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WHAT PRICE, SENATE?

NEARLY two months ago President Hoover handed the London naval reduction treaty to the Senate, and requested that prompt action be taken concerning it.

With the passage of the tariff bill, the business of the special session was over. The House adjourned. The President wished the Senate to act on this treaty and also adjourn, so he could take a western trip and enjoy a much-needed rest and vacation.

SO A filibuster was conducted, and nearly a month consumed in demanding that the President turn over all secret correspondence concerning the treaty, which they realized he was not obliged to do.

At no time since the treaty was presented was there any doubt that eventually it would be ratified.

But this did not deter them, and for a very simple reason. They knew they couldn't defeat the treaty, but they knew they could embarrass and annoy the President, by delaying action upon it.

WITH the President forced to abandon his vacation, and forced to listen for a month to misrepresentation of the treaty, the recalcitrant minority decided they had achieved their end.

And yet some of the august members of the Upper House wonder why there is such popular dissatisfaction with the Senate, why the suggestion that the Senate be abolished entirely, receives serious consideration.

THE Senate costs the people of the country nearly a million dollars a year in salaries alone. What it costs them in other directions simply defies computation.

DOING NOTHING!—except of course, annoying and pestering the President of the United States, by taking two months to secure the ratification of a treaty that but for them could have been ratified in as many days.

WITH the country in the grip of a widespread depression, President Hoover has a difficult enough job to perform at best.

FOR by their petty and pestiferous tactics they are creating a sympathy for the President which, otherwise, he might have been unable to attain.

So in spite of this depression, and in spite of the unpopularity of the new tariff bill, there is no doubt that, thanks to the Johnsons and Bingham and Hales, President Hoover comes out of the special session with more respect and popularity than he enjoyed when he went in.

GIVE THE DEVIL HIS DUE

IN THE campaign to abolish the state public service commission, it is always claimed the commission does nothing but raise rates, to fatten the profits of the big corporations, and rob the common people.

Of course this isn't true. But the impression has gained ground largely because when rates have been raised there has been a tremendous outcry, with much publicity in the press; and when they have been lowered, practically no notice of the fact has been taken whatever.

A FEW days ago the commission, after an exhaustive investigation, ordered reduction of light and power rates in the northern part of the state which will save customers in that district HALF A MILLION DOLLARS a year.

If any particular notice of this reduction has been taken it has escaped our attention. The new rates are reported as 7 per cent under the rates in the Los Angeles area, and 14 per cent under the rates of those enjoyed in the Seattle district, where the people own their own utilities.

THE members of the commission may not be as alive to the people's interests as they should be. But in the face of this action, it can no longer be justly charged that they only raise rates and never lower them.

Moreover, this reduction supports the contention of this paper, that the way to protect the interests of the people as against the power companies is not to abolish the commission and thus abandon all public control and regulation, but to retain the commission and, by proper appointments, see that its functions in the interests of the people, as originally intended.

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M. D.

Signet letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not in disease, diagnosis or treatment will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed.

YEARS AND YEARS AFTERWARD ONE LIKES TO RECALL THE GOOD OLD POISON IVY DAYS.

Schopenhauer, the grumpy old pessimist, explains why the long vacation seemed so much longer when we were kids than it does now.



Some of our literary critics declare an author must first live before he can write effectively about life.

One of the best protective measures where you must work or play in proximity to poison ivy is a smearing of the exposed skin with common yellow soap lather.

Should a Child Have Diphtheria? My wife wishes to have our 7-year-old son immunized against diphtheria.

Answer—Yes, maybe, but all I know is what I read in the letters, and some of the letters are pretty severe.

Should a Child Have Diphtheria? My wife wishes to have our 7-year-old son immunized against diphtheria.

Answer—Either you misunderstood the doctor or he was a charlatan. Proof? Consult the records for the city of Auburn, N. Y.

NURSES SUFFER FROM PTOMAIN POISONING NEW YORK, July 22.—(AP)—Thirty-six nurses in the Willard Parker hospital were treated by physicians yesterday for ptomaine poisoning, attributed to meat they had for dinner Sunday.

MAIL TRIBUNE DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

ACROSS: 1. Village, 2. Accumulate, 3. Pay in advance, 4. Animal in house, 5. Sign-inving animal, 6. Fruit, 7. The French, 8. Ringlet, 9. Addition to building, 10. Individual performance, 11. Black cuckoo, 12. Mohammedanism, 13. Writing implement, 14. Divis, 15. One of an 18th century Norwegian religious sect, 16. European mountain system, 17. Hearing, 18. More courteous, 19. Drifts, 20. Nerve mental, 21. Important occurrence, 22. Negative prefix, 23. Sound of a cow, 24. Branches of learning, 25. Older abbr., 26. Light helmet, 27. South American animals, 28. Mountain pierced by the Simpson tunnel, 29. Brook, 30. Thinking, 31. Angry, 32. Dump, 33. Silk worm, 34. New comb, 35. Priestly tribe of Israel, 36. Plunge, 37. Beautiful bird, 38. Torn, 39. Linger, 40. Admirers of position, 41. Past tense, 42. Small general, 43. King of the Amalekites, 44. Broad theory, 45. Horn, 46. Floral ending, 47. Continent abbr., 48. Takes a chair, 49. Fear of the name, 50. Exchange premium, 51. Sign of the infantile, 52. Striking gent., 53. The white plague; colic, 54. Silk set, 55. Hells, 56. Park in the Rockies, 57. Roll of tobacco, 58. Hair three in one, 59. Pronoun, 60. Gem, 61. Knack, 62. Funeral pines, 63. Nail

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-63 indicating starting points for words.

Grid for 'SUNDOWN STORIES' with numbers 1-56.

SUNDOWN STORIES

John and Peggy and the Little Black Clock were having a wonderful time seeing the creatures who lived under the ocean and along the coast, for the Clock had turned the time ahead and he had a boat which could go so quickly as well as so far down in the water.

Ye Letter Box

A Dancer Speaks Out To the Editor: I am very much interested to see that the important role which dancing plays in contemporary American life has at last been acknowledged by a national newspaper advertiser in an advertisement, not of dancing, but of cigarettes.

MUTT AND JEFF—Lost in a Map Factory



Do You Remember?

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY (From files of the Mail Tribune)

June 22, 1920 Sealed bids asked for construction of Crater Lake highway, prospect to Union-Creek.

John C. Mann elected president of school board.

Jackson county Old Fellows to hold meet in Ashland.

Special election called to vote on giving water to Southwest Medford.

Marion—Warren C. Harding accepts Republican nomination.

Harry Walther goes to Salem to get recount Medford census.

Stanley Sherwood joins ranks of postal mail carriers.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY (From files of the Mail Tribune)

July 22, 1910 City swelters in hottest night on record.

Jay Bowerman slated as Republican nominee for governor.

City will expend million dollars on paving program.

Citizens protest house moving on Oakdale avenue.

City pipe line completed.

Medford National bank to extend its building to the alley, with a Central avenue frontage.

Pear packing school opens.

Quill Points

If the apple made Adam become one of the gods, our guess is that he squeezed the juice out and let it set a while.

People go crazy by trying to understand the incomprehensible. So it's much safer to say that women are queer, and let it go at that.

Like attracts like. And divorce shows how disappointed people are when the find out what they are like.

The Chinese have just one war after another, but they don't care much. They have just as many coolies in time of peace.

Americanism: Deciding to make money in order to live; getting the habit and then living in order to make money.

A resort is a place where you pay a dime every hour or so for something you could get for nothing at home.

Here after New York will be described: "He's the kind of a fellow who can't decide a cigarette without adding that he has always lived a clean life."

The male of every species is more handsome than the female. What's well, you notice that men can go by without camouflage.

Disqualify a fighter who fouls. Foul training will include guarding with the knee.

The jury must judge by the evidence. But the most convincing evidence may be the evident fact that the witness is lying.

Every community has at least one man that nobody is afraid of except when he announces that he isn't a candidate.

Correct this sentence: "I sell this gas because it's the best," said the filling station man, "not because it gives me the most profit."

Western—Western Lumber Company resumed operations, giving employment to 250 men.

FRUIT INSPECTION FEE QUESTION TO ATTORNEY

SALEM, Ore., July 22.—(AP)—Whether a county fruit inspector has a right to collect inspection fees from private fruit growers and keep the money as his compensation is a question placed before District Attorney John Carson, 25 N. Van Trump, county inspector, says the fees were authorized by the state board of horticulture.

By BUD FISHER