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## REPORTERS

## FIND OUT:

Seven New York newspaper reporters visited seven fashionable churches on a recent Sunday morning disguised as "down-and-outers." Their mission was to discover if possible whether the charge is true that the church of Christ turns a cold shoulder in these modern times to the poor and shabby. One week after the first test the same men visited the same churches dressed in the height of fashion and showing every mark of affluence. They desired to see whether they would be made more welcome than they were the first time.

As poor fellows whom the world had used roughly these seven men were treated in the most fashionable churches with a kindness and courtesy that indicated on the part of the worshippers a sincere desire to make them welcome. The seven reporters recorded that their treatment in these churches was everything that might be expected from followers of Jesus. There was no display of the attitude of the Pharisee commonly charged by malcontents against communicants of the churches.

When the reporters returned another Sunday arrayed in expensive clothes practically nobody paid any attention to them beyond giving them seats and extending the common amenities. As well-dressed and prosperous looking people they were simply members of the crowd, of no identity. Nobody seemed to court them to return because of evidence of wealth. Signs of money were nothing in those congregations.

The result of this investigation is exactly the opposite of that reported by radicals who attack the church and by some sentimental writers whose shallow productions are not based on actual study of conditions. We venture to say that in the leading churches of almost any American city today the shabby or ragged person, venturing in to worship, would receive the kind attentions of the people and would be made to feel that help and enduring kindness would be his upon the slightest hint of need. Perhaps those who affect to believe they are not wanted in the churches do not want to be wel-

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comed.—South Bend Tribune.

MARK MCKEE  
HONORED:

Mark McKee, of the Yeoman directory board, has received two signal honors recently. The national commander of the Legion has appointed him a member of the committee on plans and location of the Legion's national home for orphan children of members. This home will be a memorial to the soldiers of the World War. Mark is chairman of the Legion committee for Michigan and his committee has located the state home at Otter Lake. The second honor was his election as one of the trustees of the Lincoln Memorial University of Cumberland Gap, Tenn.

The announcement was made by President Harding in Washington at a Lincoln memorial gathering. The other trustees are John Hays Hammond and Justice Sanford of the federal court.—Yeoman Shield.

And may we add that Mark McKee is big enough for the jobs. He is recognized in every pursuit he enters, the surest proof that he has unusual ability and delivers the goods. His Decatur friends are happy that these additional honors have come to him.

It is not too late to subscribe for the Daily Democrat. We would like to increase our list to 4,000 by the end of this year and with a little assistance from our loyal readers we can do it. We want your advice as to how to make our paper better and we will give closest attention to all suggestions whether signed or anonymous.

With legislature and congress over let's get down to the real business of making our splendid community more splendid. We hope every one in the county catches the spirit of brightening up their homes, business houses and yards. It's an epidemic which only good will result and it makes everybody the happier.

COLD AND WEEPY—LET AGONY BE UNRESTRAINED  
CARTOON BY R.C. WRIGHT

## THREE CHEERS

love the man who uses force  
"Three cheers for him," I shout,  
mean the one who'll force a smile  
when he is down and out.

## WOULD BE APT TO START SOMETHING

The following recently appeared under head of Wilmette, Ill., announcement:

"I will give room, with private bath, and evening dinner to student or woman employed, in exchange for services in evenings. Address V-151. The Printing Studio Wilmette, Ill."

It's a mighty kind and liberal offer, opportunity, or whatever you choose to call it. Sorry we can't accept, but you know how it is, people are apt to talk.

## THINGS NOT WORTH REMEMBERING

It would take twenty-nine automobile trucks and 'steen rowboats to remove them—if all the collar buttons that are lost annually were found and gathered together in one heap.

The outlet of the Mississippi river would be clogged—if all the cigarette butts were picked up from the gutters and dumped in at one time.

There would be a terrible earthquake—if all the words spoken at a suffragette convention were converted into hot air and sealed in an explosive shell.

"STAN" says:

While many a man is like a diamond in the rough, there's generally plenty of people to cut them.

## NOT "BIG BERTHAS" THIS TIME

Krupp's Works, at Essen, have 40,000 laborers and 3,000 officials fully employed on peace work.—News Item.

Thousands are resting in peace as a result of Krupp's peace work.

## PLAIN PHILOSOPHY FOR PALE PEOPLE

The only pleasure some people get out of life is cheating at solitaire.

Poor people always seem to have plenty of advice on how to get rich.

Men who have time to waste always try to waste it on busy people.

## MY IDEA OF A SOFT JOB

Feeding the canaries in the Singer Building.

## CHARLEY SIGNS IN A MONKEY GLAND HOSPITAL

Patients over eighty caught romping in the hallways or marking on the walls will be severely punished.

Patients desiring to tryout for the track and football teams report to

Muggy Smith Tuesday. Men over ninety must have a written permit from their grandchildren.

## THE LINES THEY TELL ON THE IRISH ARE TRUE

An Irishman, on being told to grease the wagon, returned in about an hour and said, "I've greased every part of it but them sticks that runs through the wheels."

The bird that told that story is a nature faker. No Irishman would do that—he'd be too lazy.

## FOREIGN WINDJAMMERS

From across the briny foam come a lot of whiskered gents; up and down the land they roam, telling us we have no sense. "You are crude and raw and punk," shout these foreign blatherskites, and they hand out yards of bunk thru the days and thru the nights. "You are running things dead wrong in this poor benighted land, it won't be very long till you'll need a helping hand. You're conceited and your vain and your culture is a frost; you give us a mighty pain and we fear that you are lost. We have sloped across the sea bringing messages to you and we hope that you will be wise enough to know it's true." Weighty words they ardently hurl at our country and its laws and they take a vengeful whirl at the way we file our saws. And we only laugh at them in a frank, goodnatured way, as we hear them all condemn everything we do or say. Once I rambled o'er the foam to the little island tight and lectured in the dome of a building large and white. I just told a few small flaws I had noticed in their way and they blushed both my jaws, kicked me thirty different ways. I'm inclined to strongly think we should drop forbearance mild, take each much bewhiskered gink out into the desert wild, give him thirty on his back, forty more upon his soles and then make him hit the track for the land across the shoals. But we fail to do our chore and they rent the village hall, charge us two bucks at the door just to hear 'em pan us all.

## UNCLE DUD

## ATTA BOY, PARSON

He was a thin, fragile young preacher, but not half as fragile as he looked. He could see and hear what was going on, even during the last prayer. Just before closing service, he said calmly but with a good deal of impressiveness to the square inch: "Those in the congregation who did not get their things on during the prayer can do so while I pronounce the benediction." During which, however, the audience could hear each other's tick.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

## From the Daily Democrat files

20 years ago this day

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