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WHAT THE PROHIBITION PLANKS MEAN

The Republicans said we favor resubmission of the eighteenth amendment to a vote of the people. The Democrats said we favor repeal of the eighteenth amendment. The practical working out of both planks would be the same. Both must bring the eighteenth amendment before the people in state constitutional conventions in order to change the amendment—exactly the way it was passed.

The democratic party is made to say it favors repeal. Yet how does the leaders of the democratic party know that the rank and file of the party favors repeal? What has become of the dry south that did not vote for Smith because he was ringing wet?

What the democratic party has in mind is local option or something founded on state's right doctrine. What the Republicans have in mind is modification of the eighteenth amendment and the Volstead act.

There is undoubtedly going to be some change. To our mind the more sensible ground is for modification than repeal.

DAYS OF HAPPINESS—FOR SOME

Everywhere in the United States it's Summer now. School is out, and the small boy comes into his own.

Is there any such complete, irresponsible happiness anywhere in the world as that of the schoolboy in the long Summer vacation? We can't remember that we ever were completely happy except in those two or three years each side of twelve, when we had nothing much to do, aside from a few chores around the place, from June to September. How many things a boy of that age finds to do in the Summer, swimming, fishing, berry picking, baseball, or just loafing around in the fields and woods with his dog.

The country boy has it all over his city cousins in Summer. He can go barefoot without losing caste; he is not always running into a policeman to stop him from having a good time; he doesn't have to comb his hair and put on a clean collar every little while, and if there's a hole in his shirt or his breeches nobody worries much about it, at least of all the boy himself. The small boy isn't old enough to understand the troubles that worry his elders. He hasn't had enough experience to realize that life, for most people, between the ages of fifteen and, say, sixty, is a succession of more or less tragic emergencies. School, of course, is an awful nuisance, and keeps him from being completely happy nine or ten months in the year.

If we were asked to point out the happiest individual in the world we'd pick almost any country boy of twelve or thirteen, in the Summer.

OREGON OUT OF DOORS

Thousands of people spent the Fourth of July holidays on outing in the McKenzie and Upper Willamette river sections as well as on Western Lane county beaches. There are few places in the United States where such varied natural recreational opportunities are offered so close to home.

Nature has been kind to us to endow this county with such natural resources. We have done our part in building fine roads to make these places accessible. From the evidence that foreign license plates presents it seems that hundreds of visitors also appreciate our scenery and our play grounds.

BUILD THE BRIDGES

Our suggestion last week that the five bridges on the Oregon Coast highway at Florence, Reedsport, Waldport, Newport and Coos Bay be built with borrowed federal money and then be made toll bridges, met with favor of many people who have expressed themselves to us. This plan we believe would be a great aid to unemployment and could be carried out without any immediate burden on the taxpayer as the tolls would carry the interest charge and make some payment on the principal until such time as the state would wish to make the bridges free.

No matter whether we would like to have quarterly auto licenses or not we admit that Secretary Hoss is being asked to do something which is contrary to law. The thing that should be done is to change the law rather than to expect a public officer to jeopardize his position and lay his bondsmen liable for the sake of expediency.

Time changeth all things—Wall Street was once a crooked cow path. Now it is roamed by bulls and bears.

Who stole the school bill petitions is the burning question of the hour. No Cock Robins have yet appeared.

Some of Congress budget balancing is about like writing a check to pay for an overdraft.

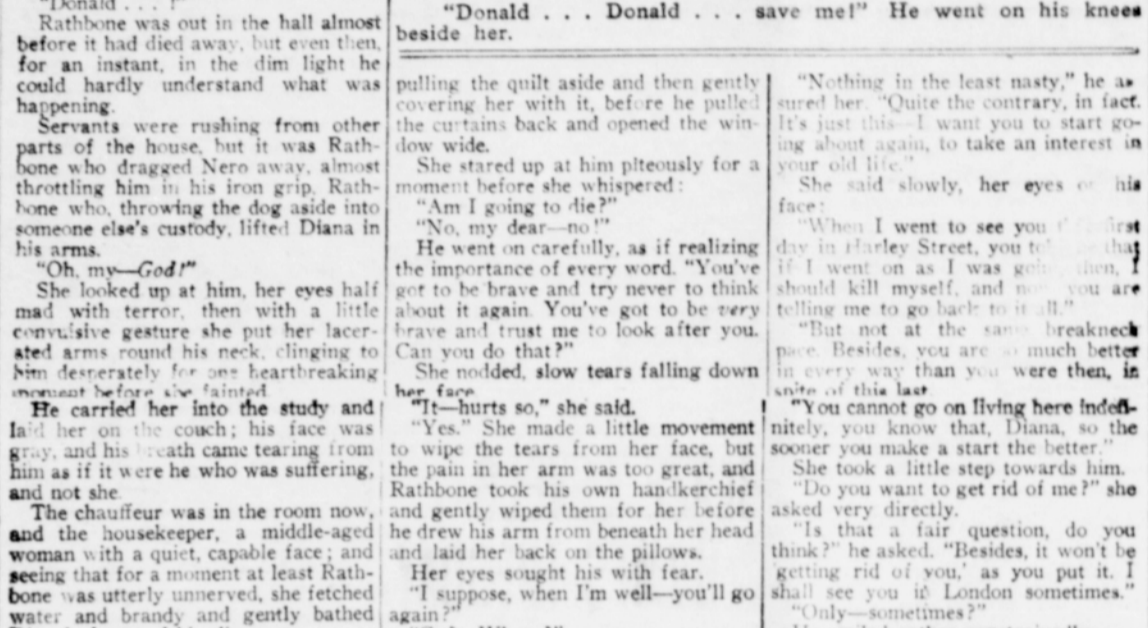
We wonder if Hoover is to be blamed for the unemployment riots in Canada last week.

The FAMILY DOCTOR by JOHN JOSEPH GAINES M.D. SPEAKING OF SNAKE-BITE...

I enjoyed a short fishing trip on the Osage River some time ago. This stream, in its course which winds among the Ozark Hills of Missouri, is most fascinating in its setting of rugged beauty. The dwellers in the neighborhood were primitive and physicians were evidently few and far between; the simple folk had learned to do their 'doctorin' themselves.

DIANA MADE THE TOWN BY RUBY M. AYRES

Ninth instalment. Diana, in love with a married man, Dennis Waterman, has a nervous collapse as a result of the gay life of London society. Her aunt, Mrs. Gardner, takes her to a doctor, who orders her to the country for a rest. Dr. Rathbone has a country home nearby. Dennis calls at the cottage, then goes for a long trip. He writes from America that he is there with Linda, his wife. Diana finds herself becoming more and more interested in Dr. Rathbone and questions her nurse, Miss Starling, about him. She also questions Jonas, a farm boy of the neighborhood, about a woman who lives in Dr. Rathbone's house. Her name is Rosalie. Then Diana meets Rosalie in the woods; she acts strangely and leaves Diana puzzled. Some time after the meeting in the woods with Rosalie, Dr. Rathbone calls again at Diana's cottage.



pulling the quilt aside and then gently covering her with it, before he pulled the curtains back and opened the window wide. She stared up at him piteously for a moment before she whispered: "Am I going to die?" "No, my dear—no!" He went on carefully, as if realizing the importance of every word. "You've got to be brave and try never to think about it again. You've got to be very brave and trust me to look after you. Can you do that?" She nodded, slow tears falling down her face.

"You cannot go on living here indefinitely, you know that, Diana, so the sooner you make a start the better." She took a little step towards him. "Do you want to get rid of me?" she asked very directly. "No, not at all, I assure you, Diana," he said, smiling faintly. "I know what is best for me, and I know what is best for you." He checked a smile. "And what is best for you?" he asked. "To be where I am happiest," Diana said with troubled eyes. "And I am happiest where I know I shall see you most often."

PEA GROWERS ASKED TO AID IN WEEVIL CONTROL. Repetition of Heavy Infestation. Likely Next Year if Fields Are Not Cleaned Up. As a means of preventing a repetition next spring of one of the worst infestations of pea weevils in Oregon for years, an appeal has been sent out by A. O. Larson, federal entomologist stationed at Oregon State college, for growers of garden plots as well as commercial growers of field peas to clean up their patches as soon as possible after the green peas have been picked or harvested.

This WASHINGTON BY RADFORD MOBLEY ALTAIRER'S WASHINGTON BUREAU

Washington, D. C.—Outside of partisan politics, which still centers largely around the question of prohibition, the most important topic of discussion here is still President Hoover's invitation to the world to reduce all land armies to their "police component," to abolish bombing planes, cut down battle-ships by one-third, reduce other naval craft by a quarter, cut submarine tonnage to a maximum of 35,000 tons per nation, abolish tanks, large mobile guns and chemical warfare, and so reduce the cost of military and naval expenditures by one-third. This would save the people of the world from ten to fifteen billion wasted dollars, the president estimated.

Relief Bills Far Apart. How far the relief bill, which is the final act in the congressional comedy, will go toward reducing taxes is still another question. Each house has passed a bill authorizing the raising of a couple of billions by bond issues, for use in public works and for loans to states for relief work.

Furlough for Pay Cut. Federal employees are breathing a sigh of relief over the proposed plan of reducing their salaries, instead of the proposed ten percent cut. They have to take a month off each year without pay, but that is only an eight and one-third percent cut, and a large proportion of them have families outside of the District of Columbia who would be glad to have them come home for a visit of two months.

The problem of the "B. E. P.", meaning the Bonus Expeditionary Force, which is still camped on the marshy flats of the Eastern Branch of the Potomac, is a difficult one. Efforts are being made to get the states from which the 20,000 ex-servicemen came to provide for their repatriation.

An observer who talked with many of these men found them the dependent type bred in industrial centers, who have always had somebody to look after them and don't know how to face the world when they are not on a payroll. They remember that when they were in the army or navy they had three good meals a day, clothing and shelter, and they have turned to Uncle Sam like the prodigal son to his parents. Everybody is sorry for them, but nobody seems to know just what to do.

Washington hotel and business men are hoping there will be as much publicity about their depart-

the ratio of silver to gold in our treasury up to where it was when the present law, authorizing the issue of \$500,000 of silver certificates, was adopted. Then we had about a billion dollars in gold reserves; now we have about four billion. Whatever happens to that proposal, there is a strong belief that the Summer will see a rehabilitation of silver to the position it occupied as money before the war, through international agreement. Plans are all laid for an international conference, probably in London, before the end of September. That would send up the price of silver and put the silver nations on more nearly an equal basis with the nations in international trade. That, in turn, would send up commodity prices and greatly help to bring back business and employment.

LARGE GROUP GUESTS AT YACHTS FOR FOURTH. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor entertained a party of Salem, Eugene, and Springfield people at their cottage near Yachats over the weekend holidays. The party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Shelgrove, Max Shelgrove and daughter, Geraldine, Mrs. June Cherry and son, Raymond and Warren Lam, all of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gray and Francis Gray of Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Fellows of Santa Clara, Roy Lee of Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Dibble, Miss Freda Fellows, Mrs. Cecilia Jones all of Springfield, and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor.

MOTOGAS. The new economy fuel for motor cars is being sold at this station. While it costs less than other gasolines it goes farther than ordinary white gasoline and gives greater satisfaction.

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PAUSE.... for a Moment. and cool off with a dish of Eggmann's ice cream. Our fountain is busy these days serving many kinds of thirst quenchers. Have you had yours? EGGIMANN'S "Where the Service is Different"

Business Always Looks Dark To He Who Waits. Easy chairs went out of style almost two years ago. Getting business today requires action. Business stiffs are too small and the business man does not have hours enough to personally go out after every piece of business to be had...



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