for your exercise program. Fig. 1 illustra a very effective exercise for the body in general. Lie stomach, clasp your hands behind the back, as shov and raise and stretch your head, chest and shoulders high. Stretch the legs out, keeping toes pointed. will feel every muscle respond to this exercise, and
joy doing it.
2 is another good stretching movement. Sit on floor, vn , and with fingers clasped, knees straight and feet each alternately beyond the left and right toes, getting stretch of the back. A variation of this, and a good one, asp the hands over the foot and pull. This will stretch scles in the back, shoulders and arms.
n assume a sitting position as in Fig. 3 and, twisting the 0 the left and right side alternately, endeavor to reach along the floor with the hands.
following exercise will also give all the muscles in the good stretch, and if practiced before en window it will double its value. igh on toes as in Fig. 4, then stretch ms out to the sides, fingers together alms down. As you rise on the toes, deeply, and as you come down exhale. sp your hands behind the head and $h$ back into a back bend position as in Fig. 5. This movement stretches tuscles along the hips and waist.
6 shows an exercise for stretching eg muscles. You can alternate this ment by stretching the leg out to the sides and back. Keep the toes pointed. ss apart, hands clasped, bend with ht knees and endeavor to touch the with your clasped hands-Fig. 7. This excellent spine stretcher and very ng to the nervous system.
8 illustrates the deep knee bend, or which is a good movement to prac$t$ any time.
. 9 illustrates another effective stretch-


Fig. 9


Fig. 7
ing movement, which calls into play all the tired muscles. Stretch as high as you can on the toes, along the wall.

After you practice these exercises you will feel thoroughly relaxed. Relaxation means poise conservation of energy and reserve power. You will never have perfect control of yourself, you will never enjoy your greatest possible efficiency, you will never be a perfect master of yourself and your affairs, you will not be able to retain or obtain your health and beauty until you have acquired the power to relax from nervous tension, through exercise.

I may say that many girls searching for health need to be cautioned against overdoing their exercises. Their enthusiasm carries them too far, and consequently they derive little or no benefit.

If you repeat a movement four times and feel the muscles reacting to the movement-stop. Do not go on until the muscles become so sore that you cannot move around the next day. This is especially a warning to those who are troubled with nervous disorders.

Beware of your posture. Your attention has been called to this particular subject in these pages many times before. Bad posture not only has a drastic effect on the spinal cord and, therefore, the nervous system, but it also means a cramped chest-and lung diseases. Try to walk, sit and stand correctly at all times.

Again let me add another word. Above 1 made reference to the terribly late hours that the modern girl keeps. Little does she realize how much she is damaging her health and good looks, ruining her entire system. Sleep is an essential factor in health and beauty building. Take, for instance, people who suffer from insomnia-they are always a nervous, fidgety, anemic type.

So if you do not want to develop into such an individual-get your beauty sleep. You must retire before midnight to get your beauty sleep, but if this is not possible, retire early at least four nights out of the seven.

## The Three Essentials of Chest Buildin

Fine Points on How to Develop a Desirable Chest

## By Charles Mac Mahon

BUILDING a large, deep chest, like developing a massive biceps (or upper arm), is one of the most desired physical improvements of those who crave a superb body.
And of these two physical assets, chest-building is of the most importance.

Any one of my readers knows, or can guess, the reason why chest development is the most important. But to show you that your reason is also mine, I'll say that chest-building is important because it increases the breathing capacity. Greater breathing capacity is vital because the more air that can be taken into the lungs, the more thoroughly will the blood be purified.

Those who use only a small portion of their lung space are not only taking in a scanty supply of oxygen, but are also letting countless lung cells

lay dormant, in which condition they are more sus to lung diseases.

Consequently, increasing the lung capacity is the three essentials of chest-building; in fact, it


Fig. 4
see by the the $p u$ out of the ribs accounts for most of the improve when the training is done properly.

In the case of a flat-chested person, the ribs downward instead of protruding straight out front. This, of course, lessens the girth of the but worse still cramps the lungs and causes s breathing.

Fig. 3 will show you the position of the ribs fair-sized chest. In the case of a very well-built the ribs would be even higher at the extreme fron

Then, too, the cartilage that joins the Fig. 5 ends of the ribs to the sterum, and the
the vertebra of the spine, are more or less elastic lengthened by proper exercise and the pressure lungs from within.
umming this up from a bony standpoint only, we the chest is enlarged by the lifting of the ribs elongating of the cartilage that holds them in
n, when my pupils report their progress to me few weeks' training, I find gains similar to these: /2 inch gain; upper arm, $3 / 4$ inch gain; thigh, 1 ain, and other wholly muscular parts in comh. But when I come to the chest, I find there has made only 1 inch gain there. Instantly, I know s something wrong with the way a pupil with such rt is trying to build his chest.
he think a chest gain like that is good, I suppose e it is in keeping with the other gains made.
ers have been merely concentrating on developing ctorals, thinking because these muscles are on the

Now let's start on that chest of yours, assuming your lungs are only half in actual use, that your ribs droop, that your pectorals are almost invisible, and your latissimus muscles are so thin and transparent, so to speak, your ribs can be counted through them. We start by practicing deep-breathing exercises for those dried out lung cells that haven't had a breath of air for a long time. As your lung capacity increases in size, your ribs will be lifted somewhat; but aid this by keeping out of a stooped and cramped position while at work or play.
Then we exercise the pectoral muscles thoroughly, but do not overdo it. Next we get to work on the latissimus muscles. That's your routine.

In breathing, fill the lungs full of air without straining and do not hold the breath longer than an instant. Now expel all the air from your lungs. That sentence is wrong technically, for no one can expel all the air from their lungs, no matter how hard they try. There is always, roughly, a hundred cubic inches of air remaining in the lungs, even when you have expelled all the air you can. This is nature's way of meeting an emergency, and is the reason why one does not fall dead the instant the windpipe is shut off or when one holds the breath for any length of time, which is not a desirable practice.

As soon as all the air that will come out is expelled, you refill the lungs and repeat the process ten or fifteen times, or more if you care to. Do this occasionally through the day, too. And remember that a deep breath purifies your blood more thoroughly than a shallow one.

Fig. 6
and where the tape passes, they are all are important in building a chest.
few realize the necessity of developing tissimus muscles.
d others specialize on increasing the lung fity and enlarging the rib-box. The will, of course, make the most gains. wv, however, without being told, combine whole three essentials.
letter from me impressing the imporof combining the three in building a chest soon brings another report showchest increases that are far greater than of the limbs.
nd this is as it should be. While there hard-and-fast rule that says one should 2,3 or 4 inches on the chest to 1 inch the thigh, nevertheless the gains should be ter on the chest in a given time on any other part of the body.

Fig. 7

Fig. 6 illustrates the false method of measuring the which gives a larger number of inches than the normal wat It is wrong to give the measurement of the chest take, the latissimus muscles are spread. It is just as wrong practice of subtracting the contracted chest measuremen the fully expanded chest measurement and calling the dif the number of inches you can expand. The expansion chest should be the difference in inches from the norma to the fully expanded chest.

Although you should spread the latissimus muscles measuring the chest, is nothing wrong abo veloping them as lat you can. As the tape over them in gettin chest girth, the size of muscles makes a diffe

Fig. 7 show highly oped latissimus musc also shows highly dev serratus muscles. the serratus muscles stick out far enough
Fig. 1
Through the day, you can simply take a deep breath whenever you think of it. At the time of your exercising period, you can use your arms to aid inflation, such as raising them up and down sidewards, frontwards or from the front at shoulder level to as far back at shoulder level as you can. There are numerous other good breathing exercises, some of which you are, no doubt, familiar with.

I have warned you against the practice of holding the breath for Fig. 2 any length of time, but there are times when one should hold the breath. If you happen to cross a street right in back of a passing auto so that the air surrounding you is polluted with fumes from the exhaust, then hold your breath until it has passed away and you are in pure air again. Often this is only a matter of a second, and it is better to hold the breath in a case of this kind than to fill your lungs with the fumes. So much for increasing the lung capacity.

The lifting of the ribs is caused automatically by deep breathing and exercises for the chest muscles. Lying on the back and raising the arms over the head, then back to the hips while you breathe deeply, lifts the ribs more than most chest exercises.

You will see, by glancing at Fig. 4, that the tape in measuring the chest passes, or should pass, right across the thickest part of the pectorals. If you do not make the tape pass this point in front, you will get an incorrect measurement.

The pectorals are developed and strengthened by movements of the upper arm. Chinning the bar calls them into play ; dipping on the floor with the hands far apart affects them directly; and while lying on the back, bringing the arms up to a position over your chest and then lowering to the sides or above the head, are also direct pectoral exercises.

Standing erect and then, while keeping the arms straight at the elbow, cross them at the forearms, then bringing them out to the sides and repeating is another movement that contracts the pectorals to their highest degree.

Fig, 5 shows the tape across the back. The arms are held up to

# Heat Prostration 

How Heat Prostration and Sunstroke Have Caused Many Deaths Which Could Have Been Avoided.

By Dr. A. N. Mittleman

IS customary to divide the cases of illness due to excessive exposure to high temperature into two classes: one is distinguished as heat exhaustion, and the other as sunstroke or heat fever. It is tant to recognize the distinction between these two s , as their treatment is entirely different and ct.
at exhaustion is considered by many as a milder ion, although it frequently results in death. It occur among those who are not exposed to the direct of the sun, but who are engaged in occupations 1 are accompanied by unusual heat, such as bakers, rymen and foundrymen.
e causes of heat prostration may be due to anything lessens bodily resistance to external high heat, such isanitary surroundings, fatigue of the body or the emotional excitement, worry, overeating, indulgin alcoholics, and clothes which are suitable for cold her and that are worn on hot days may also be a e. Males, as a rule, are more often afflicted than les, and the condition is rare in childhood. The red race is more resistant than the white race due to effect of the direct solar rays.
he direct cause of heat prostration and sunstroke is ction of the excessive heat upon the heat centers or the vasomotor centers or the nerves of the body; cormer if paralyzed produce thermic or heat fever, the latter if paralyzed produce heat exhaustion. eat prostration or heat exhaustion may come on ually or suddenly, with symptoms such as dizziness, aches, nausea, faintness, thirst, yawning, pains in upper portion of the abdomen, and there may also be $s$ in the lower part of the back, numbness, and tingof the hands and feet. The pulse is weak, and the perature is subnormal. These symptoms are followed oldness, clamminess and pallor of the face, marked cular weakness and prostration. There may also be ing, and a collapse may result in the graver cases. temperature at first is subnormal, that is about $95^{\circ}$ $77^{\circ}$, though mild thermic fever of $100^{\circ}$ to $120^{\circ}$ may present. Consciousness is rarely completely absent recovery usually takes place in one or two days, and he milder cases, under prompt and appropriate treatt, the patient usually recovers in a few hours. In a cases of extreme prostration in weakly persons, th may ensue from heart failure. Heat collapse from osure to the sun is often seen on hot summer days, it is the heat of the summer months that causes prostration.
leat cramps may develop among the type of individ-
uals who are exposed to high artificial heat and those who do muscular work or some form of strenuous exercises. There are also painful, tonic spasms of the muscles, more particularly of the forearms and the muscles of the calves of the legs, and the pains may continue from one to two minutes. The duration of an attack of heat cramps is usually less than twenty-four hours, and it is usually followed by muscular soreness and slight exhaustion and weakness of the body.

As to recovery in heat prostration, this is usually favorable, but in sunstroke, recovery is less favorable. In all cases it depends upon the severity of the stroke, the previous health and habits of the patient, the complications, promptness and facility of the treatment. In general, cases in which unconsciousness lasts from twenty-four to forty-eight hours usually terminate fatally. The mortality rate during the summer months may be very high, ranging from 15 to 50 per cent.

The first symptoms usually are dizziness, slight headache and throbbing in the head, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. When these symptoms increase, the patient becomes cold and the skin becomes pale and clammy, and as a result heat prostration ensues. The patient also becomes restless, and this is followed by unconsciousness; the temperature is usually subnormal and is never elevated, and the pulse rate is weak.

Prophylactic treatment of heat prostration is highly imperative in the hot sultry weather, in which persons must work in the sun or in poorly ventilated and highly heated closed places. Workmen should be taught and warned privately and publicly, through the medium of the press and health board circulars, of the extra precautions necessary. During hot weather every one should try to work and sleep in as well ventilated rooms as possible, and to secure artificial ventilation if necessary. They should keep to regular habits and should also avoid all alcoholics and heavy eating. Water should be taken freely, light weight and light clothing should be worn, and the direct rays of the sun should be avoided if possible. The condition of the skin should be watched, and care should be taken to produce sweating freely. Shelter and rest should be sought at once, if the sweating stops. Cool wet cloths or green leaves should be worn inside a light straw hat, and sometimes it may be necessary for employers to shorten the hours of labor during the hottest part of the day.

In the form of heat prostration characterized by individual weakness, the man who has marched a distance or who has taken a long walk for exercising purposes becomes silent, he unbuttons his coat, and feels as though
he is suffering with a headache, but still he persists in walking. As a result he becomes weak and pale in the face and falls, with convulsive movements, as in an attack of epilepsy. The teeth are firmly closed, the respirations are difficult and the pulse is weak. The victim moans, the lips become blue, and the veins in the neck become swollen. The eyes become impaired, and he is partially conscious. The temperature is first subnormal, but later on it generally rises to normal temperature. Recovery oftentimes takes place in a few hours, or sometimes in the course of a few days. The results of heat prostration usually are a disordered digestion, headache, vertigo and tenderness of the spine.

The majority of cases of heat prostration occur in the afternoon, though cases are not infrequently observed at night, especially in poorly ventilated quarters. In stoke holes, boiler rooms, sugar refineries, etc., where the heat is intense, heat prostration may occur at any time.

The treatment of heat prostration embraces the removal of the patient from the influence of the excessive heat to which he has been subjected. If a person has been out of doors in the sun, he or she should be immediately removed to the shade, and as quickly as possible should be taken to a house or hospital and then placed in bed in a room which is cool and well ventilated. The clothing should be loosened so as not to interfere with the respiration or circulation, and the working clothes should be placed around his extremities so as to restore the circulation and make him warm. If he is unconscious so that he cannot swallow, then give him inhalations of aromatic spirits of ammonia. Cold applications, either cold cloths or an ice bag, should be placed at the head. The most efficacious stimulant and one which has seemed to arouse the individual when everything else has failed is the pouring, from an elevation, of a fine stream of ice water upon the forehead of the individual. As this treatment is very radical, it is continued for only two minutes at a time, and in severe cases of heat prostration, it is repeated several times, unless consciousness returns. A mustard paste should be applied to the back of the neck and over the spine, and if the patient seems as though he were going to die, then give a stimulant such as whiskey or a $1 / 2$ teaspoon of aromatic spirits of ammonia with water. As soon as the patient is able to swallow, he may be given more stimulation and afterwards allowed his routine diet. The bowels are usually constipated in this condition. Therefore, a stimulating enema may be administered to move the bowels. The condition of the bladder should be investigated, and if the secretion of the urine is scanty, the patient should be given plenty of water to drink. A little later on an attempt should be made to give him nourishment, preferably in a hot liquid form, or at least warm. I might also emphasize that great relief is obtained in cases of heat prostration by the application of something cold over the spine.
At St. Vincent's Hospital, in New York City, the following method of treatment of heat prostration has given good results: The ambulance, when sent out, is usually well supplied with ice, which is kept 'about the patient's head from the moment he is picked up until he enters the hospital. Upon admission to the hospital the patient is immediately stripped, and his temperature, per rectum, is taken as he is being placed upon a raised stretcher or table. The body of the patient is covered with a sheet,
upon which is placed a small piece of ice. Larg tities of ice are laid closely to the region of th Ice water from dippers at a distance from fiv feet is dashed with force upon the patient, treatment is continued for about thirty or forty until results are obtained.

Heat apoplexy or that which is known as as sunstroke is probably the least frequent form stroke. There may be sudden premonitions or di a throbbing headache, cessation of sweating and loss or partial loss of breath. Sometimes, while th vidual is at work in the sun, he suddenly falls scious, and convulsions may be the result of this. this state of seizure that the individual might symptoms of heart failure; more often insensib not so profound as complete coma. There restlessness, pains in the upper region of the ab and occasionally there is vomiting and nausea. headaches may be intense, the face flushed, and thi is rapid and full. The temporal and carotid a are bounding, and the breathing may be labored pupils of the eyes are contracted. On examinati skin is found to be hot and dry, and the tongue is A wild delirium has been observed in many cases higher than 102 degrees. In the fatal cases of sun the stage of coma becomes deeper and deeper, an result of this the pulse becomes rapid and feeb) cheyne-stokes respiration may precede the termin A "mousey" odor about the body has been noted some cases the temperature falls to normal by sy three or four days and consciousness is regained same time.

It sometimes is produced by an absence or a 1 appetite, and because of this there is a progressing ness of the body. Cramps like abdominal pains are ent, and a sub-conscious state of mind, in whig patient may be unaware of his surroundings (all walking or even working) may be noted for hours he is stricken down; retention or suppression is obs at times and particularly in the types of individual are accustomed to the use of alcohol. The fatal plications usually found in sunstroke are: pneun meningitis, uremic poisoning and also conditions heart and lungs.

Sun traumatism, as Dr. Manson describes it, condition characterized by a sudden death, from par of the heart, or respiration after the exposure to the

Siriasis or sunstroke usually occurs in places of temperature and is characterized by a pulmonary co tion of the lungs. Heat collapse from exposure sun is often seen on hot summer days and is too tra to be called sunstroke. The temperature is norn slightly elevated, and the respirations are shallow rapid. The sequel of heat stroke is quite interesting Osler relates a case of a patient who was subsequen sensitive to temperatures in the neighborhood degrees, that he lived comfortably only in the cella finally sought refuge in Alaska.

For the treatment of sunstroke, if the individual the sun, he must at once be removed to the shade as soon as possible to a cool and well ventilated His clothing should be removed and his temper should be taken. He should, if the temperature is be placed at once in a tub of water at a temperatu 80 degrees Fahrenheit to which (Continued on Pag?

## efining the ystery of Strength

years ago we published in Strengre a few chapters book Super-Strengri which was the first best book nblished up to the present moment on the developof the body. Mr. Jowett's forthcoming book, THE To Might and Muscle, we believe, even surpasses -Strength, and as Mr. Jowett did not have the time vpare both his usual monthly article for STrength vork on his book we are giving you as his contribuis month a chapter from the book itself. (Editor.)

## By George F. Jowett

HERE seems to be some mystery that surrounds the meaning of strcngth, insomuch as the average individual finds it very difficult to explain. The general way of ing strength runs something like this: A basefan knows Babe Ruth must be strong to be able wat a ball for so many home runs, and that fson, Washington's star pitcher, must have a pg arm to send the pill hurtling over the plate such terrific force. Charlie Hoff and Charlie dock are strong by reason of the great leg driving e possessed by each. However, these cases are ely demonstrations of strength, and not defins. When you ask for the explanation of the ngth of a man who is capable of raising a big on his back, or tossing a dumb-bell to arms' th over-head, the answer is partly explained, in the ence of a broader knowledge, by the fact that the son must have been naturally born strong.
hese few answers prove how very little is known ut the most desirable quality of a man's body, and ig us face to face with the question of whether all ng people are always naturally strong, or if it is sible to be made strong: the difference between aral strength and made strength, if there is any, and relation of health to strength.
have a friend who has a very analytical mind, and he loves to produce a difficult problem to be solved. He ot one of the kind who do it to show how much they w, or think they know, as much as he is naturally ous to know the answer for his own benefit. If it is ond him, it bothers him considerably. The question trength was one of his problems, and I well recall the 8 when he asked me if it was true that we could make ngth. Now if any other person but he had asked me, ould have answered yes; but all HIS questions place on my guard, and after a pause I replied that I had doubts. This, no doubt, will cause my readers to tch their heads in consternation, as I am well aware some theorists have brought forward the statement strength can be made, and that there are two kinds


The author, George F. Jowett, is one of the greatest living proofs of the enormous strength that can be acquired. From less than ordinary proportions, he built himself to a marvel of might and muscle.
of strength, natural strength and made strength; but the distinction never grew to be believed in because no proper separation of the two kinds of strength is possible. We have a habit of saying that a certain person was made strong by practicing exercise or some particular sport, but that does not mean to say his strength was made. Strength is the outcome of certain causes, and like gravity, or the bloom of a flower, it cannot be disassociated from its natural condition. If it was possible to control strength, and disassociate it from muscular growth, as it is possible to separate muscular growth of a certain nature from strength, we might consider the fact that possibly strength could be made. It is the existence of the type of muscle that lacks strength which causes the difference between size and strength to be too often misunderstood.

You have often seen young men who possessed a fine muscular appearance, that apparently had every indication of strength. Yet, on a test, you have been amazed to see that these particular parties were seldom any stronger than the average man. Then there is the other type of man who, while possessing no larger proportions than the first, was capable of moving objects that were immovable to both the first named type and the average person. This gives one room for thought.

It is a mystery that has led theorists to state that muscle was all artificial, and that there was some "nigger in the wood pile" where strength was concerned.

Now there is a great deal of difference in the construction of muscle tissue, and the student of body culture should be made familiar with the structure of muscle in order to better understand its true existence, and the interpretation of strength. Therefore, before we go any further, we will supply ourselves with the knowledge which tells us what it is all about. Then we will realize why strength is an inseparable part of one type of muscle, and why it can never be associated with the other type.

First, bear in mind that there are about five hundred and twenty muscles in our physical makeup that have to do with the transporting of our body. Each of these muscles is made up of thousands of little fibres that lie side by side, much like the fibres in a rope. These fibres are capable of contracting on the same order as a stretched rubber cable contracts when the tension is released. Each of these fibres has a cell or a brain, which answers the call of the true brain through the transmission of nerves, that causes them to contract or relax just as the order demands. The condition of the muscle lies in the construction of these fibres. Some methods of exercise bring about a coarse tissue, while other methods bring about a steel-like construction where the fibres become more numerous and compact.

Now, whenever any one part of the body is under a greater


Professor Lewis Attila, known throughout the world as the "Great Attila," the man who taught Sandow and a host of other great luminaries of might and muscle.


Karl Moerke performing a remarkable feat strength.
stress of physical stimulation than the rest, it is a na condition when the blood is drawn away from other of the body where the blood is temporarily less required drawn in greater quantities to the area under active st lation. The blood contains nourishment that re-fuels muscles in their state of activity, besides carrying awa the broken down tissue that is thrown off by the exertio well as cleaning out the muscle cells of any carbon did that may have secreted within these cells. It also acts fertilizer in the process of muscular reconstruction, by re of the fact that the blood continues to circulate aroun center of activity, after the actual action has ceased.

Now get the following explanation perfectly corre your mind. It is not in all motions of muscular activity muscle tissue is broken down. The movements have intense, and the muscles must be supplied with the resis that is necessary in order to break down the old structur
Movements, or exercises, that do not give the muscle required resistance, but are the kind that involve a number of repetitions, never break down any amour tissue, to speak of. These movements involve a fo process, that causes the blood to swell up the muscles, simply pumps them up. Thus a coarse tissue is created quickly loses its proportions unless the muscle cult practice continually. In the other case, the muscles are plied with a resistance, through weights, that causes full traction and extension of the muscles, as well as a flexion of the joints, which altogether rapidly breaks the old structure and commences its process of recons tion. Not many movements are involved because the mo are almost wholly physical. By this I mean the muscle not call for a fraction of the nervous energies which case in the other instance.

Followers of bar bell exercise find that, before they
signs of increase their proportions, y have become a bit stronger. reason for this is the musculature sessed in the first e has passed ough a stage of version, in which tissue has become verted into one dred per cent terial. The outne of the other dition is what I n inflated tissue of balloon type. ey register no nge in strength ply because the thods they use are $t$ productive of ength. The fact t strength has bene manifest in the ter state is positive of that the condin created is the ost natural and ist, therefore, contain the properties that are producof great strength, in both appearance and demonation.
We have no control over strength alone. It is the tural outcome of substantial muscular growth. It can ly be stimulated, and this stimulus must come from owth by development supplied from intensive exercise. In speaking of strength, I really believe that we are It to consider its meaning in super terms. Anyhow, it as such I want my readers to consider it. It is in super state that we are able to appreciate it better, d if it did not have this exalted state, we would feel all r labors were in vain, with no recompense for them. ain, if that state could not be reached, it would not ovide the lesson in which we are interested.
One strange peculiarity in muscle growth is the manner which it multiplies in its process of reconstruction, fich goes to prove how nature is prepared to take care her children and is a factor to prove my story. To intinue, let me say that it is pretty hard for the average rson to understand why these tissues are broken down, d when they rebuild, why they grow in excess of what ey formerly were. Muscular tissues of the body fulfill eir duties, wear out, and are cast off like the dead aves of a plant, and just as the plant grows stronger, a greater abundance of foliage appears, equally so does uscle reconstruction act. Growth is life, and life is rowth; when growth ceases the body begins to age and nally dies. As tissue is broken down, it multiplies and e become stronger with growth. In other words, nature eates size, and strength is the natural sequence. Size hd strength are accumulated to meet possible future ecessities in excess of any work previously performed. Let us prove this condition in another way, and be itisfied that I am right. You, no doubt, can call to
mind some fellow acquaintance who went into the lumber camp, or on some railroad construction job, and how on his return his changed appearance struck you as remark-able!-how he had filled out, and how much stronger he was than before. Well, isn't that an illustration of how natural growth takes place to fulfill the requirements of a more laborious occupation? The year after the close of the war I took a notion to take another trip overseas. I went into the Canadian Pacific Steamship offices in Montreal to purchase my ticket. I was taken care of by a clerk who had his sleeves rolled up to the shoulders. He displayed a fine pair of arms, and right away I recognized those little traits that inform a trained eye that this magnificent pair of arms was not always in his possession. He was too consciously proud of them. By his "return button" I saw he had served overseas, and to satisfy my personal curiosity, I began to question him. I had to smile at his boyish enthusiasm as he replied, "I just had to have 'cm. I was with one of the batteries, and had the job of trundling heavy shells in a whee!barrow. By gosh, at first I thought my back would break. My knees wobbled, and I felt as though each of my arms was being pulled from its socket. But, it had to be done, and I got better at it and began to like it. Pushing that wheelbarrow full of shells just made me over. And believe me," he added with pride, "my legs and back are every bit as well formed as my arms." No doubt you will recognize this incident as a common occurrence, but it serves to prove that strength is always the result of a certain condition, and not made in the sense that we are using this word.

If it was possible for you to cut into the living muscular structure of inflated tissue and natural tissue, you would find the difference in construction much similar in appearance to the difference that is seen in the


Herman Gorner, the most marvelous strong man in history and his great friend and product, Tromp Van Diggelon. Mr. Jowett's book contains numerous recitals of this remarkable prodigy.
grain of cedar wood, as against the grain of oak. One is coarse grained, and the other is tight. Try to break off an oak sapling and you will find it very difficult, but a cedar sapling, twice the size, will snap off much more easily. The condition of structure and resistance is the same here as the quality of musculature under discussion.

Inflated tissue is artificial, which is borne out by the fact that this tissue lacks lasting quality and has never been productive of strength. Strength is never artificial. It is too natural, therefore its existence must arise from the creation of a natural source.

Now you are apt to get all balled up if you have not read all this material studiously, and I want it to be perfectly clear in your mind. So to condense the whole discussion to a few words, as to what it all means, we find that strength as a distinct and separate product cannot be made; it is the result of developing musculature in its natural form. We know inflated tissue does not contain this essential, but we do know that there is a form of tissue, that can be developed, that does create strength. In other words, the muscular structure can be made.

As I have previously stated, intensive resistance of the muscles is the method of muscular contraction, by reason of its natural function, that can bring about the change. Therefore, it is just a case of following the right method of exercise that can produce this type of muscle.

In order to receive confirmation in any belief, let us see how the first examples of strength got their supply. I think I can safely say that I have come in contact with as many strong men as any other man, by reason of my travels and studies that have extended over twenty
years, as a practical athlete. I have known thousan and without one single exception every man inst tively practiced bar bell exercises on the progres principle. Thousands of times I have asked if $t$ thought that kind of training was responsible for t fine development and great strength. Not one of t ever repudiated the weights. They were tremendo emphatic in their statements that no other form exercise could possibly give the degree of strem that they owned. Well, you will agree with me t they ought to know. They had tried everything, spoke from experience. No man is fool enough practice what he knows is wrong after he has fot the answer to his problem. With all this mass of te monials behind my assertion I must be right. Mi so, since it completely balances with my deductio and the way we all know that nature works.

I do not ask any man to accept any of my beliefs I cannot prove them. Likewise any one is foolish believe any statement at all that cannot provide satisfactory proof, and the teacher himself is a fitt example of what he teaches.

In all my life I have never seen a strong man was not healthy, but I have met many healthy n who were not strong. The stronger a man, the $m$ vigorous his health, and his body retains its youth : preservation in life longer by far than the man u is healthy and yet not strong. A great number people would have us believe that strong peo become terribly muscle bound. Now nature ne does anything wrong, and strength never created si a condition as muscle binding. The term is j another that is wrongly used. There are a numi of muscle fans who have a mania to possess a pair large biceps, or huge pectoral muscles. All their effo are thrown into the exercises that will develop either these conditions, and the trouble is that their developns becomes unbalanced and exists at the expense of the of their bodies. Thus do other muscles become robt of their rights and remain in a weaker condition. until the muscle fan has acquired this state does realize how wrong it is, but he has no one else to the for it, except himself. No teacher of body culture e advised it. Fortunately it is a condition that can ea be overcome by a little specialization that will recover balance between the various muscles.

Allow me to put before you one of my latest pro of this. Not long ago a young man, who is well kno in muscle building circles, and who possesses apparer a very imposing physique, came to me and said, "H is it, Mr. Jowett, that I am no good at lifting weights have the development, but lots of lighter men can ea: beat me, and I can't understand it." Frankly, admitted that the circumstances had become very ac and embarrassing, due to the fact that he was not able maintain his prestige. He was troubled because many were telling him he would never be strong and t his muscular structure was inflated. I had seen 1 stripped various times and I informed him that condition was merely one of unbalanced proportio which I could quickly remedy ; more so in his case tl in most others because he had the foundation. I poin out his weak points and showed him the best exercises overcome his defects, and in one week he had put o one inch on his thighs (his least (Continued on Page

# How Weissmuller Beat One of the Greatest Natators 

An Analysis of His Stroke and Breathing Methods.

By Jack Russell

DOWN on the shores of Miami, last December, I chanced to see the great Johnny Weissmuller in action, in the beautiful Venetian Pool at Coral Gables. Amazed by the long string of records that he had broken and the many championships he annexed, it as with unusual interest that I closely watched his every motion for a ssible clue to the secret by which he has defeated the world's greatest tators.
In comparison to his many rivals, Weissmuller appeared very slight ana ss superior in his muscular equipment. But I noticed that he beat his mpetitors mainly through his mastery of form rather than the muscular wer he exerted. He presents the ideal type for swimming, although there e other types successful in the sport. Tall and rangy, and as a general le less stronger than the average man of middle stature, Weissmuller has tained his strength in attaining his long lanky limbs. I also noticed how Id his feet and hands were in proportion to the rest of his body. They e exceedingly large and I presume this is one of the secrets why he can
 reign of the super-mermen, Duke Kahanamoku and

reak records so easily. Now for a moment I shall livert your attention from the great John Weissmuller 0 the pages of sport, back a number of years, to the Norman Ross, the greatest natators of their day and the nearest to the perfect-built man.

Much has been written about the perfectly built men, and scholars have frequently given thought to whether the famous sculptors of Ancient Greece had individual models for the marvelous figures they turned out of cold marble with such deft-fingered skill. (At times it is hard to realize the warmth of actual life missing in them.) I am wondering whether the magnificent Apollo Belvedere and ather Titans of yore, whose fame has been handed down by ancient mythology, ever breathed the breath of life, or did the cunning masters of the chisel model their wonderful work from a variety of models, choosing the best leg of one, and arm of another, and thus create compositely the synthetic figures that we all admire.

It is only natural to suppose that the field of sports affords the nearest to perfect development, and the passing list offers many truly wonderful specimens to select from.

The monarch of fistiana, Jack Dempsey, has a physique that is about perfect for boxing. Tall, shapely and longmuscled, he is the antithesis of Jim Londos, the strongman of the mat. Dempsey's tigerish grace and quickness is the result of mind co-ordinating with muscle. He is one of the finest specimens of the present day. In football and baseball, I think the great Jim Thorpe stands head and shoulders above the rest. His physique was superb, and though he was big and heavy, he possessed amazing speed.


One is Norman Ross, the world's greatest swimmer and the other is Duke Kahanamoku, the great son of Hawaii and the fastest short distance swimmer till the advent of Weissmuller.

Ross was a powerfully built athlete with fine shoulders and a narrow waist-line, tapering gracefully to the hips. In his day he was regarded as the ideal type for swimming, every inch built for his sport. But even the great Ross must slip back into the shadow of obscurity when it comes to physical form, contrasting with that dusky, brown-skinned son of the Pacific, "Duke" Paeao Kahanamoku, who is one of the most perfect built athletes in the world today, and I am thinking of Klein, Merchant, Kirksey and a host of others when I say it.

Standing a little over six feet in height and equipped with a torso that is close to perfection, with a superb spread from ear to shoulder, tapering to a small waist, with a flowing, soft line, yet in all, disclosing a latent power, suggestive of a panther. Thighs are heavily rounded, calves well-developed and rounded with a stream-line effect. Chest development great and the muscles over the stomach enormous, a growth induced by the constant pull of the crawl stroke, but in his case, not uncouth. I will never, as long as I live, forget the
inspiring sight which he presented, stan tense, alert-for the crack of the pistol.

In the 1920 Olympics the Duke shatt his own records that were made back in Olympic games held in Stockholm, Swe 1912. His teammate, the great Kealoha, gave him a fight that will live many a day in the minds of swimming thusiasts. Over the entire distance fought neck to neck and the Duke mana to win by inches from his sturdy teamm Both broke the old record hung up by Duke in 1912, by $11 / 5$ seconds, the being 1 minute, $2 / 5$ seconds for the meter swim.
It was in that Kahanami who had be selected as a m ber of the $A_{1}$ ican Olympic te on the form he played in the tr was taken to St holm. It was ured, then, that would hardly the famed Cha M. Daniels. the brown-skin Hawailan prised every on his marvelous b of speed and the then wo best swimmer record - brea time.

There is thing 1 will alr admire ab Kahanamoku. is a great swim On the trip to S but an even greater gentleman. On the trip to St
holm, 1912, he rendered every assistance to the Oly Committee, proved a modest, retiring sort of fellow attracted everybody to him through his good nature. smile was famous, for it was golden. The Duke striking personality and even now I can see him line at the start ready to dart into the water. His long, ? black hair and less coppered skin blend in harmony, he would have made a model worthy of a sculp chisel. I knew from my first squint at him he become my ideal in physical perfection, although I could equal his proportions, since I am small in st and built along the lines of that great little middle-w lifting champion, Siegmund Klein.

The Duke was one of four Americans who stas comeback in the 1920 Olympics. Ted Meredith, broke the world's half-mile record at Stockholm in Pat MacDonald, Matt McGrath and Pat Ryan, o New York Police force, were the other members o 1912 team who went over in 1920. All these men ex ing Meredith and Kahanamoku were huge editio men, whose specialty were the (Continued on Pag

# Handball-Played the World Over 

The Most Remarkable Game for Developing Speed, Co-ordination, Agility, and Deriving Lessons of Life From It.

## By Jack Russell

STROLLED into a certain gymnasium one day bent on relieving a bad case of sore muscles, due to an over-indulgence in athletics. As I proceeded towards the locker room, my attention was sted by two individuals playing a peculiar game that quite unknown to me. My interest increased atly as I watched the men spank a tiny rubber ball, e-fisted, against a back board. Each time the player the ball it would careen willy-nilly, and his opponent, the speed of a deer, lunged nimbly to meet its nd and then volleyed it back against the wall for the ver to relay it back once more.
became fascinated with the marvelous endurance the ne fostered. The players leaped about the court essantly without the least sign of fatigue from their lent exertions. Their bodies blistened from the sweat $t$ literally poured off them, and when I observed this, ecame overjoyed; for here was a game that would e me the necessary work to condition myself and ieve my strained muscles. I had played many games, of them all I immediately realized that this game s the best for inducing health and physical perfection. right there I resolved to learn this wonderful game, employ it as a means to an end, ever afterward, "to p fit."
inquired about the game and was told that it was led "handball" and that it was one of the oldest of nes. This surprised me inasmuch as I thought I ew a little about every game that existed prior to my ling at the gym. I learned also that the game was
played centuries ago in Ireland, and that its origin dated back to those by-gone years. From 1850, the game rapidly developed until it assumed its modern shape: Today it is played the world over, and it has bceome the national sport of many countries, namely Ireland, Spain, Cuba and a few others. It has become one of the most popular sports in this country for conditioning purposes, aside from its competitive advantages. No gymnasium is complete without one or more handball courts, and there is always a line of eager devotees waiting their turn to play the game in many of our public places where this game is encouraged.

Handball is a game which takes a great deal of effort to master, but everyone, regardless of physical condition, can, to a certain extent, acquire a certain degree of ability, and it certainly is a game worth while playing until finesse is accomplished. Handball combines about everything appealing to those with athletic inclinations, since its requisites are chiefly mental and physical coordination. The keenest of pleasure may be derived from it by those who take it up and employ it as means of enhancing their physical condition.

If you are ambitious of becoming a handball player, whether you use it for physical fitness or competitive purposes, beware of discouragement. Handball has a science and technique all its own, which is mastered only when the player has gotten experience.

To begin with, you must start the game slowly, in order to harden yourself physically, lest you pay the consequences of over-indulgence with sore muscles. A

couple of games every other day is quite sufficient to round you into form.

In enumerating the fine points of the game, the basic principle of all success in it, is the underhand serve or stroke. Without it you simply cannot accomplish much success in the game. The stroke itself is not unlike the sweeping under-hand throw of the baseball pitcher. Take a ball of any kind, enter a handball court, and with the movement, foot position and twist of the body effected by the baseball pitcher, heave the ball, underhand, towards the lower boards. This will insure the mechanics of the stroke necessary to success in handball. Sweep the ball across the body with a side arm motion and a final snap that puts the "English" or pep on the rubber. It is just a matter of time till you acquire the knack, then everything else will come easy.
One of the greatest faults of the beginner is his tendency to fight and crowd the wall. Wait out the ball. Do not rush in to volley it back to your opponent. Let it take its full rebound instead, before attempting to relay it back. Always endeavor to get the body in similar positions to hit the ball on the play as when you are serving it. Do not tense the arms or ever alter your stroke. All these are fundamentals of good handball.

Of course good handball and brainy handball can be played without the use of the under arm delivery, but the player is handicapped mechanically, and all things being equal between two players, the
reach of the defensive player yet inside the side li This serve, when delivered from the center of the c with an under-arm stroke, and aided by the force into the drive, will surprise an opponent and discon his attack. Through this method of play an oppo may be kept on the jump from one side of the cour the other endeavoring to return the ball, and he is li to become weak and very easily disposed of by offensive player.

It is advisable to wear gloves until the under-a stroke is mastered, or until the hands have hardened the buffeting of the ball. Remember the idea of han ball is not to slap the ball, the under-arm stroke is combination of catch and throw, synchronizing smoothly that there is really no effect on the hands all. The real spirit of the game is to play without use of gloves at all. However, above all things keep trying. It takes time to become a good handball play just as it takes a great deal of time to become a go tennis player or learn to swim properly. You $m$ learn to educate both hands in playing this game hold the hands scoope shaped, with the fingers tigh to win out in the long rum. score, since a player scores only on his service.
 closed, wh hitting the ba Much of trouble in 1 ting the ba properly oce in the impact the ball with hand. Ma persons are to hit the with the finge or with the pa of the han This has a le dency to mm the hand tremely sor and in son cases swells hand for quite one with the underhand stroke at his command is likely

Next to importance to the under-hand stroke is the service. Many players consider the service more than half their game. I dare say this is true, for I know this too well from experience. The object of every serve is to out-guess your opponent, or to place it so as to assure a weak return. This will result in an opportunity to

There are numerous types of the serve, but by far the most satisfactory, and one which has stood the test the world over, is the serve delivered from the center of the court. The server takes his place directly back of the short line, and using as much strength as he can possibly muster, drives the ball hard against the front wall just high enough so the rebound will bring it over the short line, which is placed to make the serve safe within the scope of the playing court. The ball, in striking the front wall, rebounds on an angle which carries it backwards swiftly to the angle formed by the rear and side walls, or, if on an open court, bounded solely in front by the playing wall, directly backwards out of number of days. There is only one effective way to the ball and that is to catch it with the scooped hand the base of the fingers, as I have mentioned befo The object will not only travel accurately, but will be with the force necessary to foil the attempts of yc opponent, and inspire confidence in your future pla Hitting is one of the first and important lessons of beginner and it is not advisable for anyone to play game unless they have first accomplished the swing a have a more complete knowledge of hitting.

The next important thing to acquire is the art of pl ing the ball. The fact that you can hit the ball w great force will not count for much if you do acquire the ability to place it outside your opponer reach. To do this you must use your head as well your hands, or, out-guess your opponent, as it were. you are serving at the right of the court your oppone will naturally be at the left. So use your head and to fool him. Do not let him recover the ball with best playing hand. Always direct the ball to the oppos side of him, or his weak side. A well served ball is o that drops on a line just where (Continued on Page

## The True Show Girlthe Home Girl

## How a Home Loving Girl Made the Grade to Success and Beauty.

$\Gamma$HE fabric of our lives is, like a piece of knitting, ribly botched and ngled in most cases. were are stitches wich are dropped d lost in the work, metimes to be ked up again after lapse of years and bven back into the theme of things. hese stitches are our iendships.
One gala evening I et a rather modest dd retiring young an just before my erformance in a mnastic show. I frned very little of m from the snatches the conversation had before the rformance, but hen it was over and was dressed for the reet again, he ofred to accompany e home.
We got on a bus dd as I was flung to a seat by the rching conveyance, observed a remarkbly pretty and modhily dressed girl sitng opposite me. A articularly violent gust sent her brief skirt flying, and ; she hastily smoothed it down and glanced around arreptitiously, our eyes met.
I continued to stare at her, while my companion talked ibly on, but I did not hear him for I became very osorbed in the girl. I was annoyed to feel myself ishing, but the pretty girl, after a cool brief appraisal
me and a slightly amused smile at my exhibition,


Miss Rizzo's charm is undeniable, being the result of a mysterious concoction of dark hair, clear features and a continental loveliness.
returned to her contemplation of the passing sidewalks, and thus left me to stare stupefied at her.

I nudged my companion so that he, too, might perceive the ravishing feminine disturbance. He stared at her a brief moment, then continued to talk to me. "I'll wager she's a chorus girl," I said as I interrupted his conversation. "What makes you think so?" came the query.
"Well for one thing she is attractive, devilish, daring and brazen and a certain air of sophistication is quite characteristic of her." My companion looked at me, horrified, but I kept on. "I hear that they're a scandalous and voluptuous lot. Always indulging in sensuous pleasure. Pretty bad company for a decent fellow to meet."

My companion turned on me very indignantly, his ire aroused. "You cad. What license have you to upbraid the character of such fine girls with your talk, when you have never met them and have never come to judge their character for yourself. I thought you were a gentleman, but you prove, conclusively, to me that you are nothing but an insufferable, common ordinary, narrow-minded fool of the lowest order. Some people are ignorant, but you abuse that privilege. A gentleman never goes on hear-say. He investigates thoroughly


Miss Rizzo's beautifully proportioned figure is enhanced by the sheerness of her dress and her gracefulness accentuated.
before forming his opinion. I have tried to pick my friends and associate with gentiemen only. I am very sorry to be disillusioned with you."

This tirade cut me as would a knife thrust. I stared at him, so unexpected was his answer. However, I quickly recovered my composure and felt thoroughly ashamed.

I begged him to forgive my hasty slip of tongue which was without due consideration before I spoke, and I humbly asked his pardon and offered to make retribution. He looked at me a moment and then said, "Yes! You can make retribution, I want you to meet my sister . . . she's a show girl. It is not me that you hurt with your unthinking denouncement, it is she whom you have so injured, for she is one of the finest girls in all the world, and if you want to regain my estimate of you, then I want you to apologize to her for your grave error."

I consented to his proposal, and thus from that time on I eagerly awaited the arrival of his sister, Miss Anna Rizzo, who was touring the South with the Gertrude Hoffman Girls. Of Italian lineage, Miss Rizzo, I later learned, inherited much of the sturdy qualities and
robust health from her parents. I met the parents before her return from the southern tour and 1 so fond of them that I became a frequent visit their modest little home.

One day I received a letter from Miss Rizzo st that she would be home and that she would be gl see me, since her brother spoke of me continually i letters to her. Her news overjoyed me, and fi after an interminable and impatient length of time me, I was informed that she had returned.
invited to dine with her family the next day, which a Sunday.

When I was ushered into the home there was a circle of relatives who had come en masse to greet I was presented to those whom I had not had pleasure of meeting before, and when this form was gotten over with her esteemed brother comr deered me, and proudly brought me face to face wi most ravishing creature. Her dark, mysterious and bewitching smile set my brain to whirling gid She advanced and spoke softly to me. Her voice low pitched and well modulated. Instead of answer I stared open-mouthed at her, and then commence cast a critical eye over her charms. She was beauty personified, and I wish to say to you that Rizzo would have made Helen of Troy look liil cartoon. She had everything and I don't mean "I 4 so." If she was as good at reading thoughts as sh


Miss Rizzo loves athletics. There is nothing she cart not do. One look at her sundry charms and you becoml convinced she is only seventeen years old.
ling them, she could have seen a conIn of adoring and admiring emotions in tiny of her.
harm was undeniable, being the result ysterious concoction of dark hair, full herry red lips and clear features which a continental loveliness. Her contours the flowing graceful curves of a nicely figure, genuine grace and a pretty carthe whole ensemble, with a dark olive deliciously lovely and a personality that xplicable.
the sheer delight of her I could not And she-she merely flashed me a big mile as she drew me down beside her fa. Every eye in the crowded room was n me as I attempted to speak to her, but w my words seemed to choke in my and all I could utter were inarticulate
ave heard so much about you from my ig brother, that I just couldn't wait till ou. I hope you excused my writing to fore ever meeting you. It was terribly entional of me, but then, I wanted to be hat you would come to see me on my home. I expect to be home for about k, although we girls of the Hoffman never know what Madame is going to t." That stumped me for a moment, the devil is the proper procedure in the f such charming naivete?" I asked myShe kept on with her interesting conon. One could not help but admiring She exhibited so much intelligence and she would smile, invariably, I became ced.
dinner that evening the ladies were ing and an infectious atmosphere of aderie prevailed, all formality stopping
ess. Ann Rizzo, a ravishing vision of loveliin some filmy creation, trouped from group to a delightful hostess. Her significant glances fittle attentions to me so thrilled me that the and refreshments were anticlimax. The dinner great success and afterward the ubiquitous -piano furnished music for dancing. en in high school Miss Rizzo participated in branches of athletics, and coupled with her old training at home, she rapidly developed into an ordinary girl. She went to a business college after ig high school and it was then that she became pus of a career on the stage. She immediately took robatic dancing, and when she went to work in an after graduation from business college, she trained ously every night. One day she had an audience the premier danseuse, the famous Gertrude Hoffwho needed some girls for her troupes. Anna was n so she left her home and joined the third troupe e Hoffman girls in New York. She was then only n , but her form was so rounded and her personand intelligence so great that Miss Hoffman could pense with her.
en commenced an arduous period of training and rsing for the opening night. The show first went


Miss Anna Rizzo and "Pewee" Weisberg, two home loving girls who dance with the finest aggregation of girls on the stage, the Gertrude Hoffman Girls.
to Hartford, Connecticut, then after a time it came to Broadway. Miss Rizzo says she never will forget it, that opening night on Broadway. A few weeks out of town -almost like being on the road-and then the great white way-the mecca of all show girls-New York. Color and excitement and noise and laughter. Every one was nervous, keyed-up. It was hard even to put on make-up. And yet, once you were dressed in the wings, and then on the stage, the show ran smoothly enough. Dancing, lights, the rows of people out front, back to the dressing room, on the stage again.

The show was a good one. Anna felt the keen fascination of the theatre, the fascination she had always felt when she was a girl in high school. For the veneer of the stage was very enchanting to her. It was great fun, putting on make-up, getting into exquisite little costumes, dancing through many numbers, hurrying back to the dressing room for a quick change, talking to the other girls and dancing out on the stage again. After theatre Anna was usually too tired to care about going any place. Anyhow Madame Gertrude Hoffman watched her girls carefully, mothered them all.

They usually repaired to their apartments after the show where they would read for a while and then go to bed. The next (Continued on Page 83)

# American Continental Weight Lifters' Association Notes 

By John Bradford

AT last the KleinMatysek match was arranged and contested, and by the time this issue is in your hands, the match will have become history. Something to remember and talk about in future days, when it will be a pleasure to reflect that here were two boys, with reputa-


John Valentine, of Detroit, Michigan. A powerfully constructed young lifter who has some fine records to his credit.
the sport, and who are always willing to do their stuff, president so often remarks, if a man has the stuff in 1 has the cause at heart, he would sooner belong to the tion than be outside of it. The rapid strides we have forging to the front prove it. If we had not had the $m$ the stuff, we would never have accomplished anything. siasm plus leadership can do anything.

The regular monthly exhibition in Philadelphia was interest, with spectators attending from all points. Ne and New Jersey were strongly represented, and our old Marquis Losey, drove in with a party from Bay Shor Island. In view of the fact that he had driven such a he did exceptionally well in his performance which was the night's entertainment.

The program opened with the appearance of Harry role-muscle poseur. He went through a series of int poses, that set his body off to a splendid advantage. Th opment of his torso is well pronounced, especially the oblique muscles, which show that Hall is a man who a lot of "bent press" practicing. The turn was ve received by the interested spectators.

Following this act was a trial upon the three Olympic Otto Lechman and Lyman Wilson, who both hoped ti the bronze award. Although their weights were not th they both lifted together. Lechman weighed one hund thirty-nine pounds and Wilson one hundred and fif

Louis Mazzarella, a young lifter who looks as though he is going to make some competition.

Both of these boys are soldiers, and although ave only recently become members, they showed pal energetic military spirit to do things, by doing est. Lechman lifted a total of four hundred and two pounds against four hundred and twentypounds by Wilson. They were accompanied by nant Poore, a very enthusiastic sportsman, and soldiers from Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. ess to say both these boys won the A. C. W. L. A. award.
next feature was a very clever act of Comedy atics by Messrs. Dunn and Ward. Considerable was injected into the act by the comic clowning of the members. However, this did not, by any , detract from their athletic ability. They had an ment of splendid balancing and tumbling stunts captivated the onlookers. Also they worked her on a table and chairs in other neat combination

The middle of the program was now reached, reparations were made for the event of the night Klein-Matysek match. Many had begun to think hese two would never get together in a contest, as or four times Mr. Jowett had gotten them together actorily when something turned up, which could e overcome, and caused a temporary postponement. time everything was perfect, except that Klein had on his arm, which he did not consider, for he ed to lift in this match, and Matysek was just as pus. The New York boy weighed well within the leweight limit, not making one hundred and fifty-

A. Schiemann, of Baltimore, who is still stirring things up in the aristocratic city.


Antone Matysek, whose contest with Siegmund Klein raised considerable interest in "iron man" circles.
pounds by at least three pounds. The boy from Baltimore went over the heavy middleweight poundage, weighing over one hundred and seventy pounds. As they came to the platform, a little discussion was brought up on the Two Hands Slow Press, which was settled to the satisfaction of both lifters by the officials. The judges selected were Robert E. Mack, of Philadelphia; Charles Durner, of Allentown, Pa., and C. Collier and H. Hall, were loaders. Mark Berry, of Newark, seconded Siegmund Klein with Robert Hoffman, of York, seconding Antone Matysek. Our president, George F. Jowett, was the referee. Mr. Jowett spun the coin as the seconds called their choice to win for their man the privilege of lifting first or second. Berry won the toss and took the privilege of lifting second for his man.

The ball commenced to roll as the referee announced that the match was in progress. Starting on the two hands snatch, with one hundred and sixty-five pounds, Antone made the grade. Klein began to force the pace, calling for one hundred and seventy pounds. Like a flash it went aloft, and he smartly brought his feet together for the referee's count of one, two. Tony tried to go five pounds better than Klein, but the snatch was a little too much for him. It went aloft all right, but he was obliged to finish the lift by pressing, in order to straighten his arms. It was done quickly, but it die not escape Mr. Jowett, who immediately declared it no lift. Klein called for one hundred and eighty pounds, which went up as faultlessly as the first. Matysek took his third attempt with one hundred and seventy-five pounds, but he could not get anywhere with it. Ten more pounds were added to the smaller man's bell, making the total one hundred and ninety pounds. Without any hesitation he swept the bell off the
floor to arms' length in a perfect movement. Thus did the first lift go to the credit of Klein.

No time was lost in commencing the second lift, the rulings of which were changed from the Olympic style to the following: The lifter must stand with feet together, and he is allowed to bend slightly forward and then backwards as the lift was in progress; but the legs must be kept straight throughout the lift. This was a great advantage to Matysek, as he had the part of the forward lean down pat. Klein could not do it, and made a straight legged press out of it, bending back from the waist.

Matysek started in pretty high, with two hundred pounds, which he accomplished with ease. Klein dropped down to one hundred and eighty pounds. Tony led again with two hundred and ten pounds, while the New Yorker jumped fifteen pounds to one hundred and ninety-five pounds. The last attempt Antone tried with


A recent study of E. Faris, Cincinnati star middleweight and A. C. W. L. A. booster.
two hundred and twenty pounds. It went half and inch by inch he began to gain ground, but th ie got too heavy, and after a fine struggle, he had the lift. Klein added ten pounds more, makir hundred and five pounds, for his last attempt, whi successfully performed.

Interest began to be pretty keen. Each man ha a lift, and the last one was the deciding event. crowd was restless and the seconds began to enc their men, as a jockey urges on his horse. Both s with two hundred and thirty pounds in the Two Clean, and both were successful. Ten pounds mor both men made the grade. Klein had already won Antone had a trick up his sleeve for the last call, he called for two hundred and fifty pounds, we re that he had not. Matysek stepped forward to mal lift, but it was hopeless. He could not pull it in. made way the New York middleweight smartly st forward and got the weight to the shoulder in neat movement. In its journey to arms' length head very little effort was registered, and the was lost and won. The totals were: Klein six dred and forty-five pounds, Matysek six hundre fifteen pounds.

It was a well fought contest. Well won and lost. Matysek was the first to congratulat opponent openly and honestly. Both men were a rousing ovation. It was a double victory for As the president announced the totals, he further announcement of the engagement of mund Klein, American weight lifting champion in classes, to Miss Grace Attila, of New York daughter of the famous Louis Attila, the man produced Sandow among many other famous ath Everybody joined in wishing the young coupl the happiness in the world.

It is usual to comment on matches of note wards, so I will offer my criticisms and plaudif the same time. Throughout the whole contest 1 proved himself an accomplished showman. Every was performed in a graceful, effective ma Matysek has lost much of this, but he was game he deserves all the credit in the world for co forward and doing his best, as he did. He challe Klein to another match on a different set of lif which the New Yorker agreed. Matysek admire fine style employed by Klein, but we know it ha touch of a master hand behind it. Our worthy in a letter to the president, expressed his gratitud all Mr . Jowett has been to him in acquiring his w lifting honor and fame. Each is proud of the and they might well be. Klein had promised Jowett that on this occasion he would make a hands clean and jerk of two hundred and pounds. Owing to the condition of his arm, result of the boils, the attempt was postponed, but Jowett has set his heart on seeing Klein do two dred and seventy-five pounds, so two hundred sixty pounds will be just a stepping stone to higher mark.
Marquis Losey, of Bay Shore, Long Island, A ican professional lightweight champion, was the performer to strut his stuff. He succeeded in cres a new world's record in the lateral raise, lying ninety-five pounds. Turning his attention to the
lead lift, he set up the fine record of three hunand sixty-five pounds with the right hand and hundred and fifty-five pounds with the left hand, of which stand as world's records. Losey has ved considerably since his last appearance here, e are told that he has greater surprises in store He was two pounds overweight, stripping at undred and forty-two pounds. Of late he has put eight for which he looks better, and with it lifts ilip Piantone, of Norristown, next treated us to neat tumbling. It is only a month since he broke llar bone, and the fact that he is back in harness ickly, speaks well for his fine physical condition. the semi-wind up, John Gauss, of Philadelphia, a gold medal total on the three Olympic lifts. fine young lifter is improving rapidly, and is going a very serious opponent for any one who is aimo make a real claim to the heavy middleweight . His lifting was all impromptu; as a matter of he has been off training for the last few weeks for us reasons. He was fully dressed, and an interspectator of the Klein-Matysek match, when he asked to lift. He simply took off his hat, collar oat and lifted the following poundages, still wearis walking shoes. Two hands clean and jerk, two red and fifty pounds; two hands snatch, one hum-eighty-five pounds, and the two hands slow press ne hundred and eighty-five pounds. Total six Ired and twenty pounds, which is a five pound er score than Matysek made. Dressed as he 1 he weighed one hundred and sixty-six pounds. ped, he would go about one hundred and sixty ds, which is not very heavy when you figure that about six feet tall.
he wind-up was a novelty act by J. Russell and L. that was very much enjoyed, evoking much merrit.
he attendance was very appreciative, and every man e was a genuine weight lifting fan. We hope that next show, on the night of June fifth, will bring a bumper crowd for Veterans' night.
ews has just come through from South Africa Tromp Van Diggelen, stating that Herman ner has made an astounding one hand dead lift of m hundred and twenty-seven and a quarter pounds. ardly seems possible that any human being could do istuff, but when we consider that Gorner jerked from back of the neck to arms' length, three hundred and ty-seven pounds in living weight, we can expect thing from him. You remember, no doubt, some time President Jowett wrote an article entitled "Can I me the World's Strongest Man?" Out of the whole ch George F. Jowett selected Gorner. When it comes estimating strength and physical ability our president s not go wrong. I asked Mr. Jowett how he thought fred Alzin would stack up against Gorner, but he lost time informing me that even though Alzin was much ter than Rigoulot, Gorner would win. Wouldn't we e to see such a three cornered contest? The records uld fly. Gorner's manager, Tromp Van Diggelen, is creat friend of our president, and has a very high nion of his ability as a trainer. Tromp says that if rner was under the training of Mr. Jowett he would an way over four hundred pounds in the two hands


Siegmund Klein, the American middleweight champion who added to his laurels by defeating Antone Matysek in contest on the three Olympic Lifts.
clean and jerk. Gorner depends purely on strength as a lifter. He has not skill equal to that of Rigoulot and Cadine, which means that if this skill is acquired we can expect him to smash all his records. There is a movement on foot to bring Gorner to this country, if he does come you can bet our leader will gladly do everything in his power for him. Tromp knows what he is talking about as he has associated with the best men in the world, Steinbach, Swoboda, Vasseur and a host of others. He was the man who brought out Max Sick as well as Gorner. He was also a great friend of Dirk Vanderberg, with whom our president spent many of hisearly days. I believe, like our South African brother member, that if any one can bring the best out of a man George F. Jowett can. No man in this country ever developed as many stars as he has: His old star pupil, Marineau, is contemplating paying us a visit, so we are likely to see this marvelous lightweight in action. He has fully recovered from his injuries sustained in an accident some time ago, and blithely informs us that he is doing a bent press of two hundred (Continued on Page 77)

# The Summer Camp 

Its Contribution to the Education of Young Americans.

By Russell Viohl

ONE of the most significant innovations in American education during recent years has been the growth and popularity of the summer camps. This movement owes its inception to the leaders in the physical and moral education of the American boy, who, by their thoughtfulness, realized that the restrictions of city life must be counter-balanced by a period of simple, active, outdoor life in the woods, in order that normal physical growth and development of character might be insured.

Home life in a large city no longer affords boys the opportunity to secure that physical, mental and moral training that our forefathers received from their manifold activities which were carried on in their homes, years and years ago. The tendencies of modern life have made it increasingly difficult for fathers to rear their boys along the lines of the old time training. And thus, as a consequence of this unfortunate condition in our modern civilization, many boys grow up in an environment where the feminine influence predominates. Therefore the camp idea has been added to remedy the sedentary and artificial life of the city, and give the boys the advantages of a more manly training and guidance.

Nearly all the permanent and successful camps are directed by educators who recognize that the summer camp should aim definitely to

provide for the boys the most favorable condition the acquisition of a sound and well-trained body; habits of living and character. The boy campe adequate instruction given to him by competen sympathetic teachers, and the camp program planned that all the large aims of education $m$ realized.

It pleases me to tell you something about the cat movement, and if you are one of those who are for enough to go to camp, then this message will ser guide you and give you a fair understanding four-fold purpose of the camp life. Literally, army of boys and girls wend their way to the moun lakes, and seashores of our country as soon as closes, late in June. The hordes have become so that the railroads find it exceedingly difficult to pace with the movement.

For two months both boys and girls go to cam are happily engaged in learning many new things are of lasting benefit to them. It would take ream: reams of paper to $\log$ all the things learns in the str camp, but I will it enumerate some of 1 although the greates them cannot be c fied. They have

Three scenes that life in camp, where ety of activities and ations promote pleasure and train

with spirit, with certain attitudes towards life in
organized summer camp offers these chief edufeatures: physical and health education; learndoing; training for citizenship, and the developf character. There is no phase in camp life which vital to education than the advantages it affords equate physical and health instruction. The Amerled Cross offers its services by conducting intensive $s$ in swimming and life saving.
sical illiteracy is judged in terms of a nation rather in individual, and since no chain is stronger than its st link, no nation is stronger than its weakest If this is true, then no camp is stronger than akest boy. Therefore, the camp directors concentheir powers on the weak link and endeavor to it as staunch and strong as the rest. No one ns weak in a summer camp. Under proper guidall ills are remedied and the boy returns to school le and able-bodied. The campers are given a thormedical examination at the beginning of the camp , and advice is given to each according to his needs. co-operation of the counsellors in charge of the us groups of boys is enlisted in supervising the ers in the dining rooms, the athletic field, in the and during the rest period, with a view of helping camper form good health habits. Frequent disons on health hygiene are vitally interesting and ul when the hygienic principles are applied to the camp life, for instruction in hygiene is valuable to xtent in which it bears influence on health habits; ummer camp with its simple active outdoor life affords ideal conditions for inculcating good health
e camp is unquestionably the greatest institution for oting spirit, good-will, and sportsmanship. The re of American sport depends not on the few stars se names catch our attention from the pages of newsrs, but n the erican For this son the idea has n more herin the $t$ few - for purpose preparing American as a poial sportsn. This not only much for


Lolling on the beach in the warm sunshine is a sure-fire antidote for sickness.

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re, but will make a marvelous contribution to the health and welfare of a nation. The school boy nucleus of our American sport.
in the summer time I journey to the state of Maine direct the activities and physical welfare of a boys' ip. It is situated on a densely wooded island in the
limpid waters of Lake Sebago. It is amid a scene unrivalled in the magnificence and grandeur of its beauty. Surrounding this camp are a host of smaller isles, and off to the westward the distant mountain ranges loom like sentinels. They are called the White Mountains, and many hikes are taken through them.
The life of the camp boy commences with reveille in the morning at six o'clock. As soon as he dresses he joins the ranks for setting up exercises, and when he has become fully aroused by the exercise, a plunge into the icy, but exhilarating, waters of Lake Sebago refreshes him and sweeps the cow-webs, induced by sleep, from his brain. The early morning dip is not encouraged just for the sake of enlivening the boy. Its real value lies in the fact that it teaches him to wash himself before reporting to the breakfast room. He is taught the proper method of cleaning his teeth, and this important function is impressed upon him to the extent that he religously adheres to its principles. The boy camper emerges from his dip, radiant with the glow of health, and after a breakfast consisting mainly of cereals, wheat cakes, fresh eggs and milk, he repairs to his tent and cleans it for inspection.
The assistant director of the camp thoroughly inspects each tent, and after he has done his worst, searching for match sticks and articles of clothing left promiscuously about the camp, each tent then receives a rating for the quality of its inspection, and at the end of each week the tent with the highest rating receives the honors due it. This idea not only creates competition, but it teaches the campers to clean their dwelling place as well as their bodies.
At the close of inspection, which commences at nine o'clock, the camp director issues the orders for the day and the camp then becomes agog with activities. A group of boys are usually instructed in rifle practice on the range. The director, if not occupied with the business affairs of the camp, takes another group for tennis, canoeing or boating. The remaining number are given instructions in boxing, wrestling, tumbling and competitive sports, under the personal supervision of myself.

Just before noon the swimming period commences. The boys anxiously await the arrival of this moment, for all of them love to dive and swim. During this

Swimming and aquatic work are given special attention at camp.


Ready for the dip! The boys and their instructors revealing what exercise and sunshine will do. Note their healthy and happy appearance.
have a fair idea of the program in the you desire to employ them for building $u_{1}$ body.

It is advisable that you perform these cises in the outdoors if you hope to much benefit from them. First start off jog and then try some hopping and squat ing to get the blood circulating properly. low this by a vigorous rubbing of the chest and legs, using an outward and it motion towards the heart. You will be prised how invigorating this is, and wher feel warm from this practice then proceed the regular exercises.

You have, no doubt, seen the floor executed. Lay out on all fours, arms and straight, with the back held in such a pos that there will be a straight line from the of the head to the heels of the foot. lower yourself slowly by bending the arm the chest touches the floor. At this point the body rigid and commence to push up, to care to perform the pushing up movement very slowly. This slow motion exercis only develops the triceps muscles on the of the arm, but it has a direct influence o chest and shoulder muscles as well.
period, such novelties as aqua-planing behind the camp speed boat, tipping canoes, swimming tests and a hundred and one different varieties of sport are offered for the amusement of the boys. After swim is over a plentiful dinner is spread for the boys, and when the rest period is over then organized games are participated in for the duration of the afternoon. A swimming hour is again held at four o'clock and supper follows at about six.

In the evening the boys either gather around the campfire to hear wondrous stories, or else they are entertained by the camp musicians and songsters. Long before it is time to go to slumber land the boys become wearied in mind and body from their play and Nature takes its course and often many are put to bed in peaceful sleep.

The camp boy becomes rugged and sturdy from the healthy life he leads, and when his general muscular system is toned up he is taken on long hikes into the country, climbs mountains and goes on long canoe trips that necessitate living in the open air constantly. His life is a healthy life, a truly remarkable life.

No matter what camp you go to the general routine of your camp is similar to ours and if you are one who has never been in a camp, then this will give you a fair idea of how the campers live. Aside from the simple life in the woods and the swimming in the lake, you perhaps wonder how the camp boy develops himself. Of course, you say he gets plenty of exercise, romping through the pines and paddling long distances in a canoe. Yes, he gets much exercise from the above sport, but he is shown how to develop his body by concentration on a group of exercises that he follows religiously every day.

The daily exercise program for the benefit of the boy is classified under two distinct headings: first, the heavy exercise group, which builds strong muscles; and secondly, the light exercise group, numbers of which are employed in improving their wind, speed and co-ordination. I shall describe the following exercises in the order in which they are given to the camper so you may
dipping on the floor, always try a few variations of exercise. When you push up try to leap clear of floor by throwing the arms vigorously forward, sink down each time on them when the body incline self downward at the conclusion of the push up. dip with the hands as far apart as possible, for this stretch the chest muscles and give depth to the chest

And, finally, dip on the very tips of your fingen develops strong fingers and gives you plenty of power. Always refrain from taking your exercises strenuously. Should you come to the point of exh tion, it is apt to do you harm. Try to govern the amc of exercise by your physical condition. Forget amount of repetitions. When your exercises tire stop! Always remember that you should perforn exercise the number of times satisfactory to the mus which should be a little tired and not exhausted.

Chinning the bar gave me big muscles, and I hea recommend it to you as the next of the heavy exerc So chin the bar. Chin with your thighs flexed; It by that, with your feet straight out in front of you ting in the air as it were. Perhaps you will find difficult at first. Do not give up, but resolve to perse It is an all-round exercise and you should always pra it. Always remember to breathe in deeply and st as you pull up on the bar, and exhale slowly when lower yourself. In other words: always breathe in the muscles become tense from exercise and exhale the exercise tends to relax them.

Another unusual group of exercises is the tel group, from which I have selected two for you to tice. The exercise is divided into two parts; first grip a strap, a towel, or even a handkerchief in fro your waist and exert force by pulling your hands : from one another while holding the strap rigidly in of you. Pull hard on the strap and feel the muscles: and bulge almost to bursting, and then, when you the limit of your endurance, (Continued on Page

# Seventy-five Miles an Hour on a Bike 


#### Abstract

How the Human Flying Machines of the Saucer Track Finally Achieved the Pinacle of Bike Fame by Shattering the Long Coveted Mark of Seventy-five Miles an Hour.


## By Dean Carrol

O YOU remember how we used to talk about the "Flyer," the name generally given to a locomotive that burned the rails with its speed. It could travel more quickly than any piece of machinery on wheels! Remember how it you pop-eyed and breathless, when the seemingly dulous statement was made that the "Flyer" hit miles an hour? Very few trains hit up that pace now, when everything is measured by speed. So, would you think of going seventy-five miles an You'd likely say the only people who go seventymiles an hour are aviators and auto racers. Now I say seventy-five miles an hour, I do not mean to hit up that pace for a short distance, but to actually $r$ the distance of seventy-five miles in sixty minutes. at like that is considerably more difficult than coveronly a few miles at
speed. While you e your head and say some feat, it never ed your mind that a could propel a cle with the power of egs only, at that rate peed, much less actcover that much ind in an hour. That st what John Brunier, Frenchman, did on ember first of last on a bicycle. This ding son of Achilles hed his pedals for one hour at the MontlAutodrome, situated outside of Paris. He ke all existing records motor paced bike ridWhat he actually did to cover seventy-five es two hundred and hty yards within the e limit of sixty minor as they say it in

Europe one hundred and twenty kilometers nine hundred and fifty-eight meters. Can you imagine it, one mile and a quarter in one minute?
This astounding feat has been the dream of bike riders for many years, and every rider in the motor pace sport has struggled with time, to cover the coveted distance of one hundred and twenty kilometers, which would be 74.56 miles. After numerous trials by many riders, it was not only accomplished but exceeded; but even Brunier has had his defeats. More than once he has scorched the bowl in his effort to win, and only grit and determination conquered in the end. The track on which Brunier made his star record was cement of immense size, measuring two and a half kilometers around, in miles 1.55 . As the French pedal fiend sped around he was timed for each lap, and on some Brunier
made astounding rates of speed. On one lap he flashed past the timekeeper at the rate of 78.98 miles per hour. Another lap he covered at the rate of $771 / 2$ miles an hour. In the first half hour of elapsed time, he had covered $371 / 2$ miles. The great power and endurance possessed by Brunier can be conjectured by the power that he spurred into the last half hour. Feeling he was going strong, he threw every ounce of his energy into the closing thirty minutes, and roughly computed he covered $377 / 8$ miles.
He pushed a bike with a one hundred and eighty-three gear, riding behind a specially built motorcycle which was covered with sheet metal to overcome the wind resistance so that it closely resembled a motorcycle side car. The man who drives the motorcycle is obliged to wear a contraption something like a gas mask, in order to get his breath. This mask has a hose running from the front of his face to his back, where it is connected with a funnel-shaped air intake. At the rate of speed which the motor cyclist travels, it would otherwise be quite difficult for him to breathe properly. The reason the bike rider does not have this same difficulty, is because he is shielded from the wind by the machine and driver in front of him.

People who are not familiar with bike racing, wonder what value the motorcycle pacer has to the bike rider, other than hit up a certain speed for the man behind to follow. There are two reasons for this besides the one just mentioned. In the first place, the motorcyclist overcomes the air resistance for the rider he is pacing. Then the bike rider, by keeping directly behind the back wheel, absorbs a certain suction that draws him onward in much the same manner as a back wind aids the sprinter. In order to keep closer to the back wheel of the motor pacer, the bike rider is equipped with his front whee! somewhat smaller than his rear wheel, along with his large gear. It is a very dangerous game, both the bike rider and pacer have to be men of nerve and coolness. In fact, it is all up to the pacer. Only experienced, skilful men ever pace crack bike racers like Brunier. He must
know how to make turns, and be able to keep even pace throughout the race. If he were to su change speed, or allow his machine to jerk, he cause the bike rider to lose his pace, and once the pens, the athlete is quickly left behind. When s accident happens, the bike rider loses his wind pro and the rear wheel auto suction.
The pacer must also use keen judgment, esp when two or more are riding the track at the same and one tries to pass the other. Many a motor pac has been lost by a pace maker trying to take his around too fast. When a rider loses his pace, it things. He loses ground, and it may be some few ntes before he hits his stride again.

The progress in record bike racing has been marked since its inception years ago. Way back in when bike riding was first introduced to the sp public, quite a different affiair was ridden from th see now. The front wheel was an unusual height the back wheel was a little bit of a thing. It looked much as though the cyclist wass riding on one wheel The big front wheel was his gear wheel, also. young boy, I remember attending one of these races with my father, and I was puzzled as to how managed to climb up so high. It was in England this sport first became popular. On March tw second, 1876, an Englishman named Dodds, pace other bikes, covered fifteen miles, one thousand hundred and ninety-three yards in one hour. papers of that time thought this was a marvelous formance. Twenty years after, when motor di machines began to scour the track, we find that the motor paced record was set up at Willow Grove Philadelphia, by Harry Elkes. On August sixth, he made thirty-four miles one thousand two hum and twenty yards in the hour. The first man to pass forty mile mark, was an American named Bill Stie who covered forty miles, three hundred and thirty on October 25th, 1900. Three years later, on A 8th, 1903, Thaddeus Robl, a German, pushed his for fifty miles, two dred and sixty-two yare the hour. Then the m minute craze began make itself felt. Bike ing fans talked about possibilities of making mark as in later years, hundred miles an hour talked of for autom racing. The first to the mile a minute si was A. E. Wills, England, who, on $A$ $27 \mathrm{th}, 1908$, rode to vic with sixty-one miles, hundred and forty yards to his credit. did not stand long, for next year saw Paul 6 nard, of France, at Muf Germany, September 1909, split the record, he covered sixty(Continued on Page

This scene shows the start of the finals of the five mile professional national championship at the Newark Velodrome, Newark, New Jersey, which was won by Cramer.

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

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

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

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


Dr. A. N. Mittleman

## Ask the Doctor

# Department for Solving Your Health Problems 

## By Dr. A. N. Mittleman

QUESTION: I am troubled with rheumatism in the joints of my body, and it principally affects the elbows and the knees. I am in much pain most of the time, and I would like very much to have you advise me what to do for this condition as I have been troubled with it for the past six years.
I will be very grateful to you if you will in any way help me in my present condition.
D. V. M., Vancouver, Canada,

NSWER: The rheumatic condition which you complain of is that of gout, which is a form of rheumatism that principally affects the joints of the body, and is usually due to an ess of uric acid in the blood. The inflammation is sed by the deposition in the joints of sodium urate. he treatment in your case consists of correcting your

The amount of foods you eat must be lessened your meals must be taken at regular intervals. In experience I have found that fat producing foods are great service in gouty conditions. Your diet should psist of such vegetables as cabbage, salads and string ins. All fruits can be taken with the exception of hanas, tomatoes and strawberries. Rice and hominy Egood and oatmeal should be avoided. Beef and stton should be taken moderately and oysters and fish dish and flout salmon, herring, sardines, mackerel, dish and flounders should be omitted from the diet.

The white meat of chicken can also be taken and fats in the form of butter can be taken freely. Milk should be used in large quantities. Occasionally patients do best in this disease by taking albuminoid foods; while, on the other hand, they improve on a vegetable diet. A mixed diet is best adapted to the majority of the cases and among the articles that should be avoided in gouty conditions are pastry, tea and coffee, hot breads and cakes, sweet puddings, cheese, dried meats and all highly seasoned foods.

I might also advise that exercise of the proper sort should be very beneficial in your case. If you will take Atophan tablets, one tablet with water four times a day, and anoint the affected joints with Analgesic Baum Bengue, and drink water freely, and receive treatments from a competent Osteopathic physician, I am sure you will then receive some benefit. In my experience I have seen great results in such cases from the Neisser-Sero Bacterin Injections.

Question: I am a young man, eighteen years of age, and am troubled with constipation and skin eruptions such as pimples and boils. I have taken a course in muscular development and have made some progress. I have paid special attention to my diet and do not'eat too many acid foods. My diet principally consists of vegetables. Will you kindly advise me if this condition is due to a faulty diet
or is it the condition of my blood? Any information given me in reference to my condition will be greatly appreciated.

> F. B., Garrett, Ind.

Answer: Constipation is, as a rule, due to a faulty diet, and I might also state that repeated-neglect of the call of Nature is a frequent cause. There is also no doubt but that other diseases of the body also tend to cause constipation. In your case I would advise that you correct your diet and employ a proper method of exercises which would be very beneficial in your case. For your diet I would advise the following:

Breakfast<br>Grapefruit or oranges Oatmeal with cream One cup coffee with cream Fat bacon and rye bread<br>Lunch<br>Fried fish<br>Green vegetables<br>Salad with plenty of mineral oil<br>Stewed apples or figs<br>Whole wheat bread<br>Dinner<br>Tomato or some vegetable soup<br>Chicken or some form of red meat Spinach or string beans

Dry toast or biscuit with plenty of butter Stewed pears or prunes
Together with this diet I would also advise that you drink a glass of cold or warm water on rising in the morning. For internal medication I would advise that you take the drug, Oxy-Crystine, one teaspoonful in a glass of cold water before retiring. As to your pimples and boils I have seen good results by employing Upjohns Acne Lotion to the affected parts. If you will adhere to the above diet and follow the advice given, I feel quite sure that you will correct your constipation and also the skin eruptions.

Question: I am very interested in your "Ask the Doctor Department" and would like to know if you will, in any way, give me some advice in my condition. I am a farmer, 50 years of age, and do nearly all my work on a dairy farm. I have had stomach trouble for many years and also have headaches.
I have some trouble with my feet. They are very sore and itch and sometimes burn, and as a result red spots form and I can hardly walk on occasions. At times when I eat apples I begin to belch gas, and if I do any type of hard work my stomach begins to irritate me, and as a result I am forced to rest and give up my work. Will you kindly advise me what to do for my condition as I am very much worried about it?

> J. F. S., Williamsfield, O.

Answer: The condition of which you complain is known as hyperacidity, which means an excess of acid found in the stomach, and is usually due to a faulty diet. The symptoms of such a case are usually pains in the upper portion of the region of the abdomen, together with belching of acid and constipation.
The cause of your trouble is, no doubt, a faulty diet and I, therefore, advise that you correct your diet and do not eat any acid foods. Masticate your foods thoroughly and eat at regular intervals. Your diet should consist of
vegetable foods and also a few meats, but all seasoned foods should be eliminated from your would also advise that you avoid eating pan-cakes is a very heavy food, and, as a result, does not digest properly in the stomach and, therefore, stomach disorders.

The condition of your feet is due to a conges the blood stream, thereby causing an irritation parts affected.

However, in the treatment of your stomach diso would advise that you take the drug, Tri-Basic carbonate, one teaspoonful in water three times and for your constipation I would recommend th take Oxy-Crystine, one teaspoonful in a glass of before retiring. For the condition of your feet advise that you bathe them in epsom salts twice as to relieve the congestion. Do not do too mucl ing or standing on your feet, as perhaps they nee The nerves and blood supply, no doubt, are affec therefore cause the irritation of the feet.

Questrion: I am a reader and devotee of $y$ magazine and I want to know more about diet. have been trying to recover from a severe nerv breakdown for which I have spent much money sanitariums and with different doctors, and ha been only temporarily benefited. I have been neurasthenic the greater part of my life, with digestive trouble of nervous origin, characterized fullness and gas in the stomach and bowel, breath and constipation. I have confined mysi for a year to a vegetable diet and still the conditi persists. Would you kindly advise a diet for or give me what would be a balanced diet. I shi be deeply grateful for this favor if you will recon mend something for my condition.
A. B. T., Camden, N. J

Answer: There is no doubt that the gastro-inte tract is involved in your case, and with the sympton have given me I feel quite sure that you are also t with an acid condition of the stomach. This is your diet and also due to a state of nervous exc which causes a nerve irritation to the whole gastro tinal tract. However, if you will follow a cout exercises given by a competent instructor you will derive some benefits. As to your diet, I would that you eliminate the following foods: acid spicy foods, such as pepper, mustard, pickles, radish; olives, acid fruits, beers and wines.
The foods taken should be rich in albumen, s1 chops, roast beef, mutton, game, eggs, milk, oyster and bread and butter can be taken moderately. vegetables such as spinach, asparagus, lettuce, peas, beans, potatoes and other cereals should be taker the milk does not agree with you, I would then that you add a small dose of sodium citrate to each In this way you will be able to tolerate the milk. I also advise that you drink a considerable amount of during meals and you will find that fats such as and butter will be of great value to you.
For your acid condition you should take BiSoDo teaspoonful in water after meals and also take m magnesia after meals. For your nervous condity wish to recommend the Elixir Five Bromides cocks) one teaspoonful in water four times a day you will also resort to treatments given by a comp osteopathic physician, you will then be sure to some relief, especially in the condition of your ner
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# Iealth-Strength-Beauty (Our Girls' Circle) 

Conducted by Marjorie Heathcote

## KNOWING HOW TO DRESS

these days of modern flapper dress, girls are making a great mistake in the clothes they wear. Regardless of their form they wear the "latest out" which, more often than not, shows them off to vantage. We are not all perfectly built, and while ing to get a perfect form, we should try to cover our ts.
ery part of the body should be taken into conation. Low cut dresses should be barred from thin and shoulders-sleeveless dress should not be worn the arms are thin or too big, and the same applies e length of the dress where the legs are too thin or ulky.
here should be one fixed unalterable aim held before girl as the object to be attained in the selection of clothing-it is her one opportunity for distinction, it should set her off to the best advantage possible. very girl has some points of attraction, and the girl discovers her own deficiencies and adopts her dress onceal rather than to accentuate them, brings out her 1 points and will make a better impression than many ettier woman who has dressed herself according to "latest" in color and form.
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some encouragement to those who are "on the way" but who haven't yet reached their goal.
Being one of those underweight, long, lanky individuals from the time I started to grow up and continuing so through my 'teens, when I especially wanted to be beautiful, and not knowing what to do about it, I half heartedly tried to gain weight, but without success. Last September I began to watch my diet and to exercise regularly. Low and behold, 1 gained ten pounds. I have yet to make some fifteen more, but would rather have it come slowly to stay. I have rounded out all over, and my legs which were regular broomsticks are almost "goodlooking."
There is one exception, however, and that is my neck. It is really quite hopeless in looks, but 1 feel sure something can be done if I can find the right exercises. Do you suppose sleeping has anything to do with it? I am inclined to sleep doubled up with my neck thrust out and up. I have tried desperately to overcome it, sometimes staying awake for hours rather than give in and sleep in that position. When 1 was quite young and growing, my back wasn't strong, and my tendency was to lean over and again thrust out my neck. I have overcome that now, but presume that helped to cause the damage. My neck seems to be abnormally small and very much so at the base. My Adam's apple shows, too, which is a tragedy for a girl; it is bad enough on a man.
1 am, of course, underweight still, but do you think my neck will fill out in time? The reason I am doubtful is that I have very noticeably improved everywhere but my neck, and it makes me look very thin when, in reality, my bones are well covered.
Working for physical perfection is one of the most fascinating games I have played yet, and when I see a poor girl who is just the perfect duplicate of what I was such a short time ago, I just want to go up and tell her she needn't be that way if she would only exercise and eat the right food and plenty of it.

Any help you can give me will surely be most appreciated.

I am very glad that you like Strength so much and that you have been able to obtain information from its pages that has proven of benefit to you. I would advise that you keep up with the good work and pay strict attention to your diet.
Here are a few exercises for developing the neck. If you practice these regularly, I am sure that you will get some resuits.

An exercise that has given wonderful results in building up the neck is stretching the neck forward, touching the chest, then back. Next turn
the head (keeping the body perfectly still from shoul down) as far to the right as possible, as if tryin see something over the right shoulder. Next rey and repeat over the left shoulder. Then roll or the head around first to the right, then reverse and $r$ the movement to the left.

Another effective exercise is done by placing the $h$ in back of the head and forcing the head backwards forwards against the resistance of your arms.

The following exercise is very beneficial for buil up the neck, shoulders and chest, and also helps to out any hollow spots in the upper chest. Place a pil on the floor and take the same position as you would the floor dip, except that you rest your head on pillow. Then with the support of your arms move head from side to side, also backwards and forwards. you progress on this exercise, depend less on the supt from your arms and place more weight on your head

## An Answer to Miss Fowler

 Dear Miss Heathcote:Having seen the little letter from Miss Phyliss Fowler in the current number of Strength, I should like to get in touch with her.
I am tremendously interested in physical culture and natural diets, and although 1 am almost at the bottom of the ladder of health, I cling to my ideal of mounting to wonder ful heights some day. It would be enormously stimulating to get in touch with others whose ambitions lie similarly.
I eagerly await Strencir each month, and I am sure there must be many like me over here who would gladly get togethereither actually or on paper, to discuss experiences and endeavor to aid each other. There is surely nothing so health giv ing as a little friendly competition!
One of my ideals is to be able to find some really congenial companions and a suitable spot where a natural open air life with bathing and other out-door pursuits could be enjoyed. I have always been very over-sensitive of seeking athletic companions, as I have had many physical and mental misfortunes; (Contimued on Page 92)


> Marie De Lorice, Francisco, Calife -dancer, swimm who attributes health and devi ment to the a pastimes, as wel
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# The Health Digest 

## Brief Outline of Health Conservation

and Health Building Methods.

## Sunshine and Skyshine

THE importance of sunshine to plants has long been recognized and it has also been suspected, to express it mildly, the vegetative functions of animal herd in general, and man in partic, derive some sort of benefit from the same agency. sh air and sunshine have very often formed the basis innumerable prescriptions to those individuals who k to regain good health or to retain it. Only recently, vever, has the significance of the invisible radiations gun to be appreciated. As Dr. Hess has pointed out, ultraviolet rays constitute less than one per cent of total solar radiations, and it is, therefore, all the more rarkable that they should prove to be essential to the 11 being of man. The young, rapidly growing infant ives better when deprived of the visible rays than een deprived of the ultraviolet rays of the sun. The v of the vital importance of the minimum applies to radiations of the sun; that is, those rays which are ruished in smallest amount and in least intensity are, vertheless, indispensable.
The exigencies of the prolonged cessation of the proction of anthracite in the eastern cities of the United tates have a possible bearing on the value of sunshine mankind in the regions involved. The extensive use soft coal, under conditions to which it is not ordinarily plied, and the attendant production of smoke in places at have usually been comparatively free from this hisance, have affected human happiness and welfare in rrious ways, some of which are not directly apparent ; dd according to Dr. Leonard Hill, of the National Institte for Medical Research in Great Britain, a daily easurement of ultraviolet radiation, which is taken by Dluntary observers in various parts of England, shows pat the smoke pollution robs the big cities of from one alf to two-thirds or more of this solar effect.
Direct sunshine is at times associated by some persons ith sunburn, a reaction of the skin that may occasion(ly become severe instead of mildly health promoting. Pr. Hill has, accordingly, reminded us that the ultrafiolet rays come from the skyshine as well as from the lirect sunshine, and, indeed, the skyshine may become he greater source, particularly when the sun is low in leavens. There is no need of facing the danger of unstroke in the attempt to benefit from the beneficent
ays.
Conservative investigators like Drs. Steenbock and lart, and their co-workers in Wisconsin, have indicated he beneficial results to be expected by dairymen through lirect irradiation of cows. There are indirect advantages o man through the products obtained, notably milk with
a higher antirachitic potency. We are told that it appears advisable that cows should be exposed literally to the direct sunlight in order that they may be able to produce a first-class product for human consumption as well as the production of good calves. In lieu of exposure to sunlight, and for the sake of cleanliness and convenience, if not efficiency, tho the is molbably not far distant when every producor of tiph grado milk may find it necessary to irradiat his cows antifically. It is also observed that the amount of ultavioct immitulou tiat a hen receives is an important factor in determining the vitamin content of the eggs she produces. Such contributions call for an open mind which is alert to the possible direct benefits that man may derive from both natural and artificial sunshine and skyshine.

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## Safe Reducing Diets

Certain fundamental principles should govern diets. Every diet must contain ample calories, protein, bulk, alkaline ash foods, sugars, starches and mineral foods, vitamins and water. Reducing diets should violate more of the following four principles:

1. Reducing diets must contain adequate amounts of sugars and starches to properly burn the body fat that is lost in the weight reduction and the small amount of fat in the diet. The very frequent violation of this principle very often results in a serious type of acidosis.

In fat persons who are attempting to reduce, the failure to burn fat properly is usually due to the lack of a sufficient amount of sugar in the diet. Reducing diets should contain at least one part of sugar or starch for each part of fat which is lost from the body as weight. The higher the ratio of carbohydrate to fat, the safer is the reducing procedure, and the less sluggish will the patient feel.
2. Reducing diets must be as free from fat as possible, for it is only on such diets that adequate carbohydrate can be supplied to balance the fat lost as weight, and at the same time to make a sufficient limitation in the total caloric intake. The chief sources of fat in the diet are whole milk, butter, cream, cheese, fat meat, bacon, lard, suet, nuts, egg yolks, olive and vegetable oils. These sources of food have come to receive greater attention than ever before. The prize dairy cows are the ones that give the highest percentage of cream. People are not content with rich whole milk, but demand butter and cream, forcing the farmer to feed the skim milk to the pigs. Rich cooking is in great demand, and when potatoes are eaten they are creamed, garnished with butter and smothered with rich gravy. Many desserts
are served with whipped cream, and salads are usually served with French or mayonnaise dressing, in which large amounts of vegetable oils are used.

Fat has the highest caloric value and is served in the most concentrated form of any food. One small part of butter is equivalent in food value to a fairly large potato. Fat is the most difficult of all the foods of the body to digest, absorb and burn. It frequently causes indigestion. In burning, its energy is released slowly so that it may very well be likened to a low test gasoline. Persons who eat too much fat soon become sluggish both mentally and physically; the more fat they eat the lazier they become, and the lazier they become, the more rapidly they gain weight.

We become too fat because we eat too much fat, exercise too little, or both. Occasionally, a person is found with some glandular deficiency, such as in the thyroid conditions, but even such persons do not become too fat without an over-consumption of fat foods.
3. Strict reducing diets must be low in their food value and which should not exceed 1,000 to 1,200 calories. The total caloric intake must be less than the total burned in order to cause the desired loss of weight.
Fat persons require a low caloric diet, whereas a normal man or woman needs from 2,200 to 2,500 calories a day for ordinary work, and a fat person needs very much less food. The extra thickness of the layer of the body fat forms an effective insulating coat, and the heat is lost from the body very slowly. This principle is used to advantage when hot water and steam pipes are covered with asbestos. Fat people may very well be likened to fireless cookers. Every one knows that the heavily insulated fireless cookers require comparatively small amount of heat for the cooking of food. This explains why fat persons can maintain their weight on very little food, and why their diets must be reduced before they can lose any weight.
4. An adequate amount of exercise must be taken. One should walk not less than five miles a day, and if convenient even rore. It is usually necessary to begin training by walking a few blocks the first day and then adding an additional block each day.

## May Reduce Safely on This Diet

Experience has demonstrated the safety of a 1,000 calory diet as free from fat as possible and containing ample amounts of protein foods in the form of skim milk or buttermilk. Cottage cheese and the leanest of meats with fairly large amounts of carbohydrate foods, in the form of the low percentage of fruits and vegetables, should be eaten.

For instance, not so long ago a young man, age 18 , weighing 225 pounds, followed this 1,000 caloric
diet. On this diet he did efficient work and walke miles every day, and within a month's time he safel 10 pounds. Soon feeling better on this low di increased the walking exercises to 10 miles a day, the end of the first month, he lost 20 pounds.

A satisfactory reduction may usually be brought in moderately fat persons, providing they will elin as much fat as possible from their diets, continue to their usual amount of carbohydrate, and at the same take adequate amounts of vigorous outdoor exe When patients are seriously overweight, a weighed, least carefully estimated diet is the procedure.
The following menu may safely be advised reducing:

Breakfast<br>One orange<br>One egg (soft boiled)<br>One slice white bread<br>One square of butter<br>One glass of skim milk<br>One cup black coffee<br>Dinner<br>Roast beef, 2 ounces<br>Spinach, $31 / 3$ ounces<br>String beans, $31 / 2$ ounces<br>Asparagus and lettuce salad, $31 / 2$ ounces Sliced peaches, 7 ounces<br>Tea, one cup<br>Supper<br>Cottage cheese, $21 / 2$ ounces<br>Baked potato, 4 ounces<br>Cauliflower, 3 ounces<br>Lettuce salad, $21 / 2$ ounces<br>Raspberries, 7 ounces<br>Skim milk or buttermilk, 7 ounces<br>Tea, one cup

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## Statistics of Cancen

It is asserted by statisticians that cancer greatly on the incre while others contend the increase of cancer slight. It has become most an article of faith believe that the disease $d$ cer is both alarmin prevalent and the cause augmenting a number deaths. The report, the fore, issued recently if the statistical bureau of New York Metropol Life Insurance Company refreshingly encouragi This report of a most $c$ ful statistical inquiry the prevalence of canc covering a period of fot teen years, states that wh cancer has increased, it I not made the rapid heas (Continued on Page

# Breasting the Tape 

## Runners and Running-

Yesterday and Today

By George F. Jowett

X eager men, keyed up with all their nervous force, lined up on the starting mark for a hundred yard dash, waiting for the sound of the gun to send them tearing down the cinder path h the white tape line, that lay beckoning them vill o' the wisp, at the end of the course. As the as fired, they leapt into life, like the flash of the at started them off. Side by side three of the s were racing for the goal, straining every nerve it to get one inch ahead of the other, but it wasn't plished; they breasted the tape together. The ordered the race re-run, and I will never forget ach man jockeyed for the start. Time and time they were brought back to start all over again. nerve racking and broke one of the three, who d two yards behind the an. The other two hardly d to touch the ground with bounding feet, skimming irface like birds. It was a race, won by a breast-a f endurance in which the gest man won; and how the people went. Like the of surf on the shore, their vibrated through the air g the sprinters towards the
is event happened many ago and was my first sight of a race. There were no radios, autoles or airships at that time, to make newspapers rave about the fact that le were speed crazy, as they write People are no different today in respect than what they were fifty ago, or for that matter, two thouyears ago. Progress in science has made them appear different, but the Id was always at the feet of the d marvel.
remember witnessing some bike races I was just a little chap. The people wild over the heroes who sat ched on a high wheel, with steps to end the seat. Their speed limits were ch below the "bike" men of our prestime, but it was a faster race than a foot race, and the throngs were yed by the thrill they received from se speedy racing machines.

It was always the same. The chariot races of Rome like the Marathons of Greece, thrilled the multitude then as now.
Every day crowds turn out to see the time lowered over a certain distance, whether it be the thoroughbred skirting the turf under the wire, or the lightning whippet when slipped from the leash, the sprinter or the sprint swimmer; but it must be fast. The reason race walking, marathon running and swimming will never be very popular, is that they lack the thrill that is supplied by the sprint distances. Seldom do the winner and the runner-up finish neck to neck in the long races. There is generally a big gap of distance between the first, second and third place winners. In the one hundred yard dash, two hundred and twenty, quarter mile, and half mile, people pack a life time of thrills, because they are fast. Once in a great while we see a fast mile that is fought every yard of the distance, but not often enough to make the mile as big an attraction as the century or four hundred and forty yards.

I once saw the original photograph of the start of the historic mile professional race between W. G. George, of England, and W. Cummings, of Scotland, when George set up that wonderful mark of four minutes twelve and three-quarter seconds. The race took place at Lillie Bridge, England, August 23, 1886. Just imagine, an average of sixty-three seconds for every quarter of a mile! It is a pity that George did not run all the distance, for we are told that he was so far ahead of Cummings that he slowed down and walked the last few yards to the mark. This time has actually stood for thirty-seven years, until the flying Finn, Paavo Nurmi, pulled the mark down to four minutes ten and two-fifths seconds at Stockholm, on the same memorable date of the George-Cummings match, August 23, 1923.
I have not forgotten the mark set by Norman Tabor, at Cambridge, Massachusetts, July 16, 1915 ; but there were a lot of disputes over the track. On measuring it the course was found to be quite a few yards (Continued on page 66)

## The Mat

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

Conducted by George F. Jowett

Block Weight Exercises

EDITOR of the Mat: I find exercising with a block weight plenty of fun, making me more interested in my body building training. The only trouble is that I do not know many exercises to practice. Will you please explain some?

A Mat Booster, Harry Timpinss Salt Lake City, Utah.
"Learn to play" was once quite a slogan for everybody who had left school behind them. The main idea behind the slogan was to instill into every mind the value of enthusiasm; to keep alive that boyish exuberance which lingers with us for the first few years after we have shelyed our school books. The value of this movement was proven in many ways. Drooping spirits and business failures caught the sentiment and came back to bat. People began to treat life as a game which was better played in accordance with the amount of enthusiasm thrown into it. A man may not be as great a pitcher as he is a batter, or perhaps he can play better as an outfielder than an infielder. In other words, everyone has a place in life which, if backed with the real kind of enthusiasm, will give him a real chance to win. This little illustration explains a similar trait that can be injected into exercise as successfully as into anything else. It is one reason why bar bells are so much superior to any other form of exercise. You have something to do something with which enables us


Lawrence Stone, an ambitious fan. He does not detract from his quality of physique by his restful pose.
to play with them, as exercise with them. poker fan would say are as versatile as a cards."

Whether it be wit bells, dumb-bells or b: a great deal of phys provement can be from any one of th ways that an exercise learn to use them. bell can be used in mat similar to a block weig just now my talk is on use a block weight, so stick to it.

Some of the exerc feats I can mention w way out of reach of who is even more the narily strong, which prove the varied scale gression that embrac form of exercise ; but ple tests are sufficient time being.

If you stand erect y block weight on the fl tween the feet and swi and out, in a forward circle to the level of th then let go and catch the other hand a nun times, you will fi whether your grip an arms are in any way w you want to make the little more difficult and the wrist play more, this as you swing th weight forward: As the is approaching the leve chest let go and give it so that it revolves on then catch it with th hand as it begins to fall. When you get good you can catch it with the other hand, swingin
etween the legs. A common stunt ing it to arms' length, and as it ie full arms' stretch, turn around the opposite direction, thus making rcle. To keep this movement up ven times, will keep you stepping, whole body will feel the effect of i muscular play.
ck the weight off the floor from the feet, and pull as high as poshile the weight is traveling close ody, is fine for the front part of arm. The feet should not leave , and as the block weight is raised , the body should be straightened.

sorous manhood is shown by R. Hannom, of Brishe, Australia, in every line of his energetic body.
will get some good deltoid action. A good combinagrip and arm stunt is done by gripping the handle, bat as the weight is pulled to the shoulder the bulk he block weight is balanced over the hand. In this it will be in a straight line with the forearm. ntaining this position, press the object to arms'
th. .
you have some friends who are fairly strong, just them with the following little stunts and you will get al of fun out of it. First, let them sit on an ordinary en chair with the fifty pound weight on the floor heir side. Now, without holding on with the dis-


This study of "The Chain Maker" by George Dembinski leaves nothing to be desired where symmetry of form is appreciated.
engaged hand or leaving the seat, have them lean over and pick up the weight and press it to arms' length, always keeping the block in a straight line with the forearm. Next we will give them one a little harder, while still sitting on the chair. Let us move the chair up alongside of a table, and if the right hand is going to be employed, sit with the left side of the body against the side of the table. Slowly pick up the weight with the right hand to the height of the chest, then pass the weight across the chest and set it gently upon the table top. Rest a moment, and then just as gently raise it off the table, and deposit it on the floor. Here is another you can have a little fun with, and it will help to increase your strength, and overcome some of the little difficulties you find in acquiring size and shape in some of your muscles. Place the flat of each hand on each side of the block weight, and with this hand pressure raise the weight off the floor, and put it on some object as high as your chest. Release the grip, just for a moment, and then raise the weight from its resting place with the same hand pressure, to be deposited upon the floor.

An exercise that will increase the grip, and which is very easy to practice, is done from the erect position with the block weight held low between the legs. You just release the grip and catch it with the other hand quickly. Practice this a few times and you will feel quite a difference in your hand clasp. You can progress on this by spinning the weight around. To get
the right idea of this, just twist the weight while it is held in the hand, and when you feel it is twisted around to the limit that your wrist will turn, let go, and quickly catch again, repeating the movement several times. When you have become accustomed to this twist, catch with each hand alternately, while the twisting, spinning movement is kept up.

Try all these stunts and you will get a lot of pleasure out of them. Sometime ago, I gave a few other exercises in the Mat columns with block weights, so combine these with the former exercises, and you will profit by the practice.

## Editor of the Mat:

Please publish in "The Mat" what you think about possessing large buttocks.
M. J. Madura, Omaha, Nebraska.
Well, I could say quite a lot of good things about the
sirable as the others, but where the buttock mu round, solid and shapely, with a good wide f generally find a man who is physically strong. of the back bone that covers the space in the h is called the sacrum, which means "to conta thing sacred." This in itself tends to disprove gestion that small hips are the natural thing fo to have. This is a condition that does not hold either sex. We always find that the larger the ing space, the more healthful are the content never see a large chested man a consumptive wide flat lumbar back low in vital energy. Th only a natural condition to see that a man with flat, deep pelvis is exceptionally strong. In Biblid the physical qualities of man were estimated strength of the loins." The stronger an object larger it is, so we need not look for strength i hips. If a man has hips of a normal size we expect to see a huge pair of buttock muscles.


Note the splendidly formed tricep on this sixteen year old English mat fan, John Owens.

possession of large hips. At one time the general idea was that wide shoulders and narrow hips made the man physically. Such a queer shape never appealed to me, as I never approved of small hips on a man. Of course, I do not care to see huge, unsightly hips, for they are just as unde- where the disproportion comes in. However, the hip are very apt to take on fat, because there is a greater quantity of fat here than on any other part of the bo a man has a thirty inch waist, we would not expect to with a thirty-nine or forty inch hip measurement. Th inches would be a very good size, and would imply that hip bones widely set apart. When such is the case, we ally find the owner possesses a good pair of thighs, possessed with plenty of endurance. The strength of the makes a powerful base for the spine, which is fortified mass of muscle that surrounds the hips.

Have you ever noticed when you had some heavy ob your arms, how the downward pressure was resisted contraction of the hip muscles. Or, if some one pushe how automatically you tensed the hips to resist the push: seldom find a football tackle who is not sturdily built a the hips and legs. As far as that goes, you do not often man with sturdy hips who has not a powerful upper bodf much of our vitality springs from this source that the body becomes fertilized from it.

You have often heard the inference madi some man was top-heavy, simply because in or play he would ic balance much mor ily than another. dom is because $h$ built too heavy stairs," but becau hips and lower were below what should have been as is often the ca never thought of ing them up.

One answer to a tion that always se surprise the ques deals with a two military press. I had numerous peol mark how I mus (Continued on Pas

This enthusiast sho usual fine lines in $h$ and chest developi

# How to Read your Health from your Skin 

## Your Skin Is An Open Page From Which You Should Readily Read Your Physical Condition

By Edwin F. Bowers

skin, instead of being "skin-deep," is, from the int of general health and physical well-being, as the deepest tissue or structure in the body. For 1 is an extremely complex organ, reflecting, as in or, every signal of distress or discomfort of the ual about whom it is wrapped.
translucent, semi-transparent tissue is, to the eye expert, an open page-a page on which may be trange things-things which cannot be hidden by tifice or ingenuity from one trained to read as he
ny of the things the expert sees are, of course, It meaning to the untrained eye, and are probably sely blended into that somewhat intangible thing Il "expression" that it would be very difficult-even e expert himself-to say where the skin leaves off he expression begins.
it is this wonderful "picture" that enables the vetnternist to translate, almost in the "stroke of an the signs that indicate unmistakably the presence rious disease processes ; and also to tell, as though flash of intuition, just how far these processes have ressed.
pe veteran Sherlock Holmes of the hospital wards the consulting room, by years of experience and observation, develops an appreciation of these signs is almost uncanny. With unerring accuracy he is fed at one glance to say: "This case is septic: Betfave a surgeon look her over without delay. This eancer case; this looks suspiciously like tuberculosis; like malaria; this like a liver case; this like heart ase ; this man is in danger of an apoplectic stroke." hese are the fine points in visual diagnosis, accomped only by grizzled disciples of Aesculapeus. Yet are any number of signs, so obvious that few ryers can possibly mistake them, which should be gnized by any intelligent individual who has two ${ }^{1}$ eyes-or even one good eye. And in this early gnition, and in the prompt treatment of the condi$s$ thus indicated, may lie all the difference between latively easy cure of the trouble, or the unrestrained elopment of some malady which may otherwise be lected, until it becomes incurable.
nd remember that there is nothing in the world that lesson mental and physical efficiency, and predispose thousand and one things that shorten life-and it more unenjoyable while it is doing so-than e very conditions that could be readily avoided, if they were recognized betimes, and the projer steps n to correct them,
erhaps the easiest of all abnormal physical condi-
tions to read from the skin is that lack of color which indicates anemia. Anemia is an extremely common disorder among our house-bred humans-and a very important one. For this lack of coloring matter and red blood cells may be the precursor of tuberculosis and other wasting diseases. Or it may be to lower the power of resistance that influenza, and all epidemic diseases may gain an easy foothold, and ravage a system ill-fitted to withstand this invasion of the Goths and Visigoths of bacterial life.

So if your non-flattering looking-glass tells you that you are growing progressively pale; that your lips, eyelids, ear-lobes, and the mucous membranes of your gums are lacking in healthy color-especially if, at the same time, you are losing strength and vitality, or suffer from lack of appetite, or dizziness, headache, shortness of breath, or palpitation of the heart-see a doctor. For you are probably suffering from anemia, one of the most insidious of all the manifold foes of health.

While the diagnosis may not always be made from clinical appearance, it is more likely that your suspicions may be confirmed. Of course, pallor of the face, lips and ear-lobes may be present with a normal blood count; while, on the other hand, you may be apparently in normal health-so far as outward appearance goesand still show a considerable degree of anemia. Yet skin pallor is always a suspicious symptom, and should be referred to a competent man for verification.

He will be able to tell, by examining miscroscopically a drop of blood taken from your ear-lobe or finger-tip, whether you fall short of the five million red cells (or the four and one-half million red cells, in case you are of the restless sex) which should be found in healthy blood.

By a course of iron-forming foods-as red meats, spinach, and other vegetables rich in iron-out-door exercise, baths, proper elimination and tonic treatment, he will probably bring you "into line" in a very short time.

If there is pernicious anemia, which happily is relatively infrequent, there will be a peculiar lemon, waxy pallor of the skin, with blanched mucous membranes. This condition is now supposed to be caused by the action of poisons absorbed from the intestinal tract. These are developed either by bacteria, or by some perverted function of metabolism-that process in which food is converted into finished products for assimilation, while the system at the same time gets rid of the debris of dead cells and unused nutritive substances.
It may be here mentioned that the familiar "green sickness" of young girls is readily differentiated from
the deadly pernicious anemia by microscopic examination of the blood, which will show the absence of those blood cells always found in progressive anemia. It is also interesting to know that in green sickness there is a "leathery look" to the skin; while in the pernicious form of anemia the skin has a watery or transparent appearance.

At the other end of the color scale is the florid type of complexion, with the fine blood vessels standing out in tortuous bas-relief. This condition is even more dangerous than anemia, for the danger is much more imminent.

It must be remembered that with the normal action of the skin the body temperature always remains constant, no matter what the external or internal conditions may be. For the heat of the blood, even during the most violent exercise, rarely rises more than one degree Fahrenheit above the normal 98.2. Therefore, during active work or exercise, the skin should fail to function properly, there may ensue a decided rise in temperature from lessened evaporation, generally connected with a congested appearance of the face. This would point to a possible danger from heat apoplexy-a very grave condition, and one which all short-necked, florid individuals more than forty years of age, would do well to avoid.

The next most common condition which should warn middle-aged folks to be on their guard is that peculiar yellow waxy appearance, usually accompanied by a puffiness about the face, which sometimes extends all over the body, even causing a swelling of the hands and feet. This is almost invariably associated with a "bagginess" and wrinkling under the lower eyelids, and suggests a clinical picture that spells "Bright's disease" in no uncertain tones.
Bright's disease is a relatively easy condition to handle, if taken in time. Experts find little difficulty in adjusting the diet and tuning up the metabolic functions, so that the pathological progress may be checked before mortal degeneration of the kidney structure sets in. The methods employed by these experts are now the common property of most well-informed physicians.

So do not hesitate to learn without delay the actual condition. Taken in time, you can almost certainly be restored to normal heath-even from what was formerly thought to be an incurable disease.
Jaundice is another very common condition, the visible symptoms of which are written obviously on the clear texture of the skin. Jaundice is usually caused by a catarrhal swelling of the gall duct-the little duct, no thicker than a lead pencil, that conveys the bile from. the gall bladder to the upper intestine. When this tube is dammed up, the bile cannot be properly excreted. As a consequence, a considerable portion of it is absorbed into the circulation.
This paints the skin an unhealthy saffron color. The "whites" of the eyes become yellow. Life loses its rosetint hue and everything takes a bluish tinge. Most people suffering from "yaller janders" are dejected and melancholy, from the toxic influence of the bile and absorbed poisons.

In severe cases of jaundice-the so-called "black jaundice"-the skin may be darkened to a bronze, or even a greenish brown. Also there is likely to be considerable local itching, usually accompanied by hives, and recurrent crops of boils in this condition. The two
chief causes for jaundice are blocking of the either by gall stones in the larger ducts, or sy the lower cells, which swelling blocks up the of the bile duct. Gall stones are the most freqt of "sudden" jaundice, while blocking of th end is more likely to produce either a partial or type of jaundice.
The skin in gall stone blocking is apt to be yellow, while in the other form, the color is les and much more "muddy" in appearance.

Both conditions obstruct the passage of the bi bile secreted behind this obstruction is absorber lymph channels, and distributed throughout th This condition responds fairly well to medical try although, not infrequently, it is necessary to ca assistance of a surgeon before relief can be obta
Malaria is comparatively easy to cure, when q properly administered. Yet the prevention of th rence of malaria is one of those problems the in must solve for himself. And he can best solve giving the malaria mosquito-the female anop wide berth.
If the skin is merely sallow and colorless, "whites" of the eyes remain unstained, you have to deal only with anemia and a sluggish tion, both of which conditions are generally a to corrective treatment.
When the liver, which usually has both han even under the most favorable conditions, fails out or neutralize the poisons in the blood, $t$ becomes "blotchy" and dirty looking-"livery, people call it, and correctly.
This condition yields readily to appropriate tre with dilute hydrochloric acid, ox-bile, citrous fruil tables, exercise, allopathic doses of drinking water air, and the correction of dietetic indiscretions.
"Liver spots," pimples, boils, eczema in its y forms are also external symptoms of an internal tion-manifestations of weakened tissue resistar attacking micro-organisms-and also of the preser a superabundance of toxic material in the blood.

These so patently indicate disturbed function, ho and the information respecting their treatment is eral, that they hardly come within the scope present consideration. And the same may be s dry, scaly skins, or "oily" skins.
The "cachexia" of cancer, however-that plast ashy color of the skin, associated with maligna ease-is a grave and important sign. Sometime one of the earliest symptoms to show. For can the initial stages, frequently manifests itself $W$ pain, and the peculiar ashy color is, at times, ver cult to distinguish from the muddy aspect of inefficiency. Remember that cancer is alarmingly lent-one woman in every eight, and one man in fifteen dying of its effects.

Inasmuch as the principal reason for this high n ity lies in the neglect to locate and remove eith radium, some caustic element, or by the knife obvious that anything that will assist in the early nition of this disease must be a matter of treme importance.

So, women of forty or over, who, without the tude and debility usually associated with anemia themselves becoming colorless, opaque and ashy skin. should consult their (Continucd on Pagi


## Once I Too Was

 Weak and Ailing"
## The Story of

 Annette Kellermann as Told By HerselfANY people will be surprised to hear that as a child I was so deformed as to be practically a cripple. I was so weak, so puny, that I was conidered an invalid. I was bowegged to an extreme degree; I ould neither stand nor walk without iron braces which I wore constantly. My mother put long skirts on me, down to my ankles, to hide my bow legs and braces.
No one ever dreamed that some day I would become famous for the perfect proportions of my figure. No one ever thought I would become the champion woman swimmer of the world. No one ever dared to guess that I would be some day starred in great feature films, such as "A Daughter of the Gods," "Neptune's Daughter," etc. No one ever dreamed that I would some day travel the world over, appearing on the stage, at great universities, on lecture platforms, explaining my methods of acquiring and maintaining perfect health and aperfect figure. Yet that is exactly what has happened.
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## Breasting the Tape

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short of the actual mile. His time was given as four minutes twelve and threefifths seconds. If George had made the mile a complete run, it is doubtful if Nurmi's record would have equalled it. In my mind these mile races must have been great thrillers, owing to the speed at which the races were made.

Probably the most spectacular race is the one hundred yard dash. From the crack of the pistol to the breasting of the tape, I believe there is more energy expended in this sprint than in the mile run, or any other run. All the energies of a sprinter, both physical and nervous, are thrown into that grind to cover the distance. There is no time to jockey the other fellow. It is simply, "Go, get there."

The strangest part of the century race, to me, is how the time stays about the same. Away back in 1886, H. M Johnson, of Cleveland, Ohio, exploded the ten yards a second standard, by covering the distance in nine and fourfifths seconds. Two years later, the time was duplicated by H. Bethune, of Sioux Falls, but then the Australians insist that F. S. Hewitt covered the one hundred yards in nine and three-quarter seconds, in 1870 at Melbourne, on a grass course at that. We have no reason to doubt the time, as we know the island continent has turned out some great speeders. Twenty-five years later, E. Donovan, of Boston, clipped the time to nine three-fifths seconds. Since then quite a number have equalled this mark, and it seems impossible for them to break it.
I remember years ago, a Japanese University student, Minoru Fujii, was reported as having cleared the course in nine seconds flat. Naturally, this remarkable time was hard to believe, but Fujii was later clocked and sworn to by the officials as making the century distance in the astounding time of nine and two-fifths seconds; and one hundred meters, which would be one hundred nine and three-tenths yards, in ten and twenty-four one-hundredths seconds. It is a great pity this phenomenal sprinter was never seen in this country, or at the Olympic Games.

What puzzles me is why our sprinters cannot make better time than they do, with all the better training conditions which they have at their disposal today? There are actually more sprinters covering the one hundred yards in less than ten seconds today, than there were men running in even time twenty years ago. For in those days they did not leave the mark with the advantageous crouch that is now used. They used the slow standing start.

The type of shoe that was worn was also a disadvantage as compared with the present shoe worn. Then again, our tracks are better, and the present day sprinter can train all the year round if he desires to keep his form. This would lead us to think that the modern sprinter has slowed up. Perhaps the American sprinter has lost
something he never before clearly understood that he had, in this era of specialization. Look at the failure Paddock made in his recent foreign showing. Just as surely as our men compete on foreign ground, and becom deprived of the ideal conditions to which they have been accustomed, somethity goes wrong. A pulled tendon, straitied muscles and damaged feet, are the bogey of our sprinters on foreign ground. Why this should be, I do not know.

Of course there are some runners who cannot stand the pounding on hard tracks, while others find the conditions ideal. I remember W. G. George's great protege, Alfred Shrubb, in his race with Longboat, the famous Indian marathoner, how often he changed his shoes during the one race, simply because his feet could not stand the pounding on the hard track. They would swell terribly. But put him on a heavy soggy turf course, and he would beat Longboat. It seemed unfortunate for Shrubb, when representing his country in the international cross country races with France, that the ground was always hard. Each time the great Jean Bouin beat him. Incidentally the gallant Frenchman was the first great athlete to lose his life in the world war.

The same conditions exist with the sprinters. The heavy tracks used in Europe seem to slow our boys down But, even that is no reason why all the present day sprinters should not be better than the sprinters of twenty years ago. If Hewitt could skim the dis: tance in nine and three-quarters seconds from a standing start, on a grass course, our men should beat that mark by more than they do. I really believe that if Paddock ran his hundred yards out in a complete run, instead of finishing with his spectacular jump, he would have made better time. Paddock's finish has become quite popular, and unfortunately many young sprinters try to imitate it. I say unfortunately because I believe that a straight course is faster than a curved course. A boxer is always taught that straight leading is faster than swinging. Then again there is a belief that force, controlled, can acquire a terrific momentum, and when released will gather greater velocity. Something like swinging a stone in a sling. Maybe this is what the Paddock follow: ers believe. I feel quite sure that it was the California sprinter's spectacular finish that gave him such widespread popularity. Wherever Paddock ap: peared, huge crowds turned out to see him tear his way down the course. His sensationalism has increased the popularity of the one hundred yards dash, and his personal inspiration has become magnet to others.
Perhaps we will see great things from young Frank Hussey this season. The New York boy was a sensation when he equalled Paddock's record of ninte and three-fifths seconds in the summer of 1923. Hussey was only eightel
yers of age then. It is not likely that he is fully matured yet, being so young. Careful coaching ought to see him going raster this season. But you can never running game. A fellow often blows up for apparently no reason at all, a fter one or two real performances.
Take Applegarth, the crack Take Applegarth, the crack English sprinter, We no did some great stuff up to 19, We never hear of him any more. before the Armistice put in in France lot to do with it. The gic Walker, former Olympic championHe was only in his teens when the world's best amateurs. After beat teturn to South Africa little fter his heard of him, but then, we have other who improve all the time.
A great number of sprinters seem to forget that a race is won with the breast and not the feet. If two men were making a close finish, it would be the man who touched the tape with his breast first who would win. I have actually seen sprinters, who really won, receive second place. Their one foot would be over the finish line ahead of the other man's, but the other man would take the tape, because he raced with his chest apparently lunging ahead all the time. In the other case, it is generally found that the man who races with his head flung far back, travels with his body thrown back of his stride just enough to lose for him in a race, where inches count. I remember how the old Olympic coach, Walter Knox, would admonish all his sprinters to always remember that a race was won by breasting the tape, not with the feet.

## The Health Digest (Continued from Page 56)

 way with which it is credited by many doctors. Dr. Louis L. D. Dublin, the chief statistician of the company, and his assistants, give the most reassuring report of the cancer situation which has ever been given. It is reassuring because it is both comprehensive and analytical. In the opinion of the author, the increase in cancer has been small, much smaller than might be inferred from the analysis of the published crude death rate.One of the most interesting points brought out by Dr. Dublin and his coadjutors is that the increase, such as it is, has been confined almost entirely to the male sex. There has been little or no increase among the women, although the death rate from this disease has alWays been higher among women. Another point is that the white race is more susceptible to this disease than is the colored race. On the other hand, certain forms of the malady are more fatal to one race than to another, and it has long been known to be more fatal to one sex than it is to the other.
So far as race is concerned, the Russlan immigrants seem most susceptible, and Welsh int, and the English, Scotch and Welsh in order next. The Italians are an exception, the cancer rate among
them being less than that among native

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born Americans. At first thought this difference might appear to be a question of diet, the Italians being largely vegetarians, or, at least, small meat eaters. But Dr. Dublin goes on to point that according to the conclusions come to by the company's statistical analysis, the cancer rate increases as we go down in the economic scale. If this be so, it seems to show that cancer is not stimulated so much by overeating and luxurious living as by a faulty diet. This may be explained to some extent by the fact that the diet of the poor urban population is largely camned food and food of a nature not so nourishing and digestible as that obtainable and eaten by their more prosperous brethren. Such a diet, by its indigestibility might tend to irritate the lining of the gastrointestinal tract, and at the same time, by its innutritious character, release the body's power of resistance. These two conditions-local irritation and lowered resistance-cancer authorities state are the most frequent factors in the causation of the disease.

The report states that between the ages of thirty-five and fifty-five, it is probable that there has been an actual decline in the percentage of women who have died from cancer, and no increase in the percentage of men. This, it is thought, may be due in part to the campaign of education carried on during the past decade, and to the number of lives saved or prolonged by early surgical interyention. While the report referred to is encouraging, it will not do to lapse into a fool's paradise and relax our efforts to conquer the disease. Cancer stands high on the list of deadly diseases, and it is in many ways the most loathsome and terrible scourge of the human race, and especially of the civilized human race. Every means should be put forth to prevent it, and perhaps the day is not far distant when it will be possible to immunize against the disease. At the present time our main hope lies in an early diagnosis of the case, and also an early surgical treatment, aided when recessary by the use of X-ray or radium. To this end efforts to educate the public as to precancerous symptoms or early symptoms of cancer should be redoubled.
N. Y. Medical Journal and Record,

March, 1926.

## Rupture

In former days, before the cause of "hernia" or rupture was understood, the term rupture was applied under the false impression that this condition was due to a tearing or rupture of the parts involved. At the present time, we know that the path is paved for a hernia long before birth, and in many cases it is present at birth.

On either side of the lower part of the abdomen there are two openings or so-called rings, through the area of the abdominal muscles. Frequently they are so large and lax that the more or less constant impact of the abdominal contents against them gradually causes them to enlarge until finally a loop of the intestine works its way through the abdominal rings, and as a result of this, the individual for the first time learns
that he has a herma or rupture. In, finishing touch is often given duri great exertion, and the victim believo that a strain of some type was the mate cause. If, however, a person knew the the soil has long been prepared for such an occurrence, he should not surprised when it happens. The mo common types of rupture located abo these rings are:

1. Congenital hernia, or hemin formed before birth.
2. Potential hernia, or a hernia which the abdominal rings have bes lax and weak for years. The tint usually gives way under continist strain, and as a result forms a the hernia. Most men who do manual wore show that weak rings exist on bost sides of the abdomen.
3. Indirect hernia; this is a condition where the hernia is forced through ifr abdominal ring.
4. Direct hernia; this is a condition of hernia in which the intestines pan through the flabby muscle adjacent? the abdominal ring.

## Treatment of Hernia

Since hernia is so common, hon should it be treated to receive the bes results? As congenital hernia is knows to be present at birth, the famit physician will probably treat it in th hope that at this early age, the openimy may become sealed.

In cases of potential hernia, mind can be done to prevent the next stass which is the protrusion of the intesting through the abdominal ring. This ow be done in two ways: 1, by developig the abdominal muscles through metr of the proper exercises, so that normal support and protection may b given to the inguinal (groin) regior and 2 , by using the abdominal musdo properly when at work.

It has been a known fact that fer people know how to lift an object so to prevent injury to the groin region the inguinal region; unfortunately $t$ few people who do know are ofit careless or indifferent.

One should lift an object with pr muscles of the thigh, thus relierits from strain the back and abdomet Every hernia of the direct or indires inguinal or groin type is a menace, much that if one is unprotected br properly fitting truss, he is considered bad insurance risk. In some cases at tain hernias are not suitable for tray treatment and, in fact, in some cases it wearing of a truss is considered dange ous and as a rule an operation. advised.

## Sex and Occurrence

$\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{t}}$ is found in 70 per cent of the cas among males, though some claim ocos rence in the sexes are equal. Betive the ages of twenty and forty years chiefly occur, though it has been orr sidered that 40 per cent of these of ditions are between fifteen and thir years. In 90 per cent of the cases trouble is usually found in the intestines, usually in the ileum po of the intestines.

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## Ask the Doctor

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Question: In reading over the quesfons and answers in STrengrit in the tions instue, I wondered if Dr. Mittieman could help us solve our problem. My son, who is seventeen years of age, is troubled with a tightening of his muscles all over his body and so in playing football and lasketball or any other type of exercises dis begins to irritate him. He cannot do nyy type of exercises, and this last fall he colld not play the position the coach vanted him to take. We have asked diferent doctors and trainers about his condition, but they do not seem to undertand the case, and are unable to give a teniedy to overcome it. If you can give be reason for this condition and the treatment, we will surely be very grateful and thankful to you for your advice.
K. F. M., E. Lynn, Mass.

ANswer: The condition of the muscles found in your son's body is due to a contraction of the muscles which might be due to improper nerve and blood supply, therefore causing a tightening of the muscles. Perhaps there also may be bony lesions originating from the spinal column which cause the nerve disturbances.
However, as your son is still a young man, I feel quite sure that results can be obtained and, therefore, I would advise that he see a good osteopathic physician and receive treatments from fim as he advises. In that way he will receive some benefit. I might also add that your son resort to the different methods of exercises given by a competent instructor.
Qusstron: Have been reading your articles in the magazine with great interest and wish now to ask you a question. For the past year I have been annoyed with bed wetting and have tried all sorts of remedies, but everything has failed. I do not drink much water before retiring and I am nearly frantic over the condition. 1 fear that the worry and embarrassment will ruin my health which is otherwise in ${ }^{2}$ good condition. Any information or help that you can give me will greatly be appreciated.

> H. S. N., Phila., Pa.

Asswer: This condition of bed wetting is usually due to weakened kidneys, and also to a weak condition of the bladder. It is known that nervousness is also a factor in bed wetting. The following formula, if taken, will help your condition:
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Syrup Tolu, enough to make 4 ounces.
Directions: One teaspoonful after meals. Also take the capsules of Potassium Citrate, at 10 grains each. one capsule in water every four hours. Exercises, if properly taken, will also tend to correct the condition.
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cat moderately and worry very little. My age is 33. About a year ago there was some amount of phosphate shown in the examination of the urme and now I have given up my position for a little rest. Will you kindly advise me what to do?

> L. L., Jr., Union City, N. J.

Answer: Dizziness as a rule is due to many things, but constipation and eye conditions are very commonly the cause. However, I might advise that you resort to a proper method of exercise. Also correct your diet. Do not eat any fried or fatty foods. Eat more vegetables and get as much fresh air and sunshine as you can. Rest will also aid you in your condition as perhaps your type of employment had a tendency to cause the dizziness.

It would also be advisable for you to see a good eye specialist and have your eyes examined as perhaps you may need glasses. I would advise that you take Oxy-Crystine internally, one teaspoonful in a glass of water before retiring. Oxy-crystine tends to eliminate the toxins from the system. These poisons also have a tendency to cause dizziness.

Question: I read Strength and enjoy the advice that you have given others. Will you please favor me with a reply in reference to my condition? I am a young married woman and have always had leucorrhea, ever since I menstruated, and I always feel tired. The different doctors tell me to build up my body. I have tried the different douches, but I receive no results. Please, Dr. Mittleman, give me the most helpful advice you know and many thanks for same.

## Mrs. L. T., Norfolk, Va.

Answer: Leucorrhea is usually the cause of the weakened condition of the cervix (womb) and the treatment of such a condition consists of vaginal douches, and also having the cervix or womb painted with tincture of iodine twice a week.
For a douche I would advise that you use Tyree's Antiseptic Powder and douche twice daily, and also do not do any type of heavy lifting or overexertion. With the information given I feel quite sure that you will obtain some results.

Question: Occasionally I have keen pains around my heart that force me to be perfectly still. During these times I can hardly breathe, as even natural breathing makes the pains more severe. The different doctors who I went to see fail to find anything wrong with my heart. Can you advise me what causes this pain? They usually last from a few seconds to about ten minutes.

I have a splendid physique and I exercise regularly. I eat at regular intervals. My age is 30 and 1 weigh 175 lbs ., and am 5 feet 11 in . in height.
O. N. B., Greensboro, N. C.

Answer: Your heart condition may be the result of gas radiating from the stomach to the region of the heart and this distending gas, as a rule, irritates the heart itself, therefore causing the pains and also the loss of breath. The correction of your diet and a different method of exercises will, no doubt, help to relieve you of your condition. As to your diet, 1 would advise that you eat
foods that contain tess acids and eat more vegetables and drink water freely Also take the drug, Tri-Basic Citro. carbonate, one teaspoonful in water three times a day.

However, together with this informa. tion, you should also see a good heart specialist and have him examine you so as to determine the extent of the com. dition of the heart. In about 3 weeks write me again and let me know what results you have obtained and also ad vise me as to the examination of the heart by the specialist.
QuEsHoN: I am writing this letter to you to see if you can give me any advice on gaining weight. I am a young man 24 years of age and my height is 5 feef 8 inches, but 1 never seem to be able to weigh over 113 pounds. I have tried all kinds of exercises. My daily work, tequiring me to stand all the time, makes; rather hard for me to go through the different exercises, as 1 feel tired after work. 1 sleep well, about 7 or 8 hours each evening and I also eat heartily. Wiif you Kindly advise me what to eat as i want to gain weight? Any advice given will be appreciated.

## A. A., Cohoes, N, Y,

Answer: There is no doubt but that you are underweight. Normally you should weigh about 150 pounds, but perhaps the subnormal weight may be due to improper exercises and also impropes nourishment. In your case I woull advise that you correct your diet and eat more foods that are nutritious. Eat at regular intervals and masticate all yout foods well. For breakfast I would advise that you eat bacon and eggs stewed figs and cream and a glass of milk. For luncheon you may have cottage or cream cheese with lettuce of mayonnaise, whole wheat bread with buttered peanuts, custard with whipped cream and a glass of milk. For supper you may have creamy milk oyster stern fried fish or chicken, mashed potatoe with butter and milk, carrots and pery and a glass of buttermilk. Beef steaks and other foods which contain large caloric energy can also be taken.

Together with this diet I would ad vise that you employ the differeni method of exercises and also take Wampole's Cod Liver Oil and get at much fresh air and sunshine as oar possibly be had.
Quesmion: I have a heavy heart bed and you can see this beat by looking at ii chest. I feel like yawning all day, buf when I yawn I cannot get enough and I would like to know what is cause of this condition. Can it be cured At night when I rest the heart seems ?1 though it flutters or skips a beat and me breathing is not regular. Any advice pos taining to my condition will be greall appreciated.

> J. B., Phila., P2

Answer: Heart conditions, as a rule are the result of other conditions. Proly ably your condition may have resulted from rheumatism or perhaps from childhood in which diseases such ${ }^{3}$ diphtheria and scarlet fever amoné others which are known to be the cawf oi heart conditions.
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# What I Think of Pelmanism 

By Judge Ben B. Lindsey

PBLMMANISM 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. 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.

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I do not 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.

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## Ask the Doctor <br> (Continued from page 70)

The treatment in your case consists of rest and the correction of your diet. Avoid alcohol and smoking and also avoid all exciting conditions. I must emplasize that you should see a good heart specialist. Have him examine your heart and receive treatments from him as he advises, as heart conditions are of a serious nature and must be attended to properly.
Question: Do dreams have a harmful effect on a person's health? Can you tell me why a person dreams? Is there a cure for it and is there any way that one could improve his memory? I have such a poor memory that no matter how many times 1 read a thing over I just can't remember it. If you can help me, Dr. Mittleman, I shall be everlastingly grateful to you for your advice.
L. H., Astoria, Oregon.

Answer: Dreams, as a rule, that are continued from night to night are harmful to the health as they tend to irritate the nervous system. A person dreams because of the thinking power of the brain while at rest. Memory can be improved and I would advise that you read many periodicals or stories which seem interesting to you, and in that way you will be able to concentrate your mind. I might also advise that you correct your diet and employ the different methods of exercise which I feel quite sure would be very beneficial and effectual in your case. Together with this information I would also advise that you see a good osteopathic physician and receive treatments from him. The osteopathic treatments will help to clear your loss of memory and will also tend to correct the dreams, for these
dreams are usually due to nervous, turbances.
Quesrion: 1 am greatly interester your replies to others as to methods cure for constipation and fallen stom Do you not think that it is an exceptio case where a person has two evacuati: a day? It would seem to be more of nuisance than anything else. If I of have a natural movement once in two even three days, I would be almost s fied as I have been taking Hinkle's Cas Pills for the last twenty years and In go for four days without a normal mi ment. 1 usually have a bilious attack: persistent headaches.
I might also ask you if there is any of improving bad circulation and blood pressure. I suppose the tw together. In a recent examination 1 told that I had both conditions. information you can give me as to condition will be greatly appreciated,
G. A. D., Havana, Cuile

Answer: There is no doubt your case is one of chronic constipatien This condition is usually due to $\mathrm{t}_{0}$ proper foods, habits and exercises, I would, therefore, advise that you co rect your diet and eat at regular intevals and masticate your foods tion oughly. Employ a method of exercis which would be very beneficial in yoo case. I would also advise that you tain the drug Oxy-Crystine, one teaspooniti in a glass of water before retiring. to your bad circulation and low blo pressure, this condition can easily overcome by adhering to a proper गु tem of exercise, and also by receivin the effects of sunshine and fresh-ait Twice daily is usually the normal bow movement of any individual and the should be no reason for less than ce bowel movement a day unless the cer dition of the bowels is disturbed th some functional disorder.

## The Mat

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the exertion in the arms and shoulders after making a big lift in the military press; but really the effort is always felt more by the buttocks and thigh muscles. I have felt the effects for days after, in these regions, whey my arms and shoulders never appeared to mind it in the least. I always depend on locking the knees tightly with my thigh strength, and it seems that if the buttocks muscles are not tensed quickly enough, the whole effort is lost. For the moment the resistance becomes great, the knees are bent ever so slightly, just enough that the weight goes up no further than at the line at which it is when the knees begin to bend. The buttocks muscles and the thighs are the basic foundation for such a lift. The hip muscles, when well built, support the back against back bending. I find that a slow back bend into a "crab" has a wonderful influence upon the buttocks; so has jumping, while holding weights in the hand, and also the one hand swing.

People who are sitting down most of their time, without exercise, naturally develop flabby buttocks, that show up very unfavorably in gymnastic costume or in a bathing suit. When these
muscles are built up and well forme they should be full, and almost shapet like a half circle. They usually shot up clean cut, and add considerably the physique of an athlete, particularif if he takes a side pose.

Years ago, when harness lifting much more popular than it is now, thet was one well known lift made with harness, termed the hip lift. The lite used a very wide belt that surrounded the hips. Hanging low in front, it live suspended a chain with a hook, white fastened on any object to be lifted. TE athlete would stand with hands on het knees, and concentrate on the effort 1 raise the weight off the ground a fers inches. In much the same manux weights were supported. The strout man stood on a high platform over ${ }^{\text {br }}$ object, which was attached from hips, and instead of lifting the weight, was lowered until the whole object generally a number of people, was pended from the lifter's hips. Sout awe-inspiring poundages were held is this manner, and as long as the less were kept straight and buttocks tenigen the lifter could support the weight quas a while longer than he could on ot
ifts. You see the whole situation is controlled by the hip bones, or the pelvis, which form a natural arch and makes this part of the body naturally 3dapted for such an effort. Usually, all these lifters had good hip and thigh puscles from practicing such lifts.
As a matter of fact, any exercise or ceat, that involves thigh action, always from the hip muscles. The two hands push practiced in the following manner is a very good hip developer. Take your bar bell to the shoulder, and stand with the feet spaced at a comfortable distance apart. Now, bend forwards from the waist a little, but be sure to keep the legs straight. Quickly throw the body backwards and push vigorously as you do so, and keep on bending backwards until the weight is at arms' length. Of course, you must understand that there is no knee dip allowed to enable you to get under the weight, you just push it to arms' length. As the weight is going up overhead and the back bend is being felt, the buttocks will contract in order to preserve the balance and help support the thighs against knee bending.
Editor of the Mat:
I would like to know how to make my shoulders broader.

> EiI Boggs, Hazord, Ky.

A broad pair of shoulders are a very desirable asset in every man's physique. They set the stamp of distinction on him and make him look as he should. Years ago, it used to be that the tunic of the soldier was cut to fit tight at the waist, and the shoulders were flared and padded in order to give him the military carriage of which we hear so much. Times have changed, and in place of padded tunics, the soldier now builds up his physique in the military training depots. A broad back is a familiar evidence of plenty of strength, but wide shoulders are not alivays proof that the owner has a broad back, nor the energy that goes with it. The width of the skoulders is controlled quite a bit by the length of the clavicles, or collar bones. Quite frequently we see young fellows who have, what we term, sloping shoulders. The shoulders appear to slope nway from the neck and this makes the back look narrow, which it really is. Such conditions are often the result of short clavicles. Of course, we cannot stretch the collar bones, but we can spread the shoulders by practicing various physical exercises. The shoulders are always spread by a scapular movement, that is, a movement of the shoulder blades, which is brought about by the muscular operation of the latissimus dorsi. One thing about these muscles I want you to bear very clearly in mind. So many have a misconception as to how these muscles should be stimulated in order to bring about the desired effect. The general idea is that as long as the latissimus dorsi muscles are brought into play, everything is all right. The whole thing is just what you are out for. Suppose we deviate a (Conlinued on Page 75)


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## The Mat

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litile, and talk from the opposite end of tie subject. Perhaps it will give you a
little clearer understanding of what I
lit yant to fix in your mind. If you were practicing the bent press as an exercise, that is, using about seventy-five pounds and pressing it to arms' length several times in succession within a short time, you would find that the latissimus dorsi was gilling out the back in the lumbar
region. Viewing the waist region from the back, there will be found a squareness that was absent before, but the breadth of the shoulders will not have iucreased in proportion. The reason for this is that the major part of the effort is borne upon these muscles in the small of the back. You can plainly see, that while this is one way of developing the big broad muscle of the back, yet the effect on the upper part of the back is reduced to a minimum. Consequently, we must turn our attention in another direction so that we can get just what we are looking for.
The latissimus dorsi muscle is what is termed a humerus-vertebral muscle, because it has an attachment on the spine and as it tapers off, it becomes attached to the humerus bone of the upper arm. In its progress it becomes attached somewhat to the scapular, and between the scapular and upper arm connection the working of the shoulder blade is controlled. This being the case we have to get after these muscles in the movements that operate more poweffully upon the scapular. We find movements that raise the arm forward and rotate the shoulder, involve a great deal of just the right kind of action we desire. Still the shoulder rotation is not quite good enough. Then, on the other hand, by raising the arms forward, we are not able to use sufficient weight to give these big back muscles all the resistance necessary; but if we bend over from the waist the arms will hang in a position similar to that they would have if we were standing erect and they were on a level with the shoulder. So here is the right position for us, because we are in a more natural position to handle plenty of resistance. Right away you may say you know the exercise that is supposed to be the best for broadening the back, and you know that it has not done all you feel it should have accomplished. This exercise is generally done by bending over from the waist, straight legged, and pulling a bar bell towards the chest. It is a pretty fair exercise, but it can tand improvement. In the first place, When you stand straight legged, you are not capable of bending forward at an angle that allows you to use enough tipt to be Then again, the weight is more topt to be pulled to the waist instead of part of chest, simply because the greater part of the bodyweight is thrown too far
forward effort uard. This is apt to throw more leffort upon the latissimus dorsi on the Point out, some it should. Figuring this Point out, some time ago, I decided upon
a change that would give just the right
results. We all know that the larger the muscle, the greater resistance it demands. Then the next thought should be to see that the body is properly centralized, so that the workout can be obtained with an assurance of no conflicting muscular actions. If you stand over a bar bell with the feet spaced well apart, and the knees slightly bent, you will find two things taken care of immediately, bodily centralization and the ability to handle much more weight more easily than in the other position. Again, the body can be bent over to a more advantageous angle, and the bar bell is going to be pulled more towards the chest than the waist. Altogether, this means we get the pull more across the shoulders than anywhere else. Having the correct body position we next turn to the most important part of the exercise, its beginning. The way you commence this exercise in every repetition is going to decide whether you will get the right results or not. Never start by pulling the weight straight off the floor to the chest. Instead, raise the weight about one inch off the floor and allow it to hang in that position a moment, and without straightening the back pull to the chest. Each time you lower the bell do not allow it to touch the floor, but just clear it. Remain in that position for a moment, and relax the muscles of the back. As you do this, you will feel a great pull upon the shoulder blades which will make every pull up harder. As the bar bell travels towards the chest, keep the elbows pointed outwards, so that when the weight is up to the chest the elbows will be pointing outwards in a straight line with the shoulders.
A variation of this exercise that I know you will like, and which will give you fine results, is practiced as follows: in place of a bar bell, take a pair of dumb-bells of sufficient poundage that will make you feel a real back pull as the dumb-bells hang in the hands. Stand with the weights between the feet and pull the bells alternately to the chest, but be sure that you have the same body position as in the first exercise, and see that the elbows are always pointed well outwards.
As I explained before, the latissimus dorsi muscles are attached upon the upper arm and upon the shoulder blade. Then it stands to reason that by practicing these exercises correctly, the greatest amount of muscular work is going to be absorbed by these muscles at their scapular and humeral points of attachment, which causes a great spreading of the shoulders.
As I draw my "Mat" talk to a close for this issue, I want to mention about the use of a jock strap in athletics and when exercising. So many young men write and ask me if they should wear one, while others think they might cause the musculature of the waist region to be weakened on account of this artificial support. There is no danger of any such thing happening, as the elastic web that makes up the straps is far too weak to resist any muscular pressure. It
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Your body will grow in strength and vigor as a result of use, and the one big thing we are interested in doing is getting our readers to use their bodies; that is, to exercise. Diet and hygiene, too, aid you, but use your body to make it strong.

We do not believe that it is practical to be satisfied with your physical condition at any given moment. Certainly if it is true in everyday life that we must be going forward or going backward, it is also true of our physical condition.

No man need determine to go out to have the finest physique in the world unless he wants to, any more than he needs to make up his mind to go out to get the largest fortune in the world. In either case it is not always easy to accomplish the end anyway. In both
cases it is wise to go out to get a litth ahead all the time, and generally speak. ing, in both cases it is quite possible to get ahead a little all the time. How fast you can go and how far you can go is up to you. That will depend on the time and the intelligence that you put into obtaining either end.

Sustained work and constantly in creasing knowledge of what you are trying to gain, and of the means you are using to gain your aims, means con. stantly increasing success in body build. ing or in business. In neither will treading water get you anywhere.

So Strength is interested in exercise, and particularly in progressive exercise which, after all, means exer cise and more of it. How fast any man wants to progress is up to him, but every man must try to progress lest be finds that he is slipping.
You can progress in skill and tech nique, and usually an improved skiil carries with it an improved physigue if only because an improved skiil calls for constant practice. You can progress in the amount of exercise that you take or in the severity of the exercise that you take.
If you do any or all of these thingu and take ordinary care of yourself physically, you will not have to worry about preventing yourself from becoming af easy victim of any disease.

## How to Read Your Health from Your Skin (Continued from page 62)

physician without delay-merely as a matter of health insurance, if for no other reason.

The same might be said of those finehaired, shining-eyed, red-lipped individuals, with translucent skins, who show a light, hectic flush just below the lower edge of the cheek-bone.

At first glimpse this flush might be mistaken for a blush, indicative of embarrassment in an over-eager individual. It is significant, however, that the flush of tuberculosis is not produced by strong emotion inhibiting the normal contracting effect of the vasomotor nerves on the capillaries of the skin, but is a constant signal-a ruddy flag flung out to warn of serious danger.

While the lips are carmine with the hue of apparent health, they are red only because of fever. And while the eyes are bright, they glisten only because of the reverie produced by the toxins of the disease.

Do not be misled by these false signals. Remember that fully sixty percent of early-stage tuberculosis is absolutely curable if properly handled. It is necessary merely to recognize the disease in time, and to take the proper curative measures, to insure the conquest of this disease.

Another malignant condition, first disclosed by the skin, is Addison's disease. Unlike cancer, this disorder manifests itself in an abnormal pigmentation of the skin-the entire surface taking on a bronze or copper hue, which extends
even to the mucous membrane of the mouth-especially along the edge of the teeth.
Addison's disease is a disorder of the suprarenal capsules-those little ducticss glands that sit like caps upon the tops of the kidneys, and exercise such a marvelous power over the circulation of the blood. Just how or why the extraordinary pigmentation of Addison's disease should develop is something that no onir definitely knows. The grim and tragit thing we do know, however, is that it indicates the presence of an insidious disease that is usually fatal in from ore to two years, and for which, thus fat, no cure has been found.

The presence of lead in the tissucs absorbed by those who grind paint of work with lead, is often first noted by the "deadness" of the skin, as well as DI the characteristic narrow, well-definol black line in the gums, where they ars in contact with the teeth.

Fortunately, this condition respond readily to appropriate treatment, the first and most important part of which of course, is to avoid the cause that his brought about the original condition.

There can be no question of doubte that the skin is an extraordinarily aced rate indicator of general health. remains only then, for those who have an interest in their continued health te read the signs aright. And, having read them aright, to take intelliged action toward the correction of the ervil so obviously indicated.

## American Continental Weight Lifters' Association Notes (Continued from page 45)

 and fifty-six pounds. Not so bad for a man weighing less than one hundred and forty pounds, is it?By the way, have you taken your degree test yet? We have had a big rush lately, and I would not like to think you had slipped. It is a common sight to see the red jewel insignia, and many are clamoring for their second and third degree.
I hope none of you will forget the fifth of September. That is the date for our national events in all classes. As I said in my last "Notes," if it is not possible for you to come to Philadelphia to compete, then get in touch with your state representative and prepare to meet, in contest, in your own state, all those who can get together. But remember, no competitions or totals for comparison for the national title will be considered that have taken place after September fifth. All results must be in the week following, and any states having their competition before September fifth, are asked to keep the results sealed until the week following that date. If any of the boys do not think that they have a chance for national honors, let their totals go to decide the championship of their state, in as many bodyweight classes as possible. It is imperative that only official referees shall rule; men who have passed the A. C. W. L. A. test and two judges, and an inspector of scales are necessary. Get together boys, make September fifth the biggest day in the history of American weight lifting sport.

Is it necessary to remind you to secure another member if you can? Do not stop trying to swell the ranks. If you like the sport, boost it by getting another member, then he will be a booster. If you have a friend who wants a little encouragement, show him your copy of our president's new book, "The Key to Might and Muscle", That will land him when all other methods have failed.

## Heat Prostration

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ice should be gradually added, so as to reduce the temperature of the body. At the same time, ice should be placed patien thead of the patient. While the patient is is the ice bath, he should be
rubbed rubbed vigorously to promote the circulation of the blood and to bring the hot blood to the surface of the body where it can be cooled. The temperature of the body should be taken every
15 minutes, and as soon as the tem15 minutes, and as soon as the temperature has fallen to 102 degrees, the
patient should be removed from the patient should be removed from the bath. Otherwise, the temperature may
continue to fall until it becomes subcontinue to fall until it becomes subnormal, and the patient may pass into a condition of sudden collapse and a serious condition may result.
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tinued longer than from twenty to forty

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minutes, but it may be repeated after an interval of two or three hours, if the temperature of the body should again become high. In some of the cases in which it is obvious that a congestion of the internal organs is embarrassing the action of the heart beat, a venesection might be performed and a pint of blood removed from the circulation. This loss of liquid from the circulation may subsequently be restored by the injection of physiologic saline solution, if it is deemed advisable. If there seems to be swelling and congestion of the lungs, it is then advisable to administer a hypodermic injection of $1 / 100$ grain of atropine sulphate, and if after the temperature has fallen to normal the heart and pulse becomes weak and the patient becomes alarming, it is best to give some stimulant such as whiskey or $1 / 30$ grain of strychnine sulphate by mouth, so as to stimulate the body.

If the elevation of the temperature is not so great, or if the use of the bath is impracticable, the individual may be laid on a cot, over which a rubber blanket has been placed and a sheet wrung out of cold water may be wrapped about him. He may then be rubbed with ice and after the sheet has become warm, it may be removed and another sheet which has been allowed to soak in cold water may be substituted for the first sheet. In most cases of sunstroke, the cold bathing is far preferable to the use of any drugs, because hydrotherapy has much more effect upon the body in this condition than does the administration of drugs.

Persons who have been the victims either of heat prostration or sunstroke often suffer more or less from the effects of heat during the remainder of their lives. It is always wise to warn patients or their friends of this possibility and to direct them to avoid, as much as possible, exposure to the direct rays of the sun or overheated rooms during the summer months. They should be advised to practice cold bathing and, if possible, sea bathing during
the summer months. Sometimes the administration of tonics and especially quinine sulphate combined with the extract of nux vomica has seemed to aid these persons in withstanding the effect of the hot summer heat. Persons who seem to be predisposed to be affected by the heat should avoid exposing themselves as much as possible. They should dress lightly, drink plenty of water, avoid indulgence in alcoholic drinks, and their heads should be kept as cool as possible. It is recommended that the back be protected by sewing an extra piece of flannel on the inside of the shirt so that it may protect the spinal cord. These precautions may be wisely observed by every one in hot weather, and especially when an excess of humidity in the atmosphere diminishes the perspiration of those who are working, or who are exposed to the very hot air.

Some individuals who have suffered sunstroke find that their memory is greatly impaired afterward and that they never have the same mental ability and memory. Little can be done to remedy this condition, but if one feels that he should give the individual something in the hope that it may do some good, probably nothing will be more likely to prove beneficial than the glycerosphosphate of calcium or some form of phosphorous.

Not infrequently infants and young children suffer from the extreme effects of the heat. This condition should be looked for in children who are suddenly taken ill in the hot weather without any apparent reason. If they are found suffering with a high temperature for which no other explanation can be found, and if the history of the case shows that they have been exposed to a high temperature, they should be placed under favorable conditions, in a cool, dry, airy room and given a sponge bath of cool water and cold drinks should be administered. If the heart becomes weak, then give small doses of whiskey well diluted so as to stimulate the heart.

## The Summer Camp

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relax completely shaking the arms and hands to relieve the congested blood in the muscles. This exercise benefits the shoulders, chest and arms to a marked degree, but you must stick to it, for it takes effort to make this exercise do you any good.

When you have fully rested from the above exercise, then reverse the grips and start exerting force by pulling on the strap, which is held firmly behind you this time instead of being in front. Lock the elbows, stiff by pressing down with your hands and throwing your chest way out in front. Remember to pull hard. Give it all you've got. This exercise is positively no good if you do not put effort, much effort, into it. For effort will make you strong. It is the fundamental basis of strength.
The last of the heavy exercise group is hand balancing. Can you perform a handstand? If so, can you do a dip
down to the floor from a handstand? If you cannot do these, then it is best for you to throw up to a handstand against a wall, and practice balancing on your hands that way. Once you call do this very well, then it is safe for you to lower yourself gradually till you can execute a full dip. There is nothing like hand balancing as a means of building health and strength, and when I was a lad I practiced this form of exercise incessantly.

For the light exercise group I have selected shadow boxing, as the first, to improve the wind and limber up the muscles. Strike a fighting pose with the left arm extended and the right arm guarding the waist, lunge out straight with the left arm, as though hitting ail imaginary opponent. Then counter with the right, and so on. As you move speedily around to avoid the rushes of your imaginary foe, strike out vigor Continued on Page 81

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ously as you lead the fight to him. Whip the punches over fast, as though you were really in earnest, and put plenty of force behind them. In a few moments your wind will be coming in fast and the muscles will commence to feel the work from the surcharging of blood rapidly pumped by the increased heart action.
The next exercise is one often performed by dancers. Raise up on the very tips of the toes and then dance on them, executing all the modern dance steps that you possibly know. But if you do not know of any, then walk and hop about on the tips of the toes, till the legs commence to tire. This is wonderful exercise for the legs, particularly the calf muscles.
The standing broad jump is excellent exercise. It develops agility and suppleness and is especially good for the abdominal region. Stand with your feet together, then raise high up on the toes and stretch up tall, as it were. Next swing the body and arms down vigorously, preparatory for the leap. Take off by vioiently throwing the arms and body upwards, and raise the legs up under the body, as you leap as high as possible, in order to attain distance.
The last exercises of the light group are deep breathing exercises, and these are very important. To begin with, let me extoll the importance of them as a part of your daily program. Through deep breathing exercises, given every morning, the boys at camp last summer gained from one to four inches in their normal chest measurements, to say nothing of astonishing gains in chest expansion. To continue on the road to good health, and prepare yourself for school or work when you return from camp, it is imperative that you practice deep breathing incessantly cvery morning.
The way to breathe is of great importance. Stand at attention with the heels tegether, head erect, stomach in. Bend forward at the waist and try to touch the floor with your finger tips; then raise the body slowly, breathing in deeply as the body rises, till your lungs fill to capacity. Hold the breath for a moment and then crush it out by rotating the arms downward and inward across the chest, thereby contracting the chest muscles and forcing the air compietely out.
Another good deep breathing exercise is retained breath once you have filled the lungs. Then proceed to gently squeeze the ribs pressing in slowly and forcibly and exhaling slowly as you squeeze.
Singing also has a good effect on the Keneral health and development of boys, for it makes them breath in deeply and it tends to be very soothing to the
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singing, because it necessitates deep breathing, because it necessitates deep
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disturl sympathetic nerves. Functional disturbances, such as sleeplessness, some digestive troubles and distress in
breathing are relieved. Daily singing, as a means of improving the health, is well worth trying. Singing cannot be dispensed with in the camp for the camp directors realize and appreciate the value of the song. At night, when the strains of music float out over the water after the boy campers are in bed, it wafts them away to dreamland, as they listen to the piano or mellow tunes from the violin, or the music director's offering of vocal selections. Counsellors love to serenade the campers, and whenever they get together in such a spirit, it is perhaps the happiest thing done for the campers.
Not only is the ear cultivated by this music, but a feeling floats out and, as it were, "permeates the atmosphere so that harsh sounds are umpleasant"voices become subdued, screeching is not heard, and it is a saying that the campers go liome with lower pitched voices and quieter ones than they had when they came to camp. This is what the love of nature gives to those who are fortunate enough to go to camp.
Aside from the teachings of physical, mental and moral education the campers have a great incentive in patterning their lives after the fashion of their counsellors, whose opportunities become unequalled for the moulding of the boys' characters. It behooves the camp director and counsellors to set up definite ideals and standards of conduct and manners, and then guide and direct all the camp activities in a way to insure respect for these ideals and standards and so insure strict adherence to them by every member of the camp community. The fundamental qualities, such as honesty, truthfulness, modesty, tidiness, punctuality, respect for the rights of others, unselfishness, loyalty, good sportmanship, and gentlemanly manners are held up as ideals of conduct which every one is expected to achieve. The resuits attained depend largely upon the forces of public opinion or camp spirit existing in the group.

A mother wrote to the director of the camp where her boy spent the summer: "David returned home from camp in splendid physical condition. I am elated over his improvement in his habits and manners and conduct. He has corrected faults and developed fine traits of character. It is wonderful how you accomplish in two months what I was unable to do in years." This particular boy was an only child. He was petted and pampered; he had been unresponsive to the admonitions of both parents and teachers, but at camp he soon realized that his standing among fellow campers depended largely upon his conduct. He caught the camp spirit and found joy and happiness in living up to the code of the camp. The principles apply also to girls and their relations with their counsellors.
The summer camp deserves, and now occupies, a permanent niche in American education because of the great contribution it is making in the development of stalwart, upright and loyal citizens. No effort should be spared to encourage the extension of good camps (Continued on Page 83)


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WHAT is happening to America's people? Prominent scientists and reputable physicians point to facts which seem to prove that we are fast approaching physical decadence. It is no secret that nearly two-thirds of our young men, not yet 30 , were found physically unfit for normal outdoor life. Statistics prove that hali of all deaths are of persons between the ages of 40 and 60 . No less grave is the report that cancer, tuberculosis, Bright's disease. arterio-sclerosis, diabetes, chronic constipation, anemia, and other ailments, directly traceable to a weakened digestive system, are increasing at an alarming rate. In plain words, nearly ail of America's population is suffering from premature old age.
No less an authority than Alfred W. McCann, the famous pure-food crusader, asserts that one thing alone is responsible for all these things. He says that it is the food we eat which annually causes the death of 400,000 children less than one ycar old! He says that this same cause explains the almost universal prevalence of pernicious anemia and malnutrition among school children! He says that it is our unwise eating habits which have weakened the bodies of our young men and women, making them old before their time!

## White Mice and Men

You have heard of white mice being used to prove that certain combinations of food can weaken, degenerate and kill them, so does Alfred W. McCann provethrough the unwilling examples of thousands of men-that these same food combinations act as deadly poisons upon the human system.
You will hardly believe your eyes when you read the tragic stories of these "poison squads," as Mr. McCann calls them. It will seem incredible to you that men, merely by confining their diet to the foods you cat every day, gave their lives, or walked on the rim of Death to prove that these foods slowly but surely undermine our vitality, lower our resistance, weaken our bodies until we become eventually the ready victims of deadly disease bacteria.

## The Madeira-Mamore Poison Squad

One of the worst of these "poison squads" was the force of men employed by the Madeira-Mamore Railway Company. Al-
though attempts were made to hide the facts, from the diaries of two engineers, Alfred W. McCann revealed that 4000 men of 6000 employed died in less than fifteen months.
What happened? What was the reason for this terrific death toll? Remember that these 6000 men were selected because they were "huskies" -sturdy, strong-bodied men physically able to work as laborers in railway construction. From the diarics of the two engineers mentioned, it was proved beyond all doubt that it was food alone that willed 4000 of these men in fifteen mouths.

## Facts So Startling You CANNOT Ignore Them

 It almost seems inconceivable that the food these men ate, so nearly like those we eat every day, should cause such ravishing disease, untold misery, sure death! Yet if you knew the truth about many foods considered pure and wholesome, which have been devitalized, "refined" by processes which rob them of their health-giving ingredients, you would revolt at the thoughtof putting such deadly substances into your stomachs.The amazing extent of malnutrition among children, the steady increase of digestive diseases, the lowered vitality and premature ageing of millions of people furnish startling evidence of this great food crime against humanity.
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## The Summer Camp <br> (Continued from Page 81)

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tily year then the next. I urge you to
go. For it takes one away from one's self, and tends to make a newer and better character of you. And when you come home, you will be surprised at the enthusiasm and inspiration you will have for your work. The camp is the greatest tonic a person can ever give themselves. It embodies everything that makes life a joy.

## Handball---Played the World Over <br> (Continued from page 38)

the left wall and floor connect. In such a case there is little or no rise to the ball, and unless the opposing player is dexterous enough to catch it on the fly, the effort of the server will count as a point nine times out of ten.
A good server is one thing but a clever all-round player is another. Nany exponents of the game make the serve a specialty This is not handball ly any means. It is very necessary, of course, to employ effective tossing, but you must know a great many other points of the game, else you will never make a successful match player. Always be on the alert when recovering the ball. Do not get behind your opponent so that you will be frustrated in your attempt to lunge after a particularly wide outside serve. You can almost tell intuitively where the serve may come, unless the server is experienced in the game; but you can never judge how it will bound. It may hop of the wall straight or it may take an ugly carom. In either case try to meet the ball firmly, catch it properly with either hand, and you will be able to successfully complete the play.
There are all kinds of intricate plays brought out during a game, but you can learn a great deal more by practicing than if I were to talk for months. Whenever I play the game, I generally sserifice many points in order to study the methods of my opponent for later use. Sometimes I am deliberate in misplaying in order to create a false sense of security, and then with sudden burst of speed overwhelm my opponent. There are times when, by clever serving, I draw the defending player too near the front wall, and when he least suspects it, I drive the ball with great
force beyond him force beyond him. Sometimes I keep him back with a barrage of swift shots, and then at the psychological moment $\dot{I}$ drop an easy tantalizing shot off the
wall, too low for him to recover without stumbling and foiling his play. All this is brainy playing and it goes to make the game intensely interesting as it lessens the suggestion that power and big muscles are necessary to win the game. Keep your opponent always on the move. Hit the ball with fierce, jerking motions. Keep him guessing as you send the little sphere ding dong around the court. This naturally will have a tendency to weaken him, especially if he is not in shape, and when you have him winded you will lick him.
Handball is one of the best games for training the eye and developing co-ordination. It combines everything that goes to make playing a great pleasure. On a Sunday, at some beach resorts that I have visited, I have seen thousands of men play the game during the course of the day. This speaks well for this ancient game. Handball, in my estimation, is rapidly attaining a place as a major sport in America. Interest in this ancient Irish game is increasing apace, and it is only a question of time until it will be as popular with the masses as tennis and other sports. All business men play it whenever they go to the gymnasium. They realize its value in helping them to attain physical fitness.
I have been congratulated many, many times for aiding men to reduce themselves, but I never deserved their gratitude, for in reality it was handball that played so important a part in helping them to perfect their physical condition. I recommend the game to each and every one, and before I close let me say just one more thing. The game develops a working philosophy which is the secret for many exponents of the game, deriving an unlimited capacity for accomplishment. Handball. teaches many big lessons in life. I urge you to try it.

## The True Show Girl---the Home Girl

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day they would get up bright and to their and after a good breakfast tend Sliss Rizzil and then go for a stroll. riding Rizzo generally goes horseback an acrob the mornings and then attends ior the performatic to limber herself up kept he perself formances. She has always joys swimming by exercising. She enJoys swimming immensely and often she addition to herobatics. out-of-doors in Her meals her work in class every day. tigy but health varied and she eats nothbut health giving foods. Being

Italian, she enjoys her spaghetti, of course. Often she cooks it for the girls and they have a glorious time trying to wrap it so they can eat it without getting it tangled all over them. She takes infinite pains with her complexion, which is gossamer fine. Every night before retiring she applies cleansing cream to remove all vestiges of makeup. Twice a day she bathes, a cold shower in the morning a hot bath and a little nap before dinner. She disapproves of liquor and cigarettes, as

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they insidiously destroy a girl's health and beauty. She weighs one hundred and twenty-five pounds and is about five feet four inches tall. Her daily program is a typical physical culture one for it keeps her fit for her arduous tasks.

She says, "The stage is too wonderful for words. I would not trade my career for anything else in the world. The girls in my troupe have the finest characters in the world, it is a joy to work with them. Aside from any pleasure and development in my chosen art, it has been a wonderful, interesting, delightful life.

But it is not to be assumed that the life of a dancer or show girl is a bed of roses, with the footlights and flowers and plaudits of the crowds as the principle features. There is of necessity the practice and rehearsing that amounts to actual physical labor at times. And certainly we found our quota of work with Madame. It made no difference at what hour we arrived in a city or town, if a rehearsal was necessary, a rehearsal was called, regardless of the hour or our weariness, and work continued until we danced as Madame wished. Perfection is her aim and who is there to say that she has fallen short of her goal?
"I have never known a person, to possess the degree of magnetism of Gertrude Hoffman. A strict analysis of her exquisite features could not alone result in a conscientious verdict of beautiful. But combined as her features are with her charm and grace and marvelous mind, she is in the truest sense a beautiful woman. But beauty and even ability alone could never carry a dancer to the heights of Gertrude Hoffman. Another quality is needed. That Madame has also-her fortitude, her wonderful courage, and that marvelous ability to inspire the highest in those about her.
"More can be learned from Gertrude Hoffman in an hour than in ten with most teachers. She has a great mind for detail. No item is too tiny to escape her attention and no item is too small for perfection. Her graciousness and simplicity of manner endear her to all who know her. If a dancers' make-up is not quite right Madame Hoffman will call her into the dressing room and herself help the dancer. When there are hardships to be borne, they are borne equally by Madame. Madame is personally interested in every member, but not to the exclusion of discipline of a kind. Parties and late suppers are prohibited. No alcoholic liquor nor cigarettes are permitted to be indulged in. If a girl deliberately commits these offenses to the rules and regulations of the show, then she automatically dismisses herself from further service. Things back stage are run systematically just as in an office. One has very little time to themselves on the stage, but that is when I really am happiest. I love the stage and the life we show girls lead is agog with thrills.
"One of my dearest friends is 'Pewee' Weisberg. I owe much to her. She is older than I and has had previous
stage experience in vaudeville. I doan know what we would do without het She is so comforting. Our friendship has been so wonderful, and it is hip wish that you meet her.,

It seems a shame that the best of friends must part, Miss Rizzo's respite at home was cut short by Madame Gut trude Hoffiman, who wired her to leang for New York immediately and theng entrain for Chicago to join the fire
troupe of the Hoffman girls in the shm troupe of the Hoffman girls in the shog
"Artists and Models." Alas! fe "Pewee" Weisberg! She remained New York and thus a wonderful as ciation has been broken up.

I met Miss Weisberg the very monl ing that she accompanied Miss Rizzo ts New York. As her monicker suggested I found her to be very petite. Her pet. sonality was great and magnetic and found her to be both brilliant and ven amiable. While waiting for the trant she kept up a flow of chatter whit made her friend Anna forget about he departure from home and helped to to vive a happier spirit in her.

We talked of everything under th sun and I was greatly surprised at il knowledge and charming eloquence s manifested. And thus we chattered af till train time, though I mostly listend entranced.
Miss Weisberg took to the vauderill stage shortly after graduating frue high school. She gained much expen ence and had traveled extensively bs fore joining the Hoffman girls. Shie il an acrobat of the first order and la performances in the show are done with an unusual degree of pep. Her optiat ism, her diligent work and her edus tion are combinations that are hard: beat and with these qualities righth exerted Miss Weisberg ought to be $=$ even greater success in the very nut future.
"Pewce" Weisberg is a great lith dancer: and no one can realize her res satility till they talk with her, as I dit Because the "Pewee" Weisberg you s on the stage in her gaudy and scarा attire, her frizzled hair, her beauty spo and her jewelry, is an altogether ferent person from the sweet, reserm vivacious little home girl she becone the minute she discards make-up stage costume. "Pewee" is a home just like Anna Rizzo. They both much in common and the highes ideals. "Pewee" can't help being a b girl, because she comes from a staid Jewish family whose women have ways had home for a background, so one cannot, even in this day ass ciate such fine feminity with jazt cigarettes and gin.
The departure of Miss Rizzo Chicago at the time of this writing mean only one thing-promotion that she certainly deserves it, for I said before, she is a diligent wof and strives always to better her She is not yet seventeen and for onf have such rapid advancement, shie: only sixteen when she started, is remarkable, She is now with the Hoffman troupe, but she has aspiraf that are much higher which seeil
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No matter what the unimitiated may suppose, the show girl's life is not a bed
of roses, and so appointments of Miss Rizzo, for she has aphown the sudden, burning rush of hot lears to the eyes, the regret and pain and sorrow that can clutch the heart. On many occasions she has had precious parts given to her only to have them taken away for presentation to a new member entering the troupe. Without exception such a happening has aroused more desire in her to excel in her dancing, thus downing any ugly impulses that might have risen. When she lost a part she always tried to find out why, and then struggled to master it so perfectly that eventually the part must be given to her again. Invariably the result was as she wished. It may be that in her eagerness to excel she did work again to commend the approval of lladame Gertrude and that is the more tikely solution. But sometimes I wonder if Madame Gertrude Hoffman, experienced, human, understanding as she is, has not realized, from actual experience, too, perhaps, that the treasure held in the hand often shrinks in value. Certainly the dancer, serious and sincere though she may be about her art, is less
apt to appraise the dance she feels she has mastered, than the one which is just a step or two beyond her.
I spoke, in the beginning, of the apology I owe the show girl. So, theretore, I now humbly say 1 am sorry and in making restitution I shall always jump to defend their cause, and uphold their fine character, because now 1 know.
In closing, I must say one thing more. During the writing of this story at a club, I happened to pause for a brief moment to gather new thought. Hardly had I set my pen down when the radio in the next room unloosed a burst of ukleles and the deep throb of a steel guitar. My trend of thought went galley west-and further west, until the west became the Saffron East. Out of the shadows of pagodas, as it were, a harsh voice suddenly disturbed my dream and rudely jarred me to my senses. At first it sounded incoherent, but presently it was audible.
"Why, my dear fellow," it said as though its possessor was highly shocked, "I cannot believe that you seriously contemplate matrimony with a with a girl from the follies
more or less a public character dancer who performs nightly in a costume or lack of one, that is a daring as her contortions on the stage! Think of your name, your social position, your . . ." I could stand no more so I jumped up, gesticulated wildly, and with spite started an argument.
The manager, whose battle scarred, broken-nosed face reared up incongruously above an immaculate shirt front and dinner coat, swiftly settled it. I returned to my contemplation of the show girls and they
they went
indignantly out of the nearest door.

# How Weismuller Beat One of the Greatest Natators. 

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## weight events.

The famous Hawaiian amphibian stirred Australia years ago by taking their crawl stroke and supplying a variation that later was called the "Kahanamoku Kick." In those by-gone days it was the contention that the leg kick did zot count so much, ever since Dick Cavill first used the crawl in championship races. The belief was that the legs did not assist materially, but kept the body well-balanced in the water and thius minimized the retarding effects, due to the legs and feet sinking. But this theory was quite upset by the
moetrods of the methods of the Duike upset by the
mate teammate, George Cunha, who used the
tapid, indepent tapid, independent movement of the teet, as against the Australian fashion of smacking the leg from the knee down upon the water at every stroke of the
atm. When the Duke first came to this
country in country in 1912, he was a very crude
swimmer, having gotten most of his experience as a beach-rider on surfboards. The American coaches took hold of him and made his strokes typically American. He introduced the leg kick that did the trick and incidentally was an important factor in revolutionizing speed swimming. It is generally known that Kahanamoku was Amer-ican-made, although his stroke was copied to advantage by other swimmers. I first saw him in company with Clarence Lane and Harold Krueger in Philadelphia, 1918 on September 4, 5 and 6 at the Turners. Ross was then his greatest rival.
Duke has had some harrowing experiences. In 1913, while practicing for the Australian championships, with some teammates, he disappeared suddenly under the surface and his mates frightened, when he did not come up after a time, thought he had met with an it! fate. At last a leg appeared and


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part of the body. The water was lashed to a foam by the writhing body. Next his head appeared and he was seen to take a great gulp of air. The churning water enveloped him as he was apparently dragged below the surface again. This time, he did not appear, so his comrades tore down for him. They finally dragged him to the surface, halfdead, his fingers clutched on a giant cel he had just choked to death. The Duke was in a bad way. Covered with blood, his index finger from his right hand torn off, it took all his comrades could do to get him in to shore.

In 1914, Kahanamoku, better known as the "Duke of Waikiki," saved a girl's life twice in one day. He happened to hear the screams of the girl and regardless of danger, plunged into the water and battled a shark. A terrific fight ensued and he was able to chase the shark away. A while later, the quietude and serenity was again disturbed by screams. This time, the same girl, I have long since forgotten her name, turned turtle in a small boat. Quick as a flash the Duke set out for her and rescued her in the nick of time.
These incidents are but a few of the countless ones the Duke has encountered, but it is, according to him, all in a day's work. I, for one, do not care to throw stones at sharks and play tag with the other denizens that live in the briny deep.
Duke Kahanamoku and Norman Ross were the greatest rivals in their day. Both held the nucleus of records from twenty-five yards, close to 5 miles. And it was the belief that the records they created would stand unsullied. But when Weissmuller, a mere stripling in comparison, shattered all sprint marks and Arnie Borg, the slightly-built Swedish star, eclipsed those of Norman Ross, it upset all the dope. And all over the world people literally gasped and asked, "How does he do it?" Even the Hawaiian, whose native sport is swimming, wondered how he could do it. And, I dare say many are reluctant to state that Weissmuller is superior to the "Duke." It is their undying belief that Kahanamoku could beat Weissmuller in the former's hey-day, even though Johnny has smashed all records.
However, let all this be as it may. "How does he do it?" is our concern and the next couple paragraphs will be spent in telling you about John Weissmuller, the champion of champions.

Johnny Weissmuller owes his success in swimming largely to what is called the American six-best doubletrudgeon crawl stroke. This stroke is a vast improvement over the old Australian crawl, first employed by an aborigine of the Samoan Islands, who introduced it at Sydney, Australia, and later was used so very effectively by the great Kahanamoku, of Honolulu.

One very important feature, as exemplified by Weissmuller, is his high position in the water. He keeps his head and shoulders high, his back arched and his feet low. The depth of his feet gives him tremendous traction power with his legs. His coach, the famous Bachrach of the Illinois Ath-
letic Club, says "Weissmuller follo the principle of the hydroplane, theret reducing resistance,"
His stroke does not differ drastican from the style used by most of the othe first-rate swimmers in America. Hin $^{2}$ arm stroke is apparently the same Where he makes the improvement store them is in his ability not to over-reidi By over-reaching is meant stretchint the arms forward too much. My ider of the arm-stroke is that the arm shooul always retain a slight bend at the elbor after the arm has extended forwand Weissmuller, by not over-reacling avoids rolling and is enabled to maing tain perfect continuity in his pull of hie arms, which would not be possitit otherwise.
Except that his legs are lower in the water, caused by the head being hed higher, his kick does not differ muxd from the average good swimmer. Pos sibly his ankles and knees attain mout relaxation and therefore more supple ness in his kick. The outstanding feature, however, of the Weissmulle stroke seems to be the almost perfec co-ordination of his muscular efform and the fact that he has the longest and most supple muscles that I have eve seen on a human being. His breathimg so vitally necessary in swimming, dil fers a great deal from most spriit swimmers. Before the advent of Weissmuller, the sprinters got along of one breath to every three or fout strokes. In swimming 50 yards in z pool, they would perhaps breathe oner going down the first length of the pool and possibly take two breaths coniis back. In the meantime, they would x holding their breath under water. employing such a method they could nom possibly get enough air with so liith breathing and consequently their effora tore down their reserve energy and consumed more muscle fibre than was necessary. After a short swim they ant exhausted.
When Weissmuller came along he de cided to try out the idea of taking breath with each stroke. He was yoults and plastic, unset in his ways and eess to work with. At first it was quite at effort for him-breathing with ead stroke, but after several months of prac tice, he not only required it but learnd to work it in rhythm with his stroke, $s$ that the regularity of his stroke wa not disturbed. In other words, his antis and legs do not know that Weissmullea is breathing. It is done independenty or sub-consciously of the mechamicat motion of his arms and legs. breathes with every stroke whether 18 is swimming a 50 yard race or a long distance one. He is always able ${ }^{0}$ stage a sprint at the finish of his race because he keeps himself strong b breathing at every stroke.

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Defining the Mystery of Strength

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developed part), and lifted a weight overhead he never thought was possible, Only weighing one hundred and fortyfive pounds, he performed the lift known as the Two Hands Clean and Jerk, using two hundred and twenty-five pounds. He was also capable of raising the front of an automobile, to his great delight. Some improvement, you will agree, when you remember he was miles away from these two feats a week before.
Some men are naturally born much stronger than others, for physical reasons or inheritance, but no man ever possessed the anmount of natural strength that placed him in the class of such giants of strength as Cyr, Saxon or Apollon. These men were, all three, naturally strong, but it was exercise with weights on the progressive principle that increased their natural powers, stimulating their strength to a degree that enabled them to lift suci terrific poundages. It is ridiculous to believe that if Saxon had never trained he would still have been able to lift overhead four hundred and forty-eight pounds. On the other hand, we have men like Sandow, Tofolas, Maxick and Pullum, four men who were deprived of the natural blessing at birth which clothed Cyr , Saxon and Apollon, but. by intensive training they created from themselves supermen. My own case is another example that goes to prove, along with the other four named celebrities, that the creation of substantial muscular tissue is the substance from which great strength is derived.
Spencer, in his "Growth and Development," proves the natural condition of what I have stated, and he had no knowledge of muscle building; but he knew nature. He knew strength came from the vigorous growth. You can see it in animal and plant life, just the same as in human life.

All the men to whom I have referred were capable of proving their strength in any way you wished to test them Why people fool themselves into believing that the strength of such mett only works in one direction, is positively ridiculous. As I have proven, there is only one kind of strength, and that is natural strength. Whether it is born in a man, or stimulated by training under intensive exercise, it is just the same and cannot be changed; whether it is capable of applying its qualities in tossing bar bells, moving pianos, or lifting the end of an automobile out of a rut.
A man who resorts to tricks and the use of mechanical devices as an aid to perform his feats, is never strong, no matter what he says he is or how hie impresses the mind. The few men whom I have named would scorn the mention of such false methods. It is the work of such tricksters that ins given rise to the belief, so prevalent in many quarters, that trickery is connected with great feats of strength

There is no comection at all between the two. A strong man is always strong, no matter on what he is tested.
His musculature is substantial fesses strength which he has created within himself. Earlier in this chapter, I state that this type of structure can be made. However, there is another very important part connected with this growth which I have purposely reserved grail the last, simply because I did not want to crowd you. By now you will have thoroughly absorbed all I have written, and be properly prepared for what 1 have to say. This explanation will clear up the question which no doubt still lingers in your mind, that causes you to wonder if the one man has secured the right material, surely tie other must be able to obtain some increase of power worth while. Your mind questions that there must be some strength in all that muscular size. However, there never can be unless they turn to intensive training. Although the substantial material is formed, it is not exactly in that structure where the power lies. It has a coordinating factor that really makes powerful efforts possible, and this factor is the ligaments. The muscles are the engines of the body and the ligaments the pulleys. It is these ropes of connection that make it possible to apply the muscles in their greatest contraction. The more muscular fibres in a muscle, the more steel-like their quality, and they are capable of greater contraction. But if these ropes of connection are not strong enough to withstand the resistante required, then their weakness is evident. Because these two cannot be separated is the sole reason why strength is never disassociated from substantial structure. Ligaments always exhibit their quality by their thickness. As the right kind of muscle is formed, they become thicker. Just look at the joints of a real strong man, and note the depth of tissue that exists. Feel for the ligaments and you will notice how thick and cordy they are, but you never
note their ape note their appearance on one who is not strong, or on the athlete who has not practiced bar bell exercise. When I
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ing dormant, for disease germs to prey
upon.

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# The Three Essentials of Chest Building. <br> (Continued from Page 28) 

this set of muscles.
As I like to see a pair of broad shoulders when I see a deep chest, it seems to me that a suggestion on broadening the shoulders will not be out of place.

There are two essentials in shoulderbroadening. One is the developing of the deltoids on the points of the shoulders, and the other is the stretching of the cartilage that connects all the bones of the shoulders. In the case of a very young person, before the bones have become set this exercise will also lengthen the bones of the shoulders.

Stand erect with back against a wall near a door jamb. Raise the arms out straight to the sides at shoulder level and touch the edge of the woodwork around the doorway with the tips of the fingers of one hand. Keeping the fingers against the edge of the wood, stretch the arms as far apart
as you can. Have some one mark the greatest distance you stretch, and each day try to reach farther. You can devise some means of marking the space yourself if you have no one to do it for you.

This stretching exercise and exercises for the deltoids will broaden your shoulders. All movements of the arms at the shoulder joints exercise the deltoid muscles. The more strenuous these movements are, the better the result; but strenuous exercise, do not forget, should not be jumped right into. Make your exercises gradually more difficult and not rapidly so.

## Health-Strength-Beauty (Continuted from Page 54)

but I am so sturdy looking and organically sound that I feel the pendulum of happier fortune must swing my way one day
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(Continued from Page 50) miles, two hundred and fifty-five yards in sixty minutes, which is the preserf "cycle track" record accomplished on * regulation bike racing track.

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real real man and think that others know no diffcrent so long as you keep under cover. Unfortunately, it is not Hallowe'en all the time so

## Don't Be a Masquerader

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I find, from the measurements of hundreds of pupils, that, generally speaking, the chests and waists are the first to deteriorate on an otherwise good physique. The chests easily become flat and the abdomen full and round, in direct opposition to what they should bc.

If this condition has not happened to you as yet, it will nevertheless, if you don't keep in good condition by practicing the best of exerciscs. If, on the other hand, your chest has begun to flatten and your abdomen to swell, you can get back to perfect form by practicing my methods. If, again, your chest was never anything else but sunken and your waist bulging you need not despair or take it for granted, for you still can possess a periectly shaped upper body, along with wonderful looking arms and legs. My Methods do not neglect any part of your physique. Every part in proportion, and every improvement possible is my aim with my pupils.

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 thrills in the bike game. We find no less than four crack European pedalers trying to capture one hundred and twenty kilometers in the hour. Leon Vanderstuy it of Belgium, and John Brunier, Gustav Ganay and Jules Miquel, all of France, doing their best The last two riders had specially designed autos built to pace them, while Vanderstuyft and Brunier used huge specially equipped motorcycles, covered with sheet metal, and having a wind shield, behind which the bike athlecte rode. The first sensational performance came on October 1st, 1924, when Leon Vanderstuy it, riding on the Montliery track, covered sixty-seven miles, buit this record did not last very long Eighteen days later the Frenchman John Brunier, rode sixty-nine miles, one thousand five hundred and twenty-five yards within the hour. Bike fans began to show unusual interest as the marks went up, but no other rider crept up to Brunier's mark. For a whole year, this mark stood, when Leon Vanderstuyit the Belgian, on October 1st, celebrated his first record by heating his ankles to another victory that put the Frenchman's record out of the spot-lighit Seventy-one miles, nine hundred ani fifteen yards was registered for the Belgian, as he was clocked at the end of the hour. This looked like the limit. In the race with time, the Belgian speed devil had pushed a bike with a large gear, the front sprocket being thirty five and the rear five. During this hour he was paced by a 45 H.P. Anzani engine. This record spurred the Frenchman on to lower the Belgians colors, as he had done a year before, and he set out on the war path October 29th, twenty-eight days after Vanderstuyft made his crowning mark. Hard luck befell him, as his pacing machine broke down at one hundred and five kilo meters. Nevertheless, Brunier was wel on his way to eclipse the Belgian record, for the distance he had gone was faster than Vanderstuyft had covered in the same time, 62.13 miles in fifty-one min utes thirty and seven-fifths seconds, a against the Belgian's mark of fifty-two minutes eighteen seconds. Inspired by his success, Brunier prepared for another trial. Three days later he made his successful attempt, killing the Bel gian's mark. He not only equalled, but surpassed the coveted mark of one hutidred and twenty kilometers, speeding to glory over seventy-five miles and two hundred and eighty yards, as the bel rang clocking the hour. Here was ${ }^{3}$ human being who could pit his raciing ability against that of a motor driven machine. Just watch the fast expres tear by you, and figure how slow it is if comparison with the speed obtained by this French "go devil." Whether yous speak of a train, auto, or motorcycle that is hitting the rate of one and ? quarter miles a minute, you are talking of speed, but here was a man who pro pelled himself for a full hour, at such

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