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CROSSING TRACKS.

No doubt the railroads should provide ample protection for street traffic at every crossing. But there is also some obligation on the part of the people using those crossings, which is recognized in a bill recently introduced in the Illinois legislature.

Motorists and drivers of horse-drawn vehicles are too much inclined to take risks for the sake of the minute or two of time they might save by crossing the track just ahead of the train. The accidents resulting from such carelessness and lack of sense are of almost daily occurrence in any part of the country where there are street and railroad crossings. The proposed Illinois bill would make it compulsory for motorists to come to a full stop before crossing the tracks. A fine of not more than \$200 is provided for violations of the order.

Such a law would compel every driver to see whether or not there is a train coming, even if it did not prevent his making a foolish dash to cross in front of it. Few drivers, however, would be foolhardy enough to race across when once they had stopped and looked at the coming train.

Children, too, should be made to understand that they are doing wrong when they run in front of an approaching train. It is not smart or funny, or even brave to dare "the bunch" to run across a railroad track with a train in sight. It may be done a hundred times safely, but it

RIPPLING RHYMES

By Walt Mason

THE SUN.

When brooding clouds have shed their juice, for days, in dreary streams, how good to see the sun cut loose, and shed its well known beams! How optimistic we become, when those smooth beams descend! And we've been looking blue and glum for dismal days on end. Oh bleak, forbidding, cloudy days, this life has little charm; we scowling go our divers ways, and view things with alarm. We talk about our pains and aches, and of expensive pills; of how the soulless grocer makes ten profits on his bills. And as we journey we lament, among the rains and fogs, and say the ding-donged government is going to the dogs. All things annoy, all prospects vex, and sorrow fills the land; we fall upon each other's necks and weep to beat the band. And then some morning comes the sun, in robes of fire arrayed, the good old orb that takes the bun, and makes all others fade. Across a sky of cloudless blue it burns its stately way, and all the world is good as new, and we cry, "Hip, hoo-ray!" Forgotten are the tinhorn woes of which we made our whine; the sun dispersed them when he rose, and started in to shine.

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is still a stupid and cowardly thing to do, causing anxiety and pain and sorrow to many people when the occasional tragedy occurs.

Children and adults must be made to see their own responsibility in this matter. In the meantime, let the work of making railroad crossings fool-proof go on speedily.

STRAIGHTENING THE TWIG.

"As for the Germans being through with military caste," writes an American soldier from Coblenz, "that's all nonsense. Any day and every day you can see little fellows of seven and eight being drilled on the school playgrounds. The military spirit is ingrained in them, and the Allies have got to do something which will turn the nation's thoughts in another direction."

There is the reason that is at the bottom of the Peace Conference plan to get rid of the German general staff and limit the German army to a standing force of 100,000 men, serving for long periods.

It is not meant, as many Germans profess to think, as a measure of punishment, to "crush Germany" and leave her helpless against foreign attack. It is meant to rid Germany, against her will, of the nightmare of militarism. It is meant as a wise plan whereby the boys of Germany will have a chance to grow up without the military training and military atmosphere to which they have been subjected from childhood. It is educative.

"As the twig is bent, the tree's inclined." Germany's human twigs must have a chance to grow straight.

The attempt of certain members of the city council to block the building of the half-million dollar paper mill should be generally condemned by the people of Salem. Nothing is so badly needed here as the payroll that such an industry would bring, and its establishment now would mark a new era in the growth of the city. If it is barred from coming by the narrow prejudices or personal spite of a few men who happen to be in a position to do it, the brightest prospects for advancement Salem has ever had will be dissipated to a very large degree. Some of the councilmen who are supposed to be looking out for the best interests of the city seem to think they were chosen to block growth and progress.

Just how far a state may go in its infringement upon what has heretofore been considered private business is soon to be decided in the North Dakota courts. Forty taxpayers have asked an injunction against the Non-Partisan program adopted by the last legislature of that state. Seeing that the injunction is being sought under the provisions of the federal constitution, it might not be out of order to suggest that the decision be made by other than a North Dakota "non-partisan" court.

Street railway companies that have been complaining about the inroads which the "jitney bus" has made in their profits of the past few years, but who have quieted down a bit of late, are due to be heard again. Charles E. Sorensen, general manager of the Henry Ford & Son tractor plant, announces that "jitney" street cars, driven by internal combustion engines will soon be general throughout the United States.

Champ Clark announces that the first work of the democratic congressmen in the next session of the house of representatives will be directed toward securing jobs for returning soldiers and demobilized war workers. We are not prepared to say what the exact nature of their arguments will be, but it is a safe bet that friends Penrose, Borah, Poindexter, etc., will find some ground upon which to oppose even this.

All is not to be clear sledding in Illinois for the railroads asking a universal three-cent fare and repeal of the present two-cent fare law in that state. Governor Lowden has announced that he will maintain the state's power to fix railroad rates if he has to call a special session of the legislature to do it.

The German minister of finance says he has "taken a most solemn oath that the government will not surrender one inch of German territory." Oh, well, Prussian oaths are easily broken.

Seems like old times to read about a woman being indicted as a "common scold" in New Jersey. Will they use the ducking stool if she is found guilty?

THE PROMOTER'S WIFE

BY JANE PHELPS

BARBARA CALLS UPON BLANCHE ORTON.

CHAPTER III.

After that conversation neither of us again mentioned the man he brought home. Occasionally he would still bring some business men to dinner but not often, and invariably a very correct, very nice-looking man. What he did with the other men, interested me so little that I forgot to ask.

Lorraine Morton and I were shopping one day. It was about five o'clock when we finished.

Let's stop at Mrs. Orton's on the way home. I haven't yet paid my last dinner bill," she said as we got into the car.

"That's a good idea. I haven't paid mine either, and it is of such long standing I am almost ashamed to go." "She will, perhaps, be dressing for dinner. Still we will go."

I was surprised to realize suddenly that I was anxious that she would be at home, and able to receive me. It was a peculiar feeling, so strong that it rather puzzled me as to its cause.

Happily, she was at home. She received us as her boarders. She was lying on the chaise-longue. She looked very lovely--but rather tired.

A lovely pale, creamy yellow silk tea gown clung to her figure, making her sweet gracefulness particularly noticeable. She seemed to be pleased that we had called, although Lorraine said af-

terward that it was because she knew she looked leveler than either of us ever could hope to. But Lorraine was a bit "catty" at times.

"I am to have company to dinner," she explained, and am resting. "I have been up very late for several days, and am showing the fatigue. I want to be at my best, for I expect to be bored to death."

"Why be at your best if you are bored?" I asked, smiling.

"Then is when one needs to be. If you are being entertained it is easy and natural to be entertaining. But if you are bored, it just as surely is almost impossible to keep yourself from being homesome. Think that over and see if I am not right," she said turning to Lorraine who looked as puzzled as Mrs. Orton's explanation as I had felt.

"Yes--I guess you are right," I said slowly. "I remember, when Neil brings home a clever, interesting man to dinner I never have the slightest trouble entertaining him; but when he brings some stupid man, I am so tired when he is gone, and can't think of anything to say to him while at dinner without an almost visible effort."

"Of course I am right! I have entertained both kinds often enough to know."

We then gossiped for a little before we left. On our way out we passed one of her maids carrying a huge box of flowers. I knew they were American Beauties by the stems, which stuck out from the end of the box.

"Some one is attentive to the widow," Lorraine said after we had entered the car. "I'll wager she won't be a widow long."

"Of course she won't! She's too clever and too beautiful! Never, even to myself, had I failed to acknowledge to myself Blanche Orton's cleverness or her beauty. It wasn't my way."

"That was a great idea of hers about resting so that she could be at her best before men who bored her," Lorraine mused. "I think it's awfully clever of her to think it out like that. I wonder whom she is having. She said nothing of any woman, did she?"

"No--she said 'company'," I returned.

"I'll bet she meant men," said Lorraine. "She hasn't any intimate women friends; and if she was giving a dinner it, even though I were not invited, No--it's a man affair!" she finished decidedly.

"But why ask men who bore you?" I queried. "One sometimes is bored by one or the other of a married couple whom one has to ask; but I can't see why a widow should feel obliged to entertain anyone who bores her!"

"It may be it is a business affair," Lorraine said carelessly as she bade me good-bye.

(Tomorrow--Barbara's Father And Mother Come to Visit)

HOW TO MAKE A REAL WRINKLE REMOVER

In these days of cleverly advertised "beautifiers" and "rejuvenators" it is hard for a woman to believe she can make a simple home remedy for the removal of wrinkles, which will do her much more good than the average made preparation. There's nothing in the world so effective for erasing or preventing wrinkles, age marks, bugginess of cheeks and chin, as a simple and harmless solution made by dissolving an ounce of pure powdered salicylic acid in a half pint of witch hazel. These ingredients of course can be had at any drug store. Use the mixture daily for a while as a refreshing wash lotion. The quick and satisfactory results will surprise you. Even the first application produces very marked improvement. The wrinkles are less in evidence and the face has a firm, "solid," comfortable feeling. Soon you will look considerably less than your age.

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