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UNION LABEL

Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry

Fit throwing has been renewed by democrats with great gusto because of the Quadruple treaty.

The treaty England negotiated with Ireland seems to satisfy the Irish in Ireland, but not the Irish in America.

"RESOLUTION BREAKS OUT IN GUATEMALA" (Hillside Bond Times) The same thing will happen here about Dec. 31.

President Harding will visit the Pacific Coast next summer, and steps have been taken to get out an injunction to keep Portland from giving him an auto ride over the Columbia Highway.

AGITATE NOT THY SHOULDERS (Chico Enterprise) Young people of the Broadway Methodist church will meet at a get-together in the church tonight.

An entertainment will be given and a chicken supper will be served at 7 o'clock.

This country is exceptionally cruel to Russia. While feeding 29,000,000 hungry hellraiders, seed grains and plows are being sent over for use next spring in the fields.

Strength regained by means of American grub was to be used in destroying all Law and Reason, instead of tilling the soil.

Society for the Summer Following of Russian Acreage should be formed at once, if not sooner.

The esteemed pm. inflicted a poem on your ear, this one, with mathe-forethought and premeditation.

The title of the poem is: "Mail Easy and Often."

A visit was made to E. P. Sunday. There the sturdy yeomanry roll their own, and wear nickel socks, spit against the wind, and procure \$2 worth of food for fourbits at Mr. Howlett's.

A BADLY BATTERED PANCAKE (New York Telegram) Although McCoy was struck several times in the fracas—and twice between the lunch-counter and the cash-register—he refused to serve as the roustabout station for any more of Murphy's sporadic soaks.

Sen. Watson threatened to slap the face of a Major. The class in mathematics will figure out what low form of punishment would be administered to a 2nd lieutenant.

"License to Wed—William Goo, legal, and Mary Wendt, legal, both of Durham." (Red Bluff News). They will become tourists.

The New York Garment Workers who are striking "for a change in this country," need a trip across the Atlantic Ocean.

Secretary of State Hughes may be making a good impression on the European diplomats, but no Jack Co. patriot has yet seen fit to part his whiskers in the buff.

The municipal woodpile that was going to be established with a well, about a month ago, is working full blast like the mines in the Nash.

Chicago Board Concession. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The board of trade of Chicago and members of that exchange will be permitted to operate after December 24, under a revised order issued today by the supreme court.

The order, which is temporary, was made to meet the futures trading act, which takes effect on that date.

Notice American Legion The members of American Legion are requested to meet with the Grand Lodge, Tuesday at 8:30, in 1315 up the question of putting across the armory.

A full attendance is desired. FRANK E. FARRELL, Commander.

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Editorial Correspondence

WASHINGTON, D.C., Nov. 23.—This conference may save the world, but it is going to spoil a number of good newspaper men. Talk about the Fourth Estate! The gross parties has put the newspaper reporter above the persons, above the army and navy and clergy, above everything but the special writer with a reputation, who is not only receiving the homage of a publicity seeking officialdom, but a pay check beyond the dreams of avarice.

Only a few reportorial heads will be able to stand the strain. The great majority will return to their humdrum jobs, with such an exaggerated view of their own importance that they will be useless as manufacturers of copy for some time to come. When the "Chief" asks Benny Corona to cover the noon day jamboon of the Carpet Sweepers' Luncheon, he will omit a scornful cast, rest on the spot, and like a rat, not to wait on his automobile.

For headed by the Japanese, every denotation at the conference is struggling to carry away with the press. This is a natural development. For the success of this historic gathering depends not upon governments, not upon official communications, not upon lavishly decorated dignitaries, but upon public opinion, and the press representatives here have the ears of some 290,000,000 people. But natural and desirable as this condition is, the former press shrews have not been mentally prepared to receive it. They are only human. They are living now in their silk shirt era. The period of deflation must come, and must come way be anticipated. It will prove a trying period.

Yesterday your correspondent had tea with Lord Riddell, the British newspaper man second in importance to Northcliffe. That is to say, he drank a cup of tea along with half a hundred other insignificant mortals who shook his ship's hand. Lord Riddell, as a representative of our doctrine—was much interested to hear of the splendid trout fishing in the Begone River valley. He would also be much interested in hearing of the estrich possibilities on the Peconia river, for being interested in his business. He is the grand hand representative of the British delegation, but as Prince Yashimoto is the grand hand representative of the Japanese delegation, a great opportunity for the notoriety seeker and the ear reporter.

Lord Riddell gave a talk before the national council for the limitation of armaments, before the tea. Mrs. Gifford Pinchot presided, with Mrs. Woodman Harrison in relief. The meeting therefore had a society tinge with parlor pacific leanings. He lordship stressed the importance of substituting the German will-to-power by an Anglo-Saxon will-to-peace, until the people are educated to a spirit of peace. He urged an educational alliance toward this end, and a careful supervision of school histories. The coming generation, not the present generation he held to be the greatest factor in lessening the frequency of war, and now is the time for the individual to work for the transformation of habit, eliminate the habit of thinking war and cultivate the habit of thinking peace. It was a good, common sense talk, the kind his lordship

gives, three or four of them a day on the average.

Lord Riddell is a rather clerical looking person, with a standing collar one or two sizes too large, and a curious habit of putting on his spectacles very carefully when he speaks and taking them off when he reads his notes. He looks colorless and formal, but as a speaker is quite the reverse. In fact considering he is a Scotchman and a vegetarian, his vocabulary is almost rich. He called the aris policy a great advertising "stunt" and alluded quite sportily to the liquid resources of Prohibition America, in which he does not indulge. He has a sense of humor, and great tact.

Following his remarks Mrs. Pinchot—quite an animated woman—asked if there were any questions. No answer were the words out of her mouth than a baldheaded man sitting near a table lance arose and announced:

"I bin a Schwede. Let me ask dis: vat is difference between dee House of De Lord, and dee Kaiser and his Junkers!"

Great sensation, raising of eyebrows and suppressed murmurs from the dress circle.

His lordship arose with a smile and adjusted his glasses carefully. "I am very glad my friend—"

"Theodore Beckstrom!"

"Thank you, my friend Theodore Beckstrom, asked this question (quite increasing) for I am a member of the House of Lords though a very recent member, and at the last election I was stunged to discover that I had no vote. In fact, Mr. Beckstrom, the House of Lords, as perhaps few Americans know, has no power at all. If the House of Commons passes a law, and the Lords take no action, it becomes a law. Are there any more questions?"

A stately gentleman at your correspondent's right arose and started without warning into his autobiography. He spoke affectionately of his namesake Sir James Craig, and with a passion and earnestness of phrase which was intended to convey no doubt that he was brought up near monarchial circles he asked "Will our lordship tell us, if compatible with your position and responsibilities, how to secure peace between North and South Ireland?"

Mrs. Pinchot apparently fearing the meeting would get beyond control arose at this point and suggested that the question was rather beside the subject, but Lord Riddell suffered no such alarm. He again arose, carefully adjusted his glasses, and again smiled.

"I am very glad the gentleman has asked this question, for it always me the opportunity of saying that if I knew the answer to the question I would not be here."

And he sat down again, very bland, very much amused, with the plain declaration, that no one but Lloyd George or God Almighty, could throw any light on the situation in Ireland, and neither were present. So the session ended, with pro-German and Sinn Fein hecklers completely and yet so decorously annihilated, with Britain's reputation for tolerance and fair play enhanced, and the Anglo-Saxon content strengthened in tea, toast and cheerful conversation. That is what Lord Riddell was sent over here for. He does it well.

SAP AND SALT BY Bert Moses Charity begins at home and seldom ventures outside.

The chauffeur slips easily into the scene when husband neglects wife.

The best things in some books are what the writers left out.

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HEZ HECK SAYS: "The peek-a-boo waist don't show quite as much as you think it does."

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HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

- 1-What is a helicopter? 2-How did London police headquarters come to be called Scotland Yard? 3-What city is called the "Renaissance City"? 4-What was the name of the first long film ever made? 5-In what three states is Lookout Mountain? 6-What is the shortest book in the Bible? 7-What makes stars twinkle? 8-Who is president of the southern Republic of China? 9-Where was the first airplane flight made? 10-What year is this according to the Jewish calendar? 11-Who were the first Canadian post offices established? 12-How fast does rain fall? 13-What state in the union has only three daily newspapers? 14-Of what republic in South America is Hipolito the president? 15-Who was Thomas Jonathan Jackson?

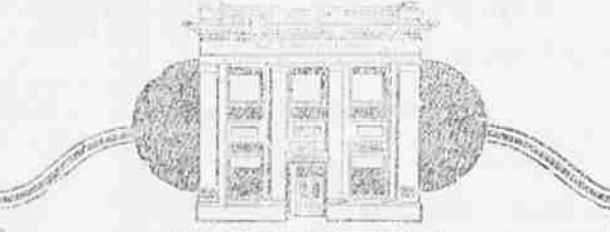
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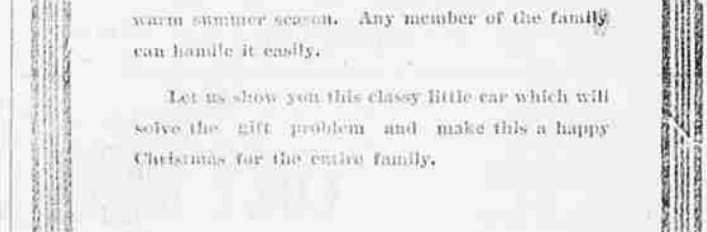
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I HOPE the nations may decide to junk the implements of might, and scrape the battleships that ride the waters, spoiling for a fight; for such an outcome we have cried since this great conflict loomed in sight. The great world war has done its worst, but still remain its wounds and aches; for peace we hunger and we thirst, for long calm years of useful arts; but if we'd have it near must first scrap evil passions in their hearts. Oh, we may sink our ships at sea, and turn our swords to pruning hooks, and mold our shot-guns so they'll be acceptable as shepherds' crooks, but man will find a snicker-sneer if he is bound to scrap, gadzooks! Disarmament's a noble plan, well worth the highest statesman's while, but it must be an also-ran, and orange still must be in style, until we rid the heart of man of hatred, jealousy and guile. If he can't have a battleship with which to soak the measly foe, he'll heave a boulder from his ship and he'll lay a dozen low, a rife will let the arrows zip on deadly errands from a bow. If he can't send out poison gas, or train his guns on yonder camp, he'll take a ragged pane of glass, or brain the foe man with a lamp; I hate to say it, but alas, he's just that sort of muddled seamy! So we must scrap unworthy hates as well as battleships and guns, throw them forever from our gates with broken lances, tuns on tuns; and then for us the Great ones w'Patts, to last while there are stars and suns.

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