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HONG KONG KOLUM



Never strike man when him down. All right—when strike, hit so hard you no need strike again! Mexican man say automobile turn turtle. Maybe so be good thing all them turn turtle—move slow den. We see.

Submarine H-11—Just launched at Quincy, Mass., should not be hard to raise.—N. Y. World.

Born Into It, But—Charles Ulrich, who has just celebrated his eighty-ninth birthday at Providence, N. J., has only had one drink in his life.

He was born on a farm located at the spot where Broadway meets Forty-second street, now the hub of New York's high life.

LLOYD BORNGASSER LIFE INSURANCE AGENT Fairbury, Nebraska

Useful Visitor (at institute for blind)—I thought you cared for both sexes here. I see only the men patients? Attendant—Well, we do take both sexes, but there is a girl's seminary located nearby and all of our women inmates have been engaged as chaperons!

Uncle or Aunt Tim—Hello, Mike! They tell me that yer sister that was atfther marryin' Plannigan last year is a happy mother this mornin'. Mike—That's so, me b'y. Tim—Is it a b'y or a gurrel that it is, Mike? Mike—Ah, ehure, I don't know, Tim. Isn't it neseft that's jst gonn' up to the house to see whether it's an uncle or aunt I am, at all, at all?

From Vaudeville (Flynn and McLaughlin) "Haven't you got a bother who's a minister?" "He was a minister but he went into the hat business." "Why did he leave the church?" "For seven reasons." "What are they?" "A wife and six children." "Did you know that today is my birthday?" "Let me congratulate you." "How old do you think I am?" "I don't know but you don't look it." "The other day I had my fortune told by a paluist." "Girls make me tired. They are always going to get their hands read." "Yes, and men are always going into saloons to get their noses red." "I can't get angry with you. You're a queen." "Then lend me a ten spot." "Here you are, but I'm surprised that you take it." "If you understood anything about cards you'd know that the queen always take a ten spot."

His Vow He solemnly took his marriage vows A wise man and wary: But here the plot comes in the thing: He vowed he'd never marry!

THE MEXICAN PACIFICATION.

GREAT interest attaches to the Pan-American plans of pacification in Mexico, which will be printed in Sunday's papers. The countries participating with the United States, are Argentina, Brazil, Chili, Bolivia, Uruguay and Guatemala.

Until the Wilson administration, the South American republics were but seldom consulted. As a result, the United States has been viewed with suspicion and hostility in Pan-America, which distrusted, and with good reason, its imperialistic tendencies as manifested under Roosevelt in the canal deal. President Wilson's disavowal of territorial grabbing ambitions and his previous efforts at pacification through the A. B. C. mediation, has done much to restore friendliness and disarm suspicion.

The situation may be summed up as follows: The United States will adopt no Mexican policy which fails to command the moral support of the Latin-American countries.

The Latin-American countries are unanimously opposed to armed intervention by the United States at this or probably any future time.

The United States is opposed to recognizing any of the so-called revolutionary leaders—Carranza, Villa, Zapata—and would be glad to have these all retire in favor of some person agreeable to them all.

None of the revolutionary leaders has any notion of retiring in favor of anybody momentarily, temporarily or permanently, though Villa has agreed to a three month's armistice pending peace negotiations.

Three and perhaps more of the Latin-American diplomats in the conference favor the recognition of Carranza. Nobody favors the recognition of Villa or Zapata.

Carranza is strongly represented in Washington by John Lind, Robert Metcalf, Charles Douglas, Edmundo Martinez, Robert Baron, Louis Cabrera, minister of finance in the Carranza cabinet, and Robert Pesqueira.

Armed intervention would be opposed by all the Mexican revolutionists; no faction is willing to risk its standing at home by the slightest encouragement of armed intervention.

The Carranza faction claim to be making substantial headway toward complete control and pacification of the country.

The only course short of armed intervention in the failure of moral suasion is the arms embargo, and formal recognition of one of the revolutionists. In the present state of affairs this would probably be Carranza.

Recognition would bring a vast access of financial credit to the faction recognized, which, in the present poverty of the contestants, would go far toward aiding the faction to ultimate success.

What ever the outcome, armed intervention by the United States seems remote.

THRIFT.

THE "International Congress for Thrift" held this week at San Francisco, has asked President Wilson to designate Sunday preceding Labor Day each year as "Thrift Day," the object being to encourage the habit of thrift among the people of the United States.

The American society for Thrift is an organization financed by the financiers and savings bank people, primarily to increase savings bank accounts. Newspaper offices have been flooded with "thrift" articles for a year past, which deery extravagance as the besetting sin of the American people.

Frugality is a virtue when not carried to an extreme. Then it becomes penny—a worse sin that extravagance in its effect upon human nature. But let us see whether or not extravagance is the ruling passion of the American people.

Ninety per cent of the wealth of the United States is in the hands of ten per cent of the population—probably half of it in the control of one-tenth of one per cent. The average annual income of three-quarters of the wage earners is less than \$500 per year. In most of the industrial centers, it takes the labor of the entire family to support it. It is then, only by the practise of thrift that the great bulk of our population is enabled to exist.

Only two per cent of Americans are independent of a daily income. Sixty-six per cent of the people who die, do not leave a penny. Ninety-seven per cent who reach the age of sixty are partly or wholly dependent on charity, and while lack of thrift is responsible in many instances, in the vast majority of cases, earnings were never large enough for more than a bare existence for the individual and those dependent upon him.

It is then but a relatively small percentage of the population that can practise extravagance and those in possession of more than their share should practise it. When one child is born heir to a hundred million and a hundred million are born heir to poverty, no amount of thrift will ever make the hundred million share the prosperity that smother's the one.

Inculcation of thrift is admirable but it is a tinkering with effect, not cause. A real reform would be the establishment of equality of opportunity, social justice and the abolition of poverty, so senseless in a land producing sufficient for all, yet distributing to the few at the expense of the many. At the present time social injustice makes an enforced practise of thrift throughout the world at the expense of the development of humanity.



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SHE MAY LOOK LIKE A GREEK GODDESS, BUT ELECTRA IS A GOOD LITTLE AMERICAN



Millions of posters will introduce to America the classic features of Miss Florence Cassassa, the Brooklyn beauty, who is to pose as the Goddess of Prosperity at the Panama-Pacific fair. Above are two of her latest Grecian photographs. Miss Cassassa will appear as "Electra," Goddess of Prosperity during "Electrical Prosperity" week in November.

JAPANESE SEEKING SOUTH AMERICAN TRADE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Efforts of Japan to foster trade in South America, where markets formerly held by nations now involved in the European war are seeking new sources of supply, were reported to the department of commerce today by a commercial cable that a combination of Japanese shipping lines and merchants, aided by the Japanese government, was establishing a permanent trade exposition in Santiago, where a full stock of Japanese products will be exhibited for the benefit of Chilean merchants.

GERMANS' RIDICULE ALLEGED PEACE OFFER

LONDON, Aug. 14.—Reports that Germany has made overtures to Russia for a separate peace by offering to Russia a free use of the Dardanelles are ridiculed by the Hamburg Nachrichten. "Germany does not own the Dardanelles and therefore can not offer them to anybody," declares the Nachrichten. "They are the property of the Turks, who five months have proved that they know how to defend them. The German empire does not betray its allies."

FRENCH THWART PLAN FOR ATTACK ON SUEZ CANAL

PARIS, Aug. 14.—A plan for an attack on the Suez canal is said by the ministry of marine today to have been detected and thwarted. Announcement was made in the following statement: "On August 12 after warning had been given to the governor of Jaffa and time given for the evacuation of the vicinity, a French cruiser bombarded and destroyed the principal building of the shops of the German Wagner, which were making arms and ammunition and constructing boats intended for an attack on the Suez canal. The houses in the vicinity were not damaged. Jaffa, in Southern Palestine, Asiatic Turkey, is about 150 miles north-east of Port Said, at the Mediterranean end of the Suez canal. In Jaffa is a large foundry owned by Wagner brothers. The French marine ministry's communication leaves in doubt the nature of the expedition said to have been planned against the canal. It would be impossible obviously to concentrate at Jaffa a naval force of sufficient strength to cope with the warships of Great Britain and France in those waters and it might be inferred that small vessels were being built for a raid, depending upon secrecy and speed for the success of the adventure."

STRIKERS RIOTING AT ST. LOUIS

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 14.—Settlement of the strike of 1500 transfer drivers and chauffeurs appeared to be distant today and the police took extra precautions to prevent a repetition of last night's riot in which shots were fired and non-union drivers and guards were pelted with stones. A crowd of 500 strikers and sympathizers fought with the police who attempted to arrest two of their leaders and succeeded in getting the men away from the officers. Should the strikers fail to accept partial concessions by midnight the owners declare they will import strike breakers. Some of the strike leaders said that they would agree to arbitration.

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