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HONG KONG KOLUM CHINA BOYS WLO'S WLO IN AMERICA

COUNTING THE COST

(By Charles B. Driscoll.) The cost of Independence Day! For years we've heard that war, the expert counts always say that Lexington looks pale, that Bunker Hill appears a joke, and war is just a sham, beside this day, when thousands croak. They cry to Uncle Sam, to force us to be "safe and sane," to drop our dynamite, to hold our boys with ball and chain, and clamp the lid down tight. Well, we have had the sanest day we've had in many years, and yet I'll venture now to say the land is soaked with tears. The Fourth has caused more tears to flow than flowed at Bunker Hill. Perhaps you think this isn't so. Prove it can, and will, flow many healthy, red checked boys did spend this Fourth in tears, because they dared not make the noise they made in former years? How many bawled themselves to sleep, how many million more, were plunged in sorrow six feet deep, for lack of cannon's roar? What were the tears of Lexington, by patriot thousands shed, compared with those of every son with two eyes in his head, who wept this year for lack of noise, who wailed for pleasure lost? How safe and sane we've made our boys, and—Ouch!—at what a cost!

FIGHT BETWEEN THE RHIS

Patricia—Quite a girl you had at the game. Pentrod—Yeh, a peach. Know the game, too. Patricia—Well, she ought to. She hasn't missed one in 20 years.—Cornell Widow.

HIS FAILURE

"Perkins will never make a good golf player," remarked the first golf bug. "No," replied the second golf bug; "he neglects his game to attend to business."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

TOOK NO CHANCES

Old Walter—So, sir, you went after the job? I thought you believed that the office should seek the man? Old Patron—I do, but this is a fat job and I thought it might get winded before it reached me!

PATRICK BENEATH

Patrick Henry greatest American sneaker after Mister Bryan. He say, "give me liberty or give me die." All right, say them an' give him both. Patrick Henry great lawyer but no trusts in him day an' poor Plat die poor.

MAYHEW HALLY THAW LIVE THEN

Patrick Henry die rich! Plat almost be president only he say, "no let George do it." So George Washington president instead of Patrick.

PATRIOTIC DEFERENCE

Oh, many a citizen you'll see Prepared patiently to stand And hear a lengthy speech when he Would rather listen to the band. —Washington Star.

THE SAME ONES!

Amy Burgeon—Young man, I am sorry but I can't pass you. Your teeth are too bad. Youth—Well, I'll be banged! You passed these same teeth yesterday on Tim Smith. We both borrowed them for the occasion.

THE GERMAN CRISIS

THE failure of the German reply to disavow the sinking of the Lusitania and the loss of over a hundred American lives is to be regretted. It makes most difficult the course of President Wilson to firmly maintain American rights and at the same time avoid a clash with Germany.

The people of Germany are war mad. They have little to lose by a declaration of war against the United States. One more isolated, distant and unprepared enemy would not make much difference in their situation. They might figure a gain, inasmuch as munitions supplied allies would be diverted to prepare the United States.

The crisis that confronts the administration is the more difficult in that few Americans and no Europeans are in a position to give a fair and impartial opinion on the war or on the present dispute. All see through glasses colored by heredity and environment.

The danger of the American position is intensified by the fact that we are a nervous and excitable people and a wave of patriotic hysteria is apt to sweep the nation into a conflict as it did in '98. Our isolation as a nation has kept us free hitherto from friction like that engendered by the existing situation.

Germany has been friendly to the United States in the past, but on account of the war munitions being sold the allies, has come recently to hate us. Germans admit that we have every right to sell these munitions under international law, and were the Germans in control of the sea, would themselves profit by the purchase of war material, but they naturally deeply resent the traffic and it has embittered Germans against America, further complicating the situation.

The United States, as the foremost representative of peace in the world, as the spokesman of the new world code of the rights of man and democracy, should take every precaution to avoid a conflict. Swellheadedness and braggadocio are not patriotism. There is as much and more moral courage in refusing to join a war-crazed world in the abyss of slaughter and destruction as there is in rushing precipitately into a conflict. Brute force is never in the long run superior to moral law. Humility is the ideal of Christianity.

War is opposed to civilization, to nature, to humanity, to religion. Any argument in its favor can be used as an argument for crime. From a selfish viewpoint, if we can keep out of war we will become the commercial center of the world, supplying devastated Europe with the wherewithal of its restoration after the blood saturnalia has finished.

Patriotism puts the good of the nation first, and the good of the nation cannot be served by war. On account of the inflamed and one-sided view obtaining in belligerent countries, we cannot allow ourselves to be governed by these lop-sided standards. Nor should we make demands which we know will not be granted, thereby causing ourselves needless humiliation.

It is fortunate for the nation that we have an executive as calm, even-balanced and patient as Woodrow Wilson, who thoroughly understands the dangers that confront the nation, and who will, if anyone can, maintain peace without sacrificing the nation's honor.

"Honor" is a fine word—but there is no honor among belligerents, and there is no reason for caring what the lunatic nations of Europe think about the United States, for none of them care in the least what the United States thinks of them, except as it affects their material interests.

THE RIGHTS OF CHILDREN

WHEN John Jacob Astor went down with the Titanic he left an unborn child. This child, now three years old, at maturity will have a fortune of one hundred million dollars—\$100,000,000.

Ponder these figures. One hundred million dollars means the total earnings of over four thousand laborers for forty years.

One hundred million dollars would mean the savings of more than twenty thousand men laboring, toiling year after year for forty dreary years.

In the families of the poor hundreds of children die every week because of insufficient food or care because of the poverty of their parents.

The child of Astor has not contributed more to the world than the three-year-old that is found playing in the squalor of the tenement district. Each comes into the world without any choice of its own. In the hand of one is placed the scepter of luxury and power over thousands; on the forehead of the other is placed the brand of poverty and servility.

As the fortune of the one would bring comfort, health, education and culture to thousands, so the poverty, suffering, toil and hardship of the thousands will maintain and perpetuate the fortune of the one.

This is the system men feign to believe perfect, or, if imperfect, that mankind is powerless to change. For your child and mine and their children in time to come, is there to be no justice, no equality of opportunity? Must the opportunity to live be dependent upon the accident of marriage and birth?

Think not, O grown men and women, of yourselves! Think of the innocents to come. Have we prepared a world fit to receive them? Have we the right to ask them into a world that discriminates between them, even to the extent of starving and killing some?

This condition exists in America among the children of Americans. In America all are not free. The children are not free—for freedom for the child means freedom from want, from hunger, from poverty, from ignorance—and unless it has in childhood and youth freedom from these it never will enjoy freedom, because it will grow up without ever knowing what freedom or liberty means.

Every child has the right to be well born, we are told. Do the child's rights end with birth? If true, our civilization is perfect; if untrue, then our civilization is unforgivable.

STUDENTS LEARN BABY CARE: ADOPT ONE TO PRACTICE ON



Inez Louise, school "practice baby."

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 10.—Little Inez Louise, a chubby-fisted, glob-glabbing toddler, is blent with forty young foster mothers, beside her "really" parents.

These forty foster-mothers—the girls of the Denman school graduating here—make all of Inez' summer and winter clothes. This year's wardrobe has just been completed and delivered.

Until she is six, that is for the next four years, the graduating classes of

Denman have promised to provide all the rompers, petticoats, caps, ribbons and other fluffy things little Inez Louise can use.

Each year they borrow "their baby," measure and fit her to the neatest and best-sewed infant clothes that can be made or purchased.

The object of this custom is to turn the efforts of students in the industrial training classes from useless doll clothes to real baby dresses and to ease the burdens of poor mothers.

News From Our Neighbors

ALONG ROGUE RIVER

R. Minter started with his sheep to the mountains Friday.

Arthur Morrison and family of Crystal arrived at his mother's Mrs. Alvin Albright's last Saturday night.

Little Mildred Below is recovering from an attack of tonsillitis.

Mrs. Edwin Piele and children have returned home from the Dow hospital at Central Point.

Mrs. P. H. Daily and Mrs. Bressly and their children returned to their homes in Medford Monday.

Misses Anna Robertson and Alice Schaefer spent Saturday night with Mrs. Jettie Clarno.

Perry Foster spent Sunday at the Albright home at Trail.

Independence Day was celebrated along the river by a great many picnics from Saturday morning to Monday night.

Sunday at the Dodge-French a small boy fell from a boat in the rapids but was rescued. A horse backed off a grade along the river and upset the buggy and threw an elderly lady out and bruised her quite badly and a doctor was called.

Dr. Holt made a couple of professional calls to Charles Skyrman's within the last week.

Miss Ellen McTabb is visiting her sister, Mrs. Nate Garrett, of Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. Britson are the guests of their sons on the Veight ranch.

You Skyrman is showing improvement after ten days of sickness.

Mrs. Mae Dow and children were the guests of Mrs. J. Hannah on Wednesday night.

There seems to be a complaint among the petit jurors as to their pay. They have to pay cash for their expenses and receive their pay in county warrants which they must hold about four years to cash them for full value. They are hard to cash even at a discount.

Miss Mattie Minter was in Medford one day last week.

Wellred Jack and family expect to start for their home in Lake county one day this week.

AUTO SERVICE FROM EAGLE POINT TO MEDFORD AND BACK

The undersigned will leave Frank Lewis' confectionery every day except Sunday for Medford with his auto at 1 o'clock p. m., arriving at 2 p. m. Leave Nash hotel, Medford, at 3 p. m., arrive at Eagle Point at 6 p. m. A part of the traffic is solicited. S. H. HARNISH, Eagle Point, Ore.

With Medford trade as Medford made.

John A. Perl UNDERTAKER Lady Assistant 28 S. BAYLETT Phone M. 47 and 47-52 Ambulance Service Coroner

ASHLAND AND VICINITY

Local banks make a good showing in the June statement recently issued. Collectively the three institutions report resources and liabilities respectively of \$1,209,000 in round figures. Loans and discounts \$641,000. Deposits \$917,000. Surpluses and undivided profits \$48,000. Overdrafts are a mere bagatelle, being merely \$180. The capitalization is \$175,000, \$100,000 for the First National, \$50,000 for the Citizens and \$25,000 for the State Bank of Ashland. The Citizens and State institutions conduct savings branches.

The circulation of the First National is \$75,000, and it is a recognized depository for state, county and United States funds.

The Montenegrins which have been experiencing trouble up in Portland and Seattle over infringement of neutral laws, passed through here last week northbound from Arizona points. They occupied three coaches on No. 16.

Publicity Manager Duryea, of the Commercial club, was in Portland last week, attending an important conference of railroad and city officials, also newspaper representatives.

Wm. Schummloffel, of Sacramento, a former grocery merchant of Ashland, is a chautauqua vacation visitor here with his wife and daughter and other relatives.

Geo. W. Dunn has gone to Seattle to attend the annual meeting of the Imperial Shrine as a delegate from Hillah Temple of this city. His wife accompanied him. D. B. Grant of Portland, is another delegate from the local body. Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Butler will also make the trip, stopping at Portland and various other Oregon points en route. Evan Reames of Medford, and A. C. Hough of Grants Pass will also represent Hillah's organization.

F. E. Conway of Marshfield, extensive contractor in the building line and a former resident here was in town recently on business matters, on his way to attend the Shrine convention at Seattle.

Shriners 200 strong, from Rajah Temple of Reading, Pa., were in town Saturday, being afforded a period of relaxation after a strenuous trip across the continent which was made in a special train of nine coaches. Philadelphia & Reading equipment. After attending the big doings at Seattle they will tour Yellowstone park. George J. Eisenbrown is Rajah's potentate. After dining here they were taken in autos to join their train at Medford, cars from the latter city assisting in the transportation.

THE PAGE

Medford's Leading Theater Cool, Comfortable, Well Ventilated Vitagraph-Broadway Star Feature Victors at Seven Three Reel Comedy Vitagraph The Goddess Two Parts Sellé Drama The Angel of Spring

COMING—Attraction Extraordinary Wednesday and Thursday BETTY NANSEN, The Royal Actress in "The Celebrated Scandal"

portation. Pyramid Temple, from Virginia, passed through later in the evening, and during its limited stay the party were remembered with flowers, while lithia water was on tap ad lib at the exhibit building. W. A. Freeber and wife started for an auto tour Sunday morning, in their Ford runabout, the trip extending as far north as Portland. They will visit their son, Al W., at Gaston.

Merle B. Robison and Miss Fern Beeler were married in Medford Thursday, and left for the exposition for a visit of a week or ten days. Merle is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Robison, residing on Laurel street and is a mechanic at the Park garage. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Beeler. The young couple will continue to reside here.

The city jail has outlived its usefulness. At least the "safety first" principle dictates the erection of a new structure which will be of concrete instead of the present veneered affair. The new jail will be built in the rear of the fire department annex to the city hall. The old quarters will be converted into rest rooms for the public convenience, being very handily located on the Plaza at the entrance to the park system.

Bruce Wilcox, a former partner here in the hardware firm of Biegel & Wilcox, is now an attorney residing at Alliance, Nebraska.

Northern California papers report the marriage July 4, of Nellie Parman, of Ashland, to Roy Bell, of Oak Park, Cal., the home of the newly weds to be in the latter town.

Parties from Etna Mills, in Siskiyou county, report the shooting and killing of Roy Donahue, a boy of eight, by Bessie Johnson, a young girl, who was shooting at a rattlesnake. They both lived near Sones Bar.

Mrs. Jessie Stratton, of Portland, daughter of Mrs. M. E. Wood, is visiting her mother during chautauqua, accompanied by her little daughter.

Two special trains, conveying Shriners from San Francisco and Los Angeles to Seattle, passed through Sunday evening and during the twilight hours they were regaled with lithia water at the exhibit building, where apparatus has been installed to furnish this liquid under pressure and at temperature equalled only by modern sodawater resorts.

July 30, having been reserved as the date for Jackson county's Iowa picnic to be held here, it remains to be seen if the turnout will come up to expectations. The recent Scandinavian reunion was but slimly attended, while the Kansas people, as an organization, at the Jayhawk gathering last Thursday, did not number 50 all told. However, Grants Pass plans to come 200 strong and that ought to prove an incentive for Jackson county to rival this attendance.

Over 50 Iowa editors were expected to pass through here on Monday, July 12. Coming from an eminently corn state, it would only be in order that they be regaled with hominy, grit, rolled oats and other cereals indigenous to the land of their nativity, instead of the perishable rose and evanescent lithia fizz.

The city election in Klamath Falls bids fair to become an exciting one, with no less than four candidates for mayor in the field. They are C. B. Crisler, Wm. Baldwin, A. J. Lyle and J. B. Mason. The time for filing nomination papers for that position has now expired by limitation.

Anticipating by fully one year in advance, Mayor Johnson is already planning for a notable Fourth of July observance at Ashland in 1916. Not being already well known it might as well be stated here that gun powder will hereafter be taboo in Ashland in accordance with a specific ordinance to that effect. This implies that the firecracker and all its other accompaniments must go in observance of future celebrations of a sane Fourth. Prof. Larimore, of Los Angeles, has been engaged to conduct a children's pageant on a colossal scale. The Scandinavians of the Rogue river valley will also be present with their characteristic national games interspersed with

musical settings embracing folk songs and other traditional accompaniments.

Two of the big engines damaged here in the recent wreck have gone to Dunsmuir for repairs. They were able to go under their own steam, the trip taking 13 hours. Engine 2347, however, the one which hauled the baseball special, had to be hauled to the Sacramento shops in the double portions of locomotive and tender, together with the two steel coaches damaged by the collision. Cost of repairs owing to this wreck have been estimated at from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

Samuel Penniston, park commissioner of this city, took the first prize on sweet peas at the Portland floral, horticultural and land products exhibition.

Ed Butler of the Plaza confectionery, is on the sick list due to an attack of grip with rheumatic complications. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Van Buskirk, of 227 Meade street, are the parents of a fine eight-pound boy, born Friday of last week. Van is round house clerk in the local railroad yards. Mr. and Mrs. Van Buskirk now have five children, three girls and two boys.

Thad Powell's new billiard hall, corner of A and Fourth streets, was opened to the public last week. Alden Powell, formerly of Shouddy's cigar store, is for the time being in charge. The new quarters are equipped with a billiard and two pool tables.

Marsh Wagner, past exalted ruler of Ashland Lodge No. 944, left for Los Angeles Saturday as delegate to the big gathering of Elks in that city.

Dr. George Scott and wife of Atlantic City, N. J., accompanied by the doctor's sisters, the Miss Mary and Fannie Scott of Wilkesburg, Pa., a suburb of Pittsburg, arrived in Ashland last week on their way home from a Pacific coast tour. The doctor and his wife have continued their journey but the sisters will remain here for an extended visit with relatives in the Wm. Myer, George Anderson and Butler Walker families.

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