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**Side Talks
by Ruth Cameron**

COULD YOU DRIVE AN AUTOMOBILE LOOKING BACKWARD?

"Were you sorry you went after all?" I asked a friend of mine. He had gone on a trip on which he had contracted a bad cold. He had enjoyed the trip very much but the cold had hampered him in his work at a time when he especially needed to be up to the mark. "Not a bit," he said. "I'm never sorry for things like that that I did because they seemed the best thing to do at the time. It might have been better if I hadn't gone but I couldn't foresee that so that's all there is to it."

What is Done is Done. Well, no more can you go through life successfully looking two ways. Absolutely the only way to live a successful life is to live it looking constantly forward.

What is done is done. What is to be done needs every ounce of your being if it is to be done right. Of course that does not mean that one is not to learn by mistakes. But the people who are forever looking backwards, forever wishing "oh, if I could only turn back the calendar" are not strangely enough, the people who learn the most from their mistakes. They are so intent on past mistakes that they miss the danger of future ones. They are so weakened by the poison of regret that their judgment is impaired.

The Only Way to Live. The only way to live life fully is to live to-day-to-day, and to-morrow to-morrow, and let the past be past. Be toward the past as the man of Browning's great poem was towards his enemies: "One who never turned him back, but marched breast forward; Never doubted clouds would break. Held, we fall to rise, are baffled to fight better— Sleep to wake." To-morrow—Are You a Resemblance Seat?

Try Walking Backwards on a Crowded City Street. He sat silent a minute thinking it over and then added, "I never look backwards. No one can look two ways."

Don't you think that is a pregnant sentence? And don't you think it helps to explain why that man has in the past few years been forging straight ahead both in the building of material prosperity and in the building of character.

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A breeze of forty knots, to such as these, is not considered much. But where would the "Elsie" be Or "Shamrock" in such a sea? This is true sport, all declare. Everything is on the square: The schooners which they sailed were real Fishermen from truck to keel. And everybody's feeling fine Towards their cousins 'cross the line. So let us keep the good work up. Try our best to hold the cup. And build another boat, that will be faster than the "Elsie" will. Because the Yanks will not sit tight. And lose the race without a fight. You can bet that they will now Build a schooner with a bow To split the water like an axe And make her spin quick when she tacks.

From Eastern to the Western coast Right now, all Canada can boast Of the race that we have won! But don't stop there, we're not yet done. Another race we'll have to sail And we surely will not fail To win again, if all who care To see us win, will pay a share And help to build a better boat. That will beat anything afloat. R. D. T. Churchill, Dartmouth.

Peasants Shot.

FOR EVASION OF TAX PAYMENTS. ROSTOFF-ON-DON, Russia. (By A. P. Mail)—The death penalty is being inflicted in the Kuban and Don districts upon peasants, who attempt to evade the grain tax, which the government has instituted instead of money taxes. At Krasnodarek a peasant and two officials, whom he bribed to assist him in dodging the grain levy, were all shot, and radical steps are being taken throughout South Russia to check the banditry, which the Moscow Government denounces as nothing more than an effort to escape taxation. General Budenny, the cavalry leader who figured so prominently in the fighting against General Wrangel and the Poles, has been made a member of the Central Council in the Caucasus, which is endeavoring to check movements against Moscow government authority. In a recent report he announced that the best results are obtained by taking hostages in the various villages and forcing the villagers themselves to capture the

Airman Makes Heroic Rescue.

Brockville, Ontario, is ringing with praise for the heroism and daring of Lieut. S. N. Groux, a French-Canadian air pilot, whose parents live there. The story has just arrived from England. It tells of how young Groux, who served with distinction in the R. A.F. during the war, took his life in his hands and saved from drowning two passengers he was carrying in his commercial aeroplane from Southampton to Blackpool.

Owing to engine trouble Groux was forced to make a landing on a sandbar two miles from shore off Blackpool. Here he and his passengers were threatened by the rising tide. In an effort to attract attention Groux stripped off his clothing, saturated it in petrol and lighted it. The flames, however, were unnoticed. Undaunted by the danger of being swept out to sea by the strength of the tide, Groux thereupon plunged into the water and swam the two miles to shore. He reached land in an exhausted condition, but in time to send a rescue party for his two passengers, by that time in imminent peril from the rising water. Young Groux owes his prowess as a swimmer to his constant practice in the currents of the St. Lawrence River.

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A Big Swell.

Mr. Tex Rickard, the man who promoted the Carpenter-Dempsey fight, and incidentally cleared \$125,000 over the transaction, has been telling the story of a meal he recently saw devoured under peculiar circumstances in a swell New York restaurant.

"I was breakfasting there with a friend," he said, "when a fat man came in. 'He's one of the biggest swells in the town,' said my friend. 'Watch him.'"

"The fat man—he was dressed like a prince—ordered two portions of ham and eggs, two of sausages, two of buckwheat cakes and maple syrup and along with all that, mush and milk, lamb chops, liver and bacon, fried potatoes, oatmeal, and corned beef hash.

"All these things were brought to him together, and he dumped them into a big soup-tureen and proceeded to eat them up and mix them 'round well. 'Hanged if that isn't the limit,' I said to my friend. 'I'll bet you three to one, George, he eats with his knife.' 'No, no,' replied George. 'He's a big swell, I tell you. I bet he eats it with his fork.' Mr. Rickard shook his head gloomily. 'We both lost,' he said. 'He ate it with the soup-ladle.'"

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