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**PORKER AGAINST POKER**

The editor of the Blue Mountain Eagle, who lives close to "Whiskey Gulch" in Canyon City, mixes pigs and poker into a very interesting item as follows: "For quick, easy and fast money the pig business has a poker game beat. George Moore, who lives near Dayville, raised 33 pigs this year from one sow. The first litter of the year was seven then came 12 and then 13 and that makes 32 pigs. Now let's do a little figuring: 30 pigs at 300 pounds each is 9,000 pounds, or 4 1-2 tons of pork. That would be 60 nice big hams, and some butchers can get four hams out of a hog, or 120, and you know what a ham is worth. Figuring this pork at 25 cents a pound it would make about \$2,250.00 revenue per annum from one sow like George Moore has. Figuring off 50 per cent for optimism it would leave us \$1,125.00 per hog per annum. Now 100 hogs would produce \$112,500.00 per year, and if that hasn't got a poker game beat then we will never touch another card."

**THIRTEEN BILLION FOR CRIME**

Crime, according to Wade Ellis of the American Bar Association' Crime commission, costs the United States \$13,000,000,000 a year.

We have 12,000 murders annually 50 times the number recorded in Great Britain. Since 1900 our murder rate has increased 350 per cent.

The causes of crime are many and foremost among them Mr. Ellis places our multiplicity of laws which, by simple mathematics, has increased the total of crime. Every new law breeds new criminals, decreases respect for society and places new burdens on our courts of justice.

It is a disheartening fact that the great majority of our citizens take crime more or less as a matter of course. What is needed is an active public consciousness that will force a simplification and reform of our laws and legal system, and oppose the tendency to pile more enactment on the already bulging statute books. Too many laws touch the good citizen and fail to discomfort the criminal.

The sole test for any law is whether it protects society and punishes or reforms the underworld. We must return to first principles in our war against crime.

There was a time when you had to read the fashion magazines to find out what women were wearing, instead of just sitting across from them in the street car.

A long-legged sheep in the Himalayas is able to run forty miles an hour—that is what we would call a modern lamb for Mary.

Anyway, a man can still take a chew without feeling that he should first offer one to the lady.

Modern version: Rarin to go places—see things—and do people.

**Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale**  
by MARY GRAHAM BONNER

**MOMENTS AND DAYS**

"Have you seen my children?" asked Father Week.

"Never," said Ellie Elf. "It is the first time I ever saw you, you know."

"Now is it indeed?" asked Father Week. "And yet I have been around for a very, very, very long time."

"Sometimes," said Ellie Elf, "I think we miss things that are around all the time."

"We don't notice them enough or think enough of them because they are usual."

"But I don't see how I could have missed you."

"Well, I'm a busy old soul, always looking after the children, seeing that they aren't late, but always right on time."

"One thing I do insist upon, and that is that my children are on time."

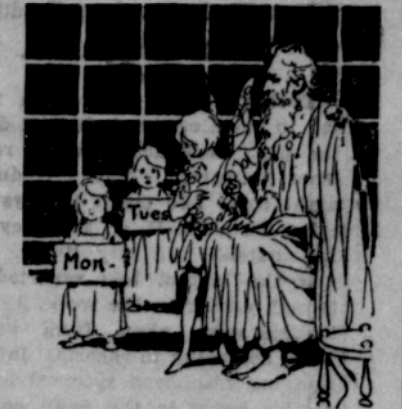
"They are never, never, late."

"I'd like to see your children," said Ellie Elf.

"Come, children," called Father Week.

"Come Monday and Tuesday, come Wednesday and Thursday. Come Saturday and Sun"

"They all came hurrying along, looking very much alike, the six children. "You see," explained Father Week, "Friday is busy. It's Friday's turn now, so I couldn't call Friday to come along with us."  
"Well, my children, my lovely days, how are you all?"  
"We're well, father, we're happy. We're looking forward to a story."  
"I will tell a story of our family and its history," said Father Week, "for this visitor of ours, Ellie Elf, has never heard very much about our family, or she has forgotten it she has."  
"Years and years and years ago our great, great, great, great, great



Come Monday and Tuesday.

great grandfather started our enormous family.  
"He was the first year."  
"There were all his sons, fine sons, he had."  
"They've always been a credit to him."  
"There were twelve sons—you've heard of them all—and that certainly is a credit to him, to have all his sons heard of by so many people."  
"So strong and splendid were they that every single new year (for our grandfather, our first, first grandfather lived a long time ago) there have been many who have followed after him, but the sons are certainly very important."

"You know them—you've heard of them!"  
"They are January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December."  
"Now I'm the son of months! I'm Father Week, and you, my precious days, are my children, my little sons."  
"But," said Ellie Elf, "aren't there my daughters in your family?"  
"Yes," smiled Father Week. "The daughters are the happy moments that go hand in hand with the days and the months."  
"We couldn't get along without the daughters."  
And Ellie Elf smiled, for she had liked Father Week's story.

**A Guessing Game**  
Blindfold games are always entertaining. Mark off two large circles, one about a yard within the other, and then mark even spaces off according to the number of players, much in the same way as the hours are marked off on to the face of a clock. One player is blindfolded, and he (or she) takes up his position in the center, all the others occupying one each of the spaces in the circles. When all are ready, the player in the center calls out for the others to trot round the ring, and then suddenly he will call out "Stop," and the players halt on the spaces they are occupying. The blindfolded player then names a number, and the player standing in that space falls out.

The game proceeds again, and another player is out—except when a space number is called on which no player is standing, and then the players run round again.  
The one left at the finish wins the game.

**Father's Wish**  
Sister—What does your card say, Freddie?  
Brother (reading postcard)—"This is the mountain from which the ancients used to throw their defective children. Wish you were both here. Dad."

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