

Dinner Stories

The tramp paused outside the house. "Clear out!" shouted the lady of the house. "I ain't got no wood to chop. There ain't nothing you could do around here."

"But, madam, there is," retorted the wayfarer with dignity. "I could give you a few lessons in grammar."

Margaret—How were your seats? Maria—Rotten, couldn't see a thing. Margaret—Ours were worse than that. Nobody could see us.

"Mrs. Naylor is going to have an other operation." "What's she got?" "Money."

The teacher asked little Ruth what her father's name was. "Daddy," she answered. "Yes, dear," said the teacher; "but what does your mother call him?" "She don't call him nuthin'." Ruth answered, earnestly. "She likes him."

Bride—My husband had a hope chest, too, before we were married. Friend—What did he have in it? Bride—Why, about a basket of socks, waiting to be darned.

Customer—I don't want to buy your crackers; they tell me the nice are always running over them. Grocer—That ain't so; why, the nice creeps in the barrel every night.

"Father, give me some money for an evening dress!" "Where is the one you had?" "A moth has eaten it!"

Hubby—That's a crazy-looking hat you just bought, and so expensive! Wife—But, dear, I won't be wearing it more than a couple of weeks.

Prof.—You can't sleep in class. Student—I know it; I've been trying for half an hour.

Maud—Have you decided how you are going to vote? Daisy—Oh, yes. I'm going to vote in my new black cloth gown with pearl buttons.

He: "You bet I played with the football team." She: "What?" He: "Poker."

GIRL SETS TRAP FOR ALLEGED SWINDLER

Nineteen-Year-Old Maxine Shipman Outwits "Dr. J. H. Hicks." Asheville, April 8.—A man giving his name as Dr. J. H. Hicks, of Nashville, Tenn., was arrested here today on a charge of attempting to swindle Mrs. Lemina Shipman, of Asheville, out of \$350. The money was to be used, Hicks said, to obtain for Mrs. Shipman and her family a \$30,000 estate said to have been left by Alexander Shipman, of Pittsburgh. Mrs. Shipman charged.

Hicks was arrested as a result of a trap set by Maxine, 19-year-old daughter of Mrs. Shipman, who made an appointment to meet Hicks at the federal building and arranged for police to arrest him there. Hicks represented himself as a federal agent and as an acquaintance of Gerald Chapman, super-bandit, the women testified at a preliminary hearing held before Justice of the Peace M. A. Cressman today. He is being held, having failed to furnish bond of \$10,000.

The \$350 was to be used to pay taxes on the Alexander Shipman estate, the woman testified Hicks explained.

John Gray Taken to Raleigh. Staley News-Herald. John Gray, along with four other prisoners was carried to Raleigh to the State penitentiary Tuesday morning by Sheriff Furr and deputies.

A large crowd assembled in front of the jail to see John Gray carried away Tuesday morning. The prisoners were led from the jail and placed into automobiles by Sheriff Furr and his deputies.

John Gray was led forth with his hands incased in large handcuffs. He held a handkerchief in his hands but was not seen to use it.

John Gray's mother, and brother, Theodore, were at the jail early Tuesday morning to tell John good-bye. They were permitted by Sheriff Furr to talk to John in his presence, but were not allowed to talk with him alone.

Theodore Gray and his mother were in tears but John Gray was not seen to shed any tears nor show any particular signs of weeping. John maintains that it will come out all right, he does not believe that God will allow an innocent man to be killed, and he claims that he is innocent.

USE PENNY COLUMN—IT PAYS.

Stewart's WASHINGTON LETTERS

Tourists Protest, But Handshaking Is Definitely On. BY CHARLES P. STEWART NEA Service Writer

Washington, April 8.—White House attendants knew there was due to be a terrible snow, when President Coolidge announced he wasn't going to do any indiscriminate spring handshaking this year.

The week before and the week following Easter is the period of the capital's greatest popularity with tourists. A few important occasions, like inauguration bring bigger crowds to the city for a day or two, but the jam doesn't last so long.

The present season gave promise, some time ago, of being a record breaker.

Hotels all were completely "booked up" in advance. "Personally conducted" agencies were snowed under with business. The railroads had their plans laid for handling at least 200,000 passengers, in and out of town, during the fortnight of maximum activity.

All this talk scared the president. He said—that is, the "presidential spokesman" did—that he could stand about as much as the next man, but that shaking hands with 16,666 2-3 visitors every working day for two weeks was too much for anybody.

He expressed a willingness to have callers file through his office during specified hours, and look at him, like a wild animal at the zoo, but he positively drew the line at shaking hands with anybody he isn't acquainted with personally.

Just as expected, the tourists are roaring vociferously.

Why an eye-full of the president, without taking hold of him, isn't sufficient is a mystery nobody can solve, with the exception of the average tourist. It's a fact, however.

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I'M NOT ALARMED AT THE SITUATION—CHICK TOLD ME ALL ABOUT IT—BUT HOW DID YOU FIND IT OUT?

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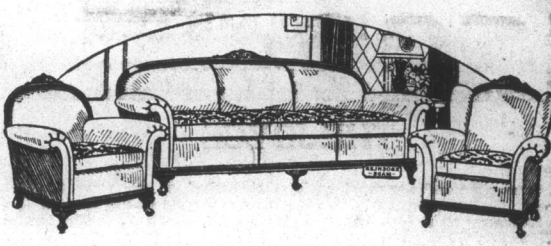
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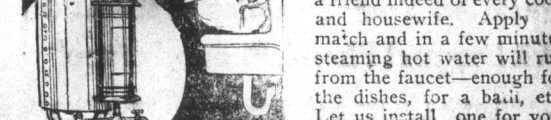
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