From the Topical Talker, Oct 19

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Ring W. Lardner's Weekly Letter

SOMETHING DIFFERENT FOR CHRISTMAS DAY

Expert on Passing Joy to Others Gives Further Suggestions to Weary Wives.

Menu for Big Meal Guaranteed to Be Spicy and Novel if It Is Nothing Else.

"Calls You Out of the Room."

TO THE EDITOR:

Notes of thanks has been poreing in from ladys that read last week's letter in these cols. in witch I give them the solution of 1 of the big problems of the yule tide but it seems like people is seldom if never satisfied. For inst. yesterday's mail brought a note from a lady name Anxious that reads like the following:

"Dear sir, I seen your letter in the paper where you give such good advice to wifes in regards to what to slip their husband for xmas and as I had a dime left I took advantage of your sugestion and bought Mr. A. a book called Court Plaster. But my husband is 1 of those kind of men that no matter what you do for him he sneers at you and acts like he was bored stiff and every xmas night he says well thank god another xmas is gone as they are all alike, the same old bunk and etc. and bore a man to death. He puts up a line of talk that knocks my xmas cheer for a permanent goal. We have 1 child a boy 5 yrs. of age and he is his father's idle and that is the only thing about xmas that interests my husband is to be sure the boy gets what he wants though he leaves me do all the buying. If you can send any suggestions in regards to how to give my husband a xmas that is different and one that he can't say is just like other xmas and act bored why I will be under deep obligations to yours sincerely Anxious."

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As they may be other ladys in the same boat with this dowager I guess maybe I would better make my reply in the form of a open letter and kill both birds at once as they say.

If I was the lady in question I would go to work on the theary that the way to a man's heart is through their stomach and their children and start in with the children. In the 1st place when the husband comes home xmas eve have the parlor door shut and locked and tell both he and the boy that they must'nt go in there till tomorrow morning as the tree is in there. When the kid has been put to bed excuse yourself to your husband and tell him you have got a hundred things to do such like hanging up the kid's stocking and so 4th.

The 1st thing xmas morning you and Mr. A. go in the kid's room and tell him its time to get up and look in his stocking and see what Santa has broughten him. The stocking is there all right but its empty but nether the kid or the father knows that and that is supprise No. 1. You will bust your sides laughing to see their faces when the kid finds out they's nothing in the stocking.

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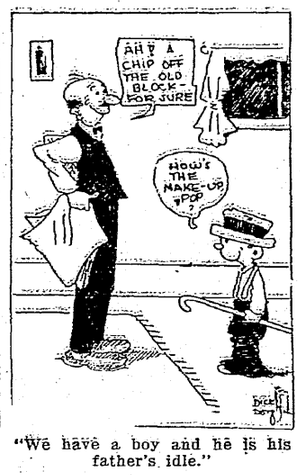
When you get down stairs your husband will probably give you your present, say a silver purse or a seal muff or something and that is your cue to act like you was trying not to laugh and then say, "Well I suppose I can change it" and then pretend like you could bite your tongue off for letting that remark slip out.

After breakfast you say "Now we will look at the tree" and throw open the parlor door and sure enough they's a tree in there but its nothing but just a shoe tree direst like Aphroditey. This is supprise No. 2 and along about this time the son is libel to say where is the presents. "Well" you reply "I know your father don't care nothing about getting any and as for you you are getting too old for toys and your too young to read books so I just naturally past you up." This is pretty sure to get a rise out of the boy and maybe even give a thrill to his dada.

I forgot to mention that when you get up don't put on no holiday attires but wear the oldest close you got and right after you have showed them the shoe tree make a announcement that you have chose this morning to give the house a thorough cleaning, and if possible have a woman come in and help tear up all the rugs and scrubb the floors and etc. If the old boy don't seem to like it tell him your sorry but you have got to have the house clean as they's company coming. This is surprise No. 3 and its still more so yet when you tell



"We have a boy and he is his father's idle."

him who the company is which is a middle age couple that you only met once or twice and your husband has took a sudden fancy against them.

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Well finely the company comes and it gets to be along about 2 in the afternoon and finely Mr. A. calls you out of the room and says what's the matter with dinner. Then you give him surprise No. 4. "I thought we wouldn't have no dinner as everything is so high, and we don't know these people very well, but later on we will have a kind of a little supper like on Sunday nights, just a kind of a pick up supper."

By this time the kid is libel to be kind of nervous so you hall him to his room and lock him in and tell the husband and the company that he is taking a nap and if they want to know why is he yowling tell them he is having bad dreams. Then you suggest a game of old fashion whist with the company and if the latter makes any remarks about its getting late or something, why tell them your so sorry but the turkey didn't come or the goose was too fine or something and you can't give them no dinner but if they will play a few more rubbers why prehaps you will give them a pick-up supper like on Sunday nights.

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About 6 or 7 o'clock I would have the supper put on and leave the kid come down and help enjoy it and I would give them a menu something like as follows:

Cold slaw.
Powder sugar. Loaf sugar.
Pepper and salt.
Junket. Ice tea.
Water.

Right after the meal the company is pretty libel to get up and go home, and as the kid rose so early to look in his stocking he will be pretty well wore out and ready for bed and then comes the sweetest hour of all when the husband and wife is alone together and looks back over the day's festivitys.

"Well," you wisper, "did you have a nice xmas or was you bored?"

"Shet your mouth" he will explain but next xmas we will see that things is ran on conventional lines like it should be.

—RING W. LARDNER.

Greenwich, Conn., Dec. 20.

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ENOUGH ROOM FOR TWENTY MILLIONS

Max Nordau, French Author, Discusses Plan for Jewish State in Palestine.

OPPOSED TO BOLSHEVISM

By International News Service.

LONDON, Saturday, Dec. 20.—There is room for 20,000,000 inhabitants in the new Jewish state that is being created in Palestine, according to Max Nordau, famous French author, who is keenly interested in arousing the interest of Jews throughout the world in this project.

"This is the hour before the dawn for the Jews, thanks to the English-speaking nations," declared Dr. Nordau today. "For a thousand years the Jews have looked for the coming of the Messiah and I feel that his coming is about near. I hope it will not prove a false Messiah.

Realize Meaning of Movement.

"The Jews are just beginning to realize what this Zionist movement really is. Zionism for the Jews is their real salvation. The Jews have assimilated the habits and customs of all nations, but they realize that Palestine is their real home. The masses of Jews hail this movement and if there should be any deception it would be tragic. Those not wanting to go to Palestine can easily remain where they are, and God bless them. It is expected that a method will be devised for giving citizenship in the new state of Palestine to Jews who do not wish to go there right away.

"A system of taxation has been proposed also, by which Jews would contribute to the support of the Palestine government whether they live there or not, if they secure citizenship papers.

Boundaries of New State.

"There is going to be a competition for space in Palestine. The boundaries of the new state probably will be defined after the lines of the Bible. We do not anticipate a return of the whole Jewish people from the outside world, but it is already known that territory which the new state will possess between the Mediterranean and the Euphrates River will hold 20,000,000 souls.

"The Bolshevlki and the Jews have severed their bonds and now hold nothing in common. Leon Trotzky, who with Nicholai Lenine is ruling Bolshevist Russia, has declared himself an internationalist and is not interested in Judaism."

PICTURE BRIDES BANNED

Japanese Embassy Confirms Report Immigration Will Be Curbed.

WASHINGTON, Saturday, Dec. 20.—The Japanese embassy today sent a brief communication to the State Department stating it had made an investigation of the "picture bride" practice and that as a result of this investigation it had been decided that for "the promotion of friendly relations" between the United States and Japan the practice would be stopped.

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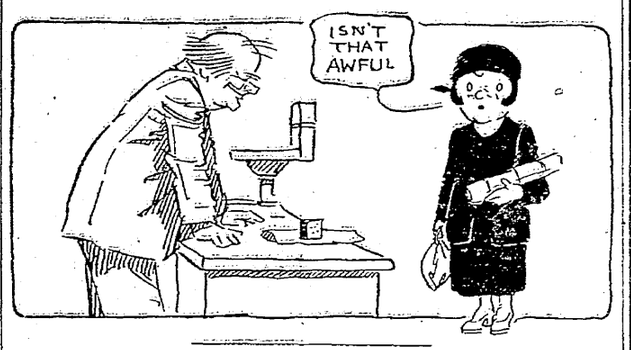

Only Memory of Days When You Could Buy It for Sixty Cents a Pound Remains and Countless Housewives Mourn.

By Dora Dean.

THE High cost of Living is a well known and much talked-of thing. The higher the cost of the once freely indulged-in luxuries is another, but do you know of the ever-ascending fabulous prices of Roquefort cheese? "Well, if it's as high as all that, you can do without it," says old know-it-all. "Of course we can—Smarty!" comes the cheese-lovers' chorused answered back, "But Oh yum, yum, yum, don't you just love it?"

A few weeks ago a prettily dressed feminine customer said to the clerk in a local store, "I'll have a pound and a half of that Roquefort cheese," pointing a gloved finger to a half moon-shaped mound of the tempting substance. "Yes, madam," bowed the clerk, and with a near-fifteenth century executioner's knife, he served the ordered amount. The perfectly curved silhouette of the cheese half moon was no more.

"Sixty cents, is that correct?" she smiled, and a 50 cent piece accompanied by a dime rolled on the shining glass-topped counter.

"Sixty cents—madam!" said the surprised clerk; "why your bill is $3.37. You see Roquefort has gone up and now is selling for $2.25 a pound."

"Well—I never," expostulated the little lady shopper a trifle embarrassed and as she looked into space I knew she saw her dream of a Sunday supper with crisp lettuce salad with a cheesy, creamy Roqueforty sauce vanishing into thin air.

John Gets His Cheese.

"Well," with a sigh and biting her pretty lips, "I'm disappointed—but I cannot pay that. It's too bad it's cut," she added. "I'm sorry."

"Oh, that's all right, madam," said the courteous clerk in a tone of fatherly understanding, "I don't blame you—wouldn't pay it myself," and he carefully piloted it back to its former place on the top of the wide-bladed knife.

Now this happened several Saturdays ago and yesterday the same customer entered the store and approaching the same clerk said, "Good evening."

"Good evening, madam," he answered.

"How is the Roquefort cheese today," she inquired almost timidly.

"Very well, thank you," and he laughed, "not as high today. We're selling it for $1.75 a pound now."

"At $1.75 a pound!" and again she bit her pretty lips. "That's still pretty dear, isn't it? And I did so want some for Sunday supper." Then, after a moment's pause and straightening up she said in a tone that might denote the bravery and stern character of a martyred Christian maiden about to enter a lion's den, "I don't care—I'll just have some. John loves it so and it's near Christmas, too, and I don't need to eat any." Then to the waiting clerk, "I'll take half a pound."

"Yes, madam—88 cents, please."

"Eighty-eight cents—more than I used to pay for two pounds," she mused. "Isn't it frightful?"

Pity Poor Cheese Fans.

"It is, indeed, madam," agreed the clerk, "frightful!"

"Good night," she turned to go.

"Good night, thank you, madam!"

She left the brightly lighted store for the rainy outdoors and smilingly waited on the corner for her street car while she held the precious and costly cheese parcel with a firm hand.

Oh, lovers of Roquefort! Here's hoping your purse is a great deal fatter than the generous little shopper that would gladly do without herself but bought it for "John." If you want to see a pathetic scene go in a grocery store at the near supper hour and watch the cheese fans gazing with glassy eye and parched lips at the glass-inclosed pieces of white and streaked with green and gray Roquefort.

Second (encouragingly)—Stick it! The other chap's copping it worse than you.

Somewhat battered boxer—Worse than me! (excitedly)—Well, stop the fight!—the pore feller oughtn't to be allowed to keep on!—London Blighty.

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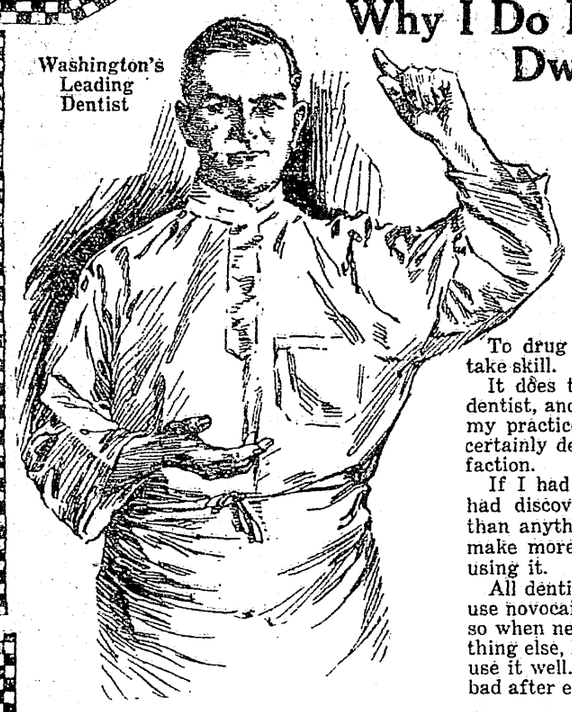

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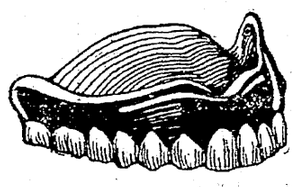

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