

## Indiana Daily Times

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IT WILL be hard on the bootleggers if the City Court is prevented from suspending sentences.

PRESIDENT WILSON, too, will have a chance to drop his card at the White House after March 4.

IF SENATOR HARDING would confine his conferences to men of the Hoover type the people would believe that he meant what he said when he declared he would seek counsel with the "best minds in America."

IN OTHER words, Senator Cannon believes the counties should be prevented from economically spending money on roads, but that the State Highway Commission should be given full license to continue wasting funds.

## Misdirected Protests

The protest of a league of Indianapolis taxpayers against lavish expenditures of public money at this time is an indication of the near approach of the day when the people of Marion County will determine whether or not they are willing to continue paying out good dollars for nothing.

No community can afford the dual expense of public improvement and political waste.

One of the other must be stopped before the drain on the taxpayer reaches a point where his property become a liability rather than an asset.

Indianapolis taxpayers have reached the conclusion that something must be done to reduce the amount of money collected from them in taxes each year.

We think they have acted without being fully informed in the premises when they set out to call a halt on contemplated improvements in the county.

We must have these improvements and sooner or later we will have them. Delay means loss to the community of the benefits of the improvements and often a costly drain on the treasury in the way of maintenance of undesirable conditions that improvements are designed to correct.

Investigation on the part of taxpayers will reveal to them that hundreds of thousands of dollars may be saved in the management of county business by the application of plain business sense and the elimination of political patronage.

Certainly the taxpayers who are today urging a curtailment of improvements on the grounds that their costs are abnormally high, will not be heard to defend the expenditure of \$17,000 a year for janitors at the courthouse when the Board of Trade cares for its large building at a cost of approximately \$7,000.

This is only one of a hundred instances of waste of public money.

No one turned a hair when it was shown by a comparison of the inventory of the abandoned workhouse with the receipts on file for the abandoned equipment that thousands of dollars of county property had been dissipated.

No one has yet protested against the payment to the sheriff of sixty cents a day for feeding prisoners after the Federal authorities had disclosed that only about twenty cents a day went for that purpose.

It apparently makes no difference to the taxpayers of Marion County that an automobile should be maintained by them for the use of a county sealer when there is no such an official.

Not a single civic organization has uttered a word of protest against the expenditure by the city of more than \$100,000 a year to dispose of the city's garbage that was formerly collected and disposed of for less than \$50,000 a year.

No taxpayer has yet voiced his disapproval of the extra thousands of dollars granted to a bonding company in consideration of that company's agreement to carry out the terms of its bond on a sewage disposal contract.

To date the only protest against the grand orgy of spending which has made it necessary for Marion County taxpayers to pay more than \$6,000,000 in taxes for this year than for last year has been directed against contracts for improvements.

We cannot have the improvements and maintain the political plunders at the expense of the taxpayers.

One or the other must be abandoned.

Our county government could be so conducted that the saving in administration alone would take care of all the improvements necessary for years to come.

Are the taxpayers of Marion County willing to sacrifice the improvements in order to continue the politically controlled waste?

Or do we want more honestly constructed improvements and less unjustifiable pap-sucking?

## The Fortunate Senator Harding

In spite of the fact that the whole world is just beginning to get back to normal, and is ceasing to shake in the hysteria of war and devastation, Senator Harding will become President of the United States at a most opportune and fortunate time.

All of the abnormal actions and reactions which have occurred in the past two years, the labor disputes, the high prices, the sudden fall in values, are the shaking down from the effects of the war and getting back to pre-war status.

When the Civil War ended there was trouble with currency, there was an immense question of reconstruction in the South, the negro problem was acute, and worse than all, the great Lincoln had been foully assassinated so that his guiding hand and infinite patience were lost to the community.

When the Spanish-American war was over there had been unemployment and affairs had scarcely righted themselves from the free silver agitation. Before he had time to really work out his great theories, President McKinley was assassinated.

Now, with the war scarcely over, after two years of armistice, American finances seem as strong as the Rock of Gibraltar, American ideals are more established than ever, and there are no acute problems creating a crisis in the country's affairs.

Senator Harding will take his office amid the blessing of prosperity, surrounded by stable government, founded on ideals which have been tried and proven. He will not be required to beg the Nation to trust him, nor will he be forced to exercise any function in which the public will not cooperate with full knowledge of what it is doing. The President-elect has the opportunity to be the most popular man, not only in America, but in the world, and it will not require the work of a genius to accomplish this. All that the Senator will have to do is to keep the public for his confidence, hew to the line of citizenship and truth and do what is right.

Surely Senator Harding is fortunate indeed in having the opportunity to serve his country under such favorable circumstances.

## Another Parole Case

John Blackwell, an automobile thief sentenced from Marion County to the State reformatory, will present a plea for a parole to the State board of pardons and parole next week.

The Times has in its possession an affidavit signed by Blackwell in which he declared that he was one of the prisoners who was taken to the grand jury room and there examined by Charles W. Rollinson in defense of Harry Parsons when an attempt was being made, illegally, improperly and scandalously, to prevent the Marion County grand jury from indicting Parsons for an offense which Parsons had previously confessed.

It will be recalled that the Times published the facts concerning this secret practice of allowing an attorney to examine grand jury witnesses before the grand jury in defense of his clients and the judge of the Criminal court was much incensed.

It will also be recalled that he was incensed wholly because the truth of the matter was made public and not at all because the sanctity of the grand jury room was invaded.

The fact that Blackwell was used in an illegal manner in an attempt to accomplish an illegal purpose while he was a prisoner subject to the orders of the Criminal Court should not be held against him in considering his eligibility to parole.

But neither should the question of whether or not he should be released from the reformatory depend on his usefulness to the gang that has made a mockery of law enforcement in Marion County.

WHEN A GIRL MARRIES  
A New Serial of Young Married Life

By Ann Lise

CHAPTER CVIII (Continued.) "Well, Mrs. Harrison—there's other business in the wind. Do you realize that you and I have—matters to discuss?"

My heart skipped a beat. "We have—matters to discuss?" I asked.

"Well, I should say so! That night you and Betty Bryce were here to dinner, we planned a little fund for hungry and empty-pocketed soldier boys. They still have to eat even if they don't have to fight—and you and I were going to establish a little reserve fund at your command. Have you forgotten?"

"No—but I thought you had—." I began.

"You didn't think I'd forgotten! Please don't tell me that you think I'm one of those wobbly-minded persons who don't remember on Monday what they planned the Saturday before?"

I wondered as I replied if Anthony Norris had noticed the question in my voice when I answered the phone, and was giving me time to collect myself.

"No, I merely thought the change in the affairs of the world—had changed your plans."

"I have been perfecting them a bit, Mrs. Harrison. And now I'm ready to submit them to you. I'd rather not go into them over the phone. And since you have a free evening, why not dine with me? Ask your chum to come along!"

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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## SCHOOL FOR WOMEN VOTERS.

Q. Has any college provided definitely for the education of women voters?

H. E. C. A. Goucher College, Baltimore, Md., has received the sum of \$25,000 for the construction of the Elizabeth King Elliott Hall, to be used for the educational equipment of women, thus becoming the first women's college to provide definitely for the enlightenment of women voters.

## CHINESE OBJECT TO BUTTER.

Q. Is it true that the Chinese keep butter but do not eat butter? H. M.

A. According to the Chinese, butter is not butter, although they have many cows. Some individual Chinese do use butter, but only in those localities which have been open to foreign influence.

## LARGEST SOCIALIST VOTE.

Q. Please advise me what was the greatest number of votes polled by a Socialist candidate for President.

F. E. B. A. Eugene Debs received 901,373 votes in 1912 this being the largest number of votes polled by a Socialist candidate for President. In 1892, James B. Weaver polled 1,041,028 votes when representing the Peoples party, which by many is claimed to be the same as the Socialist party of today.

## BORN CITIZENS.

Q. Are children born in this country of foreign parents citizens? A. O. B.

A. The Constitution of the United States provides that all children born in the United States are citizens thereof.

## HOW ELECTION DAY WAS FIXED.

Q. What State was first to decide upon the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November for election day?

F. K. A. New York claims this distinction, having fixed upon this time in the year 1811.

## ONLY FEW FARMERS PROFITED.

Q. Have the farmers made large profits during the period of high prices? G. C.

A. The Department of Agriculture says that a farm survey shows that comparatively few farmers have made large profits in the past few years. The average return on investment increased from about 4½ per cent to about 7 per cent.

## VALUE OF WILD SUMAC.

Q. Has the wild sumac any value? G. L. A.

A. The Department of Agriculture says that sumac has long been used in the tanning of leather and in dyeing fabrics. The greater part of American sumac gathered has been used in dyeing cotton goods. Immense quantities, however, have remained ungathered and there is room for development of an organized sumac industry in this country.

## PERSONS WHOSE BIRTHDAY IT IS.

Q. Please give a recipe for horehound candy?

M. H. C. A. Take two cupfuls of brown sugar, one cupful of corn syrup, and one-half teaspoonful of cream of tartar. Pour over this the horehound liqueur made by steeping a bunch of dried horehound in one pint of hot water. Boil down to a cupful before adding to sugar. If you do not wish it to be so strong of horehound do not use so much. Boil to the hard crack stage or about 300 degrees. Pour into a buttered pan. Mark deeply into squares while still warm.

## PUSS IN BOOTS JR.

By David Corp.

Well, after the parrot stopped singing the song which you read in the last story, Puss said good-bye to the inn-keeper and went upon his journey. And as the ground was covered with snow, it was no easy thing to make his way, and after a while he turned into the woods, where the snow was not so deep.

And as he was tramped along he came across a little girl with a basket on her arm, and as he passed her she said, "Puss Junior, please tell whether they set out in the cold to gather strawberries in the woods, and who can gather strawberries in the winter time. I'll tell you what happened after that." Copyright, 1920.

(To Be Continued.)

## HOROSCOPE.

"The stars incline, but do not compel."

THURSDAY, DEC. 9.

Mars rules strongly for good today, according to the almanac.

Then Puss ran on, and as he came to a little house made of logs, and at the window they could see a little man's face peering through the glass. So Puss stopped and said, "I will go to my castle, and when I come back I will bring you a little man, who will be as good as any man in the world." And so he did.

And of an anxious mind, because no wild strawberries grow beneath the winter wind.

And then the little man opened the door and let them in. And when they entered they saw two other little men, and one was busy trying to bake bread and the other was busy trying to sew a button on his coat. And the bread wouldn't bake and the little button fell to the floor and rolled into a crack, and the little man couldn't find it, although he turned a candle and got down on his hands and knees.

"I will bake your bread and sew the button on your coat," said the little girl, and she did it so neatly that the two little men smiled, and then the little man who had let them in said: "You are a good girl. Take this broom and sweep the snow from the back of the house." And what do you suppose she found?

1920 WORLD SERIES.

Q. Who won the world series in baseball in 1920?

J. C. A. There were no championships played in 1920.

MEN'S COMBINATION SETS.

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## Men's