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EM-TEES

George W. Perkins Take Notice "I believe in preparedness and not in letting George do it." —Theodore Roosevelt.

The Other Half Shies FOR SALE—Half Shetland pony, gentle to ride. See G. B. Jones, Month, Ore.—Independence (Ore.) Enterprise.

T. R.'s Confession "My ancestors said good T. R., followed G. W. in this war." We marvel at their backwardness And that the colonel should confess A Roosevelt followed anyone— They should have LED George Washington.

This Sounds Like High Stakes. Last week the Advance had W. E. Walker Jr., Vidalia's popular jeweler, engaged in a "dice contest." Of course, this was a slip of the pen. It should have been a "diamond contest."—Vidalia (Ga.) Advance.

Judging by the speed attained so far in mobilizing the militia, the boys will be in the trenches by Christmas.

Well, Well! Mrs. O. E. Beckman felt able, last week, to sit up in her chair for a while and the prospect now seems fair for her stepping again.—Newton (Conn.) Bell.

Well, What's a Derrick For? Members of the Derrick family, who have been boarding at various places in town since Catherine was declared to have diphtheria, had a reunion tonight at the home on Green street, in observance of the lifting of the quarantine, which permitted them to be together at home for the first time since April 16.—Worcester (Mass.) Telegram.

Negatively Positive Bethel school closed last Wednesday with an entertainment Wednesday night. The teacher and children did all they could to make it successful. We hope nobody didn't go home disappointed.—Williamson (S. C.) Herald.

Not Very Clear. John Killian was run down by an auto this week. His horse's leg was broken in three places.—The Medina (Ohio) Gazette.

Just Luck "How do you contrive to convince your wife you could not afford to own an automobile?" "Pure luck on my part. She wanted to have an old dross cleaned and bought a gallon of gasoline."

A Strictly Moral Job. The duties of his office require him to move with his entire family, which consists of himself and his own wife, to the county seat.—The Little Valley (N. Y.) Hub.

Queer Anatomy. The damage done the cars was light, Rev. Rhodes suffering a broken step and Mr. Orwig a broken light and a bent axle.—The Carey (Ohio) Times.

Runaway Mary. Mary Wyckoff was seen going up the ridge last week in a high top.—The Weaverville (O.) Watchman.

Record Shipment Oregon Wool BAKER, Ore., June 26.—One of the largest sheep shipments on record here was started today by R. N. Blandfield of Stanfield, who shipped the first part of 19,000 ewes and lambs to the Chicago market. The first lot of 27 cars was shipped from Huntington today, and others will be sent continuously. Many will be dropped in Colorado to finish grazing and then will be sent to Chicago.

NEARING THE PRECIPICE

MEXICO is an agricultural country. For six years anarchy has prevailed. Farmers dare not plant because some rebel chieftain, or some de facto government official, or some bandit raider will come along and confiscate the crop. As a result, Mexico is bankrupt.

Carranza's government is failing because the nation is bankrupt. His efforts to precipitate a war with the United States is a desperate effort to unite Mexico behind his failing government and perpetuate his lease of power for a few days by making himself a national hero.

The United States does not want war with Mexico. President Wilson has wisely and courageously waited until insult and conspiracy from a government he was seeking to aid has made it impossible to avoid conflict. Between a nation as powerful as the United States and poor, bleeding, ignorant, bankrupt Mexico, there can be but one result. Not only the border, but Mexico, will be made safe.

There is no glory for the mighty in crushing the weak. However, there can be glory in the strong helping the feeble to set their house in order, disinterestedly bringing order out of chaos and ending the reign of anarchy.

The American people regret being forced into a war with Mexico because they recognize in the Mexicans a people who do not know what they are doing—a people kept in ignorance and fanaticism, looted and enslaved, victims of 400 years of exploitation by foreign and native freebooters. The Mexicans have never had a chance and their rulers have seen to it that they never had a look-in.

The Mexican in his ignorance cannot understand the benevolent attitude of the United States toward his nation. He is told by looting leaders that American patience and toleration is gringo cowardice, and fanaticism fans the flames of racial animosity.

The American people sympathize with the efforts the Mexican people have made to throw off the yoke of bondage, ignorance and superstition, and wished them well in their efforts to rise through revolution to a better civilization. The administration could have intervened a hundred times, but has held back, hoping that Mexico would solve her own problems and rise to a realization of her responsibilities as a nation.

Mexico's leaders—her native freebooters—her Carranzas, Villas and the rest, are driving the ignorant people toward the precipice. For power and pelf, they play politics with the blood and souls of their countrymen and bring the desolation and horror of foreign invasion and destruction to satisfy their lust of ambition.

PIFFLE AND DRIVEL

THE supreme court of the State of Oregon in its opinion in White vs. East Side Mill & Lumber company, a case on appeal from Multnomah county, has just perpetrated a most glaring outrage against common sense and justice.

White was a traffic policeman on duty in Portland and was run over by one of defendant's trucks. His widow brought suit and recovered a judgment for \$7500 in the circuit court of Multnomah county. An appeal was taken on the ground that the lower court erred in overruling a demurrer to plaintiff's reply to the answer, wherein plaintiff denied that deceased "had carelessly and negligently turned his back on defendant's truck." The contention being that the reply should deny that he had carelessly or negligently turned his back on defendant's truck.

After a pedantic discussion of negative pregnant, the upper court reversed the decision on the theory that it violated the most ancient rules of common law pleading.

Of all the stilted, hair-brained, hair-splitting and refined technicalities upon which to outrage justice this is the extreme limit. Is it any wonder that the people are crying out against the law's technicalities and delays, and that judges and courts are in disrepute?

For pure slush and drivel the Oregon supreme court is entitled to the banner, and this, may it please you, must go down in the annals of Oregon jurisprudence as an established precedent for future generations to pattern to.

NEW CENSORSHIP FOR BORDER ASKED

WASHINGTON, June 26.—Administration officials today prepared to ask congress to authorize a military news censorship in connection with the Mexican situation. Upon recommendation of the army war college a resolution was drafted at the war department empowering the president to promulgate censorship regulations. They would apply at the state, war and navy departments as well as along the border and in Mexico.

WATKINS SOCIALISTS ORGANIZING A LOCAL

On June the 15th the socialists of Watkins presided in an enthusiastic meeting organized "Local Watkins," with a charter membership of 25, including eight of the fairer sex. The socialist spirit seems to be running high in this section on account of the preparatory issue of the two capitalistic parties, and the socialists here to have a membership of 45 or fifty by election time.

PITCHED 23 INNINGS AND STRUCK OUT 27

OWENSBORO, Ky., June 26.—Pitching a double-header against Clarksville yesterday, "Lefty" Roberts of the Owensboro team of the Kirtz league allowed only one run and struck out twenty-seven men in twenty-three innings. Twelve hits were made off his delivery. Roberts won the first game 1 to 0. The second game of fourteen innings he lost by the same score.

SECRET FUND TO DEFEND FRANCE ABROAD

PARIS, June 26.—The chamber of deputies last night appropriated 25,000,000 francs as a secret fund for the ministry of foreign affairs. It was explained by Alexandre Ribot, minister of finance, that this amount was necessary to defend France abroad by means of an active propaganda against "a campaign of calumny."

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EXPOSITION AVIATOR KILLED IN FALL

OSHKOSH, Wis., June 26.—Charles Niles, the aviator who fell here yesterday while looping the loop in a war monoplane, died this morning at six o'clock at St. Mary's hospital. Hemorrhage of the brain due to his injuries, caused his death. He was 26 years of age and was born at Rochester, N. Y. Niles was married last Friday at Chicago to Miss Lucile Goddard of La Gassie, Philippine Islands.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 26.—Charles Niles, who died at Oshkosh today as the result of a fall with his aeroplane yesterday, was well known here as an aviator at the Panama Pacific exposition last year and as an "air scout" with the Carranza forces in Mexico in 1914. Many times in his flying career he flirted with death, but perhaps most dangerously last August when he plunged into San Francisco bay during a flight at the exposition.

COMMUNICATION

To the Editor: I notice that there is one person who has access to the columns of your paper for the furtherance of his opinions whose manifest desire is not so much to discuss the merits of the recall petition as to reduce the issue to one of personalities. It is to be regretted that we have such a person with us, but if such be his method of procedure, I am willing to meet him on his own ground, and I trust that your sense of justice will prompt you to make this communication as conspicuous as was his.

The citizens of this community are evidently interested and somewhat amused by the arid our patriotic neighbor, E. A. Hildreth, Sr., continues to display in behalf of Messrs. Madden, Leever and Tom Velle, and in denunciation of those who had the audacity to sign a recall petition without having first sought his sage advice. It is not hard for those who know Mr. Hildreth and the mutual affection existing between him and the county court, to understand his attitude. Of course we could not expect a man to "bite the hand that feeds him," especially when he gets both tatty and pie. It would be surprising, indeed, if a man who once fought an entire rebel army—single-handed should hesitate for a moment to oppose the 83 per cent of his rebellious citizen neighbors who are so unreasonable as to ask for justice in the administration of county affairs. It is sad that county officials should need to be humiliated when the only excuse that can be offered

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On the other hand, I have good reason to believe that many will vote for the recall who did not wish their names to appear on the petition. We note that our county court is composed of American citizens, and we do not deny that Mr. Hildreth might have done worse had he been in their place. Many of the signers are also American citizens who do not forget that America is the land of the free. Mr. Hildreth promises to do all he can to help the present incumbents out; we shall appreciate his help, although I trust we can get them out without it. W. W. PARKER. Butte Falls, Ore., June 20, 1916.

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