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## Fragments of Fact and Fancy

A letter came to us this week from the "Save the Children Federation," an organization formed in New York to help care for the children of England. It makes a plea for donations of any amount but for \$30 a year (\$2.50 a month), an individual child can be cared for and the donor will be given the name, age and, if possible, a photograph of the young Briton. The address in New York city is Metropolitan Tower, One Madison Avenue, in case any of our readers feel charitably inclined.

Raymond Gram Swing is quoted as saying of the children: "It is a fact that they are now the only future England has."

The cry of the children that comes to us from across the ocean reminds us that about a quarter of a century ago the Armenian orphans were starving and that help from America saved many thousands of this race. Most of those Armenian children eventually found refuge in Greece and today they stand shoulder to shoulder with the Hellenic forces in the first line of defense against the hordes of Hitler.

We pray that the little children of Great Britain will not be called upon twenty-five years from now to stand against the mad dogs of war and that any help we can give them today for their own sake will not be like the bread cast upon the waters to return to us after many years as is the case with the Armenians.

The Golden Gate bridge last week was the scene of the thirtieth suicide from its span. No matter how worth while are the works of man's hands and the results of his genius, they can always be debased and used for evil.

It was the "Battle of the Full Moon" last week as bombers from both sides of the English channel blasted at their moonlit targets. From time immemorial the moonlight of springtime has belonged to young lovers plighting their troth. What a ghastly reversion when instead of Venus nourishing romance, Mars, the god of war, takes over and rains death and destruction from the heavens.

It looks as if Germany had seized upon a scapegoat when the Gestapo arrested an American news correspondent as a spy. The authorized sources declare it is not a reprisal for the arrest in this country of Trans-Ocean agents, which are German newsmen. Maybe it is in retaliation for the arrest of Princess Stephanie but they dare not say so because she professes to be anti-Nazi and insists she will lose her head if deported to Hungary.

Reading in Life magazine last week that Queen Elizabeth and the three royal duchesses took up target practice when France fell and England feared an invasion of parachutists, we were reminded of the story told of another Englishwoman. She was an old nurse and after the evacuation of Dunkerque and the loss of all British arms in Flanders, when the lady of her household prepared to turn over to the government a valuable hunting piece of her dead husband, this old nurse remonstrated as follows: "But what will we fight with?"

Probably because we felt too cocky about our fine weather for the past month or two, the weather man turned the tables on us the first of the week. We do acknowledge that the danger of forest fires in March was very unusual and the record of a few other years show that in 1935 we suffered from sleet, snow and ice. On March 29, 1936, there was a slight snow and a freeze with a little ice the following night. In 1938 we had the wettest March in history. It was during that winter that the river overflowed its banks four times, with consequent high water in the valley.

The idea that the German people

are to replace the Jews as a "hated race" is one which is spreading over Europe and is feared by the "Aryan" people themselves. In America great tolerance has been felt for every race and creed in the past but for the future we are not so sure. We note that the small boys who a year ago were shooting Hitler with their toy pistols are today killing Germans.

President Roosevelt rose to new heights in his speech last Saturday night. No longer was he endeavoring to set American against American, instead he made an eloquent plea for unity. No longer was he advocating privileges for one class but denied another, instead he stood for justice for all and called for sacrifices from each one of us in the interest of our safety and liberty. He displayed the qualities of a great leader by saying what the people wanted to hear and by championing the unalienable rights of all mankind.

### A DEFENSE MEASURE

Senator Morris Sheppard has introduced in congress a bill known as S. 1000. It is a bill known as S. committee on military affairs, of which Senator Sheppard is chairman. Rufus C. Holman, of Oregon, is also a member of this committee, as is Henry Cabot Lodge, Massachusetts; Sheridan Downey, of California, and fifteen other senators.

This bill is a Defense Measure and provides as follows:

Section I provides: "That in the interest of the common defense no person, corporation, partnership, or association shall sell, supply, give, or have in his or its possession any alcoholic liquors, including beer, ale, or wine, at or within any military camp, fort, post, yard, base, cantonment, training or mobilization place, which at the time is being used for military purposes."

Section II provides: That in the interest of common defense—it is made unlawful to sell, etc., as in Sec. I "within such reasonable distance," of military camps, etc., as in Section I, "as the Secretary of War shall determine to be needful to the efficiency, health and welfare of the Army and or Navy." This sets up a zone in which liquor is illegal.

Section III deals only with classification of terms used in the bill.

Section IV provides: That in the interest of the common defense, there be a zone in which prostitution is forbidden or commercialized.

Parents all over the country are demanding the elimination of beer from the camps of our trainees. Thousands of our young men must daily face the beverage, given approval by their government, which they are called to serve.

The attitude of the War Department is, that, with the setting up of the Morale Division with its entertainment and other plans, they can take care of the men within the camp bounds, but what may happen to the men when they go outside is a matter of great anxiety to the Department.

There is still some protection for the Navy but all for the Army has been repealed. Three and two-tenths per cent beer is legal in every state. It would not often be possible to find beer of such low content but while that is all that is legal even in the Army, it cannot be tested, constantly.

Legislative action by Federal Government seems to be the only answer to this problem. The enactment of legislation on this subject similar to that in effect during the World War is a matter within the premise of the legislative branches of the government.

As this is written a letter comes from an army officer in a large camp, (obviously name must not be given), commending what he has seen in newspapers about the efforts to eliminate beer from our camps. He did not write of outside conditions but of the inductment of men in camps by issuance of canteen checks, chargeable to their pay checks. These are now commonly known, said he, as "Beer Checks."

Washington took the lead in 1917. Why not now?

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## TWENTY YEARS AGO

(Taken from The Sentinel of Friday, March 18, 1921)

Tuesday the county court held an adjourned meeting here and let the contract for the building of the Coquille river bridge at this place to A. B. Gidley, of Marshfield, at his bid of \$78,560, the contract providing for the completion of the structure by Dec. 3, 1921.

The gun club, which was organized a month or more ago, was recently reorganized as the Coquille Rod and Gun club, and the following elected as officers: president, A. J. Sherwood; sec.-treas., J. W. Miller; field capt., Ira Johnson.

Joe Fosse, a Marshfield logger, collects stamps during his leisure hours and has 5,500 different specimens in his album.

This is our seventh month without a week of fair weather and there isn't much time left for March to redeem its reputation.

Mrs. J. A. Lamb, Mrs. H. N. Butler and Mrs. E. E. Johnson entertained the high school basketball team with a dinner last Friday evening at the residence of the former.

Well, the bridge is assured; now let's tackle the corn show building project and see about the new hotel we have been talking about.

About a dozen members of the local antlered herd of Elks went over to Marshfield Wednesday with ten baby Elk who were that evening, along with 20 others from the bayside, initiated into the mysteries of the B. P. O. E. Those from here who became Elks that evening were: A. O. Walker,

H. R. Lukens E. J. Page, Ray Miller, J. J. Stanley, Orvil Haga, C. A. Gage, R. W. Catton, O. G. Schneider, Wm. Hall and W. J. Hall, Jr.

Over in France they make a drink from prunes and call it prunelle. Here in Coos county they make one of raisins—why not call it raisinelle?

An experiment farm on some of the black sands, of which there are thousands of acres adjacent to the Pacific coast, will probably be established by the state; and Bandon offers both money and sand to secure it.

An editorial writer in a leading eastern paper takes the position that there is real danger that if the United States and Great Britain start out to rival each other in building battle fleets, the two countries may drift into war for the third time. The idea is so insane as to seem almost unthinkable; but then for these nations which have so long stood in the van of civilization, in foremost files of time, to begin a crazy race for a super navy is hardly more rational. Of course, we know that in the world war England's navy and America's troops were what saved the day but there is now no enemy in sight which either of them need to fear.

The clerk of the weather appears to have it in for the Coquille-Marshfield paving. No sooner does it brighten up and promise set fair than the Scandia people are Johnny-on-the-spot with concrete work, as they were last week. But Sunday's rain, followed by lots more Tuesday and another storm yesterday have put an embargo on the work that was going on famously at the rate of 300 feet a day.

### Circuit Court Cases

- Mar. 13—Lee W. Culbertson vs. Marie Culbertson. Suit for divorce.
- Mar. 13—Frank Porter vs. J. E. Paulson and James Richmond.
- Mar. 15—Juanita Gibbs vs. Donald Gibbs. Suit for divorce.
- Mar. 15—Nellie May Gibbs vs. Stephen Gibbs. Suit for divorce.
- Mar. 17—Georgia H. Plep vs. Herbert O. Plep. Suit for divorce.
- Mar. 19—Margaret N. Beckley vs. Leo H. Beckley. Suit for divorce.

### Probate Court Cases

- J. Arthur Berg was on Tuesday appointed administrator of the \$10,000 estate left by Geo. W. Beale, who died Oct. 18, 1940. Appraisers of the estate are Keith Leslie, C. G. Caughell and James Richmond.
- Otto Hagstrom, of Marshfield, was yesterday appointed administrator of the estate left by Alexander Hagstrom, who died Jan. 29, A. Gunnell, E. G. Hill and Fred Johnson will appraise the estate, which is estimated

to consist of \$400 in real property and \$8,000 in personal.

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