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THE SEDITION LAW

The widespread reaction against the Sterling-Graham sedition bill pending in Congress is a wholesome and refreshing sign. It indicates that the American people are getting down to sober, calm thinking on the subject of radicalism.

Attorney-General Palmer, hitherto regarded as one of the extremist repressionists, has refused to support the measure in question. Many senators and representatives of both parties agree with him. The press almost everywhere is beginning to condemn the proposed measure and the policy it represents. There is a feeling that nearly everybody lately has been over-excited about the matter, and disposed to go too far in limiting the rights of free speech, press and assembly.

The New York World says that this bill would make it a crime to print, circulate or express approval, orally or in writing, of Abraham Lincoln's first inaugural address.

Lincoln declared: "This country, with its institutions, belongs to the people who inhabit it. Whenever they shall grow weary of the existing government, they can exercise their constitutional right of amending it, or their revolutionary right to dismember or overthrow it." The World does not presume to defend Lincoln's statement. The "revolutionary right" suggested by Lincoln is an unpopular and perhaps dangerous thing to preach just now. But the point is that this utterance is found in one of the greatest state papers of one of the most revered Americans, and that under the proposed law, any newspaper printing it could be excluded from the mails, any foreign book containing it could be kept out of the country, anybody circulating it in any form could be put in jail, and even the government printing office would commit a criminal offense if it printed the address among public documents.

It has been objected similarly that this measure would make it a criminal act to print and circulate the Declaration of Independence.

Under the circumstances, it is well that Congress is taking a sober second thought.

NEW CITIES

It is said by the Census Bureau that the present census will probably show the existence of 700 new cities in the United States.

It should be explained, perhaps, that according to census classification a "city" is a municipality of 10,000 or more population. It may be objected, therefore, that these cities are merely new in a technical sense. Nevertheless, they do represent a genuine crop of new cities, just as surely as if they had been created from the ground up, all at once, instead of developing through a period of years. That they are only counted on passing the 10,000 mark is a mere detail, just as it is a mere detail that bushels of wheat are only counted when they are threshed.

For practical purposes, we might say that, at the rate of 70 a year. While these 700 have passed the mark, others have been nearing it. Very likely the next census, in 1930, will show 1,000 new cities, and that would mean a production of 100 a year.

Here is a fact unparalleled in history. It shows, with remarkable clearness, the virility, energy and expansive power of the American people. The big cities usually attract most attention. Their continued, rapid growth is certainly a matter for wondering comment. But all our communities are growing, and it is the small, new communities whose growth is most indicative of the national vigor and prosperity, and whose spirit is most characteristically American.

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TODAY'S EVENTS

Today is the twentieth anniversary of the assassination of Governor William Goebel of Kentucky.
Gen. J. Warren Keifer of Ohio, former Speaker of the national house of representatives, today enters upon his eighty-fifth year.

Seattle will be the meeting place today of the annual convention of the West Coast Lumbermen's Association. Important financial and reconstruction measures are to be taken up by the Belgian parliament when it re-assembles today.

Many eminent representatives of the bench and bar are expected in Topeka today for the annual meeting of the Kansas State Bar Association. Important problems affecting the lumber trade will be discussed by the Yellow Pine Wholesalers' Association, meeting in annual session today at Cincinnati.

Senator Walter E. Edge of New Jersey is to be the chief speaker at the annual banquet of the Indiana Republican Editorial Association at Indianapolis tonight.

Today's Calendar of Sports

Racing

Winter meeting of Cuba-American Jockey Club, at Havana.

Winter meeting of Business Men's Racing Assn., at New Orleans.

Shooting

Sunny South Handicap Tournament, at Houston, Texas.

Racquets

National doubles championship, at New York.

Swimming

Metropolitan 100-yard championship for Women, at New York.

Wrestling

Earl Caddock vs. Joe Stecher, at New York, for world's championship.

Boxing

Jock Britton vs. Jack Conway, 12 rounds, at Savannah.

Sam Langford vs. Tony Melchior, 10 rounds, at Springfield, Ill.

Bobby Josephs vs. Chick Hayes, 12 rounds, at Manchester, N. H.

German's Refused Admission
SUVA, FIJI ISLANDS—Five Germans who formerly lived here tried to return to this colony the other day but were met by British service men who threw their baggage into the harbor. The government has promised the Returned Soldiers' Association that the Germans will be interned pending a decision as to their admission to the islands.

Sound timber twenty-five years old has been conclusively proved to be materially stronger than new stock.

Comment of the State Press

Snappy Gleanings from the Press of the Valley

Combating Influenza—

That common sense urged in combating the influenza isn't so common as many think. A winning fight means a sacrifice of something on the part of everyone. Sacrifice of life then isn't necessary.—East Oregonian.

Let 'em Save Breath—

Democrats in congress are bitterly attacking Admiral Sims because he told the truth about Secretary Daniels. Let 'em save their breath. No congressional gas barrage will ever kill off this blunt old seaman.—Oregonian.

No Creed—

When we entered into the world war we assumed world responsibilities. One of these is to relieve sickness and distress. The war torn nations of Europe are financially unable to assume this responsibility and America ought to be big enough and charitable enough to do her share without asking as to the nationality, creed or antecedents of those who are begging for help.—Columbian.

Pen and Sword—

Pen is mightier than the sword but the hand that slings the ink is no more subject to the infirmity of fatigue than the hand that wields the rapier. Down at Berkeley, General Pershing, after he greeted ex-service men, placed by the side of "writer's cramp" a case of "shaker's squeeze."—Oregon Journal.

Teach Salesmanship—

An interesting innovation in a good many American public schools is the establishment of classes to teach salesmanship, comments, Eugene Guard. While business goes on, good salespeople will be essential. The individual who has studied the principles of selling under experienced teachers and has had his "laboratory" work in good shops will never have to look very long for a paying position.

Nursery Rhymes—

Eny meeny miny mo,
Emma Goldman had to go,
Alex. Berkman couldn't stay
In the good old U. S. A.
Where they went or how they fare
We don't know and we don't care
O'er the ocean deep and hollow
Voices echo, "More to follow."
—Carveth

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