

**Deadlock on Bloomers.**

While struggling for statehood, Oklahoma stands divided over the question—shall girl students at territorial schools wear bloomers? Governor Ferguson has thundered "No!" and panting rebels in the state normal school have thundered back "Yes!" As a result of the first round, Hon. Mr. Ferguson carries the southerner, "Old Mother Hubbard," which entitles him to a place in the annals of slang with "Pitchfork" Tillman, "Borax" Wiley and "Divine Agent" Baer. Late reports indicate that sentiment, like the girls' skirt, is still divided.

Fair students have worn bloomers while playing basket ball in the gymnasium. Gov. Ferguson has mustered up his legislative and judicial dignity to bar the bloomers. He should be upheld in this mandate. Several governors recently have extended their protecting influence over dress reform. There are Jeanness Millers in executive chairs at Austin and Lincoln. If Texans were compelled to wear evening dress suits at the inaugural ball, and if Gov. Mickey convinced Nebraska farmers that evening dress should not be worn at all, why should not Gov. Ferguson exercise his executive brain on bloomers in the gymnasium? Oklahoma now has her own Jeanness Miller, and if the governor stands pat in dealing with recalcitrant young athletes he can make a national record for himself.

Fergusonian ideas enlighten good folks that discourse upon politics from the cracker box rostrum in the corner grocery. Oklahoma's governor evidently is bound to cut a big figure in morality, even if it is a cipher. In his village of Watonga golf skirts and décollete gowns are tabooed. Guthrie has no more right to immorality than Watonga, even if it is capital. It is good to see a pure man in power, one that can perceive impropriety where others are blind. Gov. Ferguson should keep up his crusade, as hundreds of dreadful things survive in Oklahoma. He should expurgate the family Bibles, prohibit judges from serving liquor over the bar and forbid kitchen tables to go barelegged and prevent the sale of open-work garden hose.

Here's an epitaph for him:  
Old Mother Hubbard  
Put flowers in the cupboard,  
To terminate horrible rumors;  
He fastened the lock,  
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G. H. BRUCE, H. P.  
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**JUMPED FROM TRAIN.**  
Bob McCoy Found Unconscious Beside Railroad Track Badly Injured.  
Denison, Tex., Feb. 10.—A message from Caddo, I. T., says: Bob McCoy was found in an unconscious condition lying on the railroad dump at Blue, five miles south of here, Saturday morning.

McCoy, who lives on a farm near Blue, had taken his wife to Durant for treatment. The Katy wrecker stopped for a few minutes at the caboose, expediting to jump off at Blue. The wrecker was going at a rapid rate and when he jumped he struck a pile of coals, dislocating his shoulder and probably injuring him internally. His hat was torn into shreds. McCoy was formerly employed as a section hand at Sterrett. He has a brother living at Caddo.

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