

Sermon in Sin— 70 Wasted Years Bared As Warning for 'Sister' of 16

Shows Her Where
Scarlet Path Ends

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I know all about it and I can tell any girl who thinks she wants to live like I have that it don't amount to anything."

WHISKY ANN'S story isn't a pretty one. It's written in a six-page police record covering her 25 years in Indianapolis, a record of 317 arrests on charges ranging from prostitution to use of narcotics.

Back beyond those 25 years is another 27 years in other towns, in all 52 years of sinking lower and lower among the dregs of humanity.

Huddled in a chair, almost hidden in a ragged old coat and shivering from a chill only she felt, the old woman told her story under the prompting of Municipal Court 3 Judge Joseph Howard. Judge Howard has tried old Ann more times than either remembers, many times in recent years on her own request to be "locked up" while she fought the drug habit or when she needed shelter.

"I BEEN a prostitute 52 years," the old woman started out. "For 40 years I was on drugs, but I quit seven years ago and I ain't touched it since. It all goes together, the way you have to live and takin' drugs to keep goin'."

Born to a stern, God-fearing Baptist farm family in southern Indiana, old Ann became a prostitute at 18 in Terre Haute, where it was the "liveliest little city in the U. S."

"I was born in 1881, seventh in a family of nine children," old Ann recalled. "I have three brothers and sisters still living one right in this town, but they never see me. They all went the other way, led good Christian lives and got good homes and children. I was the only one went bad."

"I went to Terre Haute to work for a family there and I met a fellow. He told me if I was a 'gonna do like I was doin' I might as well make some money. Well, I didn't pay no attention to what he said, but when I lost my job and needed some money and a place to stay, I just sort of drifted into it."

AFTER FIVE YEARS in one of Terre Haute's "houses," Ann met up with a childhood sweet heart who was willing to marry her and "forgive and forget." For five years she was "out of the business," until pneumonia caused

Official Weather

UNITED STATES WEATHER BUREAU

—Apr. 9, 1951

Sunrise 8:17 | Sunset 6:17

Precipitation 24 hrs. ending 7:30 a. m. 23

Total precipitation since Jan. 1 9.5

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| St. Louis | 69 | 51 |
| Portland (City) | 54 | 38 |
| Kansas City | 64 | 43 |
| Los Angeles | 63 | 53 |
| Minneapolis-St. Paul | 37 | 35 |
| New York | 74 | 52 |
| Oklahoma City | 66 | 37 |
| Pittsburgh | 58 | 46 |
| San Antonio | 79 | 56 |
| San Francisco | 68 | 48 |
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At 8:45—Mack Jane Parsons; Warren Helen Butler; Dale Ruth Crider; Margaret Williams; Edgar

At 8:50—Million Harriet Miller; William Elfreda Williams; Lois Woodruff; Donald

At 8:55—Edmund Peggy George; Keith Annabelle; Louise Peterson; Barbara Sparks; Laverne Mary Petersen; Mrs. Robert Pauline Cole

At 9:00—Edna Geraldine Upshaw; Ralph, Alice; Margaret Bogg; Leonard Gladys Doreen

At 9:05—Gloria; Mrs. James Mary Mills, 2754 Eastern Ave.; Willie Hazel Spears; Church St.; Arthur Lila Miles, 750 Clifton St.; Vicki; Dorothy Clegg, 2608 Clifton St.; 21; Robert

At 9:10—Russell Noni Case; Robert

At 9:15—Parish; Victor, Rita Vaughn; Robert

At 9:20—Gordon; James Michael; Virginia Baker; Thomas, Virginia Craig; Virginia Baker; Lorraine Cohen; Leo

At 9:25—Stevens; John Juanita Baker; Howard

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At 9:35—Robert, Betty Gordon; Austin; Anna Pike.

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Folks Still Laugh At Ancient Gag About The Hole In Noah's Ark

800-Year-Old Joke Soon Will Be on Radio
And TV, Ohio State Professor Predicts

By ROBERT DAHL

United Press Staff Correspondent

COLUMBUS, O., Apr. 9.—A folklore authority, Francis L. Utley, says a story people laughed at as far back as 800 years ago may soon be making the rounds again by way of radio and television.

"For 800 years people have been laughing at the story about the hole in Noah's ark," the president of the American Folklore Society and Ohio State University professor said.

"The story is being dug up again, so you'll probably hear some version of it on the radio," develops in Noah's ark and the

dog is asked to save the day by thrusting his nose in the hole. When the water continues to come through, Noah's wife tries to plug the hole with her elbow. Noah finally has to stop the ship from flooding by sitting on the hole.

"That's why the dog's nose is cold, women's elbows are cold, and why men always stand with their coats-tails to the fire," Prof. Utley chuckled. "People have been laughing at that story ever since the 12th or 13th century."

Prof. Utley, incidentally, is an authority on jokes and legends involving Noah. He hopes to complete "in about two years" a book on the legends of the biblical character on which he already has spent 10 years.

"With few exceptions, almost every tribe or culture in the world has legends on the big flood," Mr. Utley said. He already has gathered "a couple of million words of notes" on the subject.

The job of collecting folk stories in this country is getting tougher all the time, he said. His definition of folklore is "literature transmitted by word of mouth" and folklore in this country seems always to find its way into print and then is no longer folklore.

Also in Cities
people, or the rural dweller, Prof. Utley contends.

"You'll find it even in the cities," he said. "The folklore you find there usually isn't printable, since bawdy stories make up most of the city folklore of today."

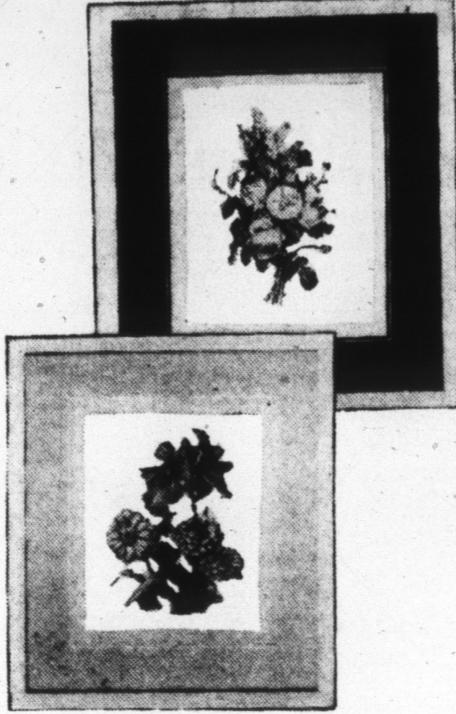
The best bet for uncovering gems of homespun humor is still among "some group deprived of outside contacts or education," he continued. He suggested some of the hill folk, the backwoods of eastern Ohio.

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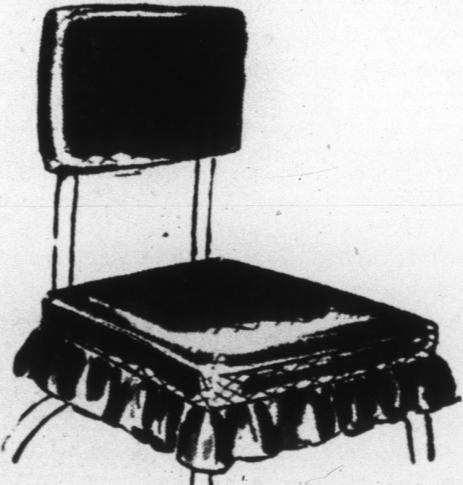
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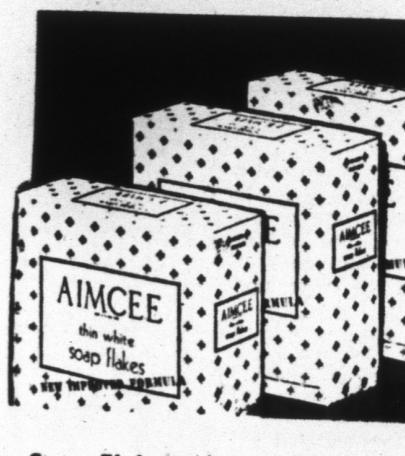
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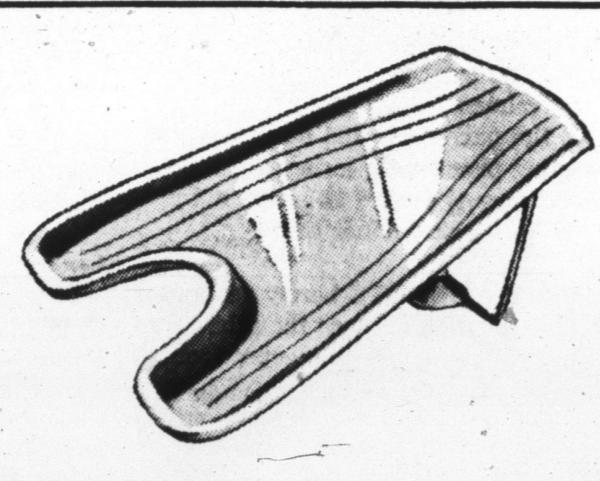
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