

REGRETS ACTION OF LEGISLATURE ON MORALS BILL

To the Editor: It was with surprise and deep regret that I read in Tuesday's Medford Mail Tribune that certain members of the house of representatives at Salem, one of them a woman, had by their opposition killed the "morals bill," the passing of which was requested by the war department.

I give here some quotations from government officials who are carrying on this fight for morality.

The first is from the secretary of war to the mayors of cities.

"The only practical policy which presents itself in relation to this problem is the policy of repression. This policy involves, of course, constant vigilance on the part of the police not only in eliminating regular houses of prostitution, but in checking the more or less clandestine class that walks the streets and is apt to frequent the lodging houses and hotels."

Secretary Josephus Daniels of the navy declares:

"One of the compensations for the tragedy of war is the fact that an enlightened opinion is behind the organized campaign to protect the youth against venereal disease. The campaign begun in war to insure the military fitness of men for fighting is quite as necessary to care for men for civil efficiency."

Secretary McAdoo says in a letter to all civil authorities:

"Under the protection of the military authorities four million soldiers and sailors received greater protection against venereal diseases than they received before the war in civil life. The cities and towns thru which they go and to which they will return upon demobilization must be safe. The fight must be vigorously continued."

Surgeon General Rupert Blue says:

"We know the cause of these diseases and we know that prostitution affords their principal mode of distribution. We know, too, that so far as injury to the nation is concerned, these diseases are not outranked by any other of the communicable disease group."

The president of the United States has added his endorsement to that of his leading cabinet officers in this campaign.

While the army and navy have done and are doing all in their power to protect our soldiers and sailors, and incidentally the youth of our land the members of the Oregon legislature refuse to help.

During my thirty-two years with the army of the United States I have seen everywhere the trail of the vampire, the woman who traffics in human souls. From the north to the south and from the Atlantic to the Pacific she has set up her house and has been a burden and a menace, not alone to the present generation but to generations to come.

It is discouraging to learn that we have in the legislature at Salem, Oregon, representatives who refuse to legislate against the houses of prostitution because it would be "discriminating against the women."

How men—and a woman—could do such a thing is beyond my ken.

The time has passed when a false modesty or a shrinking from facing disagreeable facts should deter us. The people must be made to know and understand the actual conditions terrible as they are.

This campaign which is beginning is simply a scientific and sanitary one, a new war which the United States is making against a great and ruinous plague which touches every home in the land.

Surely we ought to be able to send men to the legislature who are capable of judging between right and wrong. And if we must send women, for Heaven's sake let us send those whose moral sense is sufficiently developed to enable them to "discriminate" against evil in every form and who have the courage to stand up for what is right.

ALICE L. SARGENT, Jacksonville, Feb. 13.

If ever we have moments of doubt it is when men like Theodore Roosevelt have to die and Bill Hohenzollern still lives.—Detroit Free Press.

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CELEBRATION FOR RETURNED TROOPS IN PREPARATION

While parents and wives are anxiously scanning the columns of the daily papers, to ascertain if possible the exact day and hour their loved ones of the Sixty-fifth regiment will arrive in Portland, there have been silent but active forces at work in Medford, to set in motion plans for the most elaborate and jolliest celebration ever staged in this city.

The date fixed will be immediately upon the arrival home of the overseas boys but the celebration will be in honor of all returned soldiers and sailors, those already here as well as those who arrive in the interim. On this occasion Medford will treat them all and treat them right. A committee on general arrangements met this morning and formulated plans on a scale sufficiently stupendous to elicit the assistance of every willing hand in Medford and vicinity. Those who listened to Irvin Cobb and his marvelous word picture of the valor of the American soldier, will feel moved to double the effort in showing just appreciation of the "product of the melting pot." To this end Medford plans one grand festival and to make it a fete than can never be effaced from the memory of the boys. Mayor Gates has invited the Drama League, with their newly elected president, Mrs. Lee Davenport at the head, to assume charge d'affaires in cooperation with all the clubs, organizations and individuals of the city. No one is to be denied a part in this last but greatest local event of the war epoch.

For the perfecting of plans for the home coming, a mass meeting will be held at the Library Monday at 2:30. Some surprises are promised for this meeting and all should feel it a privilege rather than a duty to attend.

Funds for the event will be secured by contribution—everyone will wish to take part in this feature of the program, many having already expressed a desire to assist generously. The finance committee comprises Mayor Gates, Mrs. Delroy Getchell and Mrs. Frank Owen. To simplify the work of the committee, citizens are asked to leave contributions at the office of Mayor Gates or place them with members of the committee personally.

VILLA ROUNDED UP AMERICANS TO SEE MAYOR EXECUTED

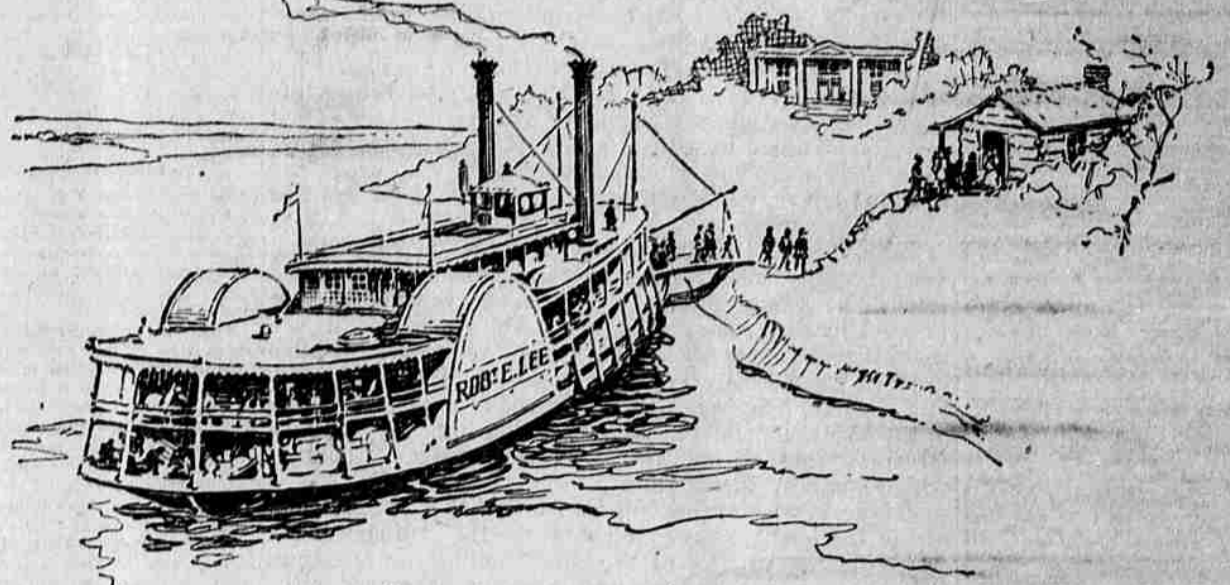
CHIHUAHUA CITY, Mex., Feb. 14.—Francisco Villa's recent raid on Santa Eulalia, 10 miles from here and the center of a thickly settled mining district, was typical of his daring methods. Dashing into the mining town at dawn he shot the sentries of the little federal garrison, executed the captain in command and made prisoners of the remaining 30 guards. His men found Antonio Cabello asleep in his home and took him before Villa in his night clothes. Because of a grudge of long standing, Villa ordered him executed, but postponed the execution until he could round up all of the Americans in camp. Some of the American mining officials, hearing the shooting, fled to the hills and were fired upon by the Villa men. The others, including the officials of the American Smelting & Refining company, the Buena Tierra company and other mines, were brought before Villa who was established in the offices of one of the mining companies which had been looted and the records and papers destroyed.

The Americans were taken to a tramway support where they were forced to witness the hanging of Cabello, former mayor of Santa Eulalia. As his body was swinging from the rope, Villa told the Americans he had not decided whether or not he would hang them. He told them he would postpone his decision until later. Villa made a speech to the Mexicans who gathered to see the execution, told them the Americans were not paying enough wages and ordered them to make a demonstration for higher wages. Later he permitted the Americans to leave for Chihuahua City, after he ordered them to report to their companies that he would return March 11th and, if heavy tributes were not paid to his agents by that time, he would burn the plants and kill all the Americans.

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