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Coolness often follow when two people both have hot temper.

One Guess? Where Was He Hurt? (From Los Angeles Times.) A coast racing launch burned after being beached on Catalina; the engineer was scorched and suffered at a lonely spot.

Explained "There's my late wife," said the man as he raged. "I didn't know you were divorced," said his friend at the dock. "I'm not!" snapped the angry one starting up stage. "But just take a slant at that clock."

There Are None Teacher—Now Tommy, tell me what a capital city is? Tommy—A city where there are no schools to go to.

Pointed The subject of the discussion was the imperfection of man. The skeptical man held that human beings aren't so very wonderful, after all, and the preacher didn't agree with him. "But, surely," protested the seofer, "you must admit that man is a bungled job? Why, even you, in your work, must have noted many defects in the human organism, and have thought of better physical contrivances." The preacher smiled gently. "Yes, I have," he replied in cool, sarcastic tones. "You see, when I want to shut out anything disagreeable from my sight I can always draw down my eyelids to cover my eyes, like this; but unfortunately I haven't any flaps to my ears."

At School School Teacher: An anecdote is a short funny tale. Now, Johnny, write on the blackboard a sentence containing the word "anecdote!" And this is what Johnny wrote: "A rabbit has four legs and one anecdote."

Stella's Bargain Counter Men who are not farmers often make fortunes out of weeds—by marrying rich widows. One-half the world doesn't know how the other half gets along and neither does the other half.

Stella's Bargain Counter Most guys buy marriage licenses on the installment plan—a couple of dollars down and all their wages every Saturday night thereafter.

Swat the Fly! (From the Dixon, Ill., Telegraph.) Mrs. O. N. Daw is confined to her bed on account of the recent injury she sustained when she fell from a chair to the floor. Mrs. Daw was attempting to swat a fly at hand and stood upon the chair to reach the intended victim. He was further away than at first anticipated and in an endeavor to reach him she fell as a result of becoming overbalanced. We trust her injury will soon give her no further trouble and will soon become well. She certainly is to be commended for her efforts to swat the fly for if more of us did this we would find less disease in the world and conditions more healthful in general. Besides the flies are a bothersome pest and very.

FOR ADEQUATE DEFENSE

It has become the fashion in the jingo press to belittle and deride the American army and navy. Yet the army and navy is the costliest part of our government. War preparation and the results of war cost over sixty cents of every dollar Uncle Sam spends for all purposes. The United States has spent more for its army and navy in proportion to results secured than any other nation. Yet we are told by those who have had charge of the expenditure, such as ex-President Roosevelt and former Secretary of the Navy Meyer, that our army and navy are a joke.

The cost of militarism has been growing by leaps and bounds. In 1890 the annual cost of our navy was \$20,000,000. In 1915 it is \$140,000,000. The army expenses have also made a phenomenal increase. And yet we are told we make but a pitiful showing and cannot defend ourselves.

Why do we pay so much and receive so little? It is because we pay excessive price for equipment and munitions. The army pays \$17.50 for a 3.8-inch shrapnel and manufactures the same article at Frankfort for \$7.94. It pays \$7 for a 31-second combination fuse that costs \$2.92 in the government arsenal. We have been paying similar exorbitant rates upon powder and other munitions. Yet every effort to remedy this abuse brings widespread criticism upon the heads of those attempting reformation. Secretary Daniels' case offers a concrete example.

Without doubt much of the talk for increased armament is inspired by the Bethlehem Steel company, the Carnegie company, the Fore River Shipbuilding company, the Dupont Powder company and other concerns, which hope to reap rich profit. Gain instead of patriotism is back of the jingo clamor.

If we are going into this war business, the modest increases proposed in army and navy will not place us on an even basis with even second-class European nations. In case of invasion we will not be much better off with an army of 200,000 or even 300,000 than with 100,000. It would seem, then, that the only way to become prepared for national defense on an adequate scale is to adopt the Swiss system. Under it 16,000,000 effectively armed and trained men could be put in the field in a few days.

The cost of maintaining a Swiss soldier is one twenty-eighth of the cost of maintaining a soldier in the United States, and his effectiveness is probably in the same proportion.

The Swiss army works only long enough to learn the job—the essentials of the job—and when not required, is busy about private affairs. It is divided into three classes. The first is the Auszug, or Elite (men from 20 to 32); the second, the Landwehr (men between 33 and 40), and the third the Landsturm, or reserve (men between 41 and 48). During the first year they receive from two to three months' training, and after that only eleven days a year. Yet this training has made an excellent disciplined army.

This result is secured because the training is largely supplementary to preliminary training in schools, rifle clubs and cadet associations, and only those best fitted are selected for the militia.

Says Captain T. B. Mott, U. S. A., who spent some time in Switzerland studying the Swiss system for our war department, in his report:

The progress of training of the Swiss militia is exactly the reverse in theory and fact of that in operation with our militia. Good performance in the field being the whole end and object of military instruction and the time being short, the Swiss begin, and we may say end, their teaching in the open country. The recruit is taught to march correctly in column, form line and march in line, but these exercises are made an incident of going to and coming from work. The real business of his life, he learns, is to march steadily under a heavy pack, shoot straight, take cover, and obey his squad leader.

After three weeks thus spent, the recruit puts in a week at battalion exercises with longer marches and two nights in bivouac with outpost in the evening. The fifth and sixth weeks entire are spent on a long march in rough country, where the battalion acts for the most part as if in the presence of an enemy, maneuvering by day, establishing outposts at night and conducting combat exercises with ball cartridge (90 per man.)

The Swiss army is officered from the ranks. Promotion is by merit, after examination and probationary service in the grade. Officers who show a lack of military ability are passed into the reserve corps. The permanent personnel consists of only 200 officers, known as "instructors" of three classes. Men are assigned to the branch that previous training best fit them for.

To adopt the Swiss system the United States must (1) abolish the standing army; (2) turn its army officers into "instructors"; (3) prepare the youth for service of the land by prizes and free rifles for shooting and adopt compulsory education up to the age of 15 or 16 years; (4) couple every able-bodied man to serve in the militia until he has an elementary training and then release him back into the general body of citizenship with a few days of training each year; (5) provide for insurance against accident while he is in the service of the militia; (6) pay him his expenses while on duty; (7) exact a poll tax from those incapacitated from service and an income tax from the wealthy; (8) provide free training schools for those who wish to become officers, and provide that any man who enters the army can reach the highest grade by merit.

If we must have some form of militarism, let us copy that of the Swiss, where the army belongs to the people and not the people to the army. It will be more efficient and less costly.

ASHLAND AND VICINITY

Mrs. Wm. Schumloffel and daughter Elizabeth left for their home in Sacramento, after a visit here for the past three months with Mrs. Elizabeth Van Sant. Miss Mabelle Van Nise left the last of the week for Winters, Cal., where she will be employed in that town's schools. Lynn Purdin of the Record office, was a Hornbrook visitor last Friday and Saturday. Sir William Mackenzie's private car, "Dauphin," of the Canadian Pa-

cific's equipment, went south Saturday afternoon. This titled official is president of that corporation with headquarters at Toronto, Province of Ontario. Rumors are to the effect that management of the Elite cafe, the dining annex to Ashland hotel, will be relinquished by Mrs. L. J. Orres, Sept. 1. "Peach week" has been set by the governor's proclamation for the Aug. 30-Sept. 4 period. The admission is to buy the fruit by the box and to eat, can and preserve and otherwise dispose of them. Mrs. Sam McNair returned home on Sunday from a four months' stay

GOLD HILL NUGGETS

Mrs. Lynn Smith and Miss Dorothy Smith arrived home last Saturday from a ten days' visit at Seattle and other northern points. Miss Viola Myers of Rogue River has spent the past week with friends and former schoolmates in Gold Hill. Perry Hulbert arrived Friday evening last from Auburn, Cal., for an extended visit here. He says Mrs. Hulbert is expected about the first of next month. Miss Alta Smith of Portland made a short visit with her aunt, Mrs. S. T. Hodges. She arrived last Sunday evening on her return trip from the fair, departing Monday morning for her home. Miss Bessie Newton, who has been spending part of her summer vacation from the O. A. C. in Gold Hill, left for a visit with her brother and sister at Oakland, Cal., and the fair. From there she will take boat to Portland, thence to Corvallis in time to resume her studies. John Bowman made his mother and sister a short visit and attended the first pleasure pavilion dance. He returned to Weed, Cal., where he is employed, Thursday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Herron and Miss Piercy Herron returned to Gold Hill Tuesday, after a week's visit at the exposition and central California towns. Miss Florence Wharton of this city, accompanied Miss Mary E. Young to her home at Ashland on the return from her regular weekly trip to local piano pupils. Miss Wharton will be the guest of Miss Young for probably a week. Mr. and Mrs. John B. Hammersley and son, Dale, returned from Grants Pass Tuesday. From here they left Wednesday, accompanied by James Chisholm, for an extended hunting and fishing trip at the mountain home of Riley Hammersley at Willow Flat, on upper Evans creek. Mrs. Sam McClelland, who has been visiting at Ruckles, Or., with Mr. and Mrs. Andy Jennings for some time, autoed home Tuesday. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Jennings, who spent Wednesday and Thursday with friends and relatives. M. S. Johnson moved his household goods from the McClelland house to his own recently completed residence on Fifth avenue, the middle of the week. George Iverson went to Central Point last Saturday, where he conferred with Rev. John C. Stille on matters of county Sunday school interest. He returned home Monday morning. C. P. Easley, at one time S. P. agent to this place, arrived Wednesday morning to act as relief agent until the office is again "bid in." L. Boyd, recent agent, accompanied by his family, left last Sunday afternoon for Oklahoma, and other southern states on a vacation, after which he will return to his employment for the Espee, but will be transferred to Halsey, Or., his former home. During the time between Mr. Boyd's leaving and the arrival of Mr. Easley the local office was under the supervision of R. Fromm. "Doc" M. D. Bowers and Sprague Riegel Forded it to the coast country via the Chetco district. They are expected home from their vacation, loaded down with game, in about a week. Born—To Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Darling, Thursday, August 26, a six and one-half pound daughter. Mrs. Darling was formerly Miss Anna Tuttle, at one time a member of the local high school faculty. P. Langdell and family are again at home in the Bufiled home after an extended visit to Marshfield and Bandon. From there they went by water to the exposition at Frisco, returning by rail. Miss Marguerite Whorton returned to her home on Thursday, having been visiting Miss Helen Ellis at Grants Pass for about ten days. Curtis Miller, who has spent the past fortnight at the sulphur springs

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