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"Regimentation!"

THERE will be a great deal of conversation about it, during the campaign. There will be much heated oratory, and many declamatory pronouncements like this from the editorial columns of an up-state paper:

"The Anglo-Saxon cannot be herded into communal organization. Rugged individualism is a part of his nature that has become ingrained into the very fibre of his being through 2000 years of bitter struggle against tyranny and oppression. He can not and will not be regimented."

Regimented,—regimented,—regimented,—how the changes will be rung on that word!

What does it mean? It means placed in a group, like a regiment, and being subjected to certain discipline.

It is the accepted and popular slogan of those Republican leaders who are fighting President Roosevelt and the New Deal. And as this paper's comment indicates, it is frequently associated with Communism, Bolshevism, Socialism, and the other "isms," so detested by all good 100 percent Americans;—although regimentation, as practiced by the Democratic administration, has no more to do with Communism, than it has with the Einstein theory.

SO THE Anglo-Saxon can not, and will not be regimented! Yet he has been regimented ever since he stepped from the jungle and discarded his stone hatchet for a pick-ax of iron. All laws have been a process of regimentation, a curb on rugged individualism. So has what we call civilization.

For a more modern example of regimentation take our traffic laws. When there were few motor cars we had no traffic laws, excepting those regulating horse drawn vehicles. But as motor cars increased, rugged individualism at the wheel of an automobile, became a menace, to life, limb and property.

So motor traffic was REGIMENTED. Certain rules were drawn up, and in the larger cities, stop and go lights were installed, and lanes for one-way traffic, instituted.

This was not relished by the rugged individualist. It isn't today—particularly when he has a quart of raw gin in his hip pocket. He wants to drive as fast as he pleases, where he pleases, and when he pleases. But this hated regimentation says nay, and such rugged individualism, is grabbed by the nape of the neck, and locked in a cell to sober up.

THERE also was a time when there were no rules and regulations regarding business. It was every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost. But when business grew by leaps and bounds, when the Jay Goulds and the Commodore Vanderbilts, the Morgans and the Rockefeller, started out to corral all the big business in sight,—make this country consist of a small group of billionaires on one hand, and a mass of paupers on the other,—regimentation AGAIN stepped in.

The Sherman anti-trust law was passed. The Interstate Commerce commission was established. So were many state public service commissions. Certain rules and regulations were laid down, for Big Business to follow.

As a whole Big Business followed them, after a fashion, but in a very short time found it easy to evade them. And Big Business continued to evade them until Franklin D. Roosevelt was elected President.

President Roosevelt presented his New Deal, which did not originate, but merely CONTINUED regimentation. Certain Big Business men were told they could no longer employ child labor. Other business men were told they could not cut prices below a certain point, or pay labor less than a certain amount. Bankers were told they couldn't take the people's money and use it for stock promotion; brokers were told they couldn't misrepresent securities they wish to sell to the people; interlocking directorates were ruled out,—thus preventing a dozen men on Wall Street from controlling, practically all Big Business in the country.

AND once more old rugged individualism raises its head, and cries out that this is regimentation,—something to which the proud and liberty loving Anglo-Saxon will never submit,—it is also Communism, Bolshevism, Socialism, and the Roosevelt administration is nothing but a collection of long-haired anarchists and parlor Pinks!

Ho, hum—it was ever thus! And probably always will be.

THE man who tries to make this world a better place in which to live,—not for the few but for the many,—the man who tries to make a fundamental change so the welfare of ALL the people may be advanced in the basic order of things,—is invariably held up as a destroyer of an orderly government when in reality, he is, nine times out of ten, the only hope of preserving it.

President Roosevelt, as we see it, in his so called "regimentation" is fighting not to destroy the capitalistic system, but to protect it; not to advance communism, but PREVENT it. By regimentation, by social and moral discipline, he is endeavoring, to take the system we have and adjust it to modern conditions, so that it will endure, instead of going smash upon the rocks, of economic chaos and social dissolution. To accomplish this "REGIMENTATION" is as clearly needed to save the capitalistic system, as regimentation was needed to save our system of motor transportation,—save it from "rugged individualism,"—from confusion and ultimate destruction!

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M.D.

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A DENTOR WHO LI KES OL' DOC BRADY

I feel a good deal like the boy who reported to his mother that there were a million cats fighting in the back yard. When mother came a-running they decided that anyway it was our cat and another cat.



Long years ago the dentist rather liked my teachings. They hadn't learned that I don't believe it is worth while brushing one's teeth. Nor had I thought up that detestable scheme of having the dentist re-learn the trade use of "doctor" to practicing physicians exclusively. Nor had I started calling dentists "dentor" instead of "doctor."

Today I have two dentists who are still my friends. One is my own dentist—he has been designing on a denture that has served me well for 30 years, but aside from that I think he is a swell dentist and if anybody ever does take a crack at this denture of mine it will be he. The other is a middle west reader who writes:

"I would greatly appreciate any information you can give me in regard to complications (if any?) caused by 'teething' in infants, with special reference to the formation of pus in the ears. I have been a reader of your column for years, and think it is about the last word in medical and dental questions."

In my opinion, "teething" in infants is never the cause of any illness. When the baby is cutting a tooth he may be a trifle irritable if the gum is sore, but "teething" can never explain convulsions, fever or such a condition as middle ear infection or suppuration in the ear.

Most well-nourished babies cut all their teeth without the slightest disturbance. A few show a little fretfulness and increased salivation while the new tooth is erupting the gum.

Attacks of indigestion, vomiting, or diarrhea attributed to "teething" are invariably due to other causes, especially overfeeding or lack of refrigeration to keep the milk fresh in very hot weather.

Devices purporting to make teething easy are a delusion. The right care of the baby during teething consists of seeing that the baby has the proper feeding, keeping the mouth clean with a solution of

boric acid, perhaps letting the baby have a piece of ice to suck when the gum is swollen or red. There is nothing about the physiological process of cutting a tooth that prevents the baby from having any ill that young flesh is heir to. So give the child a break if he becomes ill in any way while teething. Call your doctor in.

I should like to hear again from Dentor N. D. C. and from other dentists who do not hate me. I am anxious to know whether dentists agree with me that the present separation of dentistry from medicine is anachronistic, both the separate schools and the aloofness between the physicians and dentists in practice. Properly, of course, dentistry is a special branch of medicine and no one should be permitted to practice dentistry until after he has completed a course in medical school and obtained the degree of M. D. after which he should pursue such technical study as may be necessary to fit him for his specialty.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Extenuating Ants. I make a strong solution of creolin and water, spray floor and squirt with a syringe into cracks or holes about walls, floor or shelving, and find that such treatment once a week keeps ants out of our house.—Mrs. O. W.

Answer—Some people dislike the odor of creolin perhaps because it is so much used about dog kennels. Methods for expelling ants from buildings or from the lawn are given in the booklet "Unhidden Guests," a copy of which sets you back 10 cents (coin) and stamped addressed envelope.

Easy to Lose. Some time ago you told about a method by which a person could lose 10 pounds in a few weeks. (Mrs. H. A. P.)

Answer—Yes, but since that I have found a better way—I won't mean I discovered it—and now from personal experience I know it is easy to lose 10 or 20 or 30 pounds and I haven't much sympathy for overweight people who complain they can't reduce. Send stamped envelope bearing your address. Give your age, height and weight—otherwise no advice. Ask for monograph on reduction. Or enclose a dime for booklet "Design For Dwindling" which gives detailed instructions. (Copyright 1934, John F. Dille Co.)

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George Primrose's soft shoe dance. Roy W. Howard once wrote a photo caption "Pettie Little Dancer," but he got along all right.

When I get out on a limb writing a column I take a pad and pencil to an arm chair across the room and finish it whim-wham. Emily Vanderbilt Whitfield can write her first name with two quick strokes of the pen so nobody can read it. Gene Crasley's letters to me usually bear the return address, "Adele de Vere, The Red Garter Girls, On Tour." Nice scandal! For the help. Never knew a happily retired business or professional man. There are exactly 17 versions of the Astor-Gillespie row and it would not interest me if all were correct. Nothing describes a four-flushing gesture like the Chinese phrase, "making face."

Richard Mansfield's intonations and postures would be classed as cheap theatricals today. Two syndicate theatres are honored the same week—Michigan University makes V. McNitt a Master of Arts and Kentucky gives Albert Payson Terhune a colonelship. I continue a leading member of the Madison Avenue Pants

Stories about Jimmy Walker's nostalgia for his dear old New York are amusing. I can never get rid of bore-trait bore. My enthusiasm for Leslie Howard on the screen has gone wishy-washy. Although once my favorite performer. Just another of the fickle public. But I'm faithful to Shirley Temple in my fashion. Cincinnati had more glamour for me than any American city. John Horgan couldn't get an airplane from Dayton, Ohio, of all places, for New York recently. (Copyright, 1934, McNaughton Syndicate, Inc.)

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

IT IS becoming fairly plain, by this time, what the trouble is in Austria.

One crowd wants to join Austria to Germany, thus forming a state that will be powerful enough to be a factor in European affairs. The other crowd wants to keep Austria and Germany apart.

THE crowd desiring union of Austria and Germany is known as the Nazis. Its leader is Hitler, of Germany.

The crowd wishing to keep Austria and Germany apart is known as the Fascists. The Austrian Fascists are modeled after the Italian Fascists whose leader is Mussolini. The Nazis want a strong, united Germany and Austria that can thumb its nose at the rest of Europe. The Fascists want to keep Germany and Austria divided and weak.

DOLFUS, the murdered Austrian premier, stood out for Austrian independence. The Nazis murdered him in order to get him out of the way.

Then, apparently, they tried to seize the government. Whether or not they will succeed is not yet clear, although as these words are written it rather looks as if they might have failed.

It is hard to tell what is happening, because of rigid censorship of the news.

ITALY, hereditary foe of Austria, wants to prevent union of the two, because she prefers a weak neighbor on her northern border to a strong one.

In this desire, Italy is joined by France, whose whole purpose, now as for generations past, is to prevent the rise of a strong Germany.

AS these words are written, there is doubt as to whether Italian troops have crossed the Austrian border. One dispatch says they have, while another asserts they have not.

Such is censorship. When honest reporters are not permitted to tell the news as it happens, you can't believe what you read.

In Europe, with the exception of England, there is very little honest, uncolored reporting of the news at any time, and none at all when a war scare is in the offing.

SO WE have to draw our own conclusions.

If it develops that Italian troops actually have crossed the Austrian border, we may assume fairly safely that the Nazi effort to seize the government of Austria came reasonably near to success—for Italy wants to prevent the union of Austria and Germany and is apparently prepared to use force if necessary.

In this, of course, she is backed by France.

IF IT develops that Italian troops have not crossed the border, it can be taken as reasonably fair proof that the Nazi effort to seize the Austrian government has failed.

In that event, the crisis will be put off for a while longer.

BUT the fact will remain that Nazism and Fascism and all the rest of the isms have got Europe into a frightful mess.

May heaven grant that we of America may remain free of these isms.

NEW YORK DAY BY DAY

By O. O. McIntyre

NEW YORK, July 28.—Purely personal piffle: Boyville's saddest hour—when cows are driven home at dusk. Harold Ross eats up a cigarette in quick lightning—like a puff. Joe Cook's closest friend is Raymond Schindler, private detective. On two occasions I have grappled with clothes racks in dark halls.

Leo Newman rides his ticket agency of loafers by sprinkling ammonium on the floor. Bernard Baruch, for one, came out of Wall Street without stains. Hal Phyle's studio comes nearest to the informality of a Left Bank salon. The only stranger to look totally unlike my mental picture was Hal Roach.

What became of the fellows who used to say, "Hey, Cut!" When Vernon Castle entered public dining rooms, he'd throw his polo coat on the hall floor and his police dog would stretch on it. I saw no mention that Hal Skelly was once a choir boy. Every ham is doubtful Will Rogers is an actor.

I used to freeze all the neighbors' ice cream just to lick the dashers. Wying into a rage, I long for DeWolf Hopper's voice. Miss speaks Norma Shearer has the sprucest, sicked-uppiness of screen stars. Smiley: As dry as Helen Jacob's smile. I love to hear Phyllis Beeman laugh.

When Ziegfeld, who never drank, fagged with office routine he'd spray the room with expensive perfume. An evening to record: Eddie Peabody is dropping over soon with his banjo to play all the tunes I suggest. Amos Carter is America's most earnest civic booster. Why do all the wonder kiddies of the films fizzle out in maturity? When I catch a big column blunder, my throat goes ash dry. If it hadn't been for Benedict Arnold, it would be a grand first name.

I drove up to the entrance of a nudist colony in Germany with Karl Kitchen for a visit. And then turned and skeddaddled like everything. One of my most interesting correspondents is a Catholic sister in St. Paul. "Legs" Diamond and Arnold Rothstein were the only underworld figures I ever knew on sight. About six different men have been pointed out as Owen Madden. Dandy book: "Holy Deadlock," by A. P. Herbert.

Every time I mention Chaplin, a dozen regulars inquire why he does not take out citizenship papers. I like to answer the back door bell, watch Herbert Swope dash into a room and bear Irvin Cobb accent the "po" in policeman. My wife can spot a phony, man or woman, at a glance. She never misses Harry Beaumont does the sandest imitation of

News Behind The News. (Continued from Page One)

Flight 'o Time. (Medford and Jackson County History from the Files of The Mail Tribune of 21 and 10 Years Ago.)

Reports from Louisiana say that, because of his high-handed methods in pushing punitive measures thru the legislature, all of Senator Huey Long's enemies there have combined to crush him. If they are no more successful than they were in the senate, Huey will not have to worry. They all combined to get David D. Moore confirmed as collector of Internal revenue for the district of Louisiana and the nomination was even reported favorably, but when congress adjourned, the Moore nomination was listed among those which had failed of confirmation. Huey had accomplished this almost single-handed against the efforts not only of "combined" enemies, but of ex-friends.

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