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The Message This Month

THE ELEMENTS OF CHARACTER

We discussed the place of character in our community and in our own life career. We also discussed what is a good character. Our discussion to-day deals with the different specific things that make up character.

For example—we know that a house is made up of many things such as cement, wood, bamboo, nipa, iron, and the like. A house has many different rooms, doors, windows, walls, roof, floor, etc. A chair is also made up of different things such as wood, rattan, iron, etc. It has its back, arms, legs, and seat. So character is made up of many things such as honesty, sincerity, truthfulness, obedience, kindness, cooperativeness, fairness, loyalty, helpfulness, goodwill, and many other human characteristics that are acceptable by all peoples at all times.

In the following numbers of our magazine, *The Young Citizen*, we shall discuss one by one these different things that make up a character. For the time being, let us remember that people (Please turn to page 128)

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In THE YOUNG CITIZEN you will always find:

Stories

Young people will read again and again—stories that build character, folklore, fanciful stories, and educational stories.

Poems

that the young people of the Philippines love.

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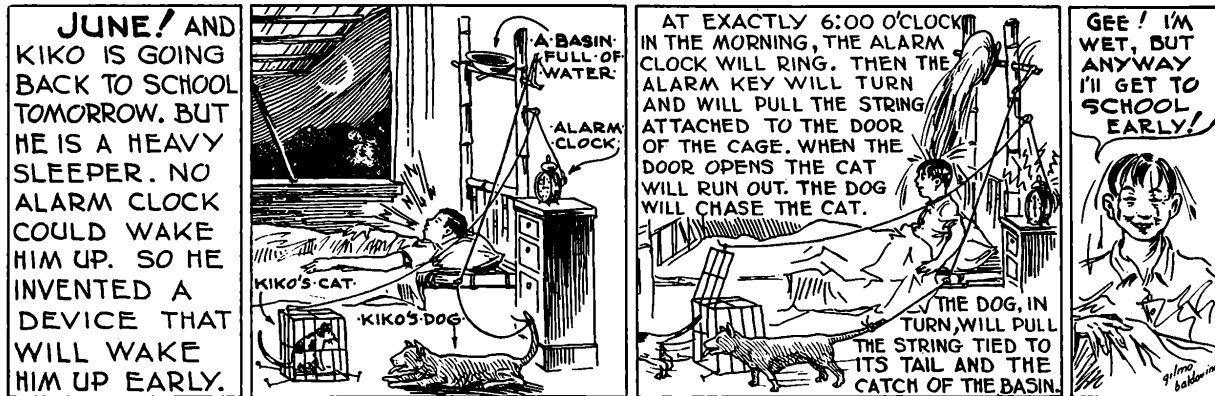
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KIKO'S ADVENTURES—Funny Invention

by Gilmo Baldovino



LEARNING TO USE NEW EXPRESSIONS

(look for, lost, found)

Read the dialog. Remember the use of the words printed in *Italics*.

Ana.—What are you *looking for*, Maria? Have you *lost* anything?

Maria.—I have *misplaced* my fountain pen. I wonder if somebody has taken it *by mistake*.

Ana.—What kind is it? I shall help you *look for* it.

Maria.—It is jade green. I have my name engraved on it.

Jose (approaching the girls.)—You look worried, girls. Can I be of help?

Maria.—I *lost* my fountain pen. I must have *dropped* it on the ground. It is not anywhere in the room.

Jose.—Is this it? (holding up a fountain pen.)

Maria.—That is it. Where did you *find* it?

Jose.—I *found* it at the foot of the stairs.

ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.

What did Maria lose?

Who helped her look for it?

Did they find it in the room?

Who found it?

Where did he find it?

Fill the blanks with the correct expressions. (find, found, lost, looked for, dropped, look for.)

One day I _____ my arithmetic book.

1

I _____ it in the drawers and desks.

2

I could not _____ it. My sister helped me

3

_____ it, but she could not _____ it.

4

5

My brother came in with the book.

He _____ it on the ground beneath the

6

window. The baby must have played with it and _____ it.

7

(See answers on page 132)

The Elements of Character

(Continued from page 111)

consider us good men and women if we are honest, sincere, kind, obedient, truthful, cooperative, and the like. However, our being good or being bad does not depend upon what people think about us but rather, upon what we really are. If we try to be honest, let us be honest not because we want the people to think we are honest, but because we really want to be honest. Thus we see that good character has its roots not from the surface—our actions that people can see and our words that people can hear; but from within—our thoughts, ideals, and motives in life. Good character grows and bears fruit not from the outward activities; but from the inner and spiritual urge and yearnings of life.

—I. Panlasigui