

Fat Women Lucky To Be on Earth, Says Professor

200-Pounder Would Weigh 5,600 on Sun—Could Jump Over Skyscraper on Moon, However.

Chicago, Nov. 5.—If a 200-pound woman lived in the sun she would weigh 5,600 pounds. That, Professor Forest R. Moulton of the University of Chicago says, would be only one of her troubles if she chose the sun as a winter home. The moon is equally useless as a residence site. If we lived on the moon we would have to stop breathing, because there isn't any atmosphere. There isn't enough gravity to keep atmosphere sticking around as the moon only has one-eighth of the mass of the earth. What the 200-pound woman would weigh on the moon, however, only the professor and the engineers know, because mention of the figure was overlooked, but, following the professor's line of reasoning, she would weigh about as much as a grasshopper and could jump over the Chrysler tower.

Cheese Theory Exploded.

The professor flouted the theory that the moon is made of camembert, green or any other color. The craters are caused either by some inside disturbance bursting through like bubbles in a chocolate pudding, or else by a lot of 1,000-ton meteors nicking the surface of the moon. The professor isn't sure which.

An old astronomer, looking through a hum pair of opera glasses 200 years ago, came upon a smooth place upon the moon, which he talked about in his text books as "the most serene sea." But, according to last night's lecture, it must have been raining at the time, because there isn't any sea or any other kind of water on the moon. Thus may a drop of water on a faulty lens produce a vast sea for students of astronomy to worry about down through the years.

No "Shooting Stars."

Another fairy story at which the professor hooted was that of the "shooting star." It seems "they ain't no such thing."

"An astronomer would have heart failure if he ever saw a 'shooting star,'" the professor assured the engineers. "It would be just like the sun streaking through the sky and disappearing. I'd be just as surprised to see a star really shoot as I'd be to wake up some morning and look out of the window and find the earth gone."

What really is happening when we see a streak of light sail part way across the sky and then melt into the air is only a star scurrying against a lot of atmosphere.

Up-to-Date Orphan Asylum Soon Will Be Built at Rome

Rome, Nov. 5.—Rome will soon have a most up-to-date orphan asylum. The money for its foundation is being collected through popular subscription at the rate of over 100,000 lire per day. Several millions are expected to be subscribed for within the next two or three weeks.

The name of the new orphanage will be "The New Family." Hundreds of war orphans will find shelter in it, and they will be given the best advantages of mental and physical training.

Americans, Seeking "to Get Away From It All," Thoroughly Annex Latin Quarter in Paris

Wealthy Idlers and "Roughnecks" Rest And Wallow in Art and Wit.

By STERLING HEILIG.
Paris—Before the war Americans explored their way in a Latin quarter that was delightfully foreign. A few painters and architects stayed long enough to learn the language. The remainder basked in "atmosphere," without quite understanding what was being said—but cheered by what obviously was being done. Now all is changed.

Grenos, Greek god, dethroned his father and devoured his children. Since the American expeditionary force is the quarter's American children who, if they have not quite devoured it, are looking it over with a gourmandizing eye.

We are not long-haired artists and poets.

We are regular fellows, yet wallow in art, wit and literature. Our American girl competitors have hard work to keep up with us. Some of us are here because we cannot afford to live in Greenwich Village. Others because they are making money or have talent.

Many Independent

Many are independent. There are evenings when the Cafe de la Rotonde is packed with the new Latin quarter crowd—a new clothes air; with first-class steamer tickets in their pockets or from Harrisburg, St. Joseph, Springfield and Tacoma.

We have an organ. The Paris edition of the Chicago Tribune seldom fails to give the latest "bon mot" of our two particular cafes, the Rotonde and the Dome.

Ah, to get away from it all and have time to talk!

There are "rough-necks" who are writing poetry.

Refugees From Business.

There are refugees from business life who win reputation for their "words," their wit, their table talk. Here are samples—a foremost topic is the fad of young women to dress mannishly—of table talk.

"Seriously, Dougie, this Rotonde is a nice cafe. One gets so much innocent fun trying to tell the ladies from the gentlemen. There was one here yesterday who was all mixed up herself about it, and nobody could help her. As she veered away, a waiter came running and calling: 'Mademoiselle, your cane, your cane!'"

"I was a straight black stick, with ivory handle. Lucky it wasn't her pipe, n'est-ce pas?"

"Listen, Dougie, I've got a story, a true one! She blew into Paris from Greenwich village, and, oh my, she was going to see life. My word, Dougie, if she didn't head straight for the Rotonde, without a hat, hair bobbed and in a sort of smock, or jumper—you know."

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Here are pictures of the "terrace" of the famous Cafe de la Rotonde, "holy-of-holies," for Greenwich Village Yankees who are stamping the Latin quarter of Paris, and one of the many art exhibits now in the Latin quarter.

eyelash, as if saying: 'Stick around, kid. We're gonna pop a bottle of paraffin. Another...'

"Pardon," interrupts the French contingent, "pardon, paraffine? What paraffine?"

"Let me explain," says Hank. "Now, take this suit of clothes I'm wearing. It cost 200 francs. Yet, if I told you that it cost 750 francs, you would believe it."

"He means," adds Percy mildly, "if he told you over the telephone."

Art Exhibits in Cafes.

"Telephone?" the French friends worry, "what telephone?"

But Hank is busy writin' "I will keep this little dream Different from the rest. All of a morning will I build it Like a robin's nest!"

A notable particularity (Americans put them up to it) is for proprietors of Latin quarter cafes to maintain continuous art exhibitions on their walls. Often they give an entire room or hall to the little salon, where you can pick up studies and finished pictures at any price, spot cash. It draws "the greater" Latin quarter crowd.

American Jealous.

So, an American of the colony, famous for his life of pleasure, is



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perhaps unjust and just a trifle jealous in what follows.

"The Rotonde," says Florence, "is primarily a rendezvous for Americans and others who think that they are talented. Some are selling pictures. Some are writing books, and even selling them. Others, I think they don't know themselves how they live!"

"There are American girls living in abject poverty. Yet independent and eccentric! You see American girls running around in trousers; and if you ask them why they do so, you get an answer like Billy Elliott got. 'Your friend has insulted me!' she said. They make queer distinctions. Nobody can pay for their tea—they won't accept a thing. But they'll unload a positive dab on any tenderfoot who trusts their word that this is art with a big 'A'!"

Paris looks on, complacent, tranquil.

This is what the Latin quarter is for isn't it?—to sweeten the rude male to letters?

"Lines to Young Lady."

Here is Hank, engaged on "Lines to a Young Lady who Desires to Conceal Her Vaccination Scar." Hank does not write for money. He has lots of money. He writes poetry for the joy of it. It is the story of a washerwoman named Swing or O'Grady who was in a similar quandary where to let the vaccination doctors operate. Thus—

"Interrogated, whether leg or arm Should be infected with the saving serum, She said: 'Sirs, my limbs, I have to use them."

To ease my head, and therefore won't abuse them. But, by the way, unlike the dames of olden time, I am active always, and I sit but seldom."

A young woman writer, grasping the subject, says why make so much fuss about it? Once it's done, it's done, you can't undo it.

And Hank continues writin' those allegorical lines which some say are not his, but a young woman's: "Yet, for reasons of my own, (And let them sneer their best!) I will keep this little dream Different from the rest."

You will say it's different, won't you?

Man Exterminates Vipers As Hobby; Has Slain 20,000

Paris, Nov. 5.—Francois Janniard, living at Dijon, has but one hobby in life. It is that of killing vipers around his native town. A recent 15 days' bag totalled 550, and in 10 years, Janniard has accounted for more than 20,000 vipers. Vipers are only found in central and southern France, but are extremely dangerous in those regions.

Minister Slays Second Chicken Thief—Opposum

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