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ALBANY, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

THE MARNE MONUMENT

All Americans will be interested in the proposal to erect a great monument in France, in honor of the victory won by the French army when they stopped the Germans in the summer of 1914. It is to be a colossal stone figure, sculptured by Frederick MacMonnies, standing on the river Marne at the spot where the German army, in its first big rush, swept nearest to Paris. It is to cost perhaps \$250,000 and is to be paid for by subscription in this country. The project is in charge of a committee of representative Americans headed by Thomas W. Lamont of J. P. Morgan and Co.

This voluntary gift from the American people to the French people is appropriate not only because it is a permanent recognition of the part played by France in saving civilization from Prussianism, but because it enables this country to make a sort of return gift for Bartholdi's great Statue of Liberty, standing in New York harbor. That statue was paid for mostly by the pennies of French school children. It is hoped that this Marne monument will represent the same spirit, and will be made the gift not of a few rich men, but of the whole American people. For this reason, it is desirable that the project should be given the fullest publicity and that the subscription lists should be circulated as widely as possible.

It will be a rare privilege to give a dollar, or a dime, or a penny, for such a purpose. And by all means, let the school children have their chance.

TIPPING STATISTICS

The United States Monthly Labor Review presents some statistics concerning tipping customs throughout the country. It is said that hotel waiters fare better in tipping receipts than other hotel employees. The daily average for the whole country is \$2.28. Bellboys come next with \$2.16. Hotel porters average only \$1.60 a day in tips, and the poor chambermaid receives the paltry average of 42 cents.

There are odd vagaries in these averages for different parts of the country. Certain cities play favorites, it seems. Washington, D. C., gives waiters the highest daily tips, while Indianapolis gives the lowest. The most generous city to bellboys is said to be San Francisco, the stingiest, Louisville. It is in Pittsburgh that the hotel porter receives the highest daily tips, and Indianapolis again comes last. Chambermaids get their best tips in New Orleans and their lowest in Omaha.

New York and Milwaukee are fairly liberal with their tips to waiters and porters. But their callousness to the needs of bellboys and chambermaids is indeed lamentable.

Granted that tipping is an evil which will some day be eliminated from truly civilized communities, must one draw the conclusion that Indianapolis today leads the rest of the country in its highly developed civilization?

It is a subject offering vast opportunities for research. As for the Labor Review's figures, the only feeling of the average victim of the tipping system is one of surprise that they are so low.

Notice ;

TO OUR PATRONS AND THE PUBLIC—

We beg to announce that the Albany Lumber Company has changed ownership, but still remains under the former management.

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TODAY'S EVENTS

Centenary of the birth of David C. Broderick, United States senator from California.

Representative women from a dozen states are to gather today at Madison, Wis., for the Mississippi Valley Conference of Women's Clubs.

A regional conference of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, embracing ten of the Southern states, will begin its sessions today at Macon, Ga.

The mental hygiene lessons of the war is one of the chief subjects to be considered at the Third Convention of Mental Hygiene Societies of the United States and Canada, which assembles today in New York city.

Conventions Opening Today
Atlanta—United States Independent Telephone Association.
Louisville — Kentucky Veterinary Medical Association.

Watertown, S. Dak.—South Dakota Corn and Grain Growers' Association.
Milwaukee—Wisconsin Manufacturers' Association.

Milwaukee—Wisconsin Retail Hardware Dealers' Association.

Toronto—Ontario Horticultural Association.

Quebec — Canadian Lumbermen's Association.

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.

Boxing

Mike O'Dowd vs. Silent Martin, 10 rounds, at Detroit.

Joe Lynch vs. Henri Rousseau, 10 rounds at Poughkeepsie.

Bob Martin vs. Hugh Walker, 10 rounds, at Kansas City.

Billy Ryan vs. Bryan Downey, 10 rounds, at Cincinnati.

May Try For Skating Championship

An effort is being made to induce Edward Lamy, former world's professional outdoor skating champion, to start training and keep it up for a year, with the idea of meeting in 1921 Bobby McLean present world's champion, who won the title from Lamy two years ago. A wealthy resident of Saranac Lake, has offered to bear all of any's expenses during his year of training if he will undertake to meet McLean in a series of races. The latter recently sailed for Norway where he races Oscar Mathieson, the Norwegian champion, for a purse of \$50,000 on February 7 and 8.

Flu is Mild—

The flu has reached Astoria but it is in mild form and there is no occasion for the hysterical fear which was the chief ally of the disease a year ago, remarks Astoria Budget.

Wo'den Heads—

Holland's refusal to surrender the kaiser for trial indicates that wooden heads must be as common there as wooden shoes. —Eugene Guard.

Comment of the State Press

Snappy Gleanings from the Press of the Valley

Municipal Ownership—

It used to be said that municipal ownership of lights and water was a failure, but Eugene and other cities nailed that corporation lie good and hard several years ago. There is a late example of the benefits of municipal ownership in the operations of the Tacoma plants during 1919, where the light department cleared \$439,570 and the water department \$103,724" according to the annual report. And rates are much lower than in the old days of private ownership—Eugene Guard.

Sugar Trusts—

The American people have not fully made up their minds as to whether they are being robbed by the sugar trust, but most of them have a suspicion that such is the case. The way local dealers are parcelling out the sweet stuff indicates that the supply is being juggled somehow.—Corvallis Gazette.

Up in Air—

It may be just as well that the proposal to give the head of the air service a seat in the president's cabinet was rejected by congress. The cabinet is up in the air often enough as it is.—Oregon Journal.

Under Single Banner—

The old, old issue of single tax, which has been snowed under with monotonous regularity for years, is again bidding for recognition in Oregon, and this time it is proposed to make it the war cry of a third party. By way of adding frills, the talking points of the Non-Partisan league are to be lugged. Thus it is hoped to unite all the schemers and dreamers and tinkers under a single banner.—Eugene Register.

Pauper Labor—

A magnate from Pittsburgh wants permission to import Coolies from China to work at common labor around his steel mills. He is the man who deserted the good wife that stuck by him when he was poor, and spent five or six millions on a fat-legged footlight favorite. It is things like him who can be expected to want to import pauper labor to keep from paying Americans a living wage.—Stayton Mail.

From Benton County—

County School superintendent R. E. Cannon, of Benton County schools, was an Albany visitor yesterday afternoon.

From Corvallis—

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Butler, of Corvallis, visited last night at the home of Mrs. Butler's brother, W. H. Ridgeway. A soiree evening was spent with Mr. and Mrs. William Green and Mr. and Mrs. Dunnington as guests.

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