

Ex-Professional Men Bootleg In Arizona; No Social Caste; Cost Of Living Very High

Editor of The Star:

I am not writing this for the benefit of the chamber of commerce nor to cause young men to leave home, but while the rest of the country is shivering in their shoes and roasting their shins before some wood or coal stove, we in Phoenix, Arizona, are sitting on our porches and basking in the warm sunshine, while the birds chirp merrily in the trees and flowers are blooming all around. This is why thousands of people come to Phoenix every winter, and I guess it is why I remain here most all the year round.

The thermometer in my office registers 80 during the day and on my front porch it has now reached 85 in the shade, this at 3:30 in the afternoon of Sunday February 1st. No snow ever falls in Phoenix, and seldom there is a frost or a freeze. However, one can drive to the snow topped peaks in a few hours time.

But it takes money to live in Arizona. An ordinary four room house costing about \$500 to build on a \$400 lot rents for from \$35 to \$55 per month, and by the time one pays for gas and lights, the bill runs up to \$60 or \$75 per month, not including groceries, which depends upon the size of the family and their appetite. Despite all this, there is no place in the United States where one can make money easier unless it is by counterfeiting it. There are many people here independently rich who came here stuck a few years ago with only about \$1,000.00 in their pockets, and many of them never struck a lick of work doing it.

Anyone coming here broke and expecting to make money working at so meagre are simply out of luck. But those who already have some money saved up and want to spend the rest of their lives in ease in one of the most healthy climates in the world, if they have any ability at all, they can double their investment here every few years.

Changing Professions.

No use for a man to come here expecting to work at the trade he had in the east and make money. We have ex-bankers here who are running tourist camps or hotels, and ex-blacksmiths who are running banks. I know a man here who was a barber in the east and who is now running a big general store and is successful. I also know an ex-preacher who is a successful groceryman, and an ex-moonshiner from the east who is preaching here and making good at it too.

There is a lawyer here from "way back east" who is in the bootlegging business and making a pile of money. He is smart enough to keep from getting caught and when he gets caught he is smart enough to get out of it.

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does not do him any good here. If any of his ancestors came over on the Mayflower, he had better forget it when he crosses the Mississippi river, because should he mention it out here, he is a marked man and nobody will have anything more to do with him. Caste means nothing here. It's what you are and can do now, that counts.

We have successful business men out here who have served time in some eastern penitentiary. Should someone start to talk of this fact, he would get his nose mashed right pronto, and perhaps a few teeth knocked down his throat. Murdering and backbiting has no place in Arizona. When a man has something against his neighbor, if he is not man enough to step out and settle it wit his six shooter, he keeps quiet about it.

Every state in the United States is represented here. My neighbor on the west comes from Colorado, those on the south from New York, those on the east from Pennsylvania, those on the north from Georgia. I only know the names of those on the south and west, and while I have lived here a year I have never been asked my name but once in this neighborhood. Names mean little in Arizona.

Besides my occupation, that of a private investigator and detective does not permit me to go around making many acquaintances. I must know lots about other folks without letting the know much about me.

I am frequently asked by some of my best friends "How's business?" they think I am a salesman. Others think that I am living on government compensation and others think I am in the novelty advertising business. As a matter of fact, I do not draw a cent from Uncle Sam and seldom sell anything. My check for my services comes from New York city every month, and its as big as I would like it to be either.

Don't Go to Arizona.

I have received something like two hundred letters from people in North and South Carolina, inquiring about this climate, etc., and asking if there is any work to be had out here for someone who is suffering with tuberculosis, etc. While I do not have time to reply to all of these letters personally, I want to advise any and all not to come here expecting a remunerative position of any kind. In fact, the state legislature has just passed a bill making it almost a felony for any contractor or firm to employ anyone on public work, etc., unless they are citizens and voters of Arizona. This is done to protect the people already here. And for those who are sick, they could not earn enough to buy their clothes. But for those who have some money already saved up, and enough to vest in some little business, they can get well and make money at the same time, that is if they have the proper ability.

I often have inquiries about homesteads. Yes there is much land in Arizona that can still be homesteaded, but one must have enough funds to make the necessary improvements and spend several years before there will be returns. Usually this is the most expensive method of acquiring land in the entire southwest.

As for the Boulder Dam. There is a suit before the United States Supreme court that Arizona has filed against this project that must be settled before the dam can be built. No one should invest through the mails or otherwise in any land proposed to be near the Boulder Dam because the land within three hundred miles of this site in either direction is not worth five cents an acre. Many people here in this town have already lost thousands of dollars to California real estate slickers on such propositions as this already.

Anyone wanting accurate and proper information about this country should write the Santa Fe Railroad company, Phoenix, Ariz., The Arizona Club, or Chamber of Commerce, Phoenix, Arizona, and ask for whatever information they desire on any one subject. While I like to be obliging as far as possible, I cannot afford the time it takes to write each one personally on these subjects, and besides I am not able to give information as accurately as these agencies who are prepared for it.

With best wishes to The Star and its many readers, I remain,

Sincerely,
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Einstein Religion Given In 200 Words Sick Orphan Girl

The religion of Albert Einstein, the scientist, is summed up in 200 words in an article published by the Woman's Home Companion.

"There are three forms of religious experience. First, the religion of fear which under primitive conditions looks for protection to a Supreme Being whose favor it strives to win by deeds and sacrifices. Second, the moral religion guided by a God or Providence, whose actions are essentially social and moral. It is this type of religion which now prevails among civilized peoples. Third, the cosmic religious sense which is the highest religious experience, in which one feels the vanity of human desire and aims, and the nobility and marvelous order which are revealed in nature and in the world of thoughts."

"Since this religion has no body of doctrine, no church can be based upon it. Therefore those who hold with it are fated to be called heretics. And yet, the only deeply religious people of our largely materialistic age are the earning men of reach. What a deep faith in the rationality of the structure of the world there must have been in Kepler and Newton to enable them to unravel the mechanism of the heavens in long years of lonely work!"

"Only those who have dedicated their lives to similar ends can have a living conception of the inspiration which gave these men the power to remain loyal to their purpose in spite of countless failures. It is the cosmic religious sense which granted this power."

Dr. Hary Emerson Koodick, who has been called upon to defend the placing of a statue of Einstein in his own church, comments:

"They are a notable company today, these choice men and women who are puzzled and dubious about God. They are dedicated spirits. They give themselves without rest to the search for truths that will help human needs. They are the supreme examples of the unrecognized God. As the New Testament puts it, 'He that doeth good is of God.' There in the center of his life, in the ideal he works for, in the service he renders—there is God."

ROTARY TO AID IN WORLD PEACE

The rapid growth in the number of Rotary clubs throughout the world has brought a corresponding increase in the problems of administering so extensive an organization. One method toward preparing the way for a solution of many of these problems will be proposed at the next convention of Rotary International to be held at Vienna next June. Under the new proposal the Rotary directorate will be increased by the election of two additional directors to be selected from countries other than the United States, Canada, and Great Britain. If the new proposal is adopted, the United States will no longer have a majority of directors on the Rotary Board. However, it is the feeling of the present board that such wider representation will give greater impetus to the Rotary movement throughout the world and pave the way for the more effective contribution that Rotary may make toward the promotion of friendliness and understanding among the peoples of the world, states Almon E. Roth, president of Rotary International, writing in the February Rotarian.

"If an inquisitive man from Mars were to travel up and down our continents and across our seas," says Mr. Roth, "he would surely conclude that our most poignant social distresses—such as war, famine, and unemployment—are directly traceable to the fact that we have organized our planet not to bring men together in work and in play, but to keep them apart. No doubt he would wonder why a race which had made such great material advances in the last one hundred years of its existence had achieved so little in the art of living together."

"No matter how strong the desire for international understanding may be, it never will be achieved until citizens of different nations learn the art of international cooperation and team-work. It is in this field that Rotary has a golden opportunity."

"As a world-wide organization, Rotary is conducting a great experiment in human relations. When one considers the obstacles which have been overcome in bringing Rotary to its present world-wide development, it must be admitted that already Rotary has demonstrated that it is possible to achieve international cooperation, notwithstanding traditional differences of religion, language, national customs, and economic conditions. Probably at no time in our history will the difficulties arising from these differences be so acute as they have been during this early period when Rotary has been spreading around the world.

"I have the conviction," says Mr.

Roth, "that Rotary's opportunity lies not in the solution by mass action of troublesome economic problems and other causes of international misunderstanding but in the development of a friendly background for the consideration of these problems."

"I am not so sanguine or presumptuous as to expect Rotary to stop war, though I wish it could. Unfortunately there is no simple formula—no golden rule to peace. This great social objective can only be attained, as all others are, by long continued, often discouraging, effort of countless agencies. But, of one thing I am certain, Rotary is playing its part in this process in a most practical and effective manner."

BODY HAS REVOLUTION EVERY THREE WEEKS

The human body stages a full-fledged South American revolution within its own territories every three weeks, according to Dr. Adolph F. Adolph of the university of Rochester. The doctor, quoted in The Country Home, reveals that the body changes its water content every 21 days on the average—and the body is 93 percent water!

Nitrogen, chief element in the chemical composition of muscle, is generally renewed in 290 day periods, he adds. The iron in the body is changed every ten months.

The Real Root.

Sir James Barrie once said that he felt not the love of money, but jealousy, was the root of all evil.—The American Magazine.

Daily Thought for Motorists.

The fact is that the motor car is a better machine than most of us are fit to handle.—Collier's Weekly.

LITTLE OLD RED SCHOOL IS A VANISHING SPECIES

The little old red schoolhouse has almost completely disappeared from the American landscape, and the one-room district school is rapidly following it into oblivion, according to a survey made for The Country Home.

The district school, it develops, is slipping away at the rate of 4,000 every year. These buildings of the Mary's Little Lamb type are being replaced in rural communities by commodious consolidated schools.

But there are still 153,000 of the old type, an average of 3,000 for each state.

Sports Note.

Marriage is a marathon, and love is only the first step.—Collier's Weekly.

It's A Hard Life.

A theatre usher has to hear the same jokes as often as 200 or 300 times a year.—Collier's Weekly.

Adults Contract Children's Diseases

Adults can, and do, contract many children's diseases. And, usually, they suffer from them much more than children do. For instance, many adults contract worms, an ailment usually associated with children. Sometimes they suffer intensely and take expensive medical treatments, without realizing that worms are the cause of their troubles. Yet, the symptoms are the same as in children, loss of appetite and weight, grinding the teeth and restless sleep, itching of the nose and anus, and abdominal pains. And, the same medicine that surely and harmlessly expels round and pin worms from children will do the same for adults—White's Cream Vermifuge, which you can get at Paul Webb and Son and Cleveland Drug Co.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICE HERE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

On Sunday February 15th there will be morning prayer and preaching at the church of The Redeemer, S. LaFayette St., at 11 o'clock. Rev. J. B. Sill of Rutherfordton, will have charge. He will teach a class at 10 for those who are communicants or looking forward to confirmation. He can be reached on Friday and Saturday at Charles hotel, should anyone wish to speak with him.

GENERAL MOTORS EMPLOYEES GET BIG INVESTMENT RETURN

New York, Feb. 9.—Realizing more than 300 per cent on their original investments, 20,000 employees of General Motors corporation who invested in the savings and investment fund of 1925 are

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