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## Try This in Your Furnace

**N**OW that the season of sniffles and chills has settled down upon the East, some serious thought is being given to the anthracite coal strike. Up to now it has been pretty much disregarded. But the miners have been idle ten weeks and those who seek to buy anthracite are feeling the effect. The public's protest has been long delayed, but it is becoming earnest. And as the public cups its hands before its face and emits its howl, it turns toward Washington.

What'll Washington do?

"Government officials, even if they felt inclined to interfere in the present strike, feel that their hands are tied by a recent decision of Federal Judge McClintic of West Virginia, declaring the United Mine Workers of America to be an unlawful organization, it was learned yesterday."

This is the opening paragraph of a long article in the Washington Post, which speaks the Administration's views on many matters. Further, the Post says:

"Government authorities were loath to comment publicly on the effect of the decision, inasmuch as they have heretofore maintained a hands-off policy on the anthracite strike, but gave it as their private opinion that they would not want to run counter to the decision in attempting the settlement of the dispute."

And further:

"Governor Pinckot's present activities to bring the anthracite operators and the miners together are considered by local commentators as precarious in that he might be adjudged in contempt of court."

And there, it seems, you have the Administration's attitude. If anthracite users can warm their shins on that, there's nothing to complain about.

Long after the anthracite strike started, a Federal judge over in the bituminous district of West Virginia, where Federal judges have done many funny things in times of coal strikes, decides that the whole miners' organization is unlawful. His ground is that it is a trust! He apparently doesn't think so much of this idea himself, for it is buried away among a lot of "findings of fact" and is not in the main body of his opinion. But alert sleuths in the Administration seem to have discovered it and upon it have based the Coolidge policy in dealing with the anthracite strike.

How long this "finding" of this Federal judge will last remains to be seen. McClintic is the same judge who in 1922 enjoined striking miners from erecting tents in which to live on land they had leased. That injunction lasted only until the United States Circuit Court of Appeals could set it aside.

## Wait and See

**T**HE State Department says the barring of Countess Karolyi from the United States is a closed incident.

So when her lawyer asked for information

Weekly Book Review

## All May Get Acquainted With Characters in Operas

By Walter D. Hickman

**D**ID you ever hear the story of "Philemon and Baucis" as related in the opera of the same name by Gounod?

Charles Francois Gounod in 1860 wrote an opera about a contented old couple in the long ago who loved each other so devotedly, that in the old mythical days, that even Jupiter and Vulcan on a visit to earth were surprised that mortals could be so happy and kind.

The Gods restored Philemon and Baucis to their youth and put them in a palace instead of a humble hut.

But even youth, when it returns in the winter time, demands recognition and the old couple, now youthful, realized that natural old age was better than beauty, youth and wealth.

Such stories have often been told in many forms of entertainment, but such stories yield easily to the operatic stage.

To meet the demand of a large reading public for stories of the operas, J. B. Lippincott Company has published "Stories From The Operas" in one volume by Gladys Davidson.

Here is the key to the stories of the best known operas.

A Fine Thing

The stories are so unfolded that you can really visualize the opera unfolding. The technical side of the score is not discussed, just the story.

"Philemon and Baucis" is just one of the many operas related as stories in this fine collection of operatic stories.

Since operatic music is found in nearly every home that has a phonograph and the radio reflects the beauty of opera as produced in New York and Chicago, this book is most welcome.

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## Cider

By Hal Cochran

The trees have grown the apples and the wind has shook 'em down. You find 'em, lookin' temptin', mid the leaves upon the ground. Ya pick up 'em' the best ones till a basket's got its fill. Then you lug your bunch of pippins to the bloom in cider mill.

They put 'em' neatish a presser, a big wheel spins about. They crush 'em and they squash 'em till the juice is running out. Ya stand there kinda thirsty as ya watch the sizzlin' foam. Then ya get yer jus' o' cider and ya like yer way for home.

Mother bakes a batch of doughnuts and she sets 'em out to cool. It's always kinda hard to wait to eat 'em, as a rule. At last ya shake some sugar, an' ya dress 'em nice an' white, and then ya get the thrill as ya nibble off a bite.

What's better, in the winter, than a doughnut made at home. You never find as good ones, man, no matter where ya roam. An' then, ta top the doughnut off, and do the thrill up brown, ya drink a drink of cider, jes' to wash the doughnut down.

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since the days of Washington Irving who was ostracized for his intimate revelations and sarcasm at the expense of the social elect. But very few of the many writers who have dramatized the life of the blue-bookers have been born to the purple.

Emily Post, member of New York and Tuxedo society, has successfully effected this dual role having attained the coveted honor also of being the author of a best-seller. Her celebrated book on etiquette has enjoyed the distinction of a place among the six leaders of non-fiction for nearly three years.

Mrs. Post's latest volume, "Parade," which has just been published by Funk & Wagnalls, is an intimate portrayal of life in the fashionable world and relates the rise of a little southern girl from a "nobody" to a reigning society beauty. Several critics have charged that the heroine of the story is an improbable character but Mrs. Post states that already her friends have suggested eighteen different members of the metropolitan elite as the inspiration for her portrayal. But she refuses to divulge the model for her study.

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high treason.

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## Eighteenth St. Plea Made

By Mr. Fixit

Let Mr. Fixit solve your troubles with city officials. He is the Times representative at the city hall. Write him at 2714 Barth Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. Eighteenth St., from Boulevard Pl. to Highland Pl., is minus improved streets, sidewalks and water mains, despite petitions of citizens, correspondents informed Mr. Fixit today.

DEAR MR. FIXIT: We have heard of your kindness in helping citizens to make our city more beautiful and healthy so we are appealing to you. We live on W. Eighteenth St., between Boulevard Pl. and Highland Pl.

We have sent a petition to the board of works to have this block improved. We haven't even sidewalks.

This summer we wished to have a bath and toilet installed, but there was no city water on our street.

MARIA & MOLLIE JONES, 330 E. Eighteenth St.

Board of works members contend they have no money to pay inspectors for street improvements, of which they have halted projects amounting to over a million dollars. City council members on the other hand, say they refused money for inspectors because they did not wish politicians to collect commissions. That's why you'll never catch a true man that sort of a way.

MRS. H. LENNIN, 822 Berwyn St.

Every application is presented by Mr. Fixit with equal fervor. Sometimes it's a question of luck, but the board says there'll be no more.

Although Mr. Fixit has only an academic interest in girls, a correspondent, evidently opposed to modern ways of women, contributed the following:

DEAR MR. FIXIT: Here is a little advice to girls. Oh, girls, you may put on your diamonds and laces, flounce up your dresses with trimmings so gay. You may rub on the paint, powder your faces. But you'll never catch a true man that sort of a way.

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## Do You Know?

The law says the board of park commissioners is a non-partisan body and no members shall be discharged without legitimate cause before their terms expire.

## RIGHT HERE IN INDIANA

By GAYLORD NELSON

### ALIENS CAN'T BE HELD

DEPORTATION of alien criminals, barring out of undesirable foreigners and sweeping up immigrants who have entered the United States illegally, engage the attention of Federal officials, Congressmen, thinking citizens and passionate patriots.

Representative Albert H. Hall, Eleventh Indiana District, has added his voice to the hue and cry. In a recent public address he advocated deportation of aliens who fail to obey the prohibition enforcement act.

Conservative England faced it during the World War. She faced it after the World War. No less a conservative than the late Andrew Bonar Law, British Prime Minister, was at one time convinced that Great Britain would have to resort to it to get her out of the post-war financial hole she was in. And Lord Read- ing, another British conservative, agreed with him.

Britain ultimately did not have to resort to the capital levy. But this was only because her

splendid national discipline made possible an income tax that ranged as high as 75 per cent and that turned the trick.

The statement is heard on all sides that the French pay virtually no taxes. This is far from the truth. Taxes absorb 20 per cent of the national income, which is as heavy as the average burden borne by the British—considerably heavier when the relative wealth of the two nations is considered. And yet this is not enough.

What then is to be done? Even if able to borrow, which she is not, France would only add to her burden by doing so. Manifestly she must call on all her citizens, upon those who have capital, or own property, to come to the rescue in one way or another, call it a capital levy or by any other name you please.

There is nothing communistic or socialistic about all hands manning the pumps when a ship has sprung a leak and threatens to founder. It is really the very essence of conservatism.

HOUSES

### TOO WARM

DEFEATED candidates for town offices in Knightsville—a small village in Clay County—have filed suit contesting the election of their successful rivals. They charge illegal ballots were counted.

Maybe there are real grounds for the contest—however it is quite natural for aspirants to office who find themselves also rancor the morning after election to suspect foul play.

The town offices in question only pay the incumbents \$22 a year—seemingly not enough to law about. And usually the offices went begging. Only the absolute refusal of present offices who have held over four years to serve longer made an election necessary.

Following that refusal Republicans and Democrats got together and each party drafted two men for a ticket. Immediately a second ticket was put in the field in opposition. A real ballot battle was started.

Now the candidates on the second ticket, defeated apparently at the polls for offices the town couldn't give away a year ago, have taken their fight to the courts. That's logic for you.

But of course it isn't the money; there's a principle at stake. There always is a principle at stake when a man is running for office. That principle is usually personal pride that is harrowed by defeat. Take it by and large the average man is a funny animal—particularly if his name is on a ballot, any ballot.

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