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ANOTHER CHICAGO hotel hold-up reported. Those hat-checkers must be curbed.

"EIGHT passengers spilled from a five-passenger jitney bus." You simply can't keep a flivver down.

ONE PRESUMES entomology is one of the chief studies at Professor Howe's hobo college.

IF WOMEN take up chewing, however, they should be compelled to hold target practice outside the city limits.

MR. BEVERIDGE, in the interest of his economy campaign, might prepare his speeches in the form of free verse.

PANCHO VILLA is going into the packing business, according to advices from Mexico. Perhaps he feels his new venture will be fully as profitable as was his former occupation.

Whither Are We Drifting?

The query, "Whither are we drifting?" is becoming more and more common in recent months, and wide-awake, serious minded Americans are much concerned at conditions within our Government, both State and National.

Samuel G. Blythe, in a recent article, touches upon and brings out some of the serious phases of the situation. Among the things he mentioned was the danger of opportunism—a condition that is present everywhere in our body politic. The principles of American Government and American ideals are being ignored, perverted or sacrificed for some political or personal expedient, and little consideration seems to be given to ultimate effects upon the Government or the individual citizen.

Men are sacrificing the Constitution for personal power and prestige. Organizations, blocs and lobbies are perverting, subverting or ignoring constitutional limitations and rights to secure selfish ends and to create more Government positions. Seldom in our history have we seen so few outstanding statesmen and organizations who are for American ideals and Government first, and who make personal and party interests a secondary condition. An example of this condition is shown in the attitude of a member of the United States Senate when a constituent vigorously objected to the Senator's having voted for a paternalistic measure. He said in substance, "What could I do? I was opposed to the bill, but the lobby for the bill was so big and powerful that I couldn't afford to vote against it. Why didn't you organize opposition against it?" Another case was a Senator in the last session of the Indiana Legislature, who, when told by a constituent of the unconstitutionality of a bill he was supporting, said, "—the Constitution." A prominent member of the House of Representatives in the Indiana Legislature said to a constituent, "It is the business of the Legislature to make laws, not to decide as to their constitutionality. That's the work of the Supreme Court."

A very prominent officer of a leading woman's organization, sponsoring a paternalistic measure before a Legislature, said when the question of constitutionality was raised: "The Constitution cannot stand in the way of the welfare of the people."

These are not isolated cases. Look about you and you will find them everywhere. Is it to be wondered that men are asking, "Whither are we drifting?"

Women and Smoking

The abortive attempts in New York and Chicago to prevent women from smoking in public and the resultant chorus of boos and cat-calls that went up over the country served to call attention to a growing liberalism in this country relative to man's views on the woman question. We may not care to admit that we are immensely pleased to see our mothers, wives, sisters, sweethearts sitting in public places with a halo of tobacco smoke floating about their heads, but we will have to admit that they have equally as much right to so conduct themselves as do the men.

"When the Duke of Wellington, asked by some one whether women should smoke, replied 'Let them smoke and be damned,' his view was more practical than that of Alderman McGuinness of New York," remarks the Louisville Courier-Journal.

A similar attitude is taken by the Muncie Press, which holds: "If women have the right to vote, they have the right to smoke. It is manifestly unfair to restrict the rights and privileges of women when these same rights and privileges are granted to men."

"Many have characterized it as an objectionable habit," says the Anderson Bulletin, "but open opposition is scarce. There may be no physiological wrong with women's smoking; it cannot be called immoral for them any more than it is for men."

The South Bend News-Times also believes that what is right for man is right for woman, but it makes the point that "The remedy lies not in a police club, but in the stern set faces of respectable women against such practices, if women believe that the practice is vicious. . . . When the police mix into matters that are purely those of taste and not inherently immoral, it is time to call a halt."

Fully as picturesque as Wellington's remark, "Uncle Joe" Cannon's caustic comment, "H—, let 'em smoke," about typifies the ordinary citizen's views on the subject.

'Shifters' and 'Flappers'

Lester F. Scott, secretary of the Camp Fire Girls, will tour westward from New York to see how far this "Shifters" movement has spread. "Shifters" is the secret organization of he and she flappers. It started in New York among high school students. Wanting pin money, and remembering Barnum's maxim about one being born every minute, they formed a flirts' secret society. Members wear badges—brass clips. These, by ritual code, are worn in various combinations on hat and other garments, signifying, "I flirt," "You can date me up for tonight," "Yes, I kiss," et cetera, ad jazzum.

A newly initiated member is told that he or she has been stung, and advised to pass the joke along to others. The "Shifters" movement has spread like wildfire, all through the Eastern cities. The badge makers are selling 3,500 a day in New York City. Providence flappers bought 20,000 of the brass fraternity pins in a week.

The "Shifters" craze is the most peculiar psychological wave that has swept the country since jazz music was imported from the underworld dives of Buenos Aires. While it may be based on a joke—the desire of the stung to pass the sting along—it has dangerous possibilities to the morals of American youth. It makes its appeal by treading on very thin and forbidden ice. That the nature of the bait appeals to so many among the young should make the grown-ups put on their thinking caps.

Celebrate Century of Peace

The greatest example of international brotherly love in the world will be toasted by two nations next week when the United States and Canada, fostered by the Kiwanis Clubs of North America, celebrate the 104th anniversary of the treaty of peace between this country and Great Britain.

The 2,000-mile boundary between Canada and the United States, boasting not a fort nor man-o-war, has stood for more than a century as direct evidence that nations can exist without mutual suspicions of each other, and it is one of the forerunners of the four-power pact just ratified by the Senate. That long, unarmed border has made the United States and Great Britain pioneers in the international policy of defending boundaries by agreements instead of armaments—a policy the recent disarmament conference tried to further.

Better commercial and social relations between the two countries are the goal for which the 62,000 members of the Kiwanis clubs will strive during the week. That period was selected because it was in April, 1818, that the famous agreement was reached between Washington and London which has resulted in perpetual peace between the two great English-speaking nations.

CHEAP ROOFS ADD TO HAZARD, BUILDERS SAY

Warning Issued by Chief O'Brien to All About to Build.

More than thirty roofing contractors of Indianapolis, will meet tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 in the Chamber of Commerce to discuss and perfect plans for a display of fire resistant roofing at the Home Complete Exposition.

This exposition, held under the auspices of the Indianapolis real estate board, takes place May 8 to 13 in the Manufacturers' building at the State fair grounds, and offers an excellent opportunity to roofers to convey to the public a message in behalf of fire prevention.

PEOPLE REALIZING GREAT FIRE RISK.

That Indianapolis people are realizing the great fire risk in this city caused by shingle roofs, and are re-roofing with fire resistant material in increasing numbers, was the statement of Frances F. Hamilton, city building commissioner. "Indianapolis people are taking hold of the fire resistant roof idea," said Mr. Hamilton. "Of course, there's a city ordinance which prohibits re-roofing with shingles, but the remarkable thing right now is the number of building permits issued for re-roofing. Never before has the building commissioner's office issued so many permits within the time from the first of the year to this date. It shows that Indianapolis people want to cooperate in removing fire hazards."

"It has come to the attention of the prevention committee," said Fire Chief J. J. O'Brien, "that a few roofs in the city have been asking prices on second, or inferior, quality roofing materials. The committee wants to caution prospective buyers of roofing against

accepting inferior materials or work. Cheap roofing at the outset is most expensive in the long run. Get a qualified, responsible roofing contractor who can give you a bona fide guarantee, and you'll save money."

ISSUES WARNING ON CHEAP ROOFS. Jacob E. Riedel, another member of the fire prevention committee, and chief of fire prevention in Indianapolis, said: "Beware of the roofer who can't give you his office address," he said. "There are some fellows who go from town to town, selling inferior quality stuff, most of it seconds from the factories. Demand to see the stamp of approval, which the National Board of Underwriters always places on good roofing. Such roofing, put on by a responsible roofer, should last from fifteen to twenty-five years. A poor roof may save you \$30 at the start, but it lasts only about five

years, and proves an unending source of trouble. "There are forty or fifty responsible roofers in the city who can do a good job and give a guarantee of satisfaction," he added.

"Our campaign," says Frank C. Jordan, general chairman of the fire prevention committee, "is headed for a big success. Indianapolis people are beginning to realize that it isn't necessary, but on the other hand really criminal, to have the fire loss in property, money and lives that we used to have in this city."

AMERICAN SOLDIER KICKED. GIBRALTAR, March 31. — Several Americans and Canadians who enlisted in the Spanish Foreign Legion for service in Morocco have returned here. They declare they were kicked and beaten by their Spanish officers.

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Unusual Folk

DEER PARK, Ala., March 31.—Mrs. Anna N. Kendall, 72, is the only woman road supervisor in the South.

But she's been so successful at this job that she's known as "the grandmother of Southern good roads."

Mrs. Kendall is in charge of a section of the Mississippi Valley Highway. Her appointment came through the Alabama highway commission. Mrs. Kendall has been studying good roads in Europe and America for fifty years. While her granddaughter was a student at the University of Wisconsin, Mrs. Kendall also entered the university and took a course in modern road engineering.

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

But He answered her not a word. Matthew 13:25.

Complete joy and profound sorrow both are silent. It is as different in men as it is in nature. There is the silence of sunrise, all hope, and with hope, and the silence of sunset, wrapped in the stillness of its memories.—Phillips Brooks.

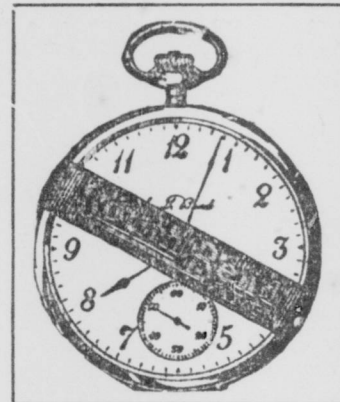
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BUYRUS, Ohio, March 31.—"I would trust some of the inmates of the Penitentiary to take a check on my personal account for several hundred dollars to the bank, knowing they would return safely with the money, and I know men outside the penitentiary whom I wouldn't trust that far," declared P. E. Thomas, warden of the Ohio Penitentiary, addressing the Rotary Club here.

Warden Thomas expressed belief that it would be better to use the inmates of the idle house at the penitentiary in making brick out of the abundant shale clay found in Ohio and to use other prisoners in improving with brick the various country roads throughout the State for the benefit of all its citizens rather than have the convicts waste their time in the idle house.

Paint Company to Open Branch Here

According to announcement by the Bureau of Industry of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, a branch of the Hanna Paint Manufacturing Company of Columbus Ohio and Louisville, Ky., will be established in Indianapolis at 715 Fulton street. The concern will have 5,000 square feet of warehouse space, and Robert Hanna will be the Indianapolis manager.



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