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HONG KONG KOLUM

Anybody can get along with a single-track mind—if it has plenty of switches.

As She is Spoken: Pan-Americanism is promoting the use of English in some South American countries where newspapers have been printed in Spanish and Portuguese.

Fine Neighborhood: Doubtful Tenant—This house would suit, but I don't like that beastly factory opposite.

Some Cow: G. W. Monroe, living south of the city, has a cow that has broken the record. It is keeping two families, one of six persons and another of three, besides furnishing P. D. Lillie's milk route with cream and raising two flourishing calves.

Today's Bellringer: "You can't guess the wonderful news!" exclaimed Mrs. Tinkle to her friend Miss Dimble, who had dropped in for a call.

Says the Girl on the Film: The other night Clarence told me all the secrets of his past—and they were terribly disappointing!

Aerobical Kids: One old fellow held his hands in patriarchal fashion on the heads of the children, while they, not looking up and silent, kissed the top of his bald head, clinging to their mother's skirts and whispering, were hurried away.

Hats for Eggs: There is a lot of talk about the millinery strike. I will take your eyes in exchange for your eggs and your eggs for your hats.

Dr. R. S. Innes of the University of Oregon, known as one of the most entertaining lecturers on the Pacific coast, will speak in the Medford Public Library, Friday night under the auspices of the Drama League on the subject "Contemporary Dramatic Problems."

AN EDUCATIONAL REFORM

WISCONSIN, so long acknowledged leader of progressive thought, still keeps its lead in educational matters, despite its stand-pat regime. The latest important innovation is the advocacy of that vital educational reform, a chewing-gum rack for schools, where studious young America can stick his jaw when his jaws become worried.

The state educational bulletin, just issued, comments approvingly upon the suggestion of President J. W. Crabtree of the Riverside Normal school that there should be a public gum rack in every school, as follows:

Public have a right to chew gum. Teachers do it, but they know when, where and how. Why not teach these conventionalities to the pupils? Permit the pupil to chew gum on the playground and on the way to and from school. But what will the poor child do with his gum while in the recitation or assembly room? If he keeps it in his mouth, he is sure to forget himself and before he is aware of it he is chewing gum at a lively rate.

This is a momentous educational problem solved. No longer will Jack have to slyly stick his gum under his seat or desk, where he usually forgets it. No longer will Jill have to roll her gum into a neat little ball in her handkerchief as the bell rings, to cause, when forgotten, more or less grief. Instead, they can check it at the rack when not in use, where the fruit inspectors can inspect and order it sprayed.

The suggestion to teach children how to chew gum properly is a good one for the Medford school board to consider. Though the scoffers at higher education may vulgarly call it a trill, yet chewing gum properly is an ornamental art as well as a useful occupation and requires special training. In order to teach it properly, a special teacher will be necessary, just as it is for the other ornamental arts and occupations we are teaching or preparing to teach.

What an advantage over the present generation the young men and women of tomorrow will have! Medford wants to lead in all things, and as the school board has plenty of cash for extras, let us give the children the advantage of a full course in non-essentials as well as a slight acquaintance with the three R's, and teach them not only what they ought to learn at home, but the modern graces, including chewing gum.

Here is a subject for Parent-Teachers' circles to take up and help shove some more of the parents' work on to the teacher.

DETHRONEMENT OF THE BOSSES

THERE is gloom at the council board of the bosses. They see their demise. For the past eight years they have been struggling to maintain a bold front. But the vote for Henry Ford at the Michigan primaries is near the final kick.

Ford told the people not to take his candidacy seriously. One William Alden Smith, the senator of the lumber trust, was after the Michigan delegates. All the republican bosses were for him.

The majority of the republicans voted for Ford. They do not expect him to be nominated or even to be a candidate before the convention, but they wanted to express their opposition to the political machine and their appreciation of Mr. Ford's work for humanity.

The old guard covered their chagrin with a forced grin and called it a joke. Then Nebraska republicans showed their appreciation of a good joke and almost chose Henry Ford as their presidential candidate, defeating the mysterious and mystifying Hughes.

What can a poor boss do? A short time ago the Oregonian set up a ballot box at the court house in Portland and asked the electors who were registering to express their preference for president. As the registration was running about five republicans to one democrat, the purpose, of course, was to get a result that would discredit the democratic administration. But when the votes were counted President Wilson showed a strength almost equal to all the republican candidates.

That must be corrected. To do so the Oregonian sends out reporters to take the votes of citizens in office buildings, and Wilson from the hand-picked receives more votes than Hughes or Roosevelt.

What is the cause? Simply that the people are tired of these politicians. They no longer can be deceived by the bullying and braying of partisan newspapers.

The American voters have begun to think for themselves, and no longer take their ideas from the bass drum or campaign forch.

The political party with its bogey candidates and bogus platforms is about to have a funeral without a wake.

Senator Hoke Smith of Georgia held up the printing of the report of the industrial relations commission for months because one witness said the factory bell at a certain mill rang at 3 a. m., because the southern people were so slow about putting on their clothes. Who says statesmen are no more?

Poor old Hawley wobbled around on the railroad hand question and then fell in the mud on the wrong side. He should have stuck to his old practice of waiting till it was all settled and then sending his usual telegram, "I did it."

It seems that about the only way to raise a large standing army in this country will be to provide for about one hundred regiments of brigadiers.

The Dublin revolt is evidently intended by the kaiser as a warning of what might happen in this country.

Colonel Roosevelt evidently prefers Wilson to anyone but himself.

INCOME TAX SWINDLERS (Continued from Page One.) Know who the tax thieves are and what it is worth to the millions which they have stolen. Now we know who are the income tax swindlers. The law effectively conceals their names. Do you see the relation by the individual identity. (Only the United States treasury department is per-

BRITISH REPLY TO SHIPPING NOTE DENIES DEMANDS

LONDON, April 27.—The contents of the British note reply to the protest of the American note against interference with neutral trade which asserts the right of Great Britain to regulate the admission to a neutral country of goods evidently destined for the enemy, caused little surprise in diplomatic and legal circles here, as its conclusions had been discounted by recent decisions of the prize tribunals. A summary of the views of the members of these circles may be expressed as follows:

They do not believe the controversy will be carried much further during the progress of the war, as no vital concessions have been made by either side since the first note was written, therefore the shippers of detained cargoes who can afford the delay will await the conclusion of the war to have their cases settled by an international tribunal in the belief that such a court will grant them full damages. It is expected that the United States government soon will send two notes to Great Britain, one on the detentions of the mails and the other on the removal of Austrians and Germans from the steamship China.

The British government has consented to the purchase of the Wagner steamships by an American company on condition that the buyers lease the vessels on a time charter to an English company.

A final effort will be made to settle the Wilhelmian case without submitting the question to Baron Meyer. The foreign office is expected to submit to Ambassador Page today its terms in this case.

Amount of Revenue Lost: But the identity of the thieves is for the present a minor question. The big question relates to the amount of revenue which the nation is losing through the failure to collect the income tax.

This question must be answered largely by statistical proofs, which, to be convincing, must be set forth in detail. Through them I will show you that the national income is much greater than the estimates which are currently accepted. The national income in 1910, as can be demonstrated from federal statistics, was approximately thirty-six and one-half billion, instead of the thirty billions at which it has generally been estimated.

The income which was intentionally or unintentionally omitted in making these estimates of national income was that derived from the increment in the value of property. This omitted income, amounting to more than six billion dollars a year in 1910, is exactly the income which is most largely subject to the income tax. In 1914 this value-increment had grown to be not less than eight billion dollars a year, and only an insignificant fraction of it was assessed under the income tax.

Similarly the tax failed almost entirely to reach the gains resulting from speculative transactions, which from January to June, 1915, were enormous. The profits from speculation in "war babies" alone amounted to more than \$100,000,000!

Facts to Understand: In the articles which are to follow I will discuss all these questions in detail.

The facts to understand now are these: The rich regard the income tax, enacted by the people after a quarter-century fight, as a joke. They laugh at it in their clubs and in their offices. Why shouldn't they laugh at it? The internal revenue bureau has only one income tax agent for every 400,000 people; the tax dodger is protected by the secrecy clause of the law from everything except chance detection; and there has never been an indictment for fraud, except—an Italian leather importer, who had already been caught smuggling by the customs service!

Will President Wilson and Secretary McAdoo allow the income tax to remain a joke?

Or will they exercise the power that is in their hands and make it one of our greatest sources of revenue?

The third article in Investigator Maule's expose of the fraudulent evasions of the income tax law by the very rich citizens and corporations of America will appear in this newspaper tomorrow.

PRIMARY REGISTRATION FOR MAY TOTALS 7650

Registrations for the coming primary May 19, show a total of 7,650 voters, with twice as many republicans as democrats. 3747 men designated their political faith with the G. O. P., and 1915 women did likewise. In the democratic party there are 1495 men and 881 women. The Bull Moose still retains the affections of 27 men, and nine women, a total of 36.

The prohibition party has 42 men and 114 women, the only party in which the women lead. The socialist party contains 107 men and 69 women, a total of 177. 174 men and 129 women, a total of 313 registered as possessing no particular political faith, and are classed as miscellaneous. About fifteen of the registrations were sent back for minor corrections.

The figures on the registration are as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Party, Men, Women, Total. Rows include Republican, Democrat, Progressive, Prohibition, Socialist, Miscellaneous, and Total.

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CONFEREES MEET TO AVOID RAILROAD WORKERS STRIKE

CHICAGO, April 27.—Three men representing practically all the railroads of the country and four others representing approximately 200,000 railroad traffic employees were to meet here today to arrange for conferences between the two factions at which the trainmen's demands for an eight hour day and time and a half for over-time are to be discussed.

J. W. Higgins of Chicago, J. G. Walber of New York and Charles F. Neill of Washington will represent respectively western, eastern and southeastern lines, having an aggregate of 250,000 miles of railroad. W. G. Lee, president of the Trainmen's Brotherhood; W. S. Stone, of the engineers; W. S. Carter, of the firemen, and A. B. Garretson, of the conductors, will represent the men of their respective brotherhoods.

The ultimatum of the employees asking for a written reply to their demands expires next Saturday. It is stated, however, by officials of the general managers' association that practically all of the railroads have already refused the demands. Neither side has shown any disposition to arbitrate.

TURKS ADVANCE ALONG THE TIGRIS

BERLIN, April 27 (by wireless to Sayville).—Turkish troops made a successful advance on the Mesopotamian front along the Tigris, the official Turkish announcement of April 22 says. They regained lost advanced positions, the announcement states, and captured fourteen machine guns, one major, two other officers and thirteen soldiers. It is said that in the recent fighting the British have lost more than 4000 men.

JAP LABORERS VIOLATING LAWS

SAN FRANCISCO, April 27.—Numerous Japanese laborers are violating the international "gentleman's agreement" between the United States and Japan by posing falsely as "investigators of agricultural conditions" or as relatives of such investigators, in order to gain entrance to this country, according to representations made by Edward White, commissioner of immigration here to Secretary of Labor W. B. Wilson and Commissioner General of Immigration Anthony Caminetti, it became known here today. Under the terms of the agreement, Japanese laborers are barred from entering the United States.

The fact that Commissioner White had reported the alleged violations became known yesterday when a seventeen year old Japanese boy who had been ordered deported, was granted a writ of habeas corpus by United States Judge M. T. Dooley. Suketaro Nakao, the boy's father, who entered the United States as an "investigator," was found by immigration inspectors working in a laundry at Stockton, Cal. The boy was ordered sent back to Japan because his father could not support him.

Commissioner White, it is understood, reported he believed the Japanese government knows nothing of the alleged false claims made by the laborers.

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