

# Der German Cobbler

He Likes to Have Fun With the Public



THINK it was better for me to get acquainted mit der poeblick. If they don't know dot my cobbler shop vhas here und if dey don't understand dat I vhas some good fellows dey don't bring no work to do. Dat vhas plain ash some noses on your face. One night I fix oop a sign und put it in my window. It shust reads:

"Butcher Shop." I don't hardly get my doors open in the morning when a man cums in und says:

"Butcher, I vwant two pounds of mutton chops, und you get some bustles on you."

"Dis vhas no butcher shop," I says. "But you have a sign in der window. It says 'Butcher Shop,' und you haf no butcher shop. Maybe dot vhas some shokes?"

"Yes, I guess it vhas—ha, ha, ha! I hope you bring me work," I says. "I try to be funny mit all der peoples."

"So you do—ha, ha, ha!" laughed der mans as he slapped me on der back.

"Hans, dot vhas der best shoke of der season. You put a sign dot says 'butcher shop,' und I cum in here und find a cobbler shop instead. Dot vhas rich. I hurry right home und tell my wife, und she laugh for ten minutes. By George, I vhas glad we haf got some funny mans mit us!"

He goes out, und a womans cums in und says: "Butcher, haf you some nice bacon?"

"Not a piece," I says. "Vhell," she says as she looks around, "dis vhas the queerest butcher shop mit no meat. Can you tell me how it vhas?"

"Because it vhas no butcher shop," "But der sign in der window says 'It vhas'."

"Oh, dot sign vhas for der butcher shop two blocks down der street."

She smiled und started to laugh, but changed her mind und kicks me three times und went out. A shoke is not always a shoke, but it makes you acquainted mit der peoples, und

dot brings custom. Der next caller vhas a mans. I don't like his looks when he cums in. He looks like a mans who vhas hunting for troubles. He looks around my cobbler shop und den says:

"Butcher, where is der meat?" "I haf no meat," I says.

"Den why do you put out a sign dot dis vhas a butcher shop?" "Vhell, I likes peoples to cum in und shoke und laugh mit me. I vhas glad to see you. Let us laugh together. Dot butcher shop vhas two blocks down—ha, ha, ha!"

"Oh, I sees how it vhas!" said der mans. "You shust put oop dot sign for some shokes. Vhell, I laugh mit you."

Und he knocks me against der wall und over my bench, und he makes sooch a ruin of my place dot it takes me one hour to fix things oop. I don't complain, howeffor. If you vwant to let der poeblick know dat you vhas a good fellows you must expect to meet mit troubles.

At anodder time I put a cat in der window und hang oop a sign above here which reads:

"What Animal is Dis?" It vhas no more den ten minutes before a mans stops und says: "Hans, vhas you sooch a fool dot you don't know if vhas a cat in der window?"

"Do you say it vhas a cat?" I says. "Of course it vhas a cat, und a darned scrub cat she vhas. Haf you got so blind dot you can't tell some cat from a coal scuttle?"

"Vhell, mans, if you say it vhas a cat I take your word for it, but I hope you vhill not deceive me. Are you sure it vhasn't a young lion?"

"Oh, I sees how it vhas!" said der mans. "You vhas making a shoke about it. Vhell, dot vhas all right. I like some one who shokes. I shall go home und get some old shoes for you to fix oop. You put a cat in der window und ask what kind of a wild animal it vhas—ha, ha, ha! Why, Hans, if you should write for der papers you get feefy dollars a week."

Und der next caller vhas a womans shust der same. I saw her looking at dot cat, und she smiles und grins to herself. Den she cums in und grabs dot cat from der window und says:

"I can tell you vhat vild animal it vhas. She vhas a kangaroo, und I haf her for a pet more as two years. I now take her home."

Und she runs vhay mit my cat, und der shoke vhas on me, but I don't feel bad about it. She vhill become one of my customers some day, und dat vhill make it all right. I vhas learning dot if a man soocceeds in peessness in America he must let der poeblick know where he vhas und dot he keeps oop mit der times effery day in der week.

M. QUAD.

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# COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

## BUENA VISTA

Mrs. Ed Prather was on the sick list the past week.

Lena, the 15 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Snyder, was taken to the Dallas hospital for an operation for appendicitis on Friday.

Mrs. A. Z. Richardson was confined to her home the past two weeks on account of sickness.

Gale Prather, who has been employed in Portland all fall, was called home by the serious illness of his mother. However, she is much improved at the present writing.

Martin Prather left Saturday for Portland where he will enter a business college.

Rev. Atkinson and family Sunday with the Georgie Wells family.

Geo. Simmons, who was employed by Ed Lichty during the fall work, left Sunday morning his home at Fox Valley, G. county.

The Ladies Rural Club met last Thursday with Mrs. S. W.

Leonard. A good time was enjoyed by those present and a nice luncheon was served by the hostess. The next meeting is at Mrs. E. M. Lichty, Dec. 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Grounds were in Independence on business Saturday.

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Services at the M. E. church next Sunday evening at 7:30. Rev. Atkinson, pastor.

The school mates of Miss Inez McCarthy gave her a surprise party on Monday evening, it being her 15th birthday anniversary. A good time was had and a dainty luncheon served.

## SUVER

Joseph James has returned from Bandon.

J. W. Brown shipped a car of sheep from here Saturday morning.

The children of the Suver school are more than grateful for the new well which is nearly finished, for they have felt the need of it for nearly a year.

## The Normal Training School

It is proposed to use the grade schools of Independence as a training school for the Normal. Many favor, many oppose, and there is much discussion concerning the proposition. The Monmouth Herald submits an affirmative argument in part as follows:

The proposal should be advantageous for Independence. It will save the district of that city the expense of four teachers. It will improve the quality of the four remaining teachers, who will rank with instructors in the higher institutions of learning. The student practice teachers are the same as those which a few

months later are taken as considerably above the average teacher and given good positions. In their practice they are better than they will be when they are graduated for now they are on their mettle. Their work is concentrated on a limited period of instruction each day. In addition each lesson is planned in advance, and is criticised by the critic teacher. The practice schools of Normals are always highly considered by educators. We have in mind one school in the east which has a waiting list and parents consider themselves fortunate when their children are admitted to the school.



### BAPTIST

W. S. STEWART, Pastor.

Sunday school at 10. Preaching at 11. The subject of the sermon will be "The Most Talked of Subject in the World." B. Y. P. U. at 6:30. The evening service at 7:30. The subject is: "Independence and the City Election." This is a most important service. All are made welcome.

### CHRISTIAN

F. Claude Stephens, Pastor

Important Services, Lord's Day, Dec. 3. Bible School at 10 a. m. Divine service 11 a. m. Theme: "A Voice from Husbandry." Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Theme: "Confessions of a Conscientious Man."

### BILLY SUNDAYS

Some of you have sat in the pews so long you're mildewed.

Come on, you cigarette smoking sisters, I've got your number.

I wouldn't let a chap who called on my daughter turn down the light unless I had a hole bored thru the ceiling and had a un trained on him.

### METHODIST

Thos. D. Yarnes, Pastor.

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### THE GREAT MERCHANT JOHN WANNAMAKER ON ADVERTISING

Our little allowance of advertising, states Mr. Wannamaker, went to the newspapers then as it does now, nearly altogether today, because if I ever have a moment for discovering anything it will be for finding out that the only advertising of direct and instant benefits is in

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## Calbreath & Jones

the newspaper. All others are vanity and vexation of spirit. To have learned this fact has greatly helped my enterprise.

blamed fool mule never did have any sense.—Salem Capital Journal.

### AFTER THE MARRIED

#### MAN WHO FLIRTS

A Texas newspaper is urging the passage of a law to prevent flirting by which married men shall be required to wear some distinctive token, as the wedding ring of a married woman, for instance. We would respectfully suggest a brass neck-band, to be padlocked on and the key left with the wife. We have often noticed how easily a wedding ring slips off.—Portland News.

### WHAT A FOOL MULE DID

At Marysville a few days ago a mule kicked its negro driver in the head. The driver is at work as usual, but the mule broke its leg and was shot. A

Coughs Up Civil War Buckshot. Paris, Ill.—Fork Boatman, seventy-one years old, coughed up a buckshot which lodged in his neck at the second battle of Corinth, fifty-four years ago. Boatman, a member of Company E, Twelfth Illinois Infantry, was shot by bushwhackers. Dr. W. A. Buchanan says the ball worked itself into the windpipe.