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MR. DU PONT WANTS MONARCH.

ONLY an absolute monarch is qualified to conduct a real first class war, says Mr. Irene Du Pont who has made almost more millions than we can imagine, out of wars as they are conducted by blundering and inefficient democracies. Mr. Du Pont has little sympathy for the idea that industry should be conscripted in time of war just as manpower is conscripted. He can't vision political appointees stepping in to run great factories successfully.

Mr. Du Pont, of course, either misses or ignores the point. As we understand the idea there would be no effort to displace the competent managers of going industries, not even Mr. Du Pont himself. The idea would be that Mr. Du Pont should perform his accustomed and all other necessary duties for a purely nominal salary instead of millions. We wonder if it is Mr. Du Pont's idea that managers of such industries should take the role of conscientious objectors and refuse to serve, unless— There is a very simple answer to that. The ordinary man who refuses to do military duty in time of war is reminded that he must serve to the utmost of his ability or else—

Be that as it may, we are intrigued with Mr. Du Pont's idea of the blessings which would flow from an absolute monarch. Perhaps he visualizes some very pleasant and mutually profitable relationship such as existed in old-time Germany between the ruling Hohenzollerns and the astute House of Krupp. On the other hand, he might find some interesting things by studying what happened under the Roman Caesars since he uses them to point his efficiency argument.

After the great Julius and the mighty Augustus came a long line of Roman despots, and not infrequently there was one who seized the opportunity to take all the profits of war for himself and his immediate band of thugs, the Praetorian guard. Under the despots the process of conscription of industry and capital is a very simple thing. The proprietor is simply notified that he is "out." Under that system the victim is lucky if the despot stops with confiscating only his wealth. The Caesars often found that the most convenient way for absorbing capital was a few well chosen deaths.

Mr. Du Pont is joking, more or less, of course, and so are we. We can't help wondering just what the Senate investigating committee expected Mr. Du Pont to say. Of course he believes that bigger and better sales of munitions make for peace. It is natural that a munitions maker should view the world through his own little knothole, and in these troublous times with their pesky investigating committees and troublesome politicians, it is natural that a man of Mr. Du Pont's age and situation should dream dreams of benevolent and unenquiring despots.

Pool!

CONVENIENT "SCARE."

HOW much do the "alien agitators" have to do with our industrial disturbances? Precious little, as a matter of fact—according to figures unearthed in Washington recently by Rodney Dutcher.

Rhode Island police, for instance, rounded up 55 "alien agitators" after bloodshed in the last textile strike. Of these 55, 48 proved their citizenship, four claimed naturalization, and only three turned out to be aliens; and no evidence has been produced to show these three dropouts.

It was the same in San Francisco. In the famous "red raids" after the general strike, 373 men were rounded up. Only 191 were non-citizens, only 14 of these were subject to deportation on any conceivable grounds, and only one was shown to have advocated violence or to have belonged to an organization favoring violence.

This is pretty good evidence that the "red scare" in connection with strikes is just a scare, and nothing more.

RIDING TO PROSPERITY.

A NEW picture of improved economic conditions is given in figures just compiled by the Travelers Insurance Co.

These figures show that automobile registration in the United States in 1934 is running close to the all-time record, and that gasoline consumption is near the high mark of a few years ago. For the first time since 1930, car registrations are up—better than 25,000,000, a gain of approximately 6 per cent over 1933. Gasoline consumption, also up about 6 per cent, is the first gain in that field since 1931.

Incidentally, the increase in auto registrations shows a rise of not quite 5 per cent in private passenger cars and of more than 9 per cent in commercial vehicles.

All in all, this is pretty fair evidence that things are getting better. More people are driving cars now than at any time in four years. That looks as if somebody had more money than he did have.

One thing about Congress, says Blue River Bill, as long as we have it Business is always going to have a good excuse.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK

PURGING THE COMMUNISTS

IF a comparatively small group ruled Russia under the czar, an even smaller group rules it under the communists, who take good care, like all those in power, that the number of rulers will not be increased and their own power kept a monopoly. Russia has a population of 160,000,000 millions. Power rests in the communist party, or rather a few of its chiefs, ten in number, who, headed by Stalin, constitute its political bureau. To prevent the communist party from becoming too large, frequent "purgings" are resorted to and members ousted by wholesale—a procedure that goes along with the terrorism that executes officials under suspicion, and exiles suspected farmers. A dispatch from Moscow records a recent purging

in the 14 provinces that comprise the U. S. S. R. as follows:

Of 665,000 members residing in these provinces who appeared before the party control commission, presided over by old and stern bolsheviks who are entrusted with powers to denounce, reprimand or expel unworthy members, more than 130,000 were found undesirable and were expelled; 40,000 were demoted to the rank of "sympathizers," a newly created category, for failure to manifest sufficient activity in the party work, and 57,000 were demoted to the rank of "candidates on probation" because of political illiteracy. In the union-wide party purge of which this is the third since 1921, every member of the party with the exception of the members who constitute the political bureau, must appear, regardless of whether charges are preferred against him, before the control commission and satisfy them that he is a sound communist in theory and action.

This leaves but 438,000 persons in the communist party with any sort of a vote on public issues in a nation of 160,000,000 persons. And yet there are those who think that the United States where with a population of 120,000,000, over 35,500,000 voted in 1932, would be better off under a communist tyranny in which 33,000,000 or more voters would have nothing to say about government.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER Register-Guard Washington Correspondent WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Senator Borah is licking his chops and all the other progressives are predicting a new hot winter.

Santa Claus came early with a big bag of statistics. He gave the boys enough fodder to last all through the next Congress session.

There's an administration here which is pledged to partial redistribution of income and wealth. Roosevelt has publicly asserted the necessity of it. Virtually everyone in the administration supports the principle.

Even conservatives admit that mal-distribution of the huddle is one of the worst causes of our economic woes. The progressives, of course, have insisted that the New Deal has taken off more abilities at the problem.

So along comes the Treasury to report that net incomes of a million dollars or more increased from 20 in 1932 to 46 in 1933. Which wouldn't be so had if the Treasury hadn't also reported that net incomes of \$5000 or less had dropped from 3,421,000 to 3,340,000. Corporation incomes rose 35 per cent.

DOWN PROGRESSIVE ALLEY

Of course the progressives, poring eagerly over these figures, point out that nearly 10 months of 1933 was in the New Deal period—and that the old-fashioned concentration of wealth trend wasn't even checked.

What seems more important to them is the fact that figures available for 1934 demonstrate unmistakably that income statistics for the first full calendar year of the New Deal will be even more startling.

Donald Richberg has cited authoritative figures showing that profits of 402 industrial companies reported increased more than 600 per cent in the first half of 1934 over the first half of 1933—from \$47,000,000 to \$328,000,000.

Borah used similar figures in support of his charge that the Democratic party had become the party of big business.

These figures don't take into account incomes below \$1000 a year which have been increased or provided in full by relief payments and advantages to farmers. But they're potent enough to assure that "redistribution" will be one of the big congressional issues this winter.

BALLYHOOD PRIZE TO GUFFEY

Honors for the most impressive spectacle of the year seem to go to Senator-elect Joe Guffey of Pennsylvania, who gave a big party for hundreds of folks at the Mayflower to celebrate his election and overlooked no bet for advertising.

In the center of the famous lobby stood a gorgeously uniformed flunkey who must once have been a circus Barker. With sweeping gestures he bawled: "This was Senator Guffey's dinner!" People even came in from the street, to see and hear.

FARLEY TO LOSE ONE JOB

Jim Farley, according to the best guessers on the inside of things, won't continue much longer in the dual role of postmaster-general and chairman of the Democratic National Committee. His severance from one job or the other will be a Roosevelt concession to Senator George Norris and the progressives.

But although it has always been commonly assumed that Farley would stay in the cabinet and give up the committee job, some reports now indicate that it's a toss-up whether he doesn't do the reverse.

First Assistant William W. Howes of South Dakota presumably would become postmaster-general if Farley left that post.

There are several reasons why some administration strategists believe Jim would be more valuable as the nation's political boss. One is that he is better fitted for that job.

Another is that Roosevelt's past assurances that he was having trouble finding a man for the committee job are to be taken seriously.

HURJA TOO GOOD HATER

The most obvious successor to Farley as chairman would be his right hand man, Emil Hurja, who is in command at Democratic national headquarters. But Hurja is such a good hater and is so frequently hated in return—in contrast to the genial Farley—that strong objections are raised.

One of Hurja's pet peaves is the Tennessee group in Washington which ran over Edward Albrit as minister to Finland. Hurja, of Finnish extraction, wanted that job himself.

Thus, when the office of Democratic Majority Leader Joe Byrns—chairman of the Democratic congressional committee—telephoned him, he demanded who Byrns was. And Byrns is to be next Speaker of the House!

AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTH

By DR. MORRIS FISHER Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygiene, the Health Magazine MOST significant advances in control of tuberculosis have been relatively simple.

There was, first of all, the discovery of the germ which causes the disease. This is credited to the famous German bacteriologist, Robert Koch.

Next came the building of the first sanatorium, with fresh air, good food, and regulated exercise as the significant steps in the treatment. This also is credited to a German, Hermann Brehmer.

It was not, however, until Trudeau established the sanatorium at Saranac Lake fifty years ago that our modern conception of rest in the treatment of tuberculosis became fully established. That sanatorium is commemorated by the little red cottage shown this year on the Christmas seal.

More recently it has been found that even absolute rest in bed may be insufficient really to bring about a stopping of the progress of the tuberculosis infection. There arose the question as to how the lung could be given more rest.

In previous columns, I have described the development of artificial pneumothorax, a system whereby air is injected into the chest cavity which collapses the lung and gives it complete rest.

Of course, a lung cannot be absolutely quiet if it is breathing. We can, however, breathe with one lung and keep the other at rest. Such enforced rest is brought about by artificial pneumothorax.

There are other ways as well in which a lung can be collapsed. One of these involves a surgical operation on the nerve which causes the movements; another involves opening of the chest wall and cutting away portions of the ribs.

When artificial pneumothorax is used, the air may gradually be lost from the chest cavity, so that it is necessary to add air a number of times over a period of years.

All these methods of surgical control of tuberculosis are being used and studied carefully in many institutions. It seems likely that means will eventually be found for applying them on even a wider scale, to bring about recovery in even a greater number of people.

SIDE GLANCES



"Maybe you're just one of those people who never learned to relax."

Business Women Initiate On Thursday

About forty attended the annual Christmas party of the Business and Professional Women's club, Thursday evening, at the chamber of commerce.

Initiation was held for Mrs. Hetty Alloway, Mrs. Elmer Stone, Miss Marie Tinker, Mrs. Belle Lydick, Miss Gretz Buckingham. Other new members are Mrs. Fred L. Beard, Miss Irma Smith, Mrs. H. B. Yount.

Following the initiation there was a tree with exchange of gifts. Gifts were wrapped to send to the tuberculosis sanitarium in Salem. Carols were sung and refreshments served. Dr. Ella C. Meade was chairman for the event.

The luncheon meeting for the club will come on the second Thursday of January. Miss Ivoone Rees to be chairman.

News of Bellfontain

BELLFONTAIN, Dec. 21.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Archie Perin entertained with a card party at their home at Dawson Thursday evening. A Christmas tree with gifts for everyone was a feature of the evening's entertainment. The three tables were decorated to carry out the Christmas motif. A dessert luncheon was served to Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Litchfield, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Howard, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Perin, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Nystrom and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Perin.

The Bellfontain club basketball team played the Corvallis Elks club team at the Bellfontain gymnasium Wednesday evening. Bellfontain team won with a score of 18 to 30. This is their second victory as they won over the Elks team last week at Corvallis with a score of 28 to 22. The Bellfontain club members are Kenneth Litchfield, Donald Shelton, Orval Woolley, Verlin Post, Clarence Likens, Floyd Malcom and Ray Redmond.

Miss Virginia Malcom entertained the F. L. club at her home Tuesday afternoon. This club is a branch of the Rebekah lodge, for the younger members.

Mrs. Clarence Collins is critically ill at her home west of Bellfontain and very little hope is held for her recovery. Mrs. Collins is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Putney, and both families recently moved here from the Midwest.

Mrs. William Bloor, who was operated on for goniter in Portland recently, is home for a short time, but

expects to return to Portland soon for another operation, as the incision did not heal properly.

Mrs. J. L. Post and Mrs. G. M. Gregg were Christmas shoppers in Corvallis Friday.

Mrs. Lester Cheesman was a Eugene business caller last week. Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Larkin and family have rented the Courtwright place east of Monroe, near the highway, and plan on moving as soon as they are able to do the work.

Church at Goshen Has Vesper Service

GOSHEN, Dec. 21.—(Special)—Children's vesper services will be held at the Goshen church Sunday at 8 p. m. The program will be as follows: Processional; Lift Up Your Heads, opening services and Scripture lesson.

Watching Shepherds and the Angel Message, Eileen Juhl, Georgia Harris, Willard Johnson, Junior Juhl, Jack Brock, Dale Towler, Wayne Tucker.

Hymn, While Shepherds Watched. Hymn: O Little Town of Bethlehem. Recitation: Tell the Glad Tidings, Francis Calvert.

Adoring Shepherds at the Manger, Donna Johnson, Sue Harris, Barbara Albert, Jewel Copenhaver, Kathleen Carmoy, Mary Hodapp, Maxine Hodapp, Mildred Copenhaver.

Hymns: Come Hither Ye Children; As Each Happy Christmas. The Christ Child in the Manger; Verna Winter, Viola Bell, Georgia Tucker, Allen Murphy, Harold Mathers, Floyd Tucker, Gordon Juhl.

Hymn: Away in a Manger. Duet: Oh Holy Night, Misses Grace and Elma Brock.

Recitation, Betty Mitchell. Praise to the Christ Child. Recitations: Leo Tucker, John Carmoy.

Hymn: Silent Night. Christmas address: Rev. John Simon.

Hymn: O Come All Ye Faithful. Closing service.

Hymn: Hark the Herald Angels Sing.

It is thought that the monkey-wrench received its name from the fact that it is reputed to have been invented by Moncke, a London blacksmith, but there is little evidence to substantiate this belief.

The python is the only snake of the oviparous class to incubate its eggs; the others leave them to be hatched by the sun. Oviparous snakes retain the eggs within their bodies until hatched and then bring forth the young alive.

Fashion Showings—School Dress

Edited by LAURA E. BALDIT, A. M. For many years Assistant Professor of Household Arts, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York

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MANY VISITORS COME TO CITY

Local Folk Go To Spend Holiday Away, Too

By MARIAN LOWRY

THE week-end will find many visitors arriving to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends. Likewise, many Eugene folk will be leaving to spend the holiday elsewhere.

Miss Ruth DeNaffe is to arrive Sunday from San Francisco to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. DeNaffe.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rapp (Amy Porter) of Portland will be here for the holiday week with Mr. Rapp's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Rapp.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley R. Stevenson and Mr. and Mrs. Albert R. Tiffany are among those to entertain out-of-town relatives for the holidays, too. Miss Jeannette Calkins is home for the holiday week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Calkins.

RAINBOW EVENT Evangeline chapter, Order of the Rainbow for Girls, will hold initiation this evening (Friday) at the Masonic temple. Nine girls are to be initiated, Misses Madge Conaway, Jessie Estelle Hall, Lois Koppe, Ruth Zimmerman, Louise Shull, Esther Worden, Margaret DeBolt, Elizabeth Cheesbro, and Eugene Holman. A regular business meeting will be held before the initiation, the business session to start at seven-fifteen o'clock.

RETURNS TO MEDFORD Mrs. J. F. Reynolds has returned to her home in Medford after a visit here as guest of Mrs. C. K. DeNaffe. Mrs. Reynolds formerly lived in Eugene.

CLUB TO MEET The B. N. S. club is to meet Friday evening for its regular potluck supper and meeting at the home of Mrs. Prince Glaze, 277 Fifteenth avenue east, the supper to be at six-thirty o'clock.

MISSIONARY GROUP The Missionary group of the Fairmount Church of Christ met at the home of Mrs. R. J. Harding, Wednesday evening. Men of the church were guests. Miss Uldine Gartin led devotions with music furnished by young ladies' quartet. Mrs. McMillen led a detailed study on Tibet. After the program, refreshments were served by the hostess. The January meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Stuart on Nixon street.

Fortnightly Guest Day Thursday The Eugene Fortnightly club held its guest day, Thursday, at the Osburn hotel.

Mr. Ottilie Turnbull Seybolt of the university gave the program on poetry of the world. She began her program with an Irish ode, but spent most of the hour on poetry of Russia, England, and the United States.

The club's next meeting will come on January 3, Mrs. W. H. Brooke, Mrs. W. F. Osburn, and Mrs. F. B. Mitchell will have the program on German literature of the present crisis.

Missionary Group The Missionary auxiliary of Central Presbyterian church held its meeting Thursday afternoon at the chapel. This was the Christmas program. Mrs. J. D. Bryant gave a reading, "Legend of the Christmas Rose." Mrs. Walter Beiristo sang a Christmas song. Mrs. S. E. Stevens giving the musical accompaniment. There was an exchange of gifts. Mrs. A. R. Wilcox, Mrs. E. D. Curtis, Mrs. Joseph Cloutz, Mrs. C. O. Wilson, and Mrs. F. H. Skinner were the hostesses.

The next meeting will come January 17 at the Westminster house.

Basketball Games Interest At Mapleton MAPLETON, Dec. 21.—(Special)—Friday, Dec. 14, four basketball games were played before a fine group of enthusiastic supporters. Johnny Saubert held the crowd in suspense as he repeatedly threw long range baskets for the Mapleton grade school boys' team. Daniel Camp made five field goals, John Lewis made four, and Merle Beck made three, giving the freshman team the game 24-8.

In the second game the high school girls won, 8-3. Lois Cox with three field goals, Eileen Frasier with three, and Evelyn Collins with two, easily defeated the inexperienced graders. The grade teams showed plenty of pep and with more training and experience will have two good teams.

The Mapleton high school boys came from behind in the third quarter to defeat the local 3-C's 15-13 in a rough, hard fought battle. The score at the first quarter was 6-0 for the 3-C's and at the half 9-5. Bennett was high point man for the 3-C's, with 7 points, followed by Davis with 4. Leeper led the high school boys with 7, followed by Theodore Morris with 4.

In a second team game profusely sprinkled with first string players, the 3-C aggregation won over the local high boys 20-17. Spencer was high point man for the high school with 8 points. Lord led the 3-C scorers with 4 points. Herb Robinson refereed.

Japan has more than 635,400 miles of roads, ranking third in this respect among nations of the world.

Vegetable cheese is made from the milk of the cow tree in British Guiana. Banana oil is a byproduct of coal tar.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY WILLIAMS SELF SERVICE

Calendar Friday 6:30 p. m.—R. N. S. club dinner and meeting at home of Mrs. Prince Glaze. 6:30 p. m.—Supper and meeting of Evangelical chapter, O. E. S., Masonic temple. 7:15 p. m.—Rainbow meeting, Masonic temple. 9 p. m.—Tongued club ball, Eugene hotel.

L. O. E. Day Twenty-five attended the card party for the Ladies of the Elks, Thursday. Prizes went to Mrs. Henry Page, Mrs. E. E. Cook, Mrs. Laura Hart, who was hostess for the afternoon. The next meeting, to come on the Thursday of January 2, Mrs. S. Strawn is to be hostess.

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