

MALEAUCROCRACY IN LAST STAND

Ministry Only Calling Women Have Not Invented to Any Great Extent.

Chicago, Sept. 15.—Male autocracy that once ruled in every part of life is making its last stand in the ministry, Miss M. Madeleine Southard, president of the International Association of Women Preachers, told its annual convention here tonight.

Miss Southard led the struggle in the Methodist Episcopal general conference last year that obtained license for women to preach. Her home is in Winfield, Kan. Women preachers of a number of churches, for the association is non-denominational, heard her address.

"Our good friends in this land who oppose women's admission to the ministry seem to be serenely unconscious that they are the spiritual descendants of those who once held women as chattels, who later shut the schools in their faces, denied them the ballot, and refused them equal wages for equal work despite the fact that thousands of them were the family bread winners," Miss Southard said. She then reviewed arguments against women preaching.

"The time was when an appeal to scripture settled the whole thing, men of course doing the interpreting," she said. "We have come far from that now, for every woman's voice heard in Christian Endeavor, Epworth League or Sunday school is a direct violation of the 'keeping silence in the church,' when if women did no teaching both public schools and Sunday schools would suffer considerable loss.

"Another once overwhelming argument was that women were not mentally capable of presenting the weighty messages that must be dealt with in the pulpit. But since we have had a single congregation of educated women we hear little more of this, and no teaching both public schools and Sunday schools would suffer considerable loss.

"One still hears occasionally that the ordination of women will feminize the church. But that is impossible, for a woman's ministry of the pulpit has already accomplished it. Many of the arguments once used against women's preaching have had to be abandoned. But the opponents still cling to one, the net argument of 'woman's sphere.' Of necessity many women are not mothers and must seek other vocations, while many thousands of mothers are forced into the industrial world to support themselves and their children. Indeed many of those who remain at home give about nine-tenths of their time to industry and one-tenth of their time to children, and a woman preacher would have much more time for children than many housewives.

"It has not been proved that preaching is in any way inimical to motherhood. I know a number of preaching mothers and I will put their children up against any of the same number that any group of families desire to bring forward.

"Woman will bring no new Gospel, just the woman's vision of the old yet ever new Gospel. And there will be no rivalry between her and her brother, but in other fields as in this, each will reinforce and strengthen the other. For the man's mind and the woman's mind are ever complementary and only the blended wisdom of the two can give wholeness and symmetry, whether in home or state or church."

PINEVILLE ITEMS

Pineville, Sept. 15.—The Methodist congregation here gave their pastor, Rev. J. H. Houck a month's vacation and Mr. and Mrs. Houck have spent the last two weeks in West Virginia with relatives. They expect to spend the remainder of their visit with Mr. and Mrs. Austin Houck, the former their son, in the mountains of western North Carolina.

Mrs. Kate Harzett, who has been quite ill several days at her home on Gay street, is somewhat improved at present.

Mrs. S. L. Hoover, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. G. W. Davis, at Mine Hill, returned last Sunday. Miss Ruth Goodie, of Charlotte, and Miss Annie Belle Goodie, of the Washington high school faculty who have been the guests of Mrs. Hermon Houck on Polk street, have returned. Miss Ruth Goodie is a sister, and Miss Annie Goodie a cousin of Mrs. Houck.

Rev. E. E. Williamson, of Spencey, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Taylor, the latter his sister, returned yesterday.

Mrs. E. W. Russell, of the Harrison section, entertained at a six o'clock dinner last Thursday. The guests present were Miss Louise Ardrey, Mrs. Hermon Houck, and Mrs. Motte Davis of the village, and Mrs. J. P. Ardrey, of the Harrison section.

Mrs. J. M. James, who underwent an operation for the removal of her tonsils at one of the hospitals in Charlotte last Tuesday returned to her home on Dover street last Saturday night improved. Her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. A. Worrell, of Charlotte, came down to care for Mrs. James' children in her absence.

Mrs. G. W. Taylor and small son, G. W. Jr., left last Monday for Hopewell, Va. to visit Mrs. Taylor's sister, Mrs. Medames Tom and Lee Shealy, and Miss Louie Henry.

J. Barber, of Charlotte, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hermon Houck last Monday.

Miss Kate Johnson, of Charlotte spent the week-end with home folks on Polk street.

Pineville continues to be a "dry town" and the weather is almost "bearably warm. Cotton has opened splendidly and is a short crop. The boll weevil has made its appearance on Mrs. M. L. Rone's farm in the rear of her home on Gay street.

CORPORATION NAMES

16 LOAN COMMITTEES

Washington, Sept. 15.—Appointment of sixteen local agricultural loan committees to handle applications for loans under the Congressional authorization authorizing \$1,000,000,000 available for agricultural and livestock advances was announced Wednesday by the War Finance Corporation.

The committee members, the corporation said, are familiar with conditions in their respective localities and it is expected that a great deal of time will be saved in the distribution of the loans by having the preliminary work done on the ground and the applications forwarded to the corporation here in action.

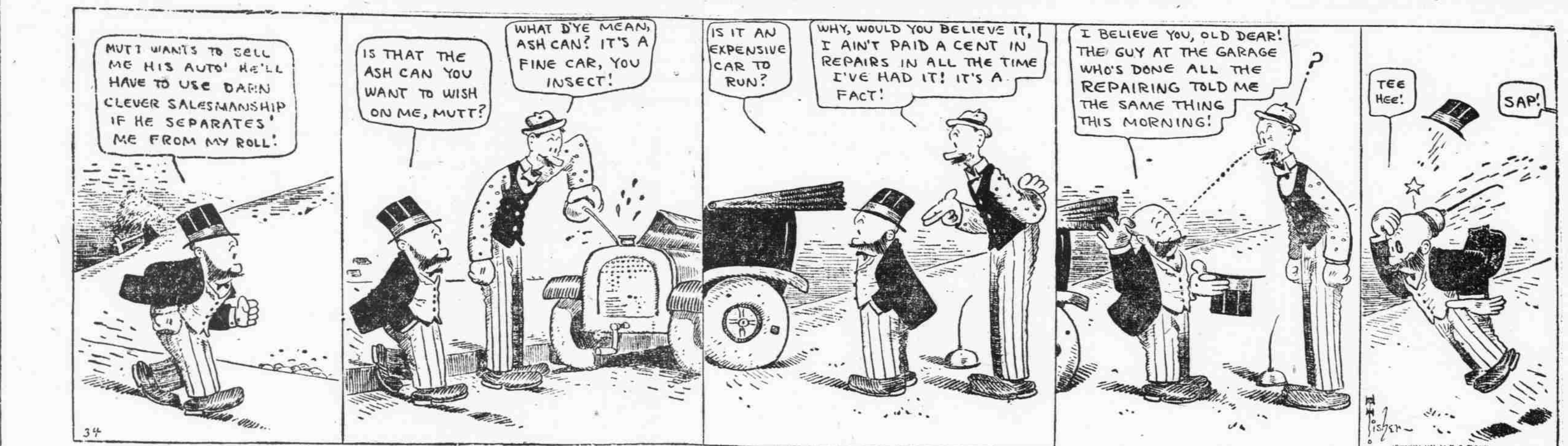
Headquarters of the committees in the South and their chairman, are: New Orleans, Charles De B. Claiborne; Jackson, Miss. Oscar Newton; Raleigh, J. R. Young; Memphis, R. B. Snowden; Richmond, Richard E. Cunningham; Columbia, S. C., J. P. Mat-

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MUTT AND JEFF



THE COLLECTORS WILL BE HOUNDING MUTT BEFORE LONG.

By BUD FISHER

New York Letter

by Lucy Jeanne Price

New York, Sept. 15.—For a long time Manhattan has glowed with pride—especially when visitors were about—and they always are over the unceasing quantities of its taxis. We land safely on the other side of the street, mop our brows, breathe a prayer of thanks at our escape so far, and then beam upon our companions: "Do you suppose there are so many taxis anywhere else in the world?" Well, there are not. And what was a boon has become a problem. It's much like the story of "Fligs in Fligs." Finally the Fifth Avenue association has appealed to the commissioner of licenses to find a way to get rid of some thousand or so of them. There are 11,000 licensed taxis in the city, it seems; and really that does count up in such a little thing as a taxi. Moreover there are stands for only 5,000 of them. The rest just have to cruise forever. And a constantly cruising taxi gets in the way of more people than two or three standing quietly at a stand, they find. But New York as a whole rises up and cries, "Cut out one of all these 11,000! Never! Build more stands if necessary. There's a Central Park still left unoccupied; and we don't at all need such large entrance halls to our apartment houses."

The children of New York are going to have a theatre all their own, unless present plans go awry. The Story Book Theatre it is to be called, a permanent repertory theatre for juniors. Well known dramatists, musicians and dancers will contribute to the programs, which will include pantomimes, ballets, one-act plays, operettas, traveltogs and story-telling. There will also be motion pictures, especially adapted to youth. The performances will be given Friday evenings and Saturday afternoons. The venture is under the direction of Mrs. Josephine Clement who has done much the same sort of thing in Chicago.

When tea-dancing takes its place in our hearts and our days, the season is truly open once more. What the first green leaves are to the orchards, such is tea-dancing to the city with its reversed seasons of life. And now—this week—it has come gayly into our midst once more.

Does romance die and stay dead in the winter time. Here is good authority for that—some experience to the contrary. A fortune teller well known in the shore summer resorts about New York, surprised a friend of his the other day by walking into his office and applying for a position. "I thought you told me a month ago that you were making all kinds of money," the business man said. "I did say so, and I was," explained the psychic. "But the summer is gone and winter is no time for fortune tellers. There is no romance in the winter. There are no canoes or warm moonlight nights on the piazza. No one wants his fortune told unless there's a romance in the office. Can you give me a job until the first day of spring?"

Two thousand people at one wedding seems completely overwhelming to me. I didn't suppose anyone in the world had that many friends or friends' friends. And if they did, I didn't suppose they'd ask them to any one wedding they might have. But 2,000 invitations went out to the marriage of Elsie Parsons—granddaughter of Henry Clews—to Morehead Patterson, which took place the other day. And most of the 2,000 appeared.

From time immemorial, dogs have chased cats. It's one of the taken-for-granted facts of life. But in a crowded city, not even that natural recreation can be participated in without leading to complications, and becoming a news item. The other day a large St. Bernard chased a small but strenuous cat in Kenwick street. Somebody tried to stop the chase and it became all the more intense. The somebody else called Patrolman Cassidy, it being a moment of surcease from any holdups or auto accidents on his beat. He broke his nightstick on the dog and then stumbled and hurt his ankle. Both he and the dog at that point lost interest in the chase but not the populace. A pedestrian decided it was a mad dog rampage and sent in a riot call to the Beach street station. Altogether it was a crowded and excited morning, and proof of what simple pleasures New York can make much of.

LUCY JEANNE PRICE.

HOHENZOLLERNS ARE BECOMING MORE JOLLY

Doorn, Holland, Sept. 15.—The atmosphere of gloom, which prevailed over the house of the former German Emperor after the death of the former Empress Augusta, has been at least temporarily lifted by the house party held there this summer.

The former Crown Prince Frederick and Prince Oscar with his wife and children have been spending their summer holidays at the castle.

The former Emperor takes great pleasure in watching his grandson ride a tiny bicycle in the park and also arranges the daily sawing parties where in all male members of the family participate, the workers refreshing themselves at intervals with wine.

The relations between the ex-Kaiser and the Crown Prince are evidently more cordial for they are often seen to be strolling in the streets of the village and the grounds of the estate.

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BAR ASSOCIATIONS PUT UNDER STATUTE

Dayton, O., Sept. 15.—The voluntary State Bar Association of today is due to give way to an association created under State statute to which every lawyer is required to belong, according to Daniel W. Iddings of this city, president of the Ohio State Bar Association. The object sought is protection of the public and the legal profession from the unscrupulous lawyer. The associations would have disciplinary powers. A definite movement to this end which has already made considerable progress is reported by Mr. Iddings. He noted that North Dakota has made

all lawyers of the State members of an association which is given broad powers to evict such organization as it sees fit. The law went into effect July 1.

In Florida, a more comprehensive bill recently passed the State Senate. The Michigan Senate has passed a similar bill and in Ohio one was introduced in the Senate but failed to pass. The president of the Ohio Bar Association added that the Nebraska, Maryland, Minnesota, Kansas, Idaho, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, and North Carolina associations were studying the subject.

The plan of self-government for the bar is not new on this continent, according to Mr. Iddings. It is in effect in Canada, he said, while the Inns of Court of England, which serve as a

model, have been in existence for centuries.

"Only 17 per cent of the work of a lawyer is done in court, the other 83 per cent of his livelihood is earned away from the 'ball seeing eye' of the judge," he said. "Self discipline and government are required now as never before."

NEW COALING STATION.

Papeete, Tahiti, Sept. 15.—Great Britain is preparing to establish a naval coaling station at Papeete Island, a large atoll about 700 miles northwest of here, according to report received from a British warship that recently visited Tahiti. Papeete is famous in the South Seas as a rich pearl island.

TRIED TO PATENT THE AMERICAN FLAG

Buenos Aires, Sept. 15.—Complaints has often been made by manufacturers and others that on entering South America for the purpose of selling their products they found that some enterprising person had appropriated their trade marks and patent rights thus being able to prevent the use of the manufacturer's own brands without "adjustment." Probably the most curious case of such an attempt to appropriate a design was made here recently when an English firm applied for patent rights on the American flag. It was denied.

PUBLIC GIVES NEW HOME TO WIDOW

New Orleans, Sept. 15.—A home constructed of materials donated by builders' supply men on a lot purchased with contributions from real estate dealers, erected by union workmen free of cost and furnished by furniture dealers with no hope of reward, has been given Mrs. Frank O'Connor and her nine children. Frank O'Connor, the breadwinner of the family, was killed in a fall several months ago. When the family he left was on the verge of being evicted, The New Orleans Item heard about their plight. The public response was immediate.



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