

CHRISTIAN AND ACTOR? **F**OR 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 shovved news of the Ruh 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 criticised 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. McCRAY'S VETO** **H**OWEVER 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** **U**GLY charges have been made in Congress, and out of it, against the U. S. Veterans' Bureau, which disperses 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**

**QUESTION ANSWERED** **Y**ou can get an answer to any question or fact of information by writing to the Indianapolis Times, Washington and Franklin Ave., Washington, D. C., enclosing 2 cents in stamp. Medical, legal and love and marriage questions, etc., can be answered by the editor. For extended research be undertaken or papers, speeches, etc., be prepared. Unsolicited manuscripts will not be returned, but all letters are confidential and receive personal replies.—EDITOR.

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

**Where can I get one dollar gold pieces?** **A**re 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 resort used in cremation made of, and what is the temperature used in cremation?** **F**irebrick. From 1,300 to 1,400 degrees Fahrenheit.

**How many verses does the Bible contain?** **T**he 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?** **U**nited 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 became what of it?** **C**reated in 280 B. C., but fifty-six years later was overthrown by an earthquake, and lay in ruins until 653 A. D. when the Arabs captured the

## NEW YORKERS TALK, BUT DON'T THINK SO MUCH

King Tut Is on Every Tongue  
—Coe 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 Penny 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 of King Tut, I suppose.” Just now King Tut, like a tooth paste they advertise in the cars up here, “is in everybody's mouth.”

Coe Becomes Posse

Folks are up on the latest conversational possibilities in Little Old Manhattan.” Eddie Coe, 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 Baskers’ Institute ball into which I stumbled on arrival at the hotel. Plump and frank 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.

## In Windy City 'Heart Cases'



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

## Rail Presidents Make Speeches and Attend Banquets to Earn Nice Salaries

### Pretty ‘Soft’

How'd you like to draw one of those 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., 40,000  
Marvin Hightower, S. C. & N. W., 50,000

W. T. Tinley, C. & N. W., 50,000  
S. M. Felton, C. G. W., 50,000  
Hale Holden, C. B. & Q., 50,000  
H. E. Byram, C. M. & St. P., 60,000  
J. E. German, R. Island, 50,000  
T. M. Schumacher, El Paso & Southwestern, 66,666  
C. H. Markham, I. C. & St. P., 75,000  
C. E. Schaff, M. K. & T., 50,000  
B. F. Bush, Mo. Pacific, 50,000  
A. H. Smith, N. Y. Central, 53,550  
E. J. Pearson, N.Y. N.H.R.H., 50,000  
N. D. Maher, N. & W., 60,000  
Howard Elliott, N. Pacific, 40,000  
Samuel Rea, Pennsylvania, 56,822  
J. M. Kurn, Frisco, 44,000  
J. Krutschmidt, S. P., 100,000  
Wm. Sprague, S. F., 75,000

Well Fired

“There's L. F. Lora, president of the Delaware & Hudson, with salary of \$37,500 a year. But that is not all he receives. As president of the Kanawha 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 \$5,500 from that road, \$14,000 from the Big Four, \$15,000 from the Michigan Central, \$5,450 from the Boston & Albany, \$5,650 from the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, altogether \$32,000 salary as president of these different roads.

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

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.”

Brookhart singled out several railroad presidents for special mention, as follows:

“All he did, however, was to set a \$7,500 verdict which a ‘too free panel’ had granted Mrs. Beatrice A. Kulleen in a breach of promise case.

“Which perhaps is one of the reasons why, during the past three weeks, more than twenty-five pending breach of promise suits, asking damages totaling close to \$200,000, have been settled quickly out of court.

Takes Plunge Into Cellar

Thomas Dietrick, 50, of 33 N. West St., is recovering from bruises received when he fell into a cellar late Monday. He walked across a board runway at a house where he was working at Muskingum and St. Clair Sts. The board tipped.

A coupe owned by George B. Fall, 607 E. Fifteenth St., was struck by an automobile driven by Patrolman Morrissey at 1 a. m. today. Fall's car was parked in front of 543 N. Meridian St. A taxi turned in front of Morrissey's car and forced him against the other automobile, he said.

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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.

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

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.

Germs breed by millions in it.

It multiplies the starch diges-

## Fellowship of Prayer

Each Lenten Bible reading and meditation prepared for consideration on Evangelism of Federal Council of Churches.

The Incarnation of Love

“Whom do men say that I am?”

Mark 8:27.

Read Mark 8:14-20.

“The truth of Jesus is a truth that cannot be demonstrated to a man whose heart is not right toward God.”

MEDITATION: Jesus did not tell His disciples at first His aim in life, but allowed His life to show what manner of man He was. If we are like Him we do not need to tell it. People know more about our real nature than we sometimes think they do.

HYMN:

O Lord, who will not let me go,

I rest my weary soul in thee;

I give thee back the life I owe,

That in thine ocean depths its flow

May richer, fuller be.

PRAYER: O God, by whom the

most are guided in judgment, and

light math up in darkness for the

godly, grant me, in all our doubts and

uncertainties, the grace to ask what

Thou wouldst have us to do; that the

spirit of wisdom may save us from all

false choices, and that in Thy light we

may see light, and in Thy straight

path may not stumble; through Jesus

Christ our Lord, Amen.

—BERTON BRALEY.

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Native Born

SPARTANBURG, S. C.

Now I have a kick at the foreign strain

that's helped to settle our broad domain,

the only place to get them is at a coin dealer's.

Where can I get one dollar gold

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