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**Open Court Is Best Plan Yet**

Court adjourned Wednesday after trying very few cases, though its influence seemed to have a good effect and tended to strengthen the faith of the public in courts. Unfortunately, the laxity of courts sometimes appear to breed disrespect for our judicial process, and men try to find a better plan; they form klans and institutions through which they sometime attempt to mete out justice, yet no plan seems quite so safe as the open court, where every man may be heard.

One of the principal hindrances to the judicial process of today seems to be money. Good lawyers strain the truth too hard, and false witnesses are too numerous.

Yet the open court plan, with all its faults, is the safest way yet found.

**The Dance**

Very good was the way several described the dance here last Friday night. The rottenest dance ever held here was the way many others described it.

It is agreed that evidence is against the last dance. This business of gathering in a cold warehouse looks foolish to many, and probably it is. Remaining up the greater part of the night and sleeping all the next morning seems just as foolish. Alcohol served to keep more than automobile radiators warm; and that's foolish too. We wonder how many mothers were at home worrying over their innocent children; that's not treating the parents quite fair. Who in the merry crowd does not owe the grocer for the groceries? That's not quite right either. In the crowd you'll find some slipping 'round and 'round on the floor and all the while he thinks he owns the earth just because he is blowing off steam perfumed with alcohol. Well, if they want to do that, let some look on it as all right. Now, the next morning when his mother asks him to get the oil can filled so she can cook the very things that go into his belly to nourish his body, he

comes with a growl and finally slips out the back door and follows back path to the little town store.

That's the merry maker with a few of his ways.

There is yet another side. Here you'll find those who are sometimes and probably correctly classed as hypocrites. They down the dance and its ways not because they are bad, but for other reasons. They go to the dance not to take part, but to look on in order that they might see something that they hope will happen. If a dance goes through in a decent manner, it isn't that way to them; and if one gets drunk, just one, he would have you believe they were all drunk. Now, this same fellow goes home, curses his children and gives his wife a blow or two. He's too good to dance, he's too good to be pleasant at home, but one sure thing, he isn't too good to go to the preacher's hell.

**THE LETTER-BOX**

THANKS W. R. CHERRY  
Editor Enterprise:  
I wish to express my thanks personally as well as in a modest official capacity to Mr. W. R. Cherry for the work done in apprehending Percy

**Objects of Contempt of Good People**

The government lost its case against Albert B. Fall, ex-Secretary of the Interior, and Edward L. Doheney, the great oil magnate, these men being charged with conspiracy to defraud the government by a contract made by Fall to Doheney for the lease of the Elks-Hills Oil reserve.

It may not have been a conspiracy; it really looks more like an open-handed taking of the government's property. There are least a hundred million people who do not think they did the right thing and that an outrage was perpetrated on the people is another one of their thoughts.

According to the terms of the verdict these two men are free, but yet they are the objects of the contempt of all good people.

**Mark Hopkins Will Bubble Bursts**

The old Mark Hopkins will bubble burst last week and with it went the hopes of many North Carolinians. A large number of heirs in this State were interested in the will, but their hopes went when the will was proved to be a forgery. The plaintiffs were put out of court when they admitted the will was forged.

This puts all the North Carolina heirs right back where they were before they were all wrought-up over the possibility of annexing an easy fortune.

Well, there is one good thing about it; they have not lost anything. They just failed to get the fortune, that's all. This happens to many of us. We are continuously wishing that through some way, somehow we will get a fortune, but what really results is that we are forced to work for a living.

There is one thing the Hopkins heirs may congratulate themselves on, they have had a rich uncle even though he be dead now.

**Famous for Wasting Time**

American people can waste more time discussing impossible problems than any people on earth. As a striking evidence, we see large groups talking and writing about Smith and McAdoo for President.

What the Democrats must do if they would win is to start with a candidate nobody hates. It is true that both McAdoo and Smith have hosts of the strongest of friends, and both of them are men of fine personal qualities, yet both of them are the objects of hatred to thousands, if not millions, of voters. The hatred may be without a cause.

The Democrats cannot win on personality; they must have a cause to go to the people with. It is foolish to run either Smith or McAdoo or any one else for their personality.

The man who leads the Democratic hosts to victory will have a larger program than wet or dry, catholic or anti-catholic.

Most of the muss being kicked up is nothing but propoganda to divert Woodard and his accomplices in their recent attempt to rob certain banks in this section.

His assistance in detecting this plot and in bringing the offenders to justice was honest and square and of great value to the community, and doubtless saved property and life.

Respectfully,  
CITIZEN-OFFICER.

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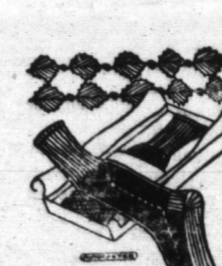


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