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UNITED STATES SHOULD BE REPRESENTED

A cynical friend wrote to The Statesman yesterday: "The printing of the article from the Springfield Republican in today's paper indicates that you are at least in sympathy with the idea that President Harding and Secretary Hughes are wrong; that Uncle Sam ought to be represented at the Genoa conference. I am not. Are you?"

Yes; The Statesman, or at least the writer hereof, believes that the United should have accepted the invitation to send delegates to the Genoa conference.

When on that 1898 first day of May, under the order of President McKinley, Admiral Dewey sailed into Manila bay and sunk the Spanish fleet, the United States became a world power; and this country should maintain its proper and rightful place in the family of nations—

And the writer has been all this time out of sympathy with the "little Americans" who would have the United States maintain a position and attitude of exclusiveness and aloofness towards the affairs of the great world of which our country is a part and ought to play its part in a spirit of sympathy to and helpfulness of all peoples.

The writer was not in sympathy with the bunk of the "anti-imperialists" of the days after the Spanish-American war, carried on down by trimmers of both political parties, and still affecting injuriously the interests of both the Filipinos themselves and of the Americans on the islands and at home.

The writer believes the United States should have joined the League of Nations, either without reservations or with any one of a dozen sets of reservations; believes this country will finally join the League of Nations, if, without our help and support, that body shall continue to function and function efficiently—to be the agency for good in the world which it would most surely be with the active participation of our country as a member, and not as a silent partner in some of its activities, or as a rank outsider merely looking on and giving advice.

The Genoa conference may or may not do a great deal of good; but its chances of doing a vast amount of good would be enhanced if the United States had representatives there, and not merely an observer from the outside in the person of Ambassador to Italy Child, who is supposed to run up from Rome from time to time and see how the conference is getting along.

If the United States had sent representatives to Genoa, they could have exercised their judgment as to proposing to commit their country to any sort of policy—

And had this been done, and our representatives had agreed to some specific things to be done or to refrain from doing, nothing would have been binding without the ratification of the United States Senate. And that body could be depended upon to either reject or make danger proof by reservations any proposition that even smacked or smelled dangerous.

The advice of George Washington against entangling alliances was good; but why call all alliances with foreign governments entangling? Our country has been making alliances with foreign countries throughout all its history. The Washington peace conference made seven of them. We

are bound to go on making them. We should make one now with Mexico.

Why should we shy at neighborly agreements internationally, when we are neighbor to all the world, and when we want to be on closer terms with everybody in the transaction of the world's business?

The open door in China does not imply that we must embrace the religion or philosophy of Confucius; we do not acknowledge the divine descent of the Mikado when we sign agreements with Japan; Uncle Sam's skin does not turn black nor his hair kink when we sign a treaty respecting the conduct of affairs in Morocco; and we would not acknowledge the wisdom of the Soviets of Russia if representatives sat in at the Genoa conference and gave advice on the questions that are uppermost concerning the curing of sick Europe—

And whatever happens at Genoa will affect the interests of the United States, willy nilly.

We were "too proud to fight" in the World war for many months; but this attitude did not save us from the final participation that events forced upon us.

Finally, we were not too proud to fight, and we should never be too proud or exclusive to participate in the active affairs of the world of which we are a part.

The Salem district has a new world record Jersey cow, Lad's Iota, at Independence. Of the five highest record Jersey cows, Oregon has four. There are eight classifications in the list of Jersey cows, and Oregon now holds seven of the world record cows; Massachusetts holding the other one. We have the greatest Jersey cows in the world because we have the greatest cow country, the greatest dairy country, in the world.

All set at Genoa. All the delegates are recognized, and now they are ready to get down to business.

Iota is the name of the world's greatest Jersey cow. That's Greek for the letter I. Or a jot. But this jot is the biggest thing in the Jersey world.

President Harding has asked Secretary Hoover to remain in his cabinet and not accept the post of director of the Philadelphia sesqui-centennial. He was offered \$100,000 a year for five years. This is the day of big pay for big men who do big things.

Former Gov. Cox will not allow the people to forget him. He is "assailing" and "condemning." It would seem that a man who was skinned to the tune of 7,000,000 majority of the popular vote ought to betake himself to the halls of silence.

The Salem district has had the greatest Jersey cow in the world. Now there is still a greater. And of course the greater Jersey cow has been produced in the Salem district. Just as the one to beat the record of the present champion will be produced here. And so on down the line.

France says that the demand of the United States for that \$241,000,000 for expenses in occupying the Rhine country is entirely proper, but that the question is, who is to pay it. If France were alone to decide she would likely say that England ought to "come across."

THE EMOTIONS AND A MACHINE

Scientists are developing delicate mechanisms that register brain power and the emotions. They have devices by which the trained professor can tell whether the subject is in love or in debt. By reading the tracings of a chart truth or falsity may also be revealed.

FUTURE DATES

- April 12, Wednesday—County community club federation meets in Salem.
April 14, Friday—Last day on which candidates for state offices may file with secretary of state.
April 15, Saturday—Athletic competition between Company F of Salem and Company B of Portland.
April 16 to 23—"Better Music" week in Salem.
April 18, Sunday—Easter.
April 18, Tuesday—Whitney Boys' Chorus to sing at Christian church.
April 21, Friday—Company F smoker.
April 24, Monday—Prof. Fausz to lecture at Willamette university chapel.
April 27, Thursday—100th anniversary of birth of General U. S. Grant.
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May 1, Monday—W. W. Ellsworth, noted editor and literary man, to address Willamette students.
May 5, Friday—Cherrin Cherrin.
May 5, Friday—Junior play. "It Pays to Advertise," Willamette university.
May 5 and 6, Friday and Saturday—Junior week-end festival at Willamette.
May 6, Saturday—Junior week-end entertainment at O. O.
May 19, Friday—Primary election.
May 19, Friday—Open house, science department of high school.
May 20, Saturday—Marion County school athletes meet.
May 26 and 27, Friday and Saturday—May Festival, Oratorio Creation Friday in armory; living pictures Saturday night.
June 3, Saturday—Automobile races at state fair grounds.
June 5, Monday—Track meet, Willamette and Pacific University at Forest Grove.
June 14, Wednesday—Flag Day.
June 16, Friday—High school graduation.
June 29-30, July 1—Convention of Oregon Fire Chiefs' association at Marshfield.
July 3 and 4—Monday and Tuesday State convention of Artisans at Woodburn.
September 12, Wednesday—Oregon Methodist conference meets in Salem.
September 21, 22 and 23—Pendleton round-up.
September 25 to 30 inclusive—Oregon State Fair.
November 7, Tuesday—General elec.

It is mighty hard to conceal anything from the determined and trained investigator.

Now the colleges are putting in apparatus by which the brains are tested to indicate the vocational bent. The machine can tell whether the boy is going to be a plumber or a zoologist. At one university the machine picked out the class orchestra. It spotted the best piccolo player out of a flock of forty candidates. Even in the dark it can put its sensitive hand on the ablest snare drummer. A boy may go to college with the idea of doing the Daniel Webster stuff, but if the machine indicates his prowess in finance he can take a short cut and become the world's greatest prune merchant in a few years instead of wasting time doing any Demosthenes stunt by the sad sea waves.

The apparatus tells whether the subject has the soul and touch of a skilled pool player or is merely a second rate ukulele performer. The device classifies the alert mind. By a series of experiments the activities of the brain are analyzed. There is a synchronization of hand and intellect. If the human touch be delicate enough to pick out the ace in the dark the apparatus will tell the tale. It will be a fine thing when the magnate sends his son to the university to have a machine that can tell him at once whether the lad is going to excel at cribbage or golf.

LUCK IN INVENTIONS

The claim made by Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, in a recent interview, that he had employed the principle of wireless transmission of sound, in a crude way, while he was busy about the development of the telephone many years ago, recalls the happy accident by which Dr. Bell had stumbled upon the invention of the telephone some years before that.

A STRONG OLD MAN

The case for vigorous athletic training, outdoor life and scrupulous avoidance of artificial stimulants as a recipe for a long and healthy life is strengthened by the record of Dr. William E. Crockett, who has just died at Boston at the age of 88 years. And he did not die of old age. He was found unconscious at his home, with the gas flowing from an open jet. Apparently the wind had blown out the gas while he slept.

strenuous for most people to follow closely in this soft age, but what he did with the vitality and sound physique of the champion strong man is not without interesting suggestion for the less fortunately endowed. When he was 85 years old he was still boasting that he could swim across the bay, could "put up" a 30-pound dumbbell 385 times, could walk 25 miles in six hours and seven minutes, and could get up at 5 o'clock in the morning on the coldest winter day and walk seven miles, clad in light apparel. Nor does it appear that he was compelled to modify this program during the past three years.

What is one man's meat is another man's poison, yet it is of interest for the record that the doctor, on his own testimony, never used intoxicating liquor or tobacco, rarely ate meat, and habitually spent five hours a day in the open air. It is also said that almost every day for the past 25 years he took a plunge in the ocean, sometimes through a hole chopped in the ice. This last item may spoil his case for the inland tenderfoot who shivers at contact with the salt sea in mid-August, but it completes a picture of the sort of a human animal which even the effete 20th century cannot spoil if nature's endowment is wisely husbanded.

WIRELESS WONDERS

Now we are promised a wireless electric light that will burn for three years or more with no expense or attention. It beats bottled sunshine. This is getting to be a wireless world and yet it is filling up with wires. Everything by radio will be the slogan

of the future. When a man can tune up his bed springs and trap an ethereal wave carrying bursts of oratory and song he will not even bother about getting up Sunday morning.

WIRELESS CROSSED

The Mt. Jefferson crater in Oregon shows signs of eruption. But it may be only the initial firing up of the Senator Poindexter engine for re-election.—Los Angeles Times.

Possibly. But the paragrapher of the Times evidently has his wireless crossed. He evidently thinks Poindexter is an Oregon senator. We are satisfied with our senators. We do not want Poindexter wished on us.

Wanted—To know the whereabouts of Robert Lansing, Carter Glass, Newton Diehl Baker, A. Mitchell Palmer, Albert Sidney Burleson, Josephus Daniels, William Bauchop Wilson and David Franklin Houston. A suitable reward will be paid and no questions asked.—Los Angeles Times.

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



Marshall Neilan presents "Penrod" with Freckles Barry. Coming to The Oregon Sunday

The Junior Statesman

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Peggy Plans A Party

"We had the best time ever!" giggled Peggy, as she flopped herself down in a chair. She looked very queer, in a full, befrilled skirt, tight waist with enormous sleeves, and bobbed hair poked up under a prim little cap.

"You'd better run along up to bed, dear," said her mother. "Oh, just a MINUTE," protested Peggy. "I was going to tell you about it. It was so different from the regular sewing party. Virginia told us it was to be an old maid's reunion, and we were to come dressed the way 'old maids' are supposed to have dressed. Of course there aren't any old maids now—only bachelor girls. Anyway, there were twelve of us at the party, and you never saw such funny costumes. Some of them were very prim, and some were frilly and silly. They'd all ransacked the attics before they came, and they surely found some odd things, all right."

ONE REEL YARNS

JACK MOWS THE LAWN Jack Harney always did 'ke springtime. On these lazy March and April days he and his best friend, Hi (which was short for Hiram) Erley, used to loiter in the back of the old garage and dream of the secret society they were going to start some day.

start their club. "The trouble with us," Hi was saying, "is that we just talk. We ought to DO something!"

"Well," Jack replied, "what do you think we ought to do?" "You said the other day your dad would let us use the attic space over the garage. If we could get a little money and buy some chairs, and put up a trapeze and things, we could start it, and charge fellows a dime to join, and charge dues and maybe make a little money."

"I'll tell you, Hi, let's start right now and see if we can't get some money today, and tomorrow is Saturday, and we can work all day on the club!" Jack had always disliked working and his first thought was to ask his father for the money. Then he realized that he had asked for a lot lately, and decided to consult mother before dad came home from work.

"Jack," his mother said, "you must realize that business is terribly poor just now, and I don't think it would be fair to you to ask your father for more money now, do you? Why don't you try to earn enough to get the things you want? Mrs. Young was telling me today that she wished she could get some one to mow her lawn for her, and she said she would pay seventy-five cents to have it done."



was so much fun to earn his own money.

Waitress: "Sir, you don't need to dust off the plate when you eat here."

Eater: "That's all right. It's the force of habit with me. I'm an umpire."

TODAY'S PUZZLE

Take away four letters from each of the following groups and you will have a well-known motto: Mleabotrñ colnauqetfrs starlel.

How, Why and What... How long are elephants' tusks? The tusks of elephants grow throughout the life of healthy animals. The length varies with the age of the elephant and also with the work done with the tusks. It is reported that one Indian elephant in captivity has tusks eight feet long. The average is far less than this. In the British museum is the skeleton of an African elephant with tusks 10 feet 2 inches long.

Why the \$10.90 USCO is better than just a \$10.00 tire. United States Tires are Good Tires. United States Rubber Company. Where You Can Buy U.S. Tires: Gingrich Motor & Tire Company, Salem; W. M. Hughes, Salem; Jos. Foley, Salem; Marion Automobile Co., Salem; G. G. Quackenbush, Salem; Ira Jorgensen, Salem; De Jardin Bros., Hopedale; M. F. Montgomery, Quincy; Lilly Hardware Company, Stayton; A. L. Bones, Turner.