

## STRESSES AND STRAINS

### CHAPTER 10

#### AUTO ENGINEERING

Two Hebrew gentlemen bought new cars last month. They had been friends; this killed the friendship.

Ikey: "Vat car dit you py, Abe?"

Abe: "I bought a Ford. Vat kind you get?"

Ikey: "Oh, I got a Rolls-Royce."

Abe: "That's a good car, too."

"Why do you turn out for every road hog that comes along?" asked the missus rather crossly. "The right of way is ours, isn't it?"

"Oh, undoubtedly," answered he calmly. "As for turning out, the reason is plainly suggested in this epitaph which I saw recently."

Here lies the body of William Jay  
Who died maintaining the right of way,  
He was right, dead right, as he sped  
along,  
But he's just as dead as if he'd been  
wrong."

A little girl from the city had been to the country and was being questioned as to the kind of time she had had. Finally someone said, "I'll bet you don't even know how to milk a cow."

"Bet I do," said she, "First you take the cow into the barn and give her some breakfast-food and then you drain her crankcase."

The following is a Japanese translation of a safety-first bulletin: At the rise of the hand of the policeman, stop rapidly. Do not pass him by or otherwise disrespect him. When a passenger of the foot hove in sight, tootle the horn melodiously at first. If he still obstacle the passage, tootle him with vigor and express by word of mouth the warning, "Hi, Hi." Beware of the wandering horse that he shall not take fright as you pass him. Do not explode the exhaust box at him. Go smoothly by, or stop by the roadside until he pass away. Give big space to the festive dog that make sport in the roadway. Avoid entanglement of dog and your wheel spokes.

Go soothingly on the grease-mud, for there lurks the skid-demon. Press the brake of the foot as you roll around the corners to save the collapse and tieup.

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#### ENGLISH

The teacher was explaining to the class the difference between the words "concrete" and "abstract," and was endeavoring to make her explanation very clear and simple.

"Now," said she, "anything concrete is something that you can see but an abstract thing is something that you cannot see."

Willie looked rather enlightened so the teacher ventured to test her explanation.

"Willie," she said, "give us an example of something concrete."

"My trousers," answered Willie.

"Correct," said the teacher, gratified. "And now give us an example of something abstract."

"Yours," was the boy's reply.

#### Sayings of the Great.

Adam: "It was a great life if you didn't weaken."

Samson: "I'm strong for you, kid."

Jonah: "You can't keep a good man down."

David: "The bigger they are the harder they fall."

Helen of Troy: "So this is Paris."

Columbus: "I don't know where I'm going but I'm on my way."

Nero: "Keep the home fires burning."

Solomon: "I love the ladies."

Noah: "It floats."

Methuselah: "The first hundred years are the hardest."

Queen Elizabeth (to Sir Walter Raleigh): "Keep your shirt on, Walt."

Dean Monin (talking on Ancient History): "Can anyone tell me what a stoic is?"

Munday: "A stoic is a bird what brings the babies."

Correct this sentence: "I am sorry, I had hoped you could stay all winter with us," said the man to his mother-in-law."

Musical Daughter: "I do love Mendelssohn."

Unmusical Mother: "All right my dear. You'd better invite the young man to your next party."