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The President's Crime Council

MANY excellent suggestions are being made at Attorney General Cummings' crime conference in Washington. At the outset of the conference President Roosevelt stressed two vital points. First, the necessity of coordinating all law enforcement agencies, federal, state and local; second, arousing the people of this country to the need of a united, aggressive and CONSTANT public support, behind such law enforcement.

TAKE the Lindbergh baby kidnaping and killing as an outstanding example. Immediately after this unspeakable crime, and for perhaps a year longer, there was no need to stir up public opinion concerning it. The apprehension of the guilty party would have resulted in an immediate and overwhelming demand for his punishment, while guards around his jail to prevent lynching, would have been in order.

But what a different situation today! The suspect in the Lindbergh case is enjoying a peaceful existence in a New Jersey jail. According to press reports, soft hearted ladies are already worrying about his Christmas dinner, and the fact his wife and little baby will not have "daddy" at the Christmas tree!

Why? Because the American people are any LESS opposed to such a crime—a crime that could only have been committed by a "veritable fiend in human form." No. But because they are beginning to forget—the Lindbergh case is gradually receding into the past—the justifiable rage aroused by such a deed is slowly but surely dying down.

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YES in the final analysis it is public opinion that determines such things. And we can fight the crime wave, from sunrise to sunset, improve the technique of apprehending criminals all we will, but UNTIL we secure a public opinion that will stand 100% behind justice and behind law enforcement, not only at the time of the crime when excitement runs high, but long after when it has died down, slight progress can be made.

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Personal Health Service

Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene not to disease diagnosis or treatment will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received only a few can be answered. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady, 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Cal.

BAG OF PEANUTS VS. BEEF SANDWICH

If I were hungry and could spend only a nickel for food I'd buy a bag of peanuts. Peanuts ought to be a staple of the daily diet. The housewife who knows her work will find numerous ways to use peanuts in the preparation of the main dishes of meat as well as palatable nibbles with the kids (delicious with economy). Peanuts will stand comparison with any other substantial food you care to mention, in every respect. Many unenlightened persons imagine peanuts are "difficult to digest" and that one is therefore likely to suffer from "indigestion" if one eats peanuts rather than more familiar food. We'll see presently how silly this idea is.

Table with 5 columns: Food Item, Water, Protein, Fat, Carbohydrate, Ash, Calories. Items include Beef, Potato, Bread, Eggs, Milk, Oatmeal, Spaghetti, Macaroni, Peanuts.

Flour made by boiling peanut kernels for half an hour in water containing some vinegar or tartaric acid, drying and then rolling into flour with rolling pin, is excellent food either as a porridge with milk, or baked in the form of bread, biscuits or pancakes.

Answer—Never again. That is, not until I can publish the book myself. Is there not a menace to the health of school children who are sent around gathering up old newspapers and magazines to raise money for child welfare programs? Could not meningitis or infantile paralysis spread by that means? And is it fair to junkmen who make a precarious living by collecting such discarded papers, etc., to have all these school children interfering with their occupation? ... (M. W. A.)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Can you tell me if a home doctor book or healthbook or first aid book equal to your "Personal Health"? I have used that since it first came out, and it has saved me much anxiety and many dollars, I know. Why

NEW YORK DAY BY DAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—They were talking of small town characters—the spite fences, the long married couple that spoke only through their daughter, the wife who always calls her husband Mister and Mrs. And then a gentleman from Kentucky told this story of The Man Who Feared Darkness.

When dawn came he would go to his breakfast and to his office. A violent electrical storm one night struck the power plant. The gentleman was found dead in bed next morning. It was always believed he awakened suddenly in the dark.

Victor Moore is among America's rich stage actors. His fortune was built suddenly amassed but salvaged from years of vaudeville trouping with his wife, Emma Littlefield. He invested wisely. Moore in home-spun clothes and steel-tipped spectacles, plus a Brown county, Ind., shine, seems more the leading hay and seed merchant in a town for a lodge convention than a grand comedian.

SALEM, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Hatcherymen and poultry breeders of the state will meet here Saturday for the second state-wide code meeting of the group. The initial meeting was held at Portland last year.

Comment on the Day's News

BY FRANK JENKINS. ROSS NICKERSON showed this writer something new in the fancy food line yesterday—wild turkeys.

No, not wild turkeys shot down out in the wilds of Oregon, for we have none, in spite of a number of efforts on the part of the game commission to transplant them; but wild turkeys propagated in captivity, as we propagate trout in commercial trout ponds.

WHY grow wild turkeys in captivity, when the tame ones are so toothsome? Mr. Abrams will find no difficulty in answering that question. His answer will be: "Because they command a PRICE PREMIUM in the market." People are willing to pay higher prices for NOVELTIES.

HOW were these new millions made? Well, here is a story, related yesterday by Bert Hall, that gives us a hint: A defunct Oregon building and loan association was purchased recently for a sum ACTUALLY SMALLER than the amount of CASH in the association's treasury.

WHAT makes such a transaction possible, you ask? Here is the answer: LACK OF CONFIDENCE, on the part of the owners, in the future of business, leading them to let go of their property at any offered price from a responsible bidder in order to convert it into cash and get out from under the responsibilities involved in its ownership.

HERE is the story: Disturbed business conditions, which lead to loss of confidence in the future on the part of ordinary, average people, causing them to accept heavy sacrifices in order to save something DEFINITE out of what seems at the moment to be a wreck, create ideal opportunities for bold adventurers who are willing to take long risks in the hope of long profits.

IT always happens that way. Germany, embarking on a career of inflation that unsettled all established business habits and rules, created a condition in which there was NO CONFIDENCE in the future on the part of the millions of ordinary people, and out of this condition arose a crop of NEW MILLIONAIRES, such as Hugo Stinnes.

THEY do it, if we PERMIT them to, but instead of putting the wealth into the pockets of small people they'll wreck decent, honorable business and put the wealth into the pockets of a new crop of shrewd, bold adventurers, just as Germany did.

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Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County History from the files of The Mail Tribune of 20 and 10 Years Ago).

SNOW falls in Portland; colder weather predicted for valley. Many valley residents report seeing a shower of meteors last night. Gallatin hens win egg-laying race at Ashland.

President Coolidge in speech, "deplores agitation of all kinds rampant throughout the land." Bootleg liquor kills 25 persons in New York city; sends scores to hospitals.

TURKISH battleship torpedoed by British submarine in Dardanelles; both sides claim victory on eastern and western fronts. "Economy" to be slogan of Democratic members of state legislature.

Commercial club plans systematic campaign for sugar beet acreage here. The city police last night seized a horse that was playing havoc with Orange street lawn.

Rose society vandals will be presented at Ashland tonight, and "assurances have been given" nothing stronger than lithia water will be served in the cabaret scene. Fears were felt "that the well-known temperance virtues of that fair city would be developed in a flank movement."

ELYSIA O. (UP)—Before her 15th birthday, Mary Isabella Marie Carter became a divorcee. The divorce was granted the girl in Lorrain county common pleas court against Owen Leon Carter, 23. The couple were married Oct. 24, 1933, at Monroe, Mich.

THEY sank beneath a crust of ice after a rowboat in which they were going across the river was upset by a large piece of ice. John Lawrence of Durant, Okla., used one pocketknife for 43 years.

WASH OUT 15 MILES OF KIDNEY TUBES. Medical authorities agree that your kidneys are the most important organs of your body which help to purify the blood and keep you healthy.

Sounds War Threat



The seriousness of the European situation was emphasized in a declaration before the council of the League of Nations by Dr. Eduard Benes, Czechoslovakian foreign minister, that war would result if any attempt were made to violate the allegiance of Rumania, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia in the "little Entente." (Associated Press Photo)

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Ye Smudge Pot

Politicians are blamed by the chief of the Department of Justice for consideration accorded criminals, in and out of jail. It might not be untimely, while causing the politicians, to say a few unkind words about the sob-sisters, and the sob-brothers, who inevitably lionize the criminal, and snivel over the just fate meted him.

Home-spun efforts to prove that champagne can be made from pears are abroad. The results "are unbelievable." This was also the verdict rendered against home-made beer. Man is able to concoct his own liquor, and pour into a \$1,000,000 stomach, but has not advanced sufficiently to try and make his own clothes.

John has been confined to his home since as he was pretty badly bruised up. The car was pretty well demolished—(Long Creek Items)—Nigh onto a pretty-howdy-do!

Receipt of 1935 calendar was reported yesterday by a citizen who was unable to account for his sudden distinction and exceptional luck. He wore his new fame and glory unostentatiously.

News concerning war threats in Europe, ill-fated trans-oceanic air flights, No. 1 crooks and the economic state, calmed sufficiently on Tuesday, for Mary Pickford, former ace film queen, to lend smack-dab in the middle of front pages with the inconsequential information she intended to "press her divorce" against her legal mate, one Douglas Fairbanks, who likewise holds no great hatred for publicity. It is doubtful if any one, including plaintiff and defendant, really care what happens in said litigation though heralded by lively press-agents as the romantic calamity of all time.

My name is George Washington Smith. I am 44 years old, and a widower. I have one mother-in-law, who was born to command; three brothers-in-law who have thus far escaped being hanged, and two sisters-in-law of the vintage of 1872, both old maids. Since the death of my wife these various relatives have lived on me like canthals. My mother-in-law is sure my wife would be alive today if it had not been for my conduct. My brothers-in-law have differed with, and from me, on politics and all other subjects; they have worn my clothes, borrowed my money, and treated me with scorn and derision. One of my sisters-in-law is movie struck, and the other has been subjected to exorcising spells for years. The whole outfit has hen-pecked me, world without end.

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Editorial Comment

Keep Him In. No gift could be more pleasing to the recipient than that of an executive pardon to an inmate of a penitentiary. It would be welcome at any time, but in the Christmas season, sentiment might even enhance its apparent worth. It would be welcome to any convict, but again, to one who is serving a life sentence and who has, indeed, barely started on the serving of that sentence, pardon would be a gift beyond price.

CALIFORNIA CONVICTS STUDY PENAL CODES

SACRAMENTO, Cal.—(UP)—California penal and political codes head the list of "best sellers" in Folsom prison, one of the nation's "toughest" penitentiaries. These books, along with the works of Blue-Annie, led the list of requests from prison inmates, according to State Librarian Mabel Gillis. The convicts pore over the volumes in an effort to find loopholes in the law which may win freedom for them.

Oak Grove

OAK GROVE, Dec. 12.—(Sp.)—The Oak Grove Community Club at the schoolhouse December 7, was very successful. Fifteen tables of bridge and pinocle were in play. The proceeds from the party will go toward defraying expenses of the hot lunches this winter.

Several of the parents of high school pupils attended open house at Medford December 7, where a very fine program was enjoyed. The Oak Grove Community Club met at the schoolhouse December 12. The club has purchased a pressure cooker which is greatly appreciated by those preparing the lunches. The club also helped toward purchasing the basketball equipment for the school.

Mr. and Mrs. Roderick T. Storms of Central Point are the parents of a baby daughter, weighing 7 pounds, 4½ ounces, born yesterday at the Seward Heart Hospital. Both mother and baby are reported getting along nicely.

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