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HONG KONG KOLUM

Today's Hefflinger. Stage Manager—My dear, I wish you would wear a different gown in the second act.

JACKSONVILLE ITEMS

Galrod Gab. Funny nobody seems to have thought of signing up Villa for a lecture tour; he's getting practice on the one-night stands.

DRAMA LEAGUE NOTES

The national annual convention of the Drama League of America is to be held in St. Louis on April 20 to 29. It will be devoted to subjects of the most vital contemporary issues upon which some of the leading experts in the country will be heard.

NOTICE

Protests Medford North Main and West Medford register now at the MailTribune office.

THROTTLED BY THE DEAD

"SHE flies with her own wings." This was the motto of the territory of Oregon and emblematic of the courage, enterprise and independence of the pioneers who first settled the Oregon country.

When, however, Oregon became a state, the immigration had already changed in character, the progressiveness of the argonaut and adventurer giving way to conservatism and reaction. The framers of the constitution were men of much narrower vision than the first hardy pioneers, and they proceeded to discard their old motto and effectually blocked development by tying not only their own hands, but those of succeeding generations.

As a result the development of Oregon was retarded while sister states surpassed her in all lines. As rich, or richer, in natural resources, after nearly sixty years, Oregon is still only partially developed. It was impossible, under the constitution, to assist railroads. It was impossible to build highways, construct irrigation systems.

The controlling idea of the constitution makers was that the people could not be trusted and must be safeguarded from themselves by limiting their power—the old, old tory idea that still rides the standpatters. Government exists simply for the collection and expenditure of taxes, and special privilege to the few, not for benefit of the many or development of the country.

Roseburg sought to develop its natural resources by aiding the construction of a railroad to the timber belt—and the dead hands of the constitution framers reached from the grave to stop it. Bend, Klamath Falls, Burns and other central Oregon towns are now trying to assist construction of needed railroads. And their future development depends upon their success in outwitting the dead.

UNITED STATES SHY ON MACHINE GUNS AND REASON WHY

Appropriations Made, But Not Used—Gun Invented by American Rejected, but Adopted by all European Nations and One of Principal Weapons of the War.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—No machine guns have been bought by the United States army in three years. The number now in the possession of the army is 1,000. Many of these are antiquated and unsatisfactory in their operation. There are none in reserve.

More even than the rifle, the machine gun has been shown in Europe to be important in modern warfare. Not to be equipped with a large number of such guns of late design is to be signally unprepared.

The machine gun situation was brought to light in course of the debate on the army bill. In reply to questions by Minority Leader Mann the facts were stated by Representative Hay, chairman of the military affairs committee.

Money Not Used. The remarkable fact was brought out that the failure to purchase machine guns was not due to the lack of an appropriation for this purpose. Every year for three years the army appropriation bill has carried an item of \$50,000 for the purchase of machine guns, and every year for three years the appropriation has been unused.

When asked by the military affairs committee why machine guns had not been bought with the money provided for that purpose, the chief of the bureau of ordnance replied that the department had not been able to decide on a type which promised to be satisfactory.

A few more questions brought out the fact that an officer in the United States artillery service, Colonel I. N. Lewis, had invented a quick-firing machine gun and several years ago offered it to the government. The bureau of ordnance conducted experiments and rejected it. Colonel Lewis thereupon took his invention abroad and sold it to England, Holland, Germany and Switzerland, and it is the Lewis gun which is now reported to be doing the most satisfactory work abroad.

Why Gun Was Rejected. In justification of the judgment of the bureau of ordnance it was reported to the committee that, at the first test of the Lewis gun, the breach exploded. Chairman Hay explained, however, that this was due to the fact that Colonel Lewis, being a poor man, had been obliged to make certain parts of cast iron which should have been made of tempered steel, and that later a better constructed gun of the Lewis type was subjected to the severe test of being operated from an aeroplane and that it not only fired reliably, but that it struck the target every time.

As a final sidelight revealing a possible reason why the Lewis gun had been rejected in favor of no gun at all, it was brought out in the house debate that some personal jealousy was alleged to exist among officers of the bureau of ordnance as a result of certain remarks said to have been made by Colonel Lewis reflecting on the conduct of certain army officers during the Spanish-American war.

13,000 TO SEE WILLARD-MORAN BOX TEN ROUNDS

NEW YORK, March 25.—Thirteen thousand spectators will crowd Madison Square Garden tonight to see Frank Moran of Pittsburg try to wrest the world's heavyweight championship from Jess Willard of Kansas.

The fight is the most important fist encounter which has taken place since Willard won the title from Jack Johnson at Havana last April, and is the first time Willard has fought since that historic battle.

No matter which way the battle goes, Willard will receive \$475,500 and Moran \$23,750. Moran today appears as confident as ever that he will be able to land the blow that will give him the title by a knockout. He predicted that he "would get over the finishing punch in the seventh or eighth round."

Willard is equally certain of victory. He declared that if Moran fights the aggressive battle which the Pittsburg man is said to have planned, the champion would end the bout with a knockout. No matter what Moran's tactics, Willard expresses confidence of victory.

The big bout is to start at 9:30 o'clock. Every seat in the building has long been sold and would-be spectators, many from distant cities, arriving late, are clamoring in vain for tickets.

It is hard for me to say how I will win. That I will be the victor is the most positive statement that I can make. Whether it will be by a knockout or by popular decision remains in doubt. If I can win by one punch I will. If this bout were scheduled to go to a finish I would not hesitate to say that Moran would be knocked out. It is only for ten rounds, and it would be ridiculous to make such a statement for this bout.

"I am going to win as quickly and as decisively as I can. I feel as well as I have ever felt before any fight in my career, if not better. I am not worrying. If Moran starts to rush the battle, I am satisfied I will knock him out."

"Do not be surprised to see the finish of this fight come in the seventh or eighth round, then you will see Willard drop. Before the Havana fight Willard was nothing to be afraid of, and I don't think he is now. I feel confident that I can take Willard's punishment. There never was a big fellow like him who did not have a

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NO QUARREL BETWEEN BRITAIN AND JAPAN. TOKIO, March 25.—The foreign office declares that rumors concerning a revision of the Anglo-Japanese alliance are baseless. Japan and Great Britain have reached an amicable understanding concerning patrols in the Pacific for the inspection of ships.

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weak spot somewhere. I can take all that he has. I have confidence in my own hitting power to bring him down."

A CHILD'S TONGUE SHOWS IF LIVER OR BOWELS ARE ACTIVE

If cross, feverish, sick, bilious, give fruit laxative at once.

Every mother realizes, after giving her children "California Syrup of Figs," that this is their ideal laxative, because they love its pleasant taste and it thoroughly cleanses the tender little stomach, liver and bowels without griping.

When cross, irritable, feverish or breath is bad, stomach sour, look at the tongue, mother! If coated, give a teaspoonful of this harmless "fruit laxative," and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. When its little system is full of cold, throat sore, has stomach ache, diarrhoea, indigestion, colic—remember, a good "inside cleansing" should always be the first treatment given.

Millions of mothers keep "California Syrup of Figs" handy; they know a teaspoonful today saves a sick child tomorrow. Ask your druggist for a 50 cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeiters sold here, so don't be fooled. Get the genuine, made by "California Fig Syrup Company."—Adv.



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