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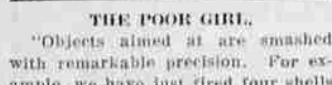
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EM-TEES

THE POOR GIRL.

Objects aimed at are smashed with remarkable precision. For example, we have just fired four shells at a bridge more than 14 miles away.

WHICH ONE, GOING OR COMING?

Mrs. L. E. Williams has returned from Mulberry, where she has been visiting her husband. She was well pleased with her trip.

WE GAZED PITYINGLY ON THE LITTLEST

drug store clerk leaning against the soda counter.

"Haven't you any ambition?"

was queried kindly and all that.

"No," he replied with brightening intelligence.

IT'S EASIER TO IMAGINE THAT THE

world owes you a living than it is to prove your claim.

THAT'S FAIR ENOUGH.

"How long did you stay in your last place?"

"Two weeks, mum, and before I

agree to come to work for you I should like to know how long you kept the last girl you had."

YOU DON'T SAY SO.

At Cherry Hill 225 children were emptied in 35 seconds—or at a shorter period of time than any of the others.

"Boots by Smith, costumes by

Jones, scenery by Dingbat," muttered the man in the end seat.

"What are you driving at?"

asked his neighbor.

"I'm trying to discover who wrote

the play."

A pig has as much use for a tail as

a man has for the two buttons on the back of his frock coat.

GOOD SIZED CROW HEARS

WEEKLY BAND CONCERT

The largest and most enthusiastic crowd of the season greeted the regular weekly concert of the city band at the park last night.

SOUTHERN DEMOCRATS LOSE

FIGHT AGAINST CHILD LABOR

OBJECT LESSONS

WHETHER this section of the valley secures a sugar factory depends upon the attitude of the land owner.

Neither the Utah-Idaho Sugar company, nor any other sugar company will consider erecting a factory here without the available beet acreage being placed under irrigation.

The progress and material prosperity of the valley has been halted now for three years for lack of irrigation. There is no market for unirrigated property and what is more, there will be no market until water is placed on the land.

If an object lesson was necessary of the need and value of irrigation—it is offered this year. Extensions of irrigation systems have added over half a million dollars value to the fruit crop.

At a cost of some \$20,000 or \$30,000, the water of Bear Creek was made available for some 2000 acres of land south of Medford.

There is no comparison between the condition of the irrigated orchards and irrigated farms with the non-irrigated. The one is a business proposition—the other is a gamble.

The valley will "come back" just in proportion to the acreage covered by water. During the past three years, the total cost of an irrigation system for the entire valley has been lost annually in destroyed crops.

Irrigation is the one great problem before this section, the one great essential necessary to establish land values and industries dependent upon soil products.

Farmers of the Talent district have made a good start by organizing an irrigation district. Farmers of the north end have water available but many not enterprising enough to realize its value by using it.

ELIMINATE GLARING AUTO LIGHTS

A DANGEROUS unnecessary nuisance, needing control, are the glaring electric lights on automobiles. Though dimmers are provided on all modern cars, the thoughtless careless drivers seldom use them.

These glaring headlights not only temporarily blind those persons in whose eyes they shine but injure their eyesight and cause many a headache. Their uncontrolled use has destroyed the pleasure of riding along the paved highway at night and made it exceedingly dangerous.

The danger of these lights is universally recognized. They are forbidden in all cities in the country and in many states, where stringent regulations compel the reflectors to be turned down on the road in front, so that the center of the glare strikes the road less than a hundred feet ahead of the car.

Some local autoists are not content with the blinding glare of the headlights, and have added a third searchlight to make sure of blinding drivers and pedestrians they meet—all unnecessary on the well traveled roads of the valley and paved streets of the city.

It is high time the city council passed an ordinance regulating the bright light nuisance for public safety. Car owners should be compelled to tilt their lamps so the light will strike the road immediately ahead of the car, and the use of dimmers should be compulsory.

Hughes Believes in "Rule of Reason" and Supreme Court Ascendancy Over Congress

By Basil M. Manly. Noted Economic and Political Expert. This is the third in Manly's series of articles, breaking the silence of silent Hughes. In these articles, Manly, by quoting verbatim from speeches and supreme court decisions of Hughes, lays bare the actuating principles by which the mind of Chas. E. Hughes operates.—Editor.

Charles E. Hughes believes in the exaltation of the judicial over the legislative branch of government; in lawmaking by court decision; and in the "rule of reason" by which the supreme court decided a monopoly is all right, if it doesn't go too far! (The court to decide what is "too far.")

This is shown by the fact that Hughes, as Justice, concurred in the Standard Oil and American Tobacco decisions, against the protest of Justice Harlan.

These two great corporations, convicted by the courts, were dismissed with complete immunity; the supreme court deliberately reversed the position it had maintained for 20 years by declaring that only "unreasonable" restraints of trade were illegal.

The chief Justice exalted himself above both congress and the president by an act of judicial interpreta-

GIRL BARBER SAYS BUSINESS IS MATTER OF GIVE AND TAKE: REAL MEN TAKE CARE OF THE "FRESH MEN."



Miss Esther Clary of Atlanta, Ga., is a regular registered-according-to-law, efficient, non-talkative barber. Miss Clary's philosophy runs like this:

"A girl has to give and take in this business. She mustn't be too squeamish or fussy. It's sorter like manuevering y'know. A girl in the manicure business has to put up with lots of guff, but before long she learns to give as good as she gets. Then she gets along."

"Of course, there's always the fresh person to be considered, but other men generally take care of the fresh person."

wherein Gov. Hughes' rule of reason' was applied. "Here we have it. Gov. Hughes was put forward to represent the republican party; he assured the trusts that 'the rule of reason' for which they had been waiting more than 10 years would be adopted."

"Congress refused to keep the promise, so Gov. Hughes was put on the supreme bench and helped to amend the law in accordance with the republican promise, and now President Taft, in whose interest the promise was made and who appointed Gov. Hughes, says that the anti-trust law as amended by the court, must not be disturbed."

The record seems to show that Hughes' attitude toward the trusts is more lenient than that of Taft.

As a judge, Taft had declared illegal many contracts under the Sherman act, chief among them being the Addyston pipe case, refusing uniformly to consider the question of reasonableness, which the corporations were urging as their defense.

And as president, in his message of Jan. 7, 1910, Taft said: "It has been proposed, however, that the word 'reasonable' be made a part of the statute, and then that it should be left to the court to say what is a reasonable restraint of trade, what is a reasonable suppression of competition, what is a reasonable monopoly. I venture to think that this is to give the courts a power approaching the arbitrary, the abuse of which might involve our whole judicial system in disaster."

Only four months after this statement, Taft, knowing Hughes' ideas favoring the "rule of reason," knowing the Standard Oil and American Tobacco cases were the most important then before the supreme court, knowing also that Chief Justice White for 20 years had been determined to read the word "reasonable" into the Sherman act, appointed Hughes.

In the case of Thompson vs. Thompson, in October, 1910, Hughes had concurred in Harlan's dissenting opinion, in which the following unequivocal statement occurred: "Their duty (the courts) is only to declare what the law is, not what in their judgment, it ought to be."

"Now there is not here, as I think, any room whatever for mere

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