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NEWBERRYISM

The expenditure of vast sums by a candidate for office in the recent election held in the state of Pennsylvania, leads one to the inquiry—who advanced the money? If that may be discovered, a second and pertinent question is in order—with what end in view, or, what did those who put up the slush fund expect to receive in return? Was it put up by the liquor interests with a view to make it appear that the country is in favor of their products? If that were the object, one might inquire how they expect to use a state like Pennsylvania as a criterion for the nation? A glance at the names in the city directories will show a large percentage of alien born and continental European extraction. Many of these people came to our shores to escape the rigorous laws of their native country; and they seek to violate or overthrow our laws with impunity. A threatened senatorial investigation into the campaign fund used in Pennsylvania, for reasons unknown, was dropped like a hot potato. It is possible some senators who are candidates for re-election, may need a like fund to assist them in retaining the favor of their constituents. At any rate, what was Newberryism

in Michigan, is in Pennsylvania at the present writing. Sh! Sh! Someone might hear you!

BUILDING THE JETTIES

Turbulent water courses, like the Mississippi river as an instance, flow on for years and at times of flood overflow their banks, spread far inland and do a large amount of damage. People sit by while their crops are destroyed, their homes carried away year after year and plod along with a feeling that perhaps something will turn up to regulate the disaster and they may not suffer the devastation a second time. But time after time the flood comes and it is then that they begin to bestir themselves and determine to no longer suffer the abuse. By building jetties along the stream, with dykes, by straightening the channel here and there, they learn that the flood can be controlled and they no longer suffer the loss of their substance.

It is much the same way with crime and its ravages or any other abuse threatening society. If we let these things run on without attempting to curb them, they soon overwhelm and destroy us. We may sit apathetically by and hope and think the abuses will regulate themselves, like the river dwellers before they thought of the jetties. Left to follow their course crimes increase and spread out wider and wider until the perpetrators begin to assume they are immune and can do much as they please. Like the raging river, finding nothing to oppose, they sweep on and continue their depredations, until out of sheer self-preservation, we arise with the determination to curb the abuses.

At present this flood of crime has reached the stage where it demands our attention if we are not to be swallowed up by it, and there is no particle of doubt we shall meet the situation and successfully cope with it. From all parts of the country

a sense of the danger is being realized and this one fully recognized there is no possible doubt the "jetties" of right and justice will be built and this flood of evil confined to very narrow channels and kept there. The public has been very patient and long-suffering, not to say indulgent in the matter, but when the danger becomes so plainly evident there is no mistaking the temper and the will to adopt corrective measures. There are laws applying to all this flood of crime, and courts, juries and peace officials are evidencing more and more an inclination to do their duty and enforce them and may be relied upon to do so, it is hoped. It is sheer folly and danger to do otherwise if we would progress, sense our moral and material welfare, or attain to anything but the pursuit of happiness and the much desired personal freedom of every one of us. It is time the jetties were built.

WILL WE LEARN BY WHAT WE SEE?

If any person wishes to see what socialism in government will do, the result can be witnessed in England today. The great British strike resulted because the government had to discontinue the subsidy which it paid to coal and mine operators in order that they, in turn, could pay a higher wage to the miners than the price paid for the coal by the consuming public would warrant. Also the dole system in England has encouraged many persons to become idlers instead of workers.

Recent press reports show that out of 40 socialist business ventures entered into by the British government, all but four or five have failed and cost the British tax payers from a few dollars to as high as \$2,175,000 for each venture.

The slogan of the Independent Labor Party in Great Britain is "Socialism in our time." The aim of the party has been nationalization of coal, railroads and electricity, banking and raw materials. Judging from the labor and industrial situation as reported in the British Empire, it would look as if the Labor Party, if it carries out its program, would have to change its slogan to "Bankruptcy in our time."

England has been sending investigators to the United States to find out why this country is prosperous. The visitors have been greatly impressed by what they saw in the way of labor-saving machinery and of the tremendous size of American manufacturing plants. They found that the American workman produced more with the aid of machinery than does the British workman who, through labor organizations has always fought labor-saving devices. In view of the fact that the American worker uses more electric power and gets much higher wages than workmen in any other country in the world, and that our labor-saving machinery is the most highly developed, English investigators may be able to see the connection between high wages and high production per man.

Never before were the advantages of the workman under the American system as compared with the European systems, so strikingly evident as they are today, and yet we have political enthusiasts in this country who would force us down to the European standards if it was in their power, and have the government usurp the rights of the individual, and make the individual workman a mere cog in the political machine.—Manufacturer.

Notes and Comment

By CHAD ALTON

"Dangerous Curves" are not all confined to the country roads. The average flapper displays a few well to be careful of.

Lakes Michigan and Huron are reported to have dropped four feet in volume of water since 1918. Here is a chance for the dries to work up a winning slogan.

Sunny Southern France is having January weather in May and all fruit and cereal crops are threatened. And on the other hand, the valleys of Oregon are enjoying mid-summer days with promises of most bountiful crops.

Eastern fellows are just beginning to bring out their straw hats, and at about the same time here in the Pacific Northwest are thinking of purchasing the second new one.

It was very disappointing to Los Angeles and Florida real estate, that Amundsen discovered no land in his flight over the top of the world. However, there was a good crop of ice up there this

season and that may cheer the ice man.

Engineers are working to produce a noiseless airplane. O, would some master mind invent something to silence the politicians.

A Kentucky girl got thirty days for slapping a preacher's face for preaching against bobbed hair. We men will learn to keep our places after awhile.

By an executive order of President Coolidge, county and municipal officers may be federal enforcement officers. Not very comforting news for the bootlegger.

In parts of Oregon and Washington the pests of earwig come next that of bootleggers. Bath of coal-oil will terminate the career of the bugs, the other defy all the efforts of man to curb them.

A Washington judge rules that bobbing hair is not barbering, within the meaning of the law. We have known for a long time that some barbers are not barbers—just ordinary butchers.

In the museum at Constantinople is a tablet dating back 4000 years B.C., and the inscription on it reads: "Our earth is degenerate in these years. Children no longer obey their parents, everybody wants to write a book. The end of the world is manifestly drawing near." And 6000 years later many are thinking and saying the same things.

In a small Wisconsin city a man has been elected mayor chiefly thru efforts of people in his employ. He has no platform, but his men say his word is good in all his dealings with them, and therefore they are not afraid to trust him in office. All of which is an encouraging symptom that there are some men true to themselves and their fellowmen.

A bill is before congress to copy-right styles and fashions. Its passage will fill with ecstasy the hearts of those females who are always in dread that some other woman will appear wearing the same style hat or gown as graces what she considers her own exclusive own.

Any accomplishment, anything we undertake and successfully bring about through our education, has no virtue unless at the same time we acquaint ourselves with the great "Why" and the fundamentals pertaining to all human existence. The mere knowing how to run a machine by pulling a lever is valueless unless the principles back of the machine are understood.

Kemil Pasha, dictator of Turkey, says Mussolini, dictator of Italy, is a "Clay Caesar." But Kemil's divorced wife says he is a "Pasteboard Napoleon," is neither a soldier nor a statesman, and was a bum husband. But two such men can make a lot of trouble for the rest of the world.

Sailors of our navy first deprived of their grog and then their chewing gum, are cheered by new orders allowing the latter article to again become a part of the ship's stores and sold to them. Jackie on parade masticating a cud of gum will furnish further cause for admiration by the fair sex on shore.

Because a Portland man of 92 married a woman of 70 last week, relatives of the bridegroom are seeking some way to annul the contract. Seems we are never too old or too young for some one to butt in and meddle with our affairs.

Senator Reed of Missouri says millions of dollars were spent in the Pennsylvania and Illinois senatorial campaigns, and he is going to investigate. He may do so all he pleases, and see what will come of it. Any man who can trap big money and punish it will be a jim dandy. No one has claimed that title thus far.

Evidence in divorce court proceedings show that a female justice of the peace of Tacoma performed the marriage ceremony when the young bride was so drunk that she could hardly stand alone. To allow such an unfit person as this justice to hold office ought to arouse such a storm as would send her to prison.

As a result of there being three candidates in the field in the Pennsylvania primaries Vare, a pronounced wet, was successful. The other two aspirants for senatorial honors, both dry, poled a combined vote of 150,000 greater than Vare's thus showing that the dries are largely in the majority in the Keystone state.

The poles of this earth are covered with vast fields of eternal snow and ice where human existence is impossible. Yet venturesome spirits seek them out, ever striving to solve the mystery of the Great Unknown.

An expedition such as the Amundsen one which recently flew over the top of the earth cost a small mint of money. It can be only hoped that the feat justified the expenditure in a world where so much human misery exists and dol-

lars for its relief are not plentiful.

We wish that when they start a war in Poland they would simplify the spelling of localities and their prominent men so that we might be able to pronounce them. President WOJCIECHOWSKI and General Rydzmigli must have some way of pronouncing without twisting one's mouth around to the back of the neck and dislocating the jaw.

Three girls are to be tried in an Indiana town for the offense of powdering their noses during church services. Girls should be more careful and perform their toilet on the public street corner, as many are observed to do.

Membership in some fraternal order has its part in law violation and punishment. Nothing may be said against secret societies, but many a violator wearing the button of one of them often fails to get what is coming to him from the arresting officer or the court in many cases.

A man 56 years old commits suicide leaving a note saying he could get no employment. We cannot believe that in all this country there is not work a man can get to do at something. He gave the wrong excuse for his act. Either he was not over anxious to work, or his mental machinery was out of repair.

A Chicago woman just arrived at 80 and having returned from her thirty-sixth trip around the world, announces she would now like to visit the North Pole, if someone will finance her. A girl of her age should get married, settle down and quit this gadding.

The Begum of Bhopal, lady ruler of a district of India, upon her abdication in favor of her son, recently bought 2500 watches in London to present her people. If these happen to be of the Waterbury variety, perhaps her subjects will not thank her for the trouble inflicted upon them thereby.

STAR CAR SALES ARE STRONG IN WASHINGTON

Oakland, Bay 25.—The entire state of Washington is occupying a dominant position in Pacific coast business this year, and is one of the brightest spots in the country, according to Ernest S. Jones, Sales Manager of the Durant Motor Co., of California, who has just returned from a trip to Seattle and other northern cities.

It was Jones' first visit into the northwest territory, which he has covered for many years as a field representative, since he was recently appointed to his present position.

The Star car dealers are in a healthy condition all over the Pacific coast, he stated, and spring and summer business throughout the automobile trade has recovered quickly after a slow business period early in the year.

James Houlihan, Star car Advertising counsel, was another recent visitor in the northwest territory and has left for a tour of Southern California territory.

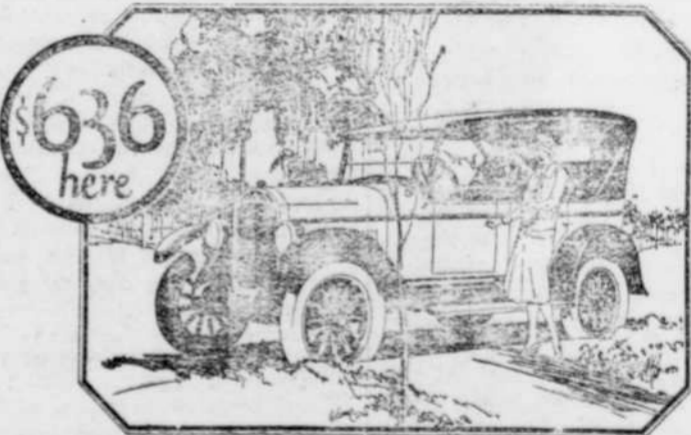
He (after the honeymoon). "Both pairs of my socks have holes in them sweetheart."
She: "Put on both pairs, the holes are in different places."



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