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FEBRUARY 16

THE WOLF ALSO shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.—Isaiah 11:6.

DENBY'S RESIGNATION

The mighty fall. Only a few days ago Edwin Denby, secretary of the navy, announced that he would not resign from the high position he disgraced in leasing the naval reserve oil lands to pirates who prey on the resources of the nation, and who have no care for the welfare of future generations. "I will not resign" was proclaimed boldly and in a brazen manner. But Denby has resigned and his resignation has been accepted, affording relief to the extent that Denby will be out of the way officially.

Already some of the party organs are praising the heroic resignation and proclaim the act as the greatest in Denby's career. Possibly it was, but why acclaim one who has betrayed one of the highest offices the nation can bestow? Why praise one who slinks from an office he has disgraced? Why laud one, the continuance of whose policy would rob the boys and girls of to-day and to-morrow of natural resources that rightfully belong to them?

The effort to uphold Denby is deplorable and is setting an example to the future men and women of the country that is anything but inspiring and beneficial. Are the boys and girls of the nation to understand that a public official can betray his trust and still retire honorably to private life? Is the character of Denby one to be held up as an example to those who will direct the destinies of the nation in years to come? Shame! The newspapers of America have a duty to perform in purifying American politics. They have a duty to perform in guiding the thoughts of future citizens. Much of the responsibility of the future for America and Americans rests upon the guidance given by the press of the nation. What can be the result with newspapers lauding Denby in doing that which public sentiment would ultimately have forced him to do? The answer is one that should concern those who hope to guide America in the paths of righteousness.

Denby is guilty of all that is charged. He betrayed his former chief and the man who honored him. He has been false to America and American traditions. If not, then he is highly incompetent and unfit for the position he has attempted to fill, reflecting on the one to whom he owed his position. He stands as a true example of those who would make a plaything of their nation. He is shorn of his honor, and instead of being heroized should be pointed out as an example of that which comes to him who places self above patriotism and love of country.

WILSON MOURNED BY NEW AMERICANS

Mourning caused by the death of former President Wilson is manifest widely in the foreign language newspapers of the United States, from which the following editorial excerpts are taken:

Italian

In the pages of his books, filled with indescribable beauty and philosophy, will live forever his sublime moral qualities, never to be forgotten by any nation in the world. It is said he did not know how to follow his noble thought by prompt efficacious action. This is no time to criticize, nor is the day of his death an appropriate hour in which to praise him, for an unprejudiced and permanent estimate of statesmen can only be formed by history.—Il Progresso, New York.

Russian

In the destructive fire of world war, when it seemed that every principle of humanity was forgotten and men resembled beasts bent only upon destruction, Wilson appeared with his purpose to create a new world. But at Paris a struggle and a conspiracy against Wilson's ideals took place. The Peace of Versailles was not Wilson's peace. . . . and even America refused to ratify his acts. Yet, while the other participants at the peace conference have gone into oblivion the name of Wilson will remain forever in the memory of a grateful humanity.—Parada, Philadelphia.

Czechoslovak

To President Wilson, by the will of the Most High, it was given to carry the heaviest burden ever placed on the shoulders of anyone in our land since Abraham Lincoln. But there is this difference—while Lincoln belongs only to his native land, Wilson belongs to the whole world. . . . Eternal peace to his great memory.—Narod, Chicago.

Polish

His emphatic declaration that every nation regardless of size must be given the same right of self-determination did more to shatter the Central European Powers than did the American Army. All honor to the worthy successor of Andrew Jackson and Abraham Lincoln.—Nowy Swiat, New York.

Hungarian

He may have died without achieving definite results,

but Wilson's ideas are still alive, and the downtrodden, miserable and disappointed millions are awaiting their realization. A half year ago the nation united in grief over the death of a Republican President, and now the whole nation mourns at the coffin of a Democratic President. The American people appreciate their great ones and know no partisanship in time of their death. . . . All pay tribute to Woodrow Wilson, and only that man will be greater than he who shall put into effect Wilson's great ideas, which are immortal, along with their author.—Szabadsag, Cleveland.

Jewish

He was a great man not only in the hour when he played a world role in the great war. . . . Before the war came he had guided the nation along the way toward great reforms which can be compared only with those accomplished under President Lincoln. America will recognize him as her greatest President.—Jewish World, Philadelphia.

German

The opposing cries of "Hosanna!" and "Crucify him!" which he heard so often during life, will probably continue as long as his memory lasts. But today at his bier one hears only what friend and foe alike feel to be true: He was a man of world-wide importance; one of the great figures in the history of his country.—Abendpost, Chicago.

Lithuanian

He did all he possibly could for his country, for world peace and for the freedom of small nations. And in peace he was prepared for the next world. His body is buried, but in his wonderful achievements his soul will live forever.—Garas, Brooklyn.

Ukrainian

Death has claimed the greatest benefactor of the Jewish people—Washington and Lincoln belong to America, but Wilson belongs to the whole human race—Forever in the future, when an oppressed people claims the right to liberty they will evoke the name and memory of Woodrow Wilson.—Hrvatski Glasnik, Chicago.

The path of the oil toboggan is a slippery one.

The weather man says there will be no shortage of moisture. Here's hoping he is right.

"No Kidding" Says Mary, "Corsets Make The Woman"

"YOU CAN'T PARK THEM AND KEEP YOUR FORM"

TRIMNESS at the waist is indispensable not



Mary Eaton in "Kid Boots"

ing. Of course, I use a little make-up in 'Kid Boots' but that is merely to offset the effects of the glaring lights. My form, as seen on the stage, I will confess gets wonderful aid from my corset. In dancing I find the corset aids me greatly by acting as a support. When not dancing I find it does much to give me trimness at the waist line—and every girl should cultivate trimness.

The big-waisted woman is apt to become sloppy. Therefore, I say wear a corset. It is the foundation of all feminine attractiveness in form and gracefulness.

THE FORUM

Articles of timely interest are welcomed under this head. Communications must bear the signature of the author.

Editor Ashland Tidings:—

In view of a proposition soon to be submitted to our tax-payers for the expenditure of \$10,000 to enlarge our auto camp grounds and to further provide for the entertainment of auto tourists passing through and not residents of the community will you please republish the enclosed excerpt from Sunday's Oregonian as showing a growing sentiment in a sister town and as pertinent to our own case?

A Resident Citizen.

"Medford is closing its municipally operated automobile camp and is arranging a concession for a camp under private management."

"A Portland resident who has just returned from a visit in that southern Oregon city says: 'The tourists were demanding more and more as the years passed and in most cases were quite able to pay hotel prices for the accommodations they expected in an open-air camp with a nominal fee. 'Medford has started a move-

ment in Oregon which I should like to see extend through the state, and for that matter through out the country."

"Medford will let the concession to a highly responsible management, and has the assurance of clean grounds, ample facilities for cooking, shower baths and other moderate priced conveniences, with a choice between tents and cottages."

"This Portland citizen continues: 'Private ownership of the automobile camp may set a check on the increasing number of irresponsible migratory families who run up and down the coast in cheap cars, working in the harvests in summer and settling down on the charitable organizations of the cities for the winter. 'Many of these people have no home or registered voting place and no settled school for their children who enroll and then make hasty exits from a half dozen school districts during the school year."

"Medford's action also points the way to a matter I should like to see brought before our 1925 legislature; that is, to require the registration of every individual who stays over night in an auto camp, and to enforce in this type of public lodging our present hotel code of morals. At present we have no means of tracing irregular proceedings."

PACIFIC COAST DEFENSE POOR, REPORT SHOWS

Obsolete Guns, Insufficient Personnel Render Ports Vulnerable, Charge.

AT ALIEN'S MERCY

Brigadier-General Todd Says Steps Should Be Taken to Remedy Condition.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 19.—Pacific Coast defenses are utterly lacking in protection.

San Francisco, Seattle and Tacoma, as well as the United States navy yards at Bremerton, Wash., are open prey for invading sea forces, and Portland, Ore., is only slightly protected.

These are conclusions officially reported by Brigadier-General Henry D. Todd, Jr., commanding the Ninth Coast Artillery District which comprises all coast defenses on the Pacific, after a tour of inspection of the fortifications guarding Puget Sound and the mouth of the Columbia River.

Out-of-date guns, designed in 1865, are used in the Northwest and in the coast defenses of San Francisco, according to General Todd, who points out in an official report to the War Department at Washington that these coast defenses "would be utterly unable to protect units of the American battle fleet while leaving harbor and before they would take up battle formation."

Guns Obsolete.

The Pacific Coast defense guns

Daily Fashion Hint



FOR THE PRINTED SILKS

A model that looks well in the printed silks and calls for a touch of plain color is artistically portrayed here. The dress is of the slip-on type, and the soft, crushed girde, with beaded motifs at the sides, corresponds with the band that finishes the lower edge of the tunic blouse. Deep sections that are slashed at the back and gathered into narrow cuffs lengthen the kimono sleeves. Medium size requires 4 3/4 yards figured and 3/4 yard 36-inch plain material.

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TWO MYSTERIES ARE CLEARED AT TACOMA

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 20.—Rev. Arthur D. DeJacoby, formerly pastor of the Roosevelt Heights Christian church, was located yesterday in San Francisco, according to information reaching the police and family here. Rev. Mr. DeJacoby's wife and parents have gone to San Francisco following a dispatch that he apparently is suffering from amnesia. He had been mourned as dead by his wife for two weeks since the boat in which he had "gone fishing" was found stranded on the shore of Puget sound.

The other mystery cleared up was that of Washington Morris, a well-to-do resident of Buckley, who disappeared last June shortly before he was to have been married to a school teacher here. His body was found in the woods by two hunters.

were installed at a time when the best foreign battleships carried but four 12-inch guns and twelve 6-inch guns. The coast defense guns are unable to reach objects beyond 17,000 yards.

Today, General Todd states officially, each ship of the British "Royal Sovereign" class carries eight 15-inch guns and fourteen 6-inch guns, the 15-inch guns being able to outrange our 12-inch guns by at least 100,000 yards. Japanese "Negato" class ships carry eight 16-inch guns, which greatly outrange American 12-inch weapons.

According to General Todd, not only is equipment of obsolete type but garrisons are so depleted along the coast that a surprise attack could not be successfully repulsed.

The cities of Seattle and Tacoma, in Washington, and Portland, Ore., as well as the navy yards at Bremerton, Washington, are now almost completely unprotected, and in event of attack by such a nation as Great Britain or Japan, boasting ships with powerful guns, they could easily be blown off the map, General Todd's report shows.

Elks basketball tonite. Army.



Ramon Navarro is one of the stars in Scaramouche, the massive production now playing at the Vining Theatre

RAMON NAVARRO

"LIVE WIRES"

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port shows.

Need Protection

"If an enemy determined to make a base near the mouth of the Columbia River he could out-range and overpower the batteries there just as he could at Puget Sound. When it is considered that one of the missions of the Puget Sound forts is to protect the Bremerton Navy Yard and the large cities of Seattle and Tacoma, with their docks, railway terminals, banks, manufacturing concerns, etc., \$1,000,000 would be a very small amount to pay, constituting, as it would, a premium for life insurance for that entire locality. To construct carriages for the 16-inch guns (needed in Puget Sound) and mount them in concrete emplacements near

Fort Worden would not cost more than \$1,000,000, which is less than one-fortieth the cost of one battleship."

Present armament at the Columbia River forts should be completely manned, he states.

The war strength authorized by the War department for the Puget Sound forts is 3,235 officers and men and 1,341 for the Columbia garrisons.

"In case of sudden attack these forts could not put up much resistance until the units of the reserves had been enlisted, equipped and transferred to these forts," the Todd report states.

General Todd believes that immediate action should be taken to remove the antiquated equipment on the Pacific Coast.

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