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Marriage a Failure

Marriage is a failure. That's final. Decision by Judge Ben B. Lindsey, who presides over the children's court in Denver. Children may be seen but not heard. There is no talking back in Judge Lindsey's court. That's how he got the habit of saying so much and believing it. It accounts for his positiveness on the failure of marriage. Not only is it a failure, but "as a social institution it has failed miserably." There's nothing like disposing of a case when you tackle one.

Still, there may be some dissent from the opinion of this oracle, notwithstanding the judge waved a wad of statistics gathered in Denver and declared they proved everything in vain. In the year ended December 15, marriage licenses were granted in Denver to the number of 3,000; in the same period 1,300 divorce petitions were filed. Furthermore there were 1,500 non-support and separation cases and lots of separations that did not get into any record. "You can see that means one separation for every marriage!" To make a simple game as the science of arithmetic been twisted for the benefit of infantile minds that are the customary concern of Lindsey.

The world has been hearing stuff of this sort for quite a long time. There is no answering it. Society is being wrecked and doing nothing simply because nothing can be done. "When an institution that is absolutely right creates a thing that is absolutely wrong you can't escape the reaction." Judge Lindsey makes things beautifully plain, does he not? That for marriage! "Divorce and separation are absolutely necessary until the conditions that cause them are corrected." And that's as easy as settling a scrap between boys over the ownership of a dog. "We simply have to psycho-analyze our social life and our conventions." There! Go to it.

The housing shortage is more acute than ever. Isn't it odd, though, to find so many people living that way? Whether in a great city or in sparsely settled places one cannot escape that happily married. The marriage license clerks are merely idle. And some ministers perform so many marriage that it almost is a scandal. Judge Lindsey might have given his death.

Smartest

It seems that every generation has to learn a little old lessons for itself. Well, it certainly is more comforting that way than another. The Junior College of Detroit has just made some tests, and learned what it would seem almost everybody might to have known already—that girls are smarter than boys.

These students will learn many things between Now and Then, but if the boys in the Detroit Junior College have firmly annexed the idea that girls are smarter than boys they are already equipped with a strong weapon. No man who ever amounted to anything did it without some woman's help, and not many of those same men ever gave the woman credit for it, either.

There is one good old heavy pastime in which boys and girls engage, and in former days it was known as courting. An occasional slush might infer—they were poetically called Young Lochinvars in those times—who could turn the hearts of all the mamifolk. But whichever girl really and truly set her heart upon him brought him to his knees, sure as fodder. And as for the majority of the young fellows who dressed up in stiff shirts on Sundays and wore tight shoes to the dances, they were just putty on the hands of every girl they met.

The weaker sex? Bah, the dreamier sex! Ask the boys of the Detroit Junior College! Ask the boys of any high school, for that matter.

Man and Monkey

And again evolution is under fire, directed from the campaign of self-called religious orthodoxy. The chief count against science for tracing man's origin back to monkeys or some other creature other than human is that it is inconsistent with the concept of the race as Godfearing. But to the unbiased student this view is inconsistent. God could fashion man by evolution through the ages and finally mold him in His image and be as much his Creator as though He had made him in a day by stamping clay with His hands. And man, so evolved, would be as much His child as though he had been fashioned in accord with biblical narrative, sanctioned literally.

All this gabble over the revolutionary development of man goes to those who must cling to the sole text of the theory of creation. If science can prove that man is descended from some creature of the wilds, it must be accepted as consistent with true religion, for religion would not be worthy of consideration if it should cling to a theory that had been proved false. But the descent of man from monkey is not proved, nor is any theory of the descent. Hence the burden is upon science and religion.

Income Tax Facts

INCOME TAX FACTS
By Clyde G. Huntley
Collector.

Every unmarried man who is the head of a family and who has a net income of $1,000, or more, during 1922 must file a return in the office of Clyde G. Huntley, Collector of Internal Revenue, although he is entitled to the same exemption of $2,500 allowed married persons, providing his net income does not exceed $5,000. The head of a family under the law is defined as a person who supports in one household one or more relatives by blood, marriage or adoption.

The federal income tax law requires that every person who had a gross income of $5,000 or more for 1922 must file a return regardless of whether or not he has any taxable net income.

The law requires that a married person living with husband or wife, in order to claim the exemption of $2,500 and credit for each dependent, must file a return if the net income of husband and wife combined is in excess of $5,000, or if either has a gross income of $1,000 or more. The husband or wife is entitled to the exemption under the law if he or she is a citizen of the United States, husband or wife, $2,500, unless the net income is in excess of $5,000, in which case the exemption is only $1,000. The exemption under the law of $2,500 is allowable if not capable of self-support, $400 if head of family under the law is defined as a person who supports in one household one or more relatives by blood, marriage or adoption.

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Have you filed your 1922 income tax return? Better be sure before March 15 or you will be liable to heavy penalties.

Mark the date on your calendar—March 15. It is the last day for filing income tax returns.

Failure to file your income tax return on or before March 15 renders you liable to heavy penalties.

BRIEF PUNCHES

Toledo Blade: A lightning rod is a thing that conducts the air the matter.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: Philadelphia arrests a man Stokes for stealing machine covers from the streets. Other should not permit thieves to secure machine covers out of sight.

Detroit News: If the war department is still giving orders concerning Detroit could we use of the big guns for starter.

Springfield Illinois State Journal: When a woman does her husband a wonderful turn people forget that the law is only opened by marriage.

THE OFFICE CAT

WHO Jacky Be the Next

All our other movie idols having fallen we await with dread the dispatch from Hollywood which will inform us Jacky Kogan is a fallen star.

The Lord loveth a cheerful liver.

TAKE DOC'S ADVICE

Nothing alone won't cure you clean. According to Doctor Crane. So I guess I'll have to lay a club. Made big enough for 1923.

A Gentle Intercession

"Asks $150,000 Heart Balm" headline. This some dear seems to be quite an expensive intercession.

A longhorn was presented to a certain stone hall for a new building in San Francisco the other day. Then with congenital cussedness Mr. Bease who is corner stone needed.

No more man ever feels as hard boiled as a small boy when he has learned to spit through the teeth.

Topeka Kansas has some nerve. It realized that telephones and one of the editors rumor that he can no longer hear the operator will hear "Directory."

Some of the young ladies now going on the street look like they have just puff out of their mountain lotion and powder their noses in the glass of a showwindow.

Bernhardt is to sail in a sling. The Four Horsemen are reporting the arrangement. I am not in. I am just tired. Why adorn anything?

STILL SHORT SHOTS

Notwithstanding he has been dry, cleaned, combed, scrubbed, disinfected and aired there Arbuckle still smells as though the trial was bloodless. Hear the question of the heavy table cloths from Utah.

It may be that the senate tax is making a nation of liars, but it looks like we did before income taxes were shown.

No one getting off excited because somebody tells you to go to hell. You don't have to go unless you want to.

Draw Your Own Conclusion

If Diogenes were to come to life and prowl around the streets with his lantern he would probably be thought to be a bootlegger.

Perhaps senator Couzens reaction otherwise is Detroit will do of some benefit in the efforts to keep the senate on the right track.

A scientist has discovered a way of showing the movie in the light. Now if someone will make talkies, "We will know who gets the personal."

Inside Home Remedy

Between the settlement of the high life officers and the bootlegger in the Tennessee mine there are things out of joy. However, it seems that if any of them are to be saved he should go to jail and be a overhead.

Cheaper Merchandise--Yes; But None Less Expensive

Surely you can buy cheaper merchandise. But what will it look like a month or two months after you have purchased it? Here's the point—you must consider three things when buying—quality, style and price.

Our buyers follow that rule, because merchandise that has not both quality and style is expensive at any price. In other words, true economy demands that you buy where you are assured of really good merchandise at the price you care to pay.

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Editorials From Over the Nation

WORKING OUT THE DRAMA

Kansas City Star: Now and then there is an astounding instance of human progress which makes people afraid of the future. For example, it is not unusual to believe nothing is accomplished in America and in other lands, and still attempts to crush the evil through action of the federal courts can interrupt permanently a condition only after the strongest kind of effort has to be made. The problem of the prohibition of the traffic is to be considered, in just about one month of an evil as old as the Mayflower years ago.

That something has to be done is the opinion of 100 Thousand men.

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