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Just Folks
by Edgar A. Guest

THE LAUGHING BOY
Always seeing the funny side,
That's the glorious way of him.
Rollin' his head, with his mouth stretched wide,
As quick to laugh as a duck to swim;
Whatever you say or whatever you do,
He'll answer you back with a chuckle or two.

Laughing from mornin' till night, it seems,
Just chock full of the gift of fun,
An' the angels send him their comic dreams
So's he can grin for 'em every one.
An' his grandma says when he laughs her down,
He's the disrespectfulest boy in town.

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A COMMISSION THAT FACES A REAL JOB

DUTIES of extreme importance to service men and to the state will fall upon the commission that must administer the world war veteran's state aid measure just passed by the people. Accordingly it is very gratifying to local pride that a Pendleton man in Captain Lyman G. Rice has been chosen by the governor for a place on the commission. The appointment is a fit one and that it has been considered so by members of the American Legion is shown by their endorsement here and elsewhere.

Needless to say the commission is going to have a real task before it. It will have the handling of many millions of dollars and there will be difficulties to face. Without going into these it may be safely set down that the one great desire of the people will be that the act be so administered that the service man will be the one and only beneficiary of the measure enacted. The law is so worded that it is believed the speculator will have scant show. It is going to be up to the commission to see that this forecast is made good as near as is humanly possible. The calibre of the men who will administer the act is encouraging from this standpoint.

FOR THE COUNTRY'S SAFETY

IN a statement in which he expresses the hope that as many young men as practicable will attend the citizens' military training camps this summer, President Harding reiterates his advocacy of a comprehensive system of voluntary training through which all patriotic young men may have an opportunity to prepare themselves for the defense of their country.

He also points out that the national defense law as finally amended by congress in the last session, provides a comprehensive military system through which our traditional armies of citizen soldiers may be organized and prepared before the occurrence of an emergency. He urges all patriotic citizens to encourage the development of the army of the United States which, as defined in the new law, comprises the regular army, the national guard and the organized reserves. The president's statement follows:

"I hope every young man who can arrange it, will attend one of the citizen's military training camps to be conducted this summer by the war department in each of the nine army corps areas.

"In this way he will increase his worth to the nation and obtain individual benefits of priceless value to himself and to the community in which he lives.

"I hope to see established during my administration a comprehensive system of voluntary military training for at least 100,000 men each year. Every young man who is willing to pre-



A. D. Koger and his wife of Council Bluffs have six children—three pairs of twins—all born in August. They are holding Floyd and Lloyd, 2. In front are Addie and Abbie, 6, and Clyde and Claudia, 3.

pare himself for the defense of his country should be given an opportunity to do so.

"Our present national defense law establishes an economical and democratic military policy thoroughly consistent with our national traditions. It provides for a small regular army to be augmented by great citizen forces in the event of national emergency. This is our traditional military policy. But whereas in the past these larger war forces have been extemporized after the occurrence of an emergency, the new law wisely provides that the framework of their organization shall be established and developed in time of peace, in so far as this is practicable through the voluntary service of our patriotic young men. The army of the United States as defined in the new law, comprises the regular army, the national guard and the organized reserves. Every patriotic citizen should encourage the development of these forces, each within its proper sphere."

President Gompers blames the German workman for the war but the general impression is that the imperial militarists ordered the war and the worker had little show to do anything further than obey. Put the blame where it belongs.

None of the young men in the G. A. R. rifle and drum corps is under 75 years of age and they were all volunteers in the civil war. They are proud of their organization and the Oregon G. A. R. has very great reason to be proud of the drum corps.

Umatilla county may yet have to organize a posse and go get that fellow Gardner.

The urgent need of a modern auditorium has again been brought home to Pendleton.

No danger of the wheat getting burned while the weather is like this.

Many visitors want to see the city and country; please help in giving them rides.

CONGRESSIONAL CAMPAIGN OF 1922 UNDER WAY AT WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, June 15.—(L. C. Martin, U. P. Staff Correspondent.)—Sharp political lightnings, presaging the storm of the congressional elections of 1922, are forking the sky hereabouts, and the issues of that campaign are beginning to loom up like thunderclouds.

For despite the fact that the republican administration has been only a little over three months in power, democratic party leaders are already active. They count each day of the G. O. P. administration a day in the net campaign, and are proceeding as though the elections were only a short way off.

The issues which have already taken definite shape, in the democratic mind, at least, are these:

- 1—Governmental expenditures and the tax burden.
- 2—The tariff.
- 3—World peace.

The democrats are proceeding on the theory their leaders in congress acknowledge, that the republican administration will accentuate those issues day by day and month by month until they will furnish all the material needed for a first class fight for control of congress. The democratic campaign, as exemplified in the tactics of leading democrats in congress, is to call public attention day by day to failures, real or apparent, of the republicans to live up to campaign pledges of economy, reduction of living costs through slashing of federal spending, aids to business through speedy tariff revision, rehabilitation of the railroads and kindred domestic questions.

They have already begun to call attention to what the name the delay of the Harding administration in working out an international arrangement to insure peace, as a substitute for the Wilson League of Nations. Senator Underwood, democratic leader in the senate, did that in a speech on the pending navy bill.

"You said when you rejected the Versailles treaty that you favored some international understanding," said Underwood to the republicans. "You have been in power three months, and what have you done?"

It is by that sort of thing the democrats hope to get the country to watching for every mistake. Error of omission or commission, and every delay of G. O. P. By the time the campaign actually begins, they hope to have the voters in a state of indignation. Republicans in and out of congress are aware of this. They are urging leaders to follow Harding's tip and cut government expenditures until it hurts. Hurting a few office holders to the benefit of the great army of voters back home would not only be wise economics but extremely wise politics, these somewhat worried republicans argue.

LELAND L. SMITH IS CONFIRMED AS CONSUL

WASHINGTON, June 15.—Leland L. Smith of Portland was confirmed by the senate as consul of class seven.

HANDIT IS CAPTURED
PUEBLO, Mexico, June 15.—(A. P.)—Tacho Placido, a handit with more than 100 personal assassinations and many other crimes, has been captured in the mountains above Pueblo and has been brought here for trial. Placido has never been a rebel against the federal government but is alleged to have pursued a general marauding career.

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NEW YORK, June 15.—(A. P.)—Eight alleged gamblers, two of them women, were ejected from the Polo grounds today during the New York-Detroit contest. They were escorted to the gate by detectives.

47,000 FOREIGN BORN
PORTLAND, June 15.—(U. P.)—Portland has a foreign born population of 47,000 according to the 1920 census, just published. England, Sweden, Germany, Russia and Canada are the chief countries represented.

Elephants "Play Ball"

More proof that baseball is the national game. The elephants are playing it with their keeper as the ball while bathing in the surf at Coney Island, New York. They belong to the Luna Park zoo.

MARINE STRIKERS ARE RETURNING TO WORK

WASHINGTON, June 15.—(U. P.)—Striking marine engineers are returning to their ships and are manning 13,000,000 tons of shipping operated by the United States Shipping board, according to messages from the labor department. The Atlantic coast apparently alone is affected, as the Pacific coast engineers will remain out. Secretary Davis is expected to confer with officials of the striking seamen, who are expected to sign within the next few days, terminating the gigantic tie-up in American shipping. William S. Brown, president of the engineers, signed for them and Chairman Lasker is expected to sign today. The agreement provides a 15 per cent horizontal wage reduction and elimination of overtime.

GOVERNMENT WANTS LOYALTY

WASHINGTON, June 15.—(A. P.)—The government employees who actively oppose the administration's government reorganization plan will be dismissed today, because some employees are spreading propaganda against the reorganization policy.

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