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## KNOW YOUR STATE

INDIANA has a greater proportion of tuberculosis tested and disease free milk cows than any other State. The State is committed to a policy of eradicating tuberculosis and is encouraged by a Federal policy which pays a part of the cost of inspection and of condemned cattle.

## THE GOVERNMENT AND THE AIR

As a result of the failure of the Sixty-Ninth Congress to enact radio control legislation, the Federal Government will continue indefinitely in its role of a high pressure salesman for privately owned and operated radio companies. It will continue to drum up radio dispatching business at the Government stations, and to turn that business over to private companies when it has reached profitable proportions.

Under the present law controlling Government radio stations, which survived in the rush of business at the close of the session, commercial business can be handled if there is no private station within a radius of twenty-five miles. When a private station is installed within this radius, the Government is automatically ruled out of the commercial field.

Under this arrangement, according to Senator C. C. Dill of Washington, who failed in his attempt to secure passage of radio regulation legislation, the private companies can exclude the Government from the commercial field whenever they desire by setting up a station within the required radius. In explaining the position of the Government stations, Senator Dill said, "One Government station near San Francisco a year ago had receipts of approximately \$98,000. The Radio Corporation put a station within the twenty-five-mile zone and, of course, no commercial business could be done after that."

Of the various arrangements for Government ownership and operation of industry, the present radio situation is believed to present a plan almost unique. The Government sets up the plant and equipment, does the pioneering to get an increased volume of commercial business, and then fades quietly out of the picture when the private companies decide that the field is one which would be profitable to them.

## JOHN D. AND HAPPINESS

On July 8, John D. Rockefeller, a little old man in Tarrytown, N. Y., will pass his 87th milestone. Rockefeller has made millions. He has known the struggle of poverty, the thrill of success, and has watched his money mount into uncounted piles. But he has a human chord in him that responds quickly to the touch of progress or of need. The same hand that gives little children shiny dimes also has passed out \$600,000,000 in donations to help make a better world.

Rockefeller has moved some of his mountains of gold to the task of increasing human knowledge about food supply, clothing, shelter, sanitation, public health, commerce and manufacture.

He has given part of his millions to help the onward march of government and law so that the hand of justice may reach farther. He has set aside sums for advancing language and literature, science and philosophy, art and refinement, morality and religion.

The Rockefeller Foundation, the Laura Spellman Foundation and his various medical gifts offer a way to people to attain higher happiness in life. The basis of his charity is: Progress toward happiness. He has held out to the world a chance for better things. The people must help themselves to realize it.

## CIRCUMSTANCES

Circumstances alter cases. But circumstances don't make the man who makes the circumstances.

Look around at the people you know. Colonel Blubud, the great statesman, probably owes his position to accident. While he was in college, he found he could play poker at night if he took law, because the law classes didn't start until afternoon.

Mrs. Brown, the social leader, would have married a poor young man if he had come to this city instead of going to a neighboring village. But the young fellow went to the neighboring village, so the girl never met him. She married Mr. Brown. Now she's a social leader.

All so silly. All hanging upon threads so slender. All apparently controlled by circumstances.

Yet, there are personal factors. The ambition which made Colonel Blubud a great statesman would have made him a great doctor, merchant, engineer. The good sense and determination which made Mrs. Brown a social leader would have won her recognition in any walk of life.

Circumstances don't make the man who makes the circumstances.

## TEXAS IS A GARDEN

The cattlemen of Texas are in a complacent mood, for the grass is plentiful and the great cattle country of the southwest part of the State, usually a vast expanse of sunburned plain and hill, is a veritable garden.

And now the grass is thick and long and succulent—food in plenty for hundreds of thousands of grazing cattle—more than enough, in fact.

The abnormal rains this spring are the cause. Cattlemen say that not in several years has there been so much vegetation in the country between San Antonio and El Paso. Last year was a year of drought.

But this year they anticipate rich profits, and many are the mortgage that will be lifted in Texas, many are the gilt-edged bonds that will be bought and many the buying spree planned.

Beef raising is a precarious occupation; unfavorable weather can shrink up all the profits; a cattle disease can play havoc. But the breeders of the famed Texas longhorn are in for a period of rejoicing, and we who buy and eat their beef are glad.

## WHAT'LL HE DO?

We criticize the order of Big Bambino Mussolini, practically suppressing all news, it may be thought we are prejudiced. Perhaps we are. But thought does occur to us that Mussolini may be one day that he issued the order.

For instance, suppose another Englishwoman should take a pot shot at the Imperial and dictatorial

nose. Mussolini would be required to utter the proper words for the benefit of history. What was it he said the other time? "I regret I have but one nose to give for my country!"

Was that it? Or was it "Lafayette, it is still here!"—referring to the nose.

At any rate a great and important man is required to utter great and important words on an occasion of this kind. And there is a fair chance that Mussolini will be faced with the necessity again some day. He may have the words all ready right now.

But, if the Italian newspapers can print them, what's the use?

## TOO MUCH CREDIT?

A prominent farmer in Missouri fails to the extent of \$100,000 to \$150,000, and involves two banks, two commission houses, a clergyman relative and many neighbors and friends.

"Too much credit and the irresistible fascination of trading in futures," were the self-advanced reasons he gave.

The system of trading in grain futures can hardly be blamed for his failure, nor can easy credit. If the futures were abolished, a man could always find a poker game or a Monte Carlo if he wished to exercise his gambling tendencies. And let us not rail at easy credit for it is an ideal of trust and faith that is commendable.

The sad fact is that the man has played and lost, with his own money and with other people's.

## HE'LL GET ALONG

A young man living on the shores of Lake Erie bought himself a sailboat with which to while away some happy hours on the water.

Two or three days after he bought it some one stole it. Now that was a sad thing to happen to a young man who has just bought a boat. But being a man of action, the erstwhile yachtsman wasted no time in idle reflection and crying over spilt milk, but hid himself to an airplane field where he chartered a plane and flew over the lake in search of his stolen craft.

He found it, beached at a port some miles away. We are willing to wager that this enterprising young man will get on in the world.

## ALL'S WELL THAT

There's a good side to everything, and almost any old cloud can be found to have a silver lining. These ancient bromides are prompted by the heavy rainstorm that swept over the middle west.

Early newspaper stories described it as something in the nature of a calamity. It washed away bridges, inundated dwellings and did all kinds of damage.

But now the farmers are referring to it as "the million-dollar rain." They will get at least a million dollars more in crops this summer because of the downpour.

So it wasn't all bad news, after all.

If you want to eat a sandwich without having a woman say, "Gimme a bite," don't get married.

Latest fad for snappy dressers is two belts, both being worn just above where one should be used.

Here's a hair-raising bit of news. San Francisco woman poisoned by hair tonic asks \$10,000.

St. Louis man of 25 had four wives. Probably one of these congenial fellows who can't say "No."

There's one thing about a stolen flivver. You can't identify it by sight. But you can by sound.

Earthquake on the island of Malta. Doesn't matter. We just wonder if cows there give Malta milk.

To remove freckles, have a date with a man who needs a shave.

They say the farm crisis will increase the cost of living. Guess it will. Everything does.

Locomotives give four puffs for every turn of the driving wheels, so they should quit smoking so much.

Women are brave. In London, one married a man named Marmaduke.

## REGARDING LAWYERS

By MRS. WALTER FERGUSON

Clarence Darrow, world famous barrister, has made public a statement in which he advises young men to seek another profession than that of the law. As usual Mr. Darrow gives some excellent reasons for his line of thought. However, it would be easy to suggest even simpler ones.

There are entirely too many lawyers in this country now. We are surfeited with them and suffer from their enthusiasm and energy because out of the tens of thousands of them, only a very small percent are mentally capable of adding distinction to themselves or prestige to their country.

During the last decade boys have been inclined toward the law because so many of those able men who have made history for us have belonged to this profession. They often forget that these great minds made the law—that the law did not make them. And nowadays one frequently sees very mediocre men through some stroke of fortune climb from lowly places in life to positions as corporation lawyers, with yearly salaries in six figures.

For, in spite of the fact that a great many able and fine men follow this profession, the law does point an easy way for worthless and dishonest fellows to live without much labor. The country is running over with mentally deficient men who have the sign "Attorney at Law" hanging before their offices. And a lot of these jackleg legal lights, if they happen to stand in with the powers that be are afforded opportunities to pick up nice sums of money in ways which are far from what the most of us would call legitimate.

Too much chicanery gets by in the name of the law these days. If every graduate who wished to enter this profession would consider it as a dignified and intelligent medium of aid to his Government and of assistance to the downtrodden of his fellows instead of as a quick and easy way to riches, the laymen would not look with so much criticism upon this calling.

Another thing which Mr. Darrow failed to recall is that lawyers make up the bulk of men who run for office in this country, which appears another splendid reason why we wish a lot of our boys would decide on the plumbing profession.

# Miss Edythe Elliott and Scenic Artists Are Responsible for Success of Drama

By Walter D. Hickman

The success of "The Broken Wing," as presented by the Berkell Players this week, goes to Miss Edythe Elliott, leading woman, and the two scenic artists, Eddie Eddie and Tom Adrian Cracraft.

In bringing the Elliott edition of the heroine, Inez Villera, before the footlights Miss Elliott uses those tricks of her profession which the playwright grants her in this play.

Notified with what ease Miss Elliott put over the love idea of this girl of Mexico, who thought that an aviator was sent to her from the sky to be her white husband. She knows not his name, but, seeing "B. V. D." on his underwear, decides that "B. V. D." is the name of her sweetheart flying man.

Miss Elliott is probably as sure of herself in both dialect and characterization as she has ever been. She makes this character a pleasant example in pleasant acting with all the heart work necessary to put the character across. You know that it isn't a far cry from Liana in "The Bird of Paradise" to Inez in "The Broken Wing." The motive of both characters is the same.

From a scenic standpoint, the production is one of atmospheric beauty. It is true that the airplane crash in the first act was not quite as effective on the opening night as it will be. You know that stage crashes are always better when all the effects get work. But at that, the crash on the opening night had some thrills. The settings are splendid, regular road show stuff.

Milton Byron is cast as Phillip Marvin, the aviator, who loses his memory. Doesn't give Byron such a great chance but he builds up the mystery element of the story. Was impressed with the work of Robert St. Clair as Sylvester Cross. He knows the right tempo of the play and keeps it going at the right pace while on the stage.

The cast is as follows: Dick Elliott, Basilio; Gen. Paul; George; P. Marlow; Sylvester Cross; Mildred Hastings; Inez Villera; Eddie Eddie; Tom Adrian Cracraft; Phillip Marvin; Robert St. Clair; Robert Jewett; Helen West; Bernice Marcolini; "The Broken Wing" is on view all week at English's.

CONCERNING A VERY NOISY AND LOUD PLAY

"Puppy Love" isn't much of a play. It is filled with noise, old stage formulas worked over in new dress and about everything else from a "souse" scene to an automobile crash.

Last night at the Stuart Walker Company "acted at" this noisy mess of alleged sentiment, sizzle and other things. I wondered that the play arrived as far as Indianapolis.

The program states that Adelaide Matthews and Martha Stanley wrote the play. I guess the boiler works furnished the noise and the screaming in two of the acts.

"Puppy Love" is sentimental bunk and is not even clever. Of course, either in material or talent. The eight girls are splendid ensemble dancers, proved by the soldier drill and dance number, intact by all of their work. Jewett has a comedy song which leads up to the soldier drill number. This show has class and merit a yard wide. As good a dance offering as I have seen this season.

There is another dance offering on the bill, that of Jay Kay and girls. It is a combination of trick comedy stuff, a few songs and some dancing. Not a knockout, but one of those little light summer offerings.

There are two other real hits on the bill which should be given credit. Delbert Wilber Company are the closing spot with some human ball.

## Stage Verdict

ENGLISH'S—Miss Edythe Elliott and the two scenic artists deserve the credit for "The Broken Wing" being an enjoyable success.

KEITH'S—"Puppy Love" is a very noisy and ridiculous play.

LYRIC—Three real winners on this bill with Romeo and His Dancing Dolls taking the lead with ease.

PALACE—Florence Gast and assisting dancers have an act of merit.

You will laugh, but some of us howl when a fat comedian throws a pie into the face of another. And this play has the pie, but it isn't tossed. From a scenic standpoint, the show was splendid. George Meeker was not sure of his lines or his business. He sloved action when it should be speeded. Larry Fletcher has a role that does not suit him. In fact, such a part would hardly fit anybody.

The three who stand out in "Puppy Love" are Eliza Scott, Vivian Tobin and Teresa Dale.

"Puppy Love" is the lightest electric summer entertainment. An electric fan would blow it away. I certainly do not care for this theatrical dish this week. Have your own idea about this one.

At Keith's all week.

REAL DANCING ACT TIPS NEW BILL AT THE LYRIC

It is pleasant to record that Adelaide and Hughes have created a dancing act of real merit in the offering, "Romeo and His Dancing Girls."

So there will be no confusion of purpose, Adelaide and Hughes are not in the act and are not so announced. The lead work is done by Robert Jewett, who has a good stage appearance, seems to have the willingness as well as the ability to work all the time. And that is something these warm days. The act is so made up that I can agree with the thought that it would be a pleasure to work in such routine.

There is no cheap hokum present, either in material or talent. The eight girls are splendid ensemble dancers, proved by the soldier drill and dance number, intact by all of their work. Jewett has a comedy song which leads up to the soldier drill number. This show has class and merit a yard wide. As good a dance offering as I have seen this season.

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At the Palace today and tomorrow.

(By the observer.)

Other theaters today offer: "The Midnight Flyer," at the Colonial; "The Road to Mandalay," at the Apollo; "Born to the West," at the Ohio; "Puppets," and Ben Meroff and his orchestra at the Circle; "The Volga Boatman," at the Uptown; and "The Fighting Peacemaker," at the Isis.

At what age do hens produce the most eggs?

In the first, second and third years, depending on the breed. The heavier breeds, such as Plymouth Rocks, may be profitably kept for two years; the lighter breeds, such as Leghorns, three years.

How can we rid our house of fleas?

The best way is to use a mop matted with gasoline or kerosene on the floors and follow by sprinkling them with motholine or naphthalene, which should be allowed to remain on the floor two or three days.

What kind of sandwiches would you suggest for a Near East Bazaar?

It would be appropriate to have fruit and nut sandwiches. Chop the figs, dates, raisins and nut meats into a very fine mass. Use this for the filling or mix it with cream cheese, which gives a little more body to it. Spread between slightly

sweetened crackers, or very thin slices of dark bread. Nut breads sliced thin and buttered would also make appropriate sandwiches.

Were any nicknames applied to Grover Cleveland while he was the President of the United States?

He was nicknamed "Man of Destiny," "Stuffed Prophet," "Man of Destiny" alluded to his rapid rise in political life from a comparatively unknown man in 1881 (Mayor of Buffalo, N. Y.), to the highest office of the land when he was elected President three years later. "Stuffed Prophet" was a political designation adopted by the New York Sun in the campaign of 1892, which alleged that Cleveland was "stuffed" the public with airy notions by his various prophecies regarding tariff reform and sound money, with "great benefits" to the country.

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# Tracy

Subways Grow Silent—Millions Crawl to Bed—Wait Till They Awake.

By M. E. Tracy

I write at midnight, with the pop of firecrackers practically ended and the tortured city permitted to grow dark in peace.

It seems almost in harmony with the spirit of the hour that one of New York's great subways should grow silent, even though it be through a strike.

But what are such incidents when a nation is weary with festival. Tomorrow millions may grumble, but for the moment they will be glad to get home and crawl into bed any way they can.

At Keith's all week.

At the Lyric all week.

At the Palace all week.

At the Ohio all week.

At the Circle all week.

At the Isis all week.

At the Uptown all week.

At the Apollo all week.

At the Colonial all week.

At the Broadway all week.

At the Grand all week.

At the New all week.

At the Old all week.

At the Young all week.

At the Middle all week.

At the Far all week.

At the Near all week.

At the South all week.

At the North all week.

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