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## Modern Girl Is Unconventional And Not Immoral

Chicago, Dec. 26.—(United Press)—

The modern girl is unconventional and not immoral, Jane Adams, nationally known social worker told the United Press today.

Seated in a plain rocking chair in the bare rooming reception room of her "Hull House" in the tenement district where she has spent a lifetime working toward the uplift of the "down-trodden girl," Miss Adams dismissed with the flourish of the hand and a weary smile all the hullabaloes about the immorality of the modern girl.

Smooth speaking, the typical American mother type, she refuses to get excited about the charges of "wildness" hurled at the American girl. "Just because she paints a little, wears short skirts, bobs her hair and won't go automobile riding with men she does not know very well, is no reason to assume she is immoral," Miss Adams said.

"I work among them all the time, and I can say that the girls I know are not immoral."

And Jane Adams knows most every type of girl. "Hull House," situated in Chicago's Ghetto, daily sees the girls come to Miss Adams for advice and help.

"Girls now work around men," Miss Adams said. "They understand them better. Consequently they are able to cope with most circumstances. And the modern girl can take care of herself at most anytime."

"As for women drinking, I don't think that that is the little bit more drinking among women at present than there was before prohibition."

The automobile is blamed to some extent by Miss Adams for what immorality there is.

"I think that the automobile is one of the reasons for the 'wildness' of some girls. It has brought about a new consideration. A couple is able to go a great distance away from home to some place where they are not known. Consequently some things are done that should not be done."

"But you don't think as a general rule the modern girl is any worse than her predecessor?" she was asked.

"Well, we are living under different conditions," she replied.

## Move To Stop Endless Chain Selling Schemes

Indianapolis, Dec. 26.—(United Press)—The state securities commission moved today to check the activity of endless chain selling schemes in Indiana.

Methods used in promotion of the endless chain plan were branded by Attorney General Gilliom, as "fraudulent and misleading."

One person is induced to secure other customers for the scheme through hope of a discount on the original purchase, he pointed out.

Gilliom ruled that the state securities commission has authority to regulate the companies promoting the schemes.

Frederick Schortemeier, secretary of state and member of the securities commission, announced activities of all companies which did not submit to state regulation would be stopped at once.

Investigation of the promotion schemes was started on complaint of merchants of Indianapolis and other cities.

## Cow Three Times As Efficient As Auto, Is Reply To H. Ford

New York, Dec. 26.—(United Press)—

The dairy cow, which Henry Ford recently said was so inefficient that she should be abolished as a milk producer, is actually three times more efficient in her ratio of fuel consumption to production than is the automobile, declared Professor C. H. Eckles, of the University of Minnesota in an article in tomorrow's edition of the magazine, Farm and Fireside.

Eckles said that under ordinary road conditions the automobile produced but 12 to 15 percent of the power of the gasoline used while the normal cow makes use of 55 to 60 percent of the energy in her ration.

Aside from this direct comparison Eckles pointed out that while the unused power of the automobile was an entire waste the manure of the cow had a commercial value as fertilizer or at least \$35 per year.

Continuing his vindication of the cow

and his refutation of Ford's criticism Eckles said that there was no known method of producing synthetic milk and that scientists were of the opinion none was likely. Milk and butter substitutes may be produced, he said, which look and taste like the original but all such substitutes lack the real milk vitamins which are essential to human health.

"If man is making a mistake in depending upon the dairy cow for 29 percent of his food he has been making the mistake for a long time," said Eckles. "Recorded history goes back 6,000 years. Milk was even then an important article of food and both butter and cheese were known and in use. It seems reasonable that milk must have some special value in the diet of mankind."

In discussing the difficulty of producing a cheaper substitute for milk, Eckles pointed out that in every attempt to concoct a calf food without milk "the verdict of the calf is always to the effect that something is wrong."

"Even if it were possible to get protein for human food from some other source than milk it would still be more economical, at least under present conditions, to get it from milk," continued Eckles. "At \$20 a ton for alfalfa protein from that source would cost 10 cents a pound; with linseed meal at \$50 a ton, protein in that form would cost 8 cents a pound. This does not include the expense of getting the protein separated and ready for use, provided somebody knew how to do it. Protein in the form of dairy products can be purchased now below either of these figures."

Eckles concluded with a final parting shot at the Ford criticism of the cow. "If Mr. Ford does decide to show us how to dispense with the cow I suggest he wait until he is ready to retire from business. If the usual three and a half million monthly milk and cream checks were cut off suddenly, a slump of some visible proportions would be evident in the market for cars."

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## Says Few Girls Get Real Pleasure From Smoking; Merely Fad

Indianapolis, Dec. 25.—(United Press)—Few girls obtain any real pleasure from smoking, but do so merely to appear devilish and conform with the present fashion, Dr. Herman Morgan, of the Indianapolis board of health, said today.

Dr. Morgan, in a statement made to the United Press, warned: "Girls, if you would raise the batting average of your sex in hardened arteries and one-cylinder hearts, smoke steadily and regularly."

The health head declared that many physicians believe that smoking is responsible for the fact that men lead women in diseases affecting the heart and arteries.

"So, if women resent this masculine lead, they should, by all means, increase their inhalations and exhalations," Morgan said.

"The before breakfast puff is especially masculine," Morgan continued satirically. "And unchallenged masculinity may be achieved by rising at frequent intervals during the night to worship at Lady Nicotine's shrine."

"And, after all only a few women have never smoked. I mean during girlhood days they went with their brothers behind the barn for a puff at a buggy whip or to tackle the stimulus of crushed mullein leaves. And how about the youthful bliss in coffee smoking?"

## Indiana Now Entering Death Period Of Year

Indianapolis, Dec. 26.—(By United Press)—Indiana is now entering what Dr. William F. King, secretary of the state board of health describes as the "death period" of the year.

The state health board head, in a statement made to the United Press, declared that the state rate reaches its peak during the months of January, February and March, each year. December sees the death rate begin its upward climb about the middle of December and the increase continues until the last of January or the middle of February.

The reason for this, Dr. King said, is that many of the older people of the state contract pneumonia or influenza during the winter months and die as a result.

These people do not have the resisting powers of youth, it was said, and the cold weather further reduces this power of resistance.

Slushy, cold, rainy weather plays a big part in this heavy death rate increase.

While January, February and March lead all other months in the number of deaths per thousand of population, June, July and August see the least number of deaths, Dr. King pointed out.

This was explained by King who declared that since modern medicine has practically conquered the so-called "summer complaint" on in-

## Legs Thin, King Bars Portrait



The portrait of King George, by Charles Sims, on exhibition in New York, was removed from the Royal Academy's walls in London by the King himself. It is said the King felt the spindly legs in the portrait monopolized attention that should have been given the face.

fants there has been a very decided slump in the death rate for those months.

The effective methods now used to combat typhoid fever, the fact that practically all water used for drinking purposes in the state is tested and the resultant decrease in the number of cases of intestinal trouble

also has played a big part in the reduction.

"It is seldom," Dr. King said, "that we have records of children dying from the so-called summer complaint in this day and age."

The automobile also has played a part in the decrease in the summer death rates, because it enables the

people of the cities to get out in the open and relax after a hard day in the heat and turmoil of an office, Dr. King declared.

Regardless of the part played by the automobile the fact that people spend more of their time out-of-doors during the summer months, and are therefore in better physical condition plays a big part in the decline in summer mortality rates, it was said.

October and November with the changeable weather conditions existing at that times, the smoke resulting from the burning of leaves and other debris also is a very dangerous period of the year, King said.

## Veteran Pastor Shuns Dispute Over Bobbed Hair

Columbus, Ind., Dec. 26.—(United Press)—The Rev. W. H. Book, dean of the Protestant ministers of this city, and for 20 years pastor of the Tabernacle Christian church here refuses to be drawn into a dispute over bobbed hair.

Recently the pastor received a letter from members of the Christian church at Wolf Summit, West Virginia, urging him to decide a squabble between members over the question of bobbed hair.

As the letter explained the matter the wives of two of the elders of the church recently bobbed their hair.

The result was that when their husbands presided at communion services many of the members refused to partake. The church is making an effort to force these people to accept communion.

## NOTICE OF ELECTION

A meeting will be held at the Christian church on Sunday, Dec. 27 for the purpose of electing trustees of the church and for transacting other business as may come before the board.

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## Police May Get List Of All Auto Owners And License Numbers

Indianapolis, Dec. 26.—(By United Press)—Although few of the police officials of the state availed themselves of the opportunity to purchase printed lists of all automobile owners and license numbers in the state last year, Secretary of State Schortemeier is now making plans for the printing of the 1926 lists.

Under the state law an appropriation of \$10,000 was made for the preparation of the lists which it was thought were needed for proper enforcement of the laws.

Schortemeier found his appropriation far short of the amount needed and by having the lists transcribed and then mimeographed saved approximately \$2,000 of the allowance.

As police chiefs did not take to the voluminous lists with much enthusiasm most of them are now stored in the basement of the statehouse, being of no further use to any one since the 1926 plates were sold.

Schortemeier explained today that although he looked for a repetition of last year's experiences—that the lists would not be used extensively—he is going ahead with plans for the printing as required by law.

The same plan will be followed this year, the lists being transcribed and then mimeographed.

Schortemeier hopes to be able to save even more than the \$2,000 saving shown last year, he said.

## Mrs. Briggs Released By Italian Police Today

Palermo, Italy, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Eliza Briggs, New York architect, held by the Italian police for an unrevealed reason, was released from custody today.

Previously the police admitted to the United Press that detectives of the political squad had detained her

but declined to divulge anything on the case.

Berlin and New York advices Thursday claimed Mrs. Briggs had been held incommunicado at Palermo on a charge of being a German spy. Her New York employer, Paul Wenzel, of an architectural book publishing concern, explained that she had been making pictures of Italian renaissance structures for his publications and was in no way engaged in "spying."

Mrs. Briggs was furnished with necessary passports and documents and was requested to leave Italian territory. Accompanied by police she was placed aboard the Rome train Friday night and was expected to arrive there Saturday. She was then to continue her journey northward under police accompaniment.

It is learned that no formal charges were lodged against her.

## Mary Garden Is Ill

Chicago, Dec. 26.—(United Press)—Mary Garden, famous Chicago opera star, is slightly ill, and will not appear tonight as scheduled, the Chicago Civic Opera company announced last night. Word from the star's hotel suite was that Mary was suffering from a slight cold.

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