

# BANANA, NOT AN APPLE, WAS ADAM'S DOWNFALL IN EDEN

If First Parents Had Only  
Learned Popular Song  
of Today.

By Times Special  
WASHINGTON, July 25.—"Yes, we  
have no bananas!"

If Adam and Eve had only learned to sing this during their big snake-charming act in the Eden summer garden, instead of waiting several thousand years for somebody to sing it in the New York Winter Garden, the world might have been spared a lot of trouble.

For it was a banana and not an apple that tempted Eve, the National Geographic Society reported today, whether you believe it or not.

"A legend among eastern Christians asserts that it (the banana) had a prominent place in the Garden of Eden," says the serious bulletin, "and that it was a banana and not an apple that Eve ate in her search for knowledge. Botanists were perhaps unconsciously influenced by this legend, for they named the two important species of the fruit *Musa paradisiaca* and *Musa sapientium*—Fruit of Paradise and Fruit of Knowledge."

If Eve, when the brazen serpent tempted her toward the fruit diet, had only looked him squarely in the eye and sung:

"Yes, we have no bananas;

We have no Musca pardica  
today!"

Just imagine all the evils from which we would have been saved today in such a paradise—no crime, no income tax, no beauty clay, no Atty. Gen. Daugherty, no wood alcohol, no one-piece bathing suits and no crowded street cars.

But it would be mighty hard on the clothing stores, wouldn't it?

## FACES BLACKMAIL CHARGE

Maitlin Say He Will Plead Guilty  
of Receiving \$1,000.

By United Press  
MUNCIE, Ind., July 25.—Two affidavits specifically charging blackmail were filed in Circuit Court here today against Edward H. Maitlin, arrested Saturday after he had picked up a confessed to sending similar letters package deposited at the public library which he thought contained \$500 in currency left there by Ernest Loeb, a Lafayette merchant.

Maitlin, in his confession, admitted that a year ago he had received \$1,000 from Loeb after sending him a blackmail letter, and the attempt to get a second payment was his undoing. He to Muncie citizens, and has said he will plead guilty when arraigned.

## Meetings Here Thursday

Traffic Club. Luncheon. Seven.

Sigma Chi. Luncheon. C. of C.

National Assn. of Stationary Engineers. Meeting. C. of C. Credit Men's Luncheon. Claypool.

General Contractors. Lunche-

Spink Arms. Lumber Dealers' Assn. Lunche-

eon. Lincoln.

American Association of Engi-

neers. Luncheon. Board of Trade.

Advertising Club. Luncheon.

7th floor, C. of C.

Electric League. Luncheon.

Lincoln.

## AMUSEMENTS

### LYRIC

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