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REMOVE THE MUZZLE. (Reprinted from Editor and Publisher, July 30, 1921.)

The question has been raised as to whether or not the coming Washington Conference on Disarmaments shall be open or closed. Why the question? Have not the world politicians yet learned their lesson from the wreck that followed on the peace that was written in secret?

Some politicians still cling to the old and outworn tradition that a few shall rule and millions must be led to serve through the promulgation of deceit and half truths, but it is inconceivable that the American public opinion shall for one minute concede the right of this Government to promote a secret meeting wherein diplomats will proceed to the consideration of a cut and dried agenda paper formulated in secret by our diplomatic representatives abroad, especially on a matter so vital to the well being of all the peoples as armaments.

The American press is in an enviable position to demand reasons for decisions and not final conclusions arrived at in secret, but American editors must be alert and make themselves heard and felt or we will have history repeating itself.

Indeed, the reply of the Japanese Government in the morning papers for Thursday, given to the Press by the State Department, would rather indicate that it is the official view that a cut and dried agreed program should be formulated before the plan is pregnant of real danger.

This is certainly not the view of the American people or of the peoples of the world with respect to the matter.

Surely the historical position of the American Press and the experience of the last few years demand that all of the sessions be held out in the open, in the light of publicity.

Hate, are engendered and wars have always been fought over conclusions of diplomatic gatherings and because of lack of knowledge of the reasons that led to those decisions. An open conference and enlightening publicity would be true to the best traditions of this Republic and in this the people, through their press, will have an opportunity to make America First in leadership to more complete understanding and a new order in world affairs.

The peoples of the world were led blindly into the last war. Sources of honest information were closed; agencies of propaganda operating under the direction of secret diplomacy were turned loose and the world was flooded with White Books, Black Books, Yellow Books and Green Books that ignored important facts, defended those directly concerned for their vicious acts, traded on men's passions and taught hate.

From all points of the compass—London, Paris, Buenos Ayres, Osaka, Tokio and Washington—from visiting and returning journalists, as well as from American newspaper men and the representatives in America of leading newspapers of the world—comes the impulse, the thought, the suggestion, that the press men of the world should have a real get-together meeting in Washington preliminary to the disarmament conference.

So strongly is the dominant international newspaper opinion in that direction, that Editor and Publisher very strongly urges the wisdom of such a meeting whilst stressing the importance of an open, free and frank exchange of views with respect to open sessions, communications, censorship and the absolute necessity for lower cable tolls.

There is a fond hope very generally expressed—yes, more than that—a deep-seated conviction that such a

Twenty-five Years Ago In Linkville



BULKY BOOSY SISTER STARTED TO GIVE HIM A BOWL HARP CUT - THE BLACKSMITH AND NICK THE BARBER HAD TO FINISH THE JOB

would be in Washington at that time, would exercise a most whole and helpful influence upon the disarmament conference as a whole, out of which great public good would surely follow.

Unhindered by diplomatic ties or international political influence it would be possible for these press men, whose material well-being is interlocked with public opinion, to discuss conditions, hopes and ideals of the peoples of the various nations with the purpose of establishing better understanding without regard to political advantages in international affairs.

The free flow of news without interference of any government, as well as inter-nation communication by mail, cable and radio—matters that need immediate attention if we are to have understanding—while all all peoples are in a receptive mood—would very properly be discussed at such a gathering of the press.

In considering the open discussions of the affairs of the peoples of the world, we must not forget that under secret diplomacy news is still being suppressed; poisonous propaganda is still being spread broadcast; legitimate sources of government information are still contaminated and behind lies, secret trading is still being carried on in a manner that is making proper understanding and justice harder and harder to attain.

The peoples of the world still look to America for help and guidance to a new estate of independence, established friendship and good will. But that help and guidance cannot be given unless understanding is established on a foundation of whole truth and the whole truth has never been vouchsafed to the people from behind the closed doors of diplomacy.

Whether or not there shall be a great press gathering in Washington and whether or not the proposed disarmament conference shall be open or closed, rests entirely with the editors of the newspapers of the world, but more especially American

editors. Here is opportunity for the greatest force in our national life, that recognizes no master but public service and public good, to render service to the suffering of the whole earth by demanding that the first world conference to be held or American soil be an expression of the soul yearning of the potent moral force of the world.

THE STRAND.

In putting forth the Alaska love story called "The Iron Strain" as his first contribution to the new Triangle program, Thomas H. Ince has brought together the most talented women of his studio in the company of Dustin Farnum, who plays the leading role. Mr. Farnum's leading woman is Miss Enid Markey, who is associated with "social butterfly" types and knows how to play them effectively. Mr. Ince entrusted the soubrette role to Louise Glaum, ordinarily a leading woman but here playing a subordinate part in order to provide a perfect ensemble. Even Truly Shattuck, the former star of musical comedy and prima donna of light opera, appears in the minor role of Enid's mother. The strength of the cast on the masculine side is indicated by the fact that Charles K. French plays the Alaska mining king, Ezra Whitney.

Remember the Saturday matinee; 15 cents for adults, and five cents for children.

NEWS FROM THE STATE CAPITAL

SALEM, Aug. 10—(Special)—Miss Cornelia Marvin, state librarian has been elected a member of the council of the American Library association, which has headquarters in Chicago. Miss Marvin has also been recognized as one of the leading 100 librarians of the United States by being elected a fellow of the American Library Institute.

On grounds that the state has

Last Honors for Air Hero



Floral offerings from all over the world were sent in honor of Harry Hawker, who gained world applause two years ago by the first attempt to fly across the Atlantic in an airplane. He fell into midocean and was rescued by a vessel. Hawker was killed in a recent exhibition flight. Picture shows his funeral in St. Paul's Churchyard at Hook, a London suburb.

no power to regulate interstate commerce, Attorney General I. H. Van Winkle has ruled that the state board of pharmacy has no authority to collect a license tax from an agent engaged in soliciting orders for goods for a non-resident employer.

The legislature of 1921 appropriated \$30,000 to carry into effect the state loan and bonus law for World War veterans. A meeting of the state emergency board, in joint session with the soldiers' aid commission, may be called to look into the matter of providing further funds, if the \$30,000 proves insufficient.

The state land board has turned over to State Treasurer Hoff a check for \$88,983.40 representing receipts of the department for July.

The new heating plant at the state soldiers' home at Roseburg, being constructed at a cost of \$21,400 will be in operation the first week of September.

A report of the state industrial accident commission shows a decrease in the number of claims filed for the year ending June 30, as compared with the previous year. The figures respectively, were 20,456 and 21,378. The cessation of many wartime industries is the reason.

The state industrial accident commission will on September 1 reduce its force of employees at the state house 20 per cent. This will eliminate thirty of the present 130 employees.

Oswald West, former governor, has submitted to the state engineering department a proposal for reclaiming the lands in the Central Oregon irrigation district in Deschutes county, covering over 27,000 acres of irrigable lands and a gross area of 50,571.80 acres. Samuel Hill, ex-president of the Home Telephone company, is said to be behind the proposal.

The Prescott drainage district near Goble has applied to the state irrigation securities commission for the certification of \$10,000 improvement bonds.

A total of \$6,736,839.83 of the state irreducible school fund has been loaned by the state land board to persons in the several counties. In addition the board has on loans \$173,330 of the agricultural college fund.

\$81,575 of the university fund and \$440,485.05 of the rural credits loan fund.

More Workers Will Be Placed on Road Around Crater Rim

It was learned today at the lumbermen's headquarters on Main street that Alex Sparrow, superintendent of Crater lake is contemplating improving the rim road about the Crater of the lake within a week. It is Sparrow's plan to establish another camp of road workers for keeping the road open as long as possible this year.

The lake, according to persons returning from there, is now at its best and there are many tourists enjoying the scenery. The road about the rim has been fairly well traveled since its dedication Wednesday.

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