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A DELICATE MATTER

GENERALIZATION on any subject is never helpful to the cause it seeks to aid, and in most instances is productive of harm to the innocent majority caught within its sweeping net.

So, while sympathizing with the objective of those who would protect the young people of this community from moral temptation, we cannot believe that it aids that worthy purpose to cast a stigma upon all the young men and women of the local high school, because alleged offenders against moral law and social convention are attendants of that institution or of the age when they should be attending.

Our opinion on the subject may be of little worth, and our suggestion valueless, for we confess to little knowledge of the conditions alleged to exist. But an innate belief in the general purity of womanhood, and respect for the general manhood of the race, impels a word of caution against so broadening assertions, however true of individuals, that they reflect discreditably upon the innocent.

Would it not be the more courageous course, if the diseased condition requires the stern corrective of publicity, to call the offenders by name?

Accusations as grave as these should not rest upon young lives, unless guilt has earned a just punishment. And even then it is debatable whether the punishment of publicity does more good than harm.

We hesitate to say even these few words on the matter. It savors much of rushing pell mell in where angels fear to tread.

It is a matter as delicate as the mechanism of the human body. If the body is diseased, and a critical operation seems required, we do not submit to the ministrations, regardless of how well meaning or sympathetic, of the plumber. We call the most skilled surgeon, trained by a life of experience.

The hand that does the operation must be skilled. A slip of the knife by microscopical breadth means death or maiming. But the knife in the sure, skilled hand removed the cause of our illness and grants a new lease upon life.

So in this case we are not certain that too much publicity, too much attempted remedy by unskilled but well-meaning hands, may be the best thing.

The responsibility, in our opinion, rests primarily with the parents. It becomes a question for the consideration of the citizenship at large, only as it affects the well-being of society and the welfare of the state.

Let's wage relentless war upon vice and show no mercy to the bootlegger. That is the duty of all, law-abiding citizens.

But let us approach the matter as the skilled physician treats a malevolent ulcer in the flesh. He uses every scientific method, bends all his skilled knowledge, to isolating the focal spot. His hands are scrupulously cleansed, his instruments and dressings are sterile. He brings to his delicate task all of the care and nicety that its delicacy requires, and uses every precaution to prevent any act of his from spreading the infection to portions of the body still unaffected.

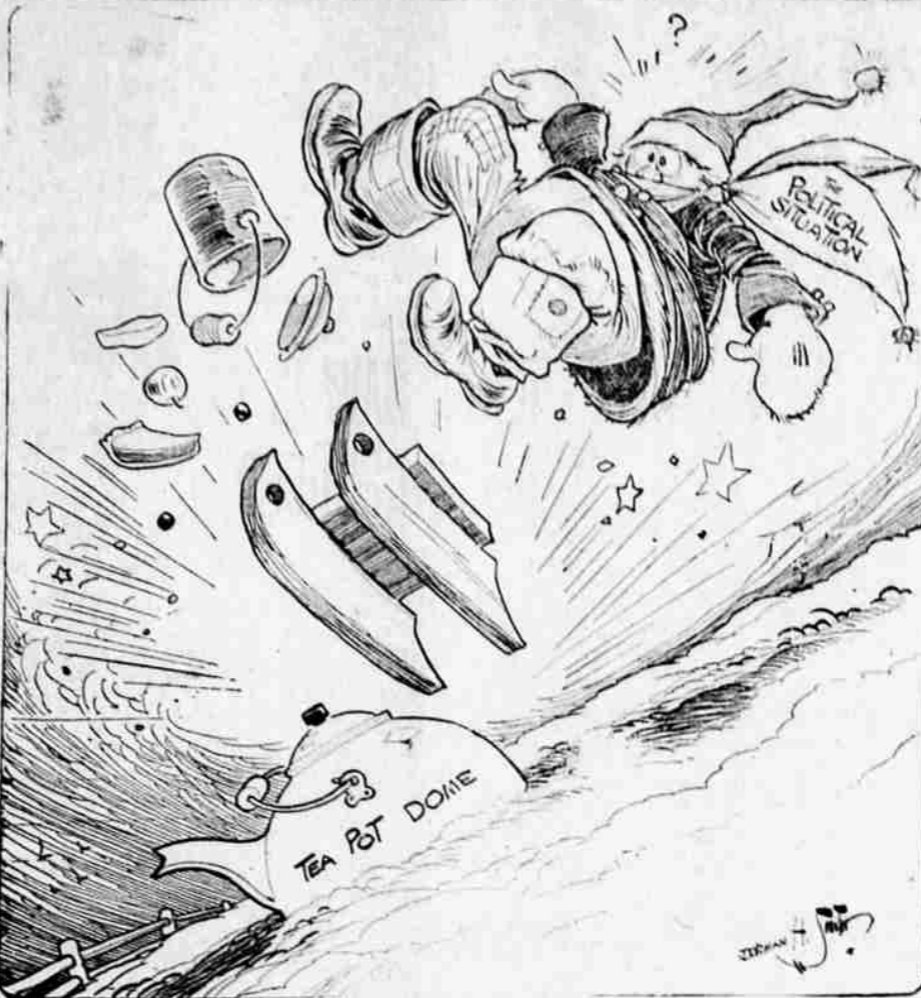
We may not make the analogy plain, but the analogy is there. Contamination, if existent, is easily spread where young minds are eagerly groping for the knowledge of life.

Thirty years ago Grover Cleveland said: "Paternalism has no place in a democracy." Since Cleveland's time paternalism has made a place for itself in this democracy and is a menace to the very existence of the Government.—Leaverworth Times

As long as strikes can be settled by raising the price to the consumer, strikes will continue to be unfavourably settled.—Ozark (Mo.) Republican.

The wheat market has been giving another example of the difficulty of finding legislative remedies for economic ills.—Lewiston (Mont.) Argus.

OH, WHAT A BUMP!



The Office Cat



Some smart aleck may say we're trying to start something, but we're going to take a chance. A man named "Hug" is running an ad in the South Bend (Ind.) Tribune for a housekeeper. Old maids take notice. In gloom I am thinking, The outlook is dreary, This old earth is shrinking, Two inches each year. Nate Nat says twin beds may be popular but twins are not. Some fellows, snaps A. J. Haman, refuse to face the facts as long as they can borrow money. The first part of life is two young things after each other—the rest is one damn thing after another. "About an hour after the meek inherit the earth," says J. H. Hessig. "The tax collector will be around for the inheritance tax. Winter Knight says he has never been able to figure out what a savage with a ring in his nose does when he has a cold in his head. Gladys is plumb stumped; she has heard some gossip that is so thrilling she can't exaggerate it. "By Golly," said the stranger who arrived at a small town on the Mississippi river, "you got a mighty big river here for such a small town. Punctuation: A dash of acquaintance, a period of companionship, and then . . . Love, the perpetual question mark. With long tresses coming back, says Charles Drew, uneasy lies the head that wears a bob. Do right and fear no man: Don't write and fear no woman! H. Nylander says a man generally keeps a secret, a woman keeps a diary. "Always Something. That life is full of fiscal ills, Is something one soon learns, Barely one pays one's Christmas bill, When the income tax returns. "Many a young man," said Frank Stewart, "thinks he's a butterfly or fashion when he ain't nothin' but a night owl." Speedy. The Klamath Falls demonstrator's

auto was speeding along a quiet country road. Detectives at work on the case suspect Senator Walsh of making away with Al Fall's peace of mind.

"What cemetery are we passing?" asked the prospective buyer? "Cemetery nothing? Why, man, those are milestones going by." Poke Perkins thinks half the work done in the world is done in an effort to dodge work. "Stew Trow, "In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love." And in summer, and in autumn, And in winter—see above.

They are going to change the words of "Home, Sweet Home, to "Home, Sweet Motor Car."

DAN DOBB SAYS

MacDonald says the British empire is all right. Of course it is, didn't it choose MacDonald? They had a big dog show in New York. No society woman tried to enter her husband. To clean the ceiling stand on your head on a table and scrub as you would scrub the floor. Mabel Normand's chauffeur is too ill to appear in court. No one maybe she will feel too bad to be tried at all. Washington is so quiet about the scandal you can hear a fight two blocks away. Chicago woman asks divorce because he made her get up every morning and build the fire. We don't blame her.

They are going to hang two Eskimos. Maybe they can hang the man who fires our furnace. He must be an Eskimo. Hunting a nickel on the floor will reduce your bay window. The height of fashion is always found in the price. What's in a name? Caraway didn't let them carry away. A Cleveland girl robs drug store. It's a wonder the clerk didn't offer her something just as good when she demanded money. Merchant shipbuilding has been cut in half since 1913. Our ship will not come in until our ships go out. Ford plans to make 295,000 cars in February. No wonder the ground hog is afraid of its shadow. Plans are under way to enable farmers to stay in debt 16 months every year instead of only 14 months. An oil authority claims there is very little oil in Teapot Dome. But there seems to have been some money in it. Fifteen stranded opera singers are working their way to Germany on deckhands. If the whistle breaks, one can have the job. One advantage of the closed car is you get more mileage out of your cigar or cigarette.

HOME SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE

Assist the housing committee by filling out this questionnaire and mailing it to the chamber of commerce. Name _____ No. _____ Street _____ (The information below is strictly confidential) 1 Number of adults in family, including roomers _____ 2 Number of children _____ 3 Number of persons employed _____ 4 Occupation of chief wage earner _____ 5 Do you rent or own your home? Rent _____ Own _____ 6 How long have you lived in Klamath Falls? _____ years 7 Would you like to own your home if you could do so by making an initial payment and paying the balance in rent? Yes _____ No _____ 8 What section of the city would you prefer to live in? _____ 9 If you bought a home, how many rooms would you want? _____ 10 Would you be in a position to build, or finance, one, two or three homes to rent or sell? _____

COLONIZATION PLANS OF MANY NATIONS TOLD

BERKELEY, Cal., Feb. 8.—Land settlement and colonization schemes in Australia, Palestine and elsewhere have occupied in recent months the attention of Dr. Edward Mead, professor of rural institutions at the University of California, who has just returned from a tour that took him to many parts of the world. Dr. Mead is preparing a detailed report of the Zionist movement in Palestine. He made a verbal report to those in charge of the plan in London, and discussed the affairs of the Jewish Colonization association with Baron Rothschild in Paris. "Palestine and Mesopotamia are the only countries I know of that gained by the war," commented Dr. Mead. "Under the British mandate they have become the scene of all manner of new enterprises. They promise to regain their importance as great trade routes. The Zionist movement has attracted attention to Palestine and will send \$2,000,000 in money and thousands of settlers. But there are other important factors. British administration is one. Farm villages are protected against Bedouin robbers. Arabs are being used as gendarmes. Plans are under way for draining the marshes and reforesting the hillsides. Palestine gained two important new railroads as a result of the war. The Germans built south from Haifa and the British built north from the canal to Jaffa and Jerusalem. "Since the British mandate, a young Zionist named Rutenberg has secured a 25-year franchise from the British government for the development of water power from the River Jordan, below the Sea of Galilee. He is at work on a project to develop 100,000 horsepower for the cities of Tiberias, Haifa, Jaffa and Jerusalem. "The Jewish Colonization Association began its work before the Zionist movement took shape. It is Baron Edmond Rothschild's pet philanthropy. There are 46 flourishing colonies. Baron Rothschild asked me to go home and say that if any American Jew wished to spend \$50,000 or \$100,000 to establish a colony that would bear his name, the Jewish Colonization association could be relied upon to carry the project on through Neaz Jerusalem, on the elevated ridge where David met Goliath. I saw a dozen handsome new homes going up. "In addition to his survey for the Zionists, Dr. Mead was commissioned by the government of New South Wales to investigate an ambitious scheme of the British empire for relieving the strain of unemployment.

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Dr. Mead did not consider feasible the execution of a contract entered into between England and Australia whereby England was to send out 6000 settlers, with the expense divided among England, the Australian commonwealth and the state of New South Wales. He said that London and Sydney were negotiating to amend the contract, in view of the suggestion that colonists would face a dangerous situation unless they were provided with funds to begin their experiment. Dr. Mead visited the Dutch East Indies as the guest of the Dutch government. On the island of Java he said he got new pointers about intensive farming. There, he declared, he found more than 20,000,000 persons living in comfort on an island the size of New York state. He came away with the conviction that the tropics were due for a development likely to change public opinion about the backwardness of its people and the supremacy of northerners.

SAYS FILIPINOS IMITATE FOREIGNERS

MANILA, Feb. 7.—The tendency of the present generation to imitate foreigners instead of preserving what is best in local customs was deplored recently by Representative Serafin Iglado, member of the legislature from the province of Occidental Negros, in an address before students of the University of the Philippines. "In Japan," said Iglado, "the girls, for example, are taught the civilization of the occidental, but the manners and customs of that country are also taught with a view to preserving what is good in them. Filipinos instead of preserving what is best in the local customs prefer to adopt what is foreign, in contrast to the practice of the Japanese. No wonder that Japan in the short span of a few years has become one of the leading nations of the world. "Instead of committing to memory sayings and phrases of our leading men and heroes we are prone to learn by heart the sayings and phrases of American poets and authors. Instead of singing our children to sleep with our beautiful lullabies, our mothers now prefer the jazz. Instead of preserving our native dances we prefer the imported fox-trot.

Ten Years Ago Today

Feb. 8, 1914—Wilson Declares Self. The first man to really declare himself a candidate for election at the coming city polling is Arthur H. Wilson. Wilson seeks the office of city treasurer. Wilson is head of the City & County Abstract company and in his three years' residence has acquired a wide acquaintanceship. The thinnest thread visible to the human eye is so small that it would take a bundle of a thousand of them to equal the diameter of a woman's hair. These threads are made from melted quartz. The Evening Herald is the medium through which many people supply their wants by using its "advertising columns." Telephone RR. Want the Herald Want Ads.

School Girl Not Forgotten. Spring styles for school girls show the newest lines in dresses and wraps. Cape dresses of wool plaid are bound with silk braid. Low waisted, lines, overblouses and pleated skirts are featured. Illustration shows three school girls standing together.