

HAVE TEACHERS' RIGHT TO DANCE?

EMINENCE, Kan., Aug. 21.—(By page Priscilla Pratt)

For there is a place in the world for "the old-fashioned girl." The place is Eminence, Kan.

Or, so, at least, claims Miss Clara White, mistress of the "little red school house" at the end of St. Simons' farm, on the flat wheatland of this one-time prominent Kansas community.

Miss White has filed suit against Miss Lizzie Wooster, state superintendent of schools, in which she sounds the call for "old-fashioned girls."

For Miss White has been dismissed from her teaching in any school in Kansas because, she dares.

Her suit, upon which a judge and jury of Kansas farmers must pass, eliminates one of the most drastic school board rulings ever issued in a western state.

Miss Wooster, temperance advocate, anti-cigarette campaigner, enemy of the bobbed head and the abbreviated skirt, has made a law of her own by which Kansas teachers must abide, Miss White alleges.

Tobacco is Banned.

First—Teachers in Kansas—men or women—cannot use tobacco in any form—pipe, chair, cigarette, or a "chaw."

Second—Teachers must not dance.

Third—Teachers must not permit dancing in Kansas schools.

Fourth—Low necks and short skirts are not to be tolerated, and bobbed hair is frowned upon.

"And what right has any woman to dictate such laws to those who have passed normal school courses?" Miss White demands.

If it is this question the Kansas jury must answer.

In her suit Miss White alleges that a dance was given by the country folk about the little town of Eminence in her school house. She attended.

"It was a lovely affair, and a pleasant time was had by all," Miss White admits. "There was a polka and a two-step and everybody joined in the Virginia reel."

Mr. Paw, and Sis all were there. The town boys slicked up for the do-in'. Miss White says, and the whole community joins her in saying it was a "good" affair.

Dancing Not Permitted.

"But teachers in the Kansas schools cannot dance," Miss Wooster had already ruled. "Furthermore," the school superintendent wrote her employee: "You have broken the school law of Kansas twice over—you allowed the school house to be desecrated by a shameful, sinful dance."

To these charges Miss Emma Wilson, county superintendent of schools, added another—that Miss White permitted many of her pupils to "cut cavers" on the floor, while old Tom Smith called his "Swing your partner."

Miss Wooster and her administration of the Kansas schools are facing other suits, filed by male teachers throughout the state, who seek to join her from canceling their teachers' certificates because they are users of tobacco.

Kansas—home of the anti-cigarette law—cannot tolerate a teacher who uses tobacco, even in the privacy of his home, Miss Wooster has ruled. She required every teacher to "take oath" that he, or she, will not use "the weed" in any form.

Eminence Back in Print.

Miss White's suit has brought the little town of Eminence back on the map of the daily press.

Eminence was the county seat of old Garfield county, which was abolished many years ago and made a part of Platte county. In the days of the line of Eminence as a city it was on page one of half the newspapers.

Here Comes the Bride!



A close-up of Marilyn Miller and Jack Pickford taken just after the ceremony that made them man and wife and before the strains of the wedding march had died out.

MICHIGAN MAYOR LIFTS BATHING SUIT 'LIMIT'

ST. JOSEPH, Mich., Aug. 21.—The flapper vote is solidly behind Mayor A. R. Morford. Why? Because he has removed the limit of feminine bathing attire. By reason of Mayor Morford's benign attitude all of the neighboring beaches have broken in to a violent rash of one-piece bathing suits.

"St. Joe isn't modest," says Mayor Morford, "but it champions sensible sex garb because it believes swimming is one of the greatest outdoor sports. Some bathing beaches are so strictly and prudishly regulated that they are coming to a slow death. Such a fate will not befall St. Joe if I can help it."

MAY AMEND HAWAIIAN DIVORCE REGULATIONS

HONOLULU, Aug. 21.—Continued complaints of the looseness of divorce laws in the territory of Hawaii may lead to the adoption of the interlocking divorce system now in vogue in California, or of some other system which will prevent the immediate remarriage of divorced parties.

Under the present territorial law either party in divorce proceedings may remarry immediately upon receiving the decree. Judge John H. Deaha, of the court of domestic relations, believes this tends to make divorce more prevalent.

SWEDEN ENCOURAGES DOMESTIC ECONOMY

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 21.—(A. P.)—To secure exact and reliable data on living costs and economic conditions in the household, the official bureau of statistics of Stockholm is endeavoring to set up a system of bookkeeping in families of the middle and working class.

The bureau furnishes a simple family budget and housekeeping book free to all applicants, and it encourages especially families with yearly incomes from 5000 to 6000 kroner to adopt the plan. The bureau offers a small compensation, about 40 kroner, to anyone who keeps the accounts for a full year, while three cash prizes of 150, 100 and 50 kroner will be presented to those showing the best kept books at the end of 12 months.

The average food cost index figure shows that today in Sweden the retail price level is about 58 per cent above the price which prevailed in July, 1914.

THE WAY OF A MAHOUT WITH THE ELEPHANT

LONDON, Aug. 21.—(A. P.)—A big female Indian elephant that went on strike at the Zoo last spring and refused to do what all big elephants at the Zoo are required to do—earn money by carrying children around on her back—has been cured of the sulks and laziness by the seeming magic treatment of an Indian mahout.

She was presented to the Zoo by the Maharajah of Cochin Behar two years ago. She had been well trained and acted at all times like a sensible, well-behaved elephant and obeyed orders promptly. She developed no vices beyond that of picking pockets for edible dainties. But every elephant that has any sense at all learns to do that in the Zoo.

Then she took it into her big head that she would not submit to being hosed any longer. She declined to stand between the new riding steps

that had been fixed up for the convenience of juvenile elephant riders. When the old wooden steps were substituted for the new ones she proved equally obstinate. In the end she declined to leave the elephant yard at all.

As the elephant is a fine animal, and quite good tempered, it was decided to obtain a mahout from India. He was cabled for, and arrived in due course. He was taken to the elephant house. He at once entered the enclosure and formally saluted the animal, standing first at her

head and then at her tail. Next he took off his shoes, and knotted a rope loosely around the elephant's neck, which he afterward used as a kind of stirrup.

With little difficulty he persuaded her to kneel and mounted her neck. In less than two minutes, soothing, patting and talking volubly to her in Hindustani, he had got on good terms with the animal. Then he took her round to the elephant ride, and apparently had her in complete control.

Phrases of his admonitions, freely translated, were as follows: "I am told you eat your food, and will not work; it is wrong; Allah enjoins on us all that we must work if we would eat. You are cheating your masters, and it is unworthy of you. I am only a black man, and you must not mind me. Put fear out of your mind; take it up from your heart, and throw it out."

The elephant certainly seemed to understand, and now obeys every order. The mahout was given quarters in another part of the gardens, but he obtained leave to sleep in the elephant house, as he says that he wishes to talk to the elephant during the night. He has not yet tried to saddle her, as he wants to take things slowly, but he is confident he will conquer all her fears and make her permanently obedient.

Good wheat yields are one of the main factors in determining the cost of producing a bushel of wheat in Oregon's big-wheat belt, and farmers have a big say in determining what the yield shall be. Good seed of the right variety, early summer fallow plowing and enough cultivation to keep the weeds down, early sowing of winter or spring varieties, seed treatment for smut control—these are the factors that have been

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MANNISH WOMAN AND SISSY MAN TABBOED

TOLEDO, Aug. 21.—"Men will mob you if you try to be the mannish type," Professor A. W. Trettien, noted psychologist, told club women here. "Don't ape masculinity—be women. Both the sissy man and the mannish woman are monstrosities."

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