

Old Hell's Kitchen Station House Now Haven for New York Girls



Hostess Room at New Woman's Precinct.

Geraniums Bloom Where Blood Was Once Spilled and Young Women Who Might Otherwise Be Homeless Find Comfort and Pleasure in Cheerful Room.

NEW YORK, May 10.—Never a day passed that gore was not spilled on the old station house doorstep over in Hell's Kitchen.

Now geraniums bloom there. They shed the gaiety of their scarlet blossoms upon the visitors who pass the famous door on West Thirty-seventh street.

Woman's magic has wrought the change.

Who would not be awayed by the influence that speaks forth from such a background, especially when the amateur feminine vagabond came from some small town where the only "good" people, or the only ones qualified to correct one, were plain, prim "tabbies" in black alpaca, who wanted to hush the laughter of Youth and tie a ball and chain upon its feet?

SETTLE FAMILY QUARRELS. "We want to make friends with the girls that we protect," Mrs. Hamilton said. "We, the stragglers, must be buffers between the girl and her family, with whom she has quarreled, or that she fears after the sudden departure from the family circle.

"Many girls who are well able, ordinarily, to take care of themselves, and to earn a good living at some trade they have mastered, come here full of hope and self-confidence. Alas, they know nothing of the housing or hotel problem. They wander about looking for room somewhere; they are unable to get one and night is coming on swiftly.

"To such girls, too, we open our doors. We shelter them and help them to get on their feet. They are not under arrest, and no stigma attaches to their stay here."

Up in the dormitory were forty-eight snowy beds, in a big sunlit room with filmy curtains hung at the many windows. Mrs. George W. Loft is "bed chairman."

With the passing of the old police station and condemning of the structure the vacant building suggested an opportunity, and Mrs. Hamilton seized the opening to supplement her department's work among runaway girls and to offer training to women police.

"There are many places to send runaway girls," explained Mrs. Hamilton at the "women's precinct," as the building is now called, "but no place where the really moral girl, who may be a footstep runaway from home, is tolerated without danger to her character.

"Out of 13,000 runaway girls last year 50 per cent were moral. They probably tried to escape from too great restriction at home or from homes that needed some sort of readjustment.

GUESTS ARE SHOWN CITY. "We shall treat the runaways as our guests while they remain in this house pending investigation or a visit from parents, who will call for them, or until they leave home," laughed the very understanding director, "because they want to see New York.

"In that case," she added, "we help them to see it. We accompany them, and we are most pleased to get into the very understanding director, "because they want to see New York.

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HAPGOOD RAPS COAL PASTOR

Astounded When Dr. Freeman Digs Up Nationalization of Women in Russian Story.

By NORMAN HAPGOOD.

An extraordinary incident occurred last Sunday in this extraordinary town. Please remember the following words, for they contain the whole plot of this article:

"As now in Russia."

There has come to the city recently a man of God, a spiritual leader of men, by the name of Freeman—a most suitable name for a dispenser of the highest truth.

Dr. Freeman has become the vogue. His church, the Epiphany, is crowded every time he preaches. The best people, as I believe they are called, are always present in large numbers.

MOTHERS' WEEK HOLY.

We have been celebrating Mothers' Week down here—a holy thing to do. Dr. Freeman preached on the subject. He found his text in the Gospel according to Luke.

That was a canny move, considering what he was going to lead up to, for Luke is obviously the Socialist among the Apostles, so Dr. Freeman made his plans to destroy the Bolshevik on the solid ground of testimony from a sympathetic source.

The text is in the Second Chapter, Fifty-first verse. It reads:

"This mother kept all these sayings in her heart."

Dr. Freeman's central thought was that American civilization is being destroyed by our trend toward the Continental Sunday. We not only walk about in the parks on Sunday, which was strictly forbidden by the Puritans, but we even play baseball. "Pop" Anson was here the other day, with his two daughters, and they gave their vaudeville turn every day, including Sunday.

MAYBE 'POP' WAS INDISCREET.

Perhaps that was what worried Dr. Freeman. "Pop" was a little indiscreet. During his comparison of old-time diamond stars with Cobb and Ruth, he indicated that in his opinion, Cobb was a better player than Ruth, and added:

"Billy Sunday did his share."

It seems to me all the more interesting, if that is true, that the famous Evangelist should have gotten into the "Pop" column in later years with such victorious elation.

Dr. Freeman thinks that all these tendencies lead straight to moral collapse. He was as sure and as fervent about it as Mr. Justice McKenna was three weeks ago, when he said that the decision of the majority of the Supreme Court protect tenants, at some cost to landlords was going to throw us rapidly into the hands of Desha's Justice.

McKenna was evidently right. You cannot trifle with the moral law. Some five days after the fatal first step toward Bolshevism of the United States Supreme Court, the State of New York, guided by the example of the highest court, enacted a law that owners of apartment houses shall not be allowed to discriminate against children. Facile as it may seem, it means that the road to perdition is greased.

CALLS INCIDENT REMARKABLE.

Dr. Freeman's climax was that our Sunday tendencies would bring about the nationalization of women, "as now in Russia." That is why I called the incident remarkable, even for a man who speaks of the respectability and bourgeoisness as an interwoven as they are in the capital of the nation.

Think what it means for a leader of men, a spokesman of God speaking, to create men and women on May 8, in the year of our Lord, 1921, in the center of our political life, to declare that women are nationalized in Russia.

It means that a large element among our most influential population believes that the only way to settle our problems is to throw scares of the most gargantuan untruthfulness.

When I was last in Europe, during most of the year 1919, this nationalization story was orthodox. Every secret service agent of every league sent in confirmation of it in almost identical language. But since then the forms which respectability and bourgeoisness shall be spread have changed.

SAME HORROR SHOW WORN.

If Dr. Freeman were in better touch with our Government propaganda, with Mr. Gompers and with Mr. Bakhteff he would know that this nationalization story is no longer serviceable, even on Sunday. Newfangled propaganda must be discarded, and the crowd does not respond to the same horror for more than two years.

If Dr. Freeman really wants to know the marriage laws of the country he is so concerned about he can get them by writing to Soviet Russia, 110 West Fortieth street, New York City, and inclose 10 cents.

Meanwhile, I wish he would preach to the residents of this city on the well-known text from John "The truth shall make you free."

Boy Goes Over Falls; Lives.

MANCHESTER, N. H., May 10.—Lawrence Harriman, eight years old, of Ashland, N. H., isn't letting a little matter of falling over an eighteen-foot dam and struggling ashore through the icy water interfere with his school or day job. The boy was fishing from the top of the dam, and catching his foot on a plank, plunged over the dam. He reached the shore unaided, was pulled out by a man who was passing and, aside from a slight cut on one knee, was uninjured.

Princeton Honors Einstein.

PRINCETON, N. J., May 10.—Dr. Albert Einstein, originator of the theory of relativity, received the degree of doctor of science at Princeton University yesterday. It was conferred upon him by Dean Fleming West of the Graduate School, after President John Grier Hibben, of the university, had formally welcomed the noted German scientist.

Stays Son and Daughter Go to Balls Because Bible Doesn't Prohibit It.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., May 10.—Because his own daughter and son dance, and because he declares he cannot find anything in the Bible to forbid dancing or card playing, and so he does not condemn them, the Rev. James L. Coote, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Baldwinsville for seven years, faces a vote of the church membership. A session has been called for Thursday by the board of deacons on "the question of change in the pastorate."

NOT PROHIBITED BY BIBLE.

Discussing the controversy occasioned by his refusal to consign those who dance or play cards to a hell-fire punishment, the Rev. Mr. Coote today said:

"I can see no harm in dancing. Further than that, I can find nowhere in the Bible that it is prohibited. If the Bible were against dancing I would stand firmly against the pastorate also. This is a point where the church has lost out by failing to approach the question in a sympathetic manner."

"Dancing, card playing, billiards, pool—what a picaresque matter to make them such stellar issues! Personally, I can see no harm in traveling ten miles in circles around a dance floor; but while it may be foolish, it certainly isn't sinful."

DAUGHTER GOES TO DANCES.

Miss Julie Coote, the pretty daughter of the minister, has long attended dances with her father's approval. His son, Robert Coote, is a junior at Colgate, where the minister himself studied.

"If my children desire to dance, I will let them do so," he said today.

The pastor, whose release is sought by the board of deacons, has been in the ministry for twenty-eight years. Before coming to Baldwinsville seven years ago, he held charges at Jamaica, L. I., and at Keppert, N. J. The church at Baldwinsville is one of the oldest Baptist congregations in the vicinity, dating back to 1818.

MOONSHINERS AMBUSH AND KILL INFORMER

CUMBERLAND, Md., May 10.—Harmon Bell, a farmer, was shot and killed near Hopeville, Grant county, W. Va., was shot from his horse and instantly killed by persons unidentified at North Fork Gap, seven miles west of Petersburg, Sunday morning.

"The shooting is thought to have been the outcome of his feeling against Bell in that neighborhood. It was said Bell had been accused of informing on moonshiners to revenue officers, and had been told by residents of that section to leave. It is also alleged that Bell had informed on a draft evader and had gained added animosity.

The horse Bell was riding also was shot, and killed, after Mr. Bell was shot. No arrests have been made.

Urge Phone Merger Bill.

LITTLE HOLLY TESGRIGG, of Los Angeles, in the costume which won first prize in the flower division of the annual baby parade on May Day at Ocean City, Cal.



TOO MUCH RELIGION, HE SEEKS DIVORCE

Jersey Husband Says Wife Changed Faiths With Her Clothes.

NEW YORK, May 10.—His wife's too frequent changes of religious faith were the final cause that impelled him to ask the court to dissolve their marriage, according to the petition for divorce from Mrs. Edith MacDonough of Burke's Mansion, Ridgewood, which was read before Vice Chancellor Griffin in Jersey City yesterday by Lawyer John J. Walsh for Charles W. MacDonough, a silk salesman.

The MacDonoughs were Episcopalians when they were married at Manchester, Vt. November 22, 1893, the petitioner says. Ten years ago his wife "began changing her religion with her clothes and she persistently harassed the petitioner because he refused to change with her." First she was a Spiritualist and then in succession she was a follower of these religious cults: Economites, Mesmerists, Mind Readers and Fortunes Tellers, Christian Scientists, Theosophists, New Thought, Angel Dancers, Numerologists.

"There was nothing in our home at that time," the petitioner says, "but the petitioner's religious faith was denounced him in vile and abusive language for his refusal to co-operate with her in her religious changes, and the home became a pandemonium. In December, 1920, his wife sent their daughter to his office with the message, 'I have at last found the true religion numerology, and a request for \$100 to pay for instruction by a lady teacher in numerology.' He sent the \$100."

Soon afterward his wife told him that through the true religion numerology she had learned by the study of mystical and symbolic numbers she had got the wrong man for a husband. "We were never intended for each other," she said. "You never do anything right for me." Because of her hatred and cruelty he had become a nervous wreck and because of violent fits of rage she had driven him from the house. He was obliged to leave her.

The wife's answer denies the cruelty and the religious changes except that they were Congregationalists and became Episcopalians. It was at her husband's suggestion she took up the study of the science of numbers with the purpose of using it in earning money. She denies hatred of her husband.

WRESTLER KILLS THIEF WITH HIS BARE HANDS

SAN FRANCISCO, May 10.—Louis H. Ardoun, of the Olympic Club, who recently was runner-up in the heavy-weight class of the National A. A. U. wrestling championship, yesterday killed with his bare hands a man who was rifling a bureau drawer in his home. The man later was identified as William E. Anderson.

Ardoun told the police that after grappling with Anderson, who was unarmed, for five minutes he applied a severe wrestling hold to detain him until Mrs. Ardoun could telephone for help.

PINEY BRANCH CITS FIGHT TUBERCULAR SCHOOL

The Piney Branch Citizens' Association last night informed the 300 school building program for the District and vigorously opposed erection of a school for tubercular children at Fourteenth and Upshur streets northwest.

A branch postoffice will be opened at Fourteenth and Decatur streets June 1, it was announced. The entertainment committee is considering plans for combining with other citizens' associations for a joint celebration July 4.

DREDGEMEN'S STRIKE ON GREAT LAKES SETTLED

Secretary of Labor Davis has announced the settlement of the strike of dredgemen, which has been on for two weeks. Three thousand dredgemen are returning to work in the Great Lakes post yesterday, the Secretary announced.

Settlement was made on the basis of acceptance of a partial reduction of wages by the men. Conciliator L. Thomas represented the Department of Labor in the settlement.

Steals \$105,000; Gets 5 Years.

TORONTO, May 10.—John Doughty, convicted of stealing \$105,000 in Victory bonds from Ambrose Small, missing theatrical man, was sentenced to six years in the provincial penitentiary yesterday. It was conferred upon him by Dean Fleming West of the Graduate School, after President John Grier Hibben, of the university, had formally welcomed the noted German scientist.

BOOTS' RANCOR IN TAX POLICY

Exemption of Municipal Bonds Leading to U. S. Ownership of Utilities, Says Expert.

Taxation policies of the Government are leading to municipal and Federal ownership of public utilities despite a political policy opposed to such a course, Phillip H. Gadsden, of Philadelphia, chairman of the joint tax committee of the American Electric Railway Association and the National Electric Light Association, asserted today when he appeared before the Senate Finance Committee to urge revision of the Federal tax laws to include prohibition of the issuance of tax exempt securities.

"The most serious question which now confronts public utilities," Gadsden declared, "is their inability to secure the necessary new capital required by them annually in competition with tax exempt municipal securities. It can be shown that a taxpayer or an investor who pays a surtax of over 3 per cent cannot afford to invest his money in public utility securities in preference to municipal securities."

Gadsden pointed out that under the law, public utilities are limited to a return on their investment of not more than 8 per cent.

"It is clear, therefore," he said, "that they cannot issue securities agreeing to pay more than that amount for any long time. Unless they can pay over 8 per cent they cannot compete with exempted municipal and State securities into practical operation. His situation is that inevitably these extensions and betterments cannot be made. Service would slow down and become unsatisfactory and there would be a growing demand on the part of the public for the acquisition of these utilities by municipalities on the ground that they could borrow money at not more than 5 per cent."

SEES DRIFT TO SOCIALISM.

"Unless this policy of exempting municipal securities is discontinued," Gadsden told the committee, "we are rapidly drifting into practical socialism, which in its essence means ownership of everything by the public."

Gadsden voiced approval of the recommendation of Secretary of the Treasury Mellon that Congress should issue the issuance of additional tax exempt securities.

In discussing the proposed sales tax, Gadsden said that it would be difficult to shift this form of revenue to public utilities.

Gadsden urged the appointment of a special subcommittee to make a thorough study of the public utility tax situation.

MEDICINE BEER HAS MELLON PIZZLED

The problem of medicinal beer has the Government in a turmoil today. Protests against holding up beer regulations have begun to flood public officials.

The Treasury Mellon is in a quandary over the problem.

The only official statement authorized by the Treasury upon the action can be taken upon the question until after a new Commissioner of Internal Revenue qualifies. The new commissioner will decide upon the future policy, it was declared.

Government officials today said that much delay probably will ensue before any Congressional action is possible upon the beer question. These officials, including some of the legal advisers, strongly pleaded against further delay in issuing rules which would authorize manufacture and sale of beer as well as wines for medicinal purposes.

Secretary Mellon has taken personal charge of the question and will confer with the new commissioner in an effort to settle a squabble which has arisen over pigeon-holding the regulations.

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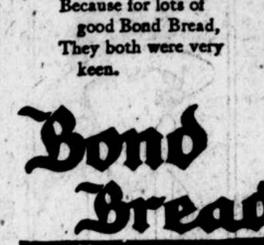
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