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WHERE is that wide-open city that some people predicted before Nov. 2?

APPARENTLY, J. Herbert Hartman has lost some of his determination to clear his name in the courts!

HOWEVER, metered telephone service without rebates for wrong numbers would never be acceptable!

THE CITY COUNCIL will never make itself popular by refusing to hold meetings to assist in the relief of unemployment!

ANYHOW, the feminine addition to our list of justices of the peace cannot possibly do a worse job than has been done in the past!

TWO MEN wanted for liquor law violations surrendered to the police. Have they been reading Mayor Shank's statements and become discouraged?

IT CERTAINLY IS refreshing to have an official admit that there is something wrong with Lucius Swift's incomparable system of collecting (?) ashes!

RATHER REMARKABLE, is it not, that Mayor Shank should have to tell the policemen who were "taken out of politics" by the Jewett administration of their political errors?

## Policewomen

Mayor Shank's difficulties with the women members of the police department and the attendant publicity have proved beyond all dispute that it is foolish to undertake to employ women in the same capacity as men in the police department.

No one will deny that there is, in police work, a well-defined sphere for women. There may be some dispute over the size of this sphere and its relative importance but it unquestionably exists and should be recognized. Just as men have proved more efficient than women in some phases of police work, so women will prove more efficient than men in some others.

It is, of course, nonsense to expect women to patrol beats and otherwise perform the duties of patrolmen which dutifully often prove too irksome for able-bodied men. Such assignments of this kind as have been made in the police department are either with a view to testing the mettle of the police women or demonstrating their limited usefulness.

A considerable fuss has been stirred up to no good purpose over the policewomen employed by the last administration. That they were inefficient, costly and in many cases more useful in the protection of a favored few than in the suppression of vice is well known to newspapermen and to those who were in a position to watch their work. That their department, with a full staff of officers, was a waste of public money was self-evident. Mr. Shank did the right thing in abolishing the department and the criticism which he has received therefor is purely sentimental.

The women who remain in the police department will eventually be assigned to work which they are fitted to perform and which they will doubtless perform better than men. But until that adjustment of police work is accomplished there will continue to be revealed instance after instance that will demonstrate the fact that the franchise does not necessarily create the ability to fill every public job.

## A Knotty Problem

The public is still loath to accept at their face value all of the charges made before the senatorial investigating committee in Washington relative to the wanton slaying and execution of American soldiers in France, but the mass of evidence already accumulated proves, in the minds of many, that members of the A. E. F. were harshly dealt with at times.

One peculiar thing, which the former service man has not failed to note, is that all of the testimony has come from former enlisted men and is directed against alleged cruelty which they declare was practiced by their superior officers. There has been a marked feeling on the part of some soldiers ever since a discharge lifted them from the bonds of martial law, that certain commissioned officers had arrogated to themselves a power not delineated in the tables of organization nor the articles of war and there is little doubt that in some instances this feeling is justified.

One officer is charged with having shot an American soldier down on the battlefield. If the count is true the guilty person should be obliged to expiate the crime, even at this late date.

In the fire and smoke of battle, where men's lives were valued at a very low cost, many untoward things occurred. Men's visions were perverted; their morals were changed. Things like the Major Opie incident could have taken place, or just as likely a doughboy, facing death in the flaming German shells, could have visualized the scene.

There is little likelihood, however, that a group of Senators, sitting here and who never saw a battlefield until after time had exerted its healing influence, will ever be able to show to the satisfaction of all the people that American fighting men were treated with a despotism that would have done credit to the Kaiser's rigid military code.

## Entangling Alliances

"Entangling alliances," to which so many of the persons now engaged in the work of the conference on limitation of armaments so strongly objected only a short time ago, now seem to be the order of the day. First, there is the Far Eastern agreement which has been described as a "little Article 10." Now it seems that an agreement carrying an "implied threat of force" is to be tacked on to the naval limitation agreement.

According to reports said to emanate from an authoritative source, an agreement is to be made among the five powers concerned in the naval limitation to guide their course of action in case of war. The agreement would define ways of handling wars among those who are parties to the agreement or with "outsiders" according to the report. Under this agreement, it is stated, there is a threat of an enlarged naval building program in case of war and an arrangement whereby the contracting parties would meet, presumably to ask the assistance of one another.

Thus there would be formed simply an "entente" or another "holy all alliance." The United States would simply be a party to an alliance such as those which existed before the World War. This is going farther than the League of Nations ever anticipated. The league would have included the whole world and would not be an alliance that could make war on "outsiders."

This latest proposal is carrying "entangling alliances" to the extreme. Such a thing would make George Washington, whom the opponents of the League of Nations were so pleased to quote, turn over in his grave.

## Boxing Exhibitions

High-grade boxing exhibits, supervised by men in whom the public can have confidence would be welcomed by a large number of Indianapolis lovers of the sport who have needlessly been deprived of the privilege of witnessing such bouts in recent years.

Mayor Shank has indicated a desire to allow public boxing exhibitions during his administration and the move is popular for the reason that the sport has a larger number of followers now than it ever possessed before.

If Indianapolis can become known as the home of clean boxing, and bouts can be staged without the suggestion of crookedness the advantage to the city will be obvious. But, if political workers are to be rewarded for their efforts by being accorded the privilege of collecting gate receipts from exhibits that are not "on the level," then the whole project will be to the detriment of the administration and the city.

There is a strong demand for boxing exhibitions of the proper kind in Indianapolis. There has been a decided change in the attitude of the public toward these exhibits since they became so popular during the war.

The success or the failure of the proposed exhibits depends almost entirely on the quality of the supervision that is given them. If the mayor succeeds in naming a commission or sponsors who will give the time necessary to a proper supervision of the sport it will be possible to maintain boxing in Indianapolis. If he does not, then public indignation will soon put an end to it.

A TENDER GHOST IS BARRIE'S GIFT  
To the Modern 'Spook' Drama of the Stage

BY WALTER D. HICKMAN.

A tender and lovable ghost is Mary Rose in "Mary Rose," which was revealed at English's last night with Ruth Chatterton as the lovable ghost—*Mary Rose*. Opinions were mixed on the merits of the latest Barrie play because the author takes a skyrocket excursion into the great beyond. Barrie moves very rapidly in his new play.

Ruth Chatterton, the actual scene covered between the first scene of the first act and the end of the first scene of the third and final act is a masterpiece, but the action in the story covers a period of over fifty years.

It is my opinion that this new Barrie play should not be approached with shell rimmed "spies" and cap and gown attitude. Don't bother yourself about the last, delicate whisper of the author. She wants her dandy to treat Simon nice when he asks for her hand. She goes upstairs into an apple room, so she can pound on the floor so as to give Simon encouragement. Simon enters and here Barrie is most delightful.

Simon is told that when Mary Rose was about 12 years of age she visited an island in the Outer Hebrides and as her father was reading a book about naval history, graduation state of mind, I am sure, you will damage every chance of having a wonderful mental excursion with the world's most beautiful dreamer.

Remembering that "Mary Rose" is a fanciful and beautiful legend or story told with the most extravagant flights of fancy that Barrie has ever exhibited, I can assure patrons of the stage that "Mary Rose" is an exquisite something from the fanciful think-box of James M. Barrie.

Let us approach "Mary Rose" in this manner. The theater has been darkened for over three minutes. Suddenly far away singing is heard. Shortly, then more silence and the same awful darkness. The curtain rises. The scene is the desolate living room of the former home of Morland. In the semi-darkness a woman walks with uncertain steps to a door. She draws back in horror and fear. She returns to the room and asks which she had entered the room and asks who is up. He does. In the play he is known as Harry. He is in the uniform of a soldier. After years of fighting and wandering over the globe he has returned to the desolate scenes of his birthplace. Harry is the son of Mary Rose and Simon Blake.

The woman we have seen so far is the housekeeper, Mrs. Otery. She wants Harry that someone has come to the door. The girl singing is a ghost. Harry decides to enter the door before which the housekeeper stood in fear. She warns him that some harm might come to him.

## Ye TOWNE GOSSIP

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By K. C. B.

IN MY YOUTH.

I LIVED at home.

AND ATE the things.

MY ELDERS liked.

AND ANYWAY.

THERE WAS one thing.

MY FATHER liked.

THAT I much liked.

IT WAS fried mashed potatoes.

AND ONE dinner time.

I ATE a lot.

AND WAS sitting there.

JUST BEING seen.

AND I got a little squirmish.

IN MY little instides.

AND SO did my father.

IN HIS insides.

AND HE mentioned it.

AND THEN somebody said.

THEY THOUGHT the mashed potatoes.

HAD BEEN little sour.

WHICH NEARLY killed me.

AND NEARLY killed father.

AND EVER since then.

A SPOKEN word.

OR A printed word.

GOES RIGHT to my stomach.

AND THE other part.

I WAS cut for dinner.

AND THEY had a dessert.

THAT HESITATED.

ABOUT STAYING put.

AND GOING home.

ON THE subway train.

I WAS thinking about it.

AND READING the cards.

AND ALL at once.

I LIT on this.

MARSHMALLOW AND Apricot Jelly covered with Sweet Milk Chocolate.

AND RIGHT away.

MY HEART started pounding.

AND JUST writing about it.

MAKES ME sick again.

I THANK you.

## BRINGING UP FATHER.



## ARMS PARLEY PROVES VALUE OF DISCUSSION

Greatest Gathering of Its Kind, Says British Statesman.

HAS DONE BIG THINGS

Special to Indiana Daily Times and Philadelphia Public Ledger.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The armaments conference above all else, has served to prove the efficacy of the conference method for dealing with international affairs and has strengthened the conference habit among the nations of the world.

Mary Rose comes into the living room through an open window, after she had climbed an apple tree near the big window of the room. Mary Rose is a typical Barrie character. She does not appear to be the type of girl that Simon likes. She wants her daddy to treat Simon nice when he asks for her hand. She goes upstairs into an apple room, so she can pound on the floor so as to give Simon encouragement. Simon enters and here Barrie is most delightful.

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The first scene of the play shows the Morland home twenty-five years after Mary's second disappearance. The Morlands are old. Simon has never married. The son of Mary Rose had grown up and had been wandering.

Suddenly Mary Rose returns dressed just as she was on the day she disappeared twenty-five years ago. She has not aged and cannot understand why the half of her mother and father is white and why her boy is not a baby.

She gives a cry of the heart and vanishes into the room which was used as nursery twenty-five years ago.

Now we enter the second scene of the last act and we find Harry, the son, just as we left him in the first scene of the first act. The housekeeper, who has been absent ten minutes returns with the mug of tea and asks if he has seen anything. He tells her of the strange things which have come to him while he sat in the chaise.

Then we have the supreme Barrie touch. The tearful and lovable ghost of Mary Rose returns to the deserted home. She is searching for her baby boy. Although she talks to him and holds him on her knee, Mary Rose does not realize that her search has been in vain.

Instead she flits through the window as the stars wink and she goes to the "lovely, lovely place" where she can play.

That is the story of "Mary Rose" told in my own way.

Please do not consider "Mary Rose" as a heavy drama. Just permit Barrie to unfold his story through an exquisite stage production and by the masterful acting of Ruth Chatterton, Tom Nesbitt as Harry and as Simon Blake; Bertha Balenger, Frederick Lloyd, Winifred Fraser, A. S. Huneboom and Guy Buckley.

Miss Chatterton has caught the real Barrie touch of triumph is one of the greatest of modern times. It is as perfect as acting can be.

It is impossible to discuss the acting points of Miss Chatterton and Mr. Nesbitt at this time but I promise you I will do it tomorrow.

At English's today and Saturday.

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WHITE'S SCANDALS OPENS MONDAY AT ENGLISHS.

The 1921 season of George White's Scandals will be shown at English's Monday. The engagement will be for a full week, with popular matinees both on Wednesday and Saturday. More than one hundred players are employed in the cast of the massive review. In addition to Ann Pennington, the long list of entertainers will include: Aunt Jemima, Lou Holtz, Lester Allen, Olive Vaughn, George White, Freda Jackson, George Bickel, Pat Conway, Harry Ward, James Miller, Sam Ledner, Ruth Savoy, Evelyn Conway, Yvette Currier, Myra Cullen, Darby Welford, Helen Cox, Edna Lindsey, Kitty Malvern, Helen Le Vonne, Vera Coburn, Mary Morris, Mr. White himself and many others.

ON VIEW TODAY.

The following attractions are on view today: "Mecca" at the Murat; "Mary Rose," at English's; William Rock and a good bill at B. F. Keith's; "The Corner Store," at the Lyric; "The Passing Review," at the Park; continuous matinees at the Rialto; "Why Girls Leave Home," at the Ohio; "Little Lord Fauntleroy," at Loew's; "The Sailor Made a Man," at the Alhambra; "The Show," at the Isle; "Way Down East," at Merton Smith's; "The Foolish Matrons," at the Colonial, and "Blue Blazes," at the Regent.

JAP PLATES INEFFICIENT.

TOKIO, Jan. 6.—As a result of the official report on the recent army maneuvers, the government will take steps at once to improve the aviation branch. The report declared this branch very inefficient.

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