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SATURDAY was the usual profitable day for the market stand holders' syndicate.

STILL, no one explains why mules rented to work in all parts of the city must be stabled under the same roof.

"MAN DIES talking over long distance telephone," says a headline. Probably due to shock over getting Central.

GOV. COX was "hailed in Ohio town on charge of speeding," according to the morning paper. Just got within hailing distance of him, evidently.

STATE SENATOR RATTIS declares the discredited blue sky law is one of the best statutes of its kind in the United States. Oh—well, you say it.

NOR IS THE APPOINTMENT of Dorothy Cunningham of Martinsville to the head of the republican women's organization displeasing to Gov. Goodrich.

GREENSBURG is losing its Lovers' Lane, due to road widening. However, lovers' lanes are not what they used to be before the day of the gasoline buggy.

MAGICIAN'S wife, suing for divorce, says he expected her to live on a can of beans or peas a day. But all his magic couldn't make her satisfied with that.

CHEER UP, Jim Watson. The failure to get a report of your Irvington meeting in the Sunday Star is only a sample of the publicity troubles you will have before the campaign ends.

REPUBLICAN LEGISLATORS are now writing communications to newspapers in an effort to shift personal responsibility for the enactment of what Gov. Goodrich declared "an admirable" blue-sky law!

THOSE TWO POLICEMEN whom Chief Kinney suggested be dismissed following their exhibition of friendship for a bootlegger ought to defend themselves by enumerating the other friends of the bootlegger.

Why, Mr. Mayor?

It is indeed refreshing to find that Mayor Jewett has what he considers to be ready answers to some of the questions that have been so generally asked concerning the affairs of his administration. Such a condition indicates that the mayor is not without a realization that there are some man-sized problems in connection with the government of Indianapolis. We are encouraged to hope that having realized that the mayor carries with it some responsibilities the mayor may yet cease his schoolboy exhibitions and devote a little of his time to the solution of these problems.

Such irrelevant and aimless retorts as Mr. Jewett has made to date to inquiries concerning city affairs should not be regarded as the limit of his capabilities. If Mr. Jewett himself can not promulgate a better line of explanation of his failures than these feeble attempts, he can at least call on the News for help and with the assistance of that institution which stood sponsor for him as a candidate, evoke some replies that might pass the censorship of the school of journalism at Bloomington.

Perhaps, however, the difficulty in learning something definite about the city administration's program results from the advancement of questions too involved to be answered during the brief intervals that Mr. Jewett finds it possible to remain in the city hall.

On that theory The Times submits a less complicated question in the full belief that the well-known interest of the mayor in law enforcement will compel an immediate and detailed answer.

Why, Mayor Jewett, have you never revoked the poolroom license of a single negro gambling house regardless of the convictions made in the city court?

Republican Tactics

Will Hays' party of "intellectual aristocracy and culture" appears to be "up against it" fairly early in this campaign.

Wills Copeland, Vanderburg auditor and republican henchman, is desperately endeavoring to obtain a republican speaker for a meeting in Evansville, Oct. 30.

That is the date of Franklin D. Roosevelt's announced speech at Evansville and Mr. Copeland is seeking an excuse to avoid allowing the use of the coliseum by the democrats.

In Harrison county the republican commissioners divided Scott township into two precincts and designated the voting places where they will be most inconvenient to the citizens. The Corydon Democrat says:

"One of the voting places is fixed at White Cloud, almost on the Spencer township line and at a point where Blue river must be crossed. As there is no bridge on the roadway to White Cloud there can be no doubt that the schemers who put this job over fully expect that it will prevent a hundred or more democrats from voting where there are few republicans to vote."

These are illustrative of the tactics of the party that "welcomed a referendum" on the national issues.

Switched Again

Mrs. James Bennett of Richmond, Ky., may be a real or a fictitious character, under whose name newspapers are being carded in the interest of the republican national organization.

"Mail from 'her' is being sent to newspapers in a manner that makes it appear that 'she' is a writer of special communications expressing opinions of readers in some particular locality.

The scheme is so transparent that it has met with no great success and the "letters" have generally been consigned to the editorial waste basket.

But a perusal of them reveals a sudden and unexplained switch in the point of attack that may be indicative of the failure of the first republican effort to slander article 10 of the league of nations covenant.

Mrs. Bennett first wrote that republicans were opposed to the league of nations because article 10 deprived the congress of the constitutional right to declare war. Now "she" writes:

"Article 10 leaves congress in possession of the power to declare war, and gives the power to decide when and against what nations, congress shall declare war for the United States to officers of the league of nations."

Logical, isn't it?

Next we may expect to learn from republican sources that article 10 does not deprive the congress of the constitutional right to declare war against whom it pleases, when it pleases, but should be eliminated because it deprives the congress of the ability to forecast just when a war so declared will end!

Wishing Well

Probably the first real "wishing well" discovered or christened on this continent that brings actual, tangible results is that on a farm near Elmer, N. Y., where Mrs. Jacob Miller, Jr., can joggle the handle of the pump a bit and draw from it the wherewithal to purchase 'most anything she wants or thinks she does; for the well gives forth oil instead of water.

It wasn't built that way—just got that way somehow or other, and is the source of admiration and envy of the entire neighborhood, for all the other pumps just give water of more or less potable quality.

As was previously remarked, all that is necessary to produce the equivalent of cash is to joggle the handle—just two or three joggies for a new hat; maybe ten or fifteen for a new dress, and possibly half a day's hard pumping for a new car.

One who is inclined toward pointing out morals might express the opinion that a well from which oil can be drawn by a little work is a whole lot more satisfactory than a well adapted only to wishing.

BEATRICE MAUDE HAS TWO HUSBANDS AT MURAT

Sarah Hyatt's Chorus Girls Are Dressed in Male Attire



Gentle reader, kindly picture this sad plight of Beatrice Maude, the greatly beloved actress with the Stuart Walker players.

She has two husbands at the same time in the first bill in which she appears this season at the Murat.

Somerset Maugham, the playwright, was very generous to Miss Maude as Victoria in the comedy, "Too Many Husbands."

In fact, this kindness causes Victoria several hours of terrible English confusion and at the same time it convulsed an American audience last night at the first Indianapolis presentation of "Too Many Husbands" at the Murat.

Victoria is a feather-brained child of English society and during the war her dear husband, Major William Cardew, is reported dead.

Victoria is a widow, Victoria looks "heavenly in morning," says her mother, played by Judith Lowry, and thinks it proper that a memorial service be held for the "late" major.

As Victoria, played by Miss Maude, looks so heavenly "in black," she marries Major Frederick Lowndes, played by Stuart Walker, and the lifelong friend of Cardew.

Victoria's comedy opens with Miss Dennis, a mannequin, doing honor to the halls of lazy and indolent Victoria, who is reclining on a soft lounge.

Victoria is married to Lowndes under the impression that her first husband is dead, but he is far from dead.

Cardew, played by McKay Morris, arrived and sound from a German prison camp, ignorant that his wife had

been married to Lowndes.

He had planned to steal into her bedroom in the night and say, "My dear, behold the hero," but changed his mind.

We will admit that it would have been a good idea, at least, to be embarrassed to his wife, but he had entered so unmercifully into his wife's character that he was a fool.

For two acts Cardew is ignorant of the second marriage of his wife until he attempts to push Lowndes from the bed-room of his wife.

It is then that Judith Lowry, as Victoria, is cast in the rôle of "Victoria, something must be done," and she acts it out correctly tells her daughter, "It is nearly midnight and it is time to go to bed and you have two husbands, one not knowing that the other is your husband."

That does not shock Victoria, as she begins to figure how she can keep both.

I will not spoil the ending of this merry comedy, which is done in splendid taste and is the keenest comedy yet produced at the Murat.

The movie schedule for today is as follows: Mary Pickford in "Suds," at the Circle; Alma Rubens in "The World and His Wife," at the Alhambra; "Passers By," at the Odeon; "On With the Dance," at English's; "Darling Mine," at Colonial; "An Up-Hill Climb," at the Regal; "A Week End," at the late, and "The Man Who Lost Himself," at Mister Smith's.

THE BROADWAY.

The new bill at the Broadway consists of the following acts: Ethelyne, Mae and Lavern in dances; Omega in "Omega's Ms"; the Moran Sisters, Makalane's Hawaiians; the Trolley Car Jungs, acrobats; Justin and LaMar, and Princess Luis, a dancer.

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