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SIDE TALKS.

By Ruth Cameron.

THE FOLDED UP MOUTH.

There is a waitress in a restaurant where I sometimes lunch when I am in town that I always avoid. She is quick, she is competent, she is neat and her face is a reasonably good looking. When I avoid myself avoiding her I had to analyze the reason before I saw what it was. And I found it was she has a folded up mouth.

She looks as if she'd like to scold us.

I don't know whether she really likes her work and dislikes the people she waits on, and would like to get out when we hesitate over the order, or drop our napkins, or ask for extra pat of butter, or want to know what Delmonico Snow Pudding some other camouflaged item on the menu of fare really is—but there is a look about that folded up mouth that suggests that idea. And I don't like to eat in that atmosphere. I get along with less efficient service if I can also have a less tense, pressed, uncordial atmosphere. It is the same way in a store. If there are two clerks to choose from I will take the one with a folded up mouth I always gravitate toward the other.

I do not know how employers feel about it but it seems as if they must consciously or unconsciously be affected by the folded up mouth. I think they would do well to be if the person whom they are going to employ is to have any human contacts, for I think that even when they do not analyze it, people are repelled by the folded up mouth expression. A folded up mouth is a sign of repression, and people are unconsciously afraid of repression. They don't know what's behind it and so they don't like it.

Two Aunts.

I once had an aunt who was never cross to me but who, when she didn't like anything I did, would fold up her mouth and look at me. I decidedly preferred any other aunt who spoke out frankly when she didn't approve; and then spoke as frankly when she did approve.

Of course there have to be some repressions and inhibitions in civilized life, but too much repression is just as bad as too much expression.

The folded up mouth is both a mental and a facial habit. I think we need to work against both. To work against the mental by cultivating a more relaxed state of mind. And to work against the physical by deliberately relaxing the lines of the mouth if we feel we have a tendency to hold it too tensely.

Little Jack Rabbit

by David Cory



"Bow, wow, waw! I smell a fox. He's hiding somewhere beneath those rocks. I'll dig him out, for I know how. Indeed I do. Bow, wow, waw!"

barked Old Sic'em, the Farmer's Dog, as he scratched away the snow in front of Danny Fox's front door on the rocky hillside.

"Come, let's finish our dinner," grumbled Danny Fox. "That old dog can't do any harm. Our front door is too well-made. Let him scratch away till he grows tired."

But, dear me! It's not very pleasant while eating one's dinner, to have some one try to break into your house, and every now and then Bushytail would look timidly at Slyboots, and Mrs. Fox glance fearfully toward the front door. Now and then even Danny Fox would turn his head as Old Sic'em hit the wooden panels an extra hard knock.

At last, as the fox family finished, Danny Fox walked over to the stove and, picking up the poker, pushed it into the hot coals.

"What are you going to do?" asked Mrs. Fox, looking up as she dried the dishes.

"Push the poker under the door and singe the old dog's nose," answered Danny Fox with a grin. "Maybe I can and maybe I can't, but it's worth trying."

go back to my kennel again," and off he trotted to the Farmyard.

"There he goes," whispered Slyboots, peeping from the little window in the rocky roof.

"Yes, he's gone home," added Bushytail, and down from the attic they ran to tell Daddy Fox.

"Well, my little trick worked all right," laughed the sly old fox, setting the poker down by the hearth. "I didn't really want to burk his nose, nor singe the whiskers on his toes," and picking up the Bunybridge Bugle, he put on his spectacles and began to read.

After a little while Mrs. Fox took out her knitting needles and began to



make a woolen cap for Bushytail, who had that very morning lost his white playing hide-and-go-seek" in the underbrush.

"Here's the funny sheet," said Daddy, handing it over to his two little cubs, who kept so still that Mrs. Fox almost forgot to send them to bed when the clock struck eight. And in the next story you shall hear what happened in Rabbitville.

But Old Sic'em knew a thing or two, and maybe three or four.

And when he heard the poker Sizzle underneath the door.

he jumped back with a growl. And then, with a bark, he drew still further away as the red-hot poker turned the snow into a steam cloud.

"Gracious me," thought the old dog, "this is no place for me. Something is burning inside the den. I guess I'll

Household Notes

Serve squares of jellied asparagus on lettuce, garnish with mayonnaise and sprinkle lightly with paprika. Vanilla ice cream garnished with

heart-shaped halves of strawberries is appropriate for the Valentine party.

Seeded raisins and sliced oranges, thickened with tapioca and sweetened with brown sugar, make a good pie filling.



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Just Folks.

By EDGAR GUEST.

MODERATION.

If I should frown at trifling cares,
At every burden whine,
What should I do to show my grief
When danger hurts are mine?
If I let disappointment steal
My courage for the day,
What shall I have to bear the blow
When hope seems far away?

Of it, of some small joy, I make
An arrogant display
How shall I greet the loveliness
Of some still brighter day?
If trifles make me over-vain
And small cares over-glum,
What shall I do if greater joys
And greater trials come?
So not too quick to frown I'd be,
And not too quick to boast,
Something I'd save of faith and cheer
For days I'll need it most.

Queen Maud leads a nation—
but Queen Maud Sardines lead
the world.—Jan 23, 11

Household Notes.

Flavor cherry custard with a little lemon juice and vanilla, and add whipped cream just before freezing.

To prevent a soggy pie crust, try chilling the crust and cooking the filling before putting the two together.

When preparing orange shortcake add a little lemon juice to the oranges to bring out the full flavor of the fruit.

By shaking a little sugar into a bowl in which chocolate has been melted, you can use every bit of the chocolate.

If you use butter or margarine in pastry making, remember that a large amount is required than if you used lard.
Canned peaches can be used in a molded peach sponge flavored with lemon, and served with the syrup from the peaches.

—By Bud Fisher

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