

Tell It To The Marines

IN celebrating with imperial pomp his 70th birthday, at his palatial prison estate at Doorn, Holland, former Kaiser Wilhelm of the German empire issues a long statement, in an attempt to prove to the world that he was not responsible for starting the world war.

And that in all his long reign he was for peace. That question will never be decided to the satisfaction of students of history; there will remain as great a dispute as that over the question of who won the war.

But certainly the former kaiser had a hand in the cause, and he had helped in the making of them throughout his whole reign. Had he been during all that time as peace loving as he would like now to make it appear, there would have been no world war then, and possibly not at a later time.

The world is not and ought not to be greatly concerned with the former kaiser's specious self pleading. It is in the class of things that do not matter much.

And it is sufficient for the present well being of the world that Wilhelm has been thrown into the discard by his own people, who knew him best and watched his bombastic antics at the closest range. It is well with the rest of the world, along with that of the German people themselves, that the Doorn prisoner has no more power.

And no doubt the mass of the people he formerly ruled are as much disgusted with the trappings and the show at his 70th birthday celebration as are those in other countries. Many more things might be said, and at least one more ought to be added.

And that is, that the supreme egotist of Doorn makes the chief exhibition of his royal nerve in citing Bismark in his argument.

Bismark, whom he threw overboard because he had the abilities and foresight of a true statesman.

Sugar Industry Progress

THE Salem district is vitally interested in the sugar industry's progress throughout the world, because this city is destined to be a center of that industry; before or when major irrigation projects are assured here.

The governor of Florida, in the presence of 5000 people, coming from every city in the state and 46 other states, on January 14th, at Clewiston, Fla., presided at the opening of a big new sugar factory that will take the product of 12,000 acres of cane; already under contract. This is the second big mill in Florida.

The Celotex company, making fiber board from bagasse, or sugar factory waste, had net earnings last year of \$1,380,000, and the operations are constantly expanding.

Depending upon the rapidly increasing sugar cane acreage in the south, which is going ahead tremendously, with the new disease resisting varieties of cane.

The English farmers, with the help of government experts, have worked out a stock feeding ration including dried sliced potatoes and sugar beet pulp, also dried, that will go a long way in stabilizing agriculture.

For there has been worked out a plan to put every farmer in England and Wales on an equality in selling their sugar beets to the various factories; the factories having combined to absorb the freight differentials.

If the ways and means committee framing the new tariff law will rise to the occasion, to a small fraction of the way the thing has been done in England, the United States will be speedily made self contained in sugar, as it ought to be, and the Salem district will begin to get sugar factories.

Unexpected Good Words

AS it is out of style to do anything but cuss the telephone company, and as Salem has reasons to feel very decent towards that company, and its parent company, and all the corporate members of the family, on account of the million dollars worth of improvements being made here, the following unexpected words written by Claude Ingalls, editor of the Corvallis Gazette-Times, are reproduced below:

"We thought so. The queer telephone report brought into the legislature was written by the Portland attorney who tried to make politics of the situation several years ago. It was not signed nor approved by John Carlin, our Representative, neither of whom approve it. We knew it had been impossible for Mr. Carlin to have given the telephone company thought, for his spare time has been entirely taken up with the tax matter. There is nothing new in the report. Everybody knows that the parent company owns much of the stock in the Pacific Telephone and Telephone company. That was common property when the last telephone flasco was before the public utilities commission. The thing to prove is that the P. T. & T. Co. pays more for its materials from the parent company than it could get them for elsewhere. The company claims it saves \$3,000,000 annually. We hold no brief for the telephone company. It can take care of itself, but we venture to say that if the company makes a claim of any definite financial saving, it is abundantly able to sustain its contention. All there is to the telephone investigation is more politics."

"Needs of an Oregon School"

THE Sunday Oregonian, under the above heading, had in its editorial columns the following:

"A praiseworthy record of continuous and practical achievement unites with a fine historical tradition in justification of the appeal which is being made for funds to complete the endowment program of Willamette university at Salem. The plan itself is modest and reasonable and looks to the perpetuation of a period of usefulness which already embraces nearly 85 years and extends back into pre-territorial government days. Willamette, first institution of higher learning in all the vast region west of the Rocky mountains, has kept the faith."

"The circumstances of the current campaign peculiarly merit consideration by well-wishers for the educational future of Oregon. The university has been so admirably that it is happily out of debt. It now seeks to create a permanent fund, the major portion of which has been provided, to insure future stability and growth. The number of its students, while rating it among the so-called smaller colleges, is considerable and it undoubtedly has an especial work to perform. Its esprit de corps is high, its scholastic reputation noteworthy, and its opportunities for future usefulness exceptional."

"Approval of the university by the General Education board, which proposes to make a further generous contribution conditioned upon the raising of the fund now sought, constitutes indorsement by the highest possible authority. It is hoped there may be no lack of adequate local support."

In expressing the hope that "there may be no lack of adequate local support," the Oregonian no doubt refers especially to Portland support.

And the same hope should be uppermost in the thoughts of the people of Salem, where "local support" means even more—Because Willamette university is the mother of the capital city. Salem was given birth by Willamette university. If the "Institute," which was the name of the school at its opening, had not been started here, Salem would probably not have become the capital of the state. And that has meant much for Salem, and will mean more, with the consummation of the movement for a capital group, which will surely come about in one way or another.

The people of Salem, if the apportionment could be made to include all the people here who ought to help, in the proportions they are able to give aid, could afford to make up the whole of the sum now asked to round out the originally proposed million dollar forward movement addition to the endowment funds of the institution.

And Salem is by no means asked to do that much. Large sums have been and are being pledged by donors far outside of Salem's limits.

At the very least, Salem should come fully up to the expectations of the men who have planned the finishing of the movement.

Two main reasons for the proposed state office building: First, it will make for economy; it will pay for itself from its earnings, leaving the property an asset of the state, with as great a value as its cost. Second, it will save expensive circumlocution by bringing the departments together and thus facilitating the work of the state. There are many other good reasons, but those two ought to be enough.

The 1929 Fisherman And The Bottle



Who's Who & Timely Views

By JOHN Q. TILSON

Majority Leader, House of Representatives

(John Quinn Tilson was born at Clear Branch, Tenn., April 5, 1866. He is a graduate of Yale university, and entered the practice of law at New Haven, Conn., in 1893. He was a member of the Connecticut house of representatives from 1905 to 1909, and speaker during the second term. He was elected to congress in 1909, serving until 1918, and has been a representative from Connecticut continuously since 1915, his term expiring in 1929. For the past three years he has been majority leader of the Republican party. He served in the Spanish-American war and on the Mexican border in 1916. His home is in New Haven, Conn.)

IN my talk with Mr. Hoover recently on the subject of an extra session I summoned up what I had previously stated publicly, and also privately to him.

Before congress convened in December I gave out a statement to the effect that on account of the farm relief situation an extra session of congress was inevitable in my judgment, and that it would include a revision of the tariff.

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The Way of the World

NOT A WEAKER SEX

It is quite the custom of public speakers, making addresses to audiences of women, to be condescending and patronizing. They appear to go on the assumption that it is strange that women should be interested in affairs that interest men or in anything other than cooking and sewing. Any public speaker with common sense or with the ability to get the psychological reaction from his audience, knows that the average group of women listens more intently and intelligently to a speech than the average group of men. Women have a right to be insulted by the attitude of many public speakers—an attitude that indicates that the speaker feels he is talking to children.

Only the superior courtesy of women keeps them from walking out on such a lecturer.

EDITORS GUILTY

As to the "looking down upon women" attitude, editors of newspapers are also not without guilt. They mark several pages in the newspapers as "women's pages," and fill them with matter which traditionally is supposed to engage the attention of their women readers. The fact is that it is not safe, in this second quarter of the twentieth century, to take any traditional attitude toward women. Women on the average are as much interested in peace treaties and warship programs as men. They have just as much at stake and are just as good citizens. Magazine pages or so-called women's pages in newspapers are frequently interesting. The writer of this column finds them so and would not care to see them abolished. But he labors under neither of two common delusions: first, that only women read such pages, and second, that women's interests are in any manner confined to the reading matter on these pages.

CONCLUSION

After all, isn't it about time that women's equal if not superior intelligence is recognized by what used to be called a man's world?

APOLOGY

Not much good in apology if it's a mere matter of soft and gentle words. To be sure the form of apology is better than the form of unadvised anger, better than no gesture of sorrow. But apology which does not carry with it the conviction of a real intention to do better hereafter is only a bit of lubricant. No power resides in it.

THE ONE MINUTE PULPIT

Yes, in the way of the judgments, O Lord, have we waited for thee; the desire of our soul is to thy name, and to the remembrance of thee.

With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early: for when thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.—Isaiah, xxvi, 9, 10.

temple there, built at a cost of \$5,000.

A freight car heavily loaded with pig iron went through the bridge into Mill creek in the penitentiary grounds.

Old Oregon's Yesterdays

Town Talks from The Statesman Our Fathers Road

Jan. 29, 1904

DALLAS—People of Dallas are puzzled over the fact that a party of railroad surveyors has appeared at the roundhouse of the Dallas and Falls City road and has begun surveying toward Salem. All efforts to obtain information as to whose interests are represented have been futile.

Preliminary hearing in the case of a California man who is charged with larceny of the stallion Diabolo from the state fair ground was begun in justice court here.

A large party of Salem Masons were in Gervais to assist with the dedication of the new Masonic temple.

High Pressure Pete

THE STORE BURNED DOWN, AND THEIR \$50000 GONE, PETE AND HANK FLEW DOWN AND OUT.

HANK HOOKUM HAS GONE HOME TO HIS MOTHER UNTIL HANK GETS BACK ON HIS FEET.

HENCE THEY HAVE CLOSED UP THEIR HOME, AND PETE AND HANK WILL GET A CHOP TOGETHER AND FIND WORK.

WE MIGHT AS WELL GET A ROOM HERE, PETE.

NOW THAT WE'VE PAID DOWN FOR 2 WEEKS RENT, ALL WE'VE GOT LEFT IS \$25.00 SO WE GOTTA LOOK FOR WORK TOMORROW.

LET'S TAKE IN A SHOW TONIGHT, HANK. WE'LL GET A COUPLE SANDWICHES TO EAT ON THE WAY.

LOONCH.

GIVE US 2 POUNDS SANDWICHES TO TAKE OUT.

DRESS UP TWO GRUNTS TO GO WALKING.

WOT A JOKE—I CAN PULL A BETTER ONE THAN THAT ABOUT YOU AN' Lissen, this is quite a come down for us, to have to sit up in the second balcony.

I'VE GOT MY HAT TO NO MAN!

HOW ABOUT THE BARBER?

The Grab Bag

January 29, 1929



Who am I? Of which college faculty am I a member? Around what famous woman is one of my novels based?

From what animal is ermine obtained?

What Roman goddess is sometimes described as "ox-eyed"?

The name of what famous woman sharpshooter has since become a slang term for theatre passes?

"The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether." Where is this passage found in the Bible?

Today in the Past
On this day William McKinley, twenty-fifth president of the United States was born, in 1843.

Today's Horoscope
Persons born on this day are faithful and loyal to their friends. They need children in their homes to make them happy.

A Daily Thought
"True love hates and will not bear delay."—Seneca.

Answers to Foregoing Questions
1. John Erskine; Columbia university; Helen of Troy.
2. Weasel.
3. Juno.
4. Annie Oakley.
5. Psalms xiv, 9.

Big Time Start
A neighborhood theater treasurer is picking up big time ways. As a patron walked away, leaving change on the counter, he was asked what he did in a case like that.

"I always rap on the window with a sponge," he replied.

WORDS OF THE WISE

"The game of life looks cheerful when one carries a treasure safe in his heart."—Schiller.

"Let us remember that justice must be observed even to the lowliest."—Cicero.

"He is not always at ease who laughs."—St. Evremont.

McNutt—My wife and myself are trying to get up a list of club magazines. By taking three you get a discount.

McGoof—How are you making out?

McNutt—Well, we can get one that I don't want, and one that she doesn't want, and one that neither wants, all for \$2.25.

—The Pathfinder.

How fine on Sunday to get out and see the great open spaces—four foot spaces, between cars.

Reading modern stuff reminds you of the old livery stable loafers' talk that was wasted because nobody then knew it was literature.

Correct this sentence: "Her husband lost his money," said the gossip, "and every catty woman in town was sorry."

The driver in front needs one more signal meaning she has changed her mind.

One notes by the dispatches that Oklahoma is having its regular annual impeachment of its governor by the legislature. Life in Oklahoma would be more interesting if the legislature met very six months.

Waffles—How did you happen to swallow your face teeth?

Sorgum—My wife, who drives her auto found that she could hit the door by just leaving it open and then giving the car a sudden start.

Diplomatic Forgery

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—

Forgery would be the world's best business if the average bank teller were as easy a mark as the average diplomat.

As honest, responsible citizen will have his troubles realizing on a perfectly good \$5 check in his next