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TALKS BY THOSE WHO THINK

THE function of the American college is not to produce more specialists, in the opinion of Dean Herbert E. Hawkes, of Columbia college; broad scholarship should be the aim. "There is every indication that a new tendency is gathering force in those colleges, both for men and women, where questions of education receive serious attention," says Dean Hawkes. "In the days of Pascal and Laplace it was possible for an individual to be a profound scholar in a wide field. The sciences of astronomy, physics, chemistry, mathematics, geology and biology were not so highly developed that it was impossible for one man to know all that anyone knew about three or four of them and to have a fair knowledge of the others.

"But the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries witnessed a wide extension in every field of knowledge, so that it has become impossible to acquire thorough scholarship in several fields. Furthermore, these fields themselves have become so enlarged that a man is a geometer, or organic chemist, or a paleontologist, rather than a mathematician, a chemist, or a geologist. With this intensification of specialization it was inevitable that our entire system of higher education should feel the influence of the tendency.

The Breeding of Specialists
 "As the major departments in our colleges developed, the main excuse for their existence was naturally assumed to be the breeding of specialists. The teachers themselves were specialists, usually trained in the German mode, and any other subject of collegiate education seemed to them entirely unworthy. To present a survey course which aimed to give a wide rather than a deep view of a large field scholarship was felt to encourage shallow superficiality.

"One can see clearly enough that scholarship could not have progressed to the point that it has reached if the general consensus of scholars of the nineteenth century had not chosen depth at the expense of breadth. But to assume that such a program should dominate the administration and teaching of our colleges at the present time neglects half of the problem, namely, the human half.

Specialists Not Well Educated
 "The man is not well educated who is merely a specialist in one narrow field. Such minds are certainly very useful, and with human nature as it is we are not likely ever to be without a large number of persons of this type. But it is not the exclusive or the main function of the college to provide them.

"It may be that the production and employment of this type of scholar will become one of the functions of the industrial research laboratories and of the endowed foundations, but not the college. The college should perform a broader service. It should, to be sure, give its students a start in the various branches of scholarship, and that with such an impulse as to carry them as far as they may wish to go in the direction of specialization.

"But it should do much more. The college should show the place that each subject occupies in its relation to other domains. It should indicate the fruit that each field of intellectual endeavor has contributed to the progress of civilization. It should explain events, discoveries and ideas in terms not only of their origin but of their relation and values."

WHO'S WHO IN THE NEWS

MISS JANE ADDAMS, well known social service writer and lecturer and founder and head resident of the famous Hull House, Chicago, is the president of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. The league has been holding its fourth international congress in Washington. Miss Addams was born in Cedarville, Ill., September 6, 1860. She received her A. B. degree in Rockford (Ill.) college in 1881, and spent two years following in Europe. On her return she studied in various colleges in the United States and in 1889, with Miss Ellen Gates Starr, opened the social settlement of Hull House, Chicago.

For three years Miss Addams was inspector of streets and alleys in the neighborhood of Hull House, and in 1909 she was president of the National Conference of Charities and Corrections.

Miss Addams is the author of "Democracy and Social Ethics," "Twenty Years at Hull House," "A New Conscience and an Ancient Evil," and other works on social problems. She attended the peace conventions at The Hague in 1915, Zurich in 1919, and Vienna in 1921.

PIG! PIG! PIG!

The following extract is from the diary of a New England woman who lived in the eighteenth century:

"We had roast pork for dinner and the Doctor, who carved, held up a rib on his fork, and said: 'Here, ladies, is what Mother Eve was made of.'

"'Yes,' said sister Patty, 'and it is from very much the same kind of critter.'"

SHEER ADMIRATION

As the dancer took his fair partner down to supper, she seemed to hypnotize the waiter told to serve them, for he seemed incapable of taking his eyes off her.

At last the dancer could stand it no longer. "I say, my man," he observed, "what makes you stare so rudely at this lady?"

"It ain't rudeness, sir, believe me, it ain't," returned the waiter. "It's genuine admiration. This is the fifth time she's been down to supper tonight."

HOW'S YOUR HEALTH?

By Dr. W. F. Thompson

The fly hath a thousand eyes,
 We have but two;
 Yet we, with just half an eye,
 See what flies do.

A tooth decayed is precaution delayed.

When we're out of doors we're out of danger.

An ounce of screen is worth a pound of quinine.

That cisterns are dirty
 We offer this proof:
 That sludge in the bottom
 Comes off of the roof.

Boiled water is better than spoiled health.

Unless disinfected, swimming pools are invariably infected.

The care of the mother often determines the health of the baby.

Lots of folks with good intention
 Prefer a cure to sound prevention;
 Though they're offered self-protection,
 They'd rather dope some dire infection.

That the way to a man's heart is through his stomach is unfortunately true.

The medicinal value, and often the safety, of the so-called mineral waters is often questionable.

My birth is unspeakable,
 An outlaw am I,
 A foe to humanity—
 For I am the fly.

Science is only common sense with its hair combed.

Health hint: Don't repeat scandal to a stranger—he might be her brother.

You may visit famous places
 When you're troubled with the gout,
 But watch your little children
 When the measles breaks out.

Speaking of a fat lady's appetite, which is proper: "insatiate," or "I'll say she ate!"

If you'll spend your quinine money for screens you won't have to spend your screen money for quinine.

There's a pimple on your chin,
 Theodore;
 You have picked it with a pin,
 Theodore.
 Just a pimple—then we're dead—
 Thus, in spite of all that's said,
 Dire infections often spread,
 Theodore.

A FAIR TRADE

The housewife gave the tramp a large piece of pie on condition that he should saw some wood. The tramp retired to the woodshed, but presently he reappeared at the back door of the house with the piece of pie intact save for one mouthful bitten from the end. "Madam," he said respectfully to the wondering woman, "if it's all the same to you, I'll eat the wood, and saw the pie."

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A Regular Restaurant
 By THE MYSTERIOUS COWBOY



It was my first day in Torrance. The noon hour had arrived and I felt that void that comes when life makes another demand on us humans—to again appease the appetite. New to the town, I turned to a passerby for the information that should guide me to a place where good food is uppermost. "Go to the Golden West, you can't make any mistake in that choice," said my informant. So to the Golden West I went, and I'm here to tell you that said passerby knew what he was talking about.

Eating is no trifling matter. If you think so, try to forget it for a few days, and then learn something of the importance of staying on friendly terms with your stomach. The partaking of foods should be treated as more than a mere matter of feeding; we should be eternally concerned with the quality and preparation of those things we eat—to the wholesome restaurant should go our trade. Wholesome foods, correctly cooked and served without turmoil or untidiness—that is the key to good eating.

S. J. Kovacevich, twenty years in the restaurant business, is the man who is responsible for Torrance's handsome and pleasing cafe. Mr. Kovacevich has been to much expense and pains to give the local people a restaurant of the highest metropolitan type. Immaculate and bright and comfortable, none could wish for a more pleasant dining place than this.

The manager is E. C. Hatch, an old-time New Yorker who has served his time in the best hotels of Gotham. Hatch knows his business from the start to the finish and he has proven popular and serviceable with the Torrance people.

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