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"With or without offense to friends or foes
I sketch your world exactly as it goes."

A Reversal of Form

President Roosevelt bases his third term candidacy on the ground that he is "indispensable" to the nation in these days of international turmoil, and was willing to sacrifice himself upon the altar of public service rather than entrust the presidency to untried and inexperienced hands. This is another reversal of principle for 8 years ago he held that no party or no personality was the sole safeguard of America's future. In his campaign wind-up at New York November 3, 1932, Mr. Roosevelt said:

"In speaking for the common purpose of all forward-looking men and women I have, I believe, avoided the delusion that this is a campaign of persons or of personalities. To indulge in such a fantastic idea of my own individual importance would be to betray the common hope and the common cause that has brought us all together this year. A great man left us a watchword which we can well repeat: 'There is no indispensable man!'"

Mr. Roosevelt continued with the personal assurance that there were plenty of Americans both democrats and republicans capable of running the country, declaring:

"The genius of America is stronger than any candidate or any party. This campaign, hard as it has been, has not shattered my sense of humor or my sense of proportion. I still know that the fate of America cannot depend on any one man. The greatness of America is grounded on principles and not on any single personality. I, for one, shall remember that, even as president."

Seven years of power—seven was considered by the ancients a holy number—has evidently shattered his senses of humor and of proportion, for he has become convinced (a Rooseveltian trait) that a single personality (himself) alone possesses the omniscience to guide the nation in the coming crises.

Hitler in the Air

What Hitler may have in store in the way of air attacks for the British remains to be seen. We do know, however, that the latter, with a numerically far inferior air force, have made a most remarkable defensive showing. The Germans, no doubt, have demonstrated an ability to build planes faster than the British can destroy them, but can they stand such a great loss of pilots, expert machine gunners and bomb dropers? A plane may be constructed in a week, but it takes many months to train a pilot to direct it, and machine gunners and bombers to make it an effective fighting unit.

Up until recently most of the Nazi air attacks have been made under cover of darkness and without profit sufficient to justify the great cost and effort. For reasons unknown to us, Nazis have delayed launching their "great" attack—thus losing a whole month of required good weather. In a few more months Britain will have three new and most valuable allies: fog, sleet and snow.

Time will strengthen Britain's hands for, with help from this country, she will rapidly strengthen her air force. Opportunity will be given her to draw upon the resources of half the world for materials and supplies. Her Dominions already have sent thousands of their sons to uphold her hands, and hundreds of thousands more are on their way. Time also will give her further opportunity to send to safe refuges the thousands of helpless children now subject to slaughter. And time, that great consumer of limited resources, will, without a doubt, prove Hitler's undoing.

What is about to happen along, on, under and over the English channel makes all that has happened before pale into insignificance.

Soldiers' Pay

Among the defense bills before congress, which should receive speedy action, is one increasing the pay of enlisted men in the army and correct the unfair discrimination existing in defense forces. An army private receives less pay than a CCC enrollee. A navy recruit gets his pay raised after three months service and has opportunities to increase his pay from 100 to 300 percent in his four year enlistment.

An army private receives \$21 a month, with no mandatory increase and frequently must remain in that low paid grade for a full enlistment. He may serve in the army for over 20 years and still receive only \$26.25 a month—an increase of \$5.25 for 20 years faithful service.

The Sheppard pay bill increases the pay of the lowest army pay grade to \$30 a month after the first four months at \$21. Similar increases should be applied to the Marine corps which also suffers from a discriminatory pay scale.

It is largely because of the existing unfair pay schedule that the army has so much difficulty in security recruits, and the navy little trouble. Of course the pay also includes technical schooling and training and provides a liberal education for those desiring it.

When Superlatives Fail

Of the thousands who attended last night's initial performance of the Centennial pageant we have yet to meet one who was not delighted with it from start to finish, and describe it as an achievement fully worthy of the events it commemorates and the efforts expended upon its production.

The pageant is just one of those things in the description of which superlatives fall flat.

The story of the 100 years it consummates is vividly and entertainingly told; the settings, brought to life by clever and elaborate lighting, magnificent; the character portrayal superb, and the music enchanting and masterfully presented. The costuming—no small feature of the show—is authentic of the various periods and contributes materially to the atmosphere.

If the past century had produced nothing else of cultural and educational worth it has justified itself in the cumulative artistry with which the pageant is presented. It is nothing short of a gorgeous spectacle that glorifies the whole Centennial.

Social Service Club Meets, Amity Church

Amity—The Social Service club of the Methodist church met in the church parlors with the vice president, Mrs. Glenn Stevenson, presiding.

Mrs. Chase Thomas led the opening devotions. Her theme was "Faith." During the business meet-

ing the various committees gave reports. A social hour was held and refreshments served. There was a large attendance. Mrs. C. F. Richards of Granville, Ohio, who is here visiting her mother, Mrs. Olive Taylor, was a guest. Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. O. A. Deaver, Mrs. Margaret Morrison, Mrs. Arthur McNeely and Mrs. Taylor.

Popular People

By Beck



Sips for Supper

By Don Upjohn

After sipping up the general sweetness and allure in the girls wearing costumes dating from 1890 back to 1840 it is easy enough to see why the old boys refer to the gay nineties and the preceding decades as "them good old days."

The man who is blessed with only one centennial shirt and doesn't take it off long enough to have it cleaned is wondering whether the shirt will stand up under such treatment till the end of the week, or whether it will just stand up at the end of the week. The latter eventually seems more likely.

Our compatriot, Steve Stone, who in his odd moments has been making the rounds of the store windows viewing the old relics, et cetera, remarked, by gum, that they've gathered together from hither and yon for display yon and hither, every bit of brace a brace of interest in the history of Salem except a piece of the rope with which they hanged Beale and Baker. With

Novelties In the News

Nail-Nurtured Apples

Dublin, Ga.—Farmer James L. Whitaker didn't think much of a tip a visiting apple man offered, but he followed it anyway and drove rusty nails into the trunks of all but one of his non-bearing apple trees.

Now he is forced to admit all but the one he skipped are loaded with fruit.

Prowling Cop

St. Louis—For several nights, police patrolled a restricted residential district on complaint of residents that a suspicious looking man, carrying a club, had been seen there.

The cops caught up with the "prowler." He was a recently-hired private night watchman.

Seeing America First

Yellowstone Park, Wyo.—Two women tourists stopped Ranger George Kennaugh. "Where can we see the rest of the monkeys?"

He explained that the monkeys couldn't stand the climate but the guests insisted "we just saw two."

A moment later Kennaugh was hit by a pine cone. Then another, and another. Two monkeys were firing the cones at him from a tree.

He found out that the monkeys were escapees from a traveling zoo.

Tourists Wanted Guns

Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo.—Two elderly women tourists drove up to the park gate just as Ranger Walter O'Brien handed a gun back to some other tourists. The gun had been sealed during their visit in accordance with park regulations.

O'Brien waved the two women on but they appeared hesitant about driving into the park. Finally one asked:

"Ranger, aren't you going to give us a gun, like the other cars?"

O'Brien patiently convinced them that neither Indians nor wild animals constitute a park hazard.

Bids Called for Foundation Work

Portland, Ore., Aug. 1 (P)—Bids for foundation excavations in preparation for the installation of the final seven generator units at Bonneville dam were called Wednesday by power officials.

Three generators are in place at present. The new work will be included under a \$2,500,000 appropriation to complete preparation for installation of the remaining units. Major R. H. Elliott, Bonneville district engineer, said,

Kelly Says:

Government Wants Pre-fabricated Houses

Defense Orders for 64 Oregon Concerns

Mothers Fighting Military Training

By John W. Kelly

Washington, Aug. 1—The government is in the market for 30,000 pre-fabricated houses. They can be made either of lumber or metal. Feelers have been sent to members of the lumber industry in Oregon. One enterprising mill operator hopped a plane, flew to Washington, spent three hours gathering information on the housing proposal, then flew back to Oregon.

There has almost over night developed a serious housing shortage in towns where there are shipyards. USHA is urged to build 7500 low-rent houses in five eastern communities where there are large private yards. At Bellingham, Wash., mechanics and their families attracted there by employment in the navy yard, are living in tents, trailers and jalousies. Towns with ship yards are first to feel the housing shortage, but as other industries get under way on government orders for national defense, the shortage will spread.

Someone May Lose

Suggestions that building and loan associations (insured by the government) finance some homes to relieve the shortage, are not being met with enthusiasm. The view is taken that most of the jobs, which have taxed the dwelling facilities, are temporary; they may continue a few years and the home builder would be saddled with a house on which payments must be made, and no job, and someone would have to pocket a loss.

As a means of meeting the new conditions, the government wants houses which can be put together and, if necessary, unbolted later and sent to some other place where there is a shortage of houses. There are concerns in Oregon which could have the entire order, if distributed according to their capacity. In addition to lumber, the pre-fabricated houses provide work for carpenters.

Will Be Rush Job

There will be a rush job building barracks and cantonments for the mobilized national guard, the 400,000 conscript soldiers and the regular troops. As the conscripts are to be enlisted by October 1, some fast construction work will be necessary to provide shelter before the storms of winter set in.

There are 64 concerns in Oregon which will receive national defense orders. Of these, 50 will work on army stuff, with four receiving navy work. Washington state has 105 establishments on the index, of which 94 will have army orders and 13 navy contracts. Idaho has five concerns which will receive army orders. Nevada is one of the few states in the union (only one in the west) which is not in on the defense program. Army spent \$220,512 the forepart of last month in Oregon; navy spent \$59,000. These are only the beginning.

To Build 78 Plants

Government will build 78 plants for war munitions. These will be for the manufacture of powder, airplane, cannon, machine guns, shells, etc. Also 28 plants will be established for the chemical warfare service. Any of these could be located in Oregon, or Washington, where some of the raw material is available. These plants must be where there is water, power, coal or fuel oil, transportation and a supply of labor.

None of these government plants will be located on or near the coast, nor Mexican nor Canadian borders. They must be west of the Allegheny mountains and east of the Cascades (war department prefers east of the Rocky mountains). Power plants could be located in the Columbia basin, which offers wide, flat open country and plenty of it for scattering the powder houses. War department intends locating many of its plants in the mid-west, where

they would be less exposed to attack than elsewhere.

Cities in Competition

There is, perhaps, a greater drive by cities to have one of the government plants located than for anything else at the moment. By fixing the bounds the department has eliminated many sections, but has intensified the competition within the favored area. The airplane is causing decentralization of industries.

Washington Scene—Mothers have been the most active opponents of the compulsory military training legislation. They have written letters an' others have waylaid members of congress in the corridors to protest. . . . Delay in bringing the military conscription bill to a vote in the senate was to enable the members to get the reaction from constituents. . . . At the next session of congress Senator McNary will renew his effort to have Crescent City harbor authorized for full development, as recommended by the board of army engineers. The navy department is giving more thought now to harbors of refuge on the Pacific coast. Two such harbors could be Crescent City and Port Orford.

More Power Given FDR

Just before congress took a recess for the republican convention a bill was slid through which it now develops enables the president to take over any industrial plant and operate it if terms cannot be made with the owner. Under this extraordinary authority the president could capture the plant of Henry Ford. Before this act was passed Ford refused to make airplane engines for England, but was ready to turn them out for the United States. . . . Several years ago two railroad gangs were assigned to the coast artillery at Fort Stevens, Ore., after a lot of wire-pulling by Merle Chessman and the late Senator Frederick Steiwer. The guns never reached their destination; they could not go by rail to Astoria nor by boat.

Spencer Sentenced To Five Lifetimes

Los Angeles, Aug. 1 (P)—Vernie Spencer, slim, bespectacled former principal of South Pasadena high school, stood calmly Wednesday and heard himself sentenced to five consecutive life terms in San Quentin prison on charges of slaying five associates, and an additional 20 years for wounding another.

At his request, his wife, who has evidenced her loyalty to him since the fatal shootings last May 6, was not in the courtroom when Superior Judge Thomas L. Ambrose passed sentence.

Spencer last Monday withdrew his plea of innocent and innocent by reason of insanity, and substituted a plea of guilty.

Spencer killed Dr. George B. Bush, superintendent of South Pasadena schools; John E. Alman, principal of South Pasadena high school; Will R. Speer, business manager of the district; V. V. Vandertop, manual arts instructor, and Routh Sturgeon, art instructor, and wounded Dorothea Talbert, secretary to Dr. Bush.

French Concession Guard Missing

Shanghai, Aug. 1 (P)—A Russian member of the French concession police force disappeared today from his station at the American owned Shanghai Evening Post Office, where he had been placed as a guard, and soon afterward an unexploded bomb was found under one of the newspaper presses.

The Japanese army organ, Shin-Shun-Pao, renewed an anti-American campaign today. Its first page headline was "America Drafting Crafty Policy Intending to Utilize Economic Weapons to Interfere in the Far East."

It alleged that the United States intended to exert pressure on Japan to force it to withdraw from China "before Japan challenges America."

In a cartoon, the newspaper depicted President Roosevelt as chained to a large ball marked "4." He was holding a big steel helmet.

Idaho Major Visitor
Dayton—Major A. D. Foster of Moscow, Idaho, arrived by automobile Sunday morning to spend a few days with his father, W. E. Foster, who is almost 84 years of age and other members of the Foster family.

Salem Sketches by Will Danch



"Eating that may help but I still think lots of practice is the only way of developing a lovely voice like Josephine Albert Spaulding!"

Colorful Signs Help Pageantry Of Centennial

Signs and placards are adding to the color of the Centennial and are in the main more pertinent than eloquent, restaurants and "food emporiums" predominating any class.

Slipping through the business district a person finds the Golden Pheasant is now the "Buzard's Nest" and the Wilder Randall's Sweet Shop while a sign on the door says "Out to lunch—back in 30 min." Hull's Gold Gulch Diggins "Buys claims if they ain't jumped," while the Blue Bird is transformed into the "Chuck Wagon," with a wagon replica for entrance. The Meadows is modest for it proclaims "If you're tough you ain't got nothin' on our steaks" while Mickey's Coney Island offers "Fresh bear steak Toosday and Saddlebags and Rocky Mountain oysters \$2.50 a plate." Other scattered places advertise "ham and eggs \$2.00, with eggs \$2.50" or "ham sandwich 60c, with ham 85c, bread 10c extra."

An old time bedroom is offered in the lobby of the Senator hotel complete with early day sanitary features. "Settin' steps" are offered in front of Sears-Roebuck with an old whitewashed hickory rack on Perry just off High. Worth's Trading post is "open for everybody's business" and advertises "umbrellas \$5—without holes \$9."

Hawkins & Robert, finance firm, has "For sale donation land claim in Indian country (Squaw included)" while Cooke's stationery offers "Marked decks for sale." Wagner's cigar store announces "All nations welcomed but Carrie."

"For complete weddings see us," says a sign at Frosty Olson's floral shop, with a shot gun the main object of interest. The Miltz-Gray shop is now "Ma Eaton's hair dressing establishment" while Winnie Pettyjohn, realtor, offers "Used wedding cards cheap." "Rent your courtin' buggy here, team stands for neckin'," says Good Housekeeping, Inc., which provides baled hay for a resting place and a horse trough with pump.

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