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## Zimmerman's Opposition to Home Rule

Mayor Zimmerman's efforts to defeat the home rule bill will not get far, if it gets under way at all. The voters want the optional right to determine whether the majority of the citizens of Richmond are satisfied with the municipal government they have had in recent years.

His statement Monday furnishes the best proof possible for the charge of the friends of home rule that the present system leaves the people at the mercy of the politicians. No political boss wants home rule. He wants the right to reward friends with jobs and to punish enemies by discharging them, something that cannot be done under a commission or managerial form of city government, in which fitness to perform duties is the only test.

The scores of citizens who will appear at the public hearing next Thursday night will be prepared to show conclusively that a change in the form of municipal government is as badly needed as it is devoutly hoped for.

The average voter knows that even a commission or managerial form of government may fail and that it may be unable to perform at the highest point of efficiency at all times, but he also knows that few cities which have adopted it are willing to abandon it for the wasteful political system of the old regime. The weaknesses of home rule are infinitely fewer than those of the political system.

Many of the members of the general assembly have had experience with the present system and have been instructed by their constituents to vote for the Knapp measure, which will give the cities the right to choose if they want to make a change.

If the mayor makes a canvass of Richmond he also will discover that the voters are willing to take chances with the new system, tired as most of them are of the present regime.

## Stay Off the Railroad Tracks

The death of two strangers who were walking along the Pennsylvania railroad's right of way

## Good Evening

By Roy K. Moulton

An then a marriell man is used to having some lady go through his clothes. There's really nothing new about it.

"Don't tell my husband!" screamed several ladies simultaneously when pinched by the police in a gambling raid the other day. And now the husbands are all puffed up about it—to think, after all that has happened in the way of equal rights, they are still afraid of us.

ONE WOMAN'S AGE KNOWN,  
ANYHOW

She was aged 72 years, 6 months and 25 years.—Canton (Ill.) Register.

The only groundhog we know anything about is the one who crowds and jostles old ladies in the street cars.

LOOKING FORWARD

From the N. Y. American: "Every sinner is going to be punished with an overdose of his own sin. A tobacco smoker will be locked up in a den full of tobacco smoke. A chewer of the filthy weed will be immersed to his neck in a vat of tobacco juice. A drinker will pass his term of purification in a natatorium filled with beer, wine and whisky."

O death, where is thy sting?—R. G. Rich.

German scientists have made a giant searchlight with which to signal Mars. But they will not be able to learn war tricks that they have not already used.

MORE IMPROVEMENT

The officers of the Young Women's Christian association are being Painted and Put in Condition for the winter.—Kalamazoo Gazette.

A SNAPPY WEEK

Here is the program for the week at a moving picture theater:

Mondays—"The Forbidden Thing."

Tuesday—"Once to Every Woman."

Wednesday—"Half an Hour With Dorothy Dalton."

Thursday—"Something to Think About."

Friday—"Idols of Clay."

Maybe it is time to investigate the cost of investigations.

## Correct English

Don't say: He has GOT plenty of money (pleonasm).

He has GOT to go (pleonasm).

He OBTAINED possession of the land (pedantic).

He ACQUIRED a fair profit (pedantic).

He has GOTEN his just dues (obsolete).

Say: He has plenty of money.

He has to go.

He GOT possession of the land (natural).

He GOT a fair profit (natural).

He has GOT his just dues.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take GROVE'S Laxative BROMO QUININE tablets. The genuine bears the signature of E. W. Grove. (Be sure you get BROMO.) 30c.—Advertisement.

near Centerville emphasizes the danger of trespassing on railroad tracks. Many of the accidental deaths on railroad tracks are due to the carelessness and negligence of persons who use the tracks as short cuts or as highways.

A railroad track always is potentially dangerous to a pedestrian. Tracks are the paths of trains and are not designed for pedestrian purposes. The pedestrian has no right to walk on the railroad's property, and if he is injured or killed has no one to blame but himself.

Many railroads, realizing that the public is lax in its regard for personal safety, have carried on intensive campaigns of warning. They have erected signs telling pedestrians of the danger of walking on the tracks. They have published figures showing the large number of persons who have lost their lives or have been permanently disabled by ignoring the warning, and yet thousands of persons daily make a side-walk out of the tracks and needlessly jeopardize their lives.

Appalled at the number of automobile accidents on crossings, the Pennsylvania company, for instance, has instructed its crossing flagmen to take the numbers of automobiles whose drivers rush across the tracks without looking to see if a train is approaching. Then cards are mailed to violators of one of the first rules of safety.

A human life is regarded as a priceless possession, but sometimes we wonder if many persons really place any value on their lives.

## Another Good Road Record

Wayne county boasts of many qualifications that recommend it as an ideal place in which to live. Diversification of industry, splendid farm land and good marketing centers, a good school system and an excellent college, sound financial institutions, and scores of factors that are considered as vital in the appraisement of a community.

We have known for some time that our road system is superb. Motorists from many states have complimented the county on its splendid system. Now comes the compliment that Wayne county's road system ranks third in the United States, and that 15 miles of continuous concrete surface on the National road is the longest single stretch in Indiana.

Theories of road construction and maintenance have held an advanced position in this county for a number of years, owing, perhaps, to the good judgment and diligence of County Superintendent Jones. The distinction of Wayne county, acquired by its splendid system, is a compliment to his work and ideas.

## Two Minutes of Optimism

By HERMAN J. STICH

WHERE KINGS AND QUEENS ARE IN THE MAKING  
The foreign minister of Albania left Rome not long since, after an unsuccessful quest for a king.

Some time before leaving, the Albanian minister told an American newspaperman that Albania, after its previous unhappy experience with kings, would have to be rather careful in this matter of choosing its rulers.

"We should prefer an Anglo Saxon," he said, "and especially an American."

But you have no royalty. It is a great pity."

So!

No American royalty?

How came you by that misinformation, Mr. Albanian Minister?

Is it possible you haven't heard of Eddie Meyers, of Pierce county, Nebraska, U. S. A.?

Eddie Meyers calls himself "just a plain plug blacksmith"—but talk about your royalty!—He's got as good blood coursing through his veins as was ever pumped by the heart of any of the old world's most stiff-necked grandfathers.

Eddie Meyers starts work early each morning, stops at noon for lunch, and is at it again at 1 till 6 o'clock in the evening.

Title?

He comes of stock that Europe's bluest blue-bloodes cannot possibly out-rank—he is a Grand Knight of the Order of God Health and Decency. And there isn't an heiress on the face of the earth rich enough to buy either his stomach or his honor.

Each twilight of each day sees something good Eddie has accomplished, and every piece of work he turns out leaves his customer with the feeling that Eddie's reputation for thoroughness and reliability is richly deserved and his friendships and bank account royalty won.

Royalty? Why, minister alive, who or what can possibly be more royal?

After a hard day's work Eddie comes home to his palace, and my how good everything does taste and look and feel, and how inviting and comfy is the royal living room with the big chair that in a pinch will hold two and most every day does—you see, the whole establishment was fussed over and fixed up by the queen herself and it was all done for her great, big, strong, wonderful king!

Eddie's got a fine, tall son, now grown to maturity, and a regular prince! And he's got a beautiful little daughter, too who one of these days is going to be another prince's princess. And they'll both ride off, Lord and Lady of all the Universe, every inch of them as much a monarch as that of any scion of any of Europe's leading, touch-me-not dynasties.

No American royalty, did you say?

Forget it Mr. Minister, and don't pull any more such stuff about the good old U. S. A. till you've learned something about the land of the free and the home of the brave.

And, Mr. Minister, let's whisper in your ear, we neglected to say that Eddie Meyers and his wife are only two of a few million American kings and queens who don't weigh themselves down with gold braid and secret service men.

Right here is the place where kings and queens are in the making—on a scale you never dreamed was possible—they just grow indigenous—it's in the climate, in the soil, yes, in the blood—and you can find kings and queens, as many of them as you want, scattered in America's every nook, corner and cranny.

It's So rich in cream—and it saves money!

mrs. Shady

Don't neglect that cold! Every hour of delay is dangerous. Influenza—pneumonia—bronchitis—sore-throat—all are results of colds. They weaken the system—breakdown resistance—leave you open to disease.

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## Answers to Questions

READER—Did some of the states ever try to introduce "moonlight schools"?—The plan of "Moonlight" schools to combat illiteracy among adults in the mountains of Kentucky, North Carolina and other states, was the idea of Mrs. Cora W. Stewart of Kentucky. It was in 1911 that she tried the experiment in Kentucky. It was watched eagerly and imitated in other states, particularly North Carolina where county superintendents in 1914 agreed to organize "Moonlight" schools wherever possible. After an auspicious beginning in 1914 the war and the influenza epidemics caused setbacks in the movement. An active campaign now is being carried on. The system seeks not merely to teach reading, writing and arithmetic, but to foster community spirit and teach health and thrift.

Subscriber—What are the dates of the Russo-Japanese War?—It began in 1904 and ended in Jan., 1905.

R. B. M.—Was George Walton a signer of the Declaration of Independence?—He was.

Readers may obtain answer to questions by writing the Palladium and Sun-Telegram. All questions should be written plainly and briefly. Answers will be given briefly.

## Who's Who in the Day's News

The problems attendant with resuming direction of the great railroad systems of the country, released from government control, brings the guiding heads of these roads into prominence these days. Samuel Rea is one of these men. Hollidaysburg, Pa., is not at all the cheerful place that its name implies.

For a boy born on a farm near that hamlet, life did not loom much in the way of \$75,000 a year, but to Samuel Rea came a vision of the world beyond. He was clerk in a country store when he heard strange stories of a railroad survey, which led him to apply for a place as a rodman. It does not require a high order of brains to carry and hold a colored staff for others to sight at through the theodolite, and some men stay in the occupation of acting as a lay figure for years.

To Samuel Rea appeared the possibilities of the great railroad system, and out of the engineering department of the Pennsylvania he proceeded by steady strides to the head of the entire corporation. He was for a time in the employ of the Baltimore and Ohio, but it did not take the Pennsylvania long to realize that he was too valuable to be away from the organization which initiated him.

As a superintendent of bridge construction and creator of road beds and embankments he followed out the best traditions of engineering. His hold on the art of railroading, however, was due to his ability to see big things far ahead.

His supervision of the work of construction of the Pennsylvania's tunnel under the Hudson and the East rivers, and of the monumental and classic pile known as the Pennsylvania station brought him the degree of Doctor of Science from the University of Pennsylvania when his giant task was done. Rea was born September 21, 1865.

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He is full of high resolves, you know, our confidence to earn; he'd make the wheels of commerce go, as all good wheels should turn, and put the lid on every woe, and give us joy to burn. And if we all stood at his back, to help as best we might, to share the burden he must pack, and cheer him day and night, he might enjoy that old white shack and think his

high place.

I would not envy Warren G. his task I would not share; I have no presidential bee, I want no White House chair, for all it brings, as he will see, is plain and fancy care. He's full of high resolves, you know, our confidence to earn; he'd make the wheels of commerce go, as all good wheels should turn, and put the lid on every woe, and give us joy to burn. And if we all stood at his back, to help as best we might, to share the burden he must pack, and cheer him day and night, he might enjoy that old white shack and think his

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