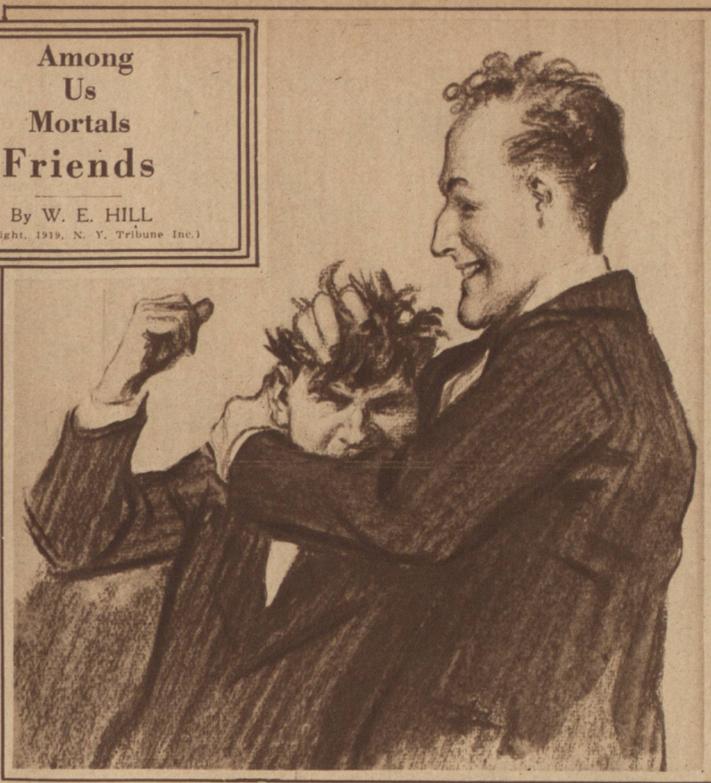




Among
Us
Mortals
Friends
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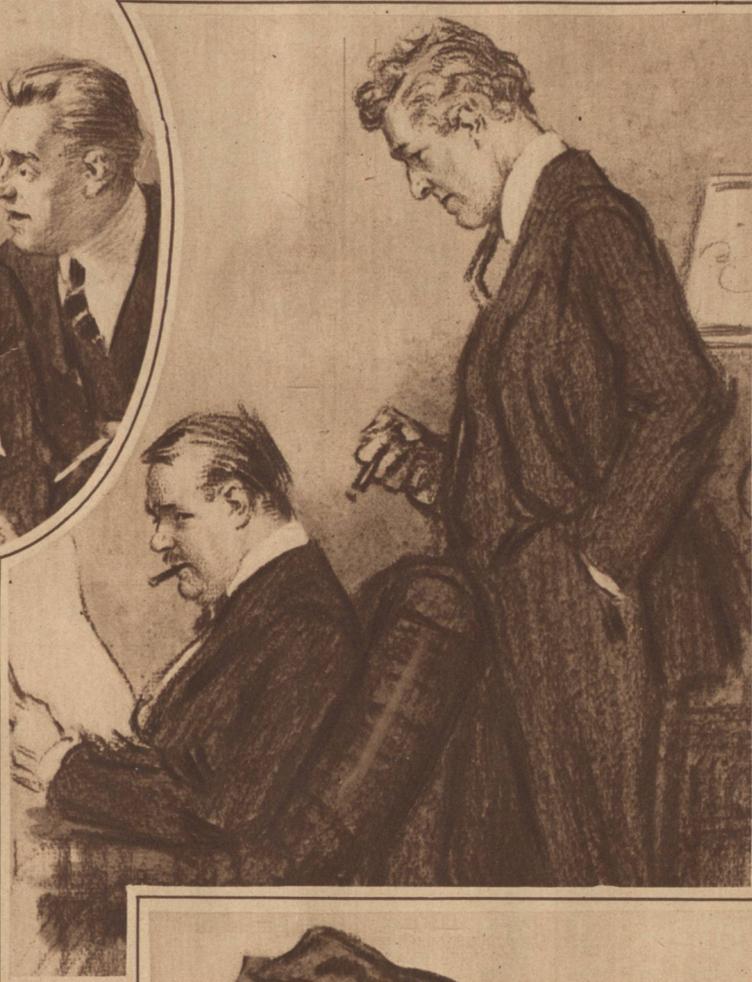


The very demonstrative friend who is always mussing up somebody from sheer affection.

The match-making friends—newlyweds—who leave no stone unturned to make a go of it between her most intimate friend and one of his college pals. And, as it usually happens, Miss Pinney and "Old Walt" Jones are not getting along nearly as well as their newly wed friends hoped—although Miss Pinney is doing her bit nobly, at fortune telling with cards. She has just discovered that Mr. Jones had measles when young (all due to the position of the ace of clubs), and, what is more, the ace of hearts shows by its position on the table that a very successful marriage is imminent! "Oh, you naughty, naughty boy—what have you got to tell us," murmurs Mrs. Newlywed in raptures.

"Well, do you know, Art, she just turned those dear little baby eyes at me, and I saw that she knew, that I knew she knew, that I understood her better than any one in the world—"

The confidential friend, who will confide everything he ever knew or felt to you, if you will only listen.



"Harry, you're getting a bald spot." The observant friend, who is always dwelling on one's personal shortcomings.

The friend who is always getting her feelings hurt by something or somebody. Some one on the other side of the street may have failed to bow to her.



"Of course, I didn't believe a word of it, but I wanted you to know what they were saying about you." The dear friend who is always telling some one unpleasant truths for their own good. But if you try to tell her any—!

The pretty girl's intimate friend. George can't see why, if Mabel has to get these crushes on school girl friends, she can't for once pick a winner