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CAN THIS BE POSSIBLE?

THE New York Journal of Commerce, which is recognized as an unusually fair and honest chronicler of business and financial events and which is particularly free from political bias, prints a cable dispatch from Manchester, England, that does not dovetail with the reports that have been circulated in this country by reactionary politicians and supporters of the old high tariff schedules. The cable says:

"The cotton-cloth business at Manchester is the smallest for years, and the market is very irregular."

The Tacoma Tribune, commenting on this, says:

"We can not understand how this can be possible. Why, it was only a few days ago that Congressman Humphrey of Washington told the Pierce county Republicans, in a gloom-logged letter, that the cotton mills of the United States were being used as roosting places for bats because, under the new tariff, the country was being flooded with the cotton products of the Manchester mills, cotton made by the 'pauper labor of Europe.' There must be some mistake about that cable. The Journal of Commerce should investigate. If Congressman Humphrey is telling the truth, the Manchester mills must be working day and night to fill American orders."

HUERTA'S END IN SIGHT.

THAT is not a pleasant story Noriega, the Mexican now on his way to Spain, tells of Huerta and his reign. According to this gentleman, who was in Mexico City at the time Madero was murdered and ever since, Huerta is a drunken monster. He had Madero backed against a wall and shot, usurped the office of president and has since that time accumulated enormous wealth. His son, it is stated by this same man, has amassed a fortune of \$2,000,000 in a year, and in doing so has had not less than 20 murders committed. He further says that Huerta's army is ripe for revolt, and that upon the approach of Villa it will mutiny and as one of its first acts kill Huerta. His body will be the peace offering to the victorious rebel chief. What Carranza will do and whether Villa will permit him to do anything remains to be seen, but whatever it is, it will seem like a Sunday school picnic to what Huerta has been guilty of.

Noriega thinks that when Huerta falls there will be a reign of terror to make that of Paris seem a mere trifle, and he thinks this will come within two weeks. It is probable he is measuring those who come after Huerta by that gentleman's standards, and if this is the case he is probably very much mistaken. Villa is no angel, but he is as white to black when compared to Huerta. The hopeful view of the situation is that Carranza will give the country a just and generous government, and that the strife that has so hampered the fair Mexico for years may at last give place to permanent peace.

A couple of farm experts have made the discovery that there is lime in southern Oregon and that it is valuable as an agent in correcting the acidity of our soil. As there is a plant being built at Gold Hill on this lime belt for making 1000 barrels of cement a day and which is now nearly completed, the "discovery" may be classed along with that of Our Teddy who found the River of Doubt. That it was already bridged and an excellent telegraph service in the neighborhood, did not in the least qualify the discovery. However, the lime, of which there are vast quantities, will be utilized, that being part of the plan of the Gold Hill Cement company, which has already gone so far into the matter that even the freight rates have been looked after. Some of these days some one will discover that sticks and strings have generally two ends and only one middle.

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Former Governor Odell of New York says Republican success this fall depends altogether on "good business depression and its continuance until after election." Still the average Republican business man will not put up any fervent prayers for "continued and persistent business depression." There are some of the big fellows, though, that would gladly wreck the entire country rather than see Wilson's policies win out and become popular with the Republican business men. It is dangerous to party fences.

While some papers are making a great noise about depressed business, they forget to mention anything that might upset their pleasant theories that the country is going to the bow-wows. The Singer Sewing Machine company has for years given its employees from two to three weeks vacation each summer, utilizing the time in making needed repairs to its plant. This year it announces that owing to a rush of business it will shorten this vacation season to one week.

Pendleton is polite. When a Buff Leghorn hen crawled under an auto on the street and gave evidence that she desired to deposit an egg on the asphalt, the owner of the auto refused to have the machine moved until the biddy cackled her consent. Traffic was practically stopped while all awaited with bated breath, or went in and got their breath baited while the egg was on its way.

The United States senate stubbornly refuses to agree to the house reduction of the mileage graft to five cents a mile. As this is two cents above actual cost, the senate should not stutter, for it still permits a little graft. Under the old mileage system, the 20 cents a mile was at least six times the actual cost, and this is what our honest and honorable senators refuse to remedy.

It is suggested by an exchange that Villa bought that bathtub so as to be able to clean up President Huerta. This would seem an unnecessary expense, as the president is represented as being so thoroughly soaked that about all he needs is drying.

Colonel Roosevelt, after letting his larynx remain idle for almost three whole days, emerged from his hibernation Wednesday and tested it in a short talk. It will be found all right when he gets ready to squash Henry Savage Landon.

* Remember to have The *
* Capital Journal to follow *
* you during your vacation. *

THE ROUND-UP.

Fire Wednesday morning destroyed a barn belonging to A. Nelson just northwest of Independence. The fire is believed to have started from defective wiring and the total loss was about \$1,200, with \$600 insurance.

Ed Stringer was nearly killed in a runaway on the ranch of Mrs. J. H. Burton. He was using a hayrack, when the harness broke and one of the horses began to kick, frightening the other, and they ran. Crossing a dead-furrow, Stringer was thrown beneath the rake, and as he fell one horse kicked him above the left eye. He will recover.

A Cottage Grove hen has laid an egg measuring 7 3/4 inches by 6 1/2, and the owner of the bird thinks he is in a fair way to acquire an ostrich.

Baker Democrat: Business is picking up over the northwest say commercial men—and they ought to know!

A man who had never seen a street car was among those present at Eugene's Fourth of July celebration.

A considerable increase of telephone subscribers is evidence to the Mail-Tribune of a corresponding business

growth in Medford. The latest directory shows 5,900 telephone users in the Rogue River valley.

Canby business men are subscribing liberally to a fund for the establishing of a ferry over the Willamette at the nearest available site. The Irrigator says this utility will soon be installed, and proposes a public celebration of the event.

The Bend Water, Light & Power company will shortly begin the erection of a new reservoir more than three times the capacity of the present tank from which the water for the town is now supplied. The objective is a reservoir of 100,000 gallons capacity.

Hermiston Herald: One application of the new ordinance for the working of city prisoners will advertise the fact for miles up and down the railroad. As the hobo approaches Hermiston he will increase speed and not stop until well past the city limits on the other side.

MINING CONGRESS IS ON.

Ashland, Ore., July 10.—The Southern Oregon-Northern California Mining Congress met here yesterday. Delegates were present representing districts from Seattle to San Francisco. A fine exhibit is displayed.

J. J. Pace, of Etna Mills, Cal., president of the congress, called the convention to order. Mayor Johnson welcomed the visitors who, while not actively engaged in the deliberations of the congress, are being extended the courtesies of the city. The major portion of the programme is scheduled for tomorrow.

LISTEN FOR THE CAPITAL JOURNAL CARRIER BOY. HE WILL WHISTLE AS HE LEAVES YOUR PAPER.

Parental Love and Love For All Children Motives For Mother's Day

BY ANNA JARVIS, Founder of Mother's Day

THERE are so many influences back of the beginning of Mother's day, THE HOLIDAY OF THE HEART, THE HOME AND THE NATION, that it seems difficult to answer the many who ask what caused me to start the movement. Of course the most potent reason for the inauguration of such a day was parental love and the love of all children for flowers and for the true and lasting things of life.

NAPOLÉON BONAPARTE ONCE SAID, "LET FRANCE HAVE GOOD MOTHERS AND SHE WILL HAVE GOOD SONS." SUCH A THOUGHT IS ONE WHICH SHOULD BE DEEPLY CONSIDERED. GOOD MOTHERS ARE NOT ONLY THE GREATEST BLESSING MEN AND WOMEN CAN POSSESS, BUT THEY ARE ALSO THE GREATEST BLESSING TO THE NATION. THEREFORE, MOTHER'S DAY, WHICH IS, AFTER ALL, RIGHTLY CHILDREN'S DAY AS WELL, SHOULD BE REGARDED AS A THANK OFFERING DAY TO BE SET ASIDE NOT ONLY BY INDIVIDUALS, BUT THE GOVERNMENT, FOR THE MOTHERS AND THE FATHERS, TOO, WHO HAVE BLESSED OUR LIVES AND THEIR COUNTRY. SO IT WILL BE SEEN THAT DEEPER MOTIVES THAN THOSE WHICH ARE APPARENT ON THE SURFACE WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR MOTHER'S DAY.



HOT COMPETITION CUTS COST OF LIVING

Tells How They Eng on the Boats, Skate in the Restaurants, Censor the Movies and Other New Chicago Stunts.

Chicago, July 10.—There is no restaurant or summer garden trust in Chicago. Competition is so everlastingly keen that managers and press agents are cutting deep furrows in their brows devising new schemes to catch the dollars of the gilded youth, the silver-haired gent or he of the bald pate.

One downtown inn, realizing that its location near the city hall was no place for the cooling breezes to blow, hit upon a new idea for retaining the winter trade throughout the hot month. It installed an ice skating rink right in the middle of the restaurant floor, opened with an ice hockey game between alleged professional hockey players, and invited members of the tango colony to quit wriggling for the summer and go on a genuine skate. The restaurant manufactures its own ice, the output for the skating rink about equaling that consumed in cooling drinks by the non-skaters.

Not to be left out in the cold by the ice skating rink stunt, a North Side summer garden, popular rendezvous for fashionable folk, advertised free instruction every afternoon and evening in the tango and maxixe, by two tango sharks, just returned from the Cleveland dancing masters' convention where they brushed up on all the new tricks.

Some one made the discovery the other day that while all the world outside Cook county is reputed to love a boy, this town loves to swat him. Sections of the city code now put the kibosh on spooning in public parks, public places and the sand along the lake. Alderman Pretzel would have the city extend its jurisdiction to stop what he terms "close and constant hugging aboard lake steamers." The aldermanic idea is that when Gertrude is discovered in the arms of Percival on the starboard rail, the steamer should whistle twice, put back to shore and turn Gertrude and company over to the cops.

The cruel thing is this: While earnest suppressors of hugging will publicly proclaim the ordinance a blessing, thousands of Gerties and Percivals, bashful things, will never appear before council when the ordinance comes up, to defend their inalienable rights.

One of the most interesting departments of one of the big Chicago papers is that detailing each day the rejections and cutouts ordered by the board of censors for moving picture films. Here are some of the cutouts ordered by the board and the reason for the rejections:

"Mabel's Married Life"—Cut out all scenes showing girl in pajamas before men other than her husband.
"The Desert Thieves"—Shorten struggle in desert between man and wife. Cut out subtitle reading: "We will have to take my husband along but we'll double-cross him in the desert."

George Fitch

He's long and lean and serawny, and has a solemn air, and folks would say, "That Johnnie is loaded down with care; he has a secret sorrow that gnaws him o'ermore, and he should try to borrow some sunshine at the store."



Which shows how, in their gussing, the folks are off their base, for George has naught distressing about him but his face. Within him always bubbles the antidote for grief, the mirth that kills our troubles, and gives our woe relief. You read George Fitch, and after you've conned a score of words, you gurgle round with laughter, and chirrup like the birds. As clean as rippling water his humor flows along, his muse is sure the daughter of Joyousness and Song. He cheers the chronic fretter, reforms the dismal bore, and makes this old world better than e'er it was before. He spreads glee by the acre, so what's the odds, my dears, if like an undertaker the humorist appears?

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STICKS TO HER JOB OF WACHING SPARKS

Great Dane Puts in Her Time Herding—Law Student Realizes She Has Great Responsibility and Is Faithful.

Mollie was stretched at full length on State street. People walking down the street came to a halt before her and then stepped aside. She was enjoying her afternoon nap in Salem's sunshine, and who could kick a dog, anyway? Even if it were in the way, especially a dog that was just visiting here. Mollie is the mammoth Great Dane pet of Roy Sparks, a Willamette university law student. Her home is in McMinnville, but she is keen to the fact of her master's frequent trips between the two cities and if he goes towards the depot she is there. If she is not invited into the baggage car, she avoids being left behind by jumping into the passenger coach. Mollie would mourn her big faithful eyes out if she could not go with Sparks. She is a small thing to deal with, either, and usually has her own 125-pound way. Mollie roomed in the basement of the Bligh for some months during the winter term of the school year. That was because fastidious landladies thought she would be a white elephant on their hands, though she is a brindle. Now Mollie is with home friends. She lives with her master at a sunny bungalow on Liberty street. Perchance, if no one shoos her away with the garden hose, she naps peacefully on the spacious veranda. Mollie never runs af-

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ter automobiles to bite the tires, neither does she bite babies who pet her. Her one duty in life is to look after Sparks; that is job enough for her. She never misses his step. In fact, Mollie is "some" dog.

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