

might have broken your leg.' He was in earnest about it, and I guess he had more stuff up his sleeve. I told him such being the case, the next time he was announced as the pitcher, I intended to declare myself out of the line-up.

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## CHICAGO NEWSPAPERS AND THE NEWS

The Chicago newspapers are a truly wonderful study.

They are so careful to present their news in a truthful, unbiased manner—if you don't care what you say!

For instance, the following is this morning's Tribune's version of a visit made by Peter Bartzén, president of the County Board, to the state's attorney's office yesterday:

"While Mr. Dunn was preparing his statement, Mr. Bartzén was at the state's attorney's office, trying to ward off an indictment sought by the civil service reform association."

Here's what the Record-Herald says of the same incident:

"Peter Bartzén, president of the county board, went to the state's attorney's office yesterday and demanded that any charges brought against him by the civil service reform association be heard at once by the grand jury."

Evidently, it depends on which newspaper presents the news, what Bartzén really went to the state's attorney's office to do.

According to the Tribune Bartzén is so afraid of an investigation into the charges against him,

that he paid a special visit to the state's attorney's office to gag any such investigation.

According to the Record-Herald, Bartzén went to the state's attorney's office to demand an immediate investigation of these charges by the grand jury.

Of course, the people of Chicago have a right to know just how the man they elected president of the county board is acting in the present scandal in regard to the conduct of the county's affairs.

The only way for the people to know, outside of making a personal investigation, is to read the newspapers.

Just how the people are going to garner any real truth from the newspapers when two big dailies present such radically different versions of a single trip of the president of the county board to the state's attorney's office, we leave to the imagination of the people.

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## INQUISITIVE EDWIN WANTS TO KNOW—

Do they make bone collarbuttons from collarbones?

If a bellwether has water on the brain, is he a hydraulic ram?

Can the umpire call two strike with only on bawl?

Who brings the stork its little storks?

Do soldiers shoot at aeroplanes with airguns?

If a man looking over the paper can see what is in it, can a man looking through the paper see what is on the other side of it?