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## WHY MARS INSTEAD OF VENUS

Captain Collins, president of the Aviators' Club of Pennsylvania, has volunteered to take passage in a giant rocket-bound for Mars. He already has evolved a plan for a rocket which would carry a man inside and says that he is ready to make the venture, stipulating that for one year before he starts the American people will give serious consideration to an appeal from him for a national aeronautic programme.

There is something appealing about a man who is rash enough to risk his neck in such a forlorn hope.

It recalls the custom of the Japanese Samurai, who used to commit suicide in order to call attention to oppression of the people by unjust rulers.

But why Mars?

It looks as if the rash Pennsylvanian would simply be butting into a scrap if he should land. International waters are sufficiently muddled and it might be well to wait for them to clear before getting mixed up in interplanetary complications. If there is any basis for astronomical psychology, the name Mars was not given to that little planetary upstart, only about half the size of the earth, without a reason.

The Martians are very likely to be bellicose and unsocial, and making their acquaintance would not be worth the effort.

Why not Venus? Old Homer pictured that divinity in a form that is certainly much more attractive than the war god. A visit to a planet over which she presided might really be worth while. We would not be surprised if such a lure should appeal to a daring aviator. The world has always been a bit shy on happiness. Perhaps it is on Venus that the missing key is to be found. We have had enough of warfare to suffice a single generation. Why build rockets to be dispatched in quest of trouble? Venus is much nearer the sun than Mars, near enough for the hot passions of ebullient youth to germinate. Venus is nearer the earth, too, than Mars, and the fare, once the aerial taxi service were established, would be less. That quest of the golden fleece was puerile compared to a romantic venture after the girdle of Venus.

The Democrats haven't a chance. In June they are "going west."

A new verb has been introduced into politics—to "hijohnsonize"—to put up a bluff, to talk through your hat, etc., etc.—Los Angeles Times.

We are gradually getting back to the old-fashioned days when honest work was considered better than profiteering and plain stealing.

William Martin Williams is the new commissioner of internal revenue. It is needless to say that he is from the south—"old Alabam."

A Rembrandt has just been sold in the east for \$300,000. It will soon be so that the works of the old master will bring as much as the wages of a house painter.

No wonder Japan does not care to quarrel with this country. The figures show that for the first ten months of the calendar year we imported \$194,000,000 of raw silk from that country. Japan has no reason to create a rough house.

Suggest a slogan. It is important to let the world know what are our basic industries; important for us



## When a Feller Needs A Friend

When a fellow really needs a friend is when, because of weakened eyes, he must have someone else read to him.

So many people, because of neglect of their eyes in earlier life, are now depending upon others.

Had they provided the friendliness of glasses to their eyes at the right time in their life, they would still be enjoying good eyesight and independence.

An examination will reveal the true condition of one's eyes. It's a little thing to seek, but a big thing to get, and so important.

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## AT THE RINGSIDE.

The former German crown prince has been taking boxing lessons and training hard for the last four months and is said to have developed into a real handy man with the gloves. It is said that he has an uppercut that is quite convincing. Here is a chance for Dempsey to square himself. Put him in the ring with the prince and tell Frederick William that he can have his job back if he makes a showing against the American champion. Then let them go to it for the benefit of the league of nations—which needs a benefit bad enough, heaven knows.

## A HORSE A PIECE.

The Germans are preparing a list of allied atrocities as an offset to the blacklist of the supreme council. They wish to show that war is twosided, even in barbarism.

But the greatest offense of Marshal Poch's forces, with the American doughboys playing the major part, was the fiendish manner in which they chased the kaiser's noble supporters from their comfortable steam heated trenches. That was a naughty trick.

## NEW MANDATORIES.

While conflicting parties have disregarded all forms of national law and have resorted to armed force to gain possession of the government of Germany in Europe, allocations made by the supreme council of the league of nations have fixed the sovereign control of the former German possessions in Africa and in the Pacific ocean. Germany's bold bid for

## FUTURE DATES.

- March 24, Wednesday—Lecture at public library by Dr. J. H. Gilbert of the University of Oregon on "Immigration and the Future American Stock."
- March 22, Monday—Meeting of Women's Republican club at armory.
- March 22, Monday—Willamette debate tryout for women.
- March 23, Tuesday—Jitney dance, armory, benefit baby clinics.
- March 24, Wednesday—Special meeting of Salem Business Men's league.
- March 26, Friday—Salem high school alumni banquet at Marion hotel.
- March 27, Saturday—Intercollegiate debate, Willamette vs. College of Puget Sound.
- March 28, Sunday—Hayesville district Sunday school convention at Jason Lee Methodist church.
- March 29, Monday—"Save money on meat week" begins.
- March 30, Tuesday—Queen of Hearts musical, benefit hospital, Moose hall, 8 p. m.
- April 11, Sunday—Baseball, Salem Senators vs. Moosejaw.
- April 30 and May 1—"Awakening of Spring" pageant Opera House, hospital benefit.
- May 11, Tuesday—Intercollegiate debate, Willamette vs. Oregon State.
- May 14 and 15—Nineteenth annual convention of Oregon State Association of Plumbers, in Salem.
- May 14 to 17—Officers' schools for National Guard at Vancouver Stevens.
- May 20—National egypt-cycle events in Salem.
- MILITARY Department of CHILDREN OF BANISHMENTERS at

world dominion has cost her territory with about eleven times the area of the state of Oregon.

Much of the land is fertile but fallow. Germany expended more than \$1,000,000,000 in tax money, above the income from the colonies, expecting that the future revenues would repay the initial investment many times over. But German greed overreached. Grasping at the shadow of world dominion, she lost the substance. German East Africa, with a population of 7,000,000, has passed under a joint mandatory of Great Britain and Belgium. It is bounded by the Belgian Congo on the west and British East Africa on the north. The dual mandate is a guaranty of neutrality. A joint council will act as guardian until the native population is sufficiently educated to be entrusted with the institutions of self-government.

German Southwest Africa will be developed under a mandate of the union of South Africa, one of the units of the British empire. Samoa will be the ward of New Zealand; while the other former island possessions of Germany south of the equator will be developed under the mandatory of Australia. Japan will exercise a mandatory over the German islands north of the equator.

Prior to the war Germany imported from these colonies raw materials annually valued at \$5,000,000 and sent them exports for which they paid \$12,000,000. Pretty good business for the Junkers.

Great Britain has held what amounted to mandatories over Egypt and Persia for a number of years; while the United States has exercised practically a mandatory over the Philippines. But Japan is placed on her good behavior, as it were, by receiving a mandatory for the former German islands north of the equator.

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Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist now. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic, healing cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothes the inflamed or swollen mucous membrane and relief comes instantly. It's just fine. Don't stay stuffed-up with a cold or nasty catarrh.

surface of the earth held in trust for undeveloped peoples. The experiment is a new department in international policy. Each of the mandatories is held under the sanction of the league of nations, which will exercise a general supervision over the whole. It is an attempt to supplant national greed with international justice.

## YOUR TOWN.

(By Helen Perkins, Manchester, Vt.)

Real towns are not made by men afraid

That some one else gets ahead;

When every one works and nobody shirks

You can raise a town from the dead.

And if while you make your personal stake

Your neighbor makes one too,

Your town will be what you want it to be;

It isn't your town—it's you.

If you want to live in the kind of town

Like the kind of town you like,

You needn't slip your clothes in a grip

And start on a long, long hike.

You will only find what you left behind.

For there's nothing that's really new;

It's a knack at yourself when you knock your town;

It isn't your town—it's you!

## THE EMPTY TOMBS.

You cannot bring our heroes back.

For they are now already here.

These heroes for the world's advance

Are resting not in dear old France.

The bonds for which they fought and died

And e'en their vestments yet abide

Within the grave-yards over there. But they will perish anywhere.

Freed from their earthly human bonds,

They paid the price—they have no bounds;

Their spirits soared beyond the realm

Where human hands can guide the helm

Here and there and everywhere,

No time nor distance can impair

The sweet communion they can give

With loving friends who yet may live.

For now they live in France and here—

Their memories all will e'er revere.

With ashes here or ashes there

Their righteous deeds live everywhere.

So let their ashes rest in peace,

From which their souls have been released;

For well we know the carnal part

Will turn to dust and thus depart

—W. T. R.

## BITS FOR BREAKFAST

On the last lap—

The hospital fund.

Make it certain now, and away over the top.

Anyway, the people of the United States are glad to have a little respite in the game of weedleedum and tweedledee between the United States senate and the White House on the issues are, the game was dusting beyond the limit of patience.

It is announced that Italy has agreed to the Wilson plan of settling the Fiume situation—whatever that is. Perhaps it is watchful waiting, the plan by which the Mexican situation was "settled."

There are a lot of hard questions before the voters of Oregon.

Taxation is high enough, the Lord knows.

But something ought to be done to get better teachers for the country schools. As it stands now, not enough even of the poorest kind can be secured.

Salem will make the automobile visitors welcome in every way—and ought to.

Another thing we do not understand is where does all the money come from to pay the outrageous prices asked for whisky and brandy by the busy bootleggers.

Admiral Sims is delivering sledgehammer blows at the management of the navy by Secretary Daniels in his examination. The old seaman knows just what he is talking about and there is no padlock on his or-

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There is one sure way that never fails to remove dandruff completely and that is to dissolve it. This destroys it entirely. To do this, just get about four ounces of plain, ordinary liquid arvon; apply it at night when retiring; use enough to moisten the scalp and rub it in gently with the finger tips.

By morning, most if not all of your dandruff will be gone, and three or four more applications will completely dissolve and entirely destroy every single sign and trace of it, no matter how much dandruff you may have.

You will find, too, that all itching and digging of the scalp will stop instantly, and your hair will be fluffy, lustrous, glossy, silky and soft, and look and feel a hundred times better. You can get liquid arvon at any drug store. It is inexpensive, and four ounces is all you will need. This simple remedy has never been known to fail.

**WHY BUSINESS HOUSES LIKE TO RECEIVE CHECKS**

WHEN checks are received in payment of accounts, the merchant or tradesman does not have to worry about getting to the bank right away and depositing his money for fear someone get in and steal it. He endorses the checks he receives only when about to make a deposit—and therefore they would not be negotiable by anyone else.

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**A Jar of Vicks is Protection Against Colds**

More than a score of years ago, a druggist in a little North Carolina town was searching for a better way to treat colds. He knew that epicac and internal medicines did not go direct to the lungs and air passages, and often did derange the digestion.

At last he found a process by which he could combine standard, time-tested remedies in salve form, so that when the salve was applied over the throat and chest the ingredients would be vaporized by the body heat.

These vapors, inhaled with each breath, carried the medication direct to the lungs and air passages. At the same time the salve was absorbed through and stimulated the skin, aiding the vapors inhaled to relieve the congestion.

This preparation was named Vicks VapoRub, and year by year its use has steadily grown until now more than 17 million jars are used annually.

Vicks is a Real "Little Bodyguard" to Old and Young

For mothers with small children Vicks is a boon indeed. No dosing—just apply well over the throat and chest at the first sign of "sniffles," and cover with a hot flannel cloth. Leave the covering loose around the neck so the vapors arising may be freely inhaled. An application at bed time usually prevents a night attack of spasmodic croup.

For deep chest colds, bronchitis, sore throat, hoarseness—hot wet towels should first be applied over the throat and chest to open the pores of the skin—then rub on Vicks.

For head colds, asthma, catarrh, whooping cough—a little Vicks can be melted in a spoon and the vapors inhaled.

**Formula of Vicks**

Vicks contains Menthol from Japan—Camphor from the Island of Formosa—Oil of Eucalyptus from Australia—Oil of Juniper Tar from the Mediterranean Coast—Turpentine from the long leaf pine trees of the South—Petrolatum from the oil fields of Pennsylvania, and other valuable ingredients.

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