

FUN WRITER FAILS TO SCORE IN COURT AS IN VAUDEVILLE

Vincent Bryan's Petition Against Alimony Doesn't Make Hit With Wife. HE DOESN'T LIKE WORK. She Says That's Why He Kicks at Paying \$50 Week Alimony—Has Married Again.

Vincent Bryan, manufacturing comedian, should worry and get a writ of habeas corpus. His former wife, Rachel, who got a divorce in ten minutes one day last June, with \$50 a week alimony, wants him jailed in Butler Harburger's matrimonial citadel in Ludlow street, because he owes her \$300 in alimony. Then Harry Williams, Harry Bulger and other Broadway stage lights, swear they won't give "Vinc" work because it looks like he's going to jail. And last, Bryan married again on Dec. 3 in the face of a decree forbidding him to wed. He should worry!

HE SAYS "VINC" DOESN'T WANT TO WORK.

Bryan had his worries submitted to Justice Page today in his application to reduce the \$50 a week alimony the court awarded Mrs. Bryan. Mrs. Bryan, Mike Simon and Archibald Selwyn, her brothers, and Al H. Woods, Roi C. Maguire, Roscoe Gage and Max Silver all made affidavits for Mrs. Bryan saying that if Vincent Bryan wants to work he can earn \$25,000 a year. Then S. J. Maurice, William Harris and Edward Veller estimate Bryan's earning capacity, provided he wishes to "indulge his talent," at \$15,000 a year, at least. He should work and get a wrinkle!

BRYAN HAS HAD TO BORROW LAWYER SAYS.

Leo H. Brillies, Mrs. Bryan's lawyer, attaches to the papers a copy of a marriage license filed in Hoboken, showing that Bryan and Miss Leona R. Armitage of No. 4141 Drexel Boulevard, Chicago, were married by the Rev. Joseph D. Peters on Dec. 2, 1912. The certificate gives the new Mrs. Bryan's age as twenty-one and the playwriter's as thirty-six years. It was the second marriage for both.

CHIEF BULL MOOSER BACK FROM CONFERENCE.

Col. Roosevelt Hurries to His Office and Refuses to Discuss Politics. Theodore Roosevelt returned today to his desk at the office of the Outlook, in the United Charities Building, as soon as he arrived from the Progressive party conference in Chicago. Looking even more than usually full of health and the general enjoyment of life, he hurried out of the Grand Central station. Theodore Douglas Robinson, his nephew, who is the new chairman of the Progressive party in this State, had to stretch his legs to keep up. The two dived into a taxi, and he had a surprising crowd of reporters who had followed from the train when T. R. moved with a staff of his followers that would be so wasteful of their time to follow him to the office because he was "not going to say a word—not a word." There were very few callers at the office of the Outlook to see the contributing editor. He saw all the rest promoters of the party in Chicago. His two assistants, who were usually disposed of by reference to Mr. Robinson and other Progressive leaders.

Special Trial Postponed.

Owing to the illness of Assistant United States Attorney Robert E. Keenan, in connection with the prosecution of "Cassius" Spear and others accused of using the mails to defraud, United States Judge Hunt today ordered a postponement of the trial until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Only One "MAGNUM" MENTIONED IN THE LATEST ISSUE OF "THE GLOBE" LOOK AT THE COVER OF "THE GLOBE" AND YOU WILL SEE WHY.

SHALL WOMEN PROPOSE? Fourth Article of a Series. An Argument for the Affirmative. If We Are Ever to Have a Super Race

"Woman, by Every Law of Nature, is Better Adapted to Select Her Mate and the Father of Her Children Than is Man," Writes "Richard K. S."

"Men Are Cowards in a Way—Many Are Too Timorous to Arise in a Street Car and Give a Tired, Illy Clothed Woman a Seat."

BY NIXOLA GREELEY-SMITH. If we are ever to have a super race women shall—propose! Thus, a young man, reader of The Evening World, who argues in support of his declaration that men are all cowards where women are concerned; that every man wants his wife, his mother and his sister to be just like every other man's wife, mother and sister—thus constituting himself a foe to feminine evolution and development. Incidentally, this reader has found a novel and interesting explanation of why so many men keep their seats in street cars while women stand. He says they are too timid, actually too cowardly, to stand up!



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foolish—has had its effect, and we might all be prodigies of learning and today if our forefathers hadn't persisted in a misguided preference for supposedly plastic little mimics. But how is the super race to be developed save by the choice of the exceptional woman, who never has had and never will have to resort to the cradly of proposing marriage to make her preference effective?

WOMAN TAKES WHAT SHE WANTS WHEN SHE WANTS IT.

Victor Hugo said, when he was accused of plagiarism, "I take what belongs to me wherever I find it!"

And the woman of unusual charm or beauty or wit has very much the same feeling. Once convinced that she has found the man she wishes to marry, she ruthlessly sets her seal upon him. But propose to him? How vulgar, how superfluous! Only the crude propose.

Very few marriages are founded upon actual verbal offers from either men or women. The formal proposal survives mainly in fiction and on the stage, where it is still considered very cute or the lagging to confess her love for the hero by holding a mirror in front of him, saying: "There is the man I love!" or by some similarly silly declaration. Deadwood, we remember, tells Othello that if he has a friend that loves her he should but teach him how to tell his story and that would woo her. The spirit of Rosalind proposed to Orlando. But—do you know a living woman who has followed their classic example?

However, it is far from my intention to deter any feminine gallants who wish to do so from offering their hands in marriage. And I agree with the young man who thinks this unusual proceeding might have a beneficial effect on society. For he is quite right in assuming that man is the conventional sex, that he wants wives and mothers and daughters to be of a pattern.

It is moral cowardice that makes men dress as much alike as possible. Let any man who has dared to depart from the accepted formula of drabness appear where two or three of his fellows are gathered together, and cat-calls, hoots and good-humored jeers will greet his appearance. A group of matrons matrons would not be so much affected by the spectacle of one of their number in a Paris gown as men are by the sight of an unusual necktie or a gaudy pair of socks.

But the young man who believes that women should propose marriage is waiting to be heard. He writes: HE IS WILLING TO HAVE THE WOMEN PROPOSE. Dear Madam: Why should not a woman propose marriage? From the psychological standpoint alone, may I ask who originally would have picked men to perform this doughty deed—save man himself? Is it not entering where angels fear to tread? Seriously, does it not occur to you that a woman, by every law of nature, is better adapted to select her mate and the father of her children than is man? Has not God given her boundless intuition, such as no man possesses, for this very purpose? Many conventions there are that rob life of its naturalness, but none that sets the world so upside down, so grievously inverts the natural order of things, as the idea that man should be allowed to do all the choosing. And what has he done with it? Are the records of divorces, increasing; ponderous year by year, any indication of a supernatural or God-given wisdom on his



QUEENS OF FOREIGN COUNTRIES PROPOSE WHY NOT THE AMERICAN QUEENS?

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HARBERSON THINKS HIS PHONE CALL SUSPICIOUS.

"I think it odd," he said, "that I should have been summoned away by telephone just at the time my wife was planning this unnecessary disturbance."

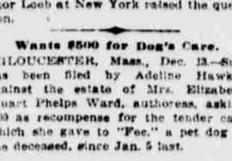
MORE DUTY ON HIGH HATS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—High hats probably will be higher. The Treasury Department has ruled that the duty on "goods in part of wool" because of an under-brim on the band contain woolen material. The duty, consequently, will be 44 cents per pound and 60 per cent. ad valorem instead of only 20 per cent. ad valorem which many ports have assessed under the silk schedule. Collector Loeb at New York raised the question.

Wants \$500 for Dog's Care.

GLoucester, Mass., Dec. 13.—Suit has been filed by Adeline Hawke against the estate of Mrs. Elizabeth Stuart Phelps Ward, authoress, asking \$500 as recompense for the tender care which she gave to "Fee," a pet dog of the deceased, since Jan. 5 last.

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THREE BABIES DIE IN FIRES STARTED BY LITTLE FRIENDS

One Small Girl Gives Her Life in Effort to Save Her Brother.

Guamie Tennar, one year old, died early today in Gouverneur Hospital from burns received at the home of her parents, No. 29 Broome street, when the cradle was accidentally set afire. Dora Wehstler, three years old, was playing with matches near the cradle where the baby was sleeping, while Mrs. Tennar was out of the room. The infant's clothing caught fire and she was mortally burned before Mrs. Tennar could put out the blaze. The Wehstler girl was not burned.

Anna Benada, three years old, lost her life in a heroic effort to save her baby brother at No. 224 East Seventy-second street last night. Mrs. Mary Benada had left the children playing in the kitchen while she went out for something for supper.

Charles, who is eighteen months old, crawled over near the range and a live coal dropped on his clothing. Anna tried to extinguish the flame and her own clothing caught fire. They were both screaming in agony when other tenants rushed in and put them on the bed.

The mattress had caught fire when Policeman Neville arrived and smothered the blaze. The children were taken to the City Hospital on Blackwell's Island, where Anna died a short time later, her last words being, "How's brother?" The boy is not expected to live. Becky Otker, eleven months old, died in Gouverneur Hospital today of burns she received when a fire kindled by her four-year-old brother on the floor of the kitchen of her home at No. 115 Ridge street, reached the skirts of her dress. The little boy had built the fire with an idea of putting it in the stove to help his mother while she was out getting things for dinner. He was so terrified when it began to spread that he ran into the next room and hid under the bed. The firemen found him there unharmed after they had drenched the kitchen. Becky, who had been tied into her chair with a towel, had no chance for escape.

'GOOD, OLD NIGHTSTICK' EULOGIZED BY A JUDGE.

Says It Should Have Been Used on Gangster Who Fought Policeman.

An eulogy of the good, old-fashioned nightstick came from Justice Steiner today when eighteen-year-old Robert Gleason pleaded guilty to the charge that he had assaulted Policeman Melvor of the West One Hundredth street station on the night of Nov. 22. "If police officers," said the Court, "were only allowed to use their clubs on gangsters of your sort, you probably would not be in court today. This court is going to co-operate with the Police Department in every way to clear the parks of ruffians and keep them clear."

Gleason, who lives at No. 725 St. Ann's avenue, was turned over to a probation officer pending investigation of his case. The police say he is a leader of the "Pearl Button Gang" and that several of his followers were with him when he kicked Melvor, who had ordered the band to move away from their rendezvous at One Hundred and Sixteenth street and Riverside Drive.

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