

**DIVORCE HEARING**

Testimony was taken in the circuit court yesterday in the divorce action of Mattie against Adam Beagle and the matter is under advisement.

The oldest student at Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical college this fall is Mrs. Ida Sloan, a 62-year-old woman of Atoka, Okla.

The first popular election ever held in the Holy Land found women campaigning and voting as spiritedly as the men and just as successfully.

One of the most distinguished women physicians in South America, Dr. Ernestina Perez of Chile, was the daughter of a poor washerwoman.

Female beauty is a matter of latitude and longitude. For instance, to satisfy the South Sea islander a girl must be tattooed sky-blue and wear a nose-ring.

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**HARDING GLAD AMERICANS ARE A FREE PEOPLE**

(Continued From Yesterday)

"A few days ago a delegation of an organization which calls itself a society for the prevention of war appealed to the Premier of Great Britain to unite and use the powers of the world in defense of Poland, Armenia and the Dardanelles. The British Premier replied, according to his remarks quoted by the newspapers, to the effect that, while the formation of an 'international army' would be an ideal solution, it could not be accomplished because the European nations could not furnish the troops and the United States had 'withdrawn from co-operation'—a polite and diplomatic phrase and more exactly meaning, of course, that the Senate of the United States had not completed the partial obligation assumed by the President to do that very thing—that is, to 'furnish the troops.' Could a clearer indication of what would have been expected of this country as a member of the League of Nations be desired? Hardly. Some, too, think, or say they think, that this extraordinary service should be rendered: I do not agree with them, but, assuming that they are right, I venture to note that nothing stands in the way of performance. The President has only to call upon Congress to declare war and to confer upon him specific authority to raise armies for the protection of the power, which, though recently associated with, are still foreign to our own republic.

"It is reasonably safe to assume, however, that the President will not pursue this course. Fortunately he is under no 'compelling moral obligation' under the League to do so. His recent unhappy experience, moreover, in asking Congress to send American boys to police Armenia, would hardly encourage repetition of a request already courteously but quite firmly declined by the Congress. What then in like circumstances would be the answer of the British Premier himself? In his own words, addressing a meeting of the Coalition Liberals on August 12 last, according to the press reports, he said: 'When the terrible question of peace or war has to be decided, our first duty as a government is to the people, who trust us not to commit their treasure to any unjustifiable adventure. Nothing but the most imperative call of national honor, national safety and national freedom can justify war. Before this country is committed to it, even in the most limited form, we must be satisfied that these are in peril.'

"I quote these telling words, my countrymen, with the utmost satisfaction, because with one amendment they express to a nicety my own position. I take for granted that the Prime Minister meant to include in 'treasure' the greatest treasure of all, but, for myself I should leave nothing to be inferred. Foremost and above all else to be safeguarded by those of us who hold the trust of the people, it goes without saying, but cannot be too often repeated, is the manhood of the nation.

"Now it may appear to you that I have been speaking chiefly in the negative. I make the admission. What is more, I might continue to do so almost indefinitely without disadvantage to our cause. So many things have been done by the present expiring administration, that no power on earth could induce me to do, that I cannot even attempt to recount them. I may remark casually, however, that if I should be, as I fully expect to be, elected President of this just and honorable republic, I will not empower an assistant secretary of the navy to draft a constitution for helpless neighbors in the West Indies and jam it down their throats at the point of bayonets borne by United States Marines. We have a higher service for our gallant Marines than that. Nor will I misuse the power of the executive to cover with a veil of secrecy repeated acts of unwarranted interference in domestic affairs of the little republics of the western hemisphere such as in the past few years have not only made enemies

of those who should be our friends, but have rightfully discredited our country as their trusted neighbor.

"On the other hand I will not, or shall not, as you prefer, submit to any wrong against any American citizen, with respect to either his life or his property by any government. This statement is made in all solemnity, with enmity for none and friendship for all. If it particularly applies to Mexico, the application has been directed by the robbery and murder of hundreds of our own people in that unhappy country who were lawfully there and were entitled to protection. One must admit that these outrages upon Americans are largely the consequences of the wiggling and wobbling, the supine waiting of our own government, though the admission neither helps the hurt nor gives the hope of security for the future while the present administration remains in power, or when one in 'complete accord' succeeds it.

"This admonition is not directed exclusively toward our next door neighbor to whom we would gladly hold forth a helping hand, and whom primarily, certainly in preference to far off peoples in Europe, Asia and Africa, it is our manifest duty to serve with a whole heart and generous tolerance. It is intended for a plain notice to every government on the face of the earth that the entire resources of this nation are pledged to maintain

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