

CHRISTIAN AND ACTOR?
FOR a mother to kiss the infant in her arms was not so very long ago enough to mark her as frivolous, worldly and un-Christian in the eyes of many devoted followers of the Nazarene—even hereabouts in Indiana. Singing and whistling were alike regarded as creations of the "Old Feller"—Satan.

That splendidly written story of early Indiana, "In My Youth," is worth reading, aside from its rich entertainment, for the striking portrayal of days when religious opinion and practice was at an opposite extreme from where it is in the year 1923.

The other day, two nationally known theatrical celebrities showed news of the Ruler and of politics into second position in the newspapers, one celebrity to explain the breaking of his engagement to a tempestuous screen favorite, and the other to confirm the story of his conversion to the Christian faith.

Of the two, Fred Stone, comedian, received and deserved the chief consideration, and his simple manly statement is being read with genuine respect and approval.

But why should it be thought strange for an actor to be a Christian? Jesus never inveighed against the actors of his time. He attacked bankers and tax collectors and rich men, but he criticized them as individuals and not as members of a particular profession.

There is nothing incongruous or antagonistic to Christianity in the profession of the stage or of the screen. The stage can be, as it has been sometimes in the past, a tremendous power for that kingdom which Jesus said "is within you."

And it is the actors like Fred Stone, who have made the world laugh and who have added no sorrow with it, who are never very far from "the kingdom," whether they are in the headlines or not. Fred Stone a Christian? Why, of course, and a mighty good one, too. To contend otherwise is to hark back to a time when a mother could not press her lips to the cheek of her cooing babe and remain in perfect standard as a Christian.

GOV. McCRAV'S VETO
HOWEVER one may regard the present generation's method of observing Memorial day, a majority of citizens will undoubtedly commend Governor McCray's action in vetoing the measure which had passed both Houses of the Legislature under pressure. As framed, the bill was admittedly aimed to stop only one form of recreation on Memorial day.

The legislation proposed did not have a wide appeal as a genuine and thorough going measure which would effectively restore that spirit of veneration for the Nation's dead, which is too sadly lacking.

The motor speedway races are not the only sport out of keeping with the patriotic spirit which prompted the setting aside of Memorial day as a national holiday. The bill did not meet deeply imbedded conviction among Americans that every law to be respected must be fair and apply to all alike.

It was a piece of class legislation and those who have studied its provisions and heard the arguments of its proponents in its favor are not surprised at Governor McCray's action.

VETERAN BUREAU CHARGES
UGLY charges have been made in Congress, and out of it, against the U. S. Veterans' Bureau, which dispenses more than \$450,000,000 a year, or two-thirds the entire cost of running the Government before the war, supposedly for the benefit of former soldiers.

The charges preferred against Colonel Forbes, retiring head of the veterans' bureau, and his associates range from accusations of inefficiency and favoritism to more serious ones which involve the personal reputations of veterans' bureau chiefs.

Now the Senate has decided to delve into the maze of charges and replies. It promises a searching inquiry into the affairs of the veterans' bureau in Washington and at other headquarters over the land. This Senate committee, which begins its work this week, owes it to the veterans' bureau chiefs under fire to clear their names, if the charges made against them are unfounded. Or, if the charges are true in part or whole, and the money paid by taxpayers to care for those who bore the brunt of the war is going astray, then justice must be done to the ex-soldiers.

The great thing the Senate committee can do is investigate the veterans' bureau and its affairs so thoroughly and report on it so completely and justly that the bureau can be taken forever out of politics.

First Greenbacks Were Issued During Lincoln's Administration

QUESTIONS ANSWERED
You can get an answer to any question or fact of information by writing to the Indianapolis Times' Washington bureau, 1322 New York Ave., Washington, D. C. enclosing 2 cents in stamps. Medical, legal and love and marriage advice cannot be given. Extended research can be undertaken for papers, speeches, etc., by prepared. Unsigned letters cannot be answered, but all letters are confidential and receive personal replies.—EDITOR.

When were the first greenbacks issued?
Feb. 25, 1862, during Lincoln's Administration.

Where can I get one dollar gold pieces? Are there any in the United States Treasury, or in any of the mints?
The only place to get them is at a coin dealer's.

What is the lining of the retort used in cremation made of, and what is the temperature used in cremation?
Firebrick. From 1,300 to 1,400 degrees Fahrenheit.

How many verses does the Bible contain?
The King James translation contains 31,181 verses. There are 23,214 in the Old Testament and 7,967 in the New Testament.

What was the last decision made as to the non-eligibility of Japanese to become citizens.
United States Supreme Court decision announced Nov. 13, 1922, held that Japanese cannot be naturalized or become citizens of the United States. The only persons of Japanese blood who may have the right of citizenship are those born in the United States. The case was brought by Takao Ozawa, who in 1914 applied for citizenship in Hawaii.

When was the Colossus of Rhodes erected, and what became of it?
About 280 B. C., but fifty-six years later was overthrown by an earthquake, and lay in ruins until 633 A. D., when the Arabs captured the

city and sold the metal to a Jewish merchant.

How many disabled ex-servicemen are receiving vocational training to become watchmakers?
On Feb. 1, the number was 1,074.

What is the geographic center of New York State?
Madison, six miles south-southeast of Oneida.

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NEW YORKERS TALK, BUT DON'T THINK SO MUCH

King Tut Is on Every Tongue
—Cue Is Now Passe.

BY W. H. PORTERFIELD
NEW YORK CITY, March 6.—Folks are quick on the tongue up here in Mr. Stuyvesant's well known island of Manhattan.

"How are you?" asked the pert soda fountain girl in Pennsy station, when I blew up for a drink. Just to show her we're not so slow in San Diego, I said like a flash, "Dry and Dusty."

Quick as a wink, she says, "Just like Ol' King Tut, I s'pose." Just now King Tut, like a tooth paste they advertise in the cars up here, "is in everybody's mouth."

Cue Becomes Passe
Folks are up on the latest conversational possibilities in Little Old Manhattan. Emile Cue with his "every day in every way" has long since become passe.

New Yorkers, it strikes me, do not think. They just talk and dress and dance and eat. They were doing all four in all the Central European and Nordic tongues at the Bankers' Institute ball into which I stumbled on arrival at the hotel. Plump and frankly fat girls, their pink and green silk underdresses covered by silver and gold shimmering robes, which cost \$48.50 each at Bloomingdale's, or Macy's, were prancing through the hotel lobby.

Rail Presidents Make Speeches and Attend Banquets to Earn Nice Salaries

Pretty 'Soft'

How'd you like to draw one of these railroad president's pay for a year or two? Pretty nice, eh?

W. B. Storey, Santa Fe, \$50,000
Daniel Willard, B. & O., 75,000
J. H. Hustis, B. & Maine, 44,500
W. T. Noonan, B. & P., 60,000
Marvin Huggitt, St. C. & N. W., 50,000
W. T. Tinsley, C. & N. W., 50,000
S. M. Felton, C. & N. W., 50,000
Hale Holton, C. B. & Q., 50,000
H. E. Hyman, C. & M. & St. P., 50,000
J. E. Gorman, R. Island, 50,000
T. M. Schumacher, El Paso & Southwestern, 66,666
C. H. Markham, I. C., 75,000
C. E. Schaaf, M. K. & T., 50,000
B. F. Bush, Mo. Pacific, 50,000
A. H. Smith, N. Y. Central, 62,550
E. J. Pearson, N.Y.N.H. & N. D. Maher, Nor. & West, 60,000
Howard Elliott, N. Pacific, 40,000
Samuel Rea, Pennsylvania, 54,822
J. M. Kurn, President, 44,000
J. Kruttschnitt, S. P., 50,000
Wm. Sproule, S. P., 75,000

BY C. C. LYON
WASHINGTON, March 6.—What does the highly-paid railroad president do to earn his salary?

"Mostly he gives newspaper interviews, attends banquets and addresses Rotary clubs," Senator Brookhart of Iowa charged before the Senate when he laid before that body a mass of figures on railroad presidents' salaries.

"Taking the salaries of railroad presidents as a whole, we are struck by the great disproportion that exists between the salaries of these supreme executive officers and their subordinate officials, from general manager down, who see that the traffic gets over the line," said Brookhart.

Lower Officials Sweat
"If the president of a road gets \$50,000, the general manager is likely to get only \$10,000 or \$15,000, while the division superintendents, who have to sweat blood when anything goes wrong, are lucky if they get over \$5,000. These operating officials of the roads are, as a matter of fact, among the lowest paid workers in the country when their experience, duties and responsibilities are taken into account."

Brookhart said he was submitting

to the Senate a list of salaries of various railroad presidents "so that the farmers and laboring men of the United States can have some idea of the benevolent surroundings of these men who levy these taxes of railroad rates and of excess profits upon the common people of the country."

Well Fixed
"There's L. F. Loree, president of the Delaware & Hudson, with a salary of \$37,500 a year. But that is not all he received. As president of the Kansas City Southern, his salary was raised from \$30,000 to \$35,000 a year. In addition, he was president or chairman of thirty-four corporations and a director in twenty-four others."

"Then there is A. H. Smith, president of the New York Central, who draws a poor little salary of \$53,350 from that road, \$14,000 from the Erie, \$13,850 from the Michigan Central, \$5,450 from the Boston & Albany, \$5,550 from the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, altogether \$92,580 salary as president of these different roads."

"And then there's Julius Kruttschnitt, chairman of the board of the Southern Pacific, at \$100,000 a year. This is the same Kruttschnitt who used up many square miles of perfectly good white paper in newspapers and magazines telling the American

people about the outrageous wage demands of the railroad employees."

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In Windy City 'Heart Cases'



WOMEN WHO HAVE FIGURED IN CHICAGO HEART COURT CASES. ABOVE, MATHILDE BENKHART; BELOW, BEATRICE A. KULLEIN (LEFT) AND ETHEL JAY FRENCH (RIGHT).

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TOM SIMS SAYS:

HEADQUARTERS of seventeen lodges burned in Boston, so now the men haven't any place to claim they were.

First sign of spring in Philadelphia was when Judge McKeehan ordered a probe of house paint prices.

King George's new grandson will be called a prince except when crying in the middle of the night.

A Seattle man escaped from jail three times and if you think that is easy just try it once.

First sign of spring in Northville, Mich., was when a divorced man of 76 said he would marry again.

Grossman is a scientist saying he can bottle the sun's rays. They already bottle the moon's shine.

Who says higher education doesn't pay? Yale students voted they had rather marry women with jobs.

Man in Cleburne, Texas, who inherited a million quit work and bought an auto, so may be back at work soon.

They claim Solomon gave the Queen of Sheba an airship. If he did, it shows how wise Sol was.

Much to the surprise of onlookers a Frenchman broke the gliding record without breaking anything else.

First sign of spring in London was when Mrs. Langtry, age 71, decided to return to the stage.

As far as peace goes, the Alabama man with twenty-two children might as well be living in Europe.

One nice thing about radio is the artists never worry over rain keeping the audience at home.

Be careful while spring cleaning. It takes a finger nail nearly five months to grow out again.

Mania for Ruling May Bring Another Self-Preservation War

BY HERBERT QUICK
A MAN described as a giant was arrested in New York the other day because of his peculiar actions. All he did, however, was to run about the streets roaring out, "I am the ruler of the world! I am the ruler of the world!" and butt his head through plate glass windows.

His head was gashed deeply and the blood was spurting from it and running down all over him.

Probably he was insane, but if he wished to give an imitation of a ruler of the world of the sort in vogue today, he did it to the life.

Rulership of the world is a mania this poor chap may have caught from Wilhelm the Only, or from Poincaré, or one of several others who have been exposed to in recent years, or at the present day. And they all butt, or seek to butt, their heads through plate glass windows.

The plate glass windows are

frontiers between what is theirs and what is some one else's. And after they have butted once, they go about bleeding and roaring as did our New York lunatic.

The New York victim of megalomania was fortunate in that there was a police force to care for him. Other rulers of the world seem able to go on and on butting through windows until they fall prostrate from loss of blood.

And in their mad career they not only wound and destroy themselves, but they destroy so many other things that we have once been obliged to send our Army and Navy to stop the smashing, and as sure as it goes on we shall have to do it again for simple self-preservation.

But our Government insists on protesting that we won't, we never will, help set up any, or join any organization to try, even, to keep mad "rulers of the world" from butting plate glass windows with their heads.

I mean with their people's heads.

tant in the saliva. That is there to digest starch deposits which may otherwise ferment and form acids.

In all these ways, Pepsodent is bringing to careful people of some 80 nations a new dental era.

Avoid Harmful Grit
Pepsodent cures the film and removes it without harmful scouring. Its polishing agent is far softer than enamel. Never use a film combant which contains harsh grit.

No Cost
This test is free.
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This Offers You
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A new-type tooth paste, based on modern research, has brought rich benefits to millions. Dentists the world over now advise its use. You see one of its results in glistening teeth wherever you look today.

This offers you a delightful test, to show what it means in your home.

The foe of film
Your teeth are coated with a viscous film. No ordinary tooth paste can effectively combat it. So it clings to teeth, enters crevices and stays. Most tooth troubles, most dingy teeth, are due to that clinging film.

Film absorbs stains, making the teeth look cloudy. It forms the basis of tartar. It holds food substance which ferments and forms acid. It holds the acid in contact with the teeth to cause decay.

Germ's breed by millions in it.

They, with tartar, are the chief cause of pyorrhea.

It was alarming
Tooth troubles due to film were constantly increasing. Very few escaped. The situation was alarming. So dental science sought for film combatants.

Research discovered two. One acts to curdle film, one to remove it, and without any harmful scouring. Able authorities proved those methods effective. Then a tooth paste was created, based on modern knowledge, and those two film combatants were embodied in it.

That tooth paste is called Pepsodent.

New protection
Pepsodent brings other new protection. It multiplies the alkalinity of the saliva. That is there to neutralize mouth acids, the cause of tooth decay.

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For beauty's sake
Men and women who want prettier teeth must fight that dingy film. People who want clean, safer teeth must combat it.

Send the coupon for a 10-Day Tube. Note how clean the teeth feel after using. Mark the absence of the viscous film. See how teeth whiten as the film-coats disappear.

What you see and feel will soon convince you. Cut out the coupon now.

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