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Rippling Rhymes.

By WAIT MASON

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WHEELS AND LEGS

My auto's beastly hard to start, and every day it breaks my heart. All these are its greasy works, and when it goes it goes with jerks that nearly dislocate my spine, and throws my false teeth out of line. It takes an hour to get her warm, with all her works in proper form, and if I stop her for a while she jerks along another mile, she humps and bucks and throws a fit, until my diaphragm is split. And often, as she jerks along, with half her spark plugs acting wrong, I vow I'll send her to the block, and use my good fat legs and walk. Ah, then, I fully realize that walking is the exercise that braces up old Hubby men, and makes their shins young again. Dame Nature gave us legs and feet that we might use them and rest; and using them brings back the glow of flawless beauty we used to know, restores the color of our hair, and makes us fit to cope with care. Such thoughts as these my head beguile; but when I've walked for half a mile, I sadly sigh, "I've had enough! The old gas buggy is the stuff! She's cranky as a bucking bronch, her plugs won't spark, her horn won't honk, her tires are flat, her springs are lame, and still she gets there just the same!"

Odds and Ends

The German mark is now barely visible.—Chicago Journal.

Wild oats from January 16 will be unmix'd with rice.—Wall Street Journal.

The dove of peace must be a blue bird—a very blue bird.—Greenville (S. C.) Piedmont.

We know we are big enough to lick Mexico; but are we big enough not to?—Brooklyn Eagle.

In the census even those who don't count will be interviewed by those who do.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

The only thing that could make a labor party popular in this country is a little labor.—Philadelphia North American.

If Mr. Ford really wishes to keep his profits within bounds, let him take over the railroads for a few weeks.—New York Evening Post.

No sentence passed upon the Kaiser should be allowed to interfere with his writing of memoirs for the warning of understanders.—Boston Herald.

Somebody could make a fortune by going into business to sell those most-estate-picked goods which dealers say the people do not want.—Albany Journal.

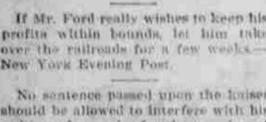
Viscount Grey into report on how the United States stands on the treaty. With his would hurry up and let us know.—St. Louis Globe-Emocrat.

Much is said about an alleged leak in the supreme court, but wets do not believe anything as dry as that court can leak.—Westerville (Ohio) American Issue.

The president maintains that he will fight for the league of nations to the bitter end. At least he realizes that the end is going to be bitter.—Manila Bulletin.

The convention will be San Francisco's most interesting contribution to history since the earthquake. The degree of difference is yet to develop.—Springfield Republican.

Abe Martin



"The hardest thing is I know how much I drink at home I keep it up down town," said Ted Binkley, today. Our guess is that the New York undertaker that delivered the wood alcohol figured on a return leaf.

COCONUT OIL FINE FOR WASHING HAIR

If you want to keep your hair in good condition, be careful what you wash it with.

Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle, and is very harmful. Mulsified coconut oil shampoo (which is pure and entirely greaseless), is much better than anything else you can use for shampooing, as this can't possibly injure the hair.

Simply moisten your hair with water and rub it in. One or two teaspoonfuls will make an abundance of rich, creamy lather, and cleanses the hair and scalp thoroughly. The lather rinses out easily, and leaves no greasy particles of dust, dirt, dandruff and excess oil. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and it leaves it fine and silky, bright, frizzy and easy to manage.

You can get mulsified coconut oil shampoo at most any drug store. It is very cheap, and a few ounces is enough to last everyone in the family for months. (Adv.)

DODGING ISSUES.

THE shallow sham of partisan politics was never better illustrated than by the appointment of a permanent platform conference by the Republican National Committee to receive suggestions from now until the national convention meets for platform suggestions. In other words, expediency instead of principles, is to write the platform.

The time was when the republican party did not have to study conditions and offer prizes for campaign issues but stood for principles, when its platform wrote itself and embodied politics vital to the country's welfare. That time is past because the politicians in control are destitute of conscience and conviction and are less concerned with the country's welfare than with spoils.

The only policy the republican politicians have had the past year is to discredit President Wilson, to belittle the winning of the war, and by refusing to enact reconstruction legislation and ratify the peace treaty, encourage the spread of discontent and economic unrest to create a state of public mind that will insure republican success. Hence the dodging of issues and the incessant appeal to racial animosities and partisan prejudice.

Nor are the democratic politicians any better off. They have followed Wilson's leadership, not enthusiastically, or from principle, but from expediency. Now that the president has been stricken with illness, their division and lack of leadership is apparent. The democratic party was created to resist centralistic tendencies, to preserve individual liberties guaranteed under the Bill of Rights, and these ideals still animate the rank and file of the party, but find no echo among the democratic politicians, whose eyes are glued to the pie-counter.

As at present organized, both parties have outlived their usefulness, because the professional politicians are concerned only with division of spoils and campaign contributions for their sham battle. And this condition has bred a popular distrust in politicians and the time is ripe for a political upheaval in one or both parties or the creation of a third that will sweep both to defeat.

ANOTHER INVESTIGATION.

BECAUSE Admiral Sims takes himself too seriously and was not allowed to dictate to his superiors, congress is investigating the navy for the sin of winning the war.

The navy made a wonderful record, one that cannot be impeached, one that fills every American with pride for its valor, bravery and efficiency, but anybody that throws a brick at those who led a victorious war, is invited by congress to help them waste weeks of time in futile, pretended investigation of incidents long since closed.

Mean while congress, with its leadership of negation and destruction emphasizes its total lack of constructiveness by ignoring the issues of peace and the problems of reconstruction. Small wonder the people are in revolt over the rule of provincial politicians, without vision or perspective beyond a ward caucus.

LOVE and MARRIED LIFE by the noted author Idah McGlone Gibson

My Nurse's Story.

The nurse, hovering about, apparently saw the shade of disappointment over my face.

"Pardon me, Mr. Gordon, but the doctor has asked that call be very brief. It is the only way we can keep Mrs. Gordon looking as bright and happy as she has this morning."

"But I'm not a visitor, nurse! I'm her husband."

"Every one is a visitor who comes to a hospital," was her uncompromising reply, as she left the room.

"She may be all right as a nurse, (not great, but) I'd hate to be married to a woman like that!" said John as he hastily kissed me goodbye.

When she returned I looked at her curiously.

"What are you thinking of, may I ask?" she said with a smile.

"I don't want to be inquisitive," I answered, "but I was just thinking how strange it is that you should have been here with me so long, giving me such wonderful care, and that I should not even know your name."

"It isn't necessary that names should be appended to what I might designate as a good deed," she answered smiling.

"Perhaps," I replied, "but I always like to call people by name, especially a person to whom I am indebted for comfort, if not for happiness."

"If you put it as nicely as that," she said, still smiling, "I'll have to tell my name is Mary Fitzgerald, or perhaps, to be more definite, Mrs. Fitzgerald."

Married Three Times.

"Then you have been married?" I asked, thinking of the words John had said of her as he left.

"Yes, I have been married three times."

"What?" I shrieked.

Even she chuckled at my consternation, but her eyes were somber as she said:

"I was married at 16 to a man twenty-five older than myself. In fact, I was literally sold to him by my father.

At 20 I entered a large department store and for five years I stood behind the glove counter. One day I found myself looking into the eyes of a very handsome man of about my own age. Our admiration seemed to be mutual. He came back day after day, ostensibly to buy gloves, but I knew he was willing to pay the price of a pair of gloves each day for the sake of a little visit with me.

"Finally he asked me to luncheon. Oh, yes, it was the usual thing, except that in my case the only honorable thing that my second husband ever offered me was marriage. I was desperately in love with him. You see he was the first young man I had ever known and I was very proud when I left the store to become his wife.

"Weds Confidence Man.

"A few months after marriage I found that I was wedded to a notorious confidence man and that he expected me to help him play his nefarious business. Do you know, Mrs. Gordon, I loved him so, that I even tried to help him. My part of the matter was to lure the victims to the places where they might meet my husband, who posed as only a friend, and he would sell them whatever fraudulent stocks or bonds he was peddling at the time.

"I did this for a year, because I loved him. But then came a very wealthy man who asked that I should be a part of the sale, and I found that my husband was perfectly willing to make me the pawn.

"I do not think the thought of giving myself to the other man made me shrink in such horror as did the conviction that my husband would be willing to sell me, body and soul. Then and there I decided that the only thing men loved on this earth was money, and I determined that no other man should be able to make me suffer.

"I carefully made my plans to disappear, but as I was about to do so, I found that my husband's would-be victim had turned into a relentless prosecutor. He had learned of my husband's dishonesty and had him arrested, and sent to prison.

"Cold, Calculating Women.

"Because I did not stand by my husband I was considered a very cold, calculating woman. In fact there was a story in one of the papers to that effect. The world did not know my side—I never told it.



SLEEPY-TIME TALES THE TALE OF CUFFY BEAR

By ARTHUR SCOTT BAILEY

LEARNING TO BOX

For some time Cuffy Bear and his new friend Pete, as he preferred to be called, continued to slide down the bank of the brook into the water. They became pestered with mud from head to foot. And Cuffy's best trousers had two big holes in them. But Cuffy was having a splendid time.

"Let's box, Cuff!" Pete exclaimed, after a while.

"What's that?" Cuffy asked. He liked to be called "Cuff." Nobody had ever called him by that name before. He felt quite grown up.

"I'll show yer," Pete said. "Stand up in front of me."

Cuffy stood up on his hind legs. "Now, hold up yer paws—so."

And Cuffy did as he was told. "Now hit me!" Pete ordered. And Cuffy struck out at his friend.

LEARNING TO BOX (continued)

So once more Cuffy straightened up and held his paws in front of him. And when he thought Pete wasn't watching Cuffy tried to hit him. Again Cuffy missed. His paw didn't reach Pete at all. But Pete gave him a terrible poke right in the stomach, and Cuffy sat down quickly on the ground and began to groan.

Pete sat down on the ground too and he looked at Cuffy and grinned. "Want any more?" he asked. Cuffy shook his head.

"I'll have to go home now," he said. "Of course, I'd like to box some more; but I haven't time to-day."

"First lesson's over, then," Pete announced. "Come back tomorrow and I'll give yer another."

"How long will it be before I learn to box well?" Cuffy inquired.

"You might learn next time," Pete said. "Better try it, anyway," he advised.

"All right!" Cuffy said. He hoped that another time he would be able to show Pete how it felt to be pounded.

"All right—I'll be here at the same time to-morrow."

So Pete trotted off spryly in one direction, and Cuffy trotted off in another, but not quite so spryly, for his head ached and one of his eyes was closed tight.

"Mercy caken!" Mrs. Bear said, when Cuffy came into the house. "Look at those trousers!"

Cuffy looked at them as well as he could with his one good eye.

"And you're covered with mother added severely. 'What's the matter with your eye?' she demanded. 'I've been having fun—' Cuffy began. 'I've been boxing—'

"Fun! Boxing! You've ruined your best trousers," she said. "You're a naughty little bear and you're going straight to bed. Who has been playing with you?" she asked.

Mrs. Bear was much displeased when she learned about Cuffy's new friend. "I know who he is," she said. "His people are very rough. They're not nice bears at all. And I forbid you never to play with Peter again."

So Cuffy had to go to bed. And the next day when Pete arrived at the pool he found no Cuffy there. For some time he waited. But still there was no Cuffy.

"Huh!" Pete grunted as he went away at last. "He's afraid, he is. And it's a good thing for him he didn't come back. If he had, I'd 'a' fixed him. Yes, s'it! I'd—' Whatever it was that Peter would have done to Cuffy, I am sure it wouldn't have been at all pleasant, because the rough little bear Peter scowled frightfully as he trotted off.

More U. S. Service Records Filed At Recorders Office

More records of service with United States forces, are being filed in the county recorder's office. During the past three days, two army discharge certificates and a continuous service vouchers have been left in the care of Recorder Mildred Robertson Brooks.

An interesting document is the continuous service record of Raphael E. DeGuire, non-commissioned first class, who enlisted in the navy July 31, 1914.

Mr. DeGuire's term of service expired June 11, 1918, but he re-enlisted, June 12 and remained in the service until honorably released, September 15, 1919. Mr. DeGuire's record bears the entry: "Recommended for re-enlistment at the same grade as held at release." During his period of service, DeGuire received two advancements after serving two years as engineer, second class.

The army records are: LeRoy Stewart, private, 76th infantry, entered the service, August 27, 1915, served in the United States, discharged, February 24, 1919.—Clyde D. Downing, private, first class company A, 76th infantry, entered the service from Albany, July 22, 1918 but did not get overseas, and was released, January 17, 1919.

Police To Arrest All Car Owners Without Licenses

All motorists in Salem who drive with the 1919 license and who have not yet obtained the new auto license will be arrested, according to instructions issued Tuesday by Acting Chief of Police Rowe to all officers. This warning was made following the receipt of information from the secretary of state's office that that office now is in a position to issue all licenses applied for.

The arrest of motorists who did not get their licenses promptly at the first of the year was held up until congestion in the secretary of state's office could be overcome.

Austro-Hungarian War Prisoners Die In Siberia

Geneva, Jan. 27.—Nearly 375,000 of the 500,000 Austro-Hungarian prisoners of war taken by Russians have perished in Siberia from smallpox and typhus, according to Vladivostok dispatches, according to International Red Cross headquarters here. The rest were kept alive only by the efficient work of Japanese, American and English doctors. East of Lake Baikal Chinese physicians are also helping, but the work is difficult owing to the bolshevik invasion.

Our own idea of an ideal presidential ticket would be Admiral Sims for president and Josephus Daniels for vice-president on a platform of "medals for everybody."—Grand Rapids Press.

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Open Forum.

To the Editor:—In a recent issue of your paper editorial comment was made on the recent agreement between the attorney general of the United States and each of the larger packers, including Swift & company.

It appears that the editorial was written on information contained in Washington dispatches and without taking into account the statements made by both parties to the agreement.

The matter agreed upon represents a new departure in co-operation between corporate industry and the government. And as it is a sincere desire on the part of the packers to aid in directing public thought to wholehearted consideration of constructive efforts in readjustment to normal conditions, the agreement deserves unprejudiced analysis and consideration.

A few editors refer to this agreement as a "surrender" on the part of the packers, and intimate that the latter must have been guilty or they would not have compromised. Swift & company entered this agreement, not because of any fear of an adverse decision in the courts, for there has been no violation of the law—but because we realized that a deep-rooted fear had been developed in the public mind against one organization's or another's handling many lines of competing food products and, we realized that even if we were acquitted by the court after a long and costly proceeding, this favorable decision would do little to counteract this prejudice and blind fear in the public mind.

SWIFT & COMPANY. Per L. D. Weld, Mgr.

BONDS CERTIFIED

An additional \$30,000 in bonds of the Talent irrigation district was certified by the state irrigation securities commission, Monday. This completes the \$250,000 issue voted by the district which comprises some 11,000 acres of land in Jackson county.

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To Cure a Cold in One Day Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets) It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the cold. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box 30c. (Adv)

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Some of the System dentists extract teeth, some fill teeth, some make crowns and bridges, some make artificial plates and some treat diseased teeth. In this way each patient is cared for by a dentist who is experienced in the kind of work each patient needs.

Dental work done in this manner is not only done better, but in less time, making fewer visits necessary, and the saving in time helps to make prices lower.

There are twenty-four offices where the E. R. Parker System is used, located in different cities. Thousands of patients are treated in these offices, and the large quantities of dental supplies used are bought for less money than has to be paid for small quantities.

All dentists using the E. R. Parker System are registered, licensed and experienced. The work they do is done so well that it can be guaranteed. You are sure of satisfaction.

Under the Parker System no charge is made for examinations and advice. You can find out what your teeth need without having to pay a cent. The best things known in dentistry to overcome pain are used in Parker System offices, so you need have no fear at all.

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