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THE MOTHER SACRIFICE IS SUPREME

Supreme Judge C. E. McLaughlin of California, speaking on Wednesday evening, September 28, at the reception held by the national convention of American War Mothers at the Crocker Art Gallery in Sacramento, compared the sacrifices of mothers during times of war to the sacrifice Abraham was called upon to make of Isaac in the old Bible story. The mother, said the Judge, takes her son to the mound, and there offers him on the altar of her ideals for her nation, for the world. As reported by the Sacramento Union, he continued:

"Sometimes the reprieve comes and the son is returned to his mother's arms. But often the sacrifice must be carried to the bitter culmination, and the mother's arms must remain empty and her heart full of sorrow and loneliness. Her tears are mingled with the blood of every battlefield. But she must not feel that she has suffered in vain, for with such ideals as the Americans held in the recent war, not on soldier's mother can ever be forgotten.

"His spirit, his splendid standard of Americanism, will never die, and its influence will be felt as long as the world exists. All we asked in the recent war was lasting peace for all the world. The peoples of all the world looked to America then, and they are looking hither now. However, this message of America came too soon for many of the nations, bound as they were by ancient jealousies and intrigues. They could not understand the unselfishness of America's attitude.

"But the mothers of the world did hear and did understand. And they will never forget. Some day the concerted effort of the mothers of all the world will force men to settle their differences as civilized men should, without resort to bloody violence, and torture of mother hearts.

"However, we must not go too fast. We cannot lay ourselves open when others are preparing for strife.

"Mothers must think not alone of their own boys and the glorious deeds they have done, but of the boys and girls who are potential men and women of tomorrow. We must watch their schools, their amusements, everything that will mould their characters, and see to it that the idea of peace is stressed rather than the idea of strife, conquest and bloodshed. This is the only way for the ideal world peace to be lastingly impressed upon the consciences of mankind, and herein lies the duty of all mothers."

Of course, every nation will expect a square deal at the disarmament conference roundtable.

With the advent of the automobile age children no longer play horse. That is left to their elders.

Over in Tyrol the government has rescinded the tax on tourists. It evidently thinks that yodling is sufficient.

In the ancient days the Gordian knot was an enigma. But that was before the time of Charles Evans Hughes.

It will be the first time since 1915-16 that the United States has acted as host to an international conference when the disarmament body meets. The second Pan-American scientific congress was held at the national capitol during the years given. Approximately 1000 delegates

and attaches from all the American republics attended.

Why is it that the average man pays his gasoline bill without a murmur, but kicks like a bay steer when compelled to pay his taxes?

The million dollar club house of the National Democratic club in New York is for sale. Put that down also as one of the effects of prohibition.

It is not always safe to judge from appearances. The winner of the Nobel prize for literature last year was at one time a street car conductor in Chicago.

Those who are betting against America's prosperity will lose. The inexorable laws of economics have decreed to this nation the dominion of the world of finance and trade for generations to come. We have only to main-



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tain cool heads.—(Los Angeles Times.)

Mexico proposes exchanging college students. Here is an opportunity for some aspiring young American to go south and learn how to shoot up the country.

Of course, if we are to have the open door in the Far East the key to the Pacific would be of no especial use.

If Henry Ford buys a few more railroads and makes them money-winners he will be in a position where he can give his automobiles away.—Exchange.

A meeting of the English ministers and the Sinn Fein leaders is now a certainty. If David Lloyd George puts over peace with the Irish he can be premier of England as long as he cares to hold the job.

The Democratic press is hard up for campaign material against the Harding administration. They now have a high-priced man in Washington keeping tab on the number of days the chief executive spends on vacation.

It is proposed that the Democratic party employ the rising sun as the emblem of the organization instead of the donkey. That might be all right for the opening of the campaign, but the setting sun would be more appropriate when the votes are counted.

The average man wants to choose a wife who will find her home more attractive than the theater, who knows more about her Bible than she does about Bernard Shaw, who will not qualify for high society by a scandal and who would rather own a baby than an Alfredda.

PLASTER OF PARIS.

Complaint is made by the Frenchmen that Paris is getting plastered over with parasites. The world's greatest spongers are gathering there and there are many who trail the army of American spenders. But what can one expect? Doesn't Paris belong to the parasites?

SOUND AND HEALTHY.

At the age of 80, Georges Clemenceau assisted at the unveiling of a statue of himself. At the same time our Uncle Joe Cannon, at the age of 84, posed for his photograph with his face decorated with the usual black cigar. The affairs of state rest lightly on the shoulders of those qualified to bear them.

YOUTHFUL JOYS.

If the senate finance committee has its way there will be no war tax on dime shows or dime pleasures. There will be no charging of 11 cents for a 10-cent movie or for an ice cream soda. The war tax will not be applied unless 15 or 20 cents is the basic charge. The young folks will wish the committee well in its endeavors.

YOU'D BE SURPRISED.

There's a Connecticut College of Coppers. It is a school for the training of policemen and it is located at Bridgeport—where Barnum used to keep his tigers and elephants. The cops are taught how to be civil to strangers and what to do in case of a riot. People who think that a policeman cannot learn anything would be surprised.

DO WE NEED A GUARDIAN

According to a fashion authority, women's skirts are to be longer because the textile mills wish to sell more cloth. The public does not seem to appreciate that one of the most prolific means of exploiting the consumer is through the fashions. A group of style mongers get together and decide what we shall wear, and most always it is something a little more expensive. If free-born Americans continue to follow the fashions slavishly, it may become necessary sometime in the future to have a secretary of the exterior establish governmental control of fashions.—Capper's Weekly.

A DROP TOO MUCH.

One of these "human flies," who are accustomed to doing acrobatic stunts on the walls and cornices of sky-scrapers, accidentally fell from a 26-foot billboard the other day and was killed. This is a disgrace that he will never get over. For a man used to tumbling around the brow of the Woolworth building this was a terrible fall.

FUTURE DATES

Next Sunday, Oct. 16, 1921

EDITORIALS OF THE PEOPLE

CENSOR IT.

The day of the dime novel is a thing of the past. There is no further need for the boy to crawl up in the loft of the barn or the girl to burn the midnight oil in order to satisfy a craving for the sensational. Daring escapes from the hand of the law, devilish murders, unspeakable crimes and scandal saturated with the alluring drug of mystery vie with each other and are within the easy reach of every boy and girl and that at the most impressionable age. Just when life is unfolding its mysteries, just when the soul is reaching out to grasp the wonders of the world they are entering they have thrust upon them minute details breathing the origin and birth of the vilest crimes.

"Yellow" News.

I speak of the press. A large majority of our daily newspapers are in newspaperdom what the yellow-backed dime novel is to literature. The contamination of the press is like a virus flowing through the press is just as surely breeding disease and death to the morals of the American youth today as the most dreaded germ inoculated into the body when the system is in a receptive condition. When I pick up a daily newspaper and have flouted before my eyes as the most deserving of special headlines, scandal, crime and filth, and am forced to hunt in the corners and turn to the inside pages to find that which is worthwhile news and of vital importance to the welfare of the individual and community I confess it is with a feeling of disgust. I believe that feeling is shared by thousands of others.

Publicity for Crime.

It is doubtful if Sodom or Gomorrah could hold the present day possibilities of the press along this line, if one is to judge by the headlines and articles printed. Does the average reader require of the press that it handle without gloves criminal filth and mold it into lengthy descriptions of our perusal? I cannot think it.

Nor are the boy and girl the only ones demoralized by the yellow sheet. Those already with a criminal bent gloat, speculate and figure where weak points lie in these detailed descriptions of crime, tell themselves they could "get away with it" and frequently add to the criminal records of the state. It has been repeatedly proven a psychological fact that for every outstanding crime, there are a hundred unheralded broadcast over the country, corresponding crimes spring up in different sections, the impressions for which can be directly traced to such press accounts. The best of us cannot escape the glamour of filth. The newspaper is a home institution. We want it. Children in the best cared for homes are quoting to their parents the number of "horrible" stories on the front pages of our dailies. During the war, when our civilization was at stake, the press was censored. The morals of our land are at stake. CENSOR IT AGAIN!

—Ora F. McIntyre.

MYSELF

I have to live with myself, and so I want to be fit for myself to know. I want to be able, as days go by, Always to look myself straight in the eye. I don't want to stand, with the setting sun, And hate myself for the things I've done. I don't want to keep on a closet shelf. A lot of secrets about myself. And fool myself, as I come and go Into thinking that nobody else will know. The kind of a man I really am; I don't want to dress up myself in sham. I want to go out with my head erect. I want to deserve all men's respect. But here in the struggle for fame and pelf I want to be able to like myself. I won't want to look at myself and know That I'm bluster and bluff and empty show. I never can hide myself from me; I see what others may never see; I know what others may never know; I never can fool myself, and so, Whatever happens, I want to be Self-respecting and conscience-free. —Boston Post.

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Salem looks good— To the visiting Rotarians. And they look good to Salem. "He profits most who serves best" is one of their slogans. There is a sermon in that slogan. The nightly police news is making all the arguments necessary for the campaign of The Statesman for a man on duty from sun-down to sun-up, at the police station, with a sidecar, ready for instant service upon telephone call. This thing must not be delayed. Other things can wait.

C. M. Roberts, for Jason Lee church, Joseph Barber for Leslie, and U. G. Boyer for the First church, are attending the Metho-

being members of the lay electorate conference of that church organization. They went by motor.

About all the parking space available in down town Salem was taken up all day yesterday by automobiles. And still they come. The dealers are having a revival in the sale of new cars.

The last census showed 2,146,512 automobiles on the farms of the United States; 30.7 per cent of all the farms in the country had them. Automobiles were reported by more than half the farms in light states, namely Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota, Kansas, Minnesota, North Dakota, California and Illinois. The Salem district would no doubt make such a showing now, if a census could be had of the automobiles on the farms here. And it is getting more so all the time.

EUROPE'S RUM RUNNERS ALERT

German, Danish and British Ships Active in Selling Liquor to Norway

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 27.—Europe has its rum-runners, as well as America. Fifty per cent of Danish shipping is still employed in organized "smuggling" of whiskey, gin and other alcoholic beverages to wet inhabitants of dry countries like Norway and Finland and in a smaller degree to Sweden. A yachtsman who has been cruising in Norwegian waters told the correspondent that the price of a drink has doubled or trebled in Norway, where prohibition rules.

Just outside the three-mile limit are anchored ships, mostly Danish and German, but also a few British, with cargoes of prohibited drinks and around every one of these ships are dozens of small Norwegian boats waiting their turn to get part of the costly cargo.

To assist Norway in enforcing her prohibition law, Denmark has prohibited the export and re-export of spirits. This merely means that the smugglers go to German and British ports to buy whiskey and gin and return once on their trading stations just outside Norwegian territory.

The yachtsman said the Norwegian police and custom officials were powerless to deal with this "industry" and that practically every owner of a sailing or rowing boat on the coast is a smuggler. The smartest of the rum-runners have turned the saloons of their ships into cabarets and to a roaring trade selling drinks over the counter.

CHINESE CHURCH WORKER IS CALLED

Dr. Hykes Spent Half Century in Methodist Service of The Orient

SHANGHAI, Sept. 16.—Dr. John R. Hykes whose recent death in Shanghai brought to a close nearly a half century of service as a missionary in the China field is buried in Pansienjiao cemetery here near the scene of the greater part of his labors. Doctor Hykes who was born at Shippensburg, Pa., on August 9, 1852, was admitted to the Central New York conference of the Methodist Episcopal church in 1873 and was then appointed to a mission in China, the youngest man ever placed in the foreign mission field by the Methodist Episcopal church. He carried on evangelistic work in various parts of China until 1893 when he became representative of the American Bible so-

"ROOKIES" IN GRADUATION STUNT IN NEW YORK



These 104 student policemen, who have just become full-fledged members of New York's Police Department, were snappily while doing a setting up drill, as a part of the commencement exercises of the police school. The exercises were held in front of the City Hall.

society with headquarters at Shanghai. Civic affairs, as well as religious, received Doctor Hykes's attention and for a period of years he was a member of the municipal council of Shanghai and in the years 1899-05 was American vice consul-general, serving at the same time as American mixed court assessor. In recent years he was active in the Masonic order in Shanghai. He was a 33rd degree Mason and was District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge, Massachusetts Constitution, China Masonic district. He was also Inspector General Honorary deputy of the Supreme Council in China of the Scottish Rites body. His death occurred on June 14.

A SLIGHT MISUNDERSTANDING
A Scotchman, anxious as usual to collect old tin cans and pieces of scrap iron. Having accumulated a good collection, he sent them to a local junk shop. Somehow or other, they went astray, and were delivered to the wrong place.

Imagine his surprise the next morning when he received the following letter from a garage: "Dear Sir: Your motor car to hand. We have never seen a worse smash, but we will do our best to put it together again. We send you herewith an estimate for the cost of repair and approximate date of delivery."

IT CURED HER
Not a hundred miles from Folkestone a few months ago, a wife lay very ill. Having brought up a clever orphan girl, the sick woman called the young woman to her aid: "I shall soon leave my little children motherless. They know you and love you, and after I am gone I want you and my husband to marry."

Secretary of War Weeks, having declared for the Sam Browne belt, but having himself no chance to wear it, gets even by going out with coat off and exposing his President suspenders.—Worcester Telegram.

INSATIABLE BIRDS
A new story is going around the financial district about an old southern negro who was asked by the proprietor of a store how he happened to need credit when he'd such a good cotton crop. "De ducts got 'bout all dat cotton, sah," was the mournful reply. "What do you mean, the ducks got it?" "Well, you see," explained the old man, "I sent dat cotton up to Memphis an' dey deducts de storage charges, an' dey deducts de commission, an' dey deducts de taxes—yes, sah, de ducts got 'bout all dat cotton an' dat's why I'm here."—Boston Transcript.

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