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Cuba Libre

JUST how far does our responsibility go toward ending the terrorism and despotism in Cuba. Not since the days of General Weyler, the Spanish military governor, has there been as much discontent and as great suppression of popular liberty on the island at the present time. President Machado is a tyrant ruling by assassination. Newspapers print only under strict censorship. Even foreign papers and magazines are not permitted to circulate if they print the truth about Cuba. Higher institutions of learning are closed to end student rebellion.

Under the Platt amendment we could intervene by sending in a governor backed by a force of marines. It ought to be possible to accomplish the same result by diplomatic representations that American support would be withdrawn from the present administration. It then would crumble in an hour. For no government in Cuba can live unless it is either very popular at home or else in favor with Washington.

Much of the responsibility for the conditions which prevail is laid at the door of American capitalists who have leagued themselves with Machado in order to protect their investments on the island. But they would have no compunction about deserting him when they see the jig is up for him. They cannot longer sustain such a bloody destroyer of popular liberty.

A few words from Washington expressed with appropriate firmness and supplemented with a few additional words from New York financiers would speedily convince Machado that his health called for a long sea voyage. That would be the best way of ending the prolonged exercise of force and murder by which Machado has retained power.

A Poor Appointment

THE designation of Josephus Daniels as ambassador to Mexico was an unfortunate appointment. It has stirred resentment in that country where it is remembered that Daniels was secretary of the navy in the Wilson administration and ordered the marines to land at Vera Cruz in punishment for disrespect to the American flag. Daniels was of the Bryan band of democrats and politicians; and was innocent of any design against Mexico. But his name is remembered there, with scorn. The attempt to wreck the train bearing him to his mission indicates the antagonism which his appointment has evoked among Mexicans.

The old man may be able to soft soap the Mexicans. He is a mellow old man with no evil thoughts or bad habits. The post calls however for one of brisk intelligence, of ability to think clearly and to manifest a firm grip with a gloved hand. One of the brightest spots in the republican administration was the restoration of good feeling between Mexico and the United States following the prolonged irritation of Wilsonian days. It is too bad to have that season of ill feeling brought to mind again by the appointment of Daniels who was a participant in the events creating the ill feeling, even though innocent of ill intent. He should have been shunted to Finland where another distinguished American editor is now busy packing his keepsakes and snowshoes.

There is one field of sport where the northwest has it over California, north, south and middle. That is in rowing. At the regatta Saturday the University of Washington crews won all three events at the Long Beach lagoon. They made much better time than California did in winning the Olympic championship over the same course last year. A start has been made with rowing at Corvallis, but the sport needs more support financially and otherwise to enable the crews to compete in big events. Meantime, we can rejoice at the record which Washington makes with remarkable consistency.

The democrats who best their breasts to the accompaniment of horrendous wails when Newberry and Frank L. Smith of Illinois having their elections examined by the senate, now find themselves embarrassed over what to do with Huey Long. Petitions from responsible and respected citizens of Louisiana give Long a character that is far worse than Newberry or Frank Smith ever dreamed of, but the democrats in the senate show no pious revolt. Instead the disposition is merely to use the investigation as a club to keep Huey in line. Virtue is still more or less partisan in character.

Good work by police and sheriffs in Oregon has resulted in bringing to jail a group of bad actors. One of them is Frank Butler, with a long criminal record in Linn and Benton counties, who escaped last fall from the state prison. The gang pulled the Philomath bank robbery; are suspected of doing the Union State bank hold-up in Portland; and were nabbed in connection with a payroll hold-up near Taconia. The officers keep criminals pretty well tagged; and are succeeding in keeping at a low mark the unsolved major crimes of this part of the country.

One reason why the Japs have succeeded with their penetration of China is that the Chinese merchants are many of them glad to see "law and order" established. For years under civil war they have been subject to heavy tolls from army and bandits alike. Neither property nor life was safe. Japan is sinning in the sight of other powers in violating treaties; but China has been an amorphous mass so long, she laid herself open to invasion and conquest. China's weakness before the world is her domestic disorder.

Republican postmasters will not be fired before their terms expire, says the democratic paymaster, Jim Farley. This is just one of the courtesy arrangements between the parties. The dems. expect the same treatment when the repubs. return to power. Meantime, too, Farley can keep teasing the congressmen along so they will stay in line on wanted legislation.

One of the most hopeful indications of the new deal is the governmental reorganization. The president is proceeding to lop off superfluous branches and functions of government which congress could never have done owing to political pressure. There may be a chance now to close up some of the army posts left from Indian fighting days.

The senate voted down "free silver" yesterday. That myth has more lives than a cat. If we are going to have inflation the better way is merely to raise the gold dollar; but the Bryan heresy still claims a following.

Things have evened up in western Oregon. Roseburg got the soldiers home and now Eugene gets the Banks murder trial from Roseburg and Medford.

We have had a personal invitation to buy shares in a placer property on Klamath river. Well, the investment couldn't be any worse than some others in the blue book.

Word comes from England that the prince of Wales is studying magic, so he can do a few tricks for the benefit of his friends. What are they not advertising on the radio in England?

Fishing season opened Saturday and baseball gets under way today. Nothing like sport to balance woes of a cock-eyed world.

That Big Man From the South!



HEALTH

By Royal S. Copeland, M.D.

DOCTORS ADVISE and constantly stress the importance of taking good care of the eyes. They point out that neglect of slight eye ailments may lead to serious trouble and in some instances, even, to loss of vision.

Too many persons take it for granted that their eyes are healthy. They rarely consult a physician, and are only concerned about the eyes when there is actual pain, sticking together of the lids, peevishness or some other uncomfortable symptom.

Cataract is an ailment of the eye which is often met in some localities. It is a condition seen in old age, but it may occur in the young as well. The affliction develops slowly. Ultimately it causes blindness of the involved eye.

The cause of the disease has never been discovered. It is probable that it is due to the failure of the body to deal with some of its chemical problems. Changes in the crystalline lens of the eye result in cloudiness, and dim the vision. Cataract may be confined to one eye or it may involve both eyes.

Cataract in Children
Occasionally the affliction can be traced to some constitutional disease. For example, it is not uncommon in persons suffering from diabetes.

Another form of cataract is traced to a blow or injury to the eye. This is called "traumatic cataract." The cloudiness of the lens is due to a rupture of the capsule of the lens and the admission of fluids of the eye to the lens. Any injury to the eye is serious and must never be neglected. Cataract in children is a rare and unusual occurrence. They are born with it. Early operation is important because delay leads to impairment of the vision which can be restored by successful treatment.

Many neglect going to a physician because they fear "the knife." The operation for cataract is so simple, so brief and so painless that it need cause no alarm.

One who has cataract should have a thorough physical examination by the physician. All centers of infection, teeth, tonsils and sinuses, should be given appropriate treatment.

Answers to Health Queries
T. J. C. Q.—What causes a dull pain in the right breast at times, there is no lump or sore spot?
A.—Have a careful examination by your doctor.
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New Views

"What is your reaction to the soviet trial of six English engineers, now in progress in Moscow?" This question was asked by Statesman reporters yesterday.

Willard Marshall, hospital association manager: "I'd be against the soviet whatever they do. It's my opinion that they have trumped up these charges to create a sensation—make a show."

August Kruckstein, laborer: "We can't tell much about it over here. I wouldn't want to be those engineers."

BARN IS DESTROYED
MOUNTAIN VIEW, April 17—Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the large barn on the Frank Rosenquest farm Friday.

The building contained nothing of value. The Rosenquets are in California and have not yet been located. Lester Lipsett who has the place rented thinks the loss will be at least partially covered by insurance.

BITS for BREAKFAST

By R. J. HENDRICKS

Two governors' mother-in-law: When grandma killed the lion: (Continuing from Sunday.) Some additions and corrections are important, to clear up and extend the record as given in the Oregonian of a week ago Sunday:

Mrs. Sarah Baker (Owen D.) Hutton attended the old East Salem school, as related. But she was also a student at the Academy of the Sacred Heart, Salem. Owen D. Hutton was assistant chief engineer of the capitol, not chief engineer.

Rev. F. S. Knight, noted pioneer Congregational minister, once editor of The Statesman, performed the marriage ceremony not only of Mrs. Hutton's two daughters whose husbands became Oregon governors, but he officiated also at her own wedding. And the wedding of her daughter Lena ("Jake") to Ben W. Olcott was on the 38th anniversary of the one that joined her father and mother in the bonds of matrimony.

At the time of the marriage of "Jake" and Ben, Christmas day, December 25, 1912, Mr. Olcott was not working at the Ladd & Bush bank, but was serving his first term as secretary of state. The maiden name of Mrs. Olcott was Lena Hutton, not Lane, as given in the Oregonian article. Her nickname was "Jake."

Yesterdays

Town Talks from The Statesman of Earlier Days

April 18, 1908
The polls will open at noon today and close at 7 p. m. for the primary election at which candidates will be chosen for congressional, state and county offices. The general election will be held June 1.

CHICAGO — Four hundred property owners of Kenmore avenue here yesterday protested against the asphaltizing of their street, claiming it would become a thoroughfare for automobiles. "I have three little children," said one man. "Do you suppose I want them killed by an automobile?" "No noisy motor cars for mine," said another.

WASHINGTON — The principal witness for the government yesterday in the Hyde-Diamond-Benson-Schneider land fraud cases was E. P. McCordak, banker at Salem, Oregon. He told of numerous transactions involving public lands of Oregon in which he and Hyde were interested financially.

April 18, 1928
Salem is entering upon a building era such as has not been witnessed in many years from present indications. Already this month building permits issued from the city recorder's office have reached the sum of \$76,860. The month's permit work totals \$164,900 in permits issued.

President Warren G. Harding has indicated that he hopes to attend the celebration July 4 of the 50th anniversary of the arrival of the first wagon train in Oregon, to be held at the summit of the Blue mountains.

DAYTON, O.—Climaxing a day of superior flying, Lieutenants John A. MacReady and Oakley Kelly landed the Fokker monoplane T-3 last night, establishing a new world's record of 36 hours, 5 minutes, 20 seconds of sustained flight. Nine other records were made.

There is an older sister of Timon Hutton, Mrs. Julia Forrest, now living with her daughter, who was Acta Forrest, old time student of Willamette university.

With such antecedents, the present chief had fire fighting in his bones, from the cradle up. No one has written a history of the Salem fire department. The Bits man proposes to attempt it, if he can ever spare the time, of which it would require a good deal.

Mrs. Owen D. Hutton may be truthfully listed with pioneer fire fighters, too. She was a charter member of the old Coffee club, along with Mrs. Dan J. Fry, Sr. and Mrs. Dr. H. C. Eley. This organization responded to alarms and furnished hot coffee to the fire fighters, gracious services, adding to the morale and efficiency of the men who joined up and responded to a civic duty—men prominent in all walks of life, then and since.

The father of Mrs. Hutton was Richard Barker, who came to Salem from Yorkshire, England, in 1852, and married Ruth Ann Durbin, daughter of John and Sarah Durbin, who when a young girl crossed the plains in one of the covered wagon trains of 1845. The wedding of her father and mother, too, was in Salem.

There will follow in rhyme in this series the true story of the killing of a California mountain lion or cougar by Grandma Hutton at the age of 80. She was Lear Hutton, nee Lear Banta, coming with her husband, Henry Hutton and their children in the greatest of all the covered wagon immigrations, that of 1852.

"MARY FAITH" By BEATRICE BURTON

SYNOPSIS
Mary Faith and Kimberley Farrell have been engaged for some time. Mary Faith, beautiful young orphan, gives up her position as secretary to Mark Nesbit when Kim sets their wedding date. His attitude changes brusquely when his mother objects. The latter treats Mary Faith coldly. Heartbroken, Mary Faith returns to her office and breaks the news to her co-workers. Mark, taken ill, has Mary Faith driven to his country home, daily, for two weeks. He tells her of his love for her. She halts him, saying she will never love anyone as she did Kimberley. While in a jewelry store with Mark, selecting a Christmas ring for his sister, Mary Faith meets Kim with a girl. Next morning, Kim calls at Mary Faith's boarding house. He assures her of his love and proposes immediate marriage. Mary Faith melts in his arms. Mary Faith tells Mark she is leaving to marry Kim. After a hasty marriage, Mary Faith and Kim drive to his aunt's home in a neighboring town. For two weeks they live their honeymoon in ecstasy. They return to town and find Kim's mother ill. Kim's aunt is present. Mary Faith is called a "Puritan" by Kim's friends, Claire and Jack Maldon, at a Sunday night party when she refuses to play cards or dance. Kim dances with Claire.

CHAPTER XVIII

Claire put both of her arms around Kim and closed her eyes as they danced. She was a little girl and her head came just to Kim's shoulder. It looked very bright against the dark blue of his coat.

Sitting in a corner of the blue davenport, watching her, Mary Faith began to feel dull and uncomfortable and out of place. She knew that she had nothing in common with these friends of Kim's. Claire had told her that she was "funny" and "old-fashioned" because she wouldn't play cards on Sunday.

"What she meant was that I'm slow and narrow-minded," Mary Faith said to herself. "But if I am, so was Kim until just lately."

In the days of their engagement Kim had never been much of a drinker or card player. Certainly he never had played cards for money.

"What are you looking so melancholy about, Mary Faith?" Jack Maldon came in from the kitchen with a tray of ice and glasses and set it on the mantelshelf.

"Aren't we going to play bridge?" he asked, and dropped down beside her on the sofa.

"No, I don't play cards on Sunday. . . I'm sorry."

"What would you do to dance?" Mary Faith shook her head and sent him a troubled apologetic smile. "I don't even dance on Sunday, Jack. I'm afraid I'm a terrible spoilsport."

"No," he said gravely, "I think you're all right. . . I get a little tired of doing things all the time, myself. It's a relief just to sit and talk and look at the fire sometimes, isn't it? Even if it's just gas-lags."

At ten o'clock Kim and Mary Faith went home.

"What do you think of the Maldons?" Kim asked as soon as they were out of the little flat.

"Wasn't the word 'pep' just coined for Claire? She's a dandy girl, isn't she?"

"Isn't she pretty?" Mary Faith answered him with a question.

She was never going to let Kim know that she did not like Claire Maldon and wasn't at ease when she was with her. She was going to accept all of his friends and make them welcome in her home. . . She was going to make life peaceful and pleasant for him always.

"I enjoy going up to their flat more than any place I know," Kim was saying slowly and a bit thickly.

"There's always the makings of a good time there. Claire sure does know how to do things, doesn't she? Wasn't that a slick little supper she got up?"



Sitting in a corner of the blue davenport, Mary Faith began to feel dull and uncomfortable and out of place.

"I don't drink now," he said. "Not what you could really call drinking."

The next morning Aunt Ella packed up her things and went home to Garrettsville. "I'm doing it a-purpose," she told Mary Faith in her sharp, kindly way. "If Amelia has to depend on you to take care of her for a few days she won't be so high-and-mighty with you. You and she will get to be pretty good friends if there's nobody but the two of you in the house all day—so I'll just move myself out of the way and give you a try."

What Mrs. Farrell did in English she made up for in good hard common sense.

All that week Mary Faith took care of Mrs. Farrell. She made her bed, brought her her meals of chicken broth and milk toast and gave her the medicine that Dr. Thatcher prescribed for her.

Dr. Thatcher had been the Farrell's family doctor ever since Kim's babyhood. He was a tall, broad-shouldered man with a heavy, handsome face and iron-gray hair. Mary Faith liked his deep, low voice and his air of authority.

"He's a widower," Mrs. Farrell told her, "and they say that half the nurses in town have their caps set for him. But I doubt that he'll ever marry again—and if he does it'll be some woman his own age he'll pick, I imagine."

Every morning, when she was expecting him, she would sit up in bed, brushing her thick hair, winding it around her head in a coronet braid that was very becoming to her, and powdering her face. Once Mary Faith came into the room and found her rubbing violet toilet water into the palms of her hands.

"Please don't get it into your head that I'm fixing myself up because the doctor's coming," she said sharply. "I just happen to like a little perfume now and then. It makes the air in the room seem so fresh."

On Friday Dr. Thatcher told her that she was so much better he wouldn't have to come to see her any more, and on Saturday she got out of bed.

Mary Faith sent for her trunk and her cedar chest that afternoon and she unpacked them while Mrs. Farrell sat on the living room couch and showed her where to hang the

Simon etching and the bookshelves. "I thought my mother would raise Cain when you brought your things into the house," Kim said the next morning when Mary Faith brought him his coffee. "She would have, too, if you hadn't asked her where to put everything and kidded her along the way you did."

"I wasn't kidding her, Kim. I just want her to feel that she and I are partners. Women work together in offices without quarreling and there's no reason why they shouldn't do it in houses. You'll see that she and I will get along all right, if you just give us time."

Mrs. Farrell said that she felt shaky after her illness, and she spent most of the next week reading the books that Mary Faith had brought from Mrs. Puckett's. She sat all day in her easy chair at the front window, with her feet in her little stool, lost to the world in the pages of "The Duchess of Wrexhe or Clayhanger."

All that week Mary Faith had the flat to herself. And to the work in it she brought the same neatness and deftness that she had given to her work in Mark Nesbit's office. But she enjoyed it as she never had enjoyed office work. She took a keen pleasure in the polishing of silver, the washing and ironing of the bed-dragged kitchen curtains, the mixing of a salad dressing.

She had a system, too. Kim was usually out of the house by quarter to nine, and nine o'clock found her in the kitchen washing the breakfast dishes. The damp gray dishcloth disappeared from its nail under the kitchen sink and a brand-new dish mop took its place. Burnt matches no longer lay scattered on the floor under the gas range. The tea towels were washed out after every meal and hung on a line on the back porch.

After lunch she read or rested for an hour or two. Then she took a bath and dressed herself for the rest of the day, carefully brushing her dark hair and powdering her face, making herself as attractive as she could for Kim's eyes. Along about four she would walk down to Kibane's grocery and market at the corner and buy the things for dinner.

(To Be Continued)
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CLUB MEETS FRIDAY
EVANS VALLEY — The Evans Valley community club which was to have held its meeting Friday night postponed it until Friday night of this week because of the Easter holidays. A program is being arranged by Alfred Lee, Ben Furness and A. Dunifer.

39 Years Ago COXEY'S ARMY MARCHES ON NATION'S CAPITOL



Coxey's Army on the march from a newspaper illustration of 1894. From the Nation's News Files, Washington, D. C., April 17, 1904.

Coxey's army, started at Camp Concord, Massillon, O., and comprising thousands of unemployed men and vagrants, is marching to storm the nation's capitol.

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