

# THE LACLEDE BLADE

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## A Series of Escapes

"Harry Thaw Has Escaped," has been a familiar head line in the newspapers for the past two weeks. To the Blade's mind Harry has had many escapes during his eventful and unenviable career. First he escaped being born to parents outside the idle rich. Reared in the lap of luxury he escaped being brought up as an obedient and home loving child; he escaped Sunday school and church training; he escaped the restraint necessary to a boy reared in the large cities; he escaped regular hours at home under the watchful eye of parents; he escaped the necessary training during his youth to make an honorable and useful citizen; he became the habitude of the fashionable cafe and club where immorality and vice is the predominant attraction and naturally married one of his kind. Having married he escaped any attempt to reform and remained about the haunts where he had lost his manhood and his wife her womanhood. He drifted from bad to worse and became a murderer. He escaped the penitentiary; he escaped the electric chair and now has escaped from the asylum and is in a foreign jail. To his glory and satisfaction he is occupying the front pages of the newspapers, and Evelyn has grasped the opportunity to again get herself before the public. We have had enough of this vermin and the public will heave a sigh of relief when he is finally disposed of.

## Hint to Tax-Dodgers

A Ray county grand jury indicted several citizens of that county and the court has found them guilty of tax dodging and is assessing heavy fines in all cases. Carroll county has employed an expert to search the records and the tax dodgers of that county are to be brought before the judgment bar, and now it is hinted the same thing may be started in Linn county. If you have any mortgages, notes or money in the bank that you have been covering up better see that they get on your assessment list at once.

## The Way to Happiness

People who don't mind their own business, bring more misery into families, societies and churches than everything else. They turn the pleasant, peaceful stream of good will into a loathsome pool; they intrude on grounds where angels would even fear to tread. Now, minding ones own business is the very best remedy for the itching ears that are never satisfied with hearing and the busy tongue that hurries to speak cruel words. Minding your own business will turn your attention to self, and you will forget to watch so closely the shortcomings of others; it will make peaceful homes, happy neighbors, and quiet consciences; and you will be able to realize and more fully comprehend the truth spoken in holy writ, "Blessed are the Peacemakers."

## No Crop Failure in Linn

There is no such thing as crop failure in Linn county. Notwithstanding the lack of moisture the past two months there is going to be a fairly good corn yield. Since the two recent rains we have heard several farmers say their corn is more promising now than it was last season at this time and they expect as good if not better yield than last year.

## Some Evening Reveries

The fact is much to be deplored that with most boys and girls the boy who spends the greatest amount of money for them, in furnishing them entertainment, is the boy most admired and cajoled. But, Oh, what becomes of him when his money plays out? He plays out too. Consequently, to keep his footing, he stifles his conscience and robs his employer, commits some other theft or gambles, in order to keep in the swim. This same state of affairs is applicable to men and women in society. Many dark deeds are committed through a desire to supply the demands of worldly-minded wives and daughters. And again an honorable man rather than sell his principles of integrity or meet the taunts and upbraidings at home, when he fails to supply their demands, prefers to send his soul to eternal death and thereby rid his physical self of life's burdens.

The farmer's daughter does not generally realize the advantages she has for self-improvement over the society girl or those situated in other positions of life. The freedom and independence of farm life afford opportunities for study which, if rightly employed, would develop our farmers' girls into the professional women workers of our times. How is it girls, and especially you girls on the farm, that we hear so often of "the self-made man" (and most of our great men are of that class) and so little of the self-made woman? Our farmer boys become great lawyers and statesmen, etc.; have you not the same opportunities as they? The girl who has been raised on the farm and has aspirations to any of the professions generally conceives the idea that she must get away from the farm to do her studying, at the very first jump. Do not be too hasty in leaving the farm, where you can keep such perfect health, which is the great requisite to a brilliant mind. And, first of all, before you aspire to any professional work, learn your duties as a housekeeper. Household work will not interfere with study. You require exercise, and there is none better than keeping a farmhouse. And if you do not wish to take up any profession, study will not hurt you; make the most of the talents nature has given you, and when the happy fellow is met your happiness will be of the kind that you will not regret the time you considered wasted in study. Do not be too hasty in running your neck into the matrimonial noose. If you from choice should remain single (do not fear that you will have to from necessity) you will find plenty of work to do, plenty of burdens to lighten and plenty of loveless ones upon whom to lavish the wealth of your affections. Be assured that true happiness is not found in living for one's self alone. Do your best, make the most of the materials at hand and at the close of life's journey you will enjoy that peace which a knowledge of a well-spent life alone can give.

There are a thousand ways of making other people happy, and you have only to look about to find them.

If a man dares to live within his means, and is resolute in his purpose not to appear more than he really is, let him be applauded. There is something fresh and rare in such an example.

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## Order of Publication

(In Vacation.)  
State of Missouri, County of Linn, ss. In the Circuit Court in vacation to October Term, 1913.  
Lois E. Batye..... Plaintiff  
vs.  
Sterling Batye..... Defendant  
At this 13 day of August, 1913, comes the plaintiff herein, by her attorney, C. C. Bigger, before the undersigned Clerk in vacation and files her affidavit, alleging, among other things, that Defendant Sterling Batye has absconded and absented himself from his usual place of abode in this state, and that said defendant has also concealed himself so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him in this state.

Whereupon, it is ordered by the undersigned Clerk in vacation, that said Defendant be notified by publication that Plaintiff has commenced a suit against him in this Court, the object and general nature of which is to secure a judgment and decree of this Court dissolving bonds of matrimony heretofore contracted and now existing by and between said plaintiff and defendant and that unless the said defendant Sterling Batye be and appear at this Court at the next term thereof to be begun and holden at the court house in the City of Brookfield in said County on the 6 day of October next, and on or before the first day of said term answer or plead to the petition in said cause, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly. And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published according to law in the LACLEDE BLADE, a newspaper published in said County of Linn, for four weeks successively, published at least once a week, the last insertion to be at least thirty days before the first day of said next October term of this Court.  
J. D. McLEOD, Circuit Clerk.  
A true copy from the record. Witness my hand, and the seal of the Circuit Court of Linn County, this 13 day of August, 1913.  
[SEAL] J. D. McLEOD, Circuit Clerk.

## Order of Publication

State of Missouri, County of Linn, ss. In the Circuit Court for Linn County, October term, 1913.  
Sopronia Baker..... Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Pearl Baker..... Defendant.  
The State of Missouri to above named Defendant, Greeting.  
Now on this 6 day of August, 1913, in vacation to October term of Circuit Court for Linn County, Missouri, comes plaintiff herein by attorney of record herein before the clerk of said Court and on behalf of plaintiff files petition and affidavit in suit herein, among other matters of action alleging:  
That said defendant Pearl Baker is a non-resident of the state of Missouri, and that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him within this state, and it appearing to the satisfaction of this Court that the defendant cannot be summoned in this action:

Whereupon it is ordered by the Clerk of the Court in vacation that said defendant be notified by publication that plaintiff has commenced a suit against him in this Court, the immediate object and general nature of which is to obtain a divorce and that the bonds of matrimony heretofore contracted and now existing by and between plaintiff and defendant, be dissolved. And it is further ordered that said defendant be and appear in this Court on the first day of the next term thereof to be holden at the City of Brookfield, Linn County, Missouri, on Monday, the 6 day of October, 1913, and then and there answer or plead to said petition, or in default therein said petition will be taken and adjudged as confessed, and judgment by default will be rendered against said defendant. It is further ordered that a copy hereof be duly published at least once a week for a consecutive weeks in THE LACLEDE BLADE, a weekly newspaper daily printed, published and circulated in said Linn County, and duly approved by said Clerk as most likely to give notice to defendant, the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before said next term of said Court.  
State of Missouri, County of Linn, ss.  
J. D. McLeod, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Linn County, Missouri, hereby certifies that the foregoing writing is a full, true and complete copy of the original Order of Publication in said cause, as fully as the same remains and appears of record in my office.  
In Witness Whereof, I hereto subscribe my name and official signature and hereto affix the seal of said Court at my office in the City of Brookfield, Linn County, Missouri, this 6 day of August, 1913.  
[SEAL] J. D. McLEOD, Circuit Clerk.

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