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SURE, one of those Greentown booze-runners was under a suspended sentence!

IN OTHER WORDS, Lew Shank does not care to talk now and thinks his opponents should respect his wishes!

NOR DOES the escapade of an ex-member of Chief Kinney's morals squad tend to substantiate the views of those who felt that no shake-ups in the local police department were necessary!

BY THE TIME a few more persons lost their lives on the Circle, traffic conditions here may be righted. We seem to have reached the point where every one is agreed that they ought to be studied.

SURE, there is discord among the various Federal departments over the enforcement of the liquor laws. The Department of Justice believes in enforcing law, the Department of Prohibition in seeking publicity.

WHEN PUBLIC OFFICIALS begin to realize that nothing is more important to this community than a restoration of confidence they find plenty of room for action. Action eventually begets confidence.

MAYBE the reason Superintendent Talcott wishes to leave the penal farm is that the prisoners do not seem to appreciate his efforts sufficiently to remain there even for the period of their sentences.

GOVERNOR GOODRICH announced his intention to grant no more paroles and immediately thereafter Sheriff Miller finds saws in the County Jail. It looks like the "pardon-bond" was losing the confidence of its former patrons.

## Good Luck, Mr. Jewett!

Much can be forgiven Charles W. Jewett if he succeeded in closing his administration with the accomplishment of his announced plan to consolidate the charity and correctional institutions of Marion County and Indianapolis under one general management.

The plan is practicable and wholly desirable. When it is effected it will reduce taxation and insure a better return for taxes to those who must pay them.

We have had some shining examples of how our institutions should not be conducted in the last few years. We question whether there is any community in the nation that has been less disturbed by exposure of its own shame than Marion County was disturbed by the expose of conditions at the County Jail.

Yet, nothing has been done to make a repetition of those outrages impossible, and, in fact, the suggestion of Mayor Jewett that the direction of all these institutions be placed under one administrative head, is the only official recognition of dissatisfaction with them which has been publicly announced.

Practically speaking, the consolidation of these institutions under the mayor's plan will be of immense benefit to the public.

Politically speaking, it will relieve the taxpayer of the burden of supporting both a city and county political machine.

Because of its political effect we are not certain of its success.

But we want to say that we approve of it and wish Mr. Jewett the very best of success in his efforts to make his plan mature.

## Misinformation About Gas

In a statement which it is making to a limited part of the gas consumers of Indianapolis, the Citizens' Gas Company says that much misinformation has been spread in this community concerning the gas situation.

This is an honest confession that should be noted by every one. Not a single bit of information concerning the gas situation has been publicly presented to the people of Indianapolis that did not come from the gas company itself at various times.

Consumers generally have been unable to reconcile the statements made by the various gentlemen who have attempted to describe the situation, either at the Statehouse or at the city hall.

Being unable to reconcile the many direct contradictions and variances in these statements, the readers of Indianapolis long ago concluded that they contained "misinformation."

Now the gas company admits it.

Fortunately, before the company obtains its 50 per cent increase in rates, the Public Service Commission will be compelled to consider this "misinformation."

And while the Public Service Commission is hearing it, the public, also, will get its chance.

## Is Germany Awakening?

In spite of the bitterness which the war generated toward Germany, it is nevertheless a matter of pity when one considers the great depth to which this country had fallen before its good thinking people began to sense their true situation.

To the millions in the United States who knew Germany as a land of music and sentiment and who remember the good traits of Germany's character, there is a pathos in the complaints that come from that country now. The consequences of war should have been known to Germany and indeed they were known but the country was war intoxicated, with desperate results. Rudolph Dreyfus, a leader of the Modern Independent League, said in a debate in the Reichstag recently that Germany's burdens were not a result of the infamous conduct of her enemies, but were the result of Germany's pre-war policy.

Germany's collapse was not due to the pacifists, but to the men who prised war as a fountain of youth and the bath of steel."

There is always hope for an insane person when he begins to realize his condition. There is hope that Germany will come to her senses and realize her defeat and the position in which she placed herself before civilization.

When Germany does realize the situation, a good that is known to the millions who left Germany and are descended from her sturdy stock will become triumphant and will control her policies. It is hoped the day may be hastened.

## The Legion Responds!

The part taken by the members of the American Legion in patrolling the streets of a Kansas town recently to prevent race riots, not only shows a proper spirit, but also illustrates the usefulness to which these citizens can turn their military experiences.

No justification is necessary for the quick mobilization, for such act was to preserve law and order and that is always proper and never inappropriate. The spirit back of the action, the ability to think and do, all coupled with the vision of the proper steps in the emergency, commend themselves most strongly to the entire community.

Boys may chaff under military discipline; may grumble as soldiers do at the Government, may complain of the monotony and failure of opportunity to be heroes, but such action as was shown by these men in preventing a race riot fully compensates, in the mind of citizens, and shows one great lesson has been learned by the ex-soldiers. They respect law and order.

Since the war, every concerted act of the returned soldiers has been on the same and law-abiding side. They have demonstrated that within them is deeply planted the germs of good citizenship, and that the sacrifices they endured have made better citizens of them.

It is a sorry commentary that it should require action by these boys to uphold American citizenship in any community—especially with older men so abundant. However, where confidence does not exist in a community and where law enforcement has been winked at, some strong and correct element is necessary. During over a generation following the Civil War, the ex-soldiers stood for law and order. It is possible we must rely upon the American Legion to fight continuously for the restoration of confidence in our civil institutions and for the preservation of American ideals.

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## WHEN A GIRL MARRIES

A New Serial of Young Married Life

By Ann Listo

CHAPTER CXII (Continued).  
"Listen, listen, just a second!" Betty was with us last night. You must believe that—she was! She did get back. And I have to see Mr. Norris today—he's arranged to come to the Canteen. We've planned the fund for the poor boys and Betty's going to tell the manager.

"But the old slogan on the words, and I couldn't tell how much Jim had heard. "Well—here goes to call on Betty again for chaperon duty," I told myself grimly.

But Betty didn't answer her private phone. And when I called her on the apartment house telephone they came tell me something more than the Mrs. Dry had left yesterday this morning in a taxi, that she had carried a suitcase with her, but had left no forwarding address. This disturbed me vaguely the night before I had sensed even more vaguely that Betty had a definite and secret purpose in coming back to town far ahead of schedule, and now I began to wonder if she would have confidence in me and less in the manager. I had no idea whether Virginia and Terry Winston were returning round in my mind, for some decent way of refusing when Terry Winston strode into the Canteen.

With a purposeful air he made up and seized my hand in a vice-like grip. "Mrs. Jimmie," he said quietly, but with volumes back of his expression. "Where's Betty? Tell me you know where Betty's hiding!"—Copyright, 1920.

(To be continued.)

## PUSS IN BOOTS JR.

By David Corp.

Well, as the little green snake fanned herself with the clover leaf, as I mentioned in the story before this, she began to sing:

I'm a little green snake that glides through the grass,

And hurries away when travelers pass, For I dread the heel of slipper or boot, And that is the reason I always scot, To hide in a hole in the old stone wall, For nobody sees me there at all.

Therefore didn't you run away from me? I asked Little Puss Junior, and he sat down on a stone and grinned in a friendly way at the little green snake.

"Because I'm not afraid of you," she replied, "and, besides, I wish to ask a favor of you."

"What's that?" asked Puss, and he crept up to the whiskers and grinned some more, and then took off his hat and scratched his ear, for he thought perhaps that little green snake might ask him something which he wouldn't want to do.

And I guess she thought, that, too, when she began to laugh, and pretty soon she said, "I'm sorry, but I have to leave it somewhere."

"Oh, in that case," said Puss, and he began to purr, for he was much more relaxed. So both of them began to look for the ring, but goodness me, they couldn't find it anywhere, and at last Puss took off his cap and touched the grass with the flaming gold feather, and, would you believe it, the grass burst into flames and burned up in a jiffy, and right there on the ground, not two steps off was the little gold ring, shining like a star when only one is shining in the sky. So Puss picked it up and handed it to the little green snake.

"Please put it on my tail," she said, so Puss did, and at once she changed into a lovely princess with a green silk gown and a little diamond crown.

"You have broken the spell," she said, patting little Puss on the head. "The ugly witch who changed me into a snake to hide in a hole in the old stone wall, told me she was the only way I would ever regain my true form again when she'd eaten a little cat with my top boots, and she'd made a little gold ring on the tip of my tail."

"Well, it was very lucky I came along," laughed Puss Junior.

"And do you know," said the little green snake, "it was many months before I could get rid of the ring. But I did, and I was crawling along the highway, I saw something glittering in the dust, and when I looked closer, it was this little gold ring. So I kept it ever since. But it has been weary waiting till a little cat came along with red-top boots, and the lovely princess right away had been pretty princess again, being a little green snake."

"Now I must go back to my castle," and she invited Puss to go with her, but he replied he must be on his way and in the next story you shall hear of another adventure which befall him shortly after leaving the lovely princess.—Copyright, 1920.

(To be continued.)

## ST. GROUSE DAY.

Q. What is St. Grouse's day? I. M. C.

A. This is an English sporting term used on the twelfth day of August, when the shooting season opens.

## THE WHEN STORE

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**Handkerchiefs**

**Silk Shirts**  
**Madras Shirts**  
**Neckwear**  
**Mufflers**  
**Pajamas**  
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**Silk Hose**  
**Woolen Hose**  
**Umbrellas**

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## BRINGING UP FATHER.



## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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## FLOWER AND GEM SYMBOLS.

Q. What are the flower and gem symbols of the months of December and January?

A. The flower for December is holly, and the gem, turquiose; for January the flower is the snowdrop and the gem, garnet.

## LOCATION OF "GREAT BASIN."

Q. Is the "Great Basin" the part of the country around the Great Lakes, or is it west somewhere?

A. The "Great Basin" is made up of many minor basins, of which the chief is that of the Great Salt Lake of Utah.

## FAMOUS OBSERVATORIES.

Q. Where are some of famous observatories?

A. Some of the great observatories in the world are the Naval Observatory in Washington, D. C., and the Royal Observatory, Greenwich, England. Similar institutions are established at Paris, Berlin, Pulkovo, near St. Petersburg; Calcutta, India, and Mt. Wilson, Cal.

## FREE TRADE IN WHEAT.

Q. Why is there no tariff on wheat between Canada and the United States?

A. The Customs Division of the United States Treasury says that because of provisions made in 1913 and a reciprocal agreement made between the two countries in 1917, there is no tariff on wheat between them at this time.

## FOUNDING OF GROLIER CLUB.

Q. When was the Grolier Club started?

A. This society of bibliophiles was founded in New York City in 1884. The objects of the club are literary study and the promotion of the arts of typesetting, printing and the binding of books.

## HOROSCOPE

"The stars incline, but do not compel."

## TUESDAY, DEC. 21.

This should be a fortunate day, according to astrology. The Sun and Uranus rule strongly for good.

Under this planetary government the spirit of Christmas should be evident in business as well as in social life.

The seers behold afar serious trouble for this country and they even foretell a military and naval movement, for they declare that the nation did not learn its real war lesson.

Persons whose birthday it is have the augury of a remor or a long journey. They should be careful of both health and money.

Children born on this day may be ambitious and successful, but they will succeed best as employees and should be taught the best business methods.—Copyright, 1920.

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## WEDNESDAY, DEC. 22.

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