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FLOPPING OVERSHOES

If women and girls wear short skirts, they are denounced for shameless immodesty. And if they have longer skirts, then they are denounced for their folly in swathing themselves in encumbering clothing. What ever they do, they get it going and coming. There are many men who should keep their eyes on the women less and on their work a good deal more. Nevertheless, from time to time, certain styles and customs find vogue among both men and women, that are symptomatic of character. Such habits can hardly escape comment. Such a custom has been the funny fad affected by girls of college and school age in many places, of wearing unbuckled overshoes. These flop in the breezes and make a pretty young girl coming down the street look like an awkward walrus. Such a detail may seem too unimportant to attract notice. Yet it is significant. It is thought to have been started in the free and easy life of college campuses, where the girls hurry for class rooms and chapel, and grabbed for their clothes in the quickest way. But when a girl goes out on the street in that way, the effect gives an air of slackness and slovenliness. More likely the girls practice this habit because they have conceived the notion that it is smart. If so, it indicates that they are swayed by fads of extreme silliness, which probably do not meet the approval of their parents. The girls of today are pelted with so much criticism that they get hardened to it. But they might as well realize that when they do go in for a silly custom, they throw a blight over their own attractiveness, and make themselves seem less desirable to all intelligent people.

There is complaint in many localities about the tremendous weights carried on motor trucks, to the damage of the highway surfaces over which they travel. The state of Maryland has found out how to deal with this condition. It has a law regulating weights that can be carried on such trucks, and it sends out inspectors who enforce it. These inspectors carry a small weighing device that can be loaded into a light touring car. The first day they went out they had obtained evidence leading to 60 convictions. But after they had been at it four weeks, they found no violation of the law. They do not believe that a hundredth of one per cent of the motor vehicles of the state are now carrying overloads. Such careful regulation must do a great deal to save highways from damage.



Dear Folks:—
 Within the month I've met a man whose heart is true as steel, a man who looks you in the eye and somehow makes you feel as though you'd like to trust him with your pocket book or life, and when he took me to his home and said "This is my wife" I saw his face light up with pride, with love both strong and true that seemed to say "Here is mate, my pal and comrade, too."
 What joy, thought I, to live a life so wholesome, good and sweet and so I said "I'm going to learn the secret of friend Pete. Just why he has so many friends who like to have him 'round, and what's the magic in his smile and what's the magic in his smile and voice that's always bound to make you feel so much at ease and glad you're where you are, for Pete is not a wealthy man, by that I mean so far as having things material with which to draw a crowd. In fact it's folks who have the means to make a noise that's loud who seem to want him near at hand when something's to be done that may be full of business or that may be full of fun.
 I found he used the Golden Rule in weather dark or fair, and that he never made a move not strictly on the square. That's all, and yet I wonder if anything can beat the combination of the two that made a man like Pete.

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PRUNE PICKIN'S

BY BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING, FOLKS
 If a few of the folks who are so prone to criticize their neighbors would only stand off a few paces and give themselves the once-over perhaps they'd realize that a few flaws exist in their own make-up.

Yistiddy we noticed a bunch of the high school damsel wearing green ribbons in their hair which was quite becomin' to a few of 'em.

HOW COULD YOU, EDMOND?

Dear Ed. of Prunes:
 The only girl I ever loved was one of those old-fashioned girls with blond, wavy, coal-black hair and fiery light blue eyes. She was of medium height, tall and inclined to be rather short. She enjoyed home life above everything and spent most of her time in ballrooms and cabarets. She was always thrifty and tried to spend every cent of her allowance the day it came. We were getting ready to be married, and everything was going along fine until I asked her, "Darling, can you play the piano?" She answered, "I don't know, Lovey, I never tried." Well, after that, I decided I just couldn't spoil her career.

EDMOND.

As we entered the postoffice today we saw a feller trip and fall down. He jumped up and looked around to see if anyone was looking and when he noticed us he blushed profusely. Don't worry when you stumble. Remember a worm is about the only thing that can't fall down.

The magician at the high school pulled a bottle of hooch out of Dean Gubar's coat and Dean, who by the way is an oculist, is having his eyes examined today to find out why he didn't find it first.

Boss (to stenographer)—How do you spell "income"? You've got it "i-n-c-o-m-e."

Stenographer—Good heavens! How did I come to leave out the "b"?

If you have ceased to smile, you have lost out in the game of life, no matter what your account may be.—Forbes Magazine.

BEWARE!

When the rain's mashing is stewing and the worm is in the still, there's a pile of gravel waiting in the graveyard on the hill.

Kindness will win any dog, whether he has four legs or two.

When you see two fellows in the front seat and two girls in the back seat, they are married or they are relations.

DUMBBELL DORA THINKS

Jonah is the Prince of Wales.

Troubles never come singly. They always bring Mrs. Trouble and all the little ones.

After our colyum of yesterday we will have to stay home after dark.

Yes, Jack, a woman can sharpen a lead pencil as quick as a man can thread a needle.

About all the average fat man knows about Dr. Cause is that as one grows fatter and fatter, day by day, telephone booths grow tighter and tighter.

A professor says that the heavy shell-rim style of glasses is borrowed from the Chinese. We thought it was borrowed from Col. Harvey.

The inmates of a home where there are small children are never startled by the noise of a window shade suddenly flying to the top.

CUCKOO HAS THE FLU

Little Ethel had spent the day at her aunt's and had been much interested in the new cuckoo clock. Telling her father about it that evening, she cried excitedly: "Oh, daddy! Auntie has a new clock and every little while there's a bird comes out and sneezes!"

"School Geographies Are Absolute," says a newspaper heading. Likewise spellers and arithmetic, it seems.

Wonder if Chaplin and Negri got the sanction of Hays.

No woman is ever so satisfied with herself that she doesn't worry over what the neighbors think of her.

TRUTH VS. FICTION

I used to read Nick Carter when I hungared for a thrill, Or Deadwood Dick could do the trick—give me a spinal chill! But they are merely Mother Goose, when all is said and done, If you stack 'em up against the crime the daily papers run.

Besides—if I remember—Nick Carter cost a dime, And Deadwood Dick, not half so thick, supplied but half the crime, For two cents I can get more blood and thunder than they spun, And so I read the murder-stuff the daily papers run.

Man's wife in Hegewisch telephoned for him to come home to supper. He started home by way of Canton, China, and did not reach Hegewisch for nine years. His wife had married somebody else, but, worst of all, his supper was all cold.

Some fellows look like they don't feel at home in a dress suit.

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STATE PRESS COMMENTS

THE PEOPLE ARE WITH HIM

Senator Staples is making a gallant and almost single-handed fight in the senate to curtail petty graft as reflected in the employment of unnecessary legislative clerks, employes and hangers-on and because he is sincerely seeking to stop the needless waste of taxpayers' funds in a legislature elected upon pledges of economy, he is made the target for vindictive personal attacks presumably as a warning to deter others from attempting to eliminate the perquisites of the privileged few.

The organization spokesmen attempt to defend the employment of these superfluous supernumeraries on the ground that previous legislatures indulged in similar abuses, and herefore because the graft has been a progressive one, gaining momentum with each session, it should not be interfered with. As a matter of fact, every defense made in the line of an excuse or palliation, instead of a valid reason, and these representatives of the people, who before election promised to cut public expenditures to the quick, have not the slightest intention of fulfilling their promises—as far as it interferes with their own patronage.

Instead of honestly attempting to remedy abuses, the organization members are seriously considering adding to them and the proposal is favored by many of the present organization leaders adding mileage to the clerks and stenographers pay. This additional emolument would enable all the legislators to bring wives and families, relatives and friends at a profit from distant sections to Salem for the session at state expense, as well as to keep them on an overtime per diem basis, after they reach the capital. Another year, it is declared, this provision will obtain, provided the present organization leaders have their say.

Everybody, including members of the legislature, knows that the sessions clerical work could be satisfactorily and efficiently performed with a third of the present number of employes, that there is no necessity of clerks for committees that rarely or never meet, or of stenographers for members that only write a few letters during the session, yet when Representative McMahan of Marion declared that he would put up a satisfactory bond to do all the clerical work for the lower house, efficiently and satisfactorily, for \$2,200 and declared he would make a handsome profit on it, too, he was very promptly squelched, for he was infringing on the divine right of legislators to petty graft.

So it is with Senator Staples as he sees "the hosts of sin advancing, Satan leading on." He is offending the powers that be, to whom public office is not so much a public trust as a private snap, and while the taxpayers wish him well, he is fighting a hopeless battle, for the "purification of politics" remains an iridescent dream.—Salem Capital Journal.

TRAFFIC MUST MAINTAIN ROADS

Two principles of practice are being established in permanent highway construction, says the Manufacturer. The pavement must have a renewable, non-jarring, non-crumbly wearing surface, and the highway, once built at general expense, must be maintained by the users.

John S. Craven of Pasadena, Cal., chairman of the highways transport

MICKIE SAYS—

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committee of the national council of defense, addressing a national convention of motor truck sales managers, said: "To build roads without adequate provision for maintenance is an economic waste." He also said:

"It might be taken as a fair working basis that in the future the maintenance charge should be imposed on the traffic. If at the end of the retirement period for bonds our roads were still good we would have gained that much; and if they were not, we would at least have free credit with which

we might build again." Road maintenance, which means keeping up a good, easy-riding, non-jarring, replaceable wearing surface, should be at the expense of the users. It is folly to lay a type of pavement the wearing surface of which cannot be renewed from time to time, according to traffic needs.

A district can be bonded once to build a hard-surface pavement, but if it wears out, or is pounded to pieces by heavy traffic, for lack of a good wearing surface, the same district will

not vote bonds again. For the all permanent highways built with renewable cushion type wearing surface and Tidings.

MASQUERADE DANCE

Oregon Rose Lodge invites members of the Big 4, and the ladies and families to a masquerade dancing party, Friday, Feb. 9, 8 o'clock, at Maccabee Hall on the Umpqua River. Committee

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