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SENATOR NEW is said to be prepared to abandon his bear hunt this year for the pursuit of the votes of the women of Indiana!

A PRO-GERMAN "feature" that requires four editorial apologies in one day isn't the kind of newspaper reading that appeals to good Americans!

HAVING PROFITED by the leniency of officials in charging him with assault and battery instead of manslaughter, Maurice Blewels now wishes to plead that "error" as an excuse for a parole!

ONE law violation leads inevitably to another. If Carl Bernauer had not been allowed to escape the penalty of law violation through the kindness of Judge Collins he would not now be on trial for murder.

## Jake and Clara

No one really expected Clara Hamon to be convicted of the murder of Jake Hamon, with whom she had lived in shame for years prior to the quarrel in which her revolver "just went off, I don't know how."

Mawkish sentiment is still too strong in our courts for the infliction of the legal penalty on a girl who has suffered and is willing to lay bare the affairs of her nosy life in order to arouse this sentiment.

But somewhere, some place, some one ought to plead the right of Jake Hamon to have lived out his allotted years. Jake violated the moral laws of the country in about every way he could whenever they interfered with his desires, but so also did Clara.

For Jake there is no opportunity to join church and "cleanse" himself of sin, no contract for the movies waiting signature, no proposals of marriage and no glamour.

The liaison between Clara and Jake was not without due consideration, and apparently was not hasty, for we read of contract to care for such offspring as might issue and we read that there were hundreds who knew of the couple's illicit relationship.

Of course the law should have interfered before Clara shot Jake. But Jake was a powerful influence and the officers of the law failed to attack him.

The result is that Jake paid with his life and Clara is now capitalizing what should be regarded as a cold-blooded murder.

Just how much of a burlesque on Christianity this whole affair is will be better realized later on than now.

## Open Gambling Joints

In the presentation to the public yesterday of the affidavit of a man who declares he gambled in what appeared to be police-protected gambling dens in Indianapolis, the Times is only laying out the evidence concerning a fact that has long been well known.

Indianapolis is not free of gambling under the Jewett administration, although more than three years have passed since the mayor promised that the city would not tolerate open gambling houses.

In fact, there has never been a time in the last three years when certain pets of the administration have not been permitted to operate gambling houses, although there has been many a bluff put forth as to the "cleanliness" of the administration.

Suppression of such gambling joints as are operated by Rufe Page is not unsurmountably difficult. It cannot be done, however, as long as political support is the paramount desire of the administration.

Whenever the officials of Indianapolis cease trading the privilege of running gambling joints for votes for favorite candidates, open gambling places will be suppressed.

The Indianapolis police force contains men who are fully capable of cleaning up Rufe Page's place and similar joints.

It is our candid opinion that neither Mr. Taggart nor Mr. McWhirter of the board of safety desires exceptions to the law to be made in these instances. The influence that keeps them open is exerted either around or over these members of the board of safety.

And, in the name of common decency these joints ought to be closed.

## Basket-ball

If the crowds that visited the fair grounds last week to witness the State basket-ball tournament are a proper criterion there is more interest in Indiana in this sport than in any other thing. For it is estimated that the Coliseum never before held such a crowd as witnessed the eventual triumph of the Franklin team.

Sport followers generally unite in declaring that Franklin is deserving of the highest praise, not only for its victory, but also for the clean and intelligent manner in which that victory was obtained.

Basket-ball is a comparatively new sport. There are hundreds of staid business men and fond parents who used to boast of their prowess in athletes who do not know nearly as much about basket-ball as they do about draw poker and for them, doubtless, all this enthusiasm over the game appears strange and rather incongruous.

But it has been demonstrated that basket-ball has a great place in the hearts of Indiana people—greater, in fact, than any other sport. Indianapolis is proud to have been the host to the thousands of fans and the hundreds of players and it joins all Indiana in congratulating the plucky team from Franklin.

## The Viewpoint

While every one knows that everything in life is relative, at times some things seem to shock even those best prepared. In matters of age, China, is so old that America's ancient traditions are but as of yesterday.

It is said that the spinning wheels used by the Mayflower Pilgrims—and there must have been many of them—are modern affairs compared with some silk looms of the Far East. For twenty centuries China has been using the same methods, the same implements in its silk culture.

It may well be doubted if any merit can be claimed for this unchangeable and unchanging state of industry or indeed state of intellect. The Western mind cannot become reconciled to it, any more than it would be willing to return to the old spinning wheel of as late as a hundred years ago.

The American particularly studies to advance. There is nothing sacred about the way his ancestors worked nor how they generally acted. Some of their truisms, some of their ideals are retained, but it is impossible to think of going back, even a generation, in anything mechanical.

The wonderful silks of the Orient command the admiration of the world; the great power of the Oriental to absorb any other people inspires political awe; the reverence of the Chinese for his ancestors compels respect, but to the Westerly all this is not worth the price of a year's progress.

Who would do without modern plumbing, forego electricity which its manifold applications to human comforts, and do away with a thousand labor saving devices for race, creed or past ancestors?

The East is east and the West is west, and the viewpoint of each is obscured to the other.

## Courtesy

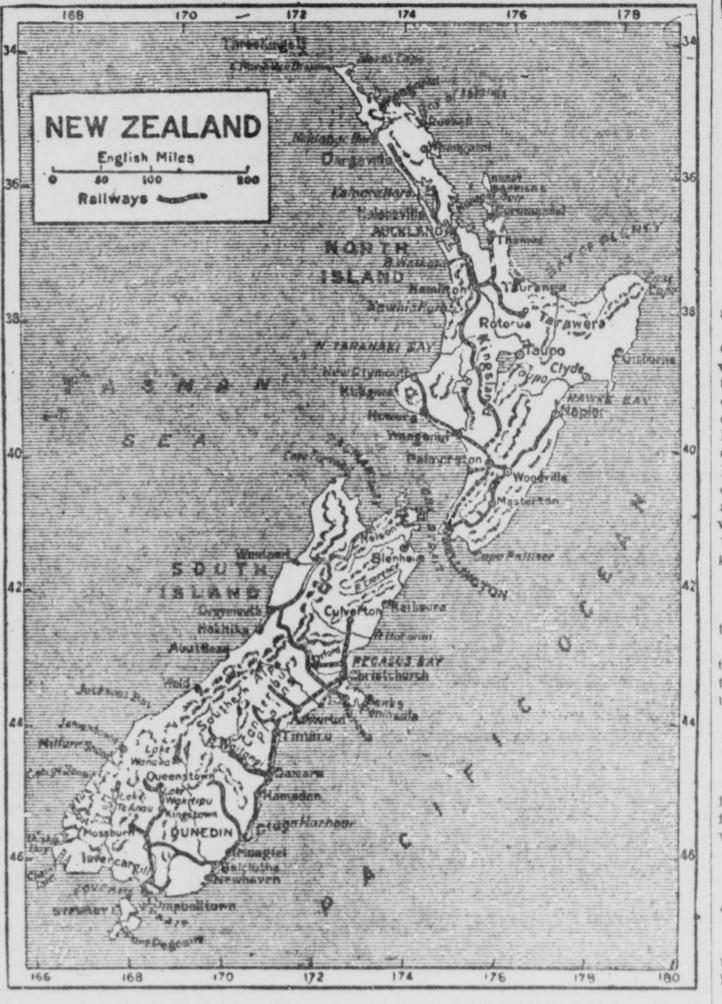
A pathetic little incident is told of ex-President Wilson, when the latter was at the Capitol just before the inauguration of President Harding. General Pershing called to shake hands with the President, who said, "Excuse me, general, for not rising." The President was not able physically to salute this officer as he desired and, of course, was excused.

The compliment which can be paid by rising to the feet is so natural where good taste is used that this little incident, pathetic enough, shows the habit of courtesy as constantly expressed in places of high estate. There is no reason why such fine courtesy should not exist in all walks of life.

The deference shown to age or to the opposite sex by rising to the feet is a sign of good breeding. It is like all other courtesies, the cost is nothing and even if given where it is not appreciated, the giver is not a loser. If this alone were observed by men towards their wives and mothers, a revolution in good manners would be noted, for it would be met by graciousness, springing naturally in response to the first movement.

If two world characters, on meeting at such a history-making time could naturally observe this genuine courtesy, should not ordinary men at least be equally as considerate with each other and with their wives and mothers?

## Islands Make Up New Zealand



## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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## THE LOTUS FLOWER.

Q. Where does not lotus flower grow and what color is it? E. L.

A. Lotus is the name given by the Greeks to a number of different plants whose fruit was used for food. It is also the name given to several beautiful species of water lilies growing in the South of Asia and northern Africa and China. In the United States the name lotus is often applied to the yellow water lily. Lotus is also a generic name for a genus of leguminous plants, of which there are about ninety species. They have leaves with three leaflets and red, yellow and white flowers. These are commonly grown in Europe and in the United States.

## WHEN PIGS BECOME HOGS.

Q. When does a pig reach a weight that classifies it as a hog? R. F.

A. Pigs are light hogs weighing from 90 to 125 pounds. They are young, as their weight indicates, and their meat is unsuitable for curing.

## PAPER WHEELS AND PULLEYS.

Q. Is paper used for making wheels? R. R.

A. Paper has not proved satisfactory for car wheels, but is successfully used for making fibre abrasive wheels, pulley wheels and skate wheels.

## MANY TRIBES OF INDIANS.

Q. How many different kinds of Indians are there near Oklahoma City? A. M. D.

A. The Bureau of Ethnology says that there are Indians of at least forty tribes in or near Oklahoma City.

## FIRST AMERICAN JOURNAL.

Q. Where was the first newspaper or magazine printed in the United States? J. H. L.

A. On Sept. 25, 1690, Richard Piers, the first printer in America, printed what is to be known as the first periodical. This journal was to have borne the name of "Public Occurrences, Both Foreign and Domestic," but same was suppressed by the authorities. Historians of journalism have given credit for the publication of the first periodical to John Campbell, a Scotchman, the postmaster at Boston, who issued the first number of "The Boston News-Letter" on April 24, 1704.

## METRIC SYSTEM USED IN S. A.

Q. Can you tell me whether the English or the metric system of measurement is used in South America? W. F.

The Pan-American Union says that the metric system is in general use in South America.

## VITAMINES AND MILK.

Q. Are the vitamines destroyed in evaporated milk? W. T. D.

A. The evaporated milk is not destroyed in the process of evaporation.

## T. S. MINTS IN OPERATION.

Q. How many mints are now in operation in the United States? E. E.

A. There are now three mints in operation in the United States. They are located at San Francisco, Calif.; Denver, Colo., and Philadelphia.

## IRVING'S NOM DE PLUME.

Q. Who was Geoffrey Crayon? C. C. H.

A. This is the nom de plume adopted by Washington Irving in The Sketch-book, etc.

## CREEPING PLANTS.

Q. What are creeping plants? B. L. K.

A. This term is applied to plants whose roots run along the surface of the soil and root at intervals.

## "GUN" USED AS SLANG.

Q. What is the meaning of "gun" as a slang term? F. W. T.

A. "Gun" as a slang word has various meanings, among them being a "tobacco pipe," "a liquor glass or mug."

## PUSS IN BOOTS JR.

By David Cory.

You remember in the last story that Puss, the Prince and the Princess were safe inside the Magic Bubble. But, oh dear me! There was the Faithful King to be rescued. And he was still a pine tree and had to be changed back into his natural form and get a pine tree into the Bubble," said Puss.

"Aye, there's the rub!" answered the Gnome, unintentionally speaking the words of the great Shakespeare, "how shall we ever get him into the Bubble?"

"Let me change him into his natural form first," said the Fairy Queen, "then I can make a hole in the bubble and drawbridge, where he can easily step into the Bubble, which can be lowered to the right height above the waters of the moat."

"Good!" said the Gnome. "Do your part and I will attend to the Bubble."

Just then the pine tree changed into the form of the Friendly Giant, who immediately strode across the court-yard, pulling the drawbridge, where he can easily step off into the Bubble, which can be lowered to the right height above the waters of the moat."

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