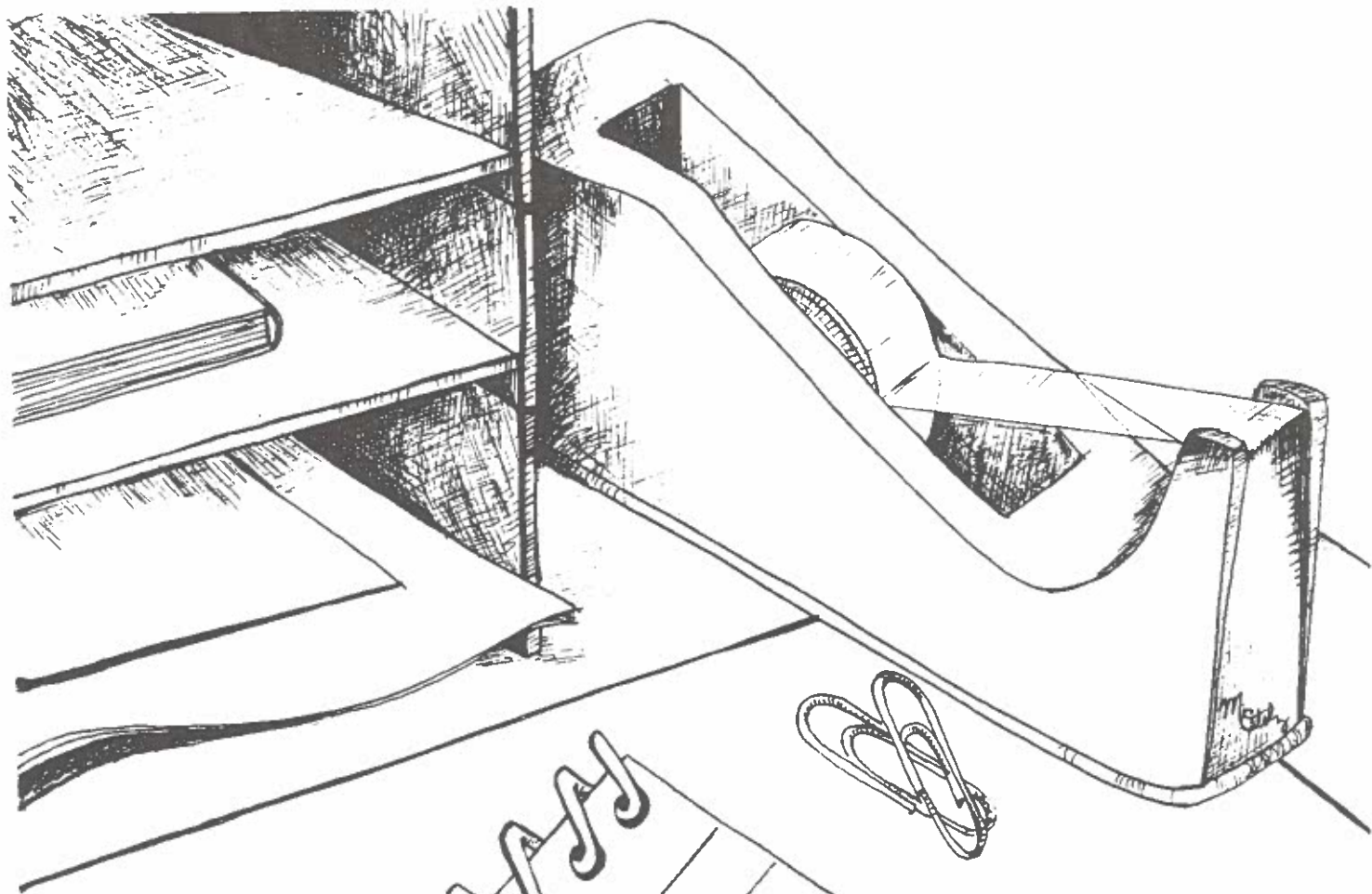




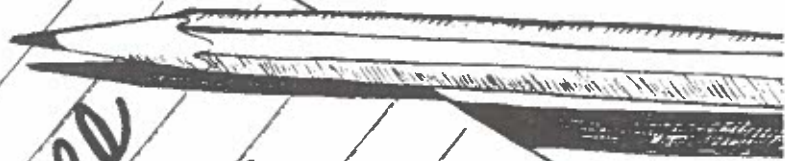
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As this booklet was being assembled, it became evident that a lot of people, many who I never met, were responsible for shaping the philosophies and attitudes that have directed me over the past twenty years. I have worked with thousands of students, hundreds of teachers, coaches, administrators, and have been exposed to a large amount of motivational books and tapes. Many of the thoughts and sayings reflected in this booklet have helped me make it, given me the desire to "hang in there," allowed me to understand those I work with better.

It is my hope that in some small way, this booklet might help the reader in the same fashion. Although no human being can live by all the standards offered herein, perhaps one of the messages will pull you through that day when it seems like all is lost.

In an effort to give back some of the inspiration and hope that teaching at Bellaire High School has given me, all proceeds from this booklet will go toward the establishment of a scholarship fund to be established at a later date to assist a student in pursuing a career in the teaching field.

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DEDICATION

For over twenty years, I have been collecting bits and pieces of information which, for some reason or another, I felt made sense, assisted me in forming my philosophies, or just humored me. This is only a partial result of years of teaching, advising publications, coaching and assisting in athletics, and working. But now that it's finally reached print, I realize that there are so many people who have helped me reach this point. Although it is near impossible to name them all, some definitely deserve being singled out:

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Thanks to all.

*If you want something very, very badly, let it go free.
If it comes back to you, it's yours forever. If it doesn't,
it was never yours to begin with.*

**Seek and you will know that
To give is to find.**

**What we learn with pleasure we never
forget.**

**The work of an unknown good man is
like a vein of water flowing hidden
underground, secretly making the
ground greener.**

*Opportunities are never lost. The other fellow takes those
you miss.*

How beautiful a day can be when kindness touches it.

A young boy is a theory; an old man is a fact.

*Temper is a quality that at a critical moment brings out
the best in steel and the worst in people.*

An apology is a good way to have the last word.

*The best thing about growing older is that it takes such a
long time.*

*When someone sings his own praises, he always gets the tune
too high.*

*Patience is the ability to put up with people you'd like to
put down.*

*God asks no man whether he will accept life. That is not the
choice. One must take it. The only choice is how.*

*You've removed most of the roadblocks to success when
you've learned the difference between motion and direction.*

A wedding is an event, but marriage is an achievement.

*I pass judgement not on those who live under a dictatorship
and cannot speak, but on those who live in freedom and fail
to do so.*

*Both tears and sweat are wet and salty, but they render a
different result. Tears will get you sympathy, but sweat
will get you change.*

*If we sow short-term pleasure, we will reap long-term pain.
But if we sow short-term pain, we will reap long-term
pleasure.*

AT DAY'S END. . .

is anybody happier because you passed his way?
does anyone remember that you spoke to him today;
is there anyone to utter now a kindly word of you?
is a single heart rejoicing over what you did or said?

Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.

Love's first cousin - trust.

It isn't what you know that counts, it's what you think
of in time.

Most machines would last longer if it weren't for fric-
tion - and so would people.

We boil at different degrees.

Worry never robs tomorrow of its sorrow; it only saps
today of its strength.

**In this world of
War
Addiction
Revolution
Hunger
Catastrophe**

**I searched for you
in books
in school
in church
in work
in government
in leisure
but could not find you.**

**Then - I gave
gave my time
gave my talent
gave my money
gave my love
gave myself to others
And I found you - through my giving
In all those people with whom
I shared myself.**



To wonder is to begin to understand.

Just because a person is alone does not mean that he is lonesome.

BE PROUD OF THE THINGS THAT YOU ARE
Garnett Ann Schultz

**Always be proud of what you are,
Whatever that might be,
The job that you do, however small,
So all of the world might see.**

**Give it your best and make it your own-
Have faith in your dream come true.
Lend a part of yourself in your every plan
In all that you ever do.**

**Always be proud of what you've been,
Be sure that you've lived life well.
Be proud of the hopes that is in your heart,
Your story that life will tell.**

**Walk through each day with your head held high,
And your eyes on that faraway star.
Trust in tomorrow and surely you'll find
It's nice to be just what you are.**

**Always be sure and you'll never fail
Your future so sparkling and bright.
Save up a smile for the dark dreary days-
Success ever there in your sight.**

**Give God your hand and trust in His way,
No matter how near or how far.
Travel your road and in all that you do . . .
Be proud of the things that you are.**

Accept me for what I am so I may learn what I can become.

It is not how much we have, but how much we enjoy, that makes happiness.

Don't knock the weather, nine tenths of the people couldn't start a conversation if it didn't change once in a while.

A women's mind is cleaner than a man's- she changes it more often.

A yawn is a silent shout.

Experience is simply the name we give our mistakes.

They are able because they think they are able.

To attempt to advise conceited people is like whistling against the wind.

The foolish and the dead never change their opinions.

Work is a curse of the eating and drinking class.

If everybody thought before they spoke, the silence would be deafening.

Before you speak. . . Is it true? Is it kind? Is it necessary?

Fate is nonawareness.

We make more enemies by what we say than friends by what we do.

Manage your minutes and your hours will take care of themselves.

A penny is a lot of money if you don't have a penny.

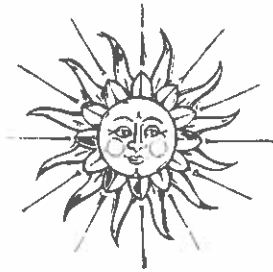
Think twice before you speak to a friend in need!

The only way to have a friend is to be one.

A man can fail many times, but he isn't a failure until he gives up.

No man really becomes a fool until he stops asking questions.

If I were to begin life again, I should want it as it was. . . I would only open my eyes a little more.



Success does for living what sunshine does for stained glass.

Speech is a mirror of the soul: as a man speaks, so he is.

The world would be a lot better if everyone would spare a few minutes now & then to make the area surrounding him a little better.

If you don't intend doing anything about it, worry is silly. . . if you do intend to do something, worry isn't necessary.

Be polite to everyone, not because everyone is a lady or gentleman, but rather because you are.

Instead of complaining because you didn't get what you want. . . be thankful you didn't get what you deserve.

An empty can makes the most noise.

We can't all be heroes. . . somebody has to sit on the curb and clap as they go by.

Advice is what we ask for when we already know the answer but wish we didn't.

Time passes like men who will never come back again.

The impossible is often the untried.

A friend is someone who can see through you and still enjoys the show.

The work will wait while you show the child the rainbow, but the rainbow won't wait while you do the work.

If the U.S. government could reduce its spending by two cents on each dollar, that would produce a saving of six billion dollars in a year.

The permanent temptation of life is to confuse dreams with reality. The permanent defeat of life comes when dreams are surrendered to reality.

As a manager, you yourself will sometimes find yourself the victim of attack. It is important to assess your behavior when you are fighting to survive as opposed to resolving conflicts between others. The following article, entitled "How To Swim With Sharks" (author unknown), is an interesting – and, unfortunately, realistic – treatise which may be helpful to you on your way to the top.

HOW TO SWIM WITH SHARKS

Actually, nobody wants to swim with sharks. It is not an acknowledged sport, and it is neither enjoyable nor exhilarating. These instructions are written primarily for the benefit of those who, by virtue of their occupation, find they must swim and find that the water is infested with sharks.

It is of obvious importance to learn that the waters are shark infested before commencing to swim. It is safe to assume that this initial determination has already been made. If the waters were clearly not shark infested, this would be of little interest or value. If the waters were shark infested, the naive swimmer is by now probably beyond help; at the very least he has doubtless lost any interest in learning how to swim with sharks.

Finally, swimming with sharks is like any other skill; it cannot be learned from books alone; the novice must practice in order to develop the skill. The following rules simply set forth the fundamental principles which, if followed, will make it possible to survive while becoming expert through practice.

*****RULES*****

1. **ASSUME UNIDENTIFIED FISH ARE SHARKS.** Not all sharks look like sharks, and some fish which are not sharks sometimes act like sharks. Unless you have witnessed docile behavior in the presence of shed blood on more than one occasion, it is best to assume an unknown species is a shark. Inexperienced swimmers have been badly mangled by assuming that docile behavior in the absence of blood indicates that the fish is not a shark.

2. **DO NOT BLEED.** It is a cardinal principle that if you are injured either by accident or intent you **MUST NOT BLEED**. Experience shows that bleeding prompts an even more aggressive attack and will often provoke the participation of sharks which are uninvolved, or, as noted above, are usually docile.

Admittedly, it is difficult not to bleed when injured. Indeed, at first, this may seem impossible. Diligent practice, however, will permit the experienced swimmer to sustain a serious laceration without bleeding and without even exhibiting any loss of composure. This hemostatic reflex can in part be conditioned, but there are many constitutional aspects as well. Those who cannot learn to control their bleeding should not attempt to swim with sharks, for the peril is too great.

The control of bleeding has a positive protective element for the swimmer. The sharks will be confused as to whether or not his attack has injured you, and confusion is to the swimmer's advantage. On the other hand, the shark may know he has injured you and be puzzled as to why you do not bleed or show distress. This also has a profound effect on sharks. They begin questioning their own potency or, alternatively, believe the swimmer to have supernatural powers.

3. **COUNTER ANY AGGRESSION PROMPTLY.** Sharks rarely attack a swimmer without warning. Usually there is some tentative exploratory aggressive action. It is important that the swimmer recognizes that this behavior is a prelude to an attack and takes prompt and vigorous remedial action. The appropriate countermove is a sharp blow to the nose. Almost invariably this will prevent a full scale attack, for it makes it clear that you understand the shark's intentions and are prepared to use whatever force is necessary to repel his aggressive actions.

Some swimmers mistakenly believe that an ingratiating attitude will dispel an attack under these circumstances. This is not correct; such a response provokes a shark attack. Those who hold this erroneous view can usually be identified by their missing limb.

4. **GET OUT IF SOMEONE IS BLEEDING.** If a swimmer (or shark) has been injured and is bleeding, get out of the water immediately. The presence of blood and the thrashing of water will elicit aggressive behavior even in the most docile of sharks. No useful purpose is served in attempting to rescue the injured swimmer. He either will or will not survive the attack, and your intervention cannot protect him once blood has been shed. Those who survive such an attack rarely venture to swim with sharks again, an attitude which is readily understandable.

This lack of effective countermeasures to a fully developed shark attack emphasizes the importance of the earlier rules.

5. USE ANTICIPATORY RETALIATION. A constant danger to the skilled swimmer is that the sharks will forget that he is skilled and may attack in error. Some sharks have notoriously poor memories in this regard. This memory loss can be prevented by a program of anticipatory retaliation. The skilled swimmer should engage in these activities periodically, and the period should be less than the memory span of the shark. Thus, it is not possible to state fixed intervals. The procedure may need to be repeated frequently with forgetful sharks and need be done only once for sharks with total recall.

The procedure is essentially the same as described under Rule 3 — a sharp blow to the nose. Here, however, the blow is unexpected and serves to remind the shark that you are both alert and unafraid. Swimmers should take care not to injure the shark and draw blood during this exercise for two reasons. First, sharks often bleed profusely, and this leads to the chaotic situation described under Rule 4. Second, if swimmers act in this fashion it may not be possible to distinguish swimmers from sharks. Indeed, renegade swimmers are far worse than sharks, for none of the rules or measures described here is effective in controlling their aggressive behavior.

6. DISORGANIZED AND ORGANIZED ATTACK. Usually sharks are sufficiently self-centered that they do not act in concert against the swimmer. This lack of organization greatly reduces the risk of swimming among sharks. However, upon occasion, the sharks may launch a coordinated attack upon the swimmer or even upon one of their number. While the latter event is of no particular concern to the swimmer, it is essential that one know how to handle an organized shark attack directed against the swimmer.

The proper strategy is diversion. Sharks can be diverted from their organized attack in one of two ways. First, sharks, as a group, are especially prone to internal dissension. An experienced swimmer can divert an organized attack by introducing something, often something minor or trivial, which sets the sharks to fighting among themselves. Usually by the time the internal conflict is settled, the sharks cannot even recall what they were setting about to do, much less get organized to do it.

A second mechanism of diversion is to introduce something which so enrages the members of the group that they begin to lash out in all directions, even attacking inanimate objects in their fury.

What should be introduced? Unfortunately, different things prompt internal dissension or blind fury in different groups of sharks. Here one must be experienced in dealing with a given group of sharks, for what enrages one group will pass unnoted by another.

It is scarcely necessary to state that it is unethical for a swimmer under attack by a group of sharks to counter the attack by diverting them to another swimmer. It is, however, common to see this done by novice swimmers and by sharks when they fall under a concerted attack.

While the above article may seem somewhat facetious, if not downright ridiculous, those who question its merits or are unwilling to abide by its rules may have difficulty reaching top level positions. If you have doubts, watch the action in your organization.

The two words "information" and "communication" are often used interchangeably, but they signify quite different things. Information is giving out; communication is getting through.

Love may be blind, but marriage is an eye-opener.

A hen is only an egg's way of making another egg.

Love isn't always blind — there are just times when it can't bear to look.

It's impossible to read the writing on the wall when your back's against it.

Friends should be like seats on the 50-yard line — few, but choice.

A woman is like a bomb with a faulty timer. You know that sooner or later there'll be an explosion, but you don't know when.

There may not be a cure for every illness, but there sure is a get-well card.

Why do they call them candidates when so many are far from candid?

Crime will not decrease until being a criminal becomes more dangerous than being a victim.

When you run into someone who is disagreeable to others, you may be sure he is uncomfortable with himself; the amount of pain we inflict upon others is directly proportional to the amount we feel within us.

If you don't expect the unexpected, you will never find it.

None of us is as smart as all of us.

To see what is right and not do it is want of courage.

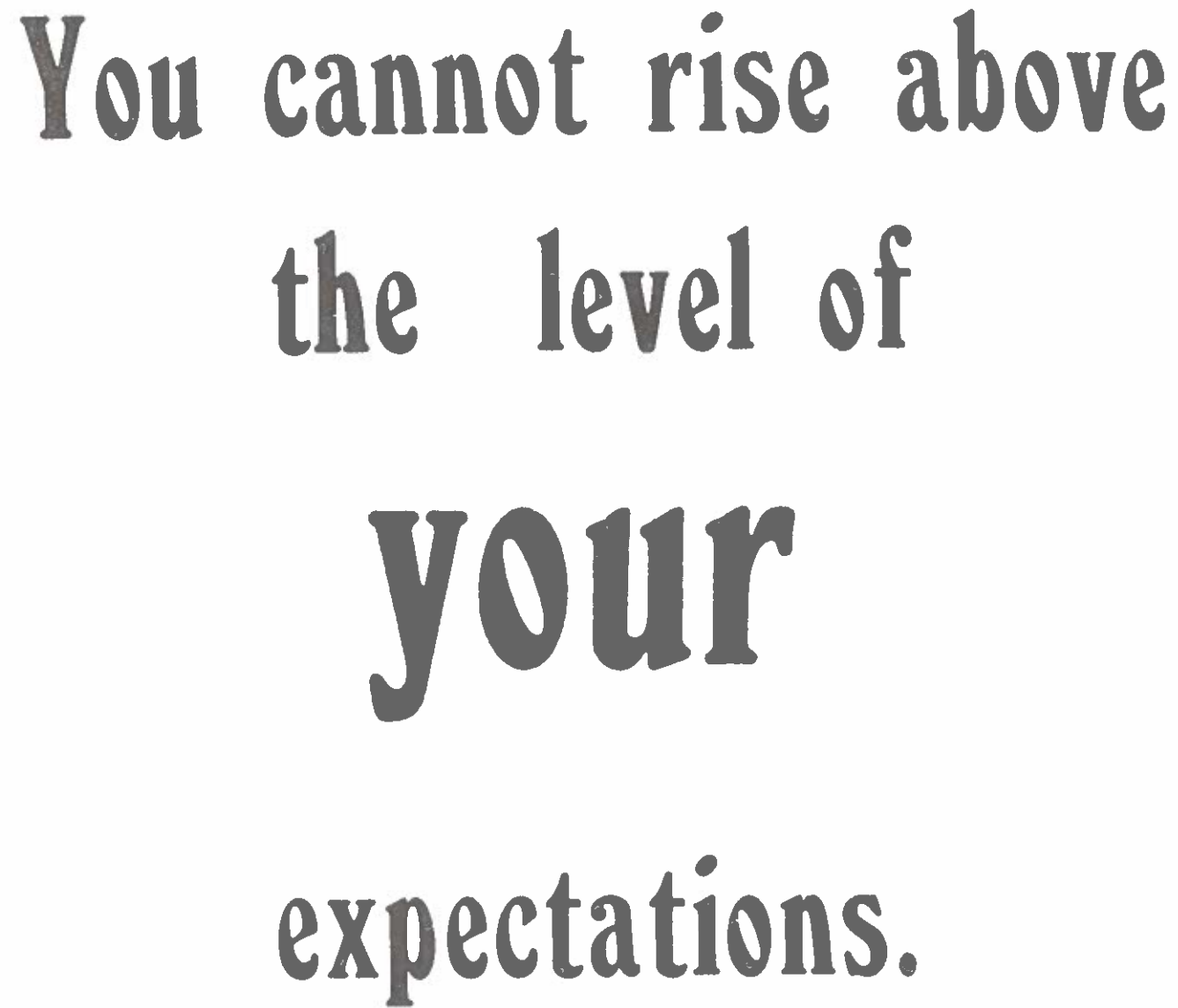
You better not compromise yourself. It's all you got.

If a man does not keep pace with his companions perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him keep step to the music which he hears, however measured or far away.

Real generosity toward the future lies in giving all to the present.

Never for the sake of peace and quiet deny your own experience or convictions.

If it is the truth, what does it matter who said it?



**You cannot rise above
the level of
your
expectations.**

**Hard work -
perseverence -
careful planning -**

**these are the characteristics
that will prevail.**

He who laughs — lasts.

Hit or miss methods usually miss.

To be satisfied with yourself is a sure sign that your forward motion is about to stop.

Men may be divided almost any way we please, but I have found the most useful distinction to be made between those who devote their lives to conjugating the verb "to be," and those who spend their lives conjugating the verb "to have."

About the only thing people in every walk of life will agree about is that they are underpaid and overcharged.



Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can read.

Nice guys finish last (Don't misjudge the finish line).

One big problem in life is how to stay in the groove without turning it into a rut.

No God	Know God
No Peace	Know Peace

There is more happiness in the world than "gloomy" eyes discover.

We all make footprints in the sands of time. Some leave the imprint of a great soul; others just the mark of a heel.

If my mind can conceive it and my heart can believe it, I know I can achieve it.

A man should be upright, not kept upright.

Every man takes his own limits of vision for the limits of the world.

You can give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. You can teach a man how to fish and he will eat for a lifetime.

The only person you should want to get even with is the person who does you a good turn.

SCENARIO FOR A WINNER

A winner says, "Let's find out"; A loser says, "No body knows."

A winner makes commitments. A loser makes promises.

A winner says, "I'm good, but not as good as I ought to be"; A loser says, "I'm not as bad as a lot of other people."

A winner credits his "Good luck" for winning — even though it wasn't his good luck; A loser blames his "Bad luck" for losing — even though it wasn't his bad luck.

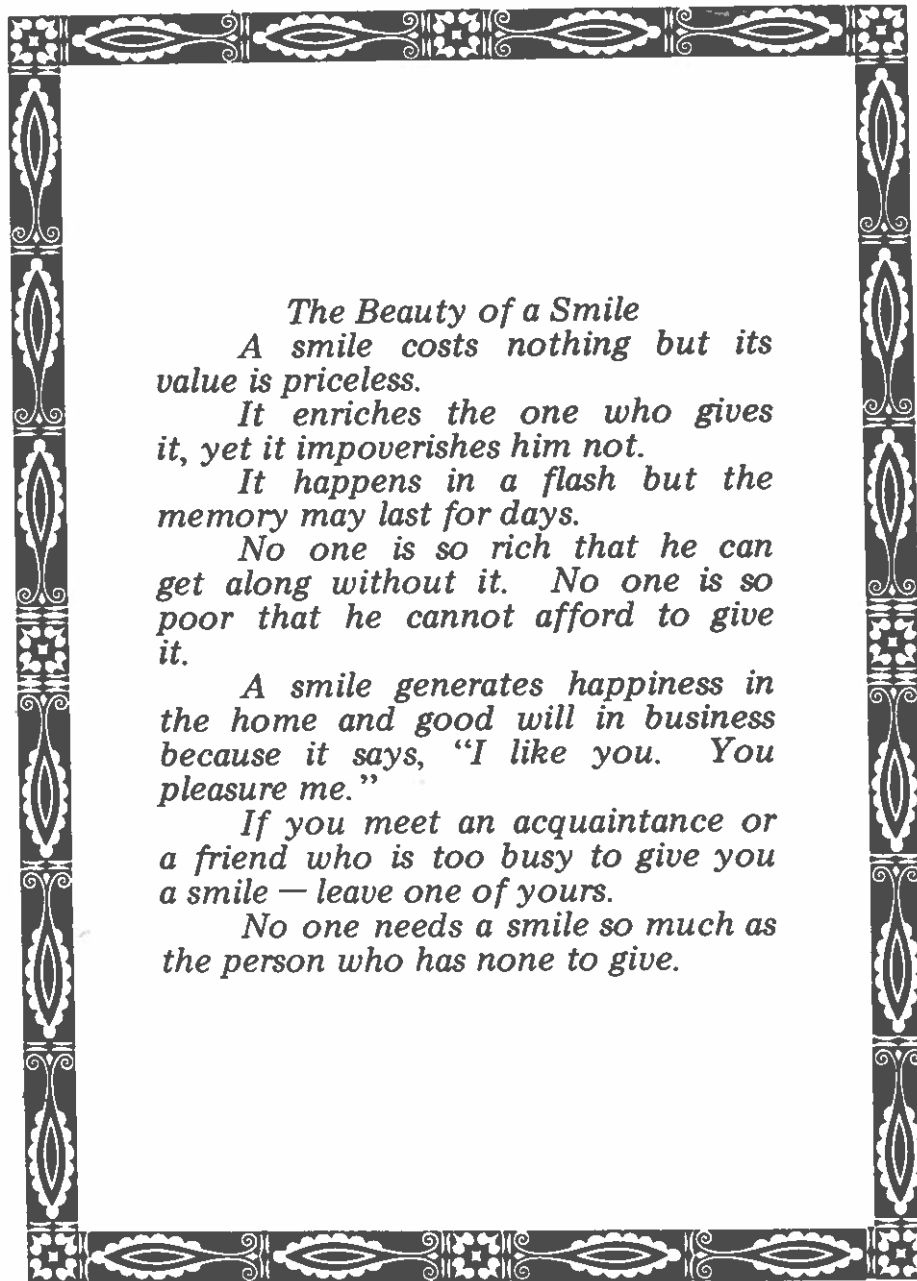
A winner listens; A loser just waits until it's his turn to talk.

A winner respects those who are superior to him and tries to learn from them; A loser resents the superiority of others and tries to find chinks in their armor.

A winner does more than his job; A loser says, "I only work here."

A winner says, "I fell"; A loser says, "Somebody pushed me."

A youth is a person who is going to carry on what you have started. He is going to sit where you are sitting and attend to those things which you think are important. You may adopt all the policies you please, but how they will be carried out depends on him. He will assume control of your duties, states, and nation. He is going to move in and take over your churches, schools, universities, and corporations. All your books are going to be judged, praised or condemned by him. The fate of humanity is in his hands. So it might be well to pay him some attention.



The Beauty of a Smile

A smile costs nothing but its value is priceless.

It enriches the one who gives it, yet it impoverishes him not.

It happens in a flash but the memory may last for days.

No one is so rich that he can get along without it. No one is so poor that he cannot afford to give it.

A smile generates happiness in the home and good will in business because it says, "I like you. You pleasure me."

If you meet an acquaintance or a friend who is too busy to give you a smile — leave one of yours.

No one needs a smile so much as the person who has none to give.

He who is most slow in making a promise, is the most faithful in its performance.

Experience is the difference between keeping your chin up and sticking it out.

The best index to a person's character is . . .

- 1) How he treats people who can't do him any good
- 2) How he treats people who can't fight back.

The only thing you should do behind a person's back is "pat it."

Every society honors its live conformists and its dead troublemakers.

A rumor is like a check — never endorse it until you're sure it's genuine.

Be kind to your friends, because if it weren't for them you'd be a perfect stranger.

The only thing most of us learn from our mistakes is to blame them on someone else.

All men want to succeed, but some want to so much that they're willing to work for it.

The factory that produces the most important product is the home.

Indifference is something that others pay back to you with interest.

How can a society that exists on instant mashed potatoes, packaged cake mixes, frozen dinners, and instant cameras teach patience to its young?

We have not really budged a step from home until we take up residence in someone else's point of view.

I am only an average man, but I work harder at it than the average man.

If something goes wrong, it is more important to decide who is going to fix it than who is to blame.

Nothing ruins the truth like stretching it.

Other people are gossips. We, of course, are merely being informative.

The error of youth is to believe intelligence is a substitute for experience, while the error of age is to believe experience is a substitute for intelligence.

You can't fool all of the people all of the time — some of them are fooling you.

A fool always finds a bigger fool to admire him.

Some ulcers are caused by inflammation of the wishbone.

The real friend is one who sticks by you, even when you become successful.

All that some people seem to want out of life is a little unfair advantage.

You're still young if the morning after the night before still makes the night before worth the morning after.

Never give advice. Sell it.

Cooperation is doing with a smile, what you have to do anyway.

There is no power on earth great enough to stop the tide, and that principle operates all through life; what goes out, comes in. . . love. . . hate. . . mercy. . . What we give, we get.

You can make more friends in two months by becoming really interested in other people, than you can in two years by trying to get other people interested in you.

Faint heart says: A cloud in front of the sun! Stout heart: The sun behind the clouds!

A great deal of what we see depends on what we are looking for!

The real tragedy of life is not in being limited to one talent, but in the failure to use the one talent.

Every irritation is an invitation to an elevation.

A successful man is one who has tried, not cried; who has worked, not shirked; who has shouldered responsibility, not evaded it; who has gotten under the burden instead of standing off, looking on and giving advice.

Happiness is often the result of being too busy to be miserable.

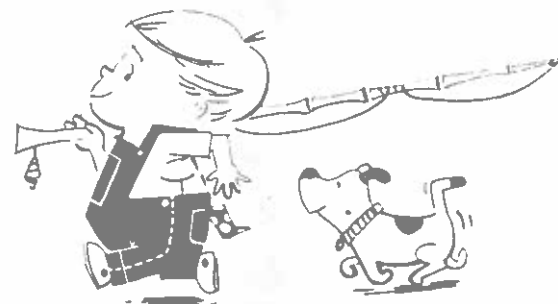
Changing the label does not alter the contents of the bottle.

Money will buy a fine dog, but only love will make him wag his tail.

How you spend your time is more important than how you spend your money. Financial mistakes can be corrected, but time is gone forever.

In this country there is much complaint with little suffering; in some countries there is much suffering with little complaint.

It's hard to climb a ladder with your hands in your pockets!



When a deep injury is done us, we never recover until we forgive.

You can suffocate a thought by expressing it with too many words.

There is one thing worse than being alone—wishing you were.

Retirement should be based on the tread . . . not the mileage.

The pleasure we derive from doing favors is partly in the feeling it gives us that we are not altogether worthless.

Let the other fellow find out who you are—he'll remember it longer.

Use the talents you possess. The woods would be silent if only the birds sang that sing the best.

I wondered why somebody didn't do something. . . then I realized that I was somebody.

A certain amount of opposition is a great help to a man. . . kites rise against, not with the wind.

One man's ceiling is another man's floor.

There are two kinds of cleverness. One consists of thinking of a bright remark in time to say it. The other consists of thinking of it in time not to say it.

'Tis better to lose in a cause that will one day win. . . than win in a cause that will someday lose.

Immortality is the ability to move others, long after you have stopped moving.

Chance favors the prepared mind.

Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every new year find you a better man.

The harder you work, the luckier you get.

The Romanticist has in him something of the Exhibitionist.

About the generation gap, I say this: Talk to your kid, see what's bugging him, give his fears and desires a sympathetic airing; then take him into the cellar and work him over with a garden hose and I'm sure he'll come around.

It's a cinch that the movie-makers won't start cleaning up the sexy pictures until the sexy movies stop cleaning up.

Finish each day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and absurdities no doubt crept in. Forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day.

Violence is a sword that has no handle - you have to hold the blade.

When you listen to a political speech, it's like shooting at a target; you must allow for the wind.

A writer can survive everything but a misprint.

To love oneself is the beginning of a lifelong romance.

Experience is the name everyone gives to their mistakes.

A fool must now and then be right by chance.

To be exactly the opposite is also a form of imitation.

Cross your bridges before you come to them and you have to pay the toll twice.

Having the right to do it doesn't mean it's right to do it.

The two sides of every argument are often what give it no end.

At 20 your face is what God made it. At 40 it is what you made it. At 60 it's the face you deserve.

Many people fail to recognize opportunity because its favorite disguise is hard work.

Taking it with you is a thing of the past. The problem today is making it last.

“To Remember Me. . .”

The day will come when my body will lie upon a white sheet neatly tucked under four corners of a mattress located in a hospital busily occupied with the living and the dying. At a certain moment a doctor will determine that my brain has ceased to function and that, for all intents and purposes, my life has stopped.

When that happens, do not attempt to instill artificial life into my body by the use of a machine. And don't call this my deathbed. Let it be called the Bed of Life, and let my body be taken from it to help others lead fuller lives.

Give my sight to the man who has never seen a sunrise, a baby's face or love in the eyes of a woman. Give my heart to a person whose own heart has caused nothing but endless days of pain. Give my blood to the teen-ager who was pulled from the wreckage of his car, so that he might live to see his grandchildren play. Give my kidneys to one who depends on a machine to exist from week to week. Take my bones, every muscle, every fiber and nerve in my body and find a way to make a crippled child walk.

Explore every corner of my brain. Take my cells, if necessary, and let them grow so that, someday, a speechless boy will shout at the crack of a bat and a deaf girl will hear the sound of rain against her window.

Burn what is left of me and scatter the ashes to the winds to help the flowers grow.

If you must bury something, let it be my faults, my weaknesses and all prejudice against my fellow man.

Give my sins to the devil. Give my soul to God.

If, by chance, you wish to remember me, do it with a kind deed or word to someone who needs you. If you do all I have asked, I will live forever.

—Robert N. Test in Cincinnati Post

The only time you start at the top is when digging a hole.

Either be a leader or a follower or get the hell out of the way.

To have a respect for ourselves guides our morals; to have a deference for others governs our manners.

The chains of habit are often too light until they are too strong to be broken.

The word duck is 75% obscene.

Yesterday is experience. Tomorrow is hope. Today is getting from one to the other as best we can.

He who blows his stack adds to the world's pollution.

Sex is a three-letter word which sometimes needs old-fashioned four-letter words to convey its full meaning; words like help, give, care, love.

To find out something about your life: that will be the purpose. It may be necessary to change some of your ways of acting and thinking in the course. The burden will lie on you a good deal more; but it also, I wish you to understand, will lie on me a good deal more. It is much easier for me to lecture than it is for me to store up your various reactions, attitudes, keep turning them over in my mind, letting my unconscious, my creative capacity evolve something, make a synthesis, come through with the right nudges, jeers, japes, kind or harsh words which will bring you into fuller being. Crudely put, it is like this: I am willing to give you a chunk of myself — my time, my patience, my talent — if you want it. . . Faith. That's it. This course is an act of faith. In what? In the imagination of us all, in a creative capacity — that most sacred thing — that lies dormant, never dead, in everyone.

To laugh after victory is nothing;
To gloat over conquest is naught.
But to pick yourself up when you've suffered defeat
Is a virtue that can never be taught.
To cheer when you see your team winning;
To applaud when the score is with you;
Is nothing compared to the team that can smile
When they're behind by a touchdown or two.



*To love and be loved is to feel
the sun from both sides.*

*A budget is what you stay
within if you go without.*

*As long as I have a want, I
have a reason for living. Satis-
faction is death.*

*He that wrestles with us
strengthens our nerves and
sharpens our skill. Our antag-
onist is our helper.*

*Not until we are lost do we be-
gin to understand ourselves.*

*Old age is having too much
room in the house and not
enough in the medicine cabinet.*

*Many great ideas have been
lost because the people who
had them couldn't stand being
laughed at.*

*Many reconciliations have bro-
ken down because both
parties have come prepared to
forgive and unprepared to be
forgiven.*

*An open mind should not be
so open that there is no keep-
ing anything in or out of it.
It should be capable of shut-
ting its doors, or it may be
found a little drafty.*

*When truth stands in your way,
you're headed in the wrong
direction.*

*The only real mistake is one
from which we learn nothing.*

While the right to talk may be the beginning of freedom, the necessity of listening is what makes the right important.

Treaties are like roses and young girls. They last while they last.

In the next century it will be the early mechanical bird which gets the first plastic worm out of the artificial grass.

Censorship reflects a society's lack of confidence in itself.

Inflation is caused by people who believe in the romantic theory that someday wages will catch up with prices.

Never answer an angry word with an angry word. It's the second one that makes a quarrel.

A great many people in this country are worried about law-and-order. And a great many people are worried about justice. But one thing is certain: you cannot have either until you have both.

Our wisdom comes from our experience, and our experience comes from our foolishness.

Patience is the art of concealing your impatience.

THE OTHER FELLOW

When the other fellow takes a long time, he's slow.

But when I take a long time, I'm thorough.

When the other fellow doesn't do it, he's lazy.

But when I don't do it, I'm too busy.

When the other fellow does something without being told, he's overstepping his bounds.

But when I do something without being told, that's initiative!

When the other fellow strongly gives his side, he's bullheaded.

But when I do it, I'm being firm.

When the other fellow pleases his boss, he's polishing the brass.

But when I please the boss, that's co-operation.

When the other fellow overlooks a rule of etiquette, he's rude.

But when I skip a few rules, I'm original.

When the other fellow gets ahead, he's getting breaks.

But when I manage to get ahead, it's hard work.

Funny? Or is it?

—Anonymous

Little things console us because little things afflict us.

Tact is the knack of making a point without making an enemy.

You grow up the the day you have the first real laugh -- on yourself.

Resolve to be tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant with the weak and the wrong. Sometime in life you will have been all of these.

Everybody is ignorant, only on different subjects.

There has never been a statue erected to the memory of someone who let well enough alone.

A committee is a group of people who talk for hours to produce a result called minutes.

Open meetings often reveal a lot of closed minds.

The best eraser in the world is a good night's sleep.

It is a pity, but owing to the pull of gravity, it takes less energy to open the mouth than to close it.

People with an ax to grind often fly off the handle.

A baby is born with a need to be loved -- and never outgrows it.

People seem to get nostalgic about a lot of things they weren't so crazy about the first time around.

If you really want to keep a secret, you don't need any help.

Anxiety is the income tax of civilization.



People usually get what's coming to them. . . unless it's mailed.

A lot of drugs are used by fools who think if you tinker with an empty head you can get it going.

When you go out in the raw, infectious weather of rumor and gloom, bundle up with courage and confidence. You don't want to catch cold feet.

Humor is the hole that lets the sawdust out of a stuffed shirt.

Space travel is even more hazardous than it looks. The way population is increasing, you could come back and find your place taken.

Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every new year find you a better man.

The harder you work, the luckier you get.

The Romanticist has in him something of the Exhibitionist.

"Education" is what you get from reading the small print in the contract. "Experience" is what you get from not reading it.

The trouble with a guy who talks too fast is that he often says something he hasn't thought of yet.

If the average man saves for the next 20 years at the rate he's been saving for the past six months, he can retire at 60 and owe \$100,000.

It's sometimes a girl's geography that determines her history.

Since God make us to be originals, why stoop to be a copy?

Envy is the art of counting the other fellow's blessings instead of your own.

Aim at heaven and you will get earth thrown in. Aim at earth and you get neither.

The main thing in life is not to be afraid to be human.

To live is the rarest thing in the world. Most people exist, that is all.

Facts do not cease to exist because they are ignored.

May you reach Heaven half an hour before the Devil knows you're dead.

Tact is the art of building a fire under people without making their blood boil.

There are lessons in every practice, every contest, every win, every defeat. Their impact and importance must be interpreted by the individual.

If men talked about only what they understood, the silence would be unbearable.

We do not make one big jump to success. We get there one step at a time.

Sports do not build character; they reveal it.

Successful people never quit, they simply adjust. Think of success as a journey, not a destination. There is no detail too small.

The man who is born with a talent he is meant to use finds his greatest happiness in using it.

Kindness is never wasted. If it has no effect upon the recipient, at least it benefits the bestower.

Add one small bit to the truth and you inevitably subtract from it.

Men kick friendship around like a football, but it doesn't seem to crack. Women treat it like glass and it goes to pieces.

Keep the two logs together: near enough to keep each other warm, & far enough apart for breathing room. Good fire. . . good marriage - same rule.

Happiness is contagious; be a carrier.

Keep a secret, it's your slave. Tell it and it's your master.

A conservative is a man who throws a 25' rope to a person drowning 50' from shore and shouts encouragement to swim the other half for the good of his character. A liberal throws a 50' rope to a person only 25' from shore and, after throwing it, lets go of the other end and walks away to do another good deed.

The man who gallops through life—
whoa to him.

All men are born equal. The tough job is to outgrow it.

A little explained,
A little endured,
A little forgiven,
The quarrel is cured.

A child is not a vase to be filled but a fire to be lit.

You cannot do a kindness too soon, for you never know how soon it will be too late.

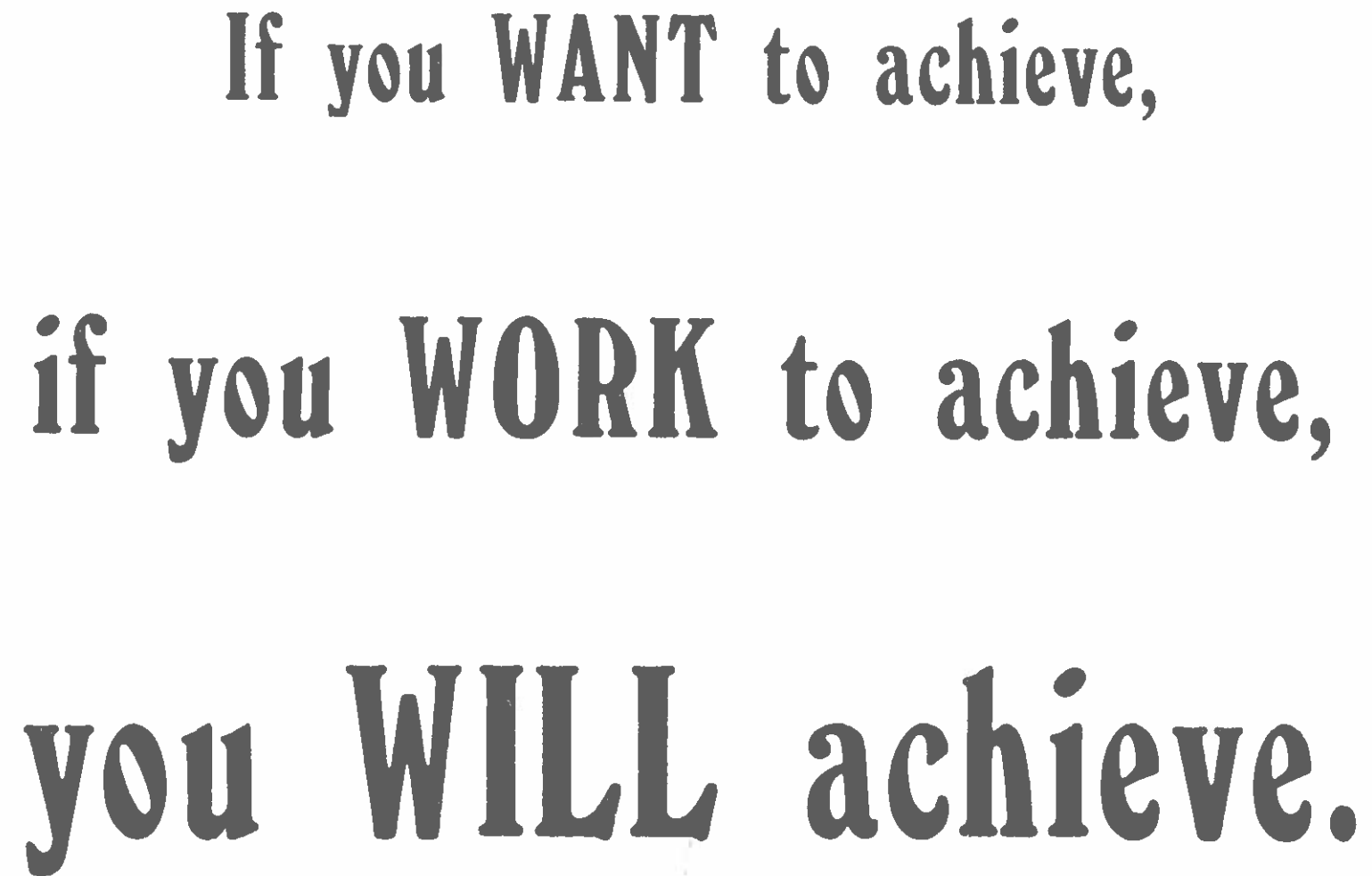
That which we call sin in others is experiment in us.

The only thing new in the world is the history you don't know.

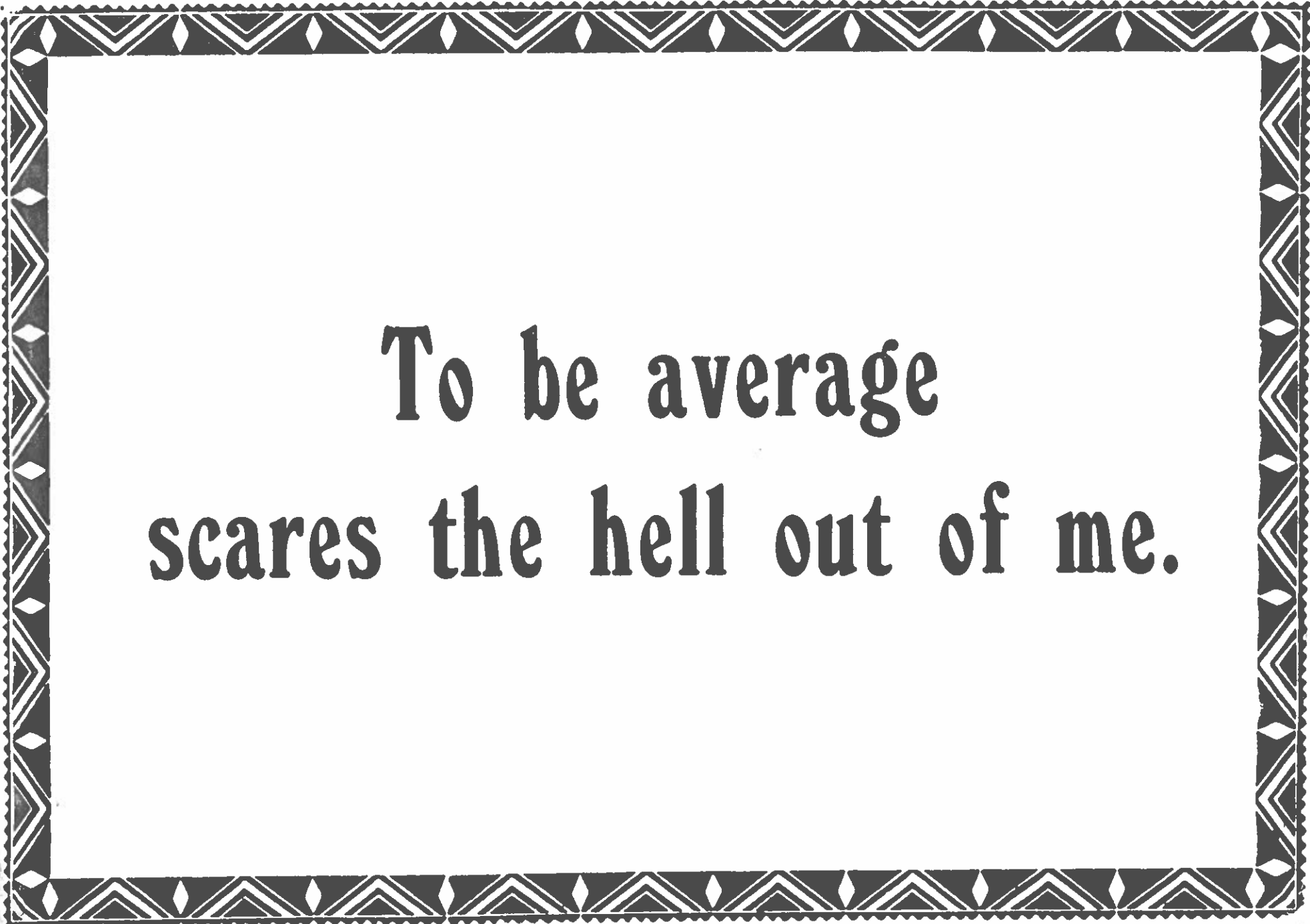
Failure is the condiment that gives success its flavor.

If you cannot win, make the one ahead of you break the record.

I have always been delighted at the prospect of a new day, a fresh try, one more start, with perhaps a bit of magic waiting some where behind the morning.



**If you WANT to achieve,
if you WORK to achieve,
you WILL achieve.**



**To be average
scares the hell out of me.**

Old mufflers never die — they just get exhausted.

If your head is wax, don't walk in the sun.

Repetition is the only form of permanence that nature can achieve.

Many a live wire would be dead without connections.

We would all be better off financially if we would act our wage.

A bore is a person who talks about himself when you want to talk about yourself.

A well-adjusted person is one who can play golf and bridge as if they were games.

Boat: A hole in the water, surrounded by wood, into which one pours money.

Maturity: The ability to do a job whether or not you are supervised, to carry money without spending it and to beak an injustice without wanting to get even.

If you think that one individual can't make a difference in the world, consider what one cigar can do in a nine-room house.

There. . . but for the grace of God. . . go I.

The world is round, and the place which may seem like the end, may also be only the beginning.

A ship in harbor is safe. . . but that is not what ships are for.

All men need love. . . especially when they do not deserve it.

Compromise is simply changing the question to fit the answer.

It's so much easier to suggest solutions when you don't know too much about the problem.

Even if you are on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there.

Teach me to pray as if everything depended on you Lord, and to work as if everything depended on me.

You can't turn back the clock. . . but you can wind it up again.

Life is one big shit sandwich, and every day you take another bite.

The cruelest lies are often told in silence.

Bureaucracy is the crabgrass of democracy.

When you open the window yourself, you get fresh air. When someone else opens it, you get a draft.

There are two freedoms: the false where a man is free to do what he likes; the true where a man is free to do what he ought.

Anybody can be a heart specialist. The only requirement is loving somebody.

The trouble with today's young generation is that they want to climb the ladder of success by elevator.

Never give advice until you are asked — or after.

Most people talk the way they think — but more often.

The only thing most of us learn from our mistakes is how to blame them on someone else.

If you give in to little things, you can almost always have your way in big ones.

Christianity has not been tried and found wanting. . . it has been found difficult and not tried.

Drive carefully. . . its's not only cars that can be recalled by their maker.

Learn from others' mistakes; no one lives long enough to make them all himself.

If you realize that you aren't as wise today as you thought you were yesterday, you're wiser today.

To be average is to be the lowest of the good and the best of the bad.

THE MEN ON THE BENCH

It takes more than five players to make a winning team. The starting five may win a game, but it takes the whole team to win the championship—to go all the way. The team is really like an iceberg. You see the starting five, but underneath it all is that big, wide, strong base—the rest of the team. This is the part of the team that builds the character of a lasting winner. The more dedicated the man on the bench, the harder he works, the more he pushes and strenghtens the starting player—the higher he pushes this iceberg out of the water—the bigger it gets—the better the team. If he quits, doesn't give his all, or becomes complacent in his position, he erodes that strong base and erodes the character of the team. He contributes to the error in a tense, one point game, he is partly to blame for that mental lapse with four minutes to play in the big rivalry, he undermines the total effort necessary for the team to come back from a ten point deficit in a championship game. And yet this player on the bench must be there—watching, waiting, and hoping—sometimes agonizingly—for that chance to use his special skill to better the team effort—to make the base of that iceberg stronger—to help build the character of the team. Yes, agonizingly because he knows there is a chance he won't play because he may be the smallest man waiting to break open a press or he may be the big man called in an instant to shut down the unusually big center who is hurting the team inside. He may even be the man that's hurt, but working twice as hard to be physically fit in time to play in the playoffs. He may be the man on the bench who demonstrates to the fans that this team really has character from the bench to the basket. But even more important he may be the whole bench that the player looks to late in the game when he is hurting, out of breath, and burning inside for that spirit, that push, and that enthusiasm, and that love necessary to make the big play and win the game for the whole team.

When the game is over, when the season ends and all the fans and sports writers are talking about the top of the iceberg, the stars and heroes, the players will know that the real winner is the team, the whole iceberg, especially the base—the men on the bench who build the character to make the team a lasting winner.

Compliments of Louisiana State University Basketball

Forgive your enemies — if you can't get back at them any other way.

Imagination was given to man to compensate him for what he is not; a sense of humor to console him for what he is.

Truth always originates as a minority of one.

Every custom begins as a broken precedent.

Man's mind stretched to a new idea never goes back to its original dimensions.

Instead of getting rid of his prejudices, the average person whitewashes them and tries to pass them off as principles.

Poetry is the journal of a sea animal living on land, wanting to fly in the air.

Art is the signature of a civilization.

Drawing is the art of taking a line for a walk.

Music expresses that which cannot be put into words and that which cannot remain silent.



A new broom sweeps clean, but an old broom knows where the dirt is.

There are times when silence is the best way to yell at the top of your voice.

It's better to deserve honors and not have them, than to have them and not deserve them.

Expect the best, prepare for the worst, and take what comes with a grin.

As you slide down the banister of life, may the splinters never point your way.

Just because a rumor is idle doesn't mean it isn't working.

He who's always blowing a fuse is usually in the dark.

Our judgment, like our watches. . . none goes just alike, yet each believes his own.

One of the greatest sources of energy is pride in what you are doing.

The shortest distance between two people is a smile.

Fashions fade. . . style is eternal.

No matter what other nations may say about the United States. . . immigration is still the sincerest form of flatter.

The real voyage is discovery consists not in seeking new lands. . . but in seeing with new eyes.

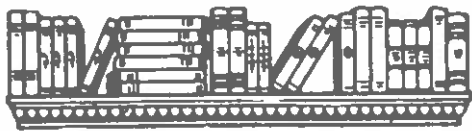
Wit is the salt of conversation. . . not the food.

The footsteps a boy follows in are apt to be those his father thought he'd covered up.

He who talks like a big wheel may be only a spokesman.

Knowledge is gained by learning. . . trust by doubt. . . skill by practice. . . and love by love.

Conscience is that which is hurting when everything else feels so good.



"Readers" are divided into two classes. . . those who read to remember. . . and those who read to forget.

Our fathers teach us what we should become. . . our mothers teach us what we are.

There are no great men. . . only great challenges that ordinary men are forced by circumstances to meet.

It always takes longer than it takes.

Nothing is done until nothing is done.

The fellow who thinks he knows it all is especially annoying to those of us who do.

When you fail to plan, you plan to fail.

Anyone who keeps a chip on his shoulder isn't chopping much wood.

There is a world of difference between good sound reasons and reasons that sound good.

Some folks are like wheel barrows. . . useful only when pushed, and very easily upset.

Patience often gets the credit that belongs to fatigue.

Luck. . . when opportunity meets preparation.

The worst time to stop looking for work is after you get a job.

Temper. . . if ungoverned, governs the whole man.

To really know a man, observe his behavior with a woman, a child, a flat tire, and when the boss is away.

Nuclear warfare will never determine who is right . . . just who is left.

The fellow who always has his foot in his mouth is probably standing still.

Fools learn nothing from wise men, but wise men learn much from fools.

Never let your schooling interfere with your education.

Self-discipline is when your conscience tells you to do something and you don't talk back.

Things turn out best for the people who make the best of the way things turn out.

Shared joy is double joy. . . shared sorrow is half-sorrow.

A man can stand a lot as long as he can stand himself.

A few people get up bright and early. . . most of us just get up early.

Progress always involves risks. . . you can't steal second base and keep your foot on first.

Farming is everybody's bread and butter.

A good way to convince a fool that he is wrong is to let him have his own way.

The time to relax is when you don't have time for it.

Cancer cures smoking.

The trick is to hold opinions without letting opinions hold you.

Lack of something to feel important about is almost the greatest tragedy a man may have.

People who have what they want are fond of telling people who haven't what they want that they really don't want it.

There's one thing to be said for inviting trouble: it generally accepts.

We cannot all be great, but we can always attach ourselves to something that is great.

Success is not permanent. The same is also true of failure.



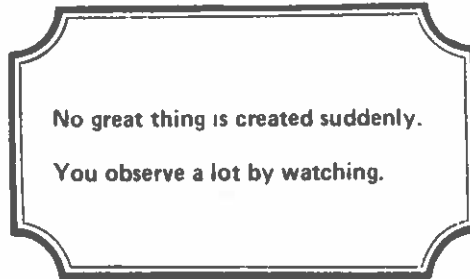
"Thinking is the hardest work there is, which is the probable reason why so few engage in it."

Some folks get lost in thought because it's such unfamiliar territory.

You've got to stand for something or you're gonna fall for anything.

A friend is someone you can do nothing with, and enjoy it.

You learn well that which you practice the most.



No great thing is created suddenly.

You observe a lot by watching.

Live your life so you won't be ashamed to sell your parrot to the town gossip.

Love arrives on tiptoe and bangs the door when it leaves.

Luxuries are what other people buy.

Politeness is to human nature what warmth is to wax.

If your spirits are low, do something; if you have been doing something, do something different.

Putting pen to paper lights more fires than matches ever will.

Anger is but one letter away from being danger.

Before you meet the handsome prince, you've gotta kiss a lot of toads.

I hear and I forget; I see and I remember; I do and I understand.

Grant that when I fight for love of truth, I may not lose the truth of love.

Education is what you have left over when you subtract what you have forgotten from what you have learned.

A child is the only known substance from which a responsible adult can be made.



It is possible to possess too much. A man with one watch knows what time it is; a man with two watches is never sure.

A tail wags the dog. The dog doesn't wag the tail.

Everybody needs his memories. They keep the wolf of insignificance from the door.

Beware the flatterer; he feeds you with an empty spoon.

Sometimes the man of action is a fellow who just got both of his feet in hot water.

A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops.

To some children school is not a place of joy; they only change one barren world for another.

Learning is a never-ending process. It knows no time, no age, no special structure. It is part of life, and life is part of learning.

Yesterday is a canceled check; tomorrow is a promissory note; today is ready cash — spend it wisely.

A textbook is a way of making knowledge safe from the vagaries of teachers.

Blessed is the man who is too busy to worry by day, and too sleepy to worry at night.

Flattery is merely the art of telling people what they already think of themselves.

You can't shake hands with a clenched fist.

Science at best is not wisdom; it is knowledge. Wisdom is knowledge tempered with judgment.

A pat on the back, though only a few vertebrae removed from a kick in the pants, is miles ahead in results.

Words, like eyeglasses, blur everything that they do not make more clear.

Don't let yesterday use up too much of today.

The less a man says, the more he doesn't have to apologize.

My grandmother wanted me to have an education, so she kept me out of school.

Not everything that is faced can be changed. But nothing can be changed until it is faced.

If it's painful for you to criticize your friends, you're safe in doing it; if you take the slightest pleasure in it, that's the time to hold your tongue.

The most prominent place in hell is reserved for those who are neutral on the great issues of life.

A newspaper is not just for reporting the news as it is, but to make people mad enough to do something about it.

Human beings are not perfectible. They are improvable.

The only fellow who never steps on anybody else's toes is standing still.

An ounce of apology is worth a pound of loneliness.

If it takes a lot of words to say what you have in mind, give it more thought.

We make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give.

A hippie is a lot like a white rug — different, interesting, and hard to keep clean.

Becoming is superior to being.
Fences were made for those who
can't fly.

The weaker sex is the stronger sex because of the weakness of the stronger sex for the weaker sex.

A compromise is a deal in which two people get what neither of them wanted.

Ideas are like children — your own are always wonderful.

The man who makes no mistakes seldom does anything else either.

Bad officials are elected by good citizens who don't vote.

The way to keep people happy is to find out what kind of advice they'd like — and that's what you tell them.

Women generally fall into one of three categories — looked at, looked over, and overlooked.

A woman is young as long as she looks young. A man is young as long as he looks.

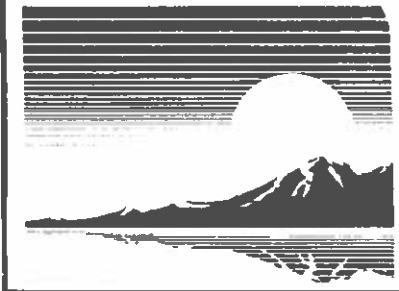
I can see how it might be possible for a man to look down upon the earth and be an atheist, but I cannot conceive how he can look up into the heavens and say there is no God.

The best friends are those who know how to keep the same silence.

You can judge your age by the amount of pain you feel when you come in contact with a new idea.

Temper is a valuable possession — don't lose it.

We all live under the same sky, but we don't all have the same horizon.



We probably wouldn't worry about what people think of us if we could know how seldom they do.

Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can read.

Some people think it's holding on that makes one strong. Sometimes it's letting go.

Success does for living what sunshine does for stained glass.

The fellow who invented the lifesaver really made a mint.



It's hard to feel fit as a fiddle when you're shaped like a cello.

The more you sweat in peace, the less you bleed in war.

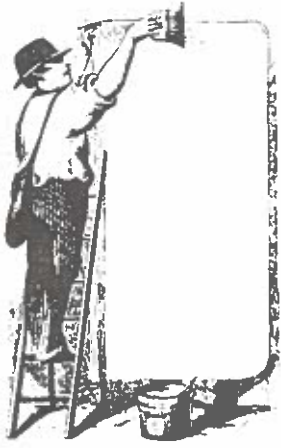
Two great talkers will not travel far together.

A well adjusted person is one who makes the same mistake twice without getting nervous.

He who gives quickly, gives twice.

To love is to admire with the heart; to admire is to love with the mind.

If you think one individual can't make a difference in the world, consider what one cigar can do in a nine-room house.



In all great works of art, the genius draws up the ladder after him.

Minds are like parachutes; they only function when they are open.

People lose sight of the hurdles when they are jumping at conclusions.

Punctuality is a virtue, if you don't mind being lonely.

Better mad with the rest of the world than wise alone.

He who walks in another's tracks leaves no footprints.

To avoid criticism, say nothing, do nothing, be nothing.

The trouble with being a good sport is that you have to lose to prove it.

Nothing so needs reforming as other people's habits.

The only people who never fail are those who never try.

Live and let live is fine, but live and help live is better.

Children must know that it is not their aptitude but their attitude that will determine their altitude.

They can say all they want about being over the hill. It still beats being under it.

When you are high-pressured to make a hurried decision, the best answer is always NO because NO is more easily changed to YES than YES is changed to NO.

The average girl soon discovers that her ideal boyfriend isn't real and her real boyfriend isn't ideal.

Of all things you wear, your expression is the most important.

A temper displayed in public is indecent exposure.

There is so much good in the worst of us, and so much bad in the best of us, that it's hard to tell which one of us ought to reform the rest of us.

People sometimes forget that a rat race can be won only by a rat.

You can preach a better sermon with your life than with your lips.

America is a great country. If you can't make it in the rat race, they give you free cheese.

Having problems is not so bad. There is a special place reserved for people who are problem-free. It's called the cemetery.

Whoever gossips to you will gossip of you.

*When the heavens weep, the earth shall live.
Faith is knowing there is an ocean because you have seen a brook.
Well done is better than well said.*

Seven Steps To Stagnation
*We're not ready for that.
*We've never done it that way before.
*We're doing all right without it.
*We tried it that way and it didn't work.
*It costs too much.
*That's not our responsibility.
*It just won't work.
*That's not sound familiar to all of us? Does this not sound familiar to all of us? If we are to accomplish anything, we must always try new avenues of approach or just take the old and put a new twist to it. You will never get ahead by not putting some kind of effort to your life. Basically, these steps, if reviewed, can be found in our every day life. Don't get into this period of stagnation; do something about it.

GOSSIP

First somebody told it,
Then the room wouldn't hold it,
So the busy tongues rolled it
Till they got it outside;
Then the crowd came across it,
And never once lost it,
But tossed it and tossed it,
Till it grew long and wide.
This lie brought forth others,
Evil sisters and brothers,
And fathers and mothers.
A terrible crew.
As headlong they hurried,
The people they flurried
And troubled and worried,
As lies always do.



Blessed are those who can live with change for they shall be constantly renewed.

Lord, give me a sharp sense of understanding, a retentive memory, and the ability to grasp things correctly and fundamentally. Grant me the talent of being exact in my explanations, and the ability to express myself with thoroughness and charm. Point out the beginning, direct and progress, and help in the completion.

If you think education is expensive, try ignorance.

Character grows in the soil of experience, with fertilization of example, the moisture of desire, and the sunshine of satisfaction.

1. *If you open it, close it.*
2. *If you turn it on, turn it off.*
3. *If you unlock it, lock it.*
4. *If you break it, repair it.*
5. *If you can't fix it, call in someone who can.*
6. *If you borrow it, return it.*
7. *If you use it, take care of it.*
8. *If you make a mess, clean it up.*
9. *If you move it, put it back.*
10. *If it belongs to somebody else and you want to use it, get permission.*
11. *If you don't know how to operate it, leave it alone.*
12. *If it doesn't concern you, don't mess with it.*

In rivers, the water that you touch is the last of what has passed and the first of that which comes: so with present time.

To love the world is no big chore. It's that miserable guy next door who is the problem.

Enemies are not those who hate us, but rather those whom we hate.

I long to accomplish a great and noble task, but it is my chief duty to accomplish small tasks as if they were great and noble. Green, the historian, tells us that the world is moved along, not only by the mighty shoves of its heroes, but also by the aggregate of the tiny pushes of each honest worker.

If you want a glorious harvest, bury some hatchets.

*Razors pain you
Rivers are damp
Acids stain you
Drugs cause cramps.
Guns aren't lawful
Nooses give
Gas smells awful
So you might as well live.*

STATE OF MIND

*If you think you are beaten,
you are.*

*If you think you dare not, you
don't.*

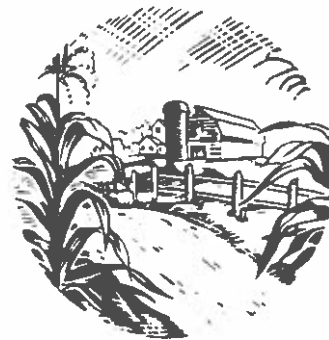
*If you'd like to win but think
you can't,*

*It's almost a cinch that you
won't.*

*If you think you'll lose, you've
lost.*

*For out in the world you'll find
Success begins with a fellow's
will—*

It's all in the state of mind.



Ten Bridges To Success -

Reliability,

Good Will,

Willingness,

Neatness,

Openness,

Trust,

Honesty,

Cheerfulness,

Courtesy,

Empathy.



Start by doing what's necessary,

then what's possible,

and suddenly you are doing the

impossible.

People who invite trouble always complain when it accepts.

To learn something new, take the path that you took yesterday.

The luck of having talent is not enough; one must also have a talent for luck.

One way to be successful is to follow the advice you give others.

Half our troubles come from wanting our own way. The other half comes from getting it.

We must be very careful about what we pretend to be, because some day we may wake up to find that's what we are.

The only place where ends meet now is on a football field.

Youth is when you blame all your troubles on your parents; maturity is when you learn that everything is the fault of the younger generation.

Any nation with the technological know-how to come up with pink bubble gum ice-cream should be able to cope with the energy crisis.

Knowledge is knowing that fire will burn. Wisdom is remembering the blister.

If the cost of education continues to rise, education will become as expensive as ignorance.

Fools live to regret their words, wise men to regret their silence.

It's hard to recognize good luck – it looks so much like something you've earned.

Prejudice is a wonderful timesaver. You can form opinions without bothering to obtain facts.

We don't stop laughing because we grow old – we grow old because we stop laughing.

There is no disappointment that we endure half so great as that we are to ourselves.

Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than going to a garage makes you an automobile.



Some people are like blotters, they soak up everything and get it backwards.

Show me the man you honor, and I will know what kind of man you are.

Most people wish to serve God. . . but in an advisory capacity only.

Those with whom we have laughed. . . are soon forgotten. But those with whom we have cried. . . are remembered forever.

Build a dream and the dream will build you!

There is no gain. . . without pain.

What you are is God's gift to you . . . what you make of yourself is your gift to God!

No man is too big to be courteous, but many men are too small.

God gives every bird its food, but he does not throw it into the nest.

Some people think it's holding on that makes one strong. . . sometimes it's letting go.

Sleep, riches, health – and so every blessing – are not truly and fully enjoyed till after they have been interrupted.

If we would tell each other all our faults, we would laugh at our lack of originality.

I once hated in self-defense. Were I stronger, I wouldn't have used such a weapon.



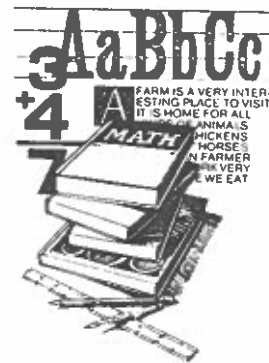
I TAUGHT THEM ALL

I have taught in high school for ten years. During that time I have given assignments, among others, to a murderer, an evangelist, a pugilist, a thief, and an imbecile.

The murderer was a quiet little boy who sat on the front seat and regarded me with pale blue eyes; the evangelist, easily the most popular boy in school, had the lead in the junior play; the pugilist lounged by the window and let loose at intervals a raucous laugh that startled even the geraniums; the thief was a gay hearted Lotharo with a song on his lips; and the imbecile, a soft-eyed little animal seeking the shadows.

The murderer awaits death in the state penitentiary; the evangelist has lain a year now in the village churchyard; the pugilist lost an eye in a brawl in Hong Kong; the thief, by standing on tiptoe, can see the windows of my room from the county jail, the once gentle eyed little moron beats his head against a padded wall in the state asylum.

All these pupils once sat in my room; sat and looked at me gravely across my worn brown desk. I must have been a great help to those pupils-- I taught them the rhyming scheme of the Elizabethan sonnet and how to diagram a complex sentence.



If you can't find time to do it right, . . . how in the world will you find the time to do it over?

Eat a live road in the morning and nothing worse will happen to you the rest of the day.

In war, there are no unwounded soldiers.

Time is a circus. . . always packing up and moving away.

We couldn't conceive of a miracle if none had ever happened.

Heaven goes by favor. . . if we went by merit, you world stay out and your dog would go in.

In a war of ideas, it is people who get killed.

Maturity is reached the day we don't have to be lied to about anything.

You cannot train a horse with shouts and expect it to obey a whisper.

Putting God second is not the answer. . . it's the problem.

Stubbornness does have its advantages: you always know what you are going to be thinking tomorrow.

Men are like wines, age souring the bad and bettering the good.

I shall pass through this life but once.
Any good, therefore, that I can do
Or any kindness I can show to any fellow
creature
Let me do it now.
Let me not defer or neglect it,
For I shall not pass this way again.

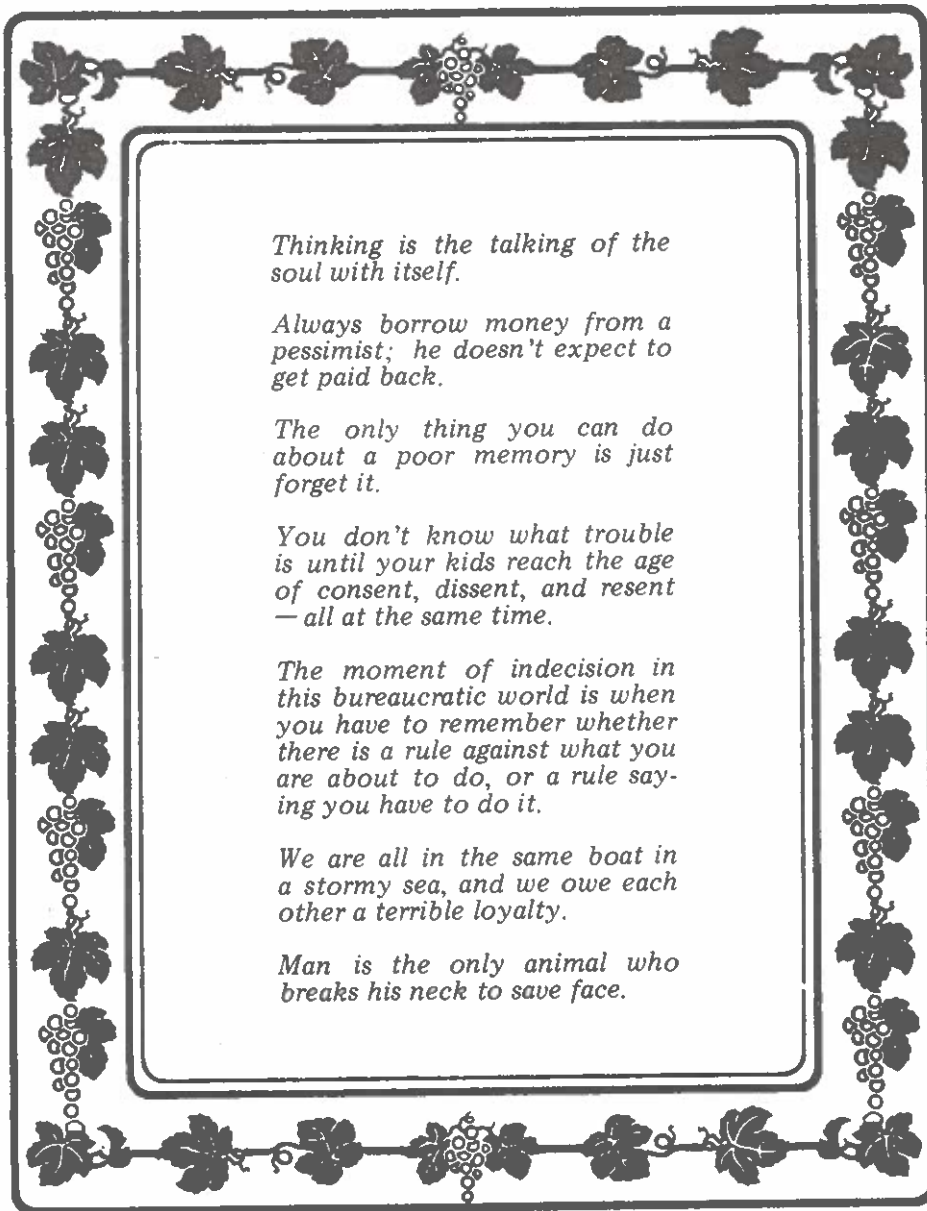
Loneliness is knowing the television schedules by heart.

**Coming together is a beginning;
Keeping together is progress;
Working together is success.**

Patriotism is a lot easier to fight for than it is to live up to.

Live life to the fullest, because death is so permanent.

The true sports fan is the guy who will do anything to go to a game — even take his wife along.



Thinking is the talking of the soul with itself.

Always borrow money from a pessimist; he doesn't expect to get paid back.

The only thing you can do about a poor memory is just forget it.

You don't know what trouble is until your kids reach the age of consent, dissent, and resent — all at the same time.

The moment of indecision in this bureaucratic world is when you have to remember whether there is a rule against what you are about to do, or a rule saying you have to do it.

We are all in the same boat in a stormy sea, and we owe each other a terrible loyalty.

Man is the only animal who breaks his neck to save face.

DON'T BE AFRAID TO FAIL

You've failed many times, although you may not remember. You fell down the first time you tried to walk. You almost drowned the first time you tried to swim, didn't you? Did you hit the ball the first time you swung a bat? Heavy hitters, the ones who hit the most home runs, also strike out a lot. R. H. Macy failed seven times before his store in New York caught on. English novelist John Creasey got 753 rejection slips before he published 564 books. Babe Ruth struck out 1,330 times, but he also hit 714 home runs. Don't worry about failure. Worry about the chances you miss when you don't even try.

Kids are always the only future the human race has.

A thing moderately good is not so good as it ought to be. Moderation in temper is always a virtue; but moderation in principle is always a vice.

It is impossible to defeat an ignorant man in argument.

A genius is one who shoots are something no one else can see, and hits it.

The Lord gave you a mind and a mouth. Try to keep the two connected.

God is the sum of all possibilities.

Kids today have so many luxuries that the best way to punish a child is to send him to his parents' room.

Brooks become crooked from taking the path of least resistance. So do people.

Sometimes one pays most for the things one gets for nothing.

The three things most difficult are to keep a secret, to forget an injury, and to make good use of leisure.

More good things in life are lost by indifference than ever were lost by active hostility.

Him that I love, I wish to be free — even from me.

If only we'd stop trying to be happy, we could have a pretty good time.

Death and taxes may always be with us, but death at least doesn't get any worse.

The soul would have no rainbow had the eyes no tears.

The egotist always hurts the one he loves - himself.

Beautiful young people are accidents of nature. Beautiful old people are works of art.

There are two ways of spreading light. To be the candle, or the mirror that reflects it.

A good conscience is a continual Christmas.

In the game of life, as in other sports, you can pick out the winners -- they're the ones who aren't complaining about the officiating.

To have more, desire less.

We make our friends; we make our enemies; but God makes our next door neighbor.

Not everyone repeats gossip. Some improve it.

Love endures only when the lovers love many things together and not merely each other.

If you realize that you aren't as wise today as you thought you were yesterday, you're wiser today.

In certain trying circumstances, urgent circumstances, desperate circumstances, profanity furnishes a relief denied even to prayer.

The young man knows the rules, but the old man knows the exceptions.

My dog was dying by the inch
And dying by inches is hard
So I took him out in the alley
And let him die by the yard.

In prayer it is better to have a heart without words than words without a heart.

Life's no brief candle - it's a splendid torch!

One of these days is none of these days.

The larger the island of knowledge, the longer the shoreline of wonder.

The only difference between a rut and a grave is a matter of dimension.

You teach as much what you are as the subject matter you teach.

Learning is a very private thing.

Smart students will get along in spite of you - not because of you.

Each one of us is a miniature culture walking around.

You should find SOME good in everyone and praise this.

The student's viewpoint is always "interesting."

Nobody can quote the Bible like the devil.

If you give a man a fish, he can eat today. If you teach him how to fish, he can eat every day.

The devil does a nice business for such a lousy location.

As soon as there is life there is danger.

A good leader is doing his job when half the people are following him and half are chasing him.

A fellow who leads a double life often gets through it in half the time.



It's nice to be important, but it's more important to be nice.

Competition doesn't create character; it exposes it.

All of us are born for a reason, but all of us don't discover why. Success in life has nothing to do with what you gain in life or accomplish for yourself. It's what you do for others.

Postage stamps are getting more expensive, but at least they have one attribute that most of us could emulate; they stick to one thing until they get there.

Six essential ingredients for success: sincerity, personal integrity, humility, courtesy, wisdom, and charity.

A good woman inspires a man; a brilliant woman interests him; a beautiful woman fascinates him; and a sympathetic woman gets him.

There's no limit to what you can accomplish if you're not concerned who gets the credit.

There will never be another now. So I will make the most of today. There will never be another me. So I will make the most of myself.

To try and fail is at least to learn. To fail to try is to suffer the inestimable loss of what might have been.

Honesty without compassion and understanding is not honesty, but subtle hostility.

The first words of any decision, no matter how big or small, are "I'll try."

Nothing improves a person's hearing more than praise.

Everything in the past died yesterday; everything in the future was born today.

The work will wait while you show the child the rainbow, but the rainbow won't wait while you do the work.

ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY

May the road rise up
to meet you,
may the wind be always
at your back,
may the sun shine warm
upon your face,
and the rains fall soft
upon your fields,
and until we meet again. . .
May God hold you
in the hollow of His hand.



Old Irish Blessing

The way to happiness: keep your heart free from hate, your mind from worry. Live simply, expect little, give much. Fill your life with love. Scatter sunshine. Forget self, think of others. Do as you would be done by.

There's no fun in having nothing to do; the fun comes in having plenty to do and not doing it.

Everything comes to him who hustles while he waits.

Only part of us can learn by other people's experiences. The rest of us have to be the other people.

Most of our future lies ahead.

Love and time - those are the only two things in all the world and all of life that cannot be bought, but only spent.

Failure is an event - not a person.

The greatest right in the world is the right to be wrong.

If you don't want anyone to know, don't do it.

Silent gratitude isn't very much use to anyone.

Happiness walks on busy feet.

Praise can give criticism a lead around the first turn and still win the race.

Children's griefs are little, certainly; but so is the child, so is its endurance, so is its field of vision, while its nervous impressionability is keener than ours. Grief is a matter of relativity: the sorrow should be estimated by its proportion to the sorrower; a gash is as painful to one as an amputation is to another.



Sentimentality is no indication of a warm heart. Nothing weeps more copiously than a chunk of ice.

It is the malady of our age that the young are so busy teaching us that they have no time left to learn.

Man's fear of ideas is probably the greatest dike holding back human knowledge and happiness.

While enormous strides have been made in communications in recent years, there's still a lot to be said for the smile.

It may be true that the weak will always be driven to the wall; but it is the task of a just society to see that the wall is climbable.

One good thing about Monday — it keeps Sunday and Tuesday from slamming together.

Your body is the baggage you must carry through life. The more excess baggage, the shorter the trip.

In order that all men may be taught to speak truth, it is necessary that all likewise should learn to hear it.

Tact is the ability to stay in the middle without getting caught there.

A fight starts only with the second blow.

Drugs are when you fly now and really pay later.

Maturity begins when we're content to feel we're right about something without feeling the necessity to prove someone else wrong.

Take things as they come. But try to make things come as you would like to take them.

When you have robbed a man of everything, he's no longer in your power. He is free again.

The wit of conversation consists more in finding it in others than in showing a great deal yourself.

Frustration is not having anyone to blame but yourself.

Each 24 hours, the world turns over on someone who was sitting on top of it.

Never confuse motion with action.

Every time you open your mouth you let men look into your mind.

The chief cause of problems is solutions.

The pain in the neck you complain about may be the result of looking backward.

Oh, what a tangled web do parents weave when they think that their children are naive.

Strange how much you've got to know before you know how little you know.

To do what others cannot do is talent. To do what talent cannot do is genius.

A closed mind, like a closed room, can become awfully stuffy.

Nothing is harder to find than perfection.

Thought is the seed of action.

He who cannot bear misfortune is truly unfortunate.

One is never as happy or unhappy as one thinks.

Nothing can bring you peace but yourself.

Doubt whom you will, but never doubt yourself.

If you have talent and patience you can accomplish anything.

Nothing is more powerful than habits.

Whether on the road or in an argument,
when you see red it's time to stop.

We can often endure an extra pound of
pain far more easily than we can suffer
the withdrawal of an ounce of accustomed
pleasure.

How often are we offended by not being
offered something we do not really
want.

A pessimist sees only the dark side of the
clouds, and mopes; a philosopher sees both
sides, and shrugs; an optimist doesn't see
the clouds at all — he's walking on them.

What language are truck drivers using now
that everyone is using theirs?

Be alert — the country needs more lerts.

If I filled my mind with all that you know,
where would I find room for all that you
don't know?

Men do not stumble over mountains, but
over molehills.

Never look for a worm in the apple of your
eye.

One half of like is luck; the other half is
discipline — and that's the important half,
for without discipline you wouldn't know
what to do with your luck.

Ignorance is a form of environmental
pollution.

After a little experience, a man realizes he
can go to bed at midnight and seldom
miss anything.

Don't put off for tomorrow what you can
do today, because if you enjoy it today
you can do it again tomorrow.

To save face, keep part of it shut.

Experience is what you've got left after
you've forgotten her name.

*It's what you learn after you know it
all that counts.*

*You can't change your ancestors, but
you can do something about your
descendants.*

*Keep raising the roof and people will
think there's something wrong in your
attic.*

Begin at once to live, and count each day
as a separate life.

Life is like an onion: you peel it off one
layer at a time, and sometimes you weep.

There's nothing so hopeless as the man who
only hopes.

Man comes into the world crying, and goes
out crying. In between he must laugh.

*Lonliness is when a young couple thinks
they are the only ones that matter.*

*Experience is a hard teacher. She gives the
test first and the lesson afterward.*

*It often shows a fine command of language
to say nothing.*

*When you are in the right, you can afford
to keep your temper; when you're in the
wrong, you can't afford to lose it.*

*A man always has two reasons for doing
anything — a good reason and the real
reason.*

*You ain't learnin' nothin' when you're
talkin'.*

*The mob is man voluntarily descending to
the nature of the beast.*

*Tact is the ability to keep silent when two
friends are arguing — and you know both
of them are wrong.*

*No one can be completely relaxed. Like
a windup clock, a person can't tick without
some tension.*


*To age with dignity and courage cuts close
to what it is to be a man.*

*Words must surely be counted among the
most powerful drugs man ever invented.*

*You can't expect a person to see eye to
eye with you when you're looking down
on him.*

*It's important that people know what you
stand for. It's equally important that they
know what you won't stand for.*

*One way to get high blood pressure
is to go mountain climbing over mole
hills.*



**We grow great
by dreams.**



**A problem is a problem
only if you want it to be.**

Help me to remember today all you taught me yesterday.

Encouragement is oxygen to the soul.

Nothing said to us, nothing we can learn from others, reaches us so deeply as that which we find ourselves.

You've got to learn how to fall before you learn to fly.

There is precious instruction to be got by finding that we were wrong.

Where there is an open mind, there will always be a frontier.

You are asking me questions and I hear you; I answer that I cannot answer, you must find out for yourself.

I have yet to find a person who did not put forth greater effort under a spirit of approval than he would ever do under a spirit of criticism.

Listening is the beginning of understanding.

The primary purpose of education is not to teach one to earn his bread but to make every mouthful sweeter.

Our only security is in our ability to change.

I am only one, but I am one. I can't do everything, but I can do something. And what I can do, that I ought to do. And what I ought to do, by the grace of God, I will do.

The happiest times are those shared with friends.

Count your blessings, not your troubles.

Love is the nicest gift of all.

The coldest days can produce the warmest smiles.

Always take the time to say what's in your heart.

The easiest tasks are those done with love.

Happiness is the reflection of a smile.

Half the fun of having a friend is being one yourself.

Happiness is found in little things.

A liberal is a guy who believes in school busing and no school prayers. A conservative believes in school prayers and no busing. A moderate believes that children should pray on the bus on the way to school.

The golden rule of friendship is to listen to others as you would have them listen to you.

Seek not every quality in one individual.

Life is like music. It must be composed by ear, feeling, and instinct, not by rule.



DEFINITION OF A REAL MAN

By R. Nelson Valentine

- One who has self-confidence but does not show it.
- One who can be courteous in the face of discourtesy.
- One who keeps his word, his temper, and his friends.
- One who wins respect by being respectable and respectful.
- One who has a steady eye, a steady nerve, a steady tongue and steady habits.
- One who is silent when he has nothing to say.
- One who is calm when he judges and humble when he misjudges.



Applause is the only appreciated interruption.

In individuals, insanity is rare; but in groups, parties, nations, and epochs, it is the rule.

The secret of happiness is curiosity.

Knowledge cannot make us all leaders, but it can help us decide which leader to follow.

Beware of those who laugh at nothing or at everything.

It isn't the mountains ahead that wear you out. It's the grain of sand in your shoe.

How well you like hard work often depends on whether you are doing it or paying for it.

The most important thing in life is to love someone. The second most important thing in life is to have someone love you. The third most important thing is to have the first two happen at the same time.

Cheerfulness, like spring, opens all the blossoms of the inward man.

Half of art is knowing when to stop.

The thing to do with good advice is to pass it on. It is never any good to oneself.

The genius of communication is the ability to be both totally honest and totally kind at the same time.

The more you do, the more you are.

Sincerity is like a spice. Too much repels you and too little leaves you wanting.

He who is impatient waits twice.

Two dangers constantly threaten the world: order and disorder.

Ignorance is bold, and knowledge reserved.

Nothing in life is to be feared. It is only to be understood.

To be wronged is nothing, unless you continue to remember it.

Time is too slow for those who wait, too swift for those who fear, too long for those who grieve, too short for those who rejoice. But for those who love, time is not

If you want all the conversation you can handle, put a bandage on your forehead.

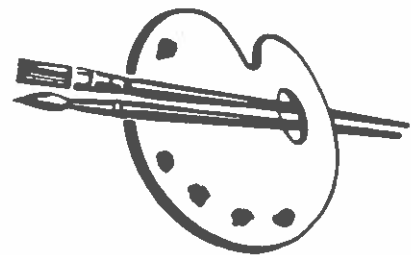
Given a strong hub, a person can take a surprising number of shocks and bumps on the outside rim without sustaining permanent damage.

As we grow old, the beauty steals inward.

Encouragement after censure is as the sun after a shower.

I never let schooling interfere with education.

The beginning of wisdom is silence.



There is no subject, however complex, which — if studied with patience and intelligence — will not become more complex.

The trouble with having a place for everything is how often it gets filled up with everything else.

We have to do something about the way we're polluting the air, water, and wilderness areas. Let's not make God a slumlord.

A father is a man who expects his son to be as good a man as he meant to be.

Democracy, like love, can survive any attack — save neglect and indifference.

The finest kind of friendship is between people who expect a great deal of each other but never ask it.

An old anvil laughs at many broken hammers.

The best way to break a habit is to drop it.

You are not mature until you expect the unexpected.

Only put off until tomorrow what you are willing to die having left undone.

The object of education is to prepare the young to educate themselves throughout their lives.

The average American worker earns almost twice as much as an Englishman, three times as much as a Russian, and about half of what he thinks he should be earning.

Fear not that your life shall come to an end, but rather fear that it shall have no beginning.

Only those who have already experienced a revolution within themselves can reach out effectively to help others.

There ain't no man can avoid being born average. But there ain't no man got to be common.

Marrying a girl for her looks is like buying a house for its paint.

Wishes come true when the wisher comes through.

In labors of love, every day is payday.

The important thing is not so much that every child should be taught as that every child should be given the wish to learn.

The hardest arithmetic to master is that which enables us to count our blessings.

Flattery is warming yourself by an artificial fireplace.

To be trusted is a greater compliment than to be loved.

At 18 our convictions are hills from which we look; at 45 they are caves in which we hide.

I have never met a man who has given me as much trouble as myself.

Our dilemma is that we hate change and love it at the same time; what we really want is for things to remain the same but get better.

We set standards for drugs, because bad drugs cross state lines. Well, badly educated children cross state lines, too.

Most of the shadows of this life are caused by standing in our own sunshine.

Anxiety in human life is what squeaking and grinding are in machinery that is not oiled. In life, trust is the oil.

The automobile did away with horses. Now, it's working on the rest of us.

Freedom is worth whatever it costs.

No person can be a great leader unless he takes genuine joy in the success of those under him.



If half the world doesn't know how the other half lives, it's encouraging to know that at least half the people are minding their own business.

Too often an abandoned child is one living with its parents.

The trouble with good advice is that it usually interferes with our plans.

Swallowing angry words is much easier than having to eat them.

A man wrapped up in himself makes a very small package.

When adults behave like children, we call them juveniles; when children behave like adults, we call them delinquents.

Most of the people who won't stop at anything seem to be driving cars these days.

It's hard to know just when one generation ends and the next one begins, but it's sometime around 9 PM.

If a man thinks for one minute he can understand women, he has timed it about right.

Sex appeal is 50% what you've got -- and 50% what people think you've got. (Sophia Loren)

Marriage is like good horseradish -- men praise it with tears in their eyes.

Wealth is not only what you have but it is also what you are.

A wise man changes his mind, a fool never.

Everybody wants the same thing out of life -- more than he deserves.

Being a gentleman is like being happy. If you have to try to achieve it, you aren't.

Mans' great mistake is that he loves things and uses people when he should use things and love people.

The first day of school should not find any teacher emphasizing his flexibility.

If a classroom is to be a benign influence upon humanity, then more than the mind must be nourished there -- the human heart and spirit must grow a little there.

I hate to admit it, but my profession is so rife with clock-watchers that the really enthusiastic teacher often incurs some suspicion.

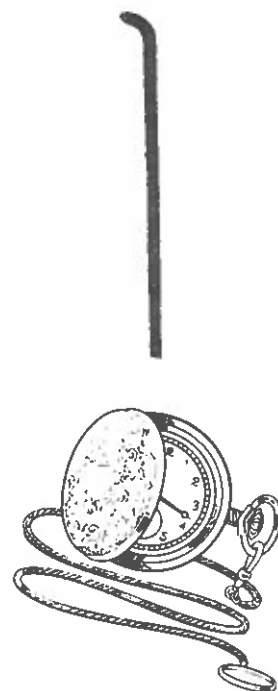
Life is a big hot wire and it isn't very well insulated. If you take hold of it -- really hang onto it -- you're bound to feel the current. It may not always hurt, but it will always shake you up. That being the case you can do just two things. Stay away from life, the way a lot of people do, or wear your own insulation, as I do unless I forget.

People are like bath water -- not so hot once you get used to them.

If there was somebody with my looks and your brains, he'd be great. He would be extremely good looking, but dumb as hell!

If you don't say anything, you don't have to deny it.

A speech is like a bad tooth. The longer it takes to draw it out, the more it hurts.



It is generally agreed that the nation is at the crossroads - but there is a difference of opinion as to what it says on the signposts.

Why must the phrase "It is none of my business" always be followed by the word "but"?

Patience is something you admire in the driver behind you and scorn in the one ahead.

We used to blame bad people on the environment. Now we blame the environment on bad people.

Jumping at several small opportunities may get us there more quickly than waiting for one big one to come along.

Status symbols are medals you buy yourself.

Our generation never got a break. When we were younger they taught us to respect our elders, and now that we're older they tell us to listen to the youth.

Everybody wants to get what's coming to him - without getting what he deserves.

Both optimists and pessimists contribute to our society. The optimist invents the airplane and the pessimist the parachute.

I like to see a man proud of the place in which he lives; and so live that the place will be proud of him.

The art of being wise is the art of knowing what to overlook.

As soon as the rush is over I'm going to have a nervous breakdown. I've worked for it, I owe it to myself, and nobody is going to deprive me of it.

It isn't the hours you put in your work that counts - it's the work you put in your hours.

Worry is like a rocking chair. It will give you something to do, but it don't get you anywhere.

All that is necessary for the forces of evil to win in the world is for enough good men to do nothing.

Happiness is like a butterfly. The more you chase it, the more it eludes you. But if you turn your attention to other things, it comes and softly sits on your shoulder.

The love in your heart wasn't put there to stay; Love isn't love till you give it away.

The future does not belong to those who are content with today. Rather it will belong to these who can blend vision, reason, and courage in a personal commitment.

Problems are solved by moving ahead.

Freedom is nothing else but a chance to do better.

Involvement with people is always a very delicate thing — it requires real maturity to become involved and not get all messed up.

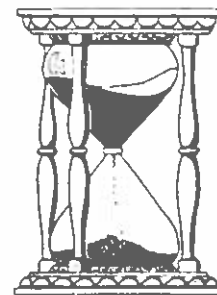
Happy are those who dream dreams and are ready to pay the price to make them come true.

If you do not raise your eyes you will think that you are the highest point.

Consistency is the last refuge of the unimaginative.

He that stays in the valley shall never get over the hill.

How to spend your time is more important than how to spend your money. Money mistakes can be corrected, but time is gone forever.



He climbs the highest who helps another up.

The man who makes a spectacle of himself is easy to see through.

Man is not paid for having brains, but for using them.

Great minds discuss ideas, average minds discuss people.

Great opportunities come to those who make the most of small ones.

If you growl all day, it's only natural that you feel dog tired at night.

When a person is always right, there is something wrong.

A task worth doing and friends worth having make life worth living.

How you use today will determine how tomorrow uses you.

Democracy is a process by which the people are free to choose the man who will get the blame.

The search for a scapegoat is the easiest of all hunting expeditions.

Don't be troubled if the temptation to give advice is irresistible; the ability to ignore it is universal.

Frustration is commonly the difference between what you would like to be and what you are willing to sacrifice to become what you would like to be.

Children are like wet cement. Whatever falls on them makes an impression.

A man who enjoys responsibility usually gets it. A man who merely likes exercising authority usually loses it.

The worst boss anyone can have is a bad habit.

To reply to an evil word by another taunt is like trying to clean off dirt with mud.

There's a difference between good sound reasons and reasons that sound good.

Life is like a bank. You can only take out what you've put in.

You can't just go on being a good egg. You must either hatch or go bad.

The best things in life are not free, but unexpected.

Family trees need constant spraying.

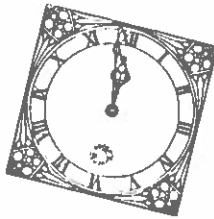
It's the past that makes the future worth living.

Life has become a struggle between keeping your weight down and your spirits up.

Life is a continuing process of learning new ways to make the same old mistakes.

The chains of habit are often too light until they are too strong to be broken.

People who have wild ideas about how to run the earth should start with a small garden.



NOT

The world is NOT looking for the average man,
One content to live off the fat of the land:
Who like the tree with the one dead limb
Never uses the full talents God has given him.

The world is NOT looking for the average man
Who is willing to quit just because he can,
And to be satisfied with being better than some,
Not giving a thought about improvement to come.

The world is NOT looking for the average man
Who finds it an honor with the mediocare to stand,
And finishes the race in the middle of the pack
While the world goes on and never looks back.

The world IS looking for the champion man
Who will give his all whenever he can,
And no matter what the cost, he will do his best
Never to be content with being like the rest.

The world IS looking for the champion man
Who has the toughness of a calloused hand:
Who is busy at work to improve his skill,
That he might escape being "run-of-the-mill".

The world IS looking for the champion man
Who won't say, "I can't," but will say, "I can";
Who finishes the race in front of the pack
So intent in his effort he never looks back.

So to you who are preparing for your life's work,
Who never intend your job to shirk,
Remember the CHAMPION man could be you,
But only your best will ever do.

To me, no coach in America asks
A young man to make any sacrifice,
He requests that He Do the opposite:
Live clean, come clean, think clean:
That he stop doing all the things that destroy
Him physically, mentally, and morally.
And begin doing all the things that
Make him keener, finer and more content.

— Fielding H. Yost



*Take time to work;
It is the price of success.
Take time to think;
It is the source of power.
Take time to play;
It is the secret of
perpetual youth.
Take time to read;
It is a fountain of wisdom.
Take time to worship;
It is the highway of
reverence.
Take time to be friendly;
It is the road to happiness.
Take time to laugh;
It is the music of the soul.
Take time to dream;
It is hitching your
wagon to a star.
Take time to live.*

IT'S ALL IN A STATE OF MIND

If you think that you are beaten, you are:
If you think you dare not, you won't:
If you like to win, but don't think you can,
It's almost a cinch you won't.

If you think you'll lose, you're lost:
For out in the world you'll find
Success begins with a fellow's will:
It's all in a state of mind.

For many a game is lost
Ere even a play is run:
And many a coward fails
Ere even his work is begun.

Think big and your deeds will grow;
Think small and you'll fall behind;
Think that you CAN and you WILL:
It's all in a state of mind.

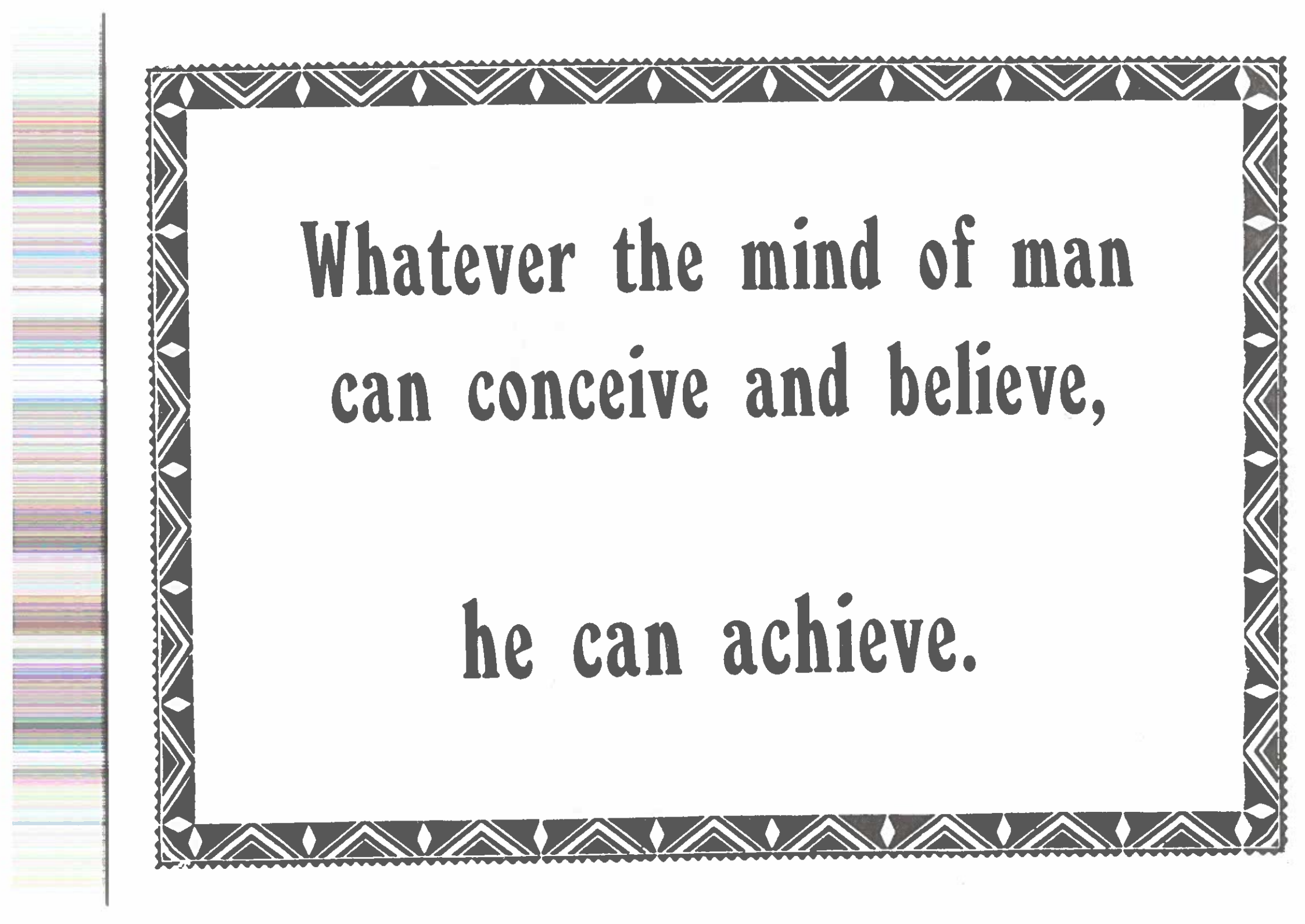
If you think you are out-classed, you are;
You've got to think high to rise;
You've got to be sure of yourself before
You can ever win a prize.

Life's battles don't always go
To the stronger or faster man;
But sooner or later, the man who wins
Is the fellow who thinks he can.

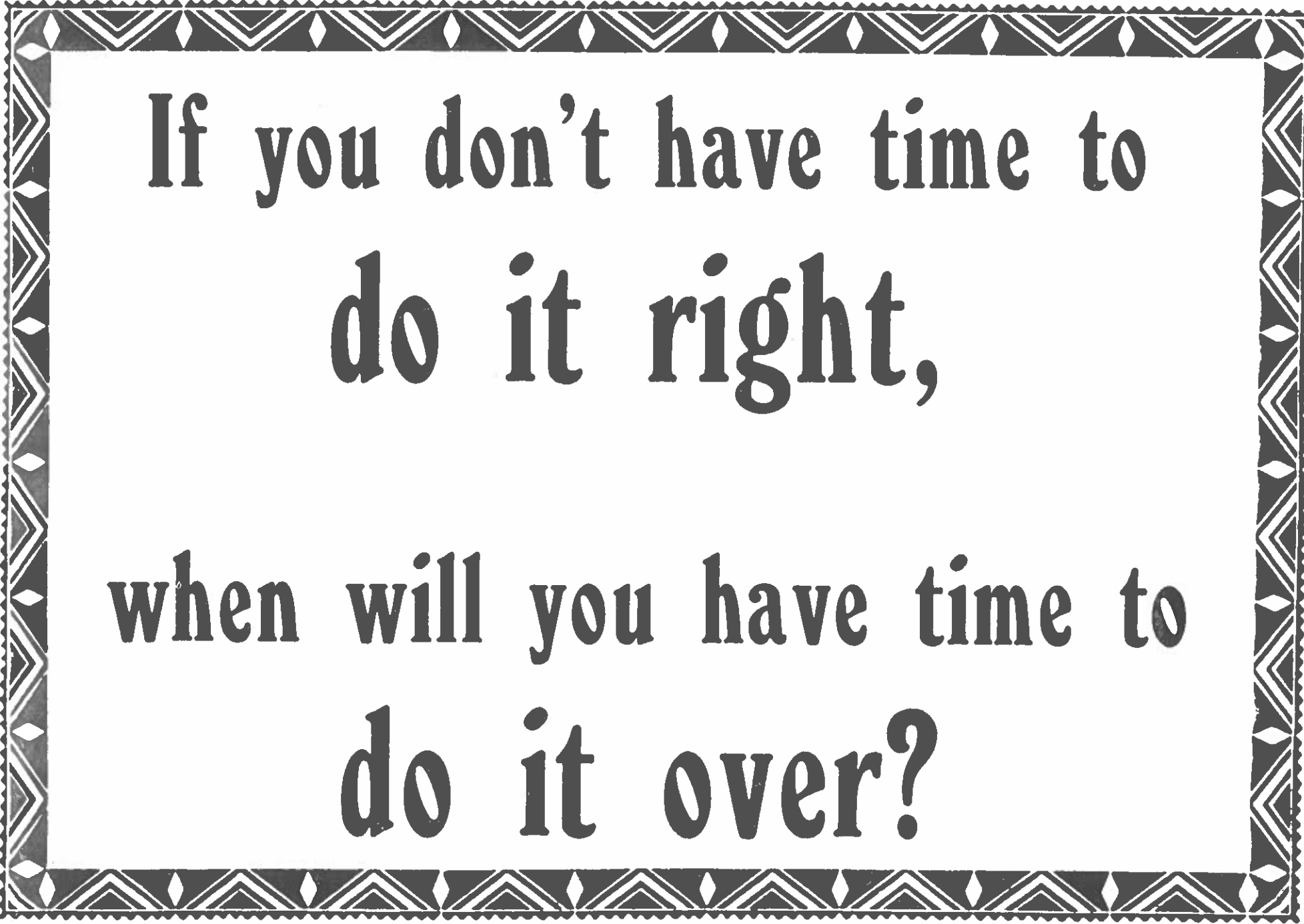
A FABLE

Once there was a Dutch boy who saw a leak in a dike and stuck his finger in to prevent a flood. A few moments later, another leak appeared and a young girl quickly joined him in plugging that one. Soon, young people were rushing to plug an increasing number of holes. Meanwhile, the older, saner, more stable citizens went about their business, occasionally muttering about the peculiar behavior of youth. Finally, the kids began yelling for help, because more holes were appearing. This got the old folks angry and they responded by crying out the name of their god, Lawn Ordeh, to quiet the unruly young people; but the kids, instead of becoming frightened, got angry and yelled all the louder. Wise men then spoke to them and said that the country was as sound as ever and that only demagogues and paranoids were telling them that they saw leaks. The youngsters decided that all the wise men weren't so wise after all and shouted again for help. The king and the crown prince then appeared on the scene; the king said the kids were all bums and the crown prince called them an impudent corps of effete snobs. At this, the palace guards started shooting them and construction workers began beating them up; they were finally driven away from the dikes and the moderates among them said it was probably better, after all, to collect petitions for dike-improvement bills to be introduced next year in the legislature. The king then announced that he himself had the same goals as they did; but nobody at all said anything after that, although many tried to speak, because all that could be heard was, "Glub. . . glub. . . glub. . ."

Moral: ?



**Whatever the mind of man
can conceive and believe,
he can achieve.**



**If you don't have time to
do it right,**

**when will you have time to
do it over?**

Dear Sis:

Just a line to say I'm living;
That I'm not among the dead;
Though I'm getting more forgetful
And mixed up in the head.

For sometimes I can't remember
When I stand at the foot of the stairs
If I must go up for something
Or if I've just come down from there.

And, before the frig so often
My poor mind is filled with doubt:
Have I just put the food away
Or have I come to take some out?

And there's times when it is dark out
With my night cap on my head;
I don't know if I'm retiring
Or just getting out of bed.

So, if it's my turn to write you,
There's no need in getting sore;
I may think that I have written
And don't want to be a bore.

So remember, I do love you,
And I wish that you were here;
But now it's nearly mail time
So I must say "Goodbye, Dear."

P.S. There I stood beside the mailbox
With a face so very red:
Instead of mailing you the letter
I had opened it instead!

"Good Times" are when people who used to be barefoot complain about the price of shoes.

He who has health has hope. . . he who has hope has everything.

Life's battles won't always go to the stronger or faster man but sooner or later the one who wins is the one who thinks he can.

Love is a basket with five loaves and two fishes. . . it's never enough until you start to give it away.

The best way to kill time is to work it to death.

The same wind snuffs candles that kindles fires; so, where absence kills a little love, it fans a great one.

Rudeness is the weak man's imitation of strength.

All too often a clear conscience is merely the result of a bad memory.

Work for the Lord: The pay's not good, but the retirement benefits are out of this world.

Temper is what gets most of us in trouble. . . pride is what keeps us there.

To climb to the top of any ladder, you must let go of the rung below.

The future is that time when you'll wish you'd done what you aren't doing now.

Some people suffer in silence louder than others.

The young do not know enough to be prudent, and therefore they attempt the impossible — and achieve it, generation after generation.

We lie the loudest when we lie to ourselves.

When the alarm clock rings, the best part of the day is over.

It's possible to possess too much. A man with one watch knows what time it is. A man with two watches is never sure.

Men and women chasing each other is what makes the human race.

Our task is not to create an idyllic environment peopled by the poor. Our task is to create a decent environment peopled by the proud.

The superior man is distressed by the limitations of his ability; he is not distressed by the fact that men do not recognize the ability he has.

Laughter is the shortest distance between two people.

The love of liberty is the love of others; the love of power is the love of ourselves.



It's hard to detect good luck — it looks so much like something you've earned.

The old believe everything; the middle-aged suspect everything; the young know everything.

A recession is when your neighbor loses his job. A depression is when you lose your job. A panic is when your wife loses her job.

I make the most of all that comes, and the least of all that goes.

The hearing ear is always found close to the speaking tongue.

Cast you bread upon the waters and you may be liable for a stiff fine.

People who fly into a rage always make a bad landing.

Adolescence is the period when people are too old to take advice, and too young to give it.

If you can tell the difference between good advice and bad advice, you don't heed advice.

Once women wore bathing suits down to their ankles, then down to their knees, then down to their hips. This year we're not even sure they'll wear'em down to the beach.

Age is what makes antiques worth more and people worth less.

Keep your words short and sweet 'cause some day you might have to eat them.

True love comes quietly, without banners or flashing lights. If you hear bells, get your ears checked.

Speak when you're angry, and you'll make the best speech you'll ever regret.

True friendship is like phosphorescence — it glows best when the world around you goes dark.

Love doesn't make the world go round. Love is what makes the ride worthwhile.

The larger the island of knowledge, the larger the shoreline of wonder.

A day is a miniature eternity.

Music washes away fro the soul the dust of everyday life.

The hands that help are holier than the lips that pray.

Strangers are just friends that you don't know yet.

The only way to have a friend is to be one.

Why fear death? It is the most beautiful adventure in life.

To go through life with no sense of humor is like riding a wagon without springs.

Parents were invented to make children happy by giving them something to ignore.

Be thankful for being. It's better than not being.

The heart is the only broken instrument that works.

Men show their character in nothing more clearly than by what they think laughable.

The time to relax is when you don't have time for it.

He who's always blowing a fuse is usually in the dark.

What sunshine is to flowers, smiles are to humanity.

We see things not as they are, but as we are.

The foolish person seeks happiness in the distance; the wise person grows it under his feet.
Great joys, like griefs, are silent.



Try to live so that someone will miss you when you're gone.

Even if you're on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there.

Love looks through a telescope; envy, through a microscope.

To know things as they are is better than to believe things as they seem.

Work spares us from three great evils: boredom, vice, and need.

Human needs — Some food, some sun, some work, some fun, some-one.

One of the most difficult things to give away is kindness — it is usually returned.

If you don't put in your two cents worth, how do you expect change?

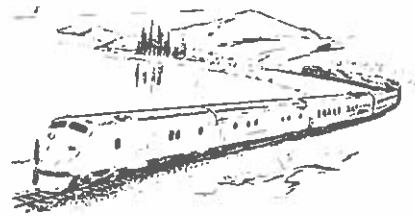
Monarchy is like a great ship — you ride with the wind and tide in safety and elation, but by and by you strike a reef and go down. Democracy is like a raft: you never sink, but, damn it, your feet are always in the water.

There are a thousand hacking at the branches of evil to one who is striking at the root.



Do not resent growing old. Many are denied the privilege.

If you do not think about the future, you cannot have one.



In order to be a realist, you must believe in miracles.

Democracy is the art of disciplining oneself so that one need not be disciplined by others.

A compulsion is a highbrow term for a temptation we're not trying too hard to resist.

Standing on your dignity makes for poor footing.

Blessed is he who has learned to admire but not envy, to follow but not imitate, to praise but not flatter, and to lead but not manipulate.

Life is a series of surprise packages and only a few come gift-wrapped.

When some people are wrong, they make up for it by being the last to admit it.

Now that it's behind you, what did you do yesterday that you're proud of?

Youth is that period when a young boy knows everything except how to make a living.

It is the man who has done nothing who is sure nothing can be done.

All things come to him who hustles while he waits.

There are certain small faults that offset great virtues. There are certain great faults that are forgotten in small virtues.

Hate is a prolonged form of suicide.

There is a point somewhere when the money for the second automobile ought to go to paying for a better school.

"Tell me what you read and I'll tell you who you are" is true enough, but I'd know you better if you told me what you reread.

A person who talks about his inferiors hasn't any.

TEEN AGERS

Now . . . Read This

Always we hear the plaintive cry of the teen agers:

What can we do . . . ?

Where can we go . . . ?

I can make some suggestions, **GO HOME!**

Remove the storm windows. Paint the woodwork. Rake the leaves. Mow the lawn. Shovel the walk. Wash the car. Learn to cook. Scrub the floors. Repair the sink. Build a boat. Get a job.

Help the Minister, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army. Visit the sick. Assist the poor. Study your lessons. And when you are through—and not too tired—read a book.

Your parents do not owe you entertainment. Your village does not owe you recreational facilities.

The world does **NOT** owe you a living .
You owe the world something.

You owe it your time and energy, and your talents, so that no one will be at war or in poverty, or sick, or lonely again.

In plain simple words: ‘**GROW UP**, quit being a crybaby; get out of your dream world; develop a backbone, not a wishbone; and start acting like a man or a lady.’”

I’m a parent. I’M tired of nursing, protecting, helping, appealing, begging, excusing, tolerating, denying myself needed comforts for your every whim and fancy, just because your selfish ego instead of common sense dominates your personality and thinking.



You have freedom of choice but not freedom from choice.

The difference between gossip and news is whether you hear it or tell it.

The difference between perseverance and obstinacy is that one comes from a strong will, the other from a strong won't.

No one is rich enough to do without a neighbor.

It takes less time to do a thing right than to explain why you did it wrong.

If you really want the last word in an argument, try saying, "I guess you're right."

Get someone else to blow your horn and the sound will carry twice as far.

Rich foods are like destiny. They, too, shape our ends.

If at first you don't succeed, you are running about average.

My idea of an agreeable person is a person who agrees with me.

Money won't buy happiness, but it will pay the salaries of a large research staff to study the problem.

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Worry is like a rocking chair. It gives you something to do, but it doesn't get you anywhere.

Most people are willing to give you advice when what you really need is help.

Some people make things happen. . . some wait for things to happen. . . and then there are those who say. . . what happened?

He who stands for nothing will fall for anything.

Don't be despondent if your dreams don't come true; your nightmare's don't either.

It's nice to be important, but it is more important to be nice.

A person who talks too fast sometimes says things he hasn't thought of yet.

Praise is like champagne. . . it should be served while it is still bubbling.

The home run you hit yesterday won't win today's ballgame.

The boy who is waiting for something to turn up, might start on his own shirt sleeves.

If you're not part of the solution. . . you're part of the problem.

Those who can command themselves, command others.

The good Lord obviously intended for us to listen more than we talk otherwise he would have given us 2 mouths and 1 ear.

If a woman deceives a man once, she should be ashamed; if she deceives him twice, he should be ashamed.

In the art of love, it is more important to know "when" than "how."

When two's company, three's the result.

There are two kinds of girls: those that do and those who are never asked.

If sex is such a driving force, then why is so much of it found parked?

Falling in love is awfully simple; falling out of love is simply awful.

The tragedy of life is not that it ends so soon, but that we wait so long to begin it.



THE SICK AMERICAN

Former Governor Charles Edison, as director of the company Committee for Public Affairs, has mailed to all McGraw-Edison employees a copy of a letter by an unnamed San Franciscan. It was published in the Copley newspapers in California, but deserves the attention of all the author's fellow citizens in the other 49 states as well. The writer says:

"I am one of the Americans who heard Mr. Krushchev tell our nation that my great-grandchildren will grow up in a Communist world. For some time now, this has bothered me. I am not a brave man — not even a big one . . . I am now 50. I paint my own house, repair my own car, grub my own devil grass, and nurse a modest savings account. . . . I am a law-abiding man on the quiet side, and dissension makes me terribly nervous. Frankly, I am the kind who simply doesn't have it in him to fight anyone, ever."

He goes on to report coming across "the huge old family bible" in the attic with his great-grandmother's journal of her covered wagon trek across the Great Plains to the wild, new land of California.

"On the trail she wrote of sickness and hunger, and heat and cold, and dust and thirst, and the deaths and births, like beads strung together on a thread of hope — hope of freedom and a land of plenty for their children yet unborn. . . . As I read, I began to think about America and what it all stands for; and I thought about our enemies and what they intend to do to America . . . to its freedom and its hope.

"And, suddenly, I realized that I am a sick American. I mean really sick. . . . I am sick of bureaucrats who tell me that my enemy is not really my enemy and that I should live together with murderers and tyrants. I am sick of government that hasn't the guts to clean traitors out of its own offices. And I'm sick of being a nice, pleasant guy about it. . . . I am sick of my country being ridiculed all over the world. I am sick of pink-fingered diplomats and lily-livered politicians who place personal career above the fate of Flag.

"I am sick of 40 years of relentless, creeping cancerous Communistic godlessness that never once has wavered from its avowed purpose of conquering that Flag and seeing it trampled in the mud under Russian boots. I am sick of my genteel desire to stand pat and pray while the enemy advances. I am sick of educators who teach tolerance of subversion and of clergymen who would have me quail at the spectre of battle and turn my cheek in fear of what our enemies might do.

"In all honesty, the thing of which I am most sick is the man who let these things come to be: myself. And, by the living God who made me, Sir, I am a sick American who intends to get well."

The letter is signed "Fed-up Citizen." Are there enough more, we wonder, who will make up their troubled minds to get well?

YOUR NEXT TWELVE HOURS

Just for today I will try to live through this day only, and not tackle my whole life problem at once. I can do something for 12 hours that would appall me if I felt that I had to keep it up for a lifetime.

Just for today I will be happy. This assumes to be true what Lincoln said, that "Most people are as happy as they make up their minds to be."

Just for today I will try to strengthen my mind. I will study. I will learn something useful. I will not be a mental loafer. I will read something that requires effort, thought, and concentration.

Just for today I will adjust myself to what is, and not try to adjust everything to my own desires. I will take my "luck" as it comes, and fit myself to it.

Just for today I will exercise my soul in three ways: I will do somebody a good turn, and not get found out. I will do at least two things I don't want to do — just for exercise. I will not show anyone that my feelings are hurt; they may be hurt, but today I will not show it.

Just for today I will be agreeable, I will look as well as I can, dress becomingly, talk low, act courteously, criticize not one bit, not find fault with anything, and not try to improve or regulate anybody except myself.

Just for today I will have a program. I am not sure I will follow it exactly, but I will have it. I will save myself from two pests: hurry and decision.

Just for today I will have a quiet half hour all by myself, and relax. During this half hour, sometime, I will try to get a better perspective of my life.

Just for today I will be unafraid. Especially I will not be afraid to enjoy what is beautiful, and to believe that as I give to the world, so the world will give to me.

... and

Just for today I will try to remember that this is NOT just for today.

Remember the turtle — He never makes any progress till he sticks his neck out.

Failure is frequently the path of least persistence.

The road to success is marked with many tempting parking places.

The average man has 5 senses: touch, taste, sight, smell, and hearing. The successful man has two more: horse and common.

Folks with a lot of brass are seldom polished.

People don't plan to fail — they just fail to plan.

Those who complain about the way the ball bounces are often the ones who dropped it.

When you try to make an impression, that is the impression you make.

Life asks of every individual a contribution; it's up to the individual to discover what that contribution will be.

The man who makes every minute count becomes the man of the hour.

The man who removes a mountain begins by carrying away small stones.

The reason a dog has so many friends is that his tail wags instead of his tongue.

Be nice to the fellows you meet on the way up. They are the same fellows you will meet on your way down.

A man is as little as the things that annoy him.

The bigger a man's head gets, the easier it is to fill his shoes.

One doesn't need to be smart to say things that do.

Hold fast to dreams, for if dreams die, life is a broken winged bird that cannot fly.

Don't walk in front of me — I may not follow. Don't walk behind me — I may not lead. Walk beside me — and just be my friend.

Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Where there is great love there are always great miracles.

There can be no rainbow without a cloud and a storm.

If any man seeks for greatness, let him forgo greatness and ask for truth, and he will find both.

Feelings are not like faucets you can turn on and off.

When life gives you lemons, make lemonade.

The greatest use of life is to spend it for something that will outlast it.

The greatest truths are the simplest.

After all is said and done, there's a lot more said than done.

A ship in a harbor is safe, but that is not what ships are built for.

The important thing is this: to be able at any moment to sacrifice what we are for what we could become.

Happy are those who dream dreams and are ready to pay the price to make them come true.



The three most important books in the American home are the bank book, the cook book, and the trading stamp book.

It's not the people who tell all they know who start trouble — it's the people who tell more than they know.

If you wouldn't write it and sign it, don't say it.

The most disappointed people are those who get what's coming to them.

A gentleman is a fellow who can tell you all about his problems — but doesn't.

The secret of success is to start from scratch and keep scratching.

If it costs a penny to ride 1000 miles, a trip around the world would cost \$.25; to the moon \$2.38; to the sun, only \$930; but a trip to the nearest star would cost \$260 million.

The hardest thing in the world to open is a closed mind.

Half-truths are like half a brick — they can be thrown farther.

There is a difference between not thinking of someone and forgetting him.

Many people today don't want honest answers insofar as honest means unpleasant or disturbing. They want a soft answer that turneth away anxiety.

Blisters are a painful experience, but if you get enough blisters in the same place, they will eventually produce a callus. That is what we call maturity.

The secret of education lies in respecting the pupil.

Success is not permanent. The same is also true of failure.

Prejudices are the chains forged by ignorance to keep men apart.

Sitting and wishing takes just as much time and energy as sitting and planning.

Live every day as if it were you last. Do every job as if you were the boss. Treat everybody else as if he were you.

Going around in circles won't make you a big wheel.

Might as well throw away our exclamation points — nobody's surprised at anything anymore.

Each generation has to find out for itself that the stove is hot.

A man doesn't live by bread alone. He needs buttering up once in awhile.

What's in a word? Consider the difference between wise guy and wise man.

Our prayers are answered not when we are given what we ask but when we are challenged to be what we can be.

The greatest kindness we can offer each other is truth.

If you do not understand my silence you will not understand my words.

All I have seen teaches me to trust the Creator for all I have not seen.

The deepest feeling always shows itself in silence.

Do not follow where the path leads. Rather, go where there is no path and leave a trail.

No goal is too high if we climb with care and confidence.

The future is purchased by the present.

One who never asks knows either everything or nothing.

It is not the lofty sails but the unseen winds that moves the ship.

Smart is when you believe only half of what you hear. Brilliant is when you know which half to believe.

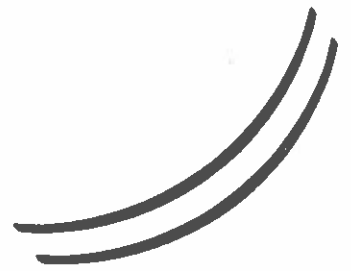
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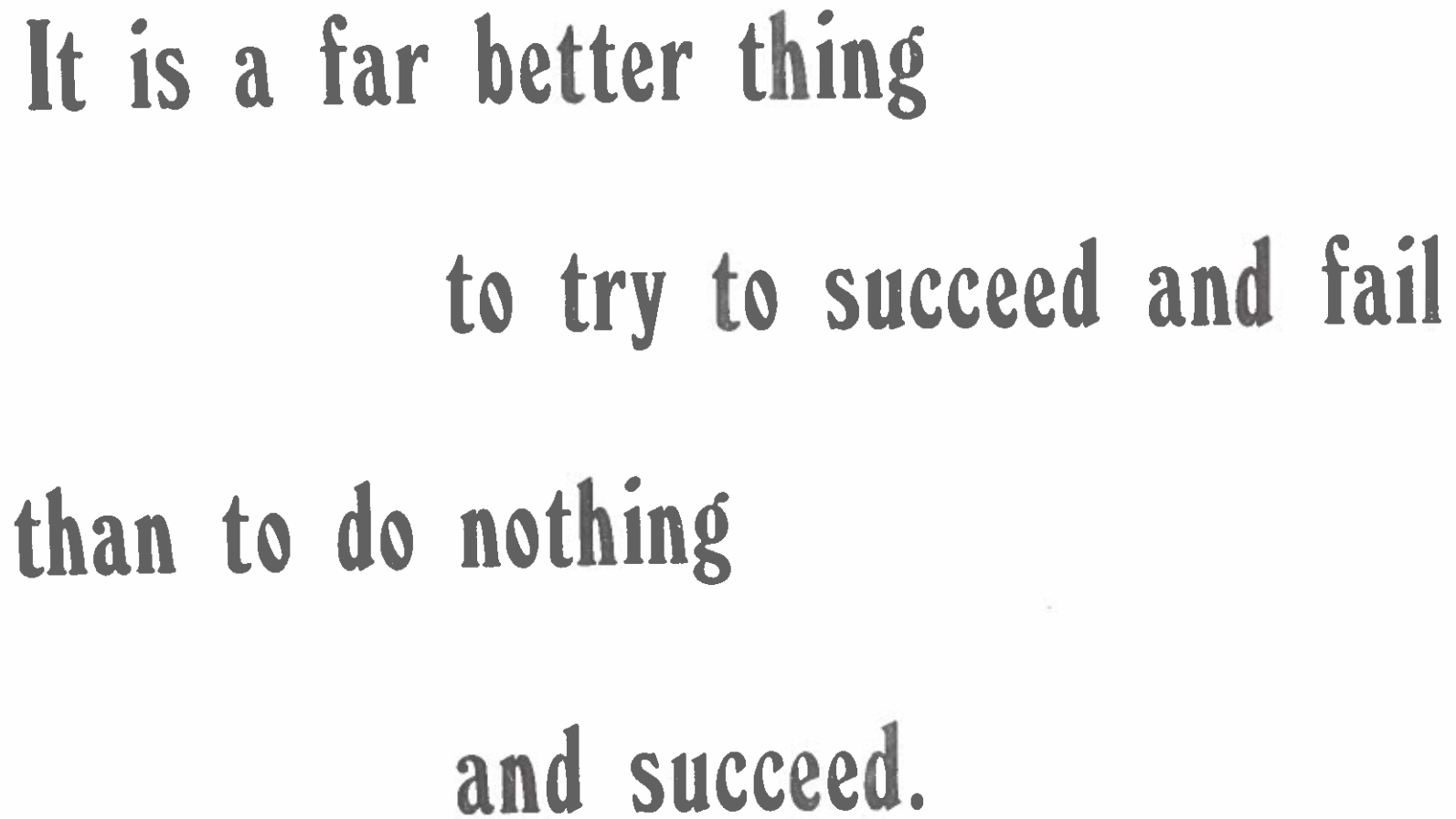
The establishment is changed only if you believe there is an establishment.

Golf is an expensive way to play marbles.

Most of us could move mountains if only someone would clear the foothills out of the way.

When you have to make a choice and don't make it, that is, in itself, a choice.





**It is a far better thing
to try to succeed and fail
than to do nothing
and succeed.**



Believe in yourself,

no matter how long it takes
or how tough it may seem at times.

Untold suffering seldom is.

"Jealousy" – All the fun you think they had.

No one is ever too old to learn, and that may be why most of us keep putting it off.

Recognize decisions as a luxury of freedom, not a drudgery of responsibility.

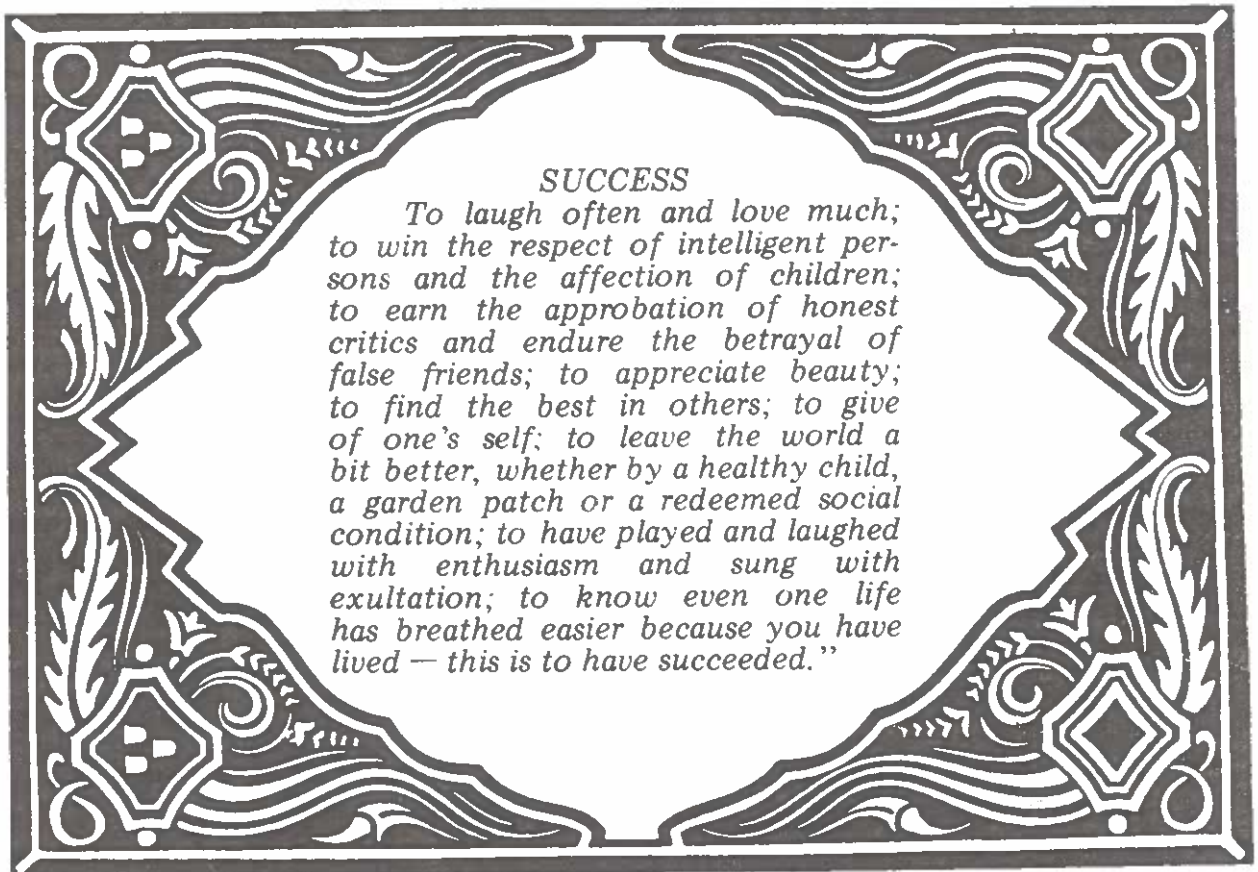
Be all you are in all you do. That's all the world can ask of you.

A baby is born with a need to be loved. . . and never outgrows it.

A good listener is not only popular everywhere, but after a while he knows something.

Flatterers look like friends, as wolves like dogs.

Puritanism is the haunting fear that someone, somewhere, may be happy.



A BUSINESS MAN'S PRAYER

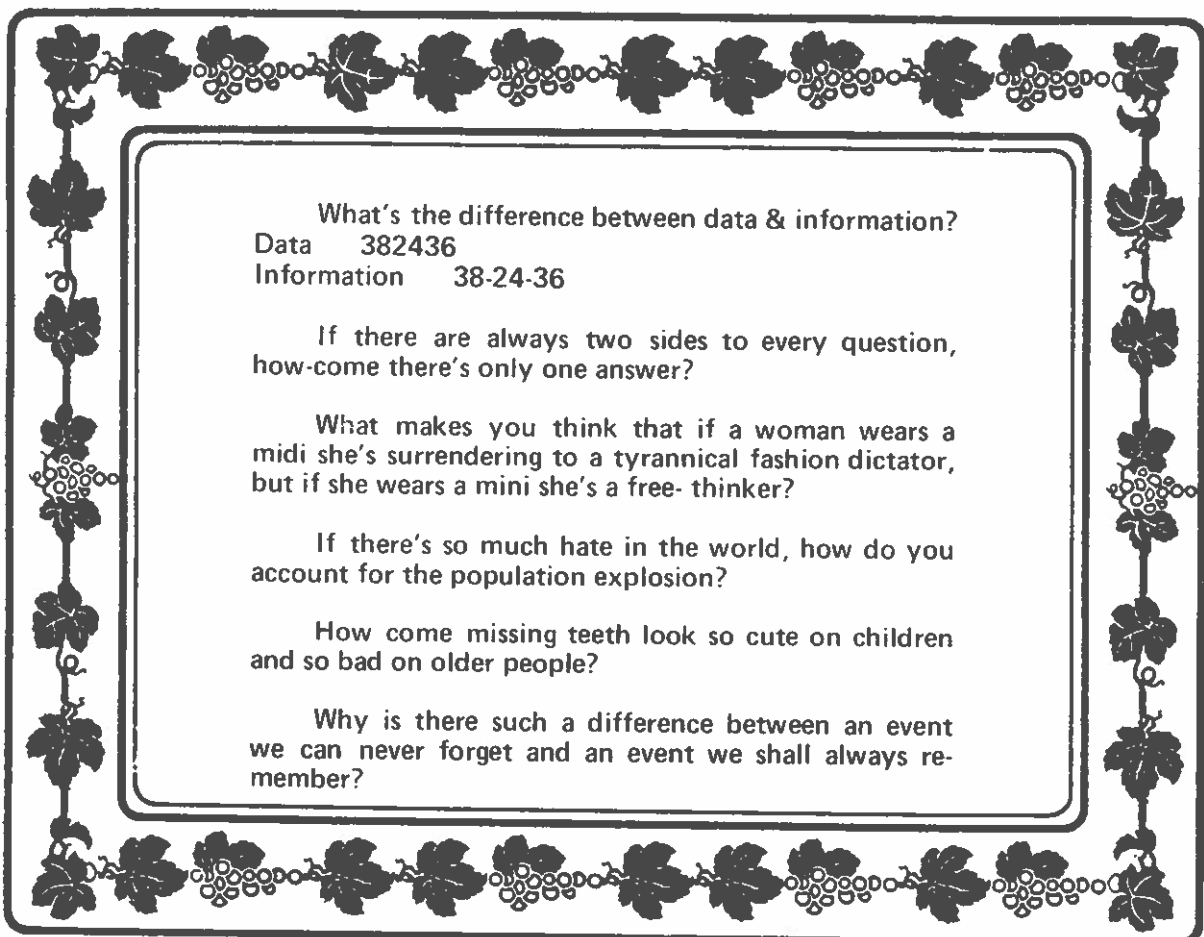
Teach me that sixty minutes make an hour, sixteen ounces a pound, and one hundred cents a dollar. Help me so to live that I can lie down at night with a clear conscience, without a gun under my pillow, and unhaunted by the faces of those to whom I have brought pain. Grant that I may earn my meal ticket on the square, and in earning it I may do unto others as I would have others do unto me. Deafen me to the jingle of tainted money and to the rustle of unholy skirts. Blind me to the faults of the other fellow, but reveal to me my own. Guide me so that each night when I look across the dinner table at my wife, who has been a blessing to me, I shall have nothing to conceal. Keep me young enough to laugh with little children, and sympathetic enough to be considerate of old age. And when comes the day of darkening shades and the smell of flowers, the tread of soft footsteps and the crunching wheels in the yard, make the ceremony short and the epitaph simple. . . "Here lies a man."

Author Unknown

THE DIFFERENCE WINNERS AND LOSERS

- A winner says, "Let's find out"; a loser says, "nobody knows."
When a winner makes a mistake, he says, "I was wrong"; when a loser makes a mistake, he says, "It wasn't my fault."
A winner credits his "good luck" for winning — even though it isn't good luck; a loser blames his "bad luck" for losing — even though it isn't bad luck.
A winner knows how and when to say "Yes" and "No"; a loser says, "Yes, but" and "Perhaps not" at the wrong times, for the wrong reasons.
A winner isn't nearly as afraid of losing as a loser is secretly afraid of winning.
A winner works harder than a loser, and has more time; a loser is always "too busy" to do what is necessary.
A winner goes THROUGH a problem; a loser goes AROUND it, and never gets past it.
A winner makes commitments; a loser makes promises.
A winner shows he's sorry by making up for it; a loser says "I'm sorry," but does the same thing the next time.
A winner knows what to fight for, and what to compromise on; a loser compromises on what he shouldn't, and fights for what isn't worthwhile fighting about.
A winner says, "I'm good, but not as good as I ought to be"; a loser says, "I'm not as bad as a lot of other people."
A winner listens; a loser just waits until it's his turn to talk.
A winner would rather be admired than liked, although he would prefer both, a loser would rather be liked than admired, and is even willing to pay the price of mild contempt for it.

—Sydney J. Harris



If computers get too powerful, we can organize them into committees. That'll do them in.

Adversity will either make us bitter or better.

Bachelors, like detergents, work fast and leave no rings.

Nature is generous. When we reach the sitting-around stage of life, she provides us with more cushions.

When in charge, ponder; when in trouble, delegate; when in doubt, mumble.

I used to worry about what other people thought of me until I found out they didn't even care.

If it goes in one ear and out the mouth, it's gossip.

Remember when you throw dirt, you lose ground.

Influence is what you think you have, until you try to use it.

A hangover is the bad time a good time gives you.

Plenty of people are willing to give God credit, yet few are willing to give Him cash.

Yesterday is experience. Tomorrow is hope. Today is getting from one to the other as best we can.

He who blows his stack adds to the world's pollution.

Sex is a three-letter word which sometimes needs old-fashion four letter words to convey its full meaning: words like help, give, care, love.

When you go out in the raw, infectious weather of rumor and gloom, bundle up with courage and confidence. You don't want to catch cold feet.

Humor is the hole that lets the sawdust out of a stuffed shirt.



Man cannot discover new oceans unless he has courage to lose sight of the shore.

Once in a century a man may be ruined or made unsufferable by praise, but surely once in a minute something generous dies for want of it.

Youth is looking for new answers — so they can question them.

It is useless to send armies against ideas.

No man is the whole of himself; his friends are the rest of him.

Ego creeps in on little cat feet and fogs up the mind.

The cruelest lies are often told in silence.

I wished for all things that I might enjoy life, and was granted life that I might enjoy all things.

Do something every day to make others happy — even if it's just to leave them alone.

If you don't have the time to do it right, when will you have the time to do it over?

One of the lessons of history is that nothing is often a good thing to do and always a clever thing to say.

Everybody has to be somebody to somebody to be anybody.

Whatever your lot in life, build something on it.

Some people go through life getting results; others get consequences.

The art of living consists in knowing which impulses to obey and which must be made to obey.

We can't all be heroes. Somebody has to sit on the curb and clap as they go by.

The older a man gets, the further he had to walk to school as a boy.

Strike from mankind the principle of faith and men would have no more history than a flock of sheep.

It may be that men are not equal in all respects, but they are all equally men.

He who says what he likes, hears what he does not like.

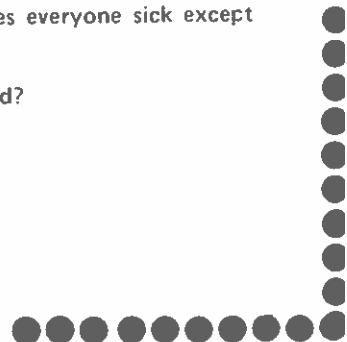
Music is the shorthand of emotion.

People sometime forget that a rat race can be won only by a rat.

Conceit is the only disease that makes everyone sick except the person who's got it.

Be yourself. Who else is better qualified?

Space travel is even more hazardous than it looks. The way population is increasing, you could come back and find your place taken.



REMEMBER THIS

IF YOU WORK FOR A MAN, in Heaven's name, **WORK** for him. If he pays you wages which supply you bread and butter, work for him; speak well of him; stand by him and stand by the institution he represents. If put to a pinch, an ounce of loyalty is worth a pound of cleverness. If you must vilify, condemn and eternally dispare — resign your position, and when you are outside, damn to your heart's content, but as long as you are part of the institution do not condemn it. If you do that, you are loosening the tendrils that are holding you to the institution, and at the first high wind that comes along, you will be uprooted and blown away, and probably will never know the reason why.

WHAT IS THIS VALUABLE THING?

I am the most desirable thing in life. Without me no one can be healthy, happy or useful. Without me, the hidden wealth and vast resources of this earth would have no value.

Men and women who try to get along without me are characterless, selfish, undeveloped, useless and unprofitable members of society.

I am behind every fortune, every art and science, every achievement, every triumph of man.

Rich men and poor men alike often try to find substitutes for me, hoping thereby to secure a larger measure of happiness, peace and satisfaction, but they are always bitterly disappointed, Instead of gain, every substitute for me brings them infinite loss.

As the Creator is greater than the creature, so I am greater than wealth, power, fame, learning or any other acquired possession or quality of man, because I am the source from which he acquired them.

I am **WORK**.

Anonymous

It's not whether you win or lose that counts, but how you place the blame.

Some people are constantly in punishment - always ready to kick.

And that's why I want to teach; that's probably the one and only compensation: to make a permanent difference in the life of a child.

Love is for any body mature enough to know the difference between infatuation and a deep and lasting affection.



There are ten strong things. Iron is strong, but fire melts it. Fire is strong, but water quenches it. Water is strong, but the clouds evaporate it. Clouds are strong, but winds drive them away. Man is strong, but fear cast him down. Fear is strong, but sleep overcomes it. Sleep is strong, but death is stronger. But loving kindness survives death.

All wish to be learned, but no one is willing to pay the price.

We confess to small faults only to convey the impression that we have no big ones.

Let no man presume to give advice to others that has not first given good counsel to himself.

Ignorance is the night of the mind, a night without moon or star.

There is a certain relief in change, even though it be from bad to worse.

Education is what is left over after you have forgotten everything you know.

You never get a second chance to make a good first impression.

The future belongs to those who prepare for it.

He is rich who owns nothing.

The best way to destroy an enemy is to change him into a friend.

My life is in the hands of any fool who makes me lose my temper.

Hard work never killed a man but it sure has scared a lot of them.

As you close your eyes in slumber, do you think that God will say, "You have earned one more tomorrow by the work you did today?"

When hydrogen bombs are outlawed, only outlaws will have hydrogen bombs.

The defect of equality is that we desire it only with our superiors.

Write injuries in dust, benefits in marble.

The trouble with doing something right the first time is that nobody appreciates how difficult it was.

A peace which depends upon fear is nothing but a suppressed war.

People who have no vices have very few virtues.



Guard your heart with your head. That's what it's there for.

If evolution really works, how come mothers still have only two hands? He who has a "why" to live for can bear almost any "how."

He approaches nearest to the gods who knows how to be silent, even though he is in the right.

The smallest deed is better than the grandest intention.

The truth shall make you free, but first it shall make you miserable.

When we put ourselves in the other person's place, we're less likely to want to put him in his place.

Nothing dies so hard, or rallies so often, as intolerance.

Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak; courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen.

A book, tight shut, is but a block of paper.

The trouble with not having a goal is that you can spend your life running up and down the field and never scoring.

Perhaps there's no better way to stay young than by saving the energy you would use in trying to.

A nation without heroes is a nation without a future.

True friendship comes when silence between two people is comfortable.

When love and skill work together, expect a masterpiece.

The only thing worse than an active conscience is one that's retroactive.

When all else fails, follow directions.

The most powerful weapon on earth is the human soul on fire.

If you wish to make a man your enemy, tell him simply, "You are wrong."

One of today's riddles is how, in a world growing smaller with a population growing larger, people can be drifting farther apart.

Do a disagreeable job today instead of tomorrow. You will save 24 hours of dreading to do it while having 24 hours to savor the feeling that the job is behind you.

A fine head of hair adds beauty to a good face, and terror to an ugly one.

I do not want the peace which passeth understanding. I want the understanding which bringeth peace.

Stormy weather is what man needs from time to time to remind him he's not really in charge of anything.

Anyone can prove he has good judgment by simply declaring that you have.

You spend an evening with some people; with others you invest it.

Resisting temptation is easier when you think you'll probably get another chance later on.

Dig a well before you are thirsty.

A habit is a shirt made of iron.
We all know a fool when we see one,
but not when we are one.

True friendship is like phosphorescence:
it glows best when the world around
goes dark.

You can tell more about a person by
what he says about others than you can
by what others say about him.

Patience is bitter, but its fruit is sweet.
The sky must have a few clouds, as the
mind a few moods.



The three stages of man: he believes in Santa Claus;
he does not believe in Santa Claus; he is Santa Claus.
In loving, you lean on someone to hold them up.



American education is unique - where else do you find
advanced algebra taught in the third grade and remedial
reading in college?

Sometimes the narrowest minds are in the biggest heads.
Miracle drugs go way back. Moses had two tablets that
could cure the world's ills.

Acupuncture makes you wonder: Was it penicillin that
cured us or just the needle?

No matter how busy a man is, he's never too busy to stop and tell you how busy he is.

If your boss complains that you're a bottleneck in the office, remember that in bottles the neck is at the top.

No matter how small your vocabulary is, it's plenty big enough to let you say something you'll regret later.

Only some of us learn by other people's mistakes. The rest of us have to be the other people.

This is a do-it-yourself test for paranoia: you know you've got it when you can't think of anything that's your fault.

The trouble with the harmony of nations is that some want to beat the big drum, few face the music, and none will play second fiddle.

I have lived in this world just long enough to look carefully the second time into things that I am the most certain of the first time.

You may give gifts without caring - but you can't without giving.

The life of the party may be the death of the highway.

Beware of the chap who reminds you that you can't take it with you. He'll try to take it with him.

"I must do something" will always solve more problems than "Something must be done."

An ounce of apology is worth a pound of loneliness.

Tight sweaters have tripped up more men than banana peels.

Temptation usually comes in through a door that has been deliberately left open.

The service we render to others is really the rent we pay for our room on this earth.

Too many people run out of ideas long before they run out of words.

Today's best labor saving device is tomorrow.

When the other fellow talks that way, it's conceit. When we do it, it's merely honest self-appraisal.

We squander our health in search of wealth.
We toil, we sweat, we save.
Then we squander our wealth in search of health
And only find the grave.

If you can do your job a little better than anybody else, you can feel proud of your accomplishment.

You can easily judge the character of a man by how he treats those who do nothing for him.



Lack of something to feel important about is almost the greatest tragedy a man may have.

Fear, like pain, looks and sounds worse than it feels.

Luck is when preparation meets opportunity.

True happiness springs from moderation.

Good fortune is not known until it is lost.

Self-confidence is the first requisite to great undertaking.

Friendships multiply joys and divide griefs.

Memory is the treasure of the mind.

In love or out of love we are suspended as in a limbo created by the presence of or the lack of someone else.

In becoming part of someone else you lose yourself.

It is said that the world is run by those willing to sit until the end of meetings.

The best way to appreciate your job is to imagine yourself without it.

The most difficult secret for a man to keep is the opinion he has of himself.
There is no saint without a past - no sinner without a future.
Nothing stretches slacks like snacks.

God gave us memories so that we might have roses in December.



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the 1990s, the number of people in the world who are illiterate has increased from 1.2 billion to 1.5 billion.

There are a number of reasons for this. One is that the population of the world is growing. Another is that the number of people who are illiterate is increasing in many of the developing countries. This is because of a number of factors, including a lack of access to education, a lack of resources, and a lack of political will.

One of the main reasons for the increase in illiteracy is the lack of access to education. In many developing countries, there are not enough schools, and the quality of education is poor. This means that many children do not go to school, and those who do often do not learn to read and write.

Another reason for the increase in illiteracy is the lack of resources. In many developing countries, there is not enough money to spend on education. This means that there are not enough teachers, and the schools are often overcrowded. This makes it difficult for children to learn.

A third reason for the increase in illiteracy is the lack of political will. In many developing countries, the government does not prioritize education. This means that there is not enough money spent on education, and the quality of education is poor. This makes it difficult for children to learn.

There are a number of things that can be done to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One is to increase access to education. This can be done by building more schools, and by improving the quality of education. Another is to increase resources for education. This can be done by increasing the amount of money spent on education.

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