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THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD.
Then spake Jesus, saying, I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.—John 8:12.

Find the Moral

The chief executive of a big corporation, whose time is occupied from the moment he reaches his office until the moment he leaves, has devised a new efficiency scheme. He has requested all his employees, and all his friends and acquaintances, when they telephone him, to inform the operator in his office whether the conversation they desire falls under the heading of "A," "B," or "C."

"A" class. His wife, reminding him to send the car for that requires immediate attention.

"B" signifies that it is merely a matter of business routine or of social engagement.

"C" means ordinary piffle.

It is only fair, however, to give the results, up to date, of this executive's experience.

With one exception every telephone call fell into the "A" class. His wife, reminding him to send the car for her after luncheon, a friend who wanted to borrow a few hundred dollars, his tailor announcing that his new suit was ready to be tried on—all insisted that their communication was of great importance and needed immediate attention.

It was only his chauffeur who modestly told the operator that his message came under "C." He merely wanted to report that he had collided with a truck, smashed a \$6,000 car and injured a policeman.

There is a moral in this for reformers to figure out.

Progress on Refunding

Approval by the British ministry of the war debt refunding terms carried home from Washington by Chancellor of the Exchequer Baldwin is an important step toward removal of this huge international obligation from the domain of speculation. It does not constitute a contractual arrangement between the two governments but it may reasonably be regarded as laying a firm foundation for a contract that will be acceptable to congress and so may be formally entered into.

The conditions that were written into the bill creating the refunding commission never have been regarded as anything but a starting point for the negotiators; if congress intended that they should be rigidly adhered to there would have been little work for the refunders. The debt may run for 62 years and the interest rate will be less than congress prescribed, if the plan is carried into effect. Generous cognizance is thus taken of the difficulties which confront the fiscal officers of Great Britain and the British people. But that in the long run Britons will pay less than Americans in interest may be doubted, since Mr. Mellon's agreement to 3 and 3 1/2 per cent indicates his confidence that Liberty bonds will be refunded at much less than the prevailing rate of interest on such obligations.

If good example arouses the spirit of emulation ratification of the plan accepted by the British ministry will inspire continental nations likewise to seek a means of refunding.

Stopping the Narcotic Leak

The inference from a treasury department order summarily stopping importation of narcotic drugs is that this traffic has been allowed to run wild at ports of entry. This is surprising since initial measures of control logically would be rigid supervision of receipts legally permissible. The legitimate needs of the country for these drugs should not be hard to determine, hence the importation of them in amounts largely above requirements should have aroused suspicion and called for immediate action in curtail.

It has been popularly believed that the increasing number of addicts secured their supplies from stock surreptitiously brought into the country. Now it appears there was small need for smuggling the drugs. Licensed dealers have been negligent if they have not corruptly connived at the forbidden traffic. But the responsibility for growth of a bad condition lies primarily with the federal narcotic control board which has failed to restrict supplies at the source. The inhibition on further importations until the board can check upon stocks and legitimate necessities comes belatedly, but is welcome, nevertheless.

Violations of the anti-narcotic law never will be wholly suppressed, but they can be reduced to the possible minimum if permitted importations of the drugs are kept within reasonable bounds. Drug peddling will virtually cease when the peddlers are compelled to depend on smugglers for their supplies.

To secure conservation appears to require a lot of conversation.

Los Angeles couple married in a mortuary chapel must have felt that it was a sad event.

Celebration of the former kaisers birthday certainly was exaggeration of the unimportant.

THE OFFICE CAT

VERSATILE BED LINES

A weary tourist reached an isolated wayside inn, and gratefully accepted the only remaining bed. Next morning he was called rather earlier than he wanted to be, and drowsily asked to be allowed to continue his sleep.

Half an hour later the landlady came to his door again and said tremblingly: "Sir, do please get up."

"What's the matter now?"

"Oh, sir, I have two other gentlemen staying here, and they want their breakfast at 8 o'clock. I can't lay the table till I've got your top sheet."

"An egotist," notes Cy Kology, "is one who loses faith in a dictionary that doesn't agree with his spelling."

A tall man has one bit of consolation when he is growing bald. He is so tall that short people can't tell his hair is growing unless they see him sitting down.

We don't want another war, and we don't want another peace like this one.

What becomes of all the pins? asks a woman's magazine. Why not ask the babies?

HIS NAME CLARENCE?
"The miss would just go crazy over him."
"What 'ye mean?"
"He's such a big cheese."

A woman is usually judged by what's on her head, not what's in it.

Arrose Tash says lots of young men are willing to die for the girl before they marry her, but luck is against them.

LISTENIN' IN

Sez Farmer Jones to his wife Mirandy:
"At listenin' in you're a dandy! How in time are ye goin' to cook with that blame receiver off the hook?"

Who in blazes will feed the fire? With your ears tight glued to that doggone wire?

What good does it do ye? What d'ye learn?
Gosh all f'rnooks! Ding, Dang, Dern!"

But Mirandy stood with her hands on her hips.
Sez she: "What langwidge from your lips!
I work all the better for the news I get;
I hear both gossip an' sermons, you bet!
I'll have you know it ain't no sin, An' there ain't no harm in listenin' in!"

The trouble with having a wife who is a good manager is that you are usually what is managed.

When a European nation announces in conference that it's "Cards are on the table face up," it is always well in the opinion of a La Grande man, "to turn them over and see if they're all from one deck."

Two society women from Cleveland sailed from New York last week to make a trip unaccompanied across the Sahara desert. Somebody ought to warn the sheiks to hile out while there is yet time.

YOU MEAN GUY?

See where a girl, wanted in a \$100,000,000 mail holdup, was arrested in Chicago. Holding up the males is one of the neatest little things the female of the species does.—St. Louis Post Dispatch.

GIRL SOUGHT BY POLICE

EUGENE, Or., Feb. 15.—Mary Powers, 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Powers of this city and student at the university high school, is being sought by the police. She disappeared Saturday, according to the officers, and left a number of bad checks behind.

The girl's parents said she had no reason to run away from home and the theory was advanced that there was a man in the case who perhaps induced her to pass the checks and sleep with him. The girl is popular in school and has always borne a good reputation.

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Illustration of a woman sleeping peacefully.

Income Tax Facts

By Clyde G. Huntley Collector.

In order that they may take full advantage of the exemptions provided for under the revenue act of 1921, taxpayers are reminded that a single person, if he or she is the head of a family, is allowed the same exemption as a married person—\$2,500 if the net income for 1922 was \$5,000 or less, and \$5,000 if the net income exceeded \$5,000.

A head of a family is a person who supports and maintains in one household one or more individuals closely related to him by blood, marriage, or adoption and whose right to exercise family control and provide for these dependents is based upon some moral or legal obligation. Such relative need not be under 18 years of age, nor mentally nor physically defective, but must be without income sufficient to support him or her.

Following are concrete examples of the exemptions and credits allowed under the revenue act of 1921:

A son supports in one household an aged mother and two sisters, both under 18 years of age. The son's net income for 1922 was \$4,000. He is allowed an exemption of \$2,500 as the head of a family whose net income was less than \$5,000, plus a \$400 credit for each dependent, a total of \$4,700. His taxable income is \$900, on which the tax of 4 per cent is \$36.

A widower and one child under 18 years of age had a net income for 1922 of \$3,000. He is entitled to an exemption of \$2,500 as head of a family, plus the \$400 credit for a dependent.

In the absence of continuous residence with persons whom he supports, whether a person is head of a family within the meaning of the statute depends upon the character of the separation.

If a parent is away on business or a child or other dependent is away at school, the common home being maintained, the exemption applies. But when needlessly and continuously both parties live apart, the status of a head of a family does not exist, irrespective of support being given.

PAINTING THE LILY

Cleveland Plain Dealer: One cherished institution after another comes under the ax of reform. The statutory pleasures of childhood must be analyzed, weighed and ticked. Odd how so many youths of the last generation grew up, remembering the uncharted perils that lay along their course.

Living attention to many less important institutions of life, the good formulas have now reached the hot dog. It seems that all through the years we have been toying with the unknown, introducing into our physical systems goodness known what in the guise of this detestable of boyhood. The hot dog has not been what it purported to be and what we were fondly confident it was.

WILD MEAT BANISHED

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Feb. 14.—Increased transportation facilities have banished wild meat as a regular table dand in the railroad belt of Alaska. Fifteen months ago the entire region north of Broad Pass relied upon caribou, moose, mountain sheep, mountain goat, rabbits, ptarmigan and fish for the bill of fare, but now prime Chicago beef is laid down in that region at prices cheaper than the coming of transportation the "hot hunter" is fast vanishing and there is a corresponding increase in wild game.

It sounds like summary legislation. It may also mean a new day for the hot dog.

A Classified Ad With Do It!

Editorials From Over the Nation

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Patent Vanity Cases are quite the rage now—ours are the large patent bags with plate glass mirror on cover; fitted with toilet requisites, coin purse and some with flash light. Priced at \$1.99, \$2.75, \$6.99 and \$8.99.

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A rose felt Cobby with silk pom pom in all sizes. Priced \$1.25.
Black kid Hobbler, slippers with leather sole and heel; all sizes. Priced \$2.00.

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