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THE ATTEMPT to secure paroles for the two Marion County negroes serving life sentences certainly cannot be attributed to the necessity of increasing the administration's pliability.

MR. ASHBY appears to have recorded himself as against all relief for the street car company only in time to insist that the interurban companies relieve the local situation.

THE SERIOUSNESS of the collapse of the new manual training high school building will be more nearly appreciated when the delay caused by the accident makes it impossible to house students.

DISPATCHES say that Congressmen are attempting to solve Harding's Cabinet appointments by consulting the ouija board. Is the psychic table going to be the Colonel House of the next administration?

NOW Governor Goodrich wants to visit Mexico as well as Russia. After reviewing the past four years of his administration the Governor evidently expects to find those countries ideal havens for a quiet vacation.

THE PROPOSED MUNICIPAL COURT ought to become a reality for the relief of Judge Walter Pritchard, if for no other reason. One of the most unreasonable things we do is expect one judge to handle all the police court cases.

## Mocking the Law

On Oct. 18 the Times printed a facsimile of a memorandum of a bet made at Stegmeier's saloon and declared that the police were permitting open gambling there.

Oct. 30, after waiting twelve days for the police to take action to stop the continued gambling, a citizen caused a search warrant to issue and the place was raided with the result that the Stegmeier brothers were charged by the police with four offenses.

Trial of these cases was continued in the City Court on the request of Martin Hugg, attorney for the Stegmeiers and director in the company that publishes the Indianapolis News, until Nov. 17.

On Nov. 16, without preliminary notice to any of the witnesses in the cases, Deputy Prosecutor Spaan permitted Henry Stegmeier to enter a plea of guilty to pool selling and pay a fine of \$10 and costs. Thereupon charges of keeping a gambling house, gaming and having gaming devices in his possession which were set for trial on Nov. 17 were dismissed and on the request of Mr. Hugg evidence gathered in the serving of the search warrant was ordered turned back to the defendant.

Subsequently it was learned that the gaming which resulted in the first arrests was actually in progress while the frame-up by which Stegmeier escaped prosecution on three charges was being arranged by the deputy prosecutor.

There was no effort on the part of the prosecutor's office to stop the gambling of which complaint was made.

There was no effort to bring the defendants to trial on three affidavits before the City Court.

There was no effort to use the evidence gathered on a search warrant sworn out by a citizen to substantiate any of the charges subsequently made by the police.

Mr. Spaan said he was interested in getting a "conviction." He got a plea of guilty to minor charge which brought a fee to the prosecutor and without notice to witnesses or interested parties he dismissed the other charges against the defendants.

The primary purpose of filing a search warrant against the Stegmeiers was not to collect a fee for the prosecutor.

It was to force the police to act against an open gambling house.

The agreement which Mr. Spaan made with the defendants not only thwarted the purpose of the prosecutor but it disclosed that his only object in prosecution was to GET A FEE for the prosecutor.

Wednesday another search warrant was sworn out for the same place and another raid was conducted.

Following his arrest Henry Stegmeier declared that he would cease permitting wagers to be placed in his place of business.

Henry Stegmeier knew the law; he had pleaded guilty to one offense and he knew he was liable to further prosecutions for other offenses.

Under these circumstances he was very willing to declare that he would discontinue violating the law.

The point about the whole affair is simply this:

The violations of law at the Stegmeier place could have been stopped at any minute either the prosecutor or the police department told Henry Stegmeier to stop it.

The deputy prosecutor was more interested in collecting a fee for his principal than in stopping the law violations.

The police department was not interested in whether Henry Stegmeier continued to violate the law or quit violating the law.

In order to stop this open and admitted gambling it was not only necessary for a citizen to bring the defendant into court once, but a second time.

And in the interim it was necessary for the citizen to uncover the continuation of the gambling and at the same time devise some way of combating the willingness of the prosecutor to make it easy for the law breaker.

It does not require a great deal of discernment to understand why it is difficult to stop gambling in Indianapolis as long as conditions which result in a profit to the prosecutor are tolerated by Indianapolis citizens.

## The Primary Law

There is no doubt in the minds of the voters of Indiana that there should be a reformation of the State's present primary system.

There is, however, considerable difference of opinion as to whether primaries should be abolished.

To abandon the primaries is to admit inability to frame a law under which the voters of both parties may select their candidates directly. Many of us are not willing to admit that this end cannot be reached by the enactment of proper legislation.

The present primary law of Indiana is a failure inasmuch as it does not accomplish the results for which it was brought into existence. The failure may be due, in a measure, to the various amendments by which feature after feature have been eliminated. As originally enacted the law called for first and second choice votes. This made it unusually cumbersome and generally unsatisfactory. The law as it now stands is merely a survival of a system that was never tried out sufficiently in this State to enable the voters to become familiar with it.

A simple method by which the voters of each party may indicate their choice among candidates is the ambition of those who believe in direct primaries. So far it has never been attained in this State.

Mr. McCray has indicated that the primary law will receive attention during his administration.

But no one has as yet indicated whether the administration is willing to admit inability to frame a satisfactory primary law, repeal the present law and abandon the effort, or whether it will endeavor to create a new system of direct nomination of candidates.

## To Seek the Truth

The National Association of Purchasing Agents recently met in Detroit and adopted plans which were badly needed and which, if carried out, promise to accomplish much good.

The association's plan is to establish a group of national councils for each raw material such as coal, lumber, paper, sugar, etc., which council will gather accurate information on the real costs of such commodities. So much propaganda has been carried on which might be altogether false that the purchasing agents who are vitally affected propose to get at the true situation and to act on it.

This will not only be for the benefit of the purchasing agent and his purchases and to prevent his being imposed upon, but it will also redound for the good of the public. For profiteers cannot well make two prices and get by and if the purchasing agents have the information which will lead them to avoid the profiteers' false quotations, then it is pretty safe to believe that the public will benefit by them. This is a move in the right direction, and if honestly conducted promises great good.

## WHEN A GIRL MARRIES

A New Serial of Young Married Life

By Ann Lise

CHAPTER XCIX.  
"Mrs. Harrison?" asked a voice—rich in every note—"This is Carlotta Sturges. I've just had a note from 'Loosie' telling me to report at the canteen with our unit tomorrow morning at nine. I don't need you to explain, I can read between the lines. Oh, Mrs. Harrison—please don't make me say it all over the phone. Won't you meet me at the Clinsarge for lunch? I want to see you."

"I'll be there—but I don't believe I can—I began.

"Oh, please, please! If you're another engagement, won't you postpone it? I must see you. You've done so much for me. Please don't fall me now. Won't you come?"

There was a note of pleading in that warm, luscious voice of hers—note that she was still in uniform.

"Hi come," I said, and we had each other good-by and clicked up our receivers after arranging to meet at the Clinsarge at one.

So an hour later I found myself again entering the tiny foyer of the Little chintz-hung restaurant where I'd met Pat Dalton for a fortnight before.

"Have you ever been here before?" asked Carlotta, who was waiting when I arrived and who swept me promptly to a little window table she had evidently reserved.

"Only once," I replied. "But I like it—I must come more often."

"Who brought you—not Virginia Dal-

(To Be Continued.)

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## SHORT TERM SENATORS.

Q. What is meant by "short term Senators?"

J. C. G.

A. All United States Senators are elected for six years unless chosen to fill a vacancy caused by death or other removal of a Senator from office. In such cases they are called "short term" Senators and only fill an unexpired term of the Senator they replace.

## LESS FREQUENT AMONG MINERS.

Q. Is tuberculosis common among coal miners?

J. C. D.

A. Data from foreign countries, particularly England and Wales, support the conclusion reached in America that pulmonary tuberculosis among coal miners is with lesser frequency among coal miners than among men following other occupations.

## CAN BE REDEEMED.

Q. Kindly let me know if a part of a dollar bill is ever valid?

J. W. K.

A. The redemption division of the Treasury Department says that if a person has three-fifths of a bill it can be redeemed for full value. If he has less than three-fifths, but more than half, it will be redeemed for half value.

## TIME TO PLANT SHRUBS.

Q. What is the proper time to plant shrubs?

T. H. N.

A. The proper time for planting is just after the first hard frosts—from the middle of September to the middle of November, according to the latitude and location.

## ONE PENSION ONLY.

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J. W. H.

A. The Pension Bureau states that a person cannot draw a pension from the War Risk Insurance Bureau and the War Risk Fund at the same time. But if a man is entitled to a pension under each law he is at liberty to choose which he will accept.

## LEPER ESCAPES COLONY.

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