
Private
Billie Toote
Diary of 1917



Whe one to injure this book in any way beware of your life
For the owner yes the owner carries a butcher knife

In this little book you can all
What my life was not a life of misery
but a life of laughter and pleasure
In a large yes large measure

When you read this book of mine
Think of me and think of the time
When I was a little kid so high
Cumming up to about your thigh
Then you will remember and give a sigh
and think of the days when you were so high.

Nothing but refine writing is on exhibit in this book — So dont be afaid ladies to read my life — B.I.

Smoking or any profane language is absolutely prohibited in this book — B.I.
I mean while lyfaking at this book it leaves an unpleasant odor — because good people do not care for the odor of smoke

Beware of cheap imitations
(best a word to the Women) — Some Women have very foolish ideas in there nut or beam as — They want votes for women. and they wear hobble skirts and harem skirts because they think they look smart and dressy — but girls take my advise the girl that wears the simplest clothes and dosent dress for show wines out them out of three. They do a lot of foolishness by painting and powdering dyeing there hair ect. But take my advise and you will be better off — B.I.

(for men only) men are also foolish for forming habits such as — smoking chewing drinking ect. You will get along much better if you dont do the whits —

look at me waiting my turn — along — B.I.

Resolution day

January — 1st = Monday

A happy New Year to all of you.
The weather was clear but cold.
Went to the Tootle theatre to see "Alma"
It was fine.
Early this morning about one oclock
I went to the "Benton club" but just
staged a while - Last night went
over to Madam McCord's for dinner
had a dandy dinner and a punk
time, but you cant have both (at once)
Finished dinner about 730 oclock and
sat around till 12 - never was so
bored in all my life (Honest I wasn't
just the same she is a dandy old lady and
I appreciate her asking me — BJ.

A Hard Luck Day

January 2nd Tuesday

I woke up feeling fine — but alas it was the beginning of school. Right then and there I began to feel sleepy. went to school and studied hard as the dickens but it was awfully hard getting back to the old dungeon. After school went down to the "Majestic" and had a dandy time. Last night went to the "Orpheum" had a bully time - The weather was cold and nasty. Had my music lesson and then dread'd book until supper. Read about an auction — That's all I know auction auction auction - got awfully tired of auction so quit — I could be a first class auctioneer

January 3rd. Wensday

The weather is cold and disagreeable. but I dont care because I couldnt get out much on account of School. But nevertheless had a good time at the old hack. After School went out and coasted awhile. The snow was cold but good coasting. when I went home played some pool and got beat so bad that I could not look a pool ball in the face — (because it has no face)
Then after dinner went to the place of sweet dreams and slept fine.
Got a little cold in the night but slept through it — Such foolishness

January 4th Thursday

Woke up thinking about going to old school – thought I never would get there – my only consolation was that tomorrow was Friday. Had a peach off a time at school. We had a substitute and she certainly was some sub. All the boys got in line like convicts and marched in stamping there feet as hard as they could – It was some noise – believe me – Practiced the play were are going to have – Had to make love to a few I see Jews in my night dreams. I guess I will be makeing love to her for a couple of weeks. I hope she dont know its just fa

January 5th Friday

Friday the weather was cold but I didnt care because last day of school. Had the old sub. again and had lots of fun. practiced the play we are going to have. I tell you after all the practicing I ought to be able to make love to any body with out any trouble. Tonight I went to the "Lyceum" and it was "rotten". Gee! This is a dumb way to start a "Diary" not knowing what to say. Well I have to fill it in some way — Have to say good-bye —

Yours Truly

Toots

January 6th Saturday

Some weather today 14° below zero.
Got up bright and early (10 o'clock - Ha)
well any way I was feeling fine - no school
today - went out to "Krug Park" to go skating.
went with my [little] brother (150 pounds)
we had a dandy time (even if we
didn't skate much. we nearly froze
to death, but the little fellow I was talking
about was a sheild to me - the wind
~~was~~ couldn't get by him. So I didn't
get cold at all - went to see "Rip
Van winkle" and he was pritty
good. I got so sleepy watching him
sleep, that I don't remember any more -
(only it was as cold as the dickens coming home) we got the car with
out waiting 2 minutes. (5 min - seemed
like 2 hours) Ha.

January 7th Sunday

Had a good night last night.
weather is fine today but a little cold.
Old Milt goes back to St Pauls to-
morrow and I certainly feel sorry
for him — But I guess it is all
for the better. Didn't go to church
because the pipes were frozen.)
went up to the (HORSE Hospital)
to see Lola. She is just about the
same. Saw a (Woman) take
a dirty fall. Didnt hurt her though.
I saw a fellow carrying some
skates & guess he was going skating.
I certainly did feel sorry for him.
because I know had experience in skating
Put a capital "S" on Sorry to make
it harder. went home and got supper.

January 8th Monday

I expect you know this is blue Monday because I know some of you feel like the dickens when you have to get up early and go to work. But you wouldnt be happy unless you had some burden. Well got to school and didnt mind it very much. went to the "Royal" after school with a bunch of guys and had a dandy time. Poor old sport Milt is on the train now. But it wont belong until he will be back. (4 mo.) Am going to see Blanche King tonight - She is play "The Wall Street Girl"

January 9th Tuesday

Got up and went to school and had a pritty good time. (at recess) We had manual training this morning. went to the theater last night and it was of the best plays that has been here this year. Thos was a girl in it looked just like Mrs. She certainly was a dandy. after School played and had a lot of fun. We went coasting on our (hounds) or a more polite word for feet would be hoofs. Feet hounds or hoofs just the same we went coasting and had a dandy time.

Wops my dear there is a ring around the moon. I guess I will go see it so here goes. Solong.

January 10th Wensday

As usual went to school and knew my lessons pritty good. The weather is a little cold but it makes one feel good. After school practiced the play some more. I will get so sick of being an actor that every time I hear "actor" I run a miles. When we finished practicing went out and coasting. Had a good time. Now I am sitting writing this or I guess I wont eat this keep me from losing any sleep. Am going to bed - (good by)

Bill. T

January 11th Thursday

You know what I did in the the morning - well if you dont know I went to school. After school went down town and bummed around a while then went ~~when~~ to the majestic and the pictures were rotten. They were all about love and I am getting so tired of love about no what to do. At school I practice love at moveing pictures I see people making love when I read (I said when) (once in a year) I read about love usualy - Earl Zimmerman is comming up to night to have a little game of pool - when I get through with him he will be so tired of pool (nearly as tired as I am about making love. I have to telephone now. I don't know what I will (Tel. a Phone.)

January 12th Friday

Hurrah for Friday! cursed be the one that says any thing about Friday. Got up at 8/5 this this morning feeling fine. Went to school and had a pritty fair time. After school did the same thing as I have been doing for a month or more. (Practicing) ~~when~~

I dont care to morrow is Saturday went out last night for a little change had a pritty good time (I thought it was pritty stupid) Dont know whether I will go out or not to night. I think it would do me good to go out for once in a month. {Dont / You}.

January 13th Saturday!

At last a day of rest is upon us. (poor school Kids) We dont wake up until 10 oclok and then stayed in bed until 11:5 oclok. Read the news paper all morning. After lunch went to the Theater to see the "Heart Breakers" and it certainly could not break my heart. It would not break mine if I never saw it. After that went to Bells and had a fine time. Weather was dandy today about 12 above. I am going some place tonight but dont know where to go. Saw a fat woman take a graceful fall — 1st time I ever saw a fat one fall gracefully

January 14th Sunday

Weather was pritty good today, not very cold. Went to church had a good time, (after church) the sermon was pritty good - as much of it as I heard. went up to the hospital to see Lala. She is about the same. Went to sunday school this afternoon. After that went to Bells on my way home, had some thing that nearly made me (vomit) came home then and had a good dinner. After dinner studied Arimetic and talked a little

January 15th Monday

Another Blue day even if the sky is white. went to school and new my lessons pretty good. Came home at noon and had lunch. After school went to the Royal. Had a dandy time. Had an Arithmetic ~~test~~ examination and I only made 70% but that passed me.

Well good bye Readers have not any time to write any more. I have the Blues.

Tootie

January 16th Tuesday

went to school and new my lessons well. after school went up to high school and looked around. It certainly is a hum old shack. Then I came home and had my music lesson. Then had dinner. I am going to Mutt and Jeff and must go.

So good bye —

Bill Coats.

January 17th Wensday

Weather was dandy today. about 30° above. went to school and practiced the play some more Came home at lunch and then went down town and then went to school. After school went out and played awhile. Then I came home and played pool with LeRoy and I certainly did lick him. Then had dinner and now am spending my time writing this. Last night went to see Mutt & Jeff. The show was Punk Punk Punk.

Graduating Day

January 18th Thursday

The weather is fine today Went to school and practiced for the last time. After school in the morning went home and got lunch. After lunch loafed around until two oclock then went back to school and dressed for the play. It pulled off fairly good. Then received my "Diploma" Certainly was glad to get it even if it was only a piece of common paper with a little writing on it. After the play went to the "majestic" it was pitty good. met LeRoy Pring and managed to spring a couple of jokes on him

January 19th Friday

Run out of ink. I can run pretty fast but not fast enough to catch ink. went to school about 1 8 oclock and when I got to school the grad-uates were highly treated by the class. We had ice-cream cake candy and lots of songs. When the songs came I went. Such songs, such voices such noise, such a boreing time Fortunately I didnt try to sing. (I wanted them to stay) worked on my Lacourette and (finished it)

January 20th Saturday

went up to high school and enrolled. It took up all morning. Then went down town and got some school books and came home. Had lunch and ate like a pig! After lunch went down town. met Leroy Young. walked around awhile and then went to the Wolfe Theatre. stayed there about fifteen minutes then went to see the Play at the Lyceum "Social maids". got in on my face (free) After that went to Bells and got a Sunday - I aught to be ashamed of my self having a sunday before sunday. well I had it anyway and it was pretty good.

Church day

January 21th Sunday

Lo they say that today be Sunday. well if any body know it I do. went to church in the morning. after church went to the Hospitable to see Lala. came home and ate lunch. After ~~church~~ lunch went to church and then after church went to see a kid. Then went to the elks club for supper and after supper went to [CHURCH]. making it 3 times in one day.

1St Day at High School

January 22 Monday

Got up at 730 oclock this morning and went to High School. After I got up there I lost my way every time I turned around. But I guess I will get used to it. Any way I got through alright and then. Oh! Off for the rest of the day. went home and ate lunch. After lunch went to the moving picture show and had a good time. But Oh! You Bed. Tonight

January 23rd Tuesday

Got up and it wasn't so hard to get up early this morning went to "High" and thought I never would get out. But at last 1'2 came. went home and ate lunch. Then went to the Majestic. After that went to Blocks and got a pair of ~~trousers~~ trousers. weather was fine about 30° above. make 45° came home and ate dinner I am now thinking of going to my [trundle] HED.

Good bye

~~January 24th~~ ~~Wensday~~

went to school and got
better acquainted with the school
much better than Monday.
After school went to the
Lyceum and it certainly
was punk. Then I went to
Bills and got some
thing to eat. After that I
felt much better. Then went home
and had dinner. It certainly
was a good one.

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P.S. Bill beat N--- out of me at craps & then wanted to give it back to me

Signed Duck.

January 25th Thursday

EXTRA - EXTRA -

EXTRA - The news boy cried "at Milton Bottles last night they had caramel ice cream". (There was company. Ha Ha) It certainly was good. went to High and I think I know my way all over the building now. went down town after lunch and bumbled around. Then went to the majestic. It was pritty good. It beat the show at the Lyceum yesterday. That doesn't say much for it.

Stamp day

January 26th Friday

Went to school and they had a fire drill and I got out all right but going back I got in the the wrong way. I got in the girls door and I got lost in a crowd of girls. My how I felt. After school went to the barber shop and got a hair cut. Then went to the "majestic" Had a pretty good time. After that went home and ~~got~~ had my music lesson.

Billy

A resting day.

January 27th Saturday

at last saturday has approached upon us. Last night Dad thought he heard some one out on the porch. we all gat up and try as hard as we did we did not succed in getting a glimse at any one. went downtown this morning and hunted around. Then went to the Lyceum after lunch. It was not much good. Came home and played some ball and then I ate dinner. I guess you know what I am going to

1st Practicing day in 1926

January 28th Sunday

went to church and about broke my neck falling down. But at last I got there. Heard a dandy sermon but got a little tired. After that came home and met a fellow that worked in the Tootle Lemon Bank. Had lunch and never ate so much ice cream ~~ever~~ before in my life. Then I practiced for once in a year. Played pool and beat. Then like an idiot played craps and got beat. well good bye -

Nothing else to say.

Bill Tootle

January 29th Monday

Got up feeling punk. but I got to school alright. Nuf my lesson pritty good (for monday) Came home and ate lunch and then went to the Majestic and it was pritty good. Then bumbled around town and came home and played in the yard. Then came in and ate dinner and am now wasting my time writing this diary. well must go to bed now.

Be patient until I write the other page.

January 30th Tuesday

went to school and had a pretty good time, then I came home and ate lunch. went to the usual place (when dorm broke) the majestic. It was fairly good. Then I came home and had my music lesson. Knew my lesson pretty good. I am so hungary. So please let me off tonight so I may get a good dinner.

I am going my way. Good bye

January 31th Weensday

Didn't have to go to school. went to Lala's funeral - and it certainly was sad to see one of the best woman in the world go. Then I came home and practic awhile. Had lunch and went dow to the crystal moving picture show after that walked around and had a pretty good time. came home and played in door baseball. Then came home and washed up for dinner.

Good bye people until tomorr

February 1st Thursday

Had a rather disagreeable cold. Stayed home and monkeyed around all morning, then this afternoon I sat around and practiced awhile. I couldn't go out so had a rather stupid time of it. Had tea with mother about 5 o'clock and it certainly tasted good. Now I am going to play some pool.

So give up writing.

Bill Foulke

February 2nd Friday

another punk day. You may think it fine to get out from school, but if you are not feeling very good you dont think any thing is fine. got up at 12'30 went to the doctors and came home and practiced a while. then ate lunch and played cards a while after lunch. Bumbled around the house and had a humble time.

February 3 [illegible] Saturday

Feeling better today. Got up at 11:30 and went to the doctors. Came home and sat around awhile until lunch. Then ate lunch and got ready for the "matinee" it certainly was good. Took Mrs Thompson home and came home and got warm. Didnt do much more. Any way it wouldnt interest.

You

That means you.

February 4th Sunday

I felt pretty good - Didn't go to church. Got up at 12 oclock Bumbled around until lunch time came and then had lunch. After lunch sat around and had a Punk time. Had dinner and went to bed shortly after dinner.

February 5th Monday

Didn't have to go to school to
day. But believe me I would
rather go any place than stick
around in the house
and not know whats to
do. Practiced awhile this after
noon. Studied sum this
morning.

Do you notice how large I write to
fill up the page. well people if you
sat in the house all day you wouldnt
know much to say.

So do not blame me

February 16th Tuesday

Felt much better today.
weather warmer. went out this afternoon and took some clothes to the tailor, got some shoe strings and then got my toe fixed. Didn't hurt at all.
This morning got up at 12 o'clock. studied awhile then hunted around until lunch. I am going to school to morrow.
I would much rather go to school than feel punk and sit around in the house having nothing to do except take medicine

Starting school again.

Febuary 8th Wensday

weather pretty good - good enough
To make snow balls. Threw ~~threw~~ at a fellow
and missed him. what do you think
He deliberatly came back and washed
my face in snow. Felt a little cold
but I didn't mind. I didn't have to
wash face for lunch. Ha Ha. after school
came home and ate lunch. Then went
down to the majestic and then I come
home. Had tea then went out a while.
Came in and studied. Now I am ready
for BED

February 8th Thursday

went to school and just my luck had two written tests.

Have to make up 3 written tests but I dont think they are very hard after school went home and ate lunch. Then went down town and bumbled around. Saw the cops take a woman to the Jail. She certainly was intoxicated pretty bad. It was funny to see her fight.

Have to study now

Good bye

February 9th. Friday

Slept like the dickens last. (nit)
Coughed all (year) I mean all night
Any way it seems all year.
Didn't go to school just lay
around and took it in easy.
Got up at 12 and went to the doctors
Then came home and ate
lunch. In the afternoon I
bumbed around.
came home and had my music
lesson.

I feel like the dickens.

Good night.

February 10th Saturday

Stayed in bed all morning and had lunch in bed. Got up at about two oclock and read all afternoon. Havent any thing to say much so must close

Bill Tootle.

my cough is just about the same.

February 11th 1912 Sunday

Didnt go to church this morning
becaus Dr. Dobyns was not there.
I felt like the dickens any way.
after lunch just sat around and
had darn punk time.
uncle John and Kathrine came up for
sunday night supper.
They went right after supper to church.

February 12th Monday

went down town and met mother, then we went up to Dr's and he said "he thought I had hooping cough." Isn't that pleasant.

well might as well have it now as after awhile. Had lunch then went to the majestic. met LeRoy and we went to Bells. Came home and had a game of pool. are going to get ready for dinner.

Good night

Germ Day

February 13th. Tuesday

Got up feeling bumb went down to Dr Banes and he told me again that I had Whooping Cough.

came home and sat around all day. Read a magizene and had a pretty stupid time.

Dont know any more to say.

February 14th Wensday

weather about 8 above.

Coughed all night. Got up at

12 30 oclock went down to Drs.

and he sprayed my throat.

Then came home and ate

lunch. went to the Majestic

and then came home and

had a snow ball fight.

Now I am going to get ready

for dinner. Feeling bunt

Excuse me.

February 15th 12 Thursday

The weather is not too promising for a good day. went to the Dr/ Banes and after he had finished with me & went to Brandons and got a book to read. went to the majestic this afternoon. Had a right good time.

February 16 Friday

Slept none to good last night. weather is pretty good Got up at about 1 o'clock and went down to Dr Bane. Came home and had lunch then went to the Postoges. It was pretty punk. Had one thing pretty good. One fellow said that the only thing that was open on Sunday was "the open work stocking's girls wore, and he said he thought it should be looked into

February 17th 12 Saturday

Slept rotten last night.
The weather is pretty good today.
went to see Dr) again today.
went to the Lyceum after lunch.
and of all the plays it was
the worst. (oh the limit) It was
a colored play. There were more
colored people there than I have
seen in all my life. when all the
lights went out it store looked
like a watermelon dinner up in niger
heaven. with the red lips and white teeth
as large as elephant tusks.
Sorely without a sight

February 18th Sunday

Didn't go to church. stayed in Bed (as usual) and lay around lazyly.
Got up for lunch. what do you think. we had ice cream for lunch. after lunch stayed in the house and worked all afternoon on puzzles. after supper worked some more.

February 19th 12 Monday

Slept pretty good last night. Didn't go to Dr Banes this morning. It was not very nice outside.

After lunch went down town and bumbed around. met a bunch of fellows and we went to the Royal Had a lot of fun.

Came home and played some pool.

February 20th Tuesday

Have not started to school yet.
Slept fairly well last night.
The weather is pretty good.
went to Dr Banes. Then got
Duck and drove him home.
went to the majestic and
had a pritty good time. Came
home and had my music
lesson. Am going to Bed
very soon after dinner

1st Day I whooped.

February 21st 12 Wensday

Slept better last night than I have for a long time. Woke up at 6 oclock A.M. got up after breakfast and went to my usual ~~post~~ place (Dr H.V. Banes) & sprayed my throat and nose. This afternoon went to the Royal, with Spencer Trance. Had a pretty good time. Sat in Back of a Jew. couldn't see a thing. (but her nose) Everytime some thing interesting was going on she would lean over one way. THAT-NOSE-OH-THAT-NOSE Look at it wobble

February 22nd Thursday

Had a rottin night last night. coughed nearly all night.
went to Dr Bones. He thought I was getting better. mother wrote Uncle Sal and asked if I could come down there to visit. I hope I can. went to the movie pictures with a bunch of boys. Had a good time.
came home and had dinner.
Now — Good-night!

Febuary 23rd Friday

Went to the DR and had my throat sprayed. Then went to the tailor and got some clothes. Come home and had lunch. Got a letter from AUNT Bate saying to come down there as fast as I could. I am going about the 29.

Played Mike a couple of games of pool and I ruined him as easy.

February 24 Saturday

Slept pretty good last night

I am going to the Dr to get xray

Just came home from Dr Ban

had lunch and then went

to the majestic. met Alex

Clayton and Paul Shilton.

They came up and some

pool.

I am leaving town

February 27 Tuesday

and I certainly will

be glad to get away from this weath

Feburg 25th 12 Sunday

Woke up at 10 oclock and had breakfast in bed. got up at about 1230. after lunch played some pool with Druck. Then Carlton Burch came over and I played him. after that I went down and had a cup of tea. am going to Texas

Tuesday

A heck of a day

February 26 Monday

got up at about 12:30 oclock and looked out the window to see what kind of a day it was. It was cloudy. Just before lunch it began to snow like the dickens. The wind was blowing hard as the dickens. Couldnt go out so I had the heck of a day. Mrs McCord brought over some candy and it certainly was good.

I am going to Texas Wensday surely.

Febuary 27th 12 Tuesday

The weather is a lot better today than yesterday.

After lunch went to Dr Banes and he gave me a bunch of prescriptions to get filled. Then I went and did some shopping. Came home loaded down with bundles.

I am going to bed early to-night so I will be ready for my trip tomorrow.

"Here is looking at you"

I had to take some medicine.

Bill Tootle.

Left St Joe - For Texas

February 28th Wensday

Well every thing is ready to go. went down to Dr Bones and said "goodbye" Then bumled around got on the train and thought I never would get to Kansas City. got there at ~~5~~ 4:15 and waited until 5's then got on the train for Texas. I am going to bed now.

good night

Arrived in San Antonia.

February 29th Thursday

never was so glad to see a station in all my life as I was to see San Antonia. All I did was to sit down and look out the window. arrived at 8 35 and uncle Bate was down there to meat us, we went up to his house and I tell you I retired pretty early. Just sat around a few minutes and talked

March 1 Friday

got up at 7:20 and had breakfast then went down to Collins and Co. and waited until Uncle Rate got through business Then road all around town. came home and had lunch. Then stayed around the house and loafed around. went down town about 4 oclock. I am ready to retire.

March 2nd 12 Saturday

The weather is certainly humb. (That is today.) It is raining like the dickens. Stayed in bed for breakfast. Got up at about 11:15 Sat around the rest of the morning. after lunch uncle Bate drove Mr Steel and myself down town. We went to the "Plaza" theatre. It was pretty good. Then we waded around in the mud a while trying to find porter. came home and had dinner (I am tired)

March 3rd 12 Sunday

Woke up at about 9 o'clock and had breakfast in bed. Then I decided to get up for lunch. after lunch sat around a while and read the men's paper. Then uncle Bate, aunt Sue and myself went out auto riding we had a fine time. went to the country club and walked around and then we come home.

I am going to bed right away.

March 4th 12 Monday

The weather is humid today. raining pretty hard. Had breakfast in bed and wrote a few postal cards. Then got up for lunch and after lunch rode down town with aunt Sue. She came back and I rode around town with Porter. After dinner sat around and read the papers. Retired at 9 o'clock.

March 5th 12 Tuesday

It is not a pretty day. It is a little cloudy. Had breakfast in bed and had a dandy time. got up for lunch and after lunch went down to uncle Bates office. Then he drove me down town (I dont mean I was the horse and he drove me. but he took me down in the auto.) He left me at the Royal theatre a vaudville. play Then I took in a bunch of moving pictures joints. I then walked home and I am tired. (as usual) went to bed at 9 o'clock

March 6th 12 Wensday

woke up at quarter after nine.
had breakfast in bed.
got up just in time for lunch.
After lunch uncle Pate took me
down as far as the store and I
walked the rest of the way. went
to a moving picture show and after
that walked around town.
Then went to a picture show again.
I bet I dont sleep good tonight.
Those pictures were enough for me.
I saw the black hand & saw them electrocute
McKinley's murderer. [illegible]

March 7th 12 Thursday

I stayed in bed (as usual) until lunch time. after I had lunch I rode out to the post with uncle Bate. They were having an auction on all the things which were condimned. Then went down town. Took in a couple of picture shows. Then I walked home. after dinner played a few games of solitary. Then went to bed

March 8th '12 Friday

I guess you know what I did in the morning. (Shrunded)

After lunch uncle Bate ~~wrote~~ me down to the store. Then I walked the rest of the way to town.

Went to a couple of moveing picture shows. walked home and then had dinner. Aunt Sue told me not to eat candy so I ate peanuts Put him out again

March 9th 12 Saturday

Got up for lunch and after lunch went down town and mailed a card. Then came home and went out for an automobile ride. Such a ride I never had before. We rode about 10 miles. (Bang!??? a puncture. After we fixed that we started again. (notice the way I say "we fixed it." I sat in the back seat looking on.
We had 4 blowouts before we got home

March 10th Sunday

[illegible] last [illegible]
[illegible] me [illegible] me
[illegible] you [illegible] I
[illegible] up at 10 o'clock.
Walked down town [illegible]
[illegible] with [illegible].
[illegible] walked around [illegible]
while we came home. For
the lunch we went [illegible] the
[illegible]. We were going [illegible]
swimming but [illegible]
[illegible] we went to [illegible]
[illegible] around [illegible]
home. Good night.

March 11th 12 Monday

The weather is fine today. Got up about twenty after 11.

Was walking down-town with Mand, and met Mr Lieb in the auto. He took us up and drove us downtown. Then we went over to the Post and all around there. After lunch went down town and walked around. Then went to Hot wells and went swimming. The water was fine, only I didn't like the sulphur. It was sulphur wate

march ~~15~~ 12th Tuesday

Got a invitation yesterday.

Then uncle walked around and

had a pretty good time.

At about 3:30 we left the Lodge

game with mother. Dad and

the boys played a game of ball.

They certainly did play hard.

When I came home and went

to [illegible]

[illegible] Mary

until [illegible]. Then went to bed.

March ~~16~~ 13th Wensday

Didn't do any thing except lay around in bed in the morning. after lunch went down town and went to a couple of moving picture shows. came home and had dinner.

Played cards for a while after dinner.

I am nearly asleep now

march 14th. Thursday

got up at 1 oclock. Had lunch then rode down to collins co with uncle Bate. Then we went down town. Put his little red car in the garage. we went to the alamo Bank. after that we went to the Ball game. Saw the Champions play again. came home and it was time for dinner. after dinner played solitary with uncle Bate.

when I came down here I knew how to play one game of solitary. uncle Bate knew so many that he taught me 6 or 7. now I dont even know how one game I set them all.

march 15th Friday

Well! Well! Well! Little Willie got up at 11 oclock. all the people around the house though I was sick. Walked down town and got a fountain pen. Then I walked home again. after lunch went down town with aunt Sue and mr Stice to do aunt Sue's shopping. after she got through ment out to the past. Heard the band play and saw them "guard mount" Took a little ride and came down

march 19th. Saturday

Didn't get up until 12 30.

After lunch went down town & then walked out to the army Post. Saw a pretty good game of Polo. watched them play Polo awhile then went and watched them play ball. after that I went over and heard them play the band.

Saw them "guard mount" Then came home.

a pretty tiresome day

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March ~~20~~ th Sunday

got up for breakfast. after I had finished breakfast I went down town with pastor. He got some gasoline and oil. came home and met aunt Sue Uncle Bate & mr steel we all started for a hundred mile trip. we went to Burnes. Had lunch up there and then started home. got home at about 8 20. uncle bate and my self got out down town and went and got something to eat.

A day that [illegible] body got [illegible] scaped.

~~march 21st~~ march 18th Monday

Got [illegible] time for break fast. after breakfast I went up to feed polly. while I was feed[illegible] I [illegible] all of a sudden the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. I [illegible] was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] work. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. no, [illegible] [illegible] up. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] men [illegible] hive [illegible] [illegible] You co[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] full of [illegible] pieces [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

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March 22 Md. Tuesday

Ladies and gentlemen! I am one enjoyed to see the interest you are taking in this wonderful book. I sincerely hope you will like the other volume as well as you do this one. In the next volume it is a three month series and we take special interest to see that there is nothing put in it that will not be proper for women and children. Thanking you again. Drummond

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dont read this before the 20 of march.

into the coffee. we had no spoon to stir it with, so we used part of the fishing rod. The paint off of the rod also melted. after the coffee was ready we found we had no strainer. I suggested we strain it through my shirt tail. Then I thought of a handkerchief. I found one. We strained it through that. Put about 1/2 cup of sugar in it and it was better than none.

went for a fishing trip.

March 20rd. Wednesday

getting before any of the other people in the house. Had to wait for breakfast and after breakfast Porter had to go down town. we got started about 9 30. got out to "Grand Loop" about 10 40. measurement came. its about 33 miles. fished all the rest of the morning. about 1 to 2 we had lunch. after lunch Porter and Bigfoot went to Legume. met Steel and fished awhile then went and got the remains of the lunch. There were 12 eggs. we painted the side of a barn yellow with eggs. Then we made some coffee. when the water began to boil the coffee in the [illegible] spilled.

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March ~~4~~ th Thursday

march ~~24~~ 22th Friday

In the morning I shall not tell what I do, because you all ready know. all I do is lay in bed until lunch time. After lunch walked down town with mr steel to get a couple of dog muzzles for "Bob" & "Riley". we went to every Hard ware store in town. I left mr steel hunting still and I went to the moveing picture show. Then came home.

March 2~~6~~th '12 Saturday

after lunch went out and
chopped a large lunch of wood.
Then went out for a little ~~a~~ ride
I layed ball with two neighbo
I helped Porter clean the
brass on his car.

"People I forgot to write Saturday
night and I have to ~~write~~ rely
on my memory. Seeing my
memory is not much good
I hope you will excuse me.

I thank You Kindly
Billie

march

~~February~~ 26th Sunday

got restless in bed so I thought I would get up for breakfast. after breakfast went with uncle Bate to town. Then went out to the country club. watched a man and woman play golf. They were just learning. my those ball flew all around. came home and had lunch. after lunch two neighbors came over to play. we played until supper was read. I retired right after supper. dont wake me up (Ha-) I am asleep.

First time I ever ran an auto

March

~~February~~ 25th Monday

Hurrah! Hurrah! Hurrah!

Billie Trotter must be sick, he got up at 8 o'clock and had breakfast with the rest of the folks. well I learned to drive uncle Bates car. I don't exactly know all about it but I know if I was out in the country alone I could drive it home.

went down town with uncle Sue to do her shopping. I do declare women can take up more time in one store and then only buy a spool of thread

March 26th Tuesday

Without a doubt I am sure some chauffer. am getting so I can run the car just fine. went hunting this morning. (hunting for a washwoman) Every colored lady we saw we would ask if she wanted a job. finally we got one. Then we went out for a little ride and of course I drove the car. after lunch the laundress didn't show up. so we spent the rest of the day getting another

March 28th 1912 Wensday

I certainly cant see how people can go in a store, & stay an hour or more and then come out with just a spool of thread. After aunt Sue got through shopping the morning was all gone. Came home and had lunch after lunch helped Porter fix the auto. We went for a little ride and had some time. Mr Stil and Porter are getting to call me "Cap" Sucess my what a name. The reason why is — because I eat so many Cap Cakes.

an' a thur fishing trip but a small one)

March 28th 1912 Thursday

went down town with aunt Em.
after she did some shopping we
went to hear a man play on a "Apallo"
come home and helped Porter
shine the brass on old "Betsy".
after lunch went out and got
a setting of eggs for a hen that
is setting here. She has been setting
a month all ready. Then went out
to the "Salado" and fished a while. I caught
a turtle and a little fish about as big
as a minnow. got tired and came
home - and spend my ward mrs
weakley had chocolate ice cream.
it was fine - I am awfully cold

March 29th 12 Friday

after breakfast went out in the yard and cut the grass and tryed to straiten up a little bit. went out & set some eggs after lunch to set a hen that has been setting on unfertile eggs for about 4 weeks after me drove around awhile we finnally found the place. Took them home to Col. Vesta. to put under the old hen. The hen got scared off the nest and hasn't been back yet. mrs Babatt is coming for dinner at home to get dressed and

Supper

March 31th '12 Saturday

The weather fine today. After breakfast went out and played some baseball. Then went down town with Porter. Did the ordering and came home. Stayed around until lunch time. Had lunch and went down town with aunt Sue. She did some shopping while I got a hair cut.

I really congratulate my self for getting up at 7 o'clock sharp for breakfast. Haven't missed a morning for about one week. I am going to take a bottle of tonic.

march 31st 1912 Sunday.

got up and looked out the window.
alas! it was raining to my sorrow
Walked down town and bumbled
around with uncle Bate. Came
home and had dinner. Then
went out walking with mr
steel. Came home and scraped
up something to eat. Sat around
and read awhile.

April 1st 1912 monday

Went down town after breakfast and walked all around. Then I came home and played base ball until lunch time. After lunch went out and had a fine time playing base ball. Helped Porter shine the brass on old Bettsy. at 9 oclock I went to bed.

april 2nd ~~Sunday~~ Tuesday

Slept fine last night. got up for breakfast and felt fine.
Went out and chopped grass all morning. when I say chopped gra I mean cut grass but the lawn more - was out of ~~grass~~ order so I had to use the hand cythe. Then I got smart ~~and~~ and thought I would trim the pear tree. So I gets up in the tree with a little saw. I saws away and pretty soon I get reckless

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April 3rd 1912 Wensday

and sawed a limb to big to hold. The old limb fell and lit on my fruit. What a bump. Then again I sawed a limb which I was standing on. and of course when the limb fell little Willi went to the ground. That made two bumps.

I forgot to write

Judge - ten years in the cooler. me-oh please mr Judge let me off this time - officer take him out.

d tire some day

- April 4th 1912 Thursday

In the morning mr steel Porter and my self went out and gathered some wild flowers for Aunt Sue - she is giveing a luncheon. came home and had lunch — (a dish of grape nuts) Then went out to the Salads to go fishing — when we got out there Porter was to come right back. of course mr steel went off with out the fishing lines. Porter had gone home so what could we do. it was to fall to walk so we had to wait out there 5 hours

April 5th 1912 Friday

After breakfast went out and helped Porter fix his car. Then played base ball until about 11 oclock. walked down town and lumbed around the rest of the morning. Come home and had lunch Then went down to Collins & and helped Uncle Bate check off some stuff. went down town and watched them fix Uncle Bates car for the Endurence run. Tryed it to see if she was in good order. now I am ready to go to bed because I have to get up at 5 oclock. Good Night. N.P.

a day which I never will forget.

april 6th 1912 Saturday

got up at 6°30 oclock and had breakfast
Then we started out. went down to the
San Antonio Light office where we got
checked out. we went fine until we got
to a bridge where there was a great big
~~hole~~ whole. we hit the hole going pretty fast
and broke a spring. we managed to get
to a little town called Floresville and got
it fixed. went a block and it broke
again. Then we get it fixed again
started out again. It broke 4 or 5
times before we got to Corpus Christi

April 7th 1918 Sunday

we arrived in Corpus Christi at 3 a.m. It was raining like the dickens. I slept almost all the way. we went to bed as soon as we got there. got up at 6 o'clock and had breakfast. fixed the car up a little and got checked out.

My you never saw such mud. well we went fine Sunday. we passed a lot of cars which had slid down in a whole in the mud. arrived at Aransas Pass at about 12 o'clock. stayed there until

april 8th 1912 Monday

4 oclock. By the time 4 came the sea was to rough to ferry the cars over. So we stayed there over night. In the morning the rain was awful. It was too windy and rough to cross then. So we took a little ride in a launch. went out to see the gulf. Gee it was pretty with all the breakers. Stayed at the Arkansas Hotel and had supper. went to bed right afterwards. Got up at 5 oclock to catch a train.

april 9th 1912 Tuesday

had breakfast and went to the station. got on the train and came home to dear old San Antonio. my but every one was glad to see Thomie! Had lunch and ate like a pig. went down town with mama and walked all around. I tell you I am sure going to go to bed early tonight.

I bet I dream of Enid for a year

april 10th 1912 Wensday.

First time I slept good since we went on the Endurance run. I always had to sleep with mr Steel. and he is getting awfully fat. well I ~~went~~ goes to bed first I get near the wall. He comes in and honest to goodness that man takes more room than any one I know. I only had a little space in which I even couldnt turn around in. so I gets up and soaks him on his back side. He lets out a roar and then we talk the rest of the night once I slept at the foot of the bed as I cant turn around. He thought he had it on me and said. Had did you like sleeping at my feet. (chew) I says well how did you like sleeping at mine. He forget about my feet being at his head. But believe me I never could forget his feet. went down town and walked around after lunch. just lounged around the house.

Thursday

~~Friday~~

April 11th 1912

Slept fine last night and woke up at about 730. Then slept a while longer. Had breakfast at 8 and then wrote some letters. got up just before lunch. after lunch played ball for awhile, then went down town and bumbled around until about 530 came home and played baseball for awhile. came in and got dressed for dinner..

Believe me I know something is going to happen because we had ice cream for dinner. I ate two dishes of it and wanted more but every one seemed to be eating it as though it

and I ate to my

finished with my second plate this and more.

I forgot to write Friday so you will have to contend with these little Letters. Don't you feel sorry for both of them.

April 12th 9/12

Friday
~~Saturday~~

Duck. when he was about 2 years old.

I broke the dry laws of this town alright - but it happened in my sleep.



DUCK.

Milt when he was about 2 years old

I feel that I need a change.



MILT.

I couldnt find one that would suit me then.

finished with my second photo this morning.

april 13th 1912 Saturday.

Got up for breakfast and played ball all morning. Went down town after lunch and walked all around. Came home and had lunch. Then there was about 5,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000.00 boys out in the yard, waiting to play ball. Maybe not just that many, maybe two or three less. Then after I played ball I came in and got ready for dinner. I am thinking very much about going to

BED

April 14th 1912 Sunday

This morning walked down town with uncle Bate. He sure must of had tight shoes because he waved limp like old "Nancy Sprague" the goose. got the mail and came home. Had lunch and man how I devoured that ice cream. Went out side and played ball all afternoon. uncle Bate asked about my tickets and sure enough I had left them in my old coat pocket and it was in the trunk down at the station. We went down there and opened the trunk and got the tickets. Comming home the car was packed. I was in the front and hardly had standing room. Every time the motorman put the brake on he would swing the brake around and it would hit me in the stomach

april 15 th 1912 Monday

We had breakfast at 7 oclock sharp. Went downs to a little store to change some money. While I walkld along playing with the "bill" what does I do but ~~tore~~ tare it into two or three pieces. Then I got skared to ask for change so got a little kid to do it for me. Then we all went down to the station and got on the Katy for Sat Joe. I will be glad to get there though. I had a dandy time.

I am just setting on the train waiting to get in St Joe.

good night

April 16th 1912 Tuesday

arrived home today. Had a pretty tiresome trip. while I was coming home every thing was peaceful in the chair car when all of a sudden a bell started off. The porter looked all around under the ~~seat~~ seat on the top of the car and all over. I began laughing because I know what it was. The alarm clock in mayni's satchel went off. I went to bed pretty early. Slept fine.

April 17th 1912 Wensday

Stayed in bed until nearly lunch time. when I got up wrote a couple of letters. Then had lunch and met LeRoy Prinz down town. We went down to the Royal and then came home and played ~~[illegible]~~ and played Euchre. Fritzi Van Brunt came in and we had a good time. went to 'Chanticleer'. It certainly was fine.

april 18th 1912 Thursday

got up at about 1030. Played pool with little Milt. He certainly looks funny with the mumps. His cheeks are all puffed out. He looks like a big fat bar tender. after ~~lunch~~ went down town & lumbed around awhile. Then went up to Pringes skating rink and had a dandy hard time nearly broke my neck skating.

I am going right now good-bye I am in the cradle

Baseball season opens today

April 19th 1912 Friday

Hurrah for the Drummers.
They beat the opening game.
played against Desmoines. Score
~~4~~ 5 5 to 4. went to get my
hair washed in the morning.
Then saw the parade. It was
dumb. came home and had lunch.
Then went to the game. It certainly
was great. After supper went
down town to see them light the
great "White ways". St Joe looks
like a big city now, with all the lights.
Johnson pitched

Drummers won the 2nd game.

april 20th 1912 Saturday

Score 3 to 0. Was a pretty slow game but nether the less it was a good game because St Joe won. There was a dandy parade last night also yesterday afternoon. went down town last night as it rained liked the dickens ment to the Royal theatre and got a little wet comming home.

Slept fine.

april 21th 1912 Sunday.

after breakfast got ready for church. went to church and after church came home and read the news paper. Cecile Rhoades came over for lunch after lunch we sat around awhile and then played pool. then she had to go home.

The Drummers won today the score was 19 to 1

I have to start school tomorrow

april 22nd 1912 monday

The day I started school again was today. went up to High with mather. stayed there that morning came home and found out that I didnt understand a word they were talking about. Then mother decided to have me ~~Tutored~~ Prof. miller So I dont know just what I really will do.

went down to the ball game and had a good time

April 23rd/12 Tuesday

St. Joseph Drummers are still first place.

went out to Prof. Millers. Sat down pretty good. went to the Royal theatre and after that went to the Baseball game. St Joe won again. They sure are playing ball.

This sure is some hunk finish of this volume but please pardon me! because starting back to school rattled me all up. I have to study like the dickens so have not much time to write

april 24th 1912 Wensday

april 25th 1912 Thursday

April 26th 1912 Friday

April 27th 1912 Saturday

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april 29th 1912 Monday

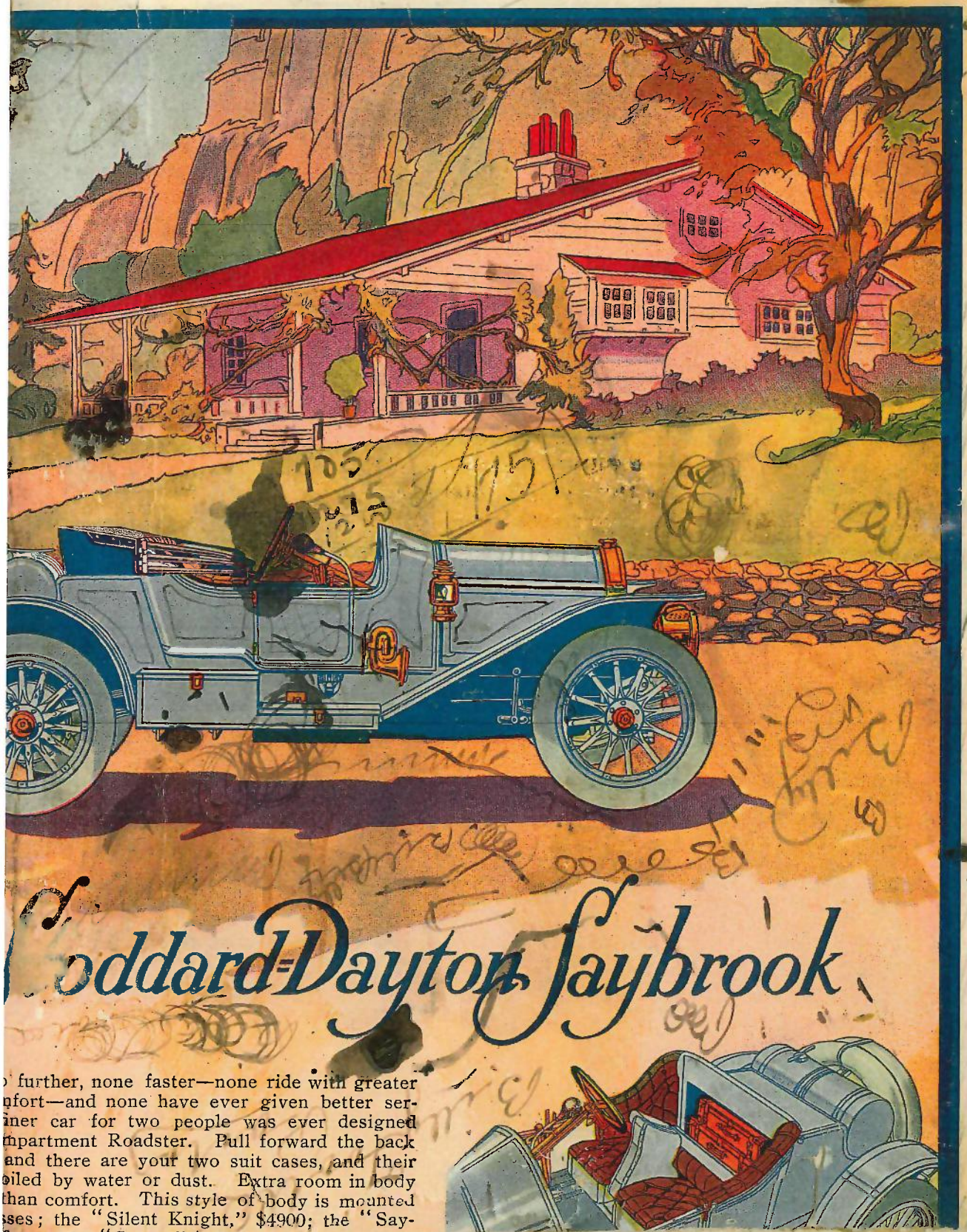
ment to school and I certainly felt like the dickens getting up at 7.45. after school came home and had lunch. Then went back at 1.30 until 3 came home and played ball for awhile then went down and saw the Drummers play. after dinner we all went to the Church entertainment. It was pretty good. There were the flowers on a big curtain with a large hole in the middle of each flower. The girls rather the Misse beauties put there mugs through the holes and were supposed to be the center of the flowers. The girls were all the time wiggling around as if they had a bite and were trying to scratch it.

April 30th 1917 Tuesday.

This is the the last page of this volume and I appriciate the interest you have taken in this torisome book. But wait for the nthr why its a bird. The next volume will not be published until four months so you will have a rest of intermission for 4 months.

Thanking every one who participated in reading of this book I remain your friend.

William D. Coulton



oddard-Dayton Saybrook

further, none faster—none ride with greater nfort—and none have ever given better ser- iner car for two people was ever designed mpartment Roadster. Pull forward the back and there are your two suit cases, and their oiled by water or dust. Extra room in body than comfort. This style of body is mounted sses; the "Silent Knight," $4900; the "Say- 0 and the "Saxon," $1250

The next volume will be published the last of Aug.

Don't give it up the next will be better

THE HE-MALE OF THE SPECIES.

I saw an old cow grazing in a meadow by a stream;
Her mouth was full of grasses, and her eyes were full of dream.
I was filled with apprehension as I watched her switching tail,
For Kipling says the female is more deadly than the male.
But the day was warm and sultry, and while gazing at the cow,
With a red bandanna handkerchief I wiped my heated brow,
And presto! came a raging bull, and drove me up a tree,
And the HE-MALE of that species is more deadly than the SHE.

And when at last I got away, full well I used my legs;
I jumped a fence and scared a hen who sat upon her eggs.
With cacklings wild she waddled off; I felt myself grow pale,
For I feared the fearsome female that's more deadly than the male.
But the cock came running up, with wrath and ruffles on his brow;
He saw another rooster, and he blamed him for the row;
And the way they made the feathers fly, was terrible to see,
For the HE-MALE of that species is more deadly than the SHE.

Then a frenzied turkey gobbler got mixed up in the fight,
And I turned to leave the barnyard, when I saw a startling sight;
A wild-eyed wondering nanny-goat -- she really made me quail,
For I thought "Suppose this female should be deadlier than the male"
So I tried to shoo her off, but I reckoned without Bill,
Who galloped up and butted in, and helped me down a hill,
More mussed up and discouraged than I felt that I could be;
For the HE-MALE of that species is more deadly than the SHE.

I walked along a canyon, and sat down on a knoll;
I saw a cat cavortin', and makin' for its hole;
With footsteps quite elastic, after it I went--
How could a thing so beautiful have such an awful scent?
I stood out in the cornfield as mad as I could be,
I invited all the zephyrs to take the smell from me.
The SHE-MALE and the HE-MALE both can do the act,
But my Waterloo will prove it an mistaken fact.

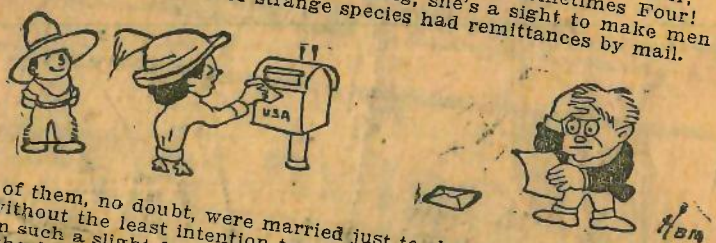


THE FEMALE O F THE SPECIES

(By James Clarence Harvey.)

As we read the Reno records, in a sympathetic way,
Wondering who has ceased to cherish and to honor and obey,
What a joke it is on husbands who must pay or go to jail
When the female of the species wants remittances by mail!

How a wife must feel when idly glancing hubby's check stubs o'er,
Seeing "Alimony" entries, One—Two—Three and sometimes Four!
Then, when he comes home that evening, she's a sight to make men quail.
Cause? Those females of strange species had remittances by mail.



Some of them, no doubt, were married just to shake off single life,
And without the least intention to become a loving wife.
But, on such a slight foundation, wedlock simply has to fail,
Then the female of the species wants remittances by mail.

Opera Bouffe is very charming when it plays dear old Broadway,
With a wealth of silk and satin, and a burst of colors gay,
But from Painted Post, Montana, is a long, long walk by rail,
Then the female of the species wants remittances by mail.



Ladies go to Paris shopping with the wherewithal to shop,
Take a run to Monte Carlo, and at Monte Carlo stop,
For beside those tempting tables femininity must fail,
Then the female of the species wants remittances by mail.

Wifey tries Atlantic City when her nerves have had a jar.
She gets well. And, more's the pity, stays too long and goes too far.
Then the gossips get a morsel they voraciously assail,
And the female of the species reads, "Come Home!" It's from the male.