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Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 21.—Here is a plan that should cause joy in the hearts of bashful young men who haven't been able to muster up nerve enough to "pop the question" to the girl of their choice.

Take the girl on an unsuspecting visit to the laboratory of the psychological clinic of the University of Pennsylvania, which is directed by Dr. Lightner Witmer, head of the department of psychology. Then have her place her hand in a machine which will notice is labeled a "phthymograph" or "phymograph," and step into an adjoining room to await developments.

While her hand rests easily in the machine, some one whispers in an audible voice your name, "George," "Reginald," or what it might be, and you keep your eye on the indicator. The machine will do the work, and you can take the word of some of the psychologists who have been experimenting with it as to the absolute authenticity of this statement.

What the machine does is to register on a piece of paper a distinct line, which designates with precise correctness the very emotions the mention of your name to the girl has caused her to experience.

If the line sinks despairingly downward toward the bottom of the paper, take it from the "proposal machine" that your stock is rather low and you had better seize upon a confidential tip on paper and continue to press your suit a time longer.

If, however, the line fairly leaps toward the top of the paper everything is all right and you ought to rush into the room where the girl is seated, draw her to your breast and say: "Well, tell me, why didn't I think of this long ago?"

Before going into the details of how this "phthymograph" works out in actual practice, some idea ought to be given of the mechanical construction. In the first place there is a small metal cylinder on the inside of which is a rubber lining which fits the hand like a glove. It is into this rubber glove the girl inserts her hand.

The space between the glove and the cylinder is filled with water, and on the top of the cylinder is a tube that acts as a gauge, showing a contraction or an expansion of the girl's hand. As the hand contracts the water falls in the tube. At the same time a like effect is caused in a long-

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er rubber hose which is attached to the upright metal tube and passes through the partition into the adjoining room. Connected with the hose is a sort of piston-like apparatus, tipped with a rubber diaphragm, at the end of which is a lever which registers the contractions or expansions on the paper.

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Donned in a pair of blue jeans, a little the worse for wear, though fitting as snug as a kid glove on the shapely hand of the father sex, hammer in hand, coat a little short for a rainy day and hardly up to the present standard of fashion, a broad smile reaching from ear to ear, Senator Albert Abraham was spotted "moseying" up the main thoroughfare of the city today. At first impression one would have been lead to believe that the disseminator of the theories of Blackstone was on a "knocking" expedition, so conspicuous was his implement of war—a hammer—displayed to the peace and dignity of the unsuspecting public. He had no time for social converse, all friends—and enemies, too—had been cast to the winds.

When approached by a News representative to ascertain, if possible, why this air of importance and the cause of appearing on the paved streets of Roseburg garbed in a regalia more fit for a member of the carpenter's union no satisfactory explanation was given to the news gatherer. In fact, the Senator looked upon the "pencil pusher" as a man of insignificance to one like himself bent on some mission the exactness of which was a loss to the newspaper man. At first thought the latter decided to turn in a fire alarm, but after calming himself, decided to watch the route outlined by the would-be assassin of some delinquent client. Going up the street, without touching a lamp post, and barely rubbing the high places in the sidewalk, when the senator reached the Odd Fellows Temple he turned to the left, still holding steadfast to his hammer, no coat tail in the air, for this part of his raiment was made when coats were trimmed to the top notch, he gained in speed. The News man was "winded" at the first half but followed on. As the senator reached a spot about half way between Cass and Lane going north on Main he again made a sudden "shoot" to the left.

All was lost sight of for just a moment and when the News representative, completely fagged out by the trying ordeal, reached the large building being erected at the above particular spot by the Roseburg Ministerial Association, lo, and behold, with hammer in hand, perspiration flowing from his brow like an Oregon mist breaking over Mt. Nebo, the Senator was perched on a high scaffold driving spikes that looked—to him—like they were a foot long.

The newspaper representative gazed at him for only a moment when Contractor Clements cried out, "There's a fellow who looks like he wanted to be drafted in. Catch him!" At this uncalled for salute the News man made his exit, not looking for anything to do outside of his regular duty, and left the Senator, who only a few hours before had been commanded to appear at the tabernacle for duty immediately after finishing his noon day meal.

Those in charge of the building are no respecters of person or profession and you may be commanded at any time to put on your apron and join the army of workers who serve without pay—from the man below. So beware.

Among those who are "doing time"—and actually working—today on the structure are H. B. Church, Senator Abraham, B. W. Strong and Rev. Jas. K. Hawkins, aside from the regular corps of steady carpenters.

A busy scene presents itself at the new building, which is being prepared to accommodate the public during the revivals to be conducted by Evangelist Reed the first week in February.

When complete the building will have a seating capacity of 1300 persons and room for a choir of 300.

C. E. Rieker and wife returned to Gardiner this morning after spending a few days in the city, the former in attendance at circuit court and the latter visiting friends.

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Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

ANNUAL SPASM.

THE New Year's resolution Will shortly be on deck. When man will sign a paper To save him from the wreck. When he will gladly promise His habits to amend. And all his small shortcomings To Halifax to send.

Then by his stubby whiskers Most loudly he will swear That he will quit his meanness And soon a halo wear. That he will cut out capers That lead but to disgrace And be from that time forward A credit to the place.

With patent resolutions He'll put away the past And in the fiery furnace His awful habits cast. To all things low and naughty Securely tie a can. Give doubtful chums the go-by And henceforth be a man.

Yes, these are his intentions, And let us hope he may Be able to fulfill them And mend his crooked way. We know that all the chances For winning out are shy, But that's no blooming reason Why he should cease to try.

Mean Thing.

"If the men would only listen to their wives!"
"They would do a great deal better, wouldn't they?"
"Well, that isn't exactly what I was going to say."
"Wasn't it?"
"No."
"What were you about to say?"
"I was about to say that if the men would only listen to their wives they would be compelled to apply for a pension for the support of their families as their time would be fully occupied with holding their job of listening."

No Chance For Gossip.

"I saw Brown kiss a married woman last night."
"You did?"
"Fact."
"Wonder what her husband will do to him?"
"Treat him well, no doubt."
"What?"
"Yes, you see, Brown is her husband."

Made It Expensive.

"This house was to cost but \$1,000."
"Yes," said the contractor blandly. "But the bills are for \$2,000."
"Well, your wife was on the job all of the time and made us live up to specifications."

Naturally.

"The best is none too good for me."
"Is that so?"
"You bet!"
"Then I suppose you git a plenty while you are gittin'?"



Ready For Engagement.

"See is a big gun among the suffragettes."
"I notice she keeps her powder dry."

Protection.

"Can't you write plainer than that?"
"Sure."
"Why don't you, then?"
"My correspondents might get on to my spelling."

An Expert.

"Pa, what is a broker?"
"Ask your Uncle George."
"Does he know?"
"He ought to. He went broke on them."

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

A good graft never likes to be exposed to the idle gaze of the curious. It is a timid and shrinking thing, best pleased when out of sight.

The successful person is the one who can give a quick and correct guess as to the special brand of flattery necessary to be used at the specific moment.

There is absolutely no use in finding fault unless you know exactly what you are going to do to dispose of it after you have found it.

Any one would be a curious individual if he were to do the things to develop character that his anxious friends are desirous of having him do.

An optimistic man is one to whom his own cabbages look altogether as beautiful, charming, fragrant and desirable as his neighbor's roses.

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