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## Isolation Ended

President Harding has finally discovered that there was a world war and that America must play her part in world readjustment and reconstruction or be prepared to participate in another war which would probably mean the collapse of European civilization. For two years the administration has drifted as the world drifted toward anarchy, proclaiming the impossible policy of isolation, but now that the situation has grown desperate, he holds that the United States can no longer remain "inactive" in the affairs of the world, either in peace or in war.

England and France are at swords points, with Britain on the point of abandoning France and both at outs with Germany. Only the dominating influence of America can bring about harmony and satisfactorily settle the German reparations muddle. Chaos now ruling Europe has demoralized industry and destroyed credits, and without markets and without money, matters are going from bad to worse. With Europe unstabilized, the United States feels the reaction along with the rest of the world.

Ambassador Harvey, who has been the most irreconcilable of all the spokesmen of the administration, has ceased his diatribes against American participation in European adjustments and has been sent for to confer with the president over the change in policy contemplated. Long residence abroad has probably changed his opinion also. At any rate, the president has reluctantly changed his policy, because of the pressure of events.

If Europe is drifting from bad to worse, if the peace of the world is again threatened, if reconstruction has been indefinitely delayed, whose fault is it? Whose fault but the United States senate's for the rejection of the treaty of Versailles, whose fault but that of President Harding for refusing American participation in European adjustments and violating his own campaign pledges for an association of nations? If civilization collapses in Europe, as it has in Russia, and the nations sink slowly into a new dark age, the blame will rest largely upon the United States senate and upon President Harding. Let us hope that the change in policy does not come too late.

## Free Publicity

A year or so ago Salem along with every other town "fell" hard for a clever stunt pulled to advertise the Brotherhood of American Yoemen, in which the city's desirability was painstakingly set forth for a proposed national children's home to be erected by the society. Commercial organizations vied with prominent citizens and realtors in entertaining delegates and in showing representatives of the brotherhood sites, collecting data and filing photographs, while the newspapers gave columns of space beneficial to the order, and the lodges swelled their membership.

The Wichita, Kansas papers announce that the Yoemen have finally reached that enterprising city and hold out the same glowing hopes for its selection that they held out for Salem, Podunk and some 400 other places. But Wichita is much more likely to be selected for such an enterprise than Salem, or any place outside the geographic center of the country. On its face it would be folly to pay transportation charges across a continent when it is unnecessary, nor would it be business like to choose an isolated community, when railroad centers are available.

The Yoemen will probably erect their "City of Childhood" some where and some day, when they have secured sufficient publicity and increased in membership sufficiently, and it may even cost the \$10,000,000 proposed. But in the meantime the campaign to locate the site will be worth at least that amount in publicity. But chambers of commerce and enterprising boosters, like a good many newspapers, will continue to fall for propaganda having as its prima object, free publicity.

## Along State Street

Save the flowers and say it with safety.

Some people seem to inherit all sorts of trouble—except money.

Light wines and beers have turned into heavy whines and jeers.

The watch on the Rhine looks like it's becoming a grandfather's clock.

Why worry about a minimum wage? Isn't that what one thinks he is getting?

It must be nice to be rich and have nothing to do but get married once in a while.

Very few women can cuss. They won't listen to their husbands long enough to learn.

Many people lose faith in everybody except the fellow who promised to make them rich quick.

Folks should never rely too much on the weakness of their enemies or the strength of their friends.

Automobiling to most people means riding in the newest model and being able to tell everybody about it.

## KIWANIS CLUB TO ELECT TUESDAY

At the regular luncheon of the Kiwanis club tomorrow noon the officers for the organization for the coming year will be elected. As there is only one nominee for each office the vote will be taken by acclamation and the rest of the time will be given to the report of the captains of the Willamette forward movement in Salem. George Alderlin, manager of the West Fur company, is to give the attendance prize. The present president of the Kiwanis club is Roy Shields, local attorney. Oliver Myers is the vice president.

The nominees for offices next year are as follows:

John Carson, president; Ward Willis Long, vice president; Roy Shields, district trustee; W. L. Needham, treasurer; Bert Ford, O. J. Myers, Harwood Hall, Fred A. Erixon, T. M. Hicks, P. D. Outenberry and Alfred Vick, directors.

## Y. M. C. A. EAGLES WIN FROM TURNER TOSSERS

The Y. M. C. A. Eagles basketball five defeated the Turner junior high school basket tossers on the Y floor in a very hard fought game last Saturday evening 25-23. From the beginning of the game to the closing whistle the score was so close that no more than three baskets at any time would have put the team which was behind in the lead. As it was the lead saw-sawed back and forth.

For the Turner five the Garth brothers were the mainstays of the team. E. Garth, forward, made four field goals and five free throws for 13 points while his brother, A. Garth, playing at center, made five field goals. Harold Busick for the locals made 11 points. N. Neld of Turner refereed the game. The members of the teams were:

Turner—E. Gath, G. Hansett, forwards; A. Gath, center; L. Miller, J. Gale, guards.

Eagles—Harold Busick, Jerome Hansen, forwards; Hugh Adams, center; Paul Deyers, Harvey Boch, guards.

## PANTOMIME—By J. H. Striebel

At Any Dance



## The Regeneration of Malcolm Starmount

By Idah McGlone Gibson.

Is It Dick Tennant?

"And mother, my lord is going to have Eddie's feet fixed and send him to school and—!" Mary stopped, looking at Starmount reflectively and wistfully.

"What would you like best, Mary?" he asked, sensing the request she hesitated to give.

"I want to learn everything, so that I'll be able to talk to you, my lord. I never want you to be ashamed of me and regret."

Because he was much moved by Mary's whole-souled devotion, Starmount hurriedly left the room.

Although he thought he could not sleep, he threw himself down upon a broad divan in his room. It was with great surprise that he opened his eyes to find the room in darkness, and someone insistently knocking at his door.

"Come in."

The door opened and Parker handed him a cablegram.

"This just came and I thought it important enough to wake you," Starmount read:

"Theodore Parker, care Malcolm Starmount, Seabright, N. J.:

"Not quite sure yet where I shall stop long enough to get mail. Will mail you letters as soon as we touch first port. Do not worry about my unceremonious departure. Everything all right."

RICHARD TENNANT!" Starmount's face was a study.

"What do you, make of that, Ted?"

"I haven't the slightest idea. The only thing that I do know from this wire is that someone is on board the Uragna who answers to the name of Richard Tennant."

"But Ted, we know that Tennant is dead."

"We thought he was dead, but many times in my life I have thought I knew beyond doubt that men were dead, and that I had seen them buried, only to find some times, years afterward, that they were alive when I least wanted them to be."

"Yes, I expect lawyers really see queer phases of life, but that does not help this case very much, does it?"

Parker wrinkled up his brows in thought.

"The only thing I can make of it is that Sather disposed of that body somewhere and, finding those steamship tickets in Tennant's pockets, he simply got on the boat and went abroad himself."

"But, Ted, he has no money."

"You forget that as far as we know he has at least \$500 which was in that roll of bills I gave him and if our surmise is true he had a large letter of credit belonging to Tennant."

"Perhaps he will never write us, Ted. Perhaps he will just disappear off the ship at the first stop."

"Well, I really think that will be a good thing. It is not particularly necessary for us to know what became of Tennant's body. It is only necessary for our peace of mind to know that nothing in regard to it will bother us or anyone else any more."

"I wonder if Nalda will try to wireless Tennant!"

"Let's drive into the station, Mal. I think I have enough influence to find out."

The two men drove into town, and presently Parker found his friend who was a high officer in the wireless company.

"Yes, we sent two wirelesses to the Uragna this morning," the operator told them, "one from Mr. Theodore Parker and one from Nalda Courteney. Here are copies of them. We also have answers to both of them."

Parker hastily read Nalda's message.

"Why did you not say goodbye, Dicky? I am heartbroken. I will keep my word and come to you if you still want me."

"Always your loving "NALDA."

"Let us see the answers."

After a glance at the one that had been sent him, Parker read the one to Nalda.

"Tried to get you last night, Nalda darling, but could not. I'll send for you as soon as possible. I love you—have always loved you, and will count the hours until you are with

"Your devoted "DICK."

Upon reading this, both men were more at a loss than ever.

Tomorrow—The New Family.

## MAJOR WELCH IS PROMOTED

Promotion of Major Hiram U. Welch, Portland, to the grade of lieutenant colonel in the Oregon national guard, was announced in orders issued here by Adjutant General White. The promotion of Welch, the adjutant general explains, is based upon an election held by the field officers and captains of the 186th Oregon Infantry regiment. Lieutenant Colonel Welch will assume command of the regiment, which is located in Oregon and Washington, the commanding officer of the regiment being allotted to Oregon by the war department.

Lieutenant Colonel Welch has served for 28 years in the Oregon guard, being for a number of years in command of battery A, Oregon's oldest military organization. He served as an officer in the Spanish-American war and as a major of field artillery in the world war. Welch is assessor of Multnomah county.

## BANK HOLD UP FALLS FLAT

Bremerton, Wash., Dec. 16.—Attempt of an unmasked bandit to hold up the Bank of Charleston, at Charleston, near here, at noon today, was frustrated when an employe of the bank sounded a burglar alarm, frightening the man away, according to a report to Kitsap county officials.

The man stepped up to a teller of the bank and demanded that he turn over \$5000 "quick." The teller stepped into the vault, supposedly to get the money, but instead sounded the alarm and the bandit fled.

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## FOUR WOMEN OF ELEVEN REFUSE TO DO JURY DUTY

Of the 11 women summoned to appear before the Marion county circuit court to serve as jurors at the January circuit term of court beginning Tuesday, Jan. 2, four have signed the blank furnished along with the summons, refusing to accept jury service.

These are Jennie Dupois, East Gervais; Emaline A. Shaw, Salem; Elsie S. Simeral, East Silverton; Agatha V. Thomas, Stayton.

Seven Others Called.

No word has as yet been received by the sheriff's office as to whether the following, whose names were drawn from the jury box to appear as jurors at the January term will serve: Musa E. Miller, Macleay; Mary Kuensting, Salem; Emma J. Duncan, Salem; Rose Babcock, Salem; Elizabeth E. Sherwood, Salem; Minnie Boring, East Mt. Angel and Alta M. Cass, Salem.

If the county clerks and the district attorneys have any influence with the 1923 legislature, women will hereafter be placed on an equality, when it comes to jury service. That is, they will not be given the privilege of refusing to serve, but will be obliged to appear and make their excuses to the presiding judge.

Would Change Law.

At a recent session in Portland, county clerks of the state went on record favoring compulsory jury service for women, and the district attorneys in session a few days ago at Eugene, also voted in favor of a change in the law, placing women in the same footing as men in jury service.

Women jurors who were served with summons for jury service at the coming term of court, will have, according to law, until the day before the court convenes to make up their minds as to whether they will become jurors.

The January term convenes Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock of January 2. As the day before is a national holiday with all offices of the court house closed, women who do not intend to serve will be obliged to notify the sheriff by Saturday, December 30.

## PROHIBITION OFFICER IMPRISONED

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 18.—A sentence of five years in the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan., and a fine of \$200 was imposed here upon Roy Wilmot, former prohibition agent here, who was convicted two weeks ago of bribery while in office.

## LOCAL TROOPS PREPARING FOR BOY SCOUT WEEK

Preparations are now being made by the Salem Boy Scouts to participate in the Boy Scout week, February 8-15, by placing in show windows about the city displays of work of the scouts and craftwork. With the closing of the week will close the national drive for 100,000 new and re-registered scouts which will swell the total enrollment to about 500,000. It has not yet been decided whether public demonstrations will be held or not.

One of the most interesting bits of scout work that will be on display during the week is a map of Salem from Union street to Mill creek and from State street to 12th street which was drawn by Donald Fleming, a member of troop three. The drawing which shows the location of the walks and buildings about the state capitol and Willamette university are especially good. So accurate and detailed is the work that the location of the sun dial which divides the walk entering to Eaton hall is shown. The location of the two lamp posts that mark the entrance to the campus opposite the state house, the street car tracks car tracks and course of the creek are also shown.

## NAVAL DRINKING PROBE IS ENDED

Washington, Dec. 18.—The incident at the midshipmen's ball at Philadelphia after the Army-Navy game, which prompted Secretary Denby to order an official investigation apparently was closed by the navy department today with publication of the findings of the investigation board and the department's conclusions, holding that while in the light of previous experience the measures adopted to prevent disorderly conduct should have been sufficient "it is to be regretted if the steps taken did not meet the required end."

The department found that in accordance with custom, no official of the academy had been specifically detailed to supervise the conduct of the ball. In an endorsement attached to the finding, the bureau of navigation recommended that in future "responsible naval academy officers" be assigned to such duty.

## What Shall I Get The Business Man?

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