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EM-TEES

Uncle Sam threw aside the letter he was reading and uttered an exclamation of impatience.

"Doggone!" he cried. "Why can't people be more explicit?"

"What's the matter, pa?" asked Aunt Sue.

"This letter from home," Uncle Sam answered, "says father fell out of the old apple tree and broke a limb."

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Oh! You Wonderful Child

"Douglas McArthur was born while his parents were away."—Milwaukee Journal.

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A regiment of soldiers were at camp and a young Scottish recruit was put on sentry duty outside the general's tent. In the morning the general arose, looked out of his tent and said to the young man in a stern and loud voice:

"Who are you?"

The young man turned round smartly and said:

"Fine. Who's yesell'?"

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A dandy young fellow named Bid,
Became a proud father, he did.
He stays up all night
And thinks it all right,
Because it is "all for the kid."

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ENGLISH HUMOR.

Mrs. Parkes—Now, young man, why aren't you at the front.

(Young man (milking cow)—'Cos there ain't any milk at that end, Missus!

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A certain college professor, who writes a Horace Greeley hand, tells this story at his own expense. He had written a marginal comment on one of the students' themes, and shortly afterward the student came to him and said:

"Prof. C——, I was unable to read what you wrote on my paper and my parents also could not decipher it. I then called on my uncle, a lawyer, and he finally managed to read it for me."

This is what the professor had written: "Your penmanship is scarcely legible."

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MODERN MOTHER GOOSE.

Diddle, diddle dumpling, my son John
Hit the hay with his stockings on;
One shoe off,
One shoe on,
I think he was "Gilded," my son John.

* * *

NO, NOT AFTER THAT.

"All the fools are not dead yet," said the sarcastic man.

"What's the matter with you?" asked the simple one, "aren't you feeling well?"

RECOMMEND BENNETT AS HUGHES' SUCCESSOR

WASHINGTON, July 13.—Senators Chamberlain and Lane of Oregon will at the earliest opportunity recommend to the president the appointment of A. S. Bennett of The Dalles, Or., for the supreme bench to succeed Charles E. Hughes. The senators believe no one yet has been decided upon for the vacancy, and they will urge Bennett as a capable jurist whose appointment would compliment the Pacific coast and its democracy.

HUGHES' NOTIFICATION TO BE MADE JULY 31

NEW YORK, July 13.—The official notification ceremonies of the nomination of Charles E. Hughes will be held in New York, July 31, at 4 p. m. at Carnegie hall, it was announced today.

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NO CAUSE FOR WAR

EVIDENCE thus far published indicates that the battle of Carrizal was largely the fault of the dead American leader, Captain Boyd. The statements of Leon Spillsbury, the Mormon guide, of the captured troopers, of Captain Morey indicate that the conflict was deliberately sought by the American commander, and due to his lack of tact and arrogance and desire to provoke a war.

The official Mexican version states that Captain Boyd was warned by General Gomez not to advance through the city of Carrizal, and urged to await reply to a special request sent by Gomez to his superiors, to permit the advance requested, but that Captain Boyd declared he would advance anyway, formed his troops and began the attack.

Captain Morey, in his official report, states that Captain Boyd was "under the impression that the Mexicans would run as soon as we fired," and that the Americans "formed for attack" and advanced upon the Mexicans, and that thereupon the Mexican troops opened fire.

Under these circumstances, the Carrizal episode does not constitute a just cause of war. With the co-operation of the Carranza troops, there is no reason why the American troops should remain in Mexico. Their mission is ended and they are only a source of friction with a neighbor nation.

Many officers of the regular army are keen for war, and opportunity should be denied them of plunging by hasty and ill-considered action the two nations into a costly struggle.

KENT TO SUPPORT WILSON IN ELECTION

WASHINGTON, July 13.—There is one member of congress who has fairly earned the title of an independent. William Kent of the first California district has been twice elected without party designation. Back of that, in his first term, he was an insurgent Republican.

This year, William Kent, the only independent member of congress, is for Woodrow Wilson for president. He has been close to the pulse of national affairs for five years in Washington, and he has taken note of what the Wilson administration has accomplished in three years of that time.

"The present administration has accomplished a great deal for better government and progressive government," says Mr. Kent. "The people generally are not acquainted with much of the good legislation that has been passed and I find the administration itself is rather backward in telling the story. It is not well advertised.

"I look for still greater progress in the next four years, if this administration is returned to power. I have many reasons for supporting it, and those reasons are found in its record. I would not support it, unless it were progressive, but mind you, I have never been a member of the Progressive party.

"For Mr. Hughes personally I have the highest regard, but I believe the bunch of men around him will stand watching every minute."

MODERN THELMA AT PAGE THEATRE

Pretty is the word that one will be apt to say first in speaking of this offering, a five-reel Fox upon its first presentation at the Page yesterday. Many of its backgrounds and set scenes, and especially the change that one will notice in it from mid-summer to snowy winter over the same hillsides and forest trees, are most attractive. There are many fine things in the way of well-acted moments in it—the best of them being the pleading of a mother for the love of a son, whom she thought had drowned in babyhood.

The work of Vivian Martin as Thelma, adds much to the enjoyment the picture gives. Miss Martin has plenty of chances and has taken advantage of them all. In appearance, she is attractive and she plays spontaneously and with color in her acting. Mr. Hilliard, who appears opposite her, is excellent.

The photoplay is wonderful and the backgrounds are worthy of it.

An English aristocrat, visiting Norway, falls in love with Thelma, the daughter of a Viking-like Norse landowner, and this first part is an idyllic story. He marries her and takes her to England. Society women, one of whom has been infatuated with the young man, are disappointed because Thelma is not only beautiful, but has pretty manners and is popular. There is a very melodramatic conspiracy to break her heart by making her suspect her husband. It works and she runs away, back to her Norway home. Her husband follows and the happy ending unites the two in the old Norse homestead.

It is a big, expensive picture in which there are many good qualities. It is so pretty and full of grace that people who see it will surely like it, and the story is interesting enough to hold.

FINAL ARGUMENTS IN ORPET TRIAL

WAUKEGAN, Ill., July 13.—The final scenes in the long-drawn-out trial of Will H. Orpet, former university student, charged with the murder of Marion Lambert in Helm's woods last February, began to materialize today with the assurance that in all probability the end of the case would be reached by Saturday night. At least it was believed that the jury would begin its deliberations by that time.

Ralph F. Potter of counsel for Orpet, was to conclude his address to the jury some time during the forenoon. That would leave two more speakers only to be heard from—James H. Wilkerson, chief counsel for the defense, and David R. Joslyn, special prosecutor assisting the state.

It was expected that Mr. Wilkerson would begin speaking some time this afternoon and that he would finish by noon tomorrow. Mr. Joslyn is then to take his stand in front of the jury box, finishing some time Saturday.

MARY PICKFORD AT STAR THEATRE

In the same role of "Poor Little Peppina," Mary Pickford is seen to advantage. For the picture contains strong interest all the way, with an abundance of action and relevant incident.

The story, which was written by Kate Jordan, gives to Miss Pickford the kind of role in which she has found her greatest success—that of a waif. As the girl reared by Italian peasants following her abduction from her American parents; on shipboard attired in her foster-brother's clothes; in America buffeted by fate in the shape of counterfeiters, and in the conclusion, when restored to her parents she is seen garbed as a young woman of wealth, Miss Pickford is at her best. It is an all-around characterization, one that will be enjoyed by the player's admirers.

Sidney Olcott, the producer, too, is at his best—in his staging and general direction, but notably in his selection of types. The last remark applies whether we are speaking of the Italians or the New Yorkers—and especially of his detectives, both superiors and subordinates. The scene of the working of the third degree, when the arrested counterfeiters confess to their abduction of the child fifteen years before, their confrontation by the father and mother of Peppina and the reunion of the family, all these incidents provide a series of situations of real dramatic power.

Jack Pickford as Beppo, the son of the foster-parents of Peppina, is a factor in the support of his sister. Eugene O'Brien is the assistant district attorney who befriends Peppina. W. J. Carlton is a convincing chief of police. On the Rialto sale of the story marked atmosphere is contributed by Antonio Maiori, Cesare Gravina, N. Cerri, Mrs. Mairo and Francesca Guerra.

"Poor Little Peppina" will be shown at the Star theater two days beginning today.

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CHORAL SOCIETY PRESENTS DIRECTOR ANDREWS A BATON

Under pretence of rehearsal the Medford Choral Society inveigled George Andrews, Musical Director of the society into attending a social evening at the Presbyterian church Tuesday evening, and presented him with a beautiful ebony baton mounted in gold and inscribed. The presentation was made in a few fitting and facetious remarks, by the President of the society, S. V. Beckwith.

It is recognized with satisfaction by all members of the chorus that the work of the musical director is one of pure love and pleasure, arduous as much of it may be, and the words spoken by the president and the presentation itself were a spontaneous expression of esteem and regard in which the director and his work are alike held.

Some new music from Wagner's Lohengrin was given a first reading and several other new choruses were also sung. It was agreed on motion that the chorus should adjourn until the first Tuesday in September. It is proposed to give not less than two concerts during the winter months.

The progress made by the members individually and by the chorus as a whole, is very marked. Choruses which at first would have accupied a whole evening, are now read after one or two attempts, with a fair degree of ease and accuracy, so that the society is now in a position to do better work than ever, and to give artistic rendering to the most difficult and exacting music.

There is likely to be a large increase in membership before the opening of the winter season, and all who wish to join the chorus should make written application to the secretary, such applications to be passed upon by the musical director and a committee. Following the rehearsal, the chorus adjourned to the school room of the church for refreshments and spent a pleasant evening.

ORDINATION OF ELDERS AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

At the morning service next Sunday, H. C. Hubbard will be ordained and installed as elder. C. W. McDonald will be installed as trustee. The elders, of the church form the representative spiritual court of the local church. The next courts in order are the Presbytery, which includes several counties, the synod, the state and general assembly, which embraces the United States.

In 1st Peter, 5th chapter, verse 1, Peter writing to the early church says: "The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder." Paul ordained elders in every city where he organized a church.

The constitution of the United States is framed after the model of the Presbyterian church of Scotland. The only minister who signed the declaration of independence was a Presbyterian minister, the Rev. John Witherspoon, D. D., of Princeton, N. J. In Independence hall he swept the wavering columns into line in these words: "Gentlemen, to hesitate at this moment is to consent to slavery. That noble instrument upon the table should be subscribed to this very moment by every pen in this room. He who will not respond to its sentiments and strain every nerve to carry into effect its provisions is not worthy of the name of a free man, and although these gray hairs must soon descend into the sepulcher I would infinitely rather that they descend there by the hand of the executioner than desert at this crisis the sacred cause of my country." The other elders are Messrs. Gore, Warner, Wortman, Cooley and Jones. The public is cordially invited.

A. A. J. HOSS,
Minister.

TOWNE'S MESSAGE ASKS FOR DETAILS

New York, July 12.

Medford Commercial Club,
Medford, Ore.

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SLIGHT DANGER OF BABY EPIDEMIC IN ROGUE VALLEY

There is but very slight danger of an epidemic of infantile paralysis, such as is sweeping the East ever gaining a foothold here in the west, according to Dr. F. G. Thayer, city health officer. The disease is transmitted by contagion and like all maladies of that character seems to reach its most virulent form in the crowded living conditions and extreme climatic conditions which prevail in the East. Milder climate, better air and less crowding of people together, render even contagious diseases like smallpox much milder here.

But few cases of the disease have ever been reported in the northwest. About five years ago there was a mild epidemic in Portland and at the same time, a case was reported to Dr. Thayer near Phoenix.

In the event of any such contagion, said Dr. Thayer, his first step would be a strict quarantine of all cases, thorough sanitary inspection, and in general, a following of the same measures that are being taken in the east.

"While I do not think there is the slightest danger of any epidemic of infantile paralysis breaking out here, and while our living conditions would render the disease less virulent, still I would consider even a single case very serious and would take all measures to prevent any spread," said Dr. Thayer this morning.

Infantile paralysis finds its greatest hold among children under five years of age, as the following record of 566 cases will show:

First year, 26 per cent; Second year, 38 per cent; Third year, 22 per cent; fourth and fifth years, 15 per cent; after fifth year, 5 per cent.

Speaking of symptoms, effects and characteristics of the disease, Dr. Thayer said:

"Boys are more frequently affected than girls. Heriditary influences seem to have no effect. Most of the cases occur in the summer, Sinkley, one authority, saying that 80 per cent of the cases come in the five warm months.

"The symptoms sometimes appear with the patient falling suddenly ill with vomiting and pains in the legs and a temperature of 101 to 103 degrees. Or commonly the patient feels slightly indisposed in the evening, goes to bed and in the morning awakens with a slight paralysis of the affected parts."

"The disease," concluded Dr. Thayer, "is dreaded, not only for the death that it causes, but for the deformities that follow in its wake. As for the story appearing in the papers concerning the discovery of a culture for its cure, Medical men will credit it when it appears authenticated in the mdical journals."

NAVAL APPROPRIATION BILL BEFORE SENATE

WASHINGTON, July 13.—The naval appropriation bill was taken up by the senate today to be kept before it until a final vote is taken. The measure as reported by the naval committee substitutes eight capital ships the coming year for the house's five and specifies completion of the navy general board's five-year building program within three years.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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MACADAMIZIE ENTIRE LENTH OF GRADE OVER SISKIYOUS

H. J. Hildeburn of Roseburg has been awarded the contract for crushing 9000 yards of stone for the state to be used in macadamizing an eight-foot strip of road adjoining the pavement, over the Siskiyou mountain section of the Pacific highway.

The state highway commission has decided to spend this year's appropriation in macadamizing this eight-foot strip the entire length of the road, leaving the extension of the paved strip for another year. This will enable continuous use of the highway during the winter season besides permitting the grade to settle more before pavement is laid.

It is now up to Contractor Seman to start recall proceedings against the governor and highway commission for not awarding him the contract.

MARTIAL LAW RULES PROVINCE OF MADRID

PARIS, July 13.—The city and the province of Madrid were today declared by the government in a state of siege on account of the strike of railroad employes, according to a Havas dispatch from the Spanish capital.

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