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ABOUT the only way the police force can restore confidence in itself is to suppress the robbery and theft reports for a while.

"VOTERS can keep Richmond clean" says a News headline. They do not appear to be able to do as much for Indianapolis!

WHAT DIFFERENCE does it make to the taxpayer whether Leo Fesler or Ralph Lemcke bosses the county administration?

THE REPORT that Truman Newberry is about to resign from the Senate only serves to increase the wonder that he is still a Senate member.

BUT THE QUESTION, you know, is whether we give our tax money to our State institutions or to our political institutions. And we have heretofore been mighty generous with the latter.

A CORRESPONDENT who says he is one of those who have been "exploited by the State, county and city gang," suggests that the recent robbery of the Statehouse Museum indicates that there is nothing left in the Statehouse for footpads.

ALEX TAGGART was not present at the board of safety meeting which abolished the morals squads. But he appears to have gotten back on the job twenty-four hours later when Chief Kinney announced the organization of six such squads.

## Why Cooperation Is Lacking

Regardless of what effect such action will have on the political situation in Indianapolis, something ought to be done toward better policing of the city and its environs.

It is becoming increasingly evident that the constituted safeguards against theft and robbery are insufficient. The time is very near, if not already here, when the citizen can no longer rely upon the authorities for protection of his property against marauders.

The causes for this condition are of interest only as they make possible solutions of the problem which is rapidly growing to be a problem of every property owner in Indianapolis.

Unless the municipal government can guarantee better protection of life and property in Indianapolis than has been afforded in the last three months, it behoves citizens in every walk of life to take steps to guard their own.

It would appear that this time has already arrived from the appeal of the board of safety to the public for cooperation with the police force.

This appeal is at once an invitation and a confession.

It is an invitation to the citizen to take up individually the burden of police work and it is a confession on the part of the board of inability to meet the onslaughts of the criminally inclined with the present machinery.

The confession will be somewhat of a surprise to the public, for it has been led through much self-advertisement, to believe that the administration which it has maintained at tremendous costs was entirely proficient in policing Indianapolis.

Cooperation with the police is, of course, the duty of every law-abiding citizen.

We believe that it is a duty the performance of which will be a source of satisfaction to the average citizen.

But cooperation implies united action on the part of the persons who are expected to cooperate.

It is indeed difficult to cooperate with a police force that does not share the same objects as the persons who seek to cooperate with it.

There is no question in the public mind that the police would like to rid Indianapolis of the epidemic of purse-snatching, highway robbery and burglary that is now running the department ragged.

But there is a great question in the public mind as to whether the police department is willing to do which will make such a riddance possible.

The theory of the Chicago police heads in the conduct of recent extraordinary raids is that theft, hold-ups and other crimes committed for gain are directly traceable to a desire to obtain money with which to gamble and with which to purchase contraband liquor. On that theory the Chicago police are seeking to eliminate the gambling dens first.

"If they can't gamble they won't rob," declares the Chicago chief of detectives.

His theory is well supported by the situation existing in Indianapolis.

For more than a year Indianapolis has tolerated open gambling houses.

During that year it has suffered extensively from robberies, purse-snatching and petty thievery.

The one appears to be inseparable from the other.

There are few citizens in Indianapolis who are not willing to cooperate to the point of great personal inconvenience with the police in the elimination of the thefts and robberies.

There is no good reason whatever why the police should not be more than willing to cooperate with citizens in the elimination of the gambling that induces thefts and robberies.

Yet, instead of cooperating in efforts to stop these offenses the police are indifferent, resentful and in many instances plainly obdurate to all efforts to break up gambling.

For example, the Times may well recall an effort to stop the betting pools operated at Stegmeier's place.

This paper printed a fac-simile of the betting tickets issued at that place, together with detailed accounts of how the business was transacted.

The police made no effort to stop it and twelve days later, when a search warrant was sworn out and the police called upon to serve it, evidence was obtained which showed clearly that the gambling continued regardless of the expose.

The gamblers had no fear of police intervention. Provided with all the information necessary to stop the gambling the police failed to act.

This is not the type of cooperation that will stimulate citizens to take an interest in the efforts of the police to enforce the law.

It is, on the contrary, the very kind of evidence that there exists in Indianapolis an influence that overshadows the natural desire of the police to stop lawlessness.

Until this influence is eliminated there can be no cooperation between citizens and the police and there can be no elimination of the disrespect for property rights that has become so obnoxious.

Cooperation between the citizens of Indianapolis and the police force for the suppression of crime is becoming more necessary daily.

The only obstacle in the way of it is an indisposition of the police force to cooperate.

And the irony of the situation lies in the appeal of the board of safety, which controls the police force, for the very cooperation the police force is not giving.

## McCray Is Clever

Warren T. McCray, Governor-elect of Indiana, is proving himself a master at the game of politics as is in Hoosierland.

By the simple expediency of announcing that he will make no appointments until the end of the next Legislature he has taken over the Goodrich machine intact, provided himself with a working organization for legislative efforts, placed control of the General Assembly in his vest pocket and effectually eliminated Goodrich as a factor in State politics.

For there isn't a man in the whole State administration who desires to hold his job who will not follow the wishes of Mr. McCray throughout the legislative session in the fond hope of being retained for four years on the State's pay roll. And there are mighty few who do not harbor that desire for retention.

Previously to Mr. McCray's announcement, there was considerable difference of opinion as to whether Governor Goodrich would retain his strangle hold on the General Assembly even after he left the Statehouse. There were many indications that he planned to do so.

Now it does not make much difference what he plans.

Mr. McCray will be Governor in fact for four years if he continues his present excellent strategy, and in the meanwhile he does not propose to have his holidays disturbed by office seekers.

WHEN A GIRL MARRIES  
A New Serial of Young Married Life

By Ann Lisle

"Virginia, aren't Jacqueline not roses your favorite?" I asked, staking my hopes of reconciling her and Pat on her reply to that question.

Virginia's eyebrows lifted quizzically, and she smiled reminiscently for a second before she replied:

"Yes, they are. Why do you ask that?"

"Because it wasn't just an accident that Pat remembered. Of course he wouldn't go spying around on you. Of course he wouldn't ask me to keep him informed of your address. But when a lucky chance gave it to him—he remembered what flowers you liked best—and sent them with sweethearts roses."

"As I make up my mind to do, and with slow emphasis, Virginia sat staring at me with puzzled eyes. The quizzical smile still touched her lips, but it was fading—and with an air half terrified, half defiant, she was alternately twisting and turning, and then forcing them to me. She still had a smile. At last she turned to me with a shy smile that seemed to belong to no phase of Virginia ever before revealed to me.

"You seem very fond of Pat, Anne. You seem to believe in his sincerity. Have you known him long? Actually I

don't know how you came to meet him."

"I met him at the Blue Dragon. In one day when we were motorizing with Edgert and Terry." I said, glad that I could tell this much of the truth, and hoping that I wouldn't need to reveal the rest of it.

"The Blue Dragon? People do meet at all sorts of out-of-the-way places," said Virginia idly.

Then she looked up to answer the maid who stood in the doorway.

"Yes, Amanda?"

"Mr. Sheldon Blake at the telephone, Mrs. Dalton," replied the girl with an air of assurance that proved she was no longer the maid she had been the last time she had reported Sheldon Blake at the phone.

"Tell Mr. Blake that I am busy now and cannot come to the phone," ordered Virginia.

Amanda looked at me with an air that seemed to protest. "Call this boy?"

"Why, this boy? A lady calling on you to tell him to stop. At last he turned to me with a shy smile that seemed to belong to no phase of Virginia ever before revealed to me.

"A loud she asked:

"Shall I tell Mr. Blake to call later?"

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## PUSS IN BOOTS JR.

By David Corp.

Now, after the exciting adventure in the last story, in which you remember, the swift-footed At-a-lan-ta lost the race because she stopped to pick up the golden apples, Puss came across a woman and her son standing near a huge stone, and as he stopped to look at them, he heard the mother tell the young man to lift the great rock and that underneath he would find the sword and shoes which his father had left there for him. You see, his father didn't wish him to have them until he was strong enough to lift the great stone.

So the young man lifted it with ease and then, putting on the shoes and buckling the belt to his side, said goodbye to his mother and started off for a large city called Athens.

And as he turned to go he saw little Puss Junior, so he said, "Come with me and be my comrade," and of course Puss was delighted and set out to one with him. And after a while, to ward evening, they came across a ferocious savage who always went armed with clubs. Iron clubs, I should say, as he passed all travellers who ventured into the forests.

But Puss was determined to stay with this monster, so Puss tried to think of something which would enable his friend to find the way back through the crooked path. At last Puss took out of his pocket a spoon of thread and, giving one end to Puss, cautioned him to be careful not to break it, for if he did he would be unable to find his way back.

And after that Puss set off boldly, and when he reached the dreadful monster he slew him with his sword and then, still holding on to the string, made his way back to little Puss Junior, who stood anxiously waiting for him. —Copyright, 1920.

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## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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**FRESH MILK FOR SOLDIERS.** Q. Did the Levithian carry cows to provide fresh milk for the soldiers? N. F.

A. The Navy Department says that while some of the transports did carry cows for this purpose, the Levithian did not, while it was in the service of this country.

**PASSPORT PROCEEDINGS.** Q. What proceedings must a German citizen take who has not been in this country six years, and wishes a passport to Mexico? F. E. T.

A. A citizen of the United States who is a citizen of Germany will have to apply to the consul of some foreign country, such as Holland, which has diplomatic relations with Germany, as well as with the United States, in order to obtain a passport out of this country for Mexico or

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**HOROSCOPE** —The stars incline, but do not compel.

SUNDAY, NOV. 28.

Early today Venus rules in malefic aspect, according to astrology, but later Jupiter and Mercury are in friendly sway.

The signs are most forbidding for courtship or love affairs. Engagements made today will be unfortunate in all probability, the sexes declare.

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**MONDAY, NOV. 29.**

Contending influences dominate this day, according to astrology. While Saturn and Mercury are in benevolent aspect, Mars and Jupiter are adverse.

This is a planetary government most favorable for the buying, selling and advertising of real estate, which will be in great demand at this time.

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**DRIED "PUNKIN" PIE.** Q. Please give a recipe for pie made of dried pumpkin. M. K.

A. The bureau of mines states that the Bureau leads in the production of dried "punkin" pie.

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**BRINGING UP FATHER.**



## We Believe In Indianapolis

"Indianapolis is the capital of the Land of Opportunity"

—Meredith Nicholson.

WHEN Meredith Nicholson wrote his appreciation of his home city, he penned a message that must prove an inspiration to every citizen of Indianapolis. We all believe in Indianapolis but it remained for Mr. Nicholson to express for us our belief.

Further he says, "One hundred years ago destiny marked Indianapolis for steady and triumphant progress. It is the natural center of distribution for North America. Our commerce and industries have a continent for their market."

Then he speaks of "this city of homes" from which James Whitcomb Riley "sent winging his songs of light and cheer to gladden the hearts of a nation," and he adds "The Riley spirit is the Indianapolis spirit of confidence and hope."

The members of the Indianapolis Real Estate Board—Realtors—believe in Indianapolis whole-heartedly, and as individuals and as an organization will exert every influence to promote the best interests of this city.

This is a city of homes and that fact made it possible for Mr. Nicholson to say:

"This best of cities rests solidly upon the