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By B. C. HILLIARD, JR.

## "I WEEP FOR YOU," THE WALRUS SAID, "I DEEPLY SYMPATHIZE"

"Albert J. Gould, Jr., public administrator, has his problems. Six or seven years ago that office meant big compensation. Gould now has the same work and overhead, but the compensation is almost negligible \* \* \*"—*Denver News*,\* March 29, 1935.

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## "AND, AS THE COCK CREW, THOSE WHO STOOD BEFORE THE TAVERN SHOUTED, 'OPEN THEN THE DOOR.'"

J. E. Robinson, Esq., addressed the chair, and upon being recognized remarked:

"Senate Bill No. 115 approved by the governor on March 16th provides that 'every person, except a *manufacturer* not engaged in selling poultry eggs directly to the consumer,' engaged in the business of selling eggs, shall obtain a license.

"Does a hen come within the exception, or does she not?"

"The hen does not 'sell poultry eggs directly to the consumer.' She lays the egg when and where the spirit moves her, without regard to the ultimate destination of the product. She just doesn't care.

"As the assembly declared that an emergency exists, the question should speedily be determined. The future of the hen is at stake."

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## "LOW AMBITION AND THE THIRST FOR PRAISE"

In 12 DICTA 116 Erl H. Ellis, Esq., indited† an article labeled "Did You Know?" Horace N. Hawkins, Esq., in writing, advised Mr. Ellis that "I did not know and am glad to be informed," and added a pious wish that the author would "do some more of the same kind of writing for DICTA." Mr. Hawkins' letter reached us, with an addenda per Mr. Ellis to this effect:

"Am forwarding the above letter to you just with the idea that you may be glad to learn that the new 'Did You Know?' department seems to have an occasional admirer."

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\*The paper with a new name but the same old circulation.

†No, Erl, this has no reference to grand juries.

“WORDS ARE BUT EMPTY THANKS”

*The Divide Review*, journal par excellence, and purveyor of the news of Kiowa, proud capital of Elbert County, on March 8 last gives to the world, under the caption “Card of Thanks,” this wail:

“We wish to thank the vilifying people of this community for the uncordial remarks that have been said about us.

“*Bobbie Doppler and Ethel Erickson.*”

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“WHO FIRST INVENTED WORK, AND BOUND THE FREE AND HOLIDAY-REJOICING SPIRIT DOWN?”

Although we tasted gravel in the address, “What Fun Dept., DICTA,” we nevertheless present this memorial to the researches of David Brofman, Esq.:

“Neill, J. \* \* \* It is no wonder that this is his character, and that he cannot find work to suit him, for his father is in the lumber business, owns two lumber yards, a fine residence, is rated to be worth \$43,000, has his life insured for \$25,000, and pays him a salary for doing nothing, which stops when ‘he accepts a position.’ This salary, as he calls it, seems mightily ‘like getting money from home.’ Yet he is a good man; and his wife loves him so well, she says, that she ‘would wade to the very bottom of Hell for that man.’ If it should ever become necessary for her to perform this heroic act in manifestation of her affections we cannot help inquiring where would be Elsy Dean during the excursion, if her custody should be awarded this woman and her husband?”—*White v. Richeson*, 94 S. W. (Texas) 202.

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EDITOR’S NOTE

The many classical allusions, found in the captions of Dictaphun this month, are from the ninth edition of Barlett’s Familiar Quotations. We are definitely advised that the Editor of Dictaphun acquired the volume from his father, who is no longer in practice.

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LAWYERS’ AND DOCTORS’ BANQUET!

The annual Doctors’ and Lawyers’ Banquet will be held at the University Club, May 4, 1935, at 7 P. M. The price of the tickets will be from \$1.50 to \$2.00, depending upon what the committee agrees should be served.