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OCTOBER 1, 1925: THE GOLDEN RULE: — Whatever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them, for this is the law and the prophets. Matthew: 7:12. PRAYER: — Help us, our Father, to do right by thee, and then it will be natural for us to do right by our brothers.

YAPPING AT WILBUR

The "powerful writers," the enemies of the Government and of the administration, those who like to be on the forefront in finding fault, are like to get themselves into some very contradictory positions in the fine frenzy they now have against Secretary of the Navy Wilbur. Many were very skeptical about the appointment of Judge Wilbur to this position at the time it was made. It was a purely political appointment. It was not done to enhance the interests of the naval service of the United States but to strengthen the defenses of the then President in the interest of his campaign for another term in office. This sort of thing did not assure a strong or a skilled administration of the department.

Nor did this situation necessarily prevent such a result. Critics have but need to refer to a recent administration of the American navy department to confound themselves. The naming of Josephus Daniels, the editor of a small North Carolina newspaper, to the navy department by President Wilson was a political appointment pure and simple. And Secretary Daniels was not a 100 per cent perfect as an administrator, perhaps. Yet we think that the verdict of observers, both during his term and since has been that Mr. Daniels was a success as the head of the department. He observed a proper proportion in accepting the advice of his inferiors, the directions of his superiors and the use of his own intelligence in the conduct of naval affairs.

That Judge Wilbur, a success in a broad way on the California bench, should be a failure at the head of the navy, was not a foregone conclusion. But there was some risk in the appointment.

Now what is the position of those who are barking from every possible angle at the administration of the navy?

It seems to be their position that the navy is run by those who know too much about it and at the same time by those who do not know anything about it. They yap at Wilbur because he is an amateur in naval affairs, and at the same time say that the department is run by an inner ring of those who know all about it.

American public policy, as represented by administration after administration, for several generations, is that "the People" shall be represented in the cabinet, not the bureaus. In other words, we do not have generals as secretaries of war or admirals as secretaries of the navy.

Secretary Wilbur seems to have pursued the reasonable policy in his administration, of accepting the combined advice of the experts of his department in department matters, and of using his own and other "citizen" judgments, in the determination of broad questions of policy, for transmission to the President and to Congress.

If there have been too many accidents of one sort or another, these accidents have followed plans deliberately made by the most expert men in the service. They have not been thought out by Secretary Wilbur, who knows little about the construction of ships or dirigibles and less of navigation.

The ignorant critics of the administration have been beaten in every guess they made about the inadequacy of the management of the navy. Now, to attempt to make good, they are indulging in broad generalities of criticism. And they are "taking it out" on Wilbur.

HAS FISHING GONE DRY?

Prohibition, we have been told by the Society for the Abatement of the Volstead Act, or whatever it is called, is all "Wet."

But we discover, according to the current news, that it has friends in some entirely unexpected places. To find that fish and game deputies throughout California are so ardent in the making of arrests under the Volstead and Wright acts that they have drawn a rebuke from the state commission, is astonishing. Proverbially, fishermen are not "dry." They start out into the wilderness armed against snake bite, drought, and everything else that alcohol is supposed to be bad for.

Prohibition has accomplished something, if only it has been to make fish and game deputies ardent for the enforcement of the eighteenth amendment.

A generalizer says "the theatre is the index to a city's intellect." Its schools and colleges and libraries then must be the index to its tired business temperament.

Reminders from Christmas card manufacturers to "order now" is the first appearance of the annual "shop early" pip.

Stewart's Washington Letter

BY CHARLES F. STEWART, NKA Service Writer

WASHINGTON—Maybe Frank Stutz, who directs publicity for the National Association of Dyers and Cleaners, isn't altogether disinterested, in the blood-curdling stories he tells of the dangers of cleaning things with gasoline.

Maybe he wants to throw a scare into the public, so it will take its clothes to his association's members to be cleaned, instead of trying to clean them at home. Nevertheless some of his talk is interesting.

"ISN'T it safe enough if you keep it away from a light?" I asked, in response to one of Frank's statements to the effect that a pint of gasoline and a pound of dynamite are about in the same class.

"My, no," said Frank. "Gasoline is a dry explosive." "What do you mean, dry liquid?" I interrupted. "Dry like sin!"

"It means it's a liquid with no water in it," Frank explained. "That's why we say 'dry cleaning.' Like many dry cleaning solvents, gasoline is capable of producing electric sparks on being splashed about. Didn't you ever notice that gasoline delivery pumps give a shock along the ground? That's to carry off electric charges before they accumulate and blow you up."

"RUBBING together the surface of any two objects, or wetting them together, produces frictional electricity, too," Frank went on, "and in a certain amount it's dangerous. It produces sparks, often a quarter of an inch long—equal to a lightning bolt."

"If the air's damp enough, and the stuff that's being rubbed is damp enough also, the sparks is dissipated and no harm done. But if there's a little moisture, even as dry, dry summer days of cold, dry winter ones, the sparks sets off the gasoline fumes, which are mighty potent mixed with the correct proportion of air, and—wham! up you go."

"HEAT-CLASS dry cleaning plants," related Stutz, "do their work in an atmosphere of least 70 per cent moist. Sixty is better and some heat on 70 per cent."

"They take hourly moisture readings and whenever the air's water content falls below the safety mark it's artificially dampened at once. Even at that careful cleaners have all their vessels grounded to carry off any electricity that may be generated inside their workings."

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Quite often an "open mind" is nothing but a vacancy. Truth on the half-shell is about all the average man will stand for.

Living on a small salary is so easy that millions stick to it all through life.

Nobody was probably ever altogether contented without being more than 50 per cent lazy.

We all love to fool with chances, which explains why marriage is so often a failure.

When it comes to asking questions, the average child surpasses the average prosecuting attorney.

Hex Heck says: "Genius seems to be a capacity for knowin' how far a man kin reach and git a good hold."

NOTICE

Applications will be received by the Superintendent of the Electrical Department of the City of Ashland for position as storekeeper. All applications to be in by October 7, 1925, and to be made in applicant's own handwriting, giving full information concerning age, residence, education, experience, references and whether married or single. Qualifications: high school education or equivalent, and some clerical ability. 25-5t

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WALK TOLL BRIDGE ACROSS COLUMBIA: PORTLAND, Sept. 30. — (U. P.) — The approval of a proposed toll bridge across the Columbia river between Rainier, Oregon and Longview, Wash., was asked of the state highway commission today by Wesley Vanderhook, engineer of the Long Bell Lumber company. The proposed bridge would be 155 feet above low water.

TULSA HOST TO WORLDS OIL PRODUCING MEN: TULSA, Okla., Oct. 3. — (U. P.) — Tulsa today became the "Empire of Grease."

Located in the center of oil producing states of the union and known locally as the capital of Oklahoma's oil fields, it was the host to some 200,000 oil men who came from nearly all parts of the earth for the third international petroleum exposition, ending October 10.

The Bradford special with 200 delegates from the Bradford and Pennsylvania oil fields was here. Riding on the train was King Petroleum, known in Warren, Pennsylvania, his home, as Fred E. Windsor.

Special trains were here from the twelve oil states of the union. With them were the twelve princesses chosen by their states from which group "Queen Petrolia" will be chosen.

On the exposition grounds working models of every kind of oil machinery known to the oil industry from every country were on exhibition. There was photography representing every phase of oil drilling and refining.

Models of tanks, drilling rigs, high production oil fields, samples and tools filled exposition buildings.

Looking forward to the annual oil man's golf tournament were some 300 contestants who came armed with their golf paraphernalia.

On the exposition grounds are 15 buildings filled with exhibits. In one motion picture of the oil industry were being shown. Another housed an exact replica of the oil derrick and equipment used by Col. E. L. Drake when he drilled the first oil well in the United States.

Drilled in Pennsylvania in August, 1859, the oil sold for \$20 a barrel.

Several oil companies were on the grounds with equipment to drill an oil well. The machinery will be set up and the well dug as though the drillers were actually expecting to strike oil.

The most colorful event of the whole exposition was to be staged this afternoon in the form of a pageant and parade of the twelve oil princesses and King Petroleum.

Riding on a throne on which is characterized every phase of the history of oil development in the United States, King Petroleum will make his initial appearance escorted by the twelve princesses.

BOTH SERIES TEAMS LACK GOOD RESERVES: NEW YORK, Oct. 1. — (U. P.) — Reserves throughout is a vital factor in the Washington Senators and the Pittsburgh Pirates in the world's series.

They are too good ball clubs, representative champions out of a pair of hot races in which their opposition extended them to the very last. They have good pitchers, good catchers, good infielders and good outfielders.

Yet either team could be wrecked by one injury to the reserve strength on the bench is not of the usual championship caliber. One spike turned in on the ground, one blow from a batted or pitched ball, one slip on the grass and the whole tide of battle might be turned in the series.

The Senators had a narrow escape in the world's series last fall. The team was fortunate in going through the season without serious injuries and the lack of reserve power was not apparent until Peckinpaugh pulled up with a charley-horse and had to sit on the bench.

Blues had to be moved over from third base to shortstop and Miller, who was not even a minor league infielder had to be used at third. Poor Miller, trying with all the gameness of a real fighter, found himself up in every pinch and he was almost useless. The Senators, of course, finally beat the Giants but it was luck more than class that dropped the Giants in the last game.

Bucky Harris learned his lesson from that experience and he got busy this year and collected some veteran reserves. He got Mike McNally from the Boston Red Sox but Mike didn't hold up and was passed to the minors.

He secured the veteran Deacon Scott from the New York Yankees but Scotty is not good for many games and he has slowed up to a walk. He picked up Joe Harris from the Red Sox also and found him very handy when Joe Judge was hit on the head with a pitched ball in Detroit and was forced to the bench for weeks. Harris is not the best of fielders but he is one of the most dangerous batters in baseball.

Harris also picked up Bob Veach from the Red Sox to use him as a pinch hitter and for occasional duty in the outfield. He also has Nemo Leibold for spare duty in the outfield and a youngster, Jeanes.

As catching reserves the Senators have the veteran Hank Severid and young Tate, Muddy Rael, who has been doing most of the work behind the bat is badly worn from the strain. He is a little fellow and has to work chiefly on nerve. He is a great little catcher but his work fell off badly late in the season, the loss of strength showing chiefly in his poor throwing to the bases.

The Pirates received a heavy blow when "Lucky Johnny" Hawfling, perhaps the best utility player in baseball broke his ankle late in the season. His work at second base during the final drive of the Pirates was a piece of art and without him the Pirates certainly would have had more difficulty if they did not actually lose the pennant.

As utility infielders the Pirates have the veteran Stuffy McInnis, who can still bat even if he is as slow as a truck, and Ems and Thompson. The team would be in a serious plight if anything happened to Traynor or Wright.

In the outfield the Pirates have as reserves, Carson Bigbee, a good relief man and Hans, a youngster. Bigbee has slipped a lot in the last two years but he is still good for a game or two.

The Pirates catching staff has a good reserve in Spencer and two alternating regulars, Johnny Good and "Old" Smith.

Compared to the brilliant reserve staff the Giants had in the world's series last year the utility men of the two champion teams this year is decidedly ordinary. It is not fair, however, to compare any team's secondary strength to that of the Giants because John McGraw has recruited more high class reserves than any other two teams in baseball.

The Pirates, however, will be much less liable to need reserves than the Senators. The Pirates are comparatively a young club and the players can stand the wear and tear better than the veteran Senators. If anything should happen to Peck during the series, the Senators probably would blow their chances.

Entire Bible Written On One Sheet Paper: KARIUJAWA, Japan, Oct. 1. — (U. P.) — A Japanese Christian, one Ishizuka, a member of the Friends Mission, has just completed a transcription of the Bible, Old and New Testaments, on a single scroll of fine Japanese paper, "kakemono."

The scroll is described as "six shaku, four sun in length and two shaku nine sun wide (six feet by two and one half feet). The work of printing was done by hand with a Japanese writing brush and required "four years and three months and 10,000 prayers," according to the artist. The letters stand out beautifully distinct under a microscope.

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