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THE HERALD'S CITY CIRCULATION

The Herald's circulation in the city of Los Angeles is larger than that of the Examiner or the Express and second only to that of the Times.

Population of Los Angeles 201,249

Judging from those insurance developments in New York the Morgan brand of "taint" is as pernicious as the Rockefeller kind.

The city bacteriologist says that Los Angeles milk is full of bacteria. Probably that is evened up, however, by the bacteria being full of milk.

No, it was not the "equinoctial storm" that appeared rather suddenly in Los Angeles yesterday afternoon. It was merely a reminder that Los Angeles is not a "dry town."

Angelenos seem to be everywhere, as shown by the results of railway accidents. You are fairly sure to see a Los Angeles address in connection with a list of casualties.

It should be remembered that Postmaster General Cortelyou was chairman of the national Republican committee when the insurance companies made their large campaign contributions.

The use of the title, "mutual benefit" for insurance companies is only too appropriate. One seems to have been run largely for the mutual benefit of its man Perkins and Morgan's man Perkins, at least.

Husbands and fathers no doubt experience a great sense of relief from the statement that the National Dressmakers' convention, in session at Chicago, has resolved not to advance prices at present.

Now philologists are distressed by the projection of the word "nylic" into the vernacular by the vice president of the New York Life insurance company. The word seems to be a relative of the "graft" family.

Ex-Minister Conger says "the United States broke faith with China." But that does not equal Russia's faith in breaking China and taking that big Manchurian chunk that the Japs compelled it to return.

Let us hope that the Sweden-Norway trouble will subside now and that French and German bristles will not rise over the Morocco issue. The Los Angeles library wrangle is billed to hold the stage next week.

On penalty of immediate dismissal all Philadelphia policemen and firemen are forbidden "to pay any assessment or contribution for political purposes." As a guess, we should say that order will suit the policemen and firemen.

Experiments are promised in Los Angeles with a Chicago street sprinkling idea that requires water squirting only once a week. According to some complaints that is better than the present average here in parts of the city.

City Engineer Stafford has been permitted by the council to "manage his department in his own way," on the promise that he will save at least \$5000 during the fiscal year. Stafford's record is evidence that the promise will be made good.

As a result of the printers' strike in Chicago many girl typewriters are taking to the keyboards of the typesetting machines. The two operations are quite similar, and the wages of type machine operators average two or three times those of typewriters.

In the course of a trial in New Jersey the judge declared that "a man is nothing more than a born fool to take any stock in a company unless he goes in with men in whom he can have confidence." "Amen" chorus from tens of thousands who have "been there."

An example of enterprise and progress in the smaller cities and towns near Los Angeles is seen in a special edition of the Fullerton Tribune. It is a handsome publication of twenty-four pages, full of illustrations and descriptive matter relating to Fullerton and some of its sister towns.

Is the love of a Pasadena for his dog so ardent that he is willing to serve a term in jail as a token thereof? The question is raised by the imperative order that every dog owner must pay a dog license fee or be adjudged guilty of a misdemeanor, with the penalty of \$50 fine and the alternative of a jail term.

Harry Bunkers, one of San Francisco's senatorial bootlickers, explained that he told the bootlicker purveyor to "just drop it into my pocket." In the case of Emmons, his confederate, a witness has testified that the accused reached for the money. Either style of securing a senatorial bribe appears to be "good form."

The Democratic city convention in San Francisco accepted the Republican offer for a fusion on the municipal ticket. If the joint committee succeeds in making up a satisfactory ticket there will be a bright prospect for the defeat of the Ruef-Schmitz combination, which has made the very name of San Francisco a municipal reproach.

The reports of railway traffic officials show that 29,000 carloads of oranges were shipped from California during the past season, all but a small fraction being from the southland. The value of the crop was \$23,925,000, of which the growers get \$14,500,000, the remainder going to transportation account. As the area of the true orange belt is comparatively small, the output proves that no other agricultural product equals in profit that of the oranges grown in Southern California.

PUBLIC INTERESTS FIRST

The opening of the fall season in municipal affairs gives no promise for an early bridging of the breach between the mayor and the city council in regard to the personnel of the new board of public works. The scope of that board's power is so broad, under the authority creating it, that the appointment of members to serve on it is the most important that ever devolved upon a Los Angeles mayor. In addition to the normal functions of the board, as understood when it was authorized, the whole control of the Owens valley water project comes within its province. Hence the mayor's firmness in sticking to the appointees whom he named several weeks ago, and hence, also, the determination of a majority of the council not to confirm these nominees.

But the mayor and the councilmen are not the chief parties in interest relative to the installation of the board of public works. The people of Los Angeles are entitled to first consideration in that matter. The board was created by the popular vote and the people will insist that their mandate shall become effective at the beginning of next year, in conformity with the provisions creating the board. The mayor and the council, as public servants, are expected and required to respond promptly to their official obligations.

The "get together" policy for which Los Angeles is noted abroad should be invoked to bridge that breach between the mayor and the council in regard to appointees for the board of public works. Throughout the all-important doings relative to the water proposition the mayor and the council have pulled together with the steadiness of an ox team. A little yielding on each side now, and particularly a little more consideration for the people and for public interests, would lead to a satisfactory understanding concerning the membership of the board of public works.

That library apparition has appeared at the city hall simultaneously with the opening of the fall season of municipal business. It is said the apparition demands \$2500 to meet the expenses of an investigation, including "expert testimony."

ALERT MINOR CITIES

The minor cities of Southern California seem to have been stirred by the example of Los Angeles in "building for the future" in the matter of a water supply. As announced yesterday in The Herald, in a special dispatch from San Bernardino, "A gigantic merger of all the water interests of the southern and eastern sides of this valley has been practically completed and will soon be a reality." And it is said that the consummation of this project "means as much to the section concerned as does the Owens valley project to Los Angeles."

The water merger, as reported from San Bernardino, is relatively more stupendous than the one Los Angeles is undertaking. It comprises the water rights of several companies and corporations and involves a money value approximating \$3,000,000. All the territory is covered from the mountains westward and southwestward, including East Highland, Mentone, Crafton, Redlands, Loma Linda, etc.

The Bear valley water system is the basis of the new project. That system has been in litigation nearly a dozen years, greatly to the detriment of all interests connected with it. But by reason of the settlement effected and the amalgamation of all the minor water interests in that section an ample water supply is assured for what is locally called "the cream of the orange belt."

Several of the smaller cities and towns in Los Angeles county are felicitating themselves on the prospect of participating in the Owens valley water supply. There will be a large volume of water in excess of the city's needs for years after that supply is available, and the surplus may be marketed elsewhere.

The modern steel bridge just completed at the Aliso street river crossing makes the ramshackle wooden bridges more hideous by comparison. The bridge structures of the pueblo era have no proper place in the Los Angeles of today.

QUESTIONABLE INSURANCE REMEDY

It is announced in an authoritative way that the president will make the life insurance business a chief subject in his annual message to congress. There have been direct intimations that he favors federal control of the business and it is expected that he will so recommend in his message. A dispatch from his summer home says he now has "in course of preparation his annual message to congress, and as he proposes to discuss the insurance situation in that message, with reference to federal legislation for the regulation of insurance, he desired to confer with his close friends as to the manner in which he should treat the subject."

The astonishing developments of loose management in the three big New York life insurance companies, the largest in the world, make that subject one of paramount importance now. It concerns every city, town and village in the United States, and the country districts as well. It comes home as no other subject does to the domestic hearth, since it involves the comfort of millions of widows and orphans.

There can be no question that radical reforms in the business of life insurance are imperatively demanded. Public confidence in the system has been shaken by the disclosures now in progress and without drastic action of some kind that confidence may be entirely destroyed. Something must be done to inspire full confidence in the honest and faithful control of all life insurance funds. That much the public demands, and the strain on public patience will stand no more tension.

But how shall the necessary reform be effected? The plan of federal control is under discussion all over the country and it seems likely to be popular when congress assembles. In view of the graft revelations in various departments of the government, however, thoughtful persons are likely to ask themselves whether the adoption of the federal control plan would not be akin to "jumping out of the frying pan into the fire."

In the first place, the assumption of life insurance control by the government would be an innovation that might prove to be dangerous as a precedent. In the statement of powers delegated to congress by the constitution there is nothing touching authority to handle such affairs as the insurance business. Such business is prohibited negatively, in fact, by article X of the constitutional amendments, as follows: "The powers not delegated to the United States by the constitution, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states respectively or to the people."

The present grilling of the New York life insurance concerns by a committee of the legislature shows that the states can handle the insurance business, and without gloves, when occasion requires. There is hardly a doubt that the New York legislature, in its next session, will take measures for radical reforms in that business. And the outburst of public indignation throughout the United States will lead to similar legislation in other states when it may be deemed necessary.

Think of a possible gang of federal grafters in control of the millions of dollars in custody of the life insurance companies!

WOMEN PLAN FOR ANNUAL MEETING

MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS AT HOLLYWOOD

Fellowship Work Resumes Services October 1—Bishop Conaty Sails for Rome Wednesday—Founder of King's Daughters Coming

The Woman's Missionary society of Los Angeles conference of the Methodist church, South, will hold its annual session, commencing Tuesday afternoon, at the Methodist church, South, at Prospect avenue and Vine street, Hollywood. Tuesday evening Dr. Reed, formerly a missionary in China and now in charge of the Chinese and Japanese work on the Pacific coast, will make an address. Reports will be made during the sessions by the thirty auxiliaries.

C. R. Gray of Redlands will make an address Wednesday evening. Thursday afternoon the sessions will close with election of officers. Following are the present officers: Mrs. C. Jackson, Los Angeles, president; Mrs. L. Holcomb, San Bernardino, first vice president; Mrs. M. G. Mackey, Redlands, second vice president; Mrs. L. P. Mason, Long Beach, third vice president; Mrs. James Crutchfield, San Bernardino, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. F. Ponder, Los Angeles, recording secretary; Mrs. J. H. Vinson, Phoenix, Arizona, district secretary for Arizona; Mrs. W. P. Brow, Los Angeles, district secretary.

The local Y. M. C. A. has secured the services of Prof. George F. Beane of the University of Southern California to have charge of the electrical department. He has recently come here to take charge of that department at the U. S. C. Prof. Edgar S. Ayres, from the Leland Stanford University, will have charge of the mechanical engineering and plan reading and estimating department.

Already numerous applications have been made for the automobile school to be opened next month. Competent teachers are now being secured for this department. During the present week Educational Instructor Austin has held noon meetings at the Baker, Llewellyn and Union iron works to interest the men in the night classes.

Rev. Hugh K. Walker will speak at the men's meeting tomorrow afternoon at 8 o'clock, it being the annual observance of Bible rally day. The Triangle club will unite in the service. The association orchestra will give a sacred concert from 2 to 3 o'clock.

The committee work of the Los Angeles Fellowship has been reorganized. The meetings are held at the new Fellowship house, 420 West Sixth street. The religious, educational, social and philanthropic branches of the Fellowship work will commence regular sermons October 1.

Benjamin Fay Mills, the permanent minister, will speak at Blanchard hall tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock on "Unselfishness." Miss Helen O. Tappe will sing "The Promise of Life." Alfred E. Walper, violinist, will play "Adagio."

The children's church will meet at 11 o'clock at the music room of the new Blanchard building, 232 South Hill street, and will be in charge of Miss Kathryn Romer Kip. The Sunday school meets at the Fellowship house at 9:30 o'clock.

Rev. Mgr. Harnett, V. G., is preaching a series of sermons at the 8 o'clock mass on Sundays on "Prayer," leading up to the Lord's prayer, which he will explain in sections. The sermons at the Wednesday evenings holy hour services are on "The Church." Rev. E. A. Hefernan will preach next Wednesday evening.

Plans are being made by Rev. T. C. Marshall, rector of the Church of the Neighborhood, for extension of the settlement work. Miss E. C. Morrison, a trained nurse, will have charge of the dispensary and will also do district nursing. Miss Mary L. Steiger will be a resident settlement worker.

Mrs. Margaret Bottomo, founder and head of the King's Daughters of America, will be in Los Angeles the latter part of next month. She will be accompanied by Miss Libby of Oakland, one of the charter members. While here they will be guests of Mrs. D. L. Durand, 509 West Thirty-third street.

Rev. William H. Walker, sr., will preach at the First Baptist church at both services tomorrow. Rev. Dr. Willett, former pastor of the Orchard Avenue Baptist church, will preach the following Sunday.

O. T. Conroy will speak at the Union Rescue mission this evening. Judge

Sept. 23 in the World's History

- 1519—Cortez entered the Indian city of Tlascala, having in the short space of twenty-four days subdued a powerful nation.
1737—The Hebrews disfranchised by a vote of the New York legislature.
1777—The British army, under Gen. Howe, crossed the Schuylkill.
1779—American frigate Bon Homme Richard, Capt. Paul Jones, engaged and captured the British frigate Serapis, Capt. Pearson.
1780—John Andre, the British spy, intercepted near Tarrytown about twenty-five miles above New York, and taken into custody.
1792—Dr. Priestly and Thomas Paine were elected to the national convention of France.
1806—The American exploring party under Capt. Lewis and Clark returned to St. Louis, having lost but one of their party.
1846—Last day's battle of Monterey, in which the arms of the United States troops were victorious.
1854—The Russians closed the passage to the harbor of Sebastopol by sinking in the entrance five ships of the line and two frigates.
1855—The island of Guam visited by a terrific tornado; nearly every house on the island was destroyed and 5000 persons left homeless.

Curtis D. Wilbur will speak at the service tomorrow evening. At this service Master George Hargrove, the child violinist, will use the new violin which was presented to him last Thursday by the mission on his ninth birthday.

The vestry of St. John's church will give a banquet to men of the parish at the guild hall Wednesday evening, October 4. Rev. L. G. Morris, rector, expects to move into the new house adjoining the church at Adams and Figueroa streets today.

Father Dorval of Vancouver, B. C., will have charge of the services tomorrow at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Hollywood. Rev. D. W. J. Murphy, the pastor, will preach at the installation service of the Knights of Columbus at the Church of St. Francis de Sales, Riverside, tomorrow.

A memorial service for the late Frederick Hastings Rindge will be held tomorrow morning at the Westlake Methodist church, of which the deceased was a member. Addresses will be made by Messrs. Wallace, Tupper and Cochran, and Dr. W. H. Rider, the pastor.

The choir of the Church of the Sacred Heart has been reorganized under the direction of Miss Mary O'Donoghue, as follows: Mrs. H. Budlong, contralto; Miss M. Merrick, soprano; Messrs. Schwamm and Pauly, bass and tenor respectively.

Rev. Francis Solanus Rooney, O. F. M., brother to Dr. Henry Rooney of Los Angeles, was a visitor at St. Joseph's church during the week. He has gone to Phoenix, Ariz., for his health.

Rev. W. H. Walker, pastor of Calvary Baptist church, is ill at his home on East Second street. Rev. H. D. Schultz will occupy the pulpit for several weeks.

The Epworth League of the Newman Methodist church, at a social Friday evening, raised sufficient funds to secure a deaconess for church work during the coming conference year.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Conaty, accompanied by his brother, Rev. B. S. Conaty, and Rev. J. J. Clifford, will sail Wednesday from New York for Rome.

Commencing Sunday evening, vespers will be resumed at the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle. Rev. J. W. Collins is the pastor in charge.

Commencing tomorrow, mass will be celebrated at St. Patrick's church at 6:30, 9 and 10:30 o'clock. The evening service will be at 7:30 o'clock.

The women of St. Patrick's church are planning an entertainment to be given Thursday evening in Central hall, Central avenue and Washington street.

M. Francis Sheridan, in charge of the cathedral choir, will soon organize a choir of boys for St. Patrick's church, to sing the Gregorian chant.

A young men's society was organized Wednesday evening at St. Joseph's church. Rev. Raphael Fuhr, O. F. M., the pastor, is the director.

The Baracca club of the Central Baptist church met Thursday evening for the purpose of perfecting the organization and adopting by-laws.

Preparations are being made by the local Baptist churches for the annual Baptist association to be held at Monrovia, October 4 and 5.

The Sunday school of St. Vincent's church will be reorganized after the 8:30 o'clock mass tomorrow morning.

At the annual meeting of the Temple Baptist church, Rev. Robert Burdette was unanimously reelected pastor.

LIBRARY HEARING IS DELAYED

Condition of Dr. Trueworthy Such That He Will Be Unable to Attend Investigation

With every councilman in the city prepared to probe into the library muddle, Dr. Trueworthy, one of the three members of the board who have been censured for their part in the dismissal of Miss Jones, is very ill and will not be in condition to take part in the proceedings for at least three months.

This unavoidable blocking of the wheels of justice will probably result in a long continuance of the library case, for the councilmen are desirous that the directors have their hearings at the same time.

Dr. Trueworthy was injured in a wreck of a Monrovia electric car August 17. He was injured in the head and has frequent spells of dizziness.

That Was Different

Upgradation—You're always talking about people who accept "tainted money" from multimillionaires, yet I happen to know that you accepted a bunch of money from one of them the other day.

Atom—By George, old man, that was different! I won it from him on a bet.—Chicago Tribune.

HAT SAVES LIFE IN A COLLISION

ANGELENO HURT IN WRECK NEAR RENO

William M. Steele Sustains a Severe Wound in Forehead, Derby Which He Wore Preventing Death With Crushed Skull

A derby hat saved the life of William M. Steele of Los Angeles, who was one of those injured in the collision near Reno, Nevada, last Tuesday.

As it was, Steele sustained a severe wound in the forehead, but is a living witness to the efficacy of a stiff hat in a "butting in" contest with the sharp edges of a highly varnished seat in a tourist sleeper.

Steele arrived in Los Angeles yesterday morning and during the afternoon applied at the United States pension department in the county clerk's office to have his voucher issued. The old man was accompanied by his daughter.

When Steele presented his papers showing his service as a soldier in the United States army the clerk noticed his scarred features and remarked that Steele must have been rehearsing some of the old battles recently.

"Yes, I have been fighting with the railroad," remarked the old soldier, "and as a result I have about a half dozen extra cuts and a battered hat as mementoes."

"I left Milwaukee, where I had been visiting for some time, accompanied by my wife. When we changed to the Southern Pacific line we were given berths in the sixth tourist sleeper of the first section.

"Thrown Against Seat" "The train was the first of the excursions to Los Angeles and was in three sections. We were in southern Nevada last Tuesday night and I had just finished my evening meal and was standing out in the aisle when the collision occurred.

"It seems there had been a collision of freight trains on the line ahead of us and our section had been flagged just in time to prevent an accident. The second section could not be flagged and plunged into the last coach of our section. The force was so great that I was pitched headlong against the sharp edge of one of the seats.

"I was wearing a black derby hat and this was crushed, the stiff brim flattening against my forehead and the sharp edge of the seat inflicting a long cut. "There were forty hurt in the wreck and I was one of the last to receive medical attention. The attending surgeon, after an examination, told me that had it not been for the stiff hat which I wore my skull would have been crushed.

"My wife, who was sitting a few feet away from me, was not injured."

A Simple Remedy

Attorney General Moody was discussing certain flaws in the criminal code and certain remedies that had been suggested.

"These remedies," he said, "are not logical; they would not be effective if enforced. They are singularly like the remedy that a chophouse waiter once indicated to an impatient guest. The guest had ordered a chop, and when it was brought in to him he said, with a disgusted air: 'Waiter, my plate is quite cold.' The waiter smiled encouragingly. 'Yes, sir,' he said, 'but the chop is hot, sir, which I think you'll find it'll soon warm up the plate nicely, sir.'"

THESE LIVE AGENTS SELL THE HERALD IN THE CITY.

- HOTEL VAN NUYS BROADWAY news stand, 416 South Broadway.
HOTEL NATICK news stand, 116 West First.
HOTEL HOLLENBECK news stand, Second and Spring.
B. F. GARDNER, 305 South Spring.
HOTEL ANGELES news stand, corner Fourth and Spring.
HOTEL WESTMINSTER news stand, corner Fourth and Main.
HOTEL ROSKLYN, 457 South Main.
R. A. ROHN, 513 South Spring.
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R. E. MOORE, 1022 Pasadena avenue.
H. SIOLINO, corner Seventh and Hill.
FREMONT & DISCOMBE COMPANY, Sixteenth and Main.
MR. GANSBET, corner Seventh and Alvarado.
MR. HARMON, 194 North Daly.
MRS. KORBELL, 1808 East First.
BANKS & GREEN, 1900 South Main.
HOLMES BOOK COMPANY, 257 South Main.
M. A. RENN, 618 East Fifth.
N. LOENNECKER, 251 East Fifth.
G. WETHERILL, 2448 South Main.
B. AMOS, 514 West Seventh.
E. JOPE, 522 West Seventh.
G. SAKELARES, 515 North Main.
JACOB MORTENSEN, 312 North Main.
HENRY PORATH, 623 Central avenue.
A. S. RALPH, 117 Commercial.
W. B. ROCKLEY, 151 North Main.
MAX ROYER CIGAR CO., 100 South Main.
J. B. ALLEN, 1946 East First.
F. L. LADD & STOKLEY, 2133 East First.
C. TATE, 2800 East Fourth.
SU PHELPS, 1728 East Seventh.
A. METZGER, 319 East Ninth.
MR. GUBUSH, corner East First and Utah.
F. DEHMLOW, 2929 West Pico.
NORFOLK STOVE CO., 2953 West Pico.
H. STEWART, 2020 South Main.
H. STRICKLIN, 2053 Santa Fe avenue.
H. C. ABLE, 524 East Fifth.
A. DUFF, Twenty-first street and Maple avenue.
J. K. DUKE, 2029 Central avenue.
DAVIS & SATCHELL, 105 North Boyle.
T. J. HOUSE, 2001 East Main.
J. VALDEZ, 1820 East Main.

Pi-lines and Pick-ups

The Circus in Heaven

A circus went to heaven. All adown the golden street. The animals paraded. To the angels 'twas a treat. The loudly roaring lions and the hopping kangaroo. The tigers and the monkeys and the very funny gnu; Some snarling, snapping leopards, the rubber-neck giraffe, Along with herds of elephants, hyenas, too, that laugh; The clumsy, awkward, hippo—"the behemoth of the Nile," Hump-back and patient camels and the leering crocodile; Oh, scores of other animals, and horses, and the rest— The wonders were stupendous and the angels sure were blest; They tossed their golden crowns in air, their cheers did loudly swell— But one small codger stood and sneered and only said: "Oh, hell!"

The circus magnates heard him and beattired themselves to show More and still stranger animals that people hardly know. They hustled up the mastodon, bovolopus and lkes, And trotted out a special cage of snarks and volupriks; A herd of ichthyosaurs, a den of ogolups, A wagon of sea serpents and a flock of bollwups. But still the codger stroked his beard— And full six feet long it fell— And gazed in bored disgust and pain, The while he said: "Oh, hell!"

"Tell us," the baffled showmen said, "who is that little cuss Who stands and comments painfully at all our noise and fuss? "Oh, don't mind him," the angels cried. "Go on; it's such a lark! Perhaps he's jealous, don't you know. He's Noah of the ark!"

But will Andy expurgate that epitaph of his before he allows it to enter the Carnegie libraries?

Tulsa, I. T., has announced a "measuring party," with girls and tape lines as the attractions. Will the men go? Well, rather!

It's all off. Some one explains it by declaring that Mrs. Taggart once belonged to "the original Florodora sextette."

Prunes—His auto runs like the wind. Plums—Yes, but the wind is dead some days. Prunes—So is the auto.

A. R. Gates of Curryville, Mo., claims the championship set of whiskers of that state. His are four feet long, of a brunette shade, and just twelve years old.

Full sleeves are announced as a feature of fall styles. Empty pockets are the corresponding male fad.

A Pennsylvania clergyman has a sermon only one minute long. 'Twon't do, domine; too short for a decent nap.

The man who declares "he'd as soon live in Panama as Chicago" isn't really saying very much for Panama.

How soon will McCall, president of the New York Life, become ReCall?

Jesse James, Jr., son of the late lamented bandit, and himself a pawnbroker and loach shark (a more civilized and effective holdup than his daddy's), was robbed of \$300 the other day. Retribution is slow sometimes, but—

Mrs. Lemon—John, the hen ate that paper of tacks. Mr. Lemon—Well, now it's up to her to lay the carpet.

They complain of a new odor in the New York subway—camphor and moth balls. Overcoats coming out of hock.

Bank deposits in Indiana are \$70 per capita. Does "litterachoor" pay? Sure! Pedro Alvarado, Mexico's Croesus miner, has offered to pay that republic's national debt. Send for him, Shaw.

New York girls now wear bells on their garters. Has the hosiery show about the Flatiron become so common that shapely limbs must be heralded by bells?

Pillows in autos are a new fad. They break the shock when you run over a man, y'know.

Rain

The thirsty ground drank greedily; The tired leaves looked up; The drooping blossoms blushed anew; Each raised an eager cup.

The browning grass took fresher heart And caught it's green again— While all the earth seemed better for The season's first fall rain. —W. H. C.

Difficult Task

"How can I get the ladies of my congregation more interested in heaven?" signed the earnest young rector of the fashionable church. "You might intimate that things will be exclusive there," replied the old preacher slyly. "By such means you may be able to arouse a mild interest."—Pittsburg Post.

Unenthusiastic

"Are you going to entertain next winter?" "No," answered Mrs. Conroy. "We are going to keep on inviting a lot of people to the house. But I don't expect that they'll be any more entertained than usual."—Washington Star.

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