

WE HAVE WITH US THE OLD PELICAN



"Well, I see they're going to clamp the lid down and rivet it," observed the Old Pelican, as he drifted lazily through the doorway and sought a resting place on the arm of the editorial chair. "Who'd ever a thunk it?"

"We assume you refer to the highly commendable and extremely moral attitude of the mayor and common council of the city in regard to certain reports that the distressing vice, commonly known as gambling, is existent here."

"You said it, Buddy, you said it!" exclaimed the old bird. "Did they nick you very hard?" he continued anxiously.

"Your interrogation is entirely unintelligible," we rejoined, frankly puzzled by the verbiage of the ancient one. "Please substitute an English expression for the verb 'nick,' which is apparently from some obscure foreign language."

"Did they trim you for the whole roll? Did they take you to a cleaning?" queried the visitor with a solicitude so evident as to restrain our natural vexation at his grotesque phraseology.

"Really, we believe we are to be pardoned for our failure to comprehend you," we persisted patiently, moved by the evident friendliness of the cross examination.

"Buddy, did you let any of the tishorn bunch sting you for your paycheck?" he continued insistently.

Our native intelligence, coming to our rescue, suddenly enlightened us. He was desirous of knowing if we had become involved in a game of chance and suffered financial deprivation thereby. Anger that we should have been suspected of such moral turpitude tintured our reply—"Most certainly we have suffered no loss by participation in any illicit diversion. It is beyond us how you should have conceived such erroneous estimate of our character—"

"All right, Buddy, all right—I'm glad you're not one of the suckers, but labeling this business of cutting 'em out as 'moral and commendable' scared me for a minute. And when you branded a little sociable game as a 'distressing vice' I thought sure they'd get to you. They tell me that some other lads that think they're clever has gone up against the gun, and traded a month's wages for experience in a mighty few minutes."

"These lads that's trimmed for a big roll—you hear about 'em every once in awhile—don't grab much sympathy from me. They're generally laying in ambush for a killing of their own, but the other lad is smarter and beats 'em to it. Or, if they're just plain boobies, there's generally plenty more coin where the first came from. When I hear some sucker has dropped a thousand, I can generally grin and bear it okeh. It's when the twenty-five dollar a week boy gets a crimp put in him for fifty or a hundred by some of these sleight of hand performers that I line up strong with the reform element. And I'm not shedding so many briny drops for the come-on, either. But a lot of times there's a missus and kiddies at home, who ought to have first call on that money—plenty of times there is, Buddy."

"Course we'll listen to the old story for a while now about it being bad for business to close a town up alright. Got to leave a lophole or two for venting the wild exuberance of the working stiff. It's hard to explode some of these ancient myths, son, but mingle around a while and you'll find that brains don't of necessity flourish best above a white collar—meaning nothing at all personal, by the way. That propaganda about the working man needing a lot of personal liberty always starts from the receiving end of the line when loose money's in circulation, not from the spending end."

"Why don't you go out and ask some of these construction men, who're hiring crews constantly, how it's helping their business? They'll tell you that with two or three hundred idle men in town, they're working short-handed. Offer a man a job and he acts like you'd mortally insulted him. Too much easy money



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float to better with a seven dollar a day job. You ask any of these contractors that's trying to rush half a dozen jobs through before winter. They'll tell you."

"Do you think, then," we inquired guilelessly, "that the city authorities will force the gamblers to quit?"

"I've little hope of it," responded the Old Pelican, as he lifted his wings for flight. "If worst comes to worst, Upp will get rooming house permits for all of 'em. And Brandenburg, who's only lived here for fifty years, or so, won't know where they're located until the deal's over."

The champion woman hammer-thrower of England is Miss M. Young, who has thrown the eight-pound hammer a distance of 34 feet 7 inches.

JAMAICA PLANTERS ARE NOT PROSPEROUS

KINGSTON, Jamaica, June 25. (By Mail.)—There has never been so much money in Jamaica as now. The sugar and banana planters are fast becoming wealthy and if the present wave of prosperity continues for a few more years the island will have at least a dozen millionaires.

Before the war sugar fetched only \$30 a ton; today it is bringing \$600 per ton in the English market. The island's inhabitants are experiencing great difficulty in getting adequate supplies and it is only through the action of the Food Controller that eight per cent of the output is kept for home consumption. The prosperity of sugar planters has led to large sums being invested in the purchase

of the most up-to-date machinery for the manufacture of sugar. Another central factory costing \$1,500,000 will shortly be erected in the eastern portion of the island.

This year's sugar crop has received a set back owing to a drought lasting about three months. The result is that there will be a shortage in the output.

OVERALLS CUTTING H. C. L. IN BRAZIL

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, June 17. (By Mail.)—One result of the movement against the high cost of living in the United States has been to add a new word—"overalls"—to the Portuguese language.

When the overalls movement started

in the United States recently, newspaper men here translating The Associated Press dispatches from English into the Portuguese language were perplexed. The literal translation would be "sobretudo" but as this means overcoat in Portuguese it would not serve. The translators finally decided on "roupa de operario" which in English is workmen's clothes."

At present, however, since photographs have arrived from North America and the movement has been started here, no further effort is made at translation. The simple English word "overalls" has been adopted by newspapers and public alike.

The movement is gathering momentum in Rio de Janeiro and vicinity. Agitation started by newspapers has been taken up by students who

in a mass meeting resolved to lead the way in imitation of North Americans in combating the high cost of living.

GERMANY'S POTASH INDUSTRY GROWS

BERLIN, June 13. (By Mail.)—One of the very few German industries that may be said to be flourishing is the potash industry. The production of this raw material and its derivatives is entirely in German hands and the demand for it both at home and abroad is constant and eager. One company has made during the last fiscal year a record net profit of 43,000,000 marks, while another has made nearly 14,000,000 marks.

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