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LINDBERGH TO WED.

OTHER considerations aside, it is quite appropriate that America's "flying ambassador" should wed the daughter of one of the most able diplomatic ambassadors this country has ever had. The news of the engagement of Col. Charles A. Lindbergh to Anne Morrow, daughter of Dwight Morrow, our ambassador to Mexico, will be well received as another indication of the good judgment of the young man who has had the difficult job of living hero thrust upon him.

From the day he landed at Bouget field after his famous trans-Atlantic flight, young Lindbergh has had the adulation of the women of many nations. Wherever he has gone he has been pursued by giddy females with a crush. A less sensible man might have made many foolish errors. In his wisdom, as in his flying, Lindbergh has taken his own time and made his own choice. He has chosen an American girl, and that she is "of good family" is hardly as important as the fact that she is known as a girl of attractive personality, good education and sound sense.

Lindbergh and his bride-to-be may be sure they have the good wishes of the American people. "And they lived happily ever after" should be written at the end of this modern romance.

ARE YOU FIT?

HOW many business men in Eugene and vicinity are keeping really fit for the hard grind of making a living? How many men getting up into the "dangerous thirties and forties" often admit to themselves and possibly to their friends that they aren't quite what they used to be, that they're getting a bit soft, short of wind, "out of the pink"? How many tune up in the summer time when there's plenty of fishing and golf and tennis and then discard all the benefits of summer exercise during the winter months?

We suggest this line of thought because the Eugene Y. M. C. A. is getting ready for its annual membership drive, and while the membership drive aims to interest as many young boys and young men as possible, it is designed also to attract the more mature citizens. A good many business men feel that taking a membership in the Y. M. C. A. is just one way of making a supplementary donation to an organization already heavily supported by the Community Chest. That's so, if that's the only way you choose to look at it.

But one reason the Y. M. C. A. is compelled to lean heavily upon Community Chest support is because it hasn't ever had anything like the proper number of paying memberships. And the reason it hasn't ever had anything like the proper number of paying memberships is because too few citizens have been impressed with the fact that by joining the Y. M. C. A. they can, if they will, get back far more than their money's worth. There is an unwarranted impression that the Y is primarily for boys' work. Taking active work at the Y hasn't been "done" in the recent past.

Yet there is hardly a business man in Eugene who, if he were living in San Francisco or Los Angeles or Detroit, would not feel it worth his while to get his name down on the list at the Athletic Club. He would gladly ante a couple of hundred dollars for privileges available here for a tenth of the cost. The Y. M. C. A. can become an important community center for people of all ages. Those who fear being "goody-goody" should get over it. The Y. M. C. A. does not seek to exert an influence on those who don't want to be influenced.

Here's an institution representing a large community investment. It has a real service to sell to those who will avail themselves of it. It would prefer to be supported in the main by people who feel they are getting something back. It won't have to lean so heavily on the Community Chest if the community will make use of it. Remember this when you are asked to take a membership. You can donate or you can participate.

SCHOOLS AND CRIME

THE American public school system—pride of the nation for many years—is really a recruiting ground for our steadily increasing army of criminals, according to an article in the February North American Review by Justice Samuel D. Levy of the New York City Children's Court.

Justice Levy explains it thus: Fully 2,000,000 children in our public schools, a tenth of the total enrollment, are below normal mentally. Given special attention, nearly all of these could be developed into useful citizens. But since the ordinary school makes little provision for them, they fall behind in their classwork, are dubbed "dummies" by their school fellows, and rapidly develop anti-social attitudes that later lead many of them into criminal pursuits.

The remedy, as he sees it, is the establishment of ungraded schools in which such children could be educated without being made to feel inferior. The cost, he admits, would be great, but he believes the savings in the crime bill would more than counterbalance it.

His suggestion is worth earnest consideration. The National Educational Association might well give it some study.

AS OTHERS SEE THINGS

The Sales Tax Principle
 (Albany Democrat-Herald)

Senator Miller's sales tax bill, which appeared in the upper house of the legislature late Friday, is proposed as a means of wiping out the state's two million dollar deficit.

When a state finds itself in the position of being unable to finance itself adequately from direct sources of revenue by reason of self-imposed limitations, it studies how to augment its income by levying indirect taxes. The sales tax is an indirect tax.

But the sales tax is wrong in principle because it discriminates against poor men and women.

For instance, let us take the Miller bill. Its author provides for a one mill tax on wholesalers' gross sales and a two mill tax on retailers' sales. On amusements he put a three mill tax and on tobacco a five mill tax.

Every pound of sugar, coffee, flour, meat, every article of clothing, everything that enters the home will be taxed a total of three mills, one mill on the whole.

Now let us compare the effects of the sales tax upon Bill Jones, head of a family and the earner of a \$40 a week income, and upon

a Portland millionaire. Bill Jones pays the three mill tax on everything he buys. So does the Portland millionaire. But the difference in effect lies in the fact that nearly every dollar of Bill Jones' income goes for the purchase of necessities and thus all of his income is sales-taxed. But Mr. Millionaire spends only a small part of his income for living expenses. He has a large surplus left over after he pays his living expenses, a surplus that finds its way into investments, usually tax-exempt investments, upon which our antiquated and unjust system of taxation puts a premium.

Mr. Millionaire eats no more sugar, flour or bacon than Bill Jones. In fact Bill Jones probably eats the more. But the point is that the sales tax reaches all of Bill Jones' income but touches only a small fraction of the millionaire's.

Thus it comes about that the sales tax hits the hardest the person who can least afford to pay it.

Horse Sense
 (Corvallis Gazette-Times)

There are two paragraphs going the rounds of the American press that should be synchronized—or rather correlated.

One referring to statements concerning Abraham Lincoln in W. E. Woodward's new book,

"Meet General Grant." In which he says the great emancipator was merely a shrewd politician, and that he "cared as little for the constitution and its limitations as any communist of today," in which "he fitted in perfectly with the temper of the American today—for hardly anybody has taken the constitution seriously, despite all the learned hypocrisy and patriotic orations about its sanctity."—S. Hendricks, in Salem Statesman.

Objecting to the classification given Mr. Lincoln by W. E. Woodward, Mr. Hendricks goes on to show that even if Lincoln did ignore the constitution, he used horse sense in doing so. We think a better answer is that Lincoln did not ignore the constitution. Albert J. Beveridge says that no man in the country ever revered the constitution as Mr. Lincoln did, and so far as we are concerned, we prefer to credit the investigations of Mr. Beveridge rather than those of Mr. Woodward. Beveridge was trying to tell the truth. Woodward was trying to be sensational. A still better authority is Lincoln himself who was always in his speeches urging the sanctity of the constitution. Here is a sample of his ideas about the constitution.

"As a general rule, I think we would better let the constitution alone. No slight occasion should tempt us to touch it. Better not take the first step, which may lead us to the habit of altering it. Better rather habituate ourselves to think of it as unalterable. It can scarcely be made any better than it is. New provisions would introduce new difficulties and thus create and increase appetite for further change. Let it stand as it is. New laws have never touched it. The men who made it have done their work and passed away. Who shall improve on what they did?"

And in view of his so well known beliefs about the sanctity of the constitution, we wonder what he would think of the many harmful amendments that have been added to it since he died.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER
 (NEA Service Writer)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—Two old men, William Cabell Bruce of Maryland and James A. Reed of Missouri, now leave the senate. Those two represent the sole claim of the wets to leadership in the upper house of congress.

Whether they will have worthy successors is a speculative question. There has been no rivalry for leadership of the minority bloc. Bruce and Reed appeared to be the only ones who had their hearts in it.

This writer expects that the coming wet leader will be Senator Blaine of Wisconsin. Bruce doesn't know, but he has hopes for Senator David L. Walsh of Massachusetts and his present colleague, Senator Millard Tydings of Maryland.

Reed has been a worthy foe to any cause he has opposed. His handling of the famous beer hearings was the most terrific attack on prohibition that the Volstead era has produced. And if its effect was merely cumulative, one may observe that certainly no man and perhaps no combination of men ever will defeat prohibition.

But Reed has many other interests and many other fights. Prohibition is only one of his numerous hates. Then again, from the viewpoint of the wets, Reed fell by the wayside last spring when he hid away their banner and in effect asked the dregs of the democratic party to let bygones be bygones while they supported him for the presidential nomination.

It is "old Senator Bruce" now 65 and a year older than Reed who has devoted himself unflinchingly and almost exclusively to the restoration of what he considers personal liberty. For six years Senator Bruce has delivered speech after speech on the floor, designed to expose prohibition as a most damnable thing in all its effects. Late figures in all its effects. Late figures in all its effects. Late figures in all its effects.

Senator Bruce has not been exactly an inspirational figure. He is a kindly person, a man of culture and high ethical sensibilities who has written worthy biographies, but there are those who regard him as rather a bore. As an orator he invariably sounds as if he were contending against a mouth full of hot mush and he has a noteworthy record for driving senators to the cloakroom for the duration of his lengthy anti-prohibition speeches.

Nevertheless, for sincerity and persistency Senator Bruce has had no superior. He knows the anti-prohibition case by heart and is filled with the urge to speak it out. His social position is high and his son married Secretary of the Treasury Mellon's daughter, but he has never hesitated to blast drinking habits or even assert, as he once did, that he could put all the personally dry senators into a taxicab.

Failure of his politically wet comrades to support him vigorously has been a disappointment to "old Senator Bruce." Elected as wets, they proceeded to forget all about the prohibition issue, he says, and he regards that as dereliction in duty to their constituents. But he admits that many of them think that the only strongly organized force against them is the dregs. Bruce feels that this lack of organization is the great wet weakness and he intends to become actively interested in the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment when he leaves office. He will also resume law practice and writing.

THIS DATE IN AMERICAN HISTORY

February 13
 1682—Robert de La Salle and Torti sailed down the Illinois river to the Ohio and the Mississippi, claiming territory on both sides of the latter for France.

1793—Electoral votes counted in second presidential election, 1793 for Washington and 77 for Adams, who thus became vice-president.

1891—Police matrons first introduced in New York city.

1899—Snow fell in Tampa, Fla.

SIDE GLANCES



"You may have worked at the old Waldorf, but no waiter can tell me how many onions to put in a stew."

Daily Health Service

Preventive Medicine Frees Man From Fear of Disease

(Editor's Note: This is the first of a series of seven articles on "The Human Body and Its Care." The series, in pamphlet form, can be obtained from the American Library Association, 68 East Randolph street, Chicago, Ill.)

By DR. MORRIS FISHER
 (Editor Journal of the American Medical Association and of Hygiene, the Health Magazine)

ONE of the most striking phenomena of the twentieth century has been the rise of interest in health. The philosophers of mankind have for 20 centuries written epigrams, aphorisms and proverbs indicating with absolute unanimity their well settled conclusion that health is the most important factor for happiness in human existence.

Only recently has man begun to take the necessary steps to secure that highly desirable attribute for all mankind. Indeed, in his survey "Our Times," Mark Sullivan considers the work of preventive medicine the greatest of all the accomplishments of man, since it has freed human beings from the fear of disease.

The pest hole that was Panama has today a death rate lower than that of most of the states in our own country.

Hundreds of years ago the person without the scars of smallpox on his face was the exceptional person in the community. Today the one who carries such scars is a monument to the stupidity of his parents, because vaccination against smallpox prevents this disease.

If Chicago had a death rate for typhoid fever today similar to the one it had in 1888, there would have been 60,000 cases of typhoid fever in Chicago instead of less than 200, which was the record for the city during 1925. Such diseases have been controlled through the application of community hygiene on a large scale, through the control of sewage disposal, water supply, milk supply, and the sanitation of food. Such community sanitation problems differ, however, from those that concern the individual himself.

Know Thy Body
 Obviously it is impossible for anyone to take proper care of his body without some knowledge of the manner of its construction and the nature of its function.

The human body is a combination of cells bound together in various systems, such as the muscles, the bones, the circulation of the blood, the nervous system and the digestive tract. These interlocking cogs of the human machine are controlled by the mind or brain to a considerable extent, but many of the functions are automatic.

Within quite recent years sci-

entification—act also as regulators of what might be called the automatic system, including the blood pressure, the heart beat, breathing, and the dilating and contracting of the blood vessels.

Careful consideration reveals moreover that the entire works will get along satisfactorily if left largely alone, particularly since there is within the cells the power of repair—an ability that does not exist, for instance, in such machinery as can be found in automobiles or even in dynamos.

It is perhaps the function of the brain of man to make it possible for him to realize when things go wrong, and to take such steps as are within his power to correct the deviation.

TOMORROW: Hygiene and Sanitation.

20 YEARS AGO

(From The Guard, Feb. 13, 1908)
 H. R. KINCAID is having an addition to Eugene surveyed joining the University campus on the west and on the south. Roy Kearns and Webster Kincaid are surveying it. It will not be platted until March or April.

The street cleaning department worked all night last night and have been at work a greater part of today on the pavement.

J. W. Zimmerman has sold his interest in the real estate business of Zimmerman and Rugh to L. M. Tozier, and the firm name will now be Rugh and Tozier.

Sheriff Harry L. Brown arrived home today from Wellington, Kansas.

Hon. J. N. Teal, one of Portland's most prominent citizens, is in the city attending the commonwealth exercises.

Company C basketball team defeated the Cottage Grove team on the latter's floor last night by the score of 17 to 10.

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St. John Ervine praises Chicago. Maybe he's only trying to highlight the wisecrackers.

A man was sentenced to life in the penitentiary in Michigan for

stealing twenty bags of beans. But he won't ever want to steal any more beans.

A headline in the Seattle Star intrigues and puzzles. "More Winters, Says Summers."

Some of our best friends may have been Yale men, but some of our closest friends have been Scotchmen.

Professor Einstein is astonished over public interest in his theory, which "probably not more than a dozen or so men in the world could possibly understand." Maybe that's just why the public is interested.

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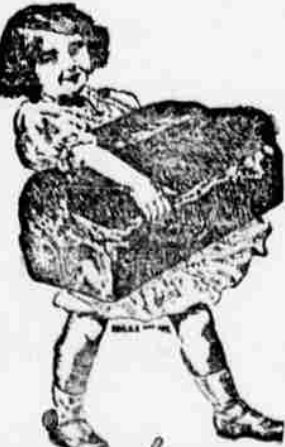
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