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AND WILL BE A FATHER UNTO YOU, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.—II Corinthians 6:18.

## OUT OUR WAY

By WILLIAMS



**OFFICE CAT**  
By Junius

If selling a suit of clothes to a man who came in intending to buy a collar button is super-salesmanship, then what is making a man give you a wedding ring when he only intended to give you a kiss?

A boy's idea of a sassy is another boy who takes piano lessons instead of trying to make a place on the ball team.

Mother Goose and Father Goose are a couple who don't know where daughter is after nine o'clock.

**LATEST SONG HIT**  
"I didn't raise my boy to live on ketchup cooking."

A married man with a radio frequently has two loud speakers on his hands.

**P-X-Y-O-Q**  
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P O E T

Oculist, (pointing to sign lettered as above) — Can you read that?  
Patient — Yes, but darned if I can pronounce it.

A village is a place where they take up a collection to hire a pitcher to beat another village.

A skirt is a garment which is always too short, too tight, too long, or too something.

Nothing like a good night's sleep for changing one's perspective.

Just because the girl laugh at your remarks is no sign that you are funny. Perhaps they have pretty teeth.

It is amazing how many people there are who simply want to get in the way.

A woman walked into a store and said to the clerk: "I want a small comb about as long for a skittle ball man with celluloid teeth."

Many are prepared to die — but few to live.

Get together the who presses a button and tells somebody else to go get it.

Another thing an experienced



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## Steel Magnate Willing To Take Miners' Risks

SEATTLE (AP)—Nathan Eckstein, a Seattle business leader, told a story when the National Foreign Trade Council met here to illustrate the character of James A. Farrell, president of the council. Mr. Farrell, who was a laborer in steel mills at New Haven and then at Pittsburgh, is president of the United States Steel Corporation.

Visiting a coal mine on a tour of his company's properties, Farrell was told at one shaft, ran the tale, that he must not go inside because gas conditions were bad.

"Are there men working in the mine?" he asked.

Answered affirmatively Mr. Farrell remarked:

"If it's safe enough for the men, it's safe enough for me."

Soon orders were received for improvements. Mr. Farrell having made a thorough inspection and gone on his way.

## It Started Something

"I have not said anything to you, but have been saying to others and have induced many to take your medicine and be convinced. May's Wonderful Remedy is correctly named. It removed stuff from me I never thought could be in a human being and I feel like a different person. The pain in my right side disappeared at once, which four doctors said would require an operation; also the bloating and indigestion." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. At all druggists.—Adv.

## DREAM CASTLE IS DESERTED

PASADENA, Cal. (AP)—Except for the halting footsteps of an aged caretaker, Castle Rosamond, the dream of Baroness Rosa von Zimmerman, stands silent and deserted in the quiet of the hills near here.

The baroness and her husband came to America nearly 14 years ago. A dream which she had been harboring for a long time became a reality in 1917 with the completion of Castle Rosamond, which with its 40 rooms and huge baronial hall is said to have cost \$1,000,000. Baroness von Zimmerman died April 26, 1917, and shortly after the United States entered the World War, the property was seized by and still is in the hands of the alien property custodian.

Baroness von Zimmerman was born March 12, 1860, in Gnadentz, Germany, the daughter of a wealthy brewer. She married Baron von Zimmerman, manufacturer of munitions, when a young woman. Later her father died leaving her a vast estate and an annual income from Russian railroad securities, which became worthless when the czarist government of Russia was overthrown.

A large portion of her estate, valued at \$2,000,000, was bequeathed to three sisters then living in Germany. To an adopted daughter, little Beatrice Denton, eight, nothing was left. A legal battle followed and a short time later the court awarded her \$15,000.

Fresh milk may be shipped by airplane from coast to coast in America and still retain its freshness, according to a recent test wherein milk was sealed in a vacuum bottle at a temperature of 45 degrees Fahrenheit, and shipped to New York City, from the Pacific coast, arriving in good condition the next day.

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There are 36 less churches in New York City than 25 years ago. But perhaps not as many are needed, since the number of saloons (labeled ones, of course) has shown a great decrease.

The task of getting two-dollar bills in circulation to relieve the shortage of ones might be easier if they passed them out like hand-bills instead of requiring us to work for them.

Australia's compulsory voting law with a penalty of \$50 for failure may not prove the boon to democracy that was intended. The individual who hasn't enough interest in government to vote usually hasn't enough intelligence in governing to make his judgment worth while.

### BEING FAIR TO OURSELVES.

The Automobile Chamber of Commerce, in a letter discussing some of the points raised by a Union Pacific official in an address here some months ago, points to the tremendous amount of freight business secured by the railroads of the country as a result of the automobile and road building industry in the last decade. It would, apparently, use this as justification of the taxes paid by railroads for highway building when those highways are available to competitive carriers without charging proportionately for building and maintenance. All of which is beside the point in the truck and bus controversy. It is merely a matter of requiring private enterprises using for profit the highways built and kept up by public funds—no matter how those funds are secured—to pay the public for that privilege. If we fail to do that in the proper proportion, we are unconsciously subsidizing those operators and are discriminating against equally worthy citizens and institutions.

### WAR BRIDES AGAIN.

The French government has communicated with Washington concerning the 5000 Franco-American alliances effected while American doughboys were swarming by thousands through French villages and cities on their way to and from the front.

It is not that the French objected to the legal abduction of 5000 of their young women by Americans, but that 1000 of these international marriages have proven unsuccessful. The government of France is disturbed by the fact that as many as 27 French brides have been deserted by their American husbands in a month. The government of the brides is only desirous of seeing that justice is done them whether they are abandoned on this side of the Atlantic or in their native country.

The situation is not as serious as it might be, or, in fact, as most persons expected it to be. Romantic courtships and marriages are not the most permanent kind and there were all the elements of romance in these war marriages abroad. France had already sent her young men to the front leaving lonesome French girls behind the lines. The American soldiers, lonesome for their sweethearts back in the U. S. A., were camped among the lonely maidens of France. The uniform helped, and war makes young men irresponsible and reckless.

When the war was over romance was already dead and for many there was disillusionment. Many wives were unable to adapt themselves to the husband's station in life at home. Husbands also were disillusioned. And there were all the other usual causes for separations, desertions and divorces. As long as American husbands are not permitted to shirk their self-imposed responsibilities and deserted French wives are returned to their homeland there is nothing disturbing in the situation.

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