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Sex Line in Juries. Apparently sex equality has some distance to go before it is complete.

Men and women may be equal before the law, but they are not equal in the jury box. The same law that gives the sexes an equal chance to sit as jurors in judgment on their peers leaves a loophole through which women's new right may be annulled.

This is shown in a famous Ohio murder case in which the defendant was a woman, and in which the defense has barred women from the jury on the ground that women are not likely to be as fair to an accused woman as men will be.

The defense was able to accomplish this remarkable bit of sex discrimination by virtue of the right of "peremptory challenge." Each side is allowed 16 such challenges. After exhausting all of its devices to bar women from the jury through individual objections, the defense was able, by this method, to make a clean sweep of women not objectionable for any statutory reason.

This, however, is a kind of discrimination which can be applied by both sides. It is pointed out that in a case like the one referred to, the prosecution has just as much right to bar men from the jury as the defense has to bar women.

Exclusive Education. An American college student, who was born in Germany and served in the American Expeditionary Force, went to Germany after the war with the intention of completing his education there.

His experiences at the University of Rostock were typical. He consulted one of the professors there and explained that he merely wanted a chance to attend classes, paying his expenses with whatever work he could get around town.

No American university ever felt disgraced by the fact that a poor and ambitious young man wanted to do manual work to get an education. Working one's way through is the usual process in this country, rather than otherwise.

There will be no real democracy in Germany until there is democracy in its schools.

Secretary Hoover says business is turning the corner because people are settling down to work in earnest. There's this much truth in it, at least: Those who have settled down to work are turning the corner.

"Hell-and-Maria" Duves made all the cabinet members stand up and pledge themselves when they hesitated about his budget plans. And now, from all accounts, he's making them stand around and hump themselves.

The trouble with that bonus is that, as matters stand, it looks more like an indemnity.

With China invited, the United States is sure to have one loyal friend at the disarmament conference.

THE OFFICE CAT



By JUNIUS

Sign in Photographer's Window "Your baby Enlarged, Tinted and Framed \$8.75"

Town Marshall—"You can't hit her!" Driver of wagon—"Why not?" The sign says "Fine For Hitching."

Isn't They Shockin' (Dictographed at Elm and Adams yesterday)

"Gee, ain't these tight skirts the buggs, Mary. Some bird dern near blucked me in the ribs with a Tivver when I breezed across the lane a moment ago. You know, Mary, I kinda hunch that they's kinda shockin'—piper those ginks, over those by Scramton's lookin' as over. Hope they lose their sight. Then, too, these high curbs give me a chill. Well, Mary, here comes Dick. So long, Mary. Say, tell me if that good looking fellow there by the lamp post watches me get on, will you? See you tomorrow."

Limerick (Limerick Lou)

There was a young man from Fort Wayne, Who had a gay girl, Mary Jane; He did not long tarry, But asked her to marry, And now she gives him a pain.

Yes, But How the Heck were they at 12:30?

(Norwood Christian) Abe Corey will tell of his trip to France and of conditions there as he found them at 7:30.

We can't understand how it is the \$15.00 clerk manages to dress better than the \$60.00 a week boss.

The Merry Autoist "I love to ride around each day, And take my friends," said Breen,

"And then stop at some dump and pay Six bucks for gasoline."

What Ya' Kicking About? You're Lucky

(L. E. Claypool in Ind. Daily Times) Somewhere in this no mean city of Indianapolis some other gentleman is wearing a suit of the editor's B. V. D's. He sent 'em to the laundry and the laundry lost 'em. Free writeup in the col. for their return and no questions asked.

You don't know how lucky you are. Here's what we have lost thru the laundry during the month of June.

- 1 handkerchief, 3 socks, 1-2 suit pajamas, 1 ruff beezedee's (Adv.) 5 collars, Tail off one shirt.

This Bathing in Public is So Humiliating (From a classified ad in the Indiana Daily Times)

WANTED—Bachelor wants to rent small apartment. Must have private bath. Address E, 176 care office.

Life's Little Tragedies Trying to borrow lunch money around a newspaper sanctum the day before the ghost walks.

Attention Married Men It is all right to know a good thing when you see it, but you should know enough to let it alone when it doesn't belong to you.

Oh, We're Tough

There are about eight or ten leaks in the pipe line, caused by blue vitrol having been placed in the water to get rid of the algae growing in the reservoir. A minute quantity of this in the water is sufficient to rot through steel pipes. Mr. Garrett declared, although there is no danger to human beings from these small quantities of vitrol carried in the water.—Story from Saturday's Observer.

P. S.—We have often been in doubt as to whether we are human beings or not, but now we know.

On School House Lawn Miss Kewpie: "Why so pensive, Pepper?"

Mr. Pepper: "I was thinking of sentimental things, how nice it would be if we were married and lived happily ever afterward." Kewpie: "Ask me."

Congressmen say they are getting sore at all the criticism heaped on them. There's a simple way to stop it—just get busy and do what they were sent to Washington for.

FORUM

MR. GLENN MAX BUFFERS

MT. GLENN, July 20 (To the Editor)—I noticed in an article which appeared in your valuable paper, dated July 11, that "Oil hopes of Mt. Glenn are dashed to pieces." No such thing as that has happened.

It is true that samples of water were given to Mr. Francis Gramer to be analyzed but we were later told by his father that the young man did not understand the process correctly. We do know that men of high standing and experience have investigated the Mt. Glenn prospects and according to these men the oil indications were no better in the oil-producing states of Texas and Oklahoma than right here; some of them claim there is more indication here than in some of the other oil states.

At the same time there is just as much reason to believe that there is oil to be discovered in the Grande Ronde valley as in any other state. Already there is drilling going on in Medford and it has been reported that a flow of oil has been struck although that is not to be relied upon as a fact, as the news varies considerably. It is certainly nothing unreasonable to think that Oregon will yet be one of the big oil producing states of the Union. Only time will tell.

Experts from various oil states are expected here soon and this will undoubtedly determine the whole proposition. But we must expect knockouts on every hand and in every enterprise that is undertaken. Even if an oil well should start here someone will be knocking. So the people of this vicinity are not discouraged, neither are their hopes dashed to pieces.

MT. GLENN CITIZEN.

'Round The County

Incidents with Human Interest Attached, Gathered by The Observer.

North Powder Mill Famous

Industrial history of Union county does not, by any means, originate in La Grande. Six years after the first permanent home was established at Old La Grande, a flour mill that was crude in comparison with today's modern outfits, but nevertheless able to make good flour, was built at North Powder. The brand of flour manufactured there was of such a quality that its fame reached far away Port Boise, and for several years the early-day stages that trekked the Oregon Trail, hauled Boise valley wheat to North Powder to be exchanged for North Powder flour.

An old timer of this county, Mr.

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