

IF WE ONLY COULD RESIST. by F. R. Paul



HUB THEATRE
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6--People--6
A riot of fun.

Strongest man in the world. The man who lifts five men at one time, walks away with them, handles them as though they were straws. Feats never seen before in Hickory.

Miss Sadie Sherman

in characters and singing. An hour of comedy with each performance. Good Pathe pictures will be shown.

Doors Open at 7 P. M.
A \$2.00 Show for 15 and 25 Cts.

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Cook's Revenge.
In the peaceful quietude of a summer evening, a red-faced cook put her head out of the window of a suburban house and shouted: "Thieves! Police!" at the top of her lungs.
Instantly all was confusion. The neighbors left their houses, and a perspiring policeman came reluctantly up the steps of an area opposite and commenced a search for the marauders.
But not a soul could be found. Everything in the house was in apple-pie order, and, after looking about for some time, he left in disgust.
"Martha, why in the world did you give that false alarm?" her mistress asked her afterwards.
"To have my revenge on the policeman, ma'am," Martha candidly confessed. "The brute's thrown me over for the cook across the way, and he was just sitting down to supper there when I called out 'Police!' and made him run. Now the grub will be cold, and I know from experience, ma'am, that if there's anything on earth that makes Robert wish himself dead, it's cold rabbit-pie!"—Tit-Bits.

Necessary Secrecy.
"I witnessed a queer episode this afternoon," said the city cousin who was visiting in Wayoverbehind. "As I was strolling past an alley I heard, emanating from the open door of a barn, such peculiar sounds that I was moved to investigate. Peering in, I discovered a portly man standing on a box, sawing the air with elaborate gestures and at the same time shouting defiantly and whispering hissing. And the strangest part was that he was not saying an intelligible word, but was uttering meaningless babble, like 'Hobbensy-gobbensy, shing, shang, tandigo poo' and so on."
"Oh, that's Hon. Heck Hooper," replied the village cousin, "and that jibberish is a sort of a cipher. You see, he is running for the legislature and is practicing up a new speech which he expects to be a sockdolager. And he's afraid his opponents will steal his well-chosen words before he gets his oration down pat."—Kansas City Star.

Correct Heat Records.
Why does a weather bureau thermometer show lower temperatures in hot weather than the thermometer at the corner drug store? asks the Popular Science Monthly. When discrepancies exist, they are due chiefly to the fact that the official thermometer is installed in a wooden cage, where it is open to the air, but screened from both direct sunshine and the heat reflected from surrounding buildings.
Only under such conditions does a thermometer measure accurately the temperature of the air.
A thermometer in the sunshine becomes much hotter than the air around it, and its reading simply tells us how hot the instrument is, not how hot the air is. In large cities the weather bureau thermometer is often installed on the roof of a high building, where the temperatures differ somewhat from those prevailing at the street level. The object sought in this arrangement is to obtain a record of the natural temperature of the beauty in general, rather than the artificial temperatures of the city.

Aeroplanes to Guide Ships.
Aeroplanes for sighting icebergs and icefields, to enable a ship to steer clear of them, are being seriously considered by a Norwegian steamship company that has many difficulties from ice. The steamers of the line ply to Siberian ports by the Arctic ocean route, which is badly blocked by ice-floes in some seasons.
Under the present method, when ice is sighted by the lookout, the steamer has to cruise back and forth until it finds a way through or around the floes, and much time is thus lost.
The proposal is to have an aeroplane on each steamer and to have one of the crew trained to fly. When ice is sighted the aeroplane would go up and the airman could in many instances see that in a certain direction the water was clear, or perhaps even determine the entire extent of the floes. His report would then enable the captain to fix the shortest route round the obstruction.
Methods of launching an aeroplane from the deck of a vessel are still imperfect, and other obvious difficulties appear; but the company has the idea in mind and hopes it may find it feasible.

ENCOURAGEMENT
The youth was in love, and he made as all know it; He had such a faraway look in his eyes. He threatened to bud as an amateur poet— He uttered sighs!
So I said: "Little man (if you're smitten with Mabel, Go tell her the secret you have to impart;" But he groaned: "Oh, I fear I shall never be able To win her heart!"
Then I gave him good cheer and insisted upon it As only efficient experts can do; That's nonsense," I said to him. "Others have done it, So why not you?" —Cleveland Plain Dealer.

OUR SHIPS TO SEIZE
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clamation in itself as a cause of hostilities, or as a justification for the use of force in protecting American shipping. His policy, as stated to congress, was to await a demonstration in "overt acts" of Germany's real purpose. If for a time, it seemed that there might be no demonstration because neutral shipping including our own had been terrorized into remaining in safe harbors, the accumulated facts concerning the movement of American ships today point to an early demonstration of the German government's intentions. For there are American ships on their way to Genoa, Bordeaux, Havre and London; and what happens to them may throw considerable light on the situation. We can well afford to obtain this light. The people as a whole do not want war. They want especially no war brought on by a lack of sagacity or foresight in Washington. Our merchant ships must be armed, if there is no other way to protect them against outrages, but a war brought on by the captain of a merchantman who, for example, acted on the offensive and fired at a submarine whose commander had intended to act strictly in accordance with the rules of cruiser warfare in dealing with American ships—few Americans want a war precipitated by an overt act of that character.
Let American ship owners send their ships to sea unarmed while this is in our relations with Germany, and let them not be afraid to send them unarmed. The American people can be depended upon to support them, and to place their government in a position to make that support effective.

RECORD WANTS

8 ROOM COTTAGE FOR RENT. Close in. Phone 64. 1 19 1f

FOR SALE—ACRE LOT AND good 4 room hall, house East Hickory near Kenworth. Apply to O. L. Hollar. 2 19 1f

WANTED—ONE DOZEN COPIES Charter of Hickory. Will pay 25 cents per copy. Record. 2 19 1f

WANTED—OLD FALSE TEETH. Don't matter if broken. I pay \$1.00 to \$5.00 per set. Mail to L. Mazer 2007 S. Fifth Street, Philadelphia, Pa. Will send cash by return mail. 2 19 1f

WANTED—A RELIABLE BUSTLING party to sell cemetery work for us in this section. Old established company. Good proposition to right man. Write for particulars. Brecklenburg Marble and Granite Co., Charlotte, N. C. 1 30 once wk 3 wks

Close Observer.
The day was windy. Her skirts were short. Likewise they were silken and made full at the hem. Her waist was cut low.
"There goes a girl," said Traffic Patrolman Brown, "that ought to be made to wear more clothes. It's scandalous. But I don't know as the law could make her do it."
"No, you can't pinch her for that," agreed his friend, Patrolman Mike Kirby, in the noon comment at the meeting of the beats, "but I tell you what you could do."
Kirby surveyed her ankles of pink like slenderness dubiously.
"You might pinch her for having no visible means of support."—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Hint Brought Results.
The sexton of a certain church the other afternoon had conducted a party round the ancient edifice, and, despite dropping more than one "gentle int," it appeared as if the sexton was to go unrewarded.
In the porch the leader of the party paused a moment.
"I suppose," he said, "you've been here many years?"
"Forty," replied the old man, "and it's a werry strange thing as whenever I'm a-showing a party out o' the porch they allus asks me that question or (with emphasis) the other."
"Indeed!" smiled the visitor. "And what may the other be?"
"What I calls question number two," replied the sexton, calmly, "is just this—'Samwell, is tips allowed?' And Samwell allus answers, 'Tips is allowed!'"
The hint was taken, so was the tin.

Had a Voice in the Matter.
Sam:—Do you think your father would object to my marrying you?
Sally:—I couldn't say, Sammy. If he's anything like me, he would."—Dallas News.

No Material Handy.
"Mrs. Consett, can't you give us just a little resumé of your travels?"
"I'm awful sorry, but all our boxes of souvenirs ain't come home yet."

Club Has Unusual Rules.
Unusual rules have been adopted by the Thimble Bee club of 20 members, of Florence, Pa. Any member who is a musician and does not bring her favorite instrument or song to the meetings is to be fined. All must have their fancy work, the membership of the organization being limited to young women.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's
The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well-known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cent.

NOTICE
Sealed proposals will be received at the office of City Manager by the City Council of the City of Hickory until March 6th, 1917, at 7:30 p. m., for the erection and completion of an Electric Power line, approximately 12,000 feet, consisting of No. 6 triple grade weather proof wire and three 15 K. W. transformers from 2200 to 220 volts, two single throw triple pole switches, six single pole lightning arrestors, one starting compensator, one ammeter. Details of above construction can be obtained by applying at the office of City Manager.
City Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
Certified check for \$100.00 must accompany each bid until satisfactory bond is given for completion of the work.
JOHN W. BALLEW, City Manager 2 23 10t

NEW TELEPHONES INSTALLED THIS WEEK

Dr. K. A. Price, office	69
F. W. Hamot, res	268-J
T. F. Fruchth, res.	161-L
C. R. Hawn, W. Hickory	316-L
Z. S. Troutman shop	335-L
Paul F. Dellinger Store	248
RMS M. S. Clark, office	232-L
J. O. Moore, res	151-J
Alonzo Propst R-3	2708
E. I. Shuford office	185
Kirkpatrick Mfg. Co	142
Ralph Yoder, res	227-L
Clay Pdy and Mch. Co.	323
P. M. Perry, res	323

Phones Taken Out
J. O. Rhodes.
Gantt and Phillips Times-Mercury.
W. V. Knowlton
J. L. Paul
Fulmer and Gibbs.
Mrs T. A. Salvo

SIR KNIGHTS
A stated Conclave of Hickory Commandery No. 17 Knights Templar will be held Monday evening, Feb. 26th at 7:30. Please be present.
J. H. PATRICK, F. C.
J. A. HENDERSON, Rec.
Sat and Mon

Professors receive an average of \$4,671 a year.
Japan has over 2,000 persons who are worth over \$250,000.
Los Angeles county has the largest olive grove in the world.
Over 38,000 persons are members of clubs in New York city.

Cracks in Plaster.
When we painted our kitchen, we found a number of cracks in the plastering that had to be filled. A painter told us to use plaster of paris mixed with some of the paint we were using. It does not set as quickly as when mixed with water, and it does better than putty for such work. For mending the cracks in a white ceiling, where the heat had caused the white coating to peel off, we mixed the plaster of paris with turpentine and oil, and were surprised to find how well it covered the unsightly places.—Exchange.

City of Bethune in History.
Bethune, which is on the road to Peronne, is a French town with a fascinating history, and is now in the throes of the great struggle, as the possession of these two towns means the gaining of the German defense of Picard. Bethune is situated on a rock facing the river Brette. Until 1713 it was of Flemish occupation, and in the early ages the Scottish family of Bethune is said to have gone from here to England with William of Normandy.

Growth of Esperanto.
The literature of Esperanto has increased from 29 books in 1880 to 2,500 in 1914, and during the last three or four years six full-length original novels have been published in the language.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine. It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 25c

Hub Theatre, Tuesday, Feb. 27th
The Hickory Dramatic Club
Presents
"A MIDNIGHT ELOPEMENT"
A funny farce comedy in three acts. A few seats reserved at 35c. Tickets are now on sale at
Hickory Drug Company
Admission 35, 25, 15c
All school children and college students will be admitted for 15 and 25 cents.