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## RICHARD IS DIFERENT, HE WILL NEVER BE LIKE THAT

(Chicago News.)

"It's perfectly lovely!" declared the bride. "Richard is so interested in everything that I'm doing. He always wants to hear all about it! I think these women who scold about their husbands' lack of attention to them are perfectly silly! Why he—"

"I love the merry cadence of your voice," interrupted the lady who had been married for a long time. "But this unseemly boasting must be nipped in the bud. A husband is not peculiar to you, dear—the rest of us have husbands also. And we've had them long."

"Why, I can recollect when my husband would listen breathlessly to my account of how I mixed baking powder biscuits or would lay aside his book to drink in my tale of the tea at Mrs. Smith's! I took it all as a matter of course, never dreaming that there was a fragile flower going to wilt away in about two minutes! I didn't know it was the blooming of a century plant, so to speak!"

"I distinctly recall the first time that I had to repeat to Henry that Mrs. Phillips had another new gown and it made six in three months. I worried dreadfully for fear the dear boy was going to be deaf like his father. I've reached the point now where I frequently doubt whether his father is deaf at all, except for convenience."

"It was not that Henry loved me less when he ceased listening to me—not at all. I have a very nice husband and he is devoted to me, but he has grown laured to the novelty of having a wife. And there isn't the least bit of thrill in watching my remarkable skill at thrusting in hairpins or hearing about unique happenings at ladies' card parties. And I will confess I plan the next day's meals while Henry relates to me the details of his last business deal involving so many thousand feet of crossgrained lumber, a set of double entry books and two men I've never seen from a small town in Oklahoma—"

"Why," interrupted the bride reprovingly, "I think it's a woman's duty to be interested in her husband's business! I always—"

"No, you don't!" said the experienced matron sweetly. "You're merely giving Richard his reward for his interest in your chatter. I don't care in

the least for the two men from Oklahoma or the knotholes in the lumber and it's a gorgeous relief not to have to pay attention. Besides, I am comforted by the knowledge that it serves Henry right. If he doesn't listen to crocheting patterns, bless me if I'm going to hear about knotholes!"

"I thought he'd wake up, though, when I brought that letter into notice. I said one evening, casually, that I had received such an interesting letter that day. 'Uh, huh,' said Henry, deep in the political forecast."

"It wasn't from mother or any relative," I added. 'Uh, huh,' from Henry. 'It was from Dudley Shanks!' I hurled at him triumphantly. Dudley Shanks was an old beau of mine whom Henry had been fearfully jealous of fifteen years ago. I believed that this news would wake him up, but he merely looked bewildered a moment, trying to recollect, and then murmured, 'Oh, is that so?' folded his paper over and continued his reading."

"It was an awfully interesting letter," I said and sighed and smiled and looked as guilty as I could. 'Uh, huh,' said Henry. 'I suppose, I went on, 'that I shouldn't show it to you—but shall I read it to you?'"

"Oh, wait till I finish this," objected this inhuman husband of mine. "On the whole, I snapped, 'I don't think I shall! I don't think I have any right to betray Dudley, even to you!' 'Uh, huh,' said Henry, continuing to read. I was so mad that I went away and cried. Certainly Henry didn't love me any more. He didn't even object if men wrote me interesting letters that made me sigh. Life was rust, demolition and decay and I didn't care what happened."

"But I cheered up later in the evening. I pretended I was asleep when Henry came upstairs and he looked all around the room till he found Dudley's letter on my dressing table and he jerked it out and read it."

"Oh, my goodness!" gasped the bride.

"I hope he enjoyed the compromising epistle," pursued the long married lady. "Dudley had written whether I wanted to sell two lots my family had owned in the home town. But I demonstrated that Henry was still interested in my doings even if he didn't act that way!"

"Well," declared the bride, "I know Richard will never be like that!"

## FOUR VILLAGES FIRE SWEEP

Amsterdam, via London, May 23.—A fire which started in a peat bog in the province of Drenthe has swept over four villages, and is still burning. A number of people have been burned to death and more than one hundred houses destroyed. A spark from a dredging machine is believed to have started the conflagration.

The Dutch province of Drenthe borders on Prussia.

Geers has been in 2.16 with the two-year-old Peter June.

Dick McMahon has a fine start on his brother trainers.

Dave Warman has been in 2.16 at Hills Grove with Major Woolworth. Belle Alcantra, 2.10, is the first new 2.10 pacer of the year.



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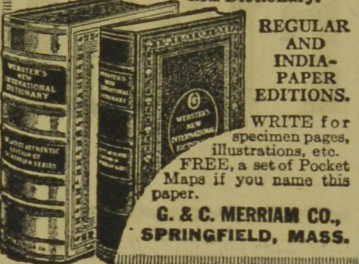
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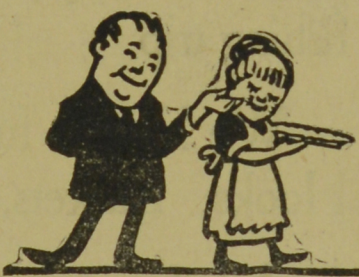
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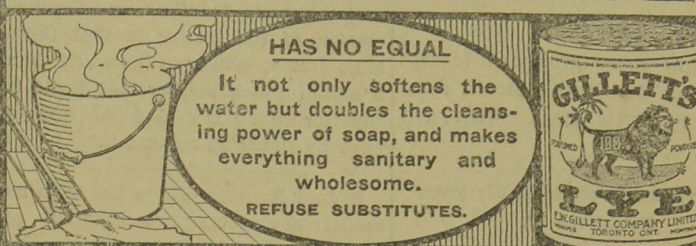
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## ART HOFFMAN WITH CLEVELAND

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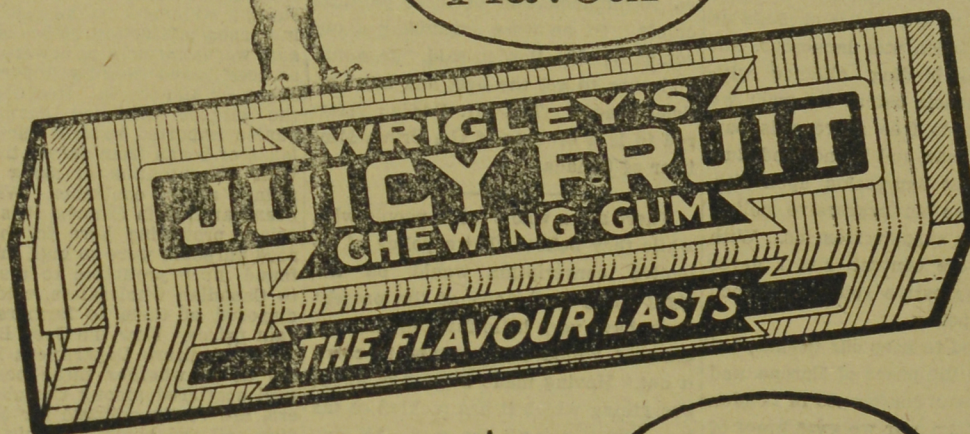
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## HUNS HAD A SCHEME FOR AFRICAN EMPIRE

London, May 22.—At a complimentary dinner given tonight in honor of General Jan Christian Smuts, the famous Boer leader, at which Viscount Milner, the Earl of Selborne and Sir Leander Starr Jameson, former Premier of Cape Colony, and other prominent men were present, General Smuts in a speech alluded to Germany's design to establish a great Central African empire and the menace such a scheme would have been to the whole world.

"During my experience in East Africa," said General Smuts, "my eyes were opened to the serious danger of this plan. In that land there was a gigantic possibility in the huge population—one of the most valuable assets for the creation of the most powerful army the world had ever known. We do not know the value of a black army. If our statesmen had allowed such an army to be created, it would have proven not only a serious menace to the future of South Africa, but to the whole civilized world."

General Smuts said he hoped that this matter would be borne in mind when a peace settlement came to be made, and that the league of nations would absolutely forbid the military training of the African natives.

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Ward, J., 7½ days masonry work, \$30.00.

Brown, S. B., painting signs, \$23.00.

Chappell, J. M., labor and material installing 6 cellar concrete window boxes, \$50.00.

Fleming, A. C., 241 days general repairs about buildings, \$964.00.

Hughes, Frank, 60 days labor about buildings and grounds, \$120.00.

Stillwell, J., 54 days assisting caretaker, \$108.00.

Donvan, J. H., materials and labor painting and decorating, \$1,583.87.

Minto, Wm., electrical supplies and labor re same, \$277.03.

McMillan, Riley & Durlay, services and expenses re new heating plant, \$850.25.

Limerick & Son, A., plumbing, etc., at Old Government House property, \$61.10.

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