

Able & Ready...

There is a firm based in Christchurch, New Zealand, and jokes aside, called Able and Ready. They serve legal documents and have a debt collecting and tracing service.

Wonder if, with offices in twenty cities and towns, their supply of wide trimmed hats and trench coats costs is a big budget item.

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Marriage... Such a sacred thing or is it?!

Judge Fricke from the County Court of Victoria wished to know if the accused had a drip-dry wedding suit when given the break down of the accused's marital history.

Over the past nine years he has had four marriages in three countries, these consisting of two genuine ones, a sham and then a remarriage to his second wife.

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Today's World

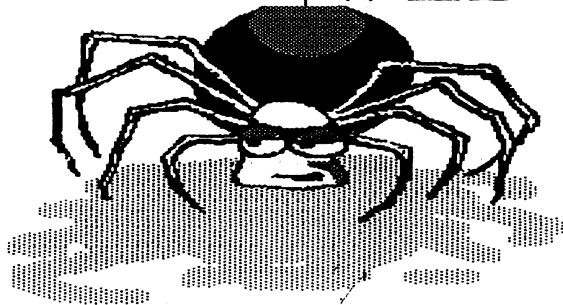
1. The Survival Kit - a well filled wallet
2. Cars are now a necessity and walking considered a luxury when once cars were a luxury and walking necessary!
3. Progress has its drawbacks you can't warm your feet on a microwave.
4. Technology made large populations possible; large populations now make technology indispensable.

The Pearl of Wisdom

If you are a constant irritation to someone, don't worry; remember the pearl starts from an irritation.

PK Shaw

THE SPIDER'S WEB



The Fashion Conscience

A young solicitor from a large city firm was doing his bit to help train some of those even more junior than he.

As he was appearing in court be-wigged and robed on a companies matter on this particular day, he took the young work-experience student with him, in order that she should watch a true professional in action. All went well. The young lady watched the proceedings with interest and they later left the court together, to return to the office.

As they both walked up the Terrace, our young teacher intently and enthusiastically detailed to the student some of the finer points of working in the law, so that she could benefit from his experience.

They were nearly at their building when the student asked earnestly of our young gun whether it was normal for lawyers to walk the streets, out of court, in their wigs and gowns. The young lawyer was struck with horror. Sure enough, there he was, in the middle of the Terrace, decked out in his finest court robes. Ducking behind a large column in Howard street, he hurriedly removed his robe and wig and sprinted back to the court to collect his suit jacket from the robing room.

His one great relief was that he had managed to take his leisurely stroll down the Terrace without anyone he knew reminding him that he was part of Perth's, not Sydney's, legal profession.

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Parking Blues!

Young Lawyers from Western Australia have been at it again.

This young lawyer had called into a drycleaners and parked her car in a nearby laneway.

The man behind the counter suddenly interrupted their transaction with the comment, "Gee, that idiot has just driven into a wall!"

Imagine her surprise when she turned around to discover that the car in question was none other than her own... pity she'd left the vehicle in neutral without the handbrake on.

Maybe a step by step instruction on how to park a car should be stuck her dashboard in future.

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Caution Required when Sowing Wild Oats in Singapore

Stung by criticism of a new policy denying subsidised housing to single mothers, the Singapore Government has said that the rule would be extended to men who fathered illegitimate children.

The Prime Minister, Goh Chok Tong, said that letting unwed mothers buy the Housing Development Board flats "implicitly accepts unmarried motherhood as a respectable part of our society" and this will not do when promoting Family Values.

Constance Singam, President of the Association of Women for Action and Research are saying not fair, "First the [man] abandons them, then the state too abandons them."

To balance the scales Mr Lim Hong Kian, the acting National Development Minister, said the aim of the policy was to preserve the traditional family as the family unit. "We will be happy if unmarried mothers provide us with the names of the fathers, then we will also debar the father from applying for flats," Mr Liam said on Singapore television.

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