

We Know Little About Anything

In this age in which we call ourselves scientific we know very little about anything, says Charles F. Kettering, the famous scientist and philosopher and inventor of the automobile self-starter, and identified with Delco light plants, in the early days, and with so many other important public benefits that he is the recognized wizard of the General Motors organization of which company he is vice-president, and in charge of research.

He recently analyzed "a scientific fellow as a fellow who doesn't know what he is working on and is afraid to admit it" and he observes that "we have a wonderful future ahead of us in any line of business today if we will just lift the lid and say we know so little about anything."

"We are just learning about steel, we are just learning about rubber, we are just learning about oil," stated Mr. Kettering. "Never were there such opportunities for young men and women of ability as there are today," he declared, and explained that there never were such opportunities to do things, "but you can't do the same things we are doing now; we have got to open up a new field, and there are thousands of new fields standing waiting."

"We have today a very unusual condition in this country where we have an excess of materials, excess of money, and excess of men," said Kettering. "Which means," he continued, "that we are technologically behind and not technologically ahead, and if you could get this idea that we know very much about anything out of our minds, and that the whole thing is ahead of us, then I think we would have a shortage of labor in a short time. People right away would say, 'What are you going to do?' I don't know. Any place you pick up you could start, because we don't know very much about anything." He recalled that at a gathering of engineers the question came up: "What are we going to do when our supply of fuel runs out?"

"Well, I don't know," replied Kettering, who continued: "Maybe we can run our cars by radio at that time. Maybe all you will have to do is to have some central power stations with big antennae and have a little antenna like you have now for a radio receiving set, and you can pick up the fuel power that way." These engineers were unconvinced and disagreed. "But you can't do that," they said.

"But, how do we want them run?" "Well," they said, "we run them with gasoline."

Mr. Kettering asked, "What is gasoline?" They decided that it was distilled from petroleum, and Kettering added, "What is petroleum?"

"Well, petroleum is something that is in the earth; it has been there for a long while."

"But where did it come from?" Kettering demanded to know.

"Well, it came from perhaps decaying vegetation, and so forth and so on."

"Where did that come from?" "It came from the growth of plants," was the reply.

"Well, how did the plants grow?"

"From the rays of the sun."

"So we are running our automobiles now by radio, but all we need to do is to take out a few of the

steps in there and run them direct," replied Kettering.

Think that over and you'll likely agree that "we know very little about anything" but that the real opportunities that Kettering has spoken of are about us, everywhere.

Curfew Law To Be Enforced

After 9:30 in the evening, all minors had better be at home—at least that is the action taken by Mayor Marble in instructions to the police department several days ago.

The mayor has demanded that the curfew bell be rung every night at that hour and that the police department see that the children under 21 years of age are off the city streets.

B. Y. University Issues Memorial

PROVO, December 14 — A memorial volume of selected writings of the late Prof. Harrison R. Merrill, well-known intermountain author and journalist, prepared by the Utah Academy of Science, Arts, and Letters, is off the press.

Included in the volume, "Dusk on the Desert," are 49 poems, 14 articles, and one story, "Bill's Shadow." Also, there is a full-page photograph and a life sketch of the author, well-known throughout the West for his work in journalism, scouting, and church activities.

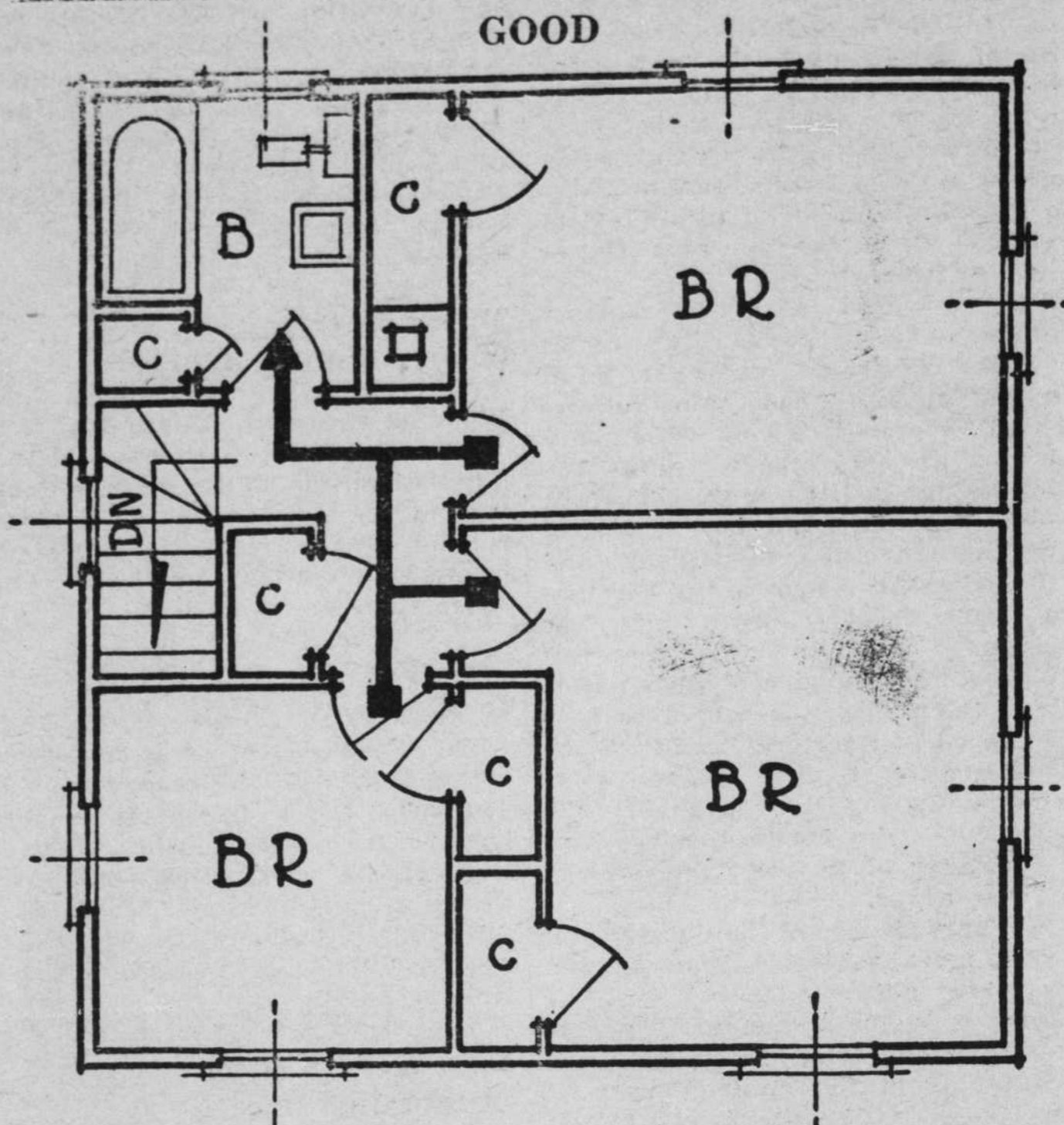
One of his most popular poems,

"Let This Be Heaven," is superimposed on a colored photograph of the Great White Throne in Zion's canyon and is the first poem in the book. Colored illustrations for each section of the book were made by

Cecil Smith, cowboy artist of Carey, Idaho.

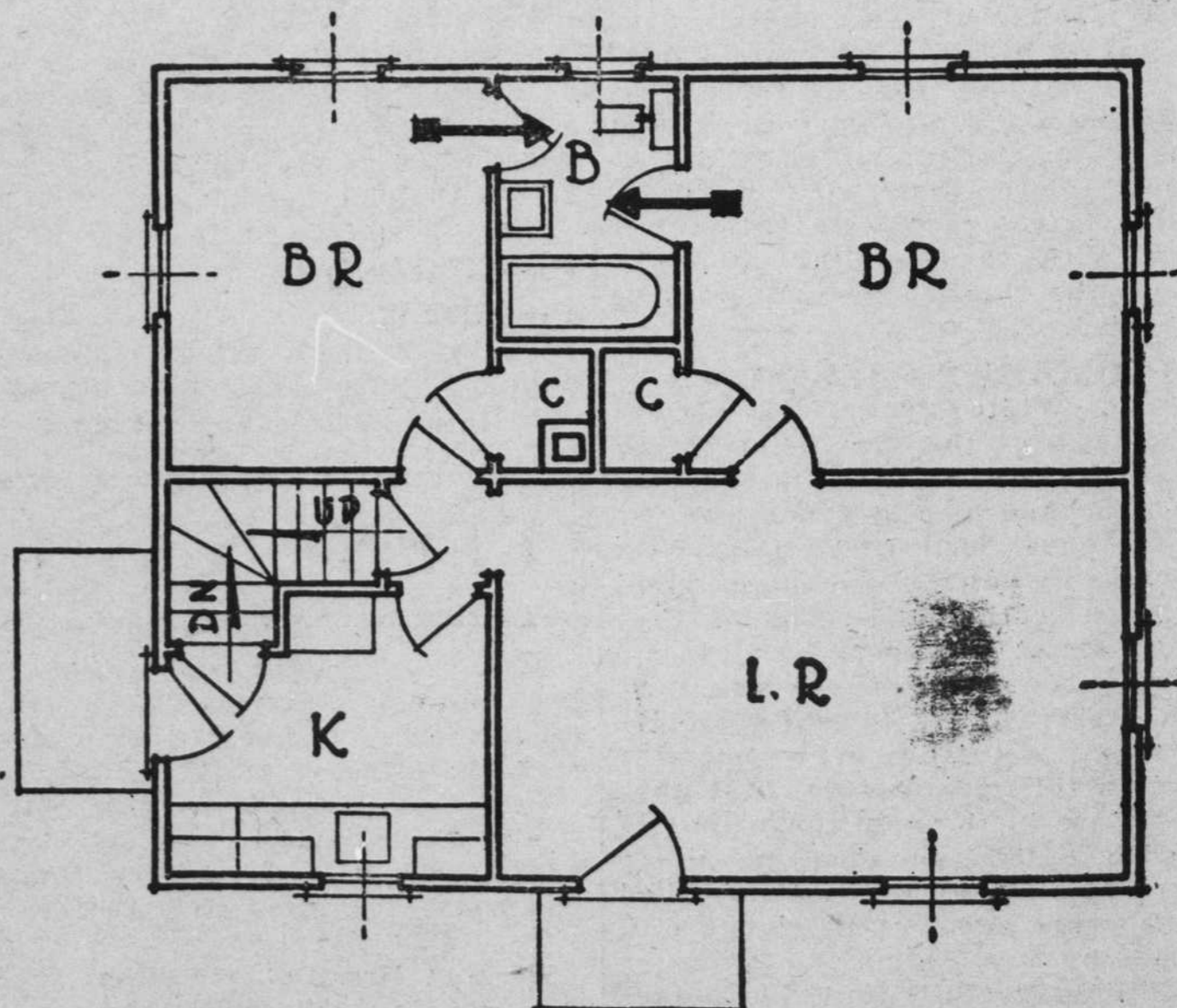
Books may be obtained from Dr. Vasco M. Tanner, permanent secretary of the academy, at Brigham Young university.

Privacy In Small Houses



In this arrangement, a high degree of privacy is afforded through direct access to the bath from all bedrooms as well as to habitable rooms on the first floor, according to the Federal Housing Administration.

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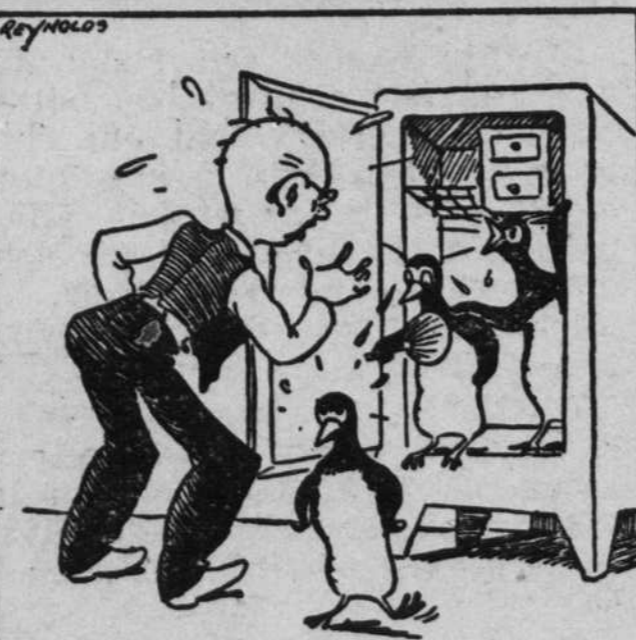


Access to the only bathroom through a bedroom is not desirable, according to the Federal Housing Administration. The attic space is made unusable for a future bedroom due to lack of direct access to the bath through stair hall, and access to one bedroom direct from the living room and not through the hall is a poor arrangement.

Editor's Note.—This is one of a series of illustrations and discussions intended to point out floor arrangements considered as "Good" and "Fair" by the Federal Housing Administration in its consideration of properties offered as security for mortgages to be insured under the Insured Mortgage System.

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