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*I've often wondered
 When in court rooms.
 Just how many lawyers.
 Are more interested.
 In whatever impression.
 They may be making.
 Upon spectators.
 Than they are in the person.
 Who is on trial.
 And how many of them.
 Are more interested.
 In building themselves.
 A reputation.
 Than they are in the fate.
 Of the unlucky fellow.
 Whom they defend.
 And how it happens.
 I'm airing my views.
 In this roundabout way.
 Is that at a table.
 Right next to me.
 There sat a lawyer.
 Who in a voice.
 I could plainly hear.
 Was telling a friend.
 How lucky he was.
 That he'd been engaged.
 In a criminal case.
 That promised to bring him.
 Much publicity.
 And how it was.
 That publicity.*

*Would probably bring him.
 A lot more cases.
 And pretty soon.
 He'd be in the money.
 In a great big way.
 And his friend said:
 "Sure!"
 And wanted to know.
 About the case.
 He was speaking of.
 And the lawyer seemed.
 Not interested.
 And quieted down.
 And all I heard.
 Was that his client.
 Was in jail somewhere.
 And anyway.
 In a couple of minutes.
 He was off again.
 On his big career.
 And he was a young lawyer.
 And I wanted to tell him.
 That the way to win.
 Was to keep uppermost.
 His client's interests.
 And forget himself.
 But as an eavesdropper.
 I couldn't do that.
 For there might have been trouble.
 And he'd call the headwaiter.
 And have me removed.
 I thank you.*

(By K.C.B., "Miniatures of Life" Column, in *Hollywood Citizen-News*)

A Connecticut state law makes it illegal for a man to shave himself on Sunday.

A Bellingham, Wash., law provides that a woman must not take more than three steps backward at a time when dancing.

Beer v. Beer, 52 Ohio App. 276. Negligence. Motor Vehicles, etc. (You're wrong! The point at issue was what constituted a guest.)

A Pennsylvania law makes it possible for a non-citizen to own realty, but not a dog.