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JASPER, INDIANA.

Turn battery wrong side out and you have slander.

Some pessimist has started the report that women's hats are to be larger.

If speculation were to be entirely abolished the buying of cantaloupes would cease.

Boston advertises a bakery with a thousand windows. This is one way to get light bread.

It cost a Chicago woman \$2,460 to learn that a baby carriage is not a good savings bank.

Recent reports from various sections of the country appear to completely disprove the theory that the world is drying up.

A New Jersey judge has decided that a man may swear in his own home. But a real gentleman will go out behind the coal shed and do his swearing.

Our Mexican ambassador was run over by a bicycle. That shows the danger of going to a place where the vehicles of a dead civilization are still in use.

"It is now asserted that Elinor Glyn's second toe is longer than her first," says the Washington Post. Still, the report may turn out to be an unfounded rumor.

Marriage in England is decreasing, and the suggestion has been made that the young men are afraid. If they spread the matrimonial net, they may catch a suffragette.

A French expert says that the broken wing of the aeroplane is the punctured tire of the automobile. The difference is that when the tire pops, the machine is on the ground.

Chicago is supposed to be 75 years old. It is no mere compliment to say that she does not look her age. However, she will be just as fresh and lively when she is twice her present age.

West New York, N. J., is in hard luck. It has no money to buy feed for the horse in its fire department, and in fact, still owes for the horses. It ought to go into the hands of a receiver.

Not only is a President to be chosen this fall, but thirty-three States elect Governors. Experience has shown the wisdom of concentrating elections and election excitement as much as possible.

A physician says that only a monomaniac can think of one subject continuously for five minutes. And yet anybody can recall a politician who never thought of anything but an office since he has been old enough to vote.

An impression is gaining ground that a Chicago college professor is not considered a success unless he says something that would sound downright nonsensical as coming from the average intellect.

A ninety-year-old Connecticut man committed suicide because he didn't want to live to be a hundred. Some people have such a morbid fear of their personal habits—smoking, drinking, etc.—getting into the Sunday papers.

According to Humane Officer Ware, 16,425 women have been beaten by Toledo husbands in the last fifteen years. During the same period three times as many Cleveland women, declares the Leader of that city, have been presented with diamond rings and sealskin coats.

About twice the height of the Washington monument and 74 feet higher than the Eiffel Tower will be the altitude of the ball on the flagpole of a proposed new insurance building in New York—the building itself to be 969 feet, or more than four times the height of Bunker Hill monument.

When the jacks of the battleship fleet come sailing home again they will get a welcome worthy of the occasion. The announcement of the plan to have a grand naval review as a fitting display in honor of the ships, the officers and the men who have reflected such credit upon the American name will be most satisfactory to everybody except the man with the chronic "grouch."

Health authorities in Great Britain are not finding that the government inspection of American meats is so effective as it ought to be. The London medical officer has lately reported that the carcass of a pig from Massachusetts, which bore the mark "U. S. inspected," had indications of acute pleurisy, and that a fore quarter of frozen beef similarly marked was found to be diseased, and that scrap meat in boxes, also marked, contained diseased meat and an excessive amount of borax acid. However, inspection is much better than formerly.

"HOOSIERISMS"

Little Items of Interest All Over the Length and Breadth of Indiana.

Work of a Firebug?

It is believed an incendiary started the fire at Arlington Tuesday which did \$8,000 damage.

She Played with Matches.

While playing with matches, LaVonne Butts, a 3-year-old Rushville girl, was burned to death.

Beat His Employer to Death.

Charles Wolf, employed in the construction of a gravel road west of Decatur, killed his employer, Jacob Mangold. Wolf was angered by a reprimand, and beat Mangold over the head with a beam from a gravel wagon.

Peru Has Big Day.

Peru saw the greatest demonstration in its history last week when 25,000 people attended the court house corner-stone ceremonies.

We Can See Where He's Right.

Returning to his home in Kokomo, Ed Mossman, who fell 1,000 feet while making a balloon ascension at North Manchester, says he is through with the life of an aeronaut.

The Fatal Fluid.

Mrs. Sylvester Weikart, of Fort Wayne, was fatally burned and her home partially destroyed, due to a gasoline explosion.

Killed While Fooling with Gun.

While wrestling over the possession of a twenty-two-caliber rifle John Norris, a 16-year-old Alexandria boy, was accidentally killed by an older brother.

Freed of Embezzeling Charge.

Roy Massena, of Indianapolis, who has been on trial in the Kosciusko Circuit Court on charge of embezzeling \$1,500 while serving as deputy county treasurer, was acquitted.

Punishment Fits His Crime.

William Favore, aged 28, was sentenced to prison for life at Huntingdon. He was convicted of an assault on an 11-year-old girl. The jury was out ten minutes.

Calls Hubby a Firebug.

Mrs. Margaret E. Doud, of Evansville, has entered suit for divorce against her husband. The woman alleges in her complaint that her husband burned their home several years ago.

Experts Report Shortage.

Experts at Bloomington examining the Monroe county books report that three-fourths of the officers for the last ten years are short in their accounts. The total amount exceeds \$12,000.

Taft to Speak in Indiana.

W. H. Taft, Republican candidate for President of the United States, will spend three days in Indiana this month traveling over the State on a special train. The dates finally selected for the Indiana tour are Oct. 22, 23 and 24.

Prosecute Druggists and Gamblers.

During the term of court now in session at Paoli the Good Citizens' League of French Lick began twenty-eight prosecutions against druggists and others for violations of the liquor and gaming laws.

Date of Corn Show Fixed.

The fourth annual State corn show will be held by the Indiana Corn Growers' Association at Purdue University Jan. 11 to 16, 1909. The premiums to be offered are many and large.

Fails to Recover in Big Damage Suit.

In deciding the \$20,000 damage suit instituted by George O. Huffman, of Bunker Hill, against Jonathan Isler of Peru, Judge John S. Lairy, of the Cass Circuit Court, held that Isler did not maliciously threaten Huffman's wife and cause her death.

Killed by Odd Accident.

Descending from the sky like a meteor, a fragment of a stump that had been blasted by workmen excavating for a street improvement, struck Mrs. Ephraim Coleman on the back while she was in her yard, in West Lafayette, killing her instantly.

Robert Must Whack Up \$2,000.

Mrs. Mary Morris, who charged Robert Kempf, a wealthy citizen of Jeffersonville, had said she "stole her start of chickens from him," was given a verdict of \$2,000 by Kempf by an Evansville jury for slander.

Democrats to Hold Barbecues.

Two barbecues will be held by the Democrats in this State in the campaign. The first one will be at Greenfield on Oct. 16, when Thomas R. Marshall, candidate for Governor, and John J. Lentz, of Ohio, will speak. On the following day Lentz will address a big barbecue rally at Wanatah.

Novel Feature of Eaton Fair.

A novel feature of the agricultural and stock fair held in Eaton this week is a log cabin furnished as in the pioneer days, in which two pioneer women of Delaware county, attired as they were when girls, spin and weave cloth on old-fashioned spinning wheels. Every detail of cabin life is carried out.

Democrats Announce Speakers.

Some of the plans for swinging Indiana into the Democratic column have been announced in the statement that Judge Aiton B. Parker, of New York; Governor Johnson, of Minnesota; Hoke Smith, of Georgia, and other well-known orators are coming to take part in the campaign.

Epidemic Kills Many Horses.

The horses of Wayne county are suffering from a serious epidemic of distemper. It is said that more than half the horses in the county are affected and many of them have died.

Child Dies in Barn Fire.

The four-year-old son of Erastus Wright, of Marion, set fire to a barn and was burned to death. Two playmates escaped. The firemen found the charred body of the child after extinguishing the flames.

Sort of a French Duel.

R. D. Fleming, of Ft. Wayne, deputy State game warden, and Charles Jones, of Connersville, fought a duel when Fleming undertook to arrest Jones for violating the game laws of the State. Both men were shot, but their injuries are not of a serious nature.

Editors Want a Slice.

Asserting that the county seat papers are taking all the legal advertising, several editors of small papers in northern Indiana met in Goshen to organize. Those present were L. M. Parrish, of the Cromwell News; R. B. Woods, of the Wolf Lake Trolley; W. E. Grove, of the Milford Mail; J. W. Harris, of the Pierceland Record, and others.

Lots of Tooting for Hazleton.

Those haughty automobilists who have been in the habit of throwing dust into the eyes of Hazleton citizens and using the streets as a speedway have been the subject of an ordinance the Town Council passed the other night. Hereafter, according to the decree, automobilists shall not run their machines in the corporate limits at a speed in excess of eight miles an hour and shall "toot" their auto horns at the rate of not less than twenty times per minute.

Corn Crop Reports More Favorable.

Advices from various sections of Indiana show that the corn crop of the State on an average will be far better than was generally expected owing to the drought which prevailed for so long. The crop in the southern part of the State is made and harvest will proceed rapidly. The gathering reveals that the yield will be all the way from forty to eighty bushels per acre, varying slightly as to locality. In some parts of the northern section of the State late corn was caught by the frosts and damaged somewhat, but even with that the yield will be fairly large and the quality excellent.

Whitecaps After Mrs. Kelley.

Mrs. Sarah Kelley, who lives two miles northwest of Needham, in Brown county, found a notice tacked in her door which resembled some of the Whitecap decrees that have been served from time to time on people in this part of the State. The notice reads:

"We have been in your house. If you don't leave immediately we'll come back and whip the hide off you."

Mrs. Kelley is a grass widow. The notice was put on her door during the night of her absence. Unknown persons the same night visited the house and almost emptied it of household furniture.

Autos as Road Destroyers.

W. W. Hatch, of the contracting firm of Hatch & Sons, the biggest road builders in northern Indiana, reports that northern Indiana counties face a crisis in road building. The invasion of heavy, high-speed automobiles in ever-increasing numbers has played havoc with the highways. The old gravel roads built up by the township trustees with the aid of the farmers of the district will not last a season. The material best suited, according to experts, is a crushed stone with a binder, but so far all binders are too expensive to be practical. The crushed stone is irregular in shape and does not roll, but interlocks. Even brick will not withstand the attack of the automobiles.

Tin Structure on German Trains Amuses the Tourist.

AN EIFFEL DINNER TOWER.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The bone frame of the average whale weighs about forty-five tons.

Sign in Stone street, New York: "Panama Hats, Bay Rum and Showels."

Pittsburg has seven more national banks than Boston, but their total capitalization is \$33,000,000 less.

Trade schools to make "all-round printers" out of apprentices will be opened in every large city by the International Typographical Union.

The Transvaal government has decided to reconsider its attitude toward Asiatics with a view to finding a less objectionable registration system.

There are now in this country eighty-four societies of the National City Evangelization Union, their annual expenditures being upward of \$250,000.

Trained falcons to carry dispatches in time of war have been tested in the Russian army. Their speed is four times as rapid as that of carrier pigeons.

In Germany the vaccination of cattle against black leg, a fatal disease, is becoming general and very effective, as only three losses in five years are reported.

A French statistician named Neymarck says that twelve European countries have \$75,000,000,000 in negotiable securities, the United States \$45,514,000,000 and Japan \$1,563,000,000.

Sleeplessness is often caused by the head being exposed to the cold, while the rest of the body is warm. In nine cases out of ten, if the head is covered with a silk handkerchief the neck of a bottle of Rhine wine stretches upward.

Hunger appeared, the tower is dropped at the next wayside station.

This epicurean feast costs the most sum of three marks (75 cents), and the Eiffel is in great demand—Leipzig Cor. New York World.

Cause of His Hilarity.

Green—I'd like that fellow Brown better if he didn't always laugh at his own jokes.

White—Brown doesn't laugh at his own jokes. He laughs at you fellows who are silly enough to listen to them.

—Illustrated Bits.

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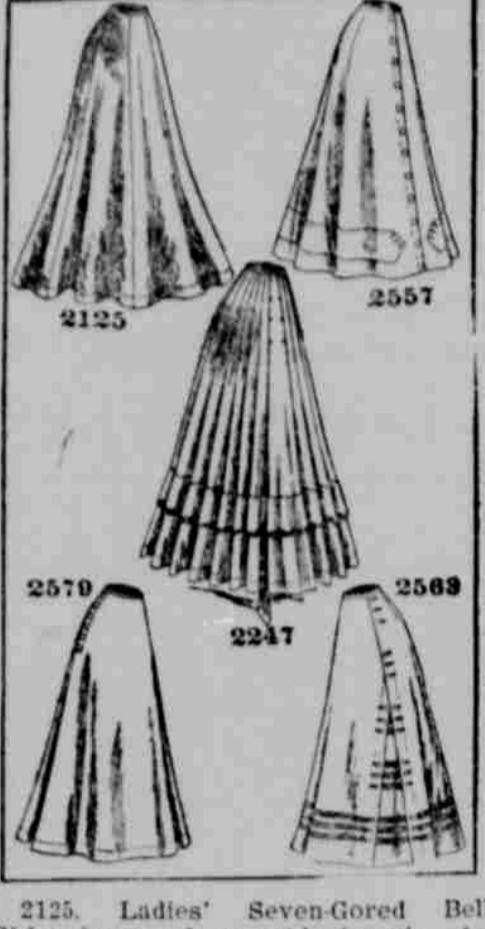
Mulligan—The byes say ye licked poor Casey. Shure, he never hurt my man's feelin'.

Harrigan—He's a shnake in the grass. The blackguard referred to me as his contemporary, and I'll be the contemporary to no man livin'—Puck.

Good Corn in Grant County.

The corn crop in Grant county promises to be much larger than in any county south of the Grant county line.

PARIS FASHION HINTS.



SUNFLOWER PHILOSOPHY.

Business is unusually good in a good store.

The poorer the band the louder the drummers play.

In a little country town, the extreme in fashion always looks fast.

When a man knows his duty he puts off doing it by asking advice.

There are few men who live to be 80 who do not have a second wife.

When two women with little babies get together they have a lot to talk about.

Tell the humblest man that any woman is in love with him and he is not surprised.

If you want to set a woman crazy, advertise a good dishpan for 10 cents.

A man never accumulates so much money that it gives him the right to be lazy.

A kicker is usually one who is not busily engaged in any business of his own.

An Atchison man belongs to so many benevolent societies that he is destitute.

No doubt economy is a great virtue, but some people have a lot of money they never have any use for.

As soon as a man marries it is believed that he never again longs for any social amusement.

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Advice to women: A man doesn't amount to much, at best. In getting one, get the best one possible.

Love with a young man is never so serious as with a young girl, because he has his moustache to distract his attention.

There is nothing so unsatisfactory as to announce that you have a secret which no indulgence can prevail upon you to reveal, and then have no one to coax you to break your resolution.

We think this is important enough to be done in zephyr and cardboard, and hung on the wall: "Nobody Likes The Man Who Knows It All."

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