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HONG KONG KOLUM



One advantage of having wooden legs—can tack up socks so want flail down.

Very Likely? Do hurried city folks with kitchenettes, Satisfy themselves with eating meal-ettes?

A. E. TUBB, Mgr. The Bathhouse, San Diego, Cal.

Would You Take His Word for It? (From the Warren, Ill. Sentinel-Leader.)

I. B. Damleyer, who lives near Millville, had the misfortune to break his limb, last Monday.

Good Reason Why does your wife dry the clothes in the cellar?

Because daughter is wearing so little that her mother is ashamed to hang them in the yard.—Judge.

The Skeeter The skeeter is a bird of prey, Which flies about at night, About three-eighths of it is hawk, And five-eighths appetite, And fifteen-eighths or so is buzz, And nineteen-eighths is bite.

Eternal Feminine First Girl—Hello always looks under the bed to see if there is a man there.

Second Girl—Yes, but she always glances in the mirror first.

Perfectly Safe Thug (rushing into office)—Sir, where can I hide? The police are coming!

Clerk—Get into the card index case. I defy anyone to find anything in there!—Judge.

Easy Marriage was the subject under discussion at the sewing party.

"I could never understand the Bible reference to marriages in heaven," said Mrs. Jones thoughtfully. "Why do you suppose there is no marrying nor giving in marriage there?"

"That's easy," said a sarcastic spinster. "There probably isn't a man in the place."—Ladies Home Journal.

Stella's Bargain Counter. Sons of the old farmers who used to get at 5 to milk the cows now swear at the milk man for rattling the cans at 5.

Ready money isn't ready when you want to borrow some.

His Explanation William did not shine as a student, and his reports clearly proved this, yet he insisted to his mother that he was right at the top of his class.

"You see," he explained when one of his reports was under scrutiny, "that K is for 'excellent' and that D is for 'dandy'."

"But," persisted his mother, "the little girl across the street gets almost nothing but 'A's' on her reports."

"Well, mother," responded his boy, "I hate to give her a way, but that 'A' stands for 'awful'."

And it is said that he got away with it.

THE RE-BONDING SCHEME

THE comment of bond purchasers upon the proposed scheme to re-bond the city of Medford for \$1,020,000 to redeem \$564,250 Bancroft act improvement bonds outstanding and rebate \$455,750 to property owners indicates that the proposal is regarded as unbusinesslike and calculated to injure the credit of the city abroad.

Without the consent of the bondholders the proposition will be attended with disaster. That this consent will not be forthcoming is shown by the following extract from the letter received by Recorder Foss from the First National bank of Cleveland, O., the largest purchaser of the bonds:

The bondholders would not for a moment consider exchanging their securities, which have specific liens back of them, together with the general liability of the city, for a bond which carries with it only the general liability of the city, to begin with, and it seems to us such a proposal would result only in a disastrous way to your city, and jeopardize its credit beyond all possible redemption.

If an attempt should be made to exchange long term bonds for the existing improvement ten bonds, it would be seriously contemplated by the bondholders, resulting, first of all in a default by the city, which would be published in all of the bond journals and cause an absolute shattering of your city's credit, as the bondholders would naturally flight to protect their rights.

The refunding plan looks to the bond-buyer like a scheme to provide hard-up property owners with a little needed cash, rather than a patriotic effort to better the city's condition. Its worst feature is that it sacrifices the community for the individuals owning property upon paved streets—increasing taxation without resultant benefit.

It would have been wise to ascertain the sentiments of bond-buyers before launching the scheme, for if the bonds cannot be sold the plan is futile. Moreover, such an issue will completely exhaust the city credit and render it powerless to lend financial assistance to a railroad to the coast or any other community upbuilding enterprise that will return dividends in the shape of prosperity.

We have suffered enough from inflation—let us keep from inflating our debts and taxation. They are high enough as it is.

WATER SUPPLY ENDANGERED

THE MAIL TRIBUNE does not want to appear in the role of obstructor or discourager of enterprise, but it desires to call the attention of the public to the fact that the purity of Medford's water supply is endangered by the building of a dam at Fish lake.

The dam is needed to impound water for irrigation purposes, but some provision should be made at once to safeguard the city's water supply, for the impounded water will not be fit for drinking purposes unless a filtering system is utilized.

When the previous dam existed, analysis of the water showed it impregnated with typhoid and other bacilli. It could not be otherwise. The reservoir basin and drainage area has been used as cattle pasture for half a century. All the debris of countless herds as well as the decaying vegetation of the forests will be drained into the lake, to decompose and find its way into Medford stomachs.

Some method must be provided to keep Medford's water pure, and should be provided by those causing its pollution. Now is the time for action, before the damage has been done.

If Medford calmly watches without protest the ruin of its water supply, in which it has invested nearly half a million dollars, it will lose its right of protest after the ruin has been wrought.

SMOKING PARLOR FOR OLD LADIES

ST. PAUL, Aug. 28.—A silent troupe of gray-haired women, some of them grandmothers and some great grandmothers, resting easily in comfortable rocking chairs with thin, blue ribbons of smoke rising from their merrissham and calabash pipes will be one of the modernisms at the new \$150,000 woman's building now in process of completion at the Ramsey county poor farm.

For the old ladies are to have an elaborate smoking room, fitted in modern style and, said Mrs. Albert Moore, wife of the farm superintendent, with a smile, today, "if the old dears want the walls covered with pictures of race horses, prizefighters and baseball players, they may have them."

"When we took a poll of the old ladies regarding the establishment for smoking," she continued, "there was hardly a dissenting vote. We shall furnish the tobacco."

AUSTRIANS FIGHTING MONTENEGRINS

PARIS, Aug. 28.—Resumption of hostilities between the Austrians and Montenegro is announced in the following official statement by the Montenegro's consul general.

A brief two hour's engagement occurred yesterday near the mouth of the river of Cattaro (in Dalmatia) near the Montenegrin border. Between our units and rather strong detachments of the Austrians. The Austrians retired leaving numerous dead on the field. Ten prisoners remaining in our hands.

King Nicholas has gone to the front.

FRENCH COMMENT GERMAN EXCUSE

PARIS, Aug. 28.—The Figaro, in an editorial today on the situation growing out of the sinking of the Arabic, says:

"Germany is a universal distributor of excuses. She handed them to Denmark and Holland and would like to hand them to the United States. The point is, will the American government be satisfied with such excuses? For German excuses imply neither repentance nor intention not to repeat. The German pitcher has gone to the American well too often, it is too badly cracked for further use; a new one is wanted. President Wilson and Secretary Lansing will no longer be satisfied with the empty words. Berlin is well aware of it and is doing everything to gain at least a few days."

PERMANENT MODEL CITY FOR PLYMOUTH

BOSTON, Aug. 28.—Plans for a permanent model city to shelter a population of 100,000 to be erected at Plymouth, in connection with the celebration in 1920 of the 70th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims, are being considered by municipal experts, it was announced today. The idea is to simulate the scale of money used in the construction of temporary exhibition buildings. The purpose is to build a permanent city that will be fire and smoke-proof and well suited for factories and industries.

John A. Perl UNDERAKER LADY ASSISTANT 28 S. BAUTLETT Phone M. 47 and 47-32 Ambulance Service Coroner

4000 MORE MINERS IN WALES STRIKE

LONDON, Aug. 28.—Although it had been announced that Walter Runciman, president of the board of trade, who acted as arbitrator in the recent coal strike, would decline to see a deputation of miners, Mr. Runciman and David Lloyd-George, minister of munitions, conferred for half an hour today with the committee representing the men which came to London from Cardiff.

A further conference will be held Monday.

Although dissatisfaction with Mr. Runciman's award to the miners is spreading, the men's leaders are standing firmly against another strike at this time. Nevertheless, reports from the coal fields today stated that 4000 more men had quit work.

VILLA CLAIMS VICTORY OVER CARRANZA ARMY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—General Villa telegraphed his Washington agent today from Durango, saying the defeat of Carranza troops at Villa Garcia, several days ago, was very serious, their losses being 200 dead and about 500 wounded.

Villa's forces under General Raoul Madero continue the investment of Monterey, defended by Carranza troops commanded by General Trevino.

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 5 p. m., arrive at Eagle Point at 6 p. m. A part of the traffic is solicited. S. H. HARNISH, Eagle Point, Ore.

STAR Theater Today Only Romance of Elaine

Two Parts "FATHER'S BRILLIANT IDEA" A Comedy

"FROM OXFORD TO WINDSOR" Scenic

Coming Two Days Only: "HYPOCRITES" Beginning Tuesday, Aug. 31 Advance Sale Saturday

ITALIAN PROGRESS SLOW BUT SURE

ROME, Aug. 28.—The Italian front has been divided by General Cadorna, the commander in chief, into two wide sections, each conducting a vast enveloping movement. Trieste is to be the objective in one case and Trent in the other.

The action is developing in accordance with the plans. Reports from the front state that constant progress is being made although movements are slow. General Cadorna has given instructions that as little damage as possible be inflicted on the towns in the paths of the Italian armies.

VON BESELER GENERAL OF RUSSIAN TERRITORY

AMSTERDAM, via London, Aug. 28.—Word was received here today from Berlin that General Von Beseler, conqueror of Antwerp and Novogeorgievsk, had been appointed general of the entire occupied Russian territory. This announcement is credited to the Posen Tageblatt, which also says the administration of Russian Poland has been removed to Warsaw.

THE PAGE Medford's Leading Theater Cool, Comfortable, Well Ventilated.

Last Time Tonight Big Double Bill

CHARLEY CHAPLIN In One of His Greatest Successes "THE WOMAN" Two Acts

ANITA STEWART in the Vitagraph Feature "Four Thirteen" Three Parts

SELIG JUNGLE ZOO PICTURE FLETCHER FISH in Popular and Character Songs SUNDAY ONLY

Kalem Four Act Feature STEWART BAIRD The Popular Broadway Star in THE RUNAWAY WIFE

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HORLICK'S THE ORIGINAL MALTED MILK THE FOOD-DRINK FOR ALL AGES TAKE A PACKAGE HOME NO SUBSTITUTE IS "JUST AS GOOD"

THE MODEL CASH GROCERY AT NO. 2 WEST JACKSON ST. ALL GOODS CASH ON DELIVERY "SERVICE" IS OUR MOTTO

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AL BARNES BIG 3-RING WILD ANIMAL CIRCUS THE SHOW THAT'S DIFFERENT

506 PEOPLE ACRES OF TENTS 2 BIG SPECIAL TRAINS 100 ANIMAL TRAINERS World's Challenge 24-LIONS-24 Most Thrilling Wild Animal Act Ever

600 EDUCATED ANIMALS ALL ACTORS INCLUDING Lions, Tigers, Bears, Leopards, Jaguars, Elephants, Camels, Zebras, Sea Lions, Turtles, Monkeys, etc. 65 Instructive, Amusing, Amazing Thrilling Acts 550 World's Premium Horses and Ponies All Actors 40 Wild-Tickling Animal Clowns

SAMSON AVIATION LION Causes Thrills of Amusement Big Bill, Wrestling Grizzly, Tenco Wrestling Horses, Farce Comedy Elephants, Horse-Riding Lions, Leopards and Bears. 200 Military Ponies. High-Diving and Jumping Dogs and Monkeys. Only Real Wild Animal Circus on Earth Glittering, Now, Mile-Long Street Parade at 10:30 Exhibitions Daily, Rain or Shine, 2 and 8 P.M. Doors Open, 3 and 7

HYPOCRITES The Sensational Expose of Hypocrisy of Modern Life PORTRAYING THE NAKED TRUTH UNFLINCHINGLY With the Most Wonderful Photographic Effects Ever Shows. Miss Margaret Edwards, the most perfectly formed woman on the stage, as the Spirit of the Naked Truth "Has never been surpassed"—Detroit Free Press. "Will create a sensation"—Atlanta Constitution. This is not a pictorial sermon, but an enthralling drama, showing the highest development of motion pictures. In addition to this extraordinary feature, the regular "Diamond From the Sky" film will be shown. STAR THEATRE Two days, commencing Tuesday, August 31. Matinee 2 and 3:30 p. m. Evening, 7, 8:30 and 10 p. m. Admission 15 and 25 cents. Advance Sale Saturday.