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TO MAINTAIN A GREAT MERCHANT MARINE

The proposition to maintain a great American marine—to "establish a merchant marine commensurate with our commercial importance," in the language of President Harding—

Was placed before the country yesterday, in an address to a joint session of Congress by the President, and in a bill introduced in both branches of Congress embodying the administration's ideas of the means to the end.

The proposition is to divert 10 per cent of the nation's revenues from customs duties to the creation of a fund from which will be paid subsidies to American ships; stipulated rates according to classes of vessels and of the importance to the commerce of this country of the sea routes over which they may run.

There is little difference of opinion now in the United States concerning the importance of the maintenance of a great American marine; plenty of vessels flying the American flag to hold our proper place in international trade; plenty of vessels of American register ready built and equipped and manned in the event of need in case of war.

There is only one way now in which this country may be assured of having such a merchant marine—

And that is through ship subsidies—

And there is no better way in which to provide the money to be diverted to this purpose than the taking of a percentage of all our customs duties for the purpose. The greater our foreign trade, the greater the fund for the payment of the subsidies; and the "tariff for revenue only" in this respect will, it is to be assumed, under a Republican administration, be also a tariff for the adequate protection of American capital and labor.

IMMIGRANT INVASION PENDING

Many thousands of aliens are taking up their residence in Mexico and Canada for the purpose of getting across into America after they have established a year's residence in these countries. The immigration law provides that any one who has lived in either Canada or Mexico for a year may immigrate to the United States. The result is that many aliens who cannot get past the United States barriers in any other way are establishing a year's residence in these contiguous territories. It is proposed to strengthen the law making a longer period of residence necessary.

The emergency immigration law will expire July 1. If it were not to be re-enacted the immigration to the United States would be limited only by the capacity of steamships to carry the alien peoples. It is expected, however, that the emergency law will be extended for a period sufficient to permit Congress to pass a permanent measure.

When it comes time to enact the permanent law Congress should be impressed with the necessity of making the measure highly restrictive, for to permit the invasion of vast numbers of aliens would result in many serious consequences.

LINCOLN LOYAL TO HIS PARTY

The following is an extract from the address of President Harding at the Lincoln banquet of Republican Clubs:

"Lincoln was a party man. Lincoln was an out and out partisan and no better or greater Republican ever served our republic. Lincoln believed in his party and I, too, believe in

that party as it is today. If I could express one outstanding wish, today while we are assembled to commemorate the memory of that colossal statesman, it would be that we have more of the spirit of Lincoln and the party of Lincoln than we now have. I can not forget that I first acquired the trust of my party before I was given the trust of the people of the nation, and well do I know that it was not I, the individual, who won the election in November, 1920. It was the party of Lincoln, of McKinley and of Roosevelt that was returned to power by the will of the people."

The United States must maintain a great merchant marine for the greatest prosperity of our people.

The drift towards transferring the Genoa conference to the League of Nations is a direct result of the delay of the United States in deciding whether to send delegates.

When the Woodrow Wilson Foundation is completed for prizes for meritorious services to the public, why should not Harding, Hughes and Balfour be the first recipients of the honors?

Bill Borah is out in an interview praising Woodrow Wilson and, on account of the latter's feeble condition, he is unable to defend himself. — Los Angeles Times.

Great Britain will make an allowance of \$25,000,000 the present year to pay the interest on the money owing the United States. John Bull is quite prompt in the settlements of the installments.

The Irish Free State is used to pounds, shillings and pence, but adoption of dollars and cents, or some decimal equivalent, which is proposed, would mean a further step in freedom—not alone from British tradition and influence.

IN THE DEPTHS

Civilization in Europe is now confronted by something more sinister than war. Millions of human beings in decaying Russia are stricken with contaminating maladies that have crept out of the earth like invisible forces of destruction to prey upon a stricken and prostrate people. The number of deaths occasioned by violence during the last seven years is negligible beside the ghastly toll exacted by these malignant elements of nature that, through a collapse of orderly government, have been released to prey on humankind.

According to Wilbur Forrest, a reliable American newspaper correspondent in Europe, "disease, following on the heels of famine in Russia, is reaching such proportions that Europe virtually must declare a war of trenches against the contaminating hordes that are expected to swarm out of Russia as soon as thaws open the roads and make migration possible."

Not in three centuries has the civilization of the world been reduced to such extremities. By reason of political conditions in

it cannot and must not forget. What happened in Russia would have been repeated here if the people had supported the radicals, who attempted two years ago to foment revolutions of violence in our own country.

Civilizations are difficult to build, but easy to destroy. The economic disintegration of Russia was followed swiftly by a social collapse which left her people helpless before hunger and disease and, what is still more tragic, left the rest of the world practically helpless to aid them.

WEST IN THE SADDLE

There is a chill creeping, creeping over the spirit of the city of Washington's dream. A hint of change is in the air. Washington is looking over its shoulder uneasily. It is keeping an anxious eye on the western horizon.

The farmer is coming to town. The rasp of honest cowhide echoes in the black-and-white tiled corridors of the Capitol. The marks of cow-country boot heels are deep in the gravel of the White House walks. Hat brims are wider and collars are lower and softer along Pennsylvania avenue. The eastern section of these justly celebrated United States no longer monopolizes Washington sidewalks or reigns supreme in council, caucus, conference and committee room.—C. M. Morrison in Philadelphia Ledger.

BRAIN PUNCTURES

The local doctors were pleasantly surprised the other day when Dr. Rand showed them X-ray moving pictures of the various operations of the human brain. It seems that by boring a tiny hole in the noodle a microscopic jigzer can be inserted that will permit a picturization of the brain. It will be fine if they can take moving pictures of a man's thoughts. At the same time, the demand for a rigid censorship will be made manifest. If a man can have his thinker mapped so that folks can tell why he votes for the single tax amendment there will be a lot of embarrassment ahead. Maybe the doctor had better burn his blue prints, after all.—Los Angeles Times.

LAND OF THE UKULELE

It is costing the government \$12,000,000 a year to keep a section of the army in Hawaii. About all the soldiers have to do is to watch the Honolulu airport themselves on the beach at Waikiki. That sounds like a pleasant assignment. Disarmament there would mean the removal of the military arm from the waist of some brunette queen.

THE LOST WIFE

An eastern man sued a cemetery association for the loss of his wife's body. The grave-diggers had a strike and during this the identity of the wife's remains were lost. The woman was buried somewhere, but the association officials are not certain as to the exact location and there is no way of identifying without plowing up a lot of other corpses. Rather than do that they have consented to a judgment for \$2500 against themselves. Here is where a strike caused a man to lose his wife in a strange sense of the word.

PERILS OF THE WIRE

Now they are worrying about the bacterial content of the transmitters on public telephones. If some of these alarmists had their way no man would think of telephoning his sweetie without following it up immediately with a

FUTURE DATES

March 2, Thursday—Annual Elections. March 3 and 4, Friday and Saturday—Basketball at Army, Willamette vs. University of Oregon. March 5, Sunday—Dr. Wierzbicki, Rawer, son of canonical chief, will address Rotarians. March 10, Friday—"Breezy Point," Girls' Reserve club play at high school. March 10, Friday—Intercollegiate oratorical contest at Pacific college, Newberg. March 11, Saturday—El Karaz Grot to dance at Army for all Master Masons and families. March 13, Tuesday—Open house of Latin club of the high school in the school auditorium. March 14, Tuesday—Knights of Pythias lodge of Willamette Valley to convene in Salem. March 16, 17 and 18—State basketball tournament, Salem. March 17, Friday—St. Patrick's day. March 17-19—Meeting of county Sunday school convention in Salem. March 17, 18 and 19—Marion county Sunday school convention, Salem. March 20, Monday—Spring term of circuit court opens. March 20, Monday—State convention Oregon Tax Reduction League in Portland. March 21, Friday—"Mrs. Temple's Telegram," Snikoph, dramatic society at the high school. April 16 to 23—"Better Music" week in Salem. April 16, Sunday—Easter. May 19, Friday—Primary election. May 19, Friday—Open house, science convention of high school. May 26 and 27, Friday and Saturday—May Festival, Oratorio Creation Friday in amory; living pictures Saturday night. June 14, Wednesday—Flag Day. June 16, Friday—High school graduation. June 23-30, July 1—Convention of Oregon Fire Chiefs' association at Marshfield. July 3 and 4—Monday and Tuesday, State convention of Artisans at Woodburn. September 21, 22 and 23—Federal road-up. November 7, Tuesday—General election.

Opinion Relates to Depositors in Banks

A depositor in the commercial department of a state bank that has become insolvent may not offset such deposit against his note in favor of the savings department of the bank; neither may a customer of such bank offset a deposit in the savings department against a debt owing by him to the commercial department.

Frank C. Bramwell, state superintendent of banks. The reason given for the opinion is that the law requires that the commercial and the savings departments shall be kept separate.

Assist Nat. re. There are times when you should assist nature. It is now under taking to clean up your system—if you will take Hood's Sarsaparilla the undertaking will be successful. This great medicine purifies and builds us as nothing else does.—Adv.

EFFICIENCY IN SPORT

Baseball gets the judge; the movies get the postmaster general; the Philadelphia exhibition is after the secretary of commerce. America's pleasure pays better than her business. It looks as if this might ever be the case.

THE MONEY MAKERS

Without mentioning names, the income tax man says that there are five persons in America each having incomes of more than \$5,000,000 a year. No; they are not newspaper folk. Some one suggests that possibly two of them are Henry Ford and the other three John D. Rockefeller. Anyhow, they have something to do with making the wheels go round.

Read the Classified Ads.

FINAL APPEARANCE THURSDAY EDDIE LA MONTAGNE And His ADVERSHOW GRAND THEATRE

ROTH'S National Canned Goods Week

National Canned Goods Week is an annual event in the grocery trade. All over the United States the National Canners' Association are advertising, demonstrating and giving the public information with regards to canned goods. Since the event of the enamel-lined tin the canned goods industry has made enormous strides so that today about every fruit or vegetable grown is put in cans. The prosperity of our own city and community is dependent on the success of the canned goods industry as the three canneries in Salem pack millions of cans of our home products and in this way distribute them all over the civilized world.

National Canned Goods Week comes at a time when the home-canned stocks of fruits and vegetables are becoming exhausted and the variety of fresh goods is very limited. This is especially true this year as owing to the continued cold weather in California very few vegetables are coming to our market.

10% Discount Offer

Below we present a partial list of our canned goods and as previously advertised we offer a discount of 10 per cent from these prices in dozen lots or assorted dozens taking three of a kind.

Table with columns: Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, and SARDINES. Lists various items and their prices.

Table with columns: Assortment No. 1, Assortment No. 2, Assortment No. 3. Lists various items and their prices.

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CLAY MODELING AT HOME



BY OUR OBSERVER AT THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO With a handful of clay any boy or girl can make a set of colored clay blocks—the clay block game—that will furnish amusement for the whole family.

four rows. The third four rows, too, are given a different color, and the one remaining block in the center also has a color. Allow the paint to dry and then apply a coat of white shellac to block.

Coloring the Blocks This done, paint the blocks with water colors. To do this place the blocks in a square. There will be seven rows. Paint the four outside rows one color—perhaps you will choose a bright green. Apply another color to the next

out your wated colors and color the beads. The method of doing this is illustrated in the picture. Hook the double thread to something so that the thread may be held taut. The beads should be allowed to slide to the lower end of the string. Slip the point of the needle into the hole of the first bead. You can thus hold the bead up while painting it. As each bead is colored slide it along the string and take up another bead. Let the beads remain on a string while they are drying. When they have dried coat them with white shellac. Do this in the same way that you applied the paint. Be very careful that the beads do not touch each other while the shellac is wet. It is sticky and easily marred while in that condition. When the shellac has dried, the beads are ready for wear.

Several suggestions for shapes of beads are made in the drawing.

ONE REEL YARNS

A BASKET OF TROUBLE The Waste Basket in the corner was all out of sorts. He had been having a tiff with the Sewing Basket.

TODAY'S PUZZLE My first is in hear, but not in see; My next is in glad, but not in glee; My third is in flight, but not in fleet; My last is in her, but not in she; With none of my whole how queer We'd be!

LOVES LABOR LOST "There are baskets and baskets," continued the Sewing Basket. "There is the Sandwich Basket for instance—one of my own kind. It's always at ease in society and never out of place at a tea or any sort of nice social gathering. It's graceful and dignified and all that."

