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A MONUMENT OF INGRATITUDE

Colonel Roosevelt has broken into the limelight again with his unsought advice and fishwoman's Billingsgate. That he is entirely devoid of any sense of decency is shown in the fact that having revolted from the party that honored him with the highest gift in its power, and put it out of the running, he started another party of his own to which some of the brightest and purest men in the nation announced their allegiance simply because they had faith in his uprightness, and he betrayed that and them. Then, it is believed by many, he deliberately tried to defeat the man whom the republican party had selected as its candidate for the presidency. It is probable his taking the stump as he did and his making the attacks on the Central allies assisted in defeating Mr. Hughes. His political career has been one of ingratitude and base betrayal. Being unable to secure the nomination for a third term, he forced the party to accept the man he selected--Taft; and when that gentleman declined to allow him to be the actual president, and remain a figure head himself, he turned against him and so far as politics are concerned, destroyed him. He assumed to be larger than his party, and the only person capable of running the executive branch of the government.

He wants to manage the government still, and dictate the policies of the country, and this despite the party he last dishonored with his affiliation, was turned down at the polls. If he had the least sense of the eternal fitness of things he would retire to some solitude large enough to hold him, and there remain in that obscurity his actions have so well qualified him to adorn.

VILLA'S ONE SENSIBLE MOVE

At last Villa is doing the sensible thing and what, if he expected to accomplish anything material, he should have done long ago.

He has arranged to start a government of his own with a constitution and laws other than his will. His action will cause a still greater desertion from the Carranza ranks, and will cause many of the more influential Mexicans to turn to him as the only person in Mexico capable of uniting all factions.

While uneducated, he is a natural leader of such men as he has to deal with, that is, Mexicans. Carranza has proved a braggart and a failure. His generals are apparently moved by no other impulse than self aggrandizement and jealousy of one another. This was apparent when General Murguia refused to go to the aid of General Trevino when he was attacked at Chihuahua, holding his army 20 miles away while Villa finished whipping Trevino and ransacking the city. He is now in the same position as Trevino was when he betrayed him, and according to the eternal fitness of things, he too, should be whipped by Villa, and he probably will be. If Villa can get a quasi-government formed and show Mexico that he has the real interests of the country at heart, he will have Carranza on the run in a short time, and will dominate all Mexico. It looks just now as though the best solution of the Mexican problem would be to let Villa have a try at straightening out the tangle, for he certainly cannot make a greater failure of it than His Sideburns has done.

In New York five years ago patrolman Edward O'Rourke helped Miss Esther Adair across the street. Today he is heir to her fortune of \$30,000. But then most of us are neither policemen nor Irishmen, and of course could not begin to say the nice things Edward peddled on that short trip.

Rev. Charles Reynolds of Newark, New Jersey, thought he had found a fine text for a sermon, and proceeded to deliver the same to his fashionable congregation. The text was: "How Old Art Thou?" The reverend gentleman is taking an enforced vacation in New York city while the congregation quiets down.

THEY GAVE HER A COFFIN

The story of Mazie Colbert, who came to her death at the hands, it is believed, of Bernard Lewis, in Philadelphia, a few days ago, is attracting much attention through the press, but this more on account of the girl's beauty and popularity than for any other reason. It is neither a new nor a strange tale; in fact is an everyday affair, leaving the killing out of it, and even this is no rarity. It is the old story of a pretty country girl brought into the city and in contact with rich spendthrifts who steered her up against the great white way, taught her things undreamed of in her country home, and set her feet in the path that can only be followed when the lights are aglow. It was the same old primrose path that thousands of other Mazies have followed to its end, and its end was always death or--worse.

Poor little country moth, lured by the glaring lights around which she fluttered, dazzled but unafraid, all too soon she fell into the flame and perished. Her beautiful form which was her undoing lies at rest in a casket costing \$450, and this is all the reward she received for all she paid. This was the salve to conscience that man paid for what he had made of "only just a little country girl."

The house committee has arranged to investigate the leaks alleged by Thomas Lawson to have been sprung in the governmental departments, by which the stock gamblers have profited. The dispatches the same day this statement was flashed over the wires announced that Mr. Lawson was going to Europe. This gives rise to the suspicion that Thomas was talking for effect, and has not the goods with which to back up his charges. The congressional committee should get a hurry up move on and see that the wordy and spectacular gentleman appears before it, before he takes that trip to Europe. He announced yesterday that congress could put off its investigation until his return, but as it does not have to, but can force him to stay and testify, perhaps it will take that course instead.

Mayor Keyes has taken hold of the city's affairs in a solid sort of way, and his message indicates that his administration will be a strictly business one. He points out the necessity of enforcing all the city laws, especially those concerning autos. If he can put a stop to the violation of the speed ordinances and others governing the turning of corners and the like, he will do something that has been sadly neglected and which needs attention badly. Mayor Keyes can rest assured the citizens are solidly behind him in every move to better conditions, enforce the laws and put the departments on an economical and businesslike basis.

It surely is the women's day. Recently a Cincinnati judge ordered a man who was earning \$2 a day to pay alimony to his wife who was earning \$5, in that time, as employment investigator in a Detroit auto factory. This is robbing Peter to pay Pauline.

A Chicago judge has decided that "it is a dangerous precedent to allow a wife to support her husband." And this too, right after Illinois had conferred on women all the rights of citizenship.



THE POOR

"I cannot give the poor a cent," remarks the portly, stalfed gent, who's just consumed a pie; "it turns my auburn ringlets gray to make ends meet from day to day, all prices are so high. Just glance along that bill of fare, and note the prices ruling there, on canvasback and teal; mark how things cost to beat the band, and then perhaps you'll understand why I can't spare a wheel. Planked steaks with French imported peas, and all such staple things as these, that every man must eat, are costing now so many wheels the woebegone consumer feels a coldness in his feet. Without such things as mushroom sauce my victuals are a total loss, and they've gone up in price; I shudder, too, as well I may, recalling what I have to pay for bottles on the ice. A man must feed before he thinks of handing out to needy ginks a portion of his kale, and he has little left, I swear, when he has paid for Belgian hare, for oyster stews and quail. I'd help the poor, as well as you, if lofty sentiments would do, instead of silver dimes. Now I must eat a slab of beef, while I deplore the woe and grief of these outlandish times."



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children of the present holders. Several fullblooded, headed by Captain Sumplin and Poker Jim, are opposed to allotments to children of mixed blood. On the reservation now are 500 fullblood and 600 mixed blooded Indians.

Gardiner Index: The tunnel that is being constructed by Warren Reed to tap Clear Lake and furnish water for Winehester Bay and Redport, is now over 1,000 feet in. Two air shafts have been made and are working fine. Pete Moran, who is doing the tunnel work expects to have it finished in about 90 days.

C. I. Reigard, attorney for L. F. Stevens, who is now employed in the woods near Bandon, has just received official notification from the patent office at Washington that Mr. Stevens has been granted a patent for an improvement of the pulley or block used in logging and in the handling by cable of heavy articles.

Oswego, Ore.: Supposed to have been dead, F. N. Lemery, a former resident of Oswego, returned last week after an absence of six and one-half years and surprised his sisters, Mrs. George Thomas and Mrs. J. B. Hill. Lemery left Oswego in 1910 and had not been heard from since, although his name had been advertised in connection with the settlement of the Lemery estate, of which he is an heir. After a brief stay here he left to spend the winter in California.

Testimonial to the coast climate, in Coquille Sentinel: "Some people have been complaining of cold weather here during the past week, even while the ground has remained unfrozen and the grass still green. Wonder what they would think if suddenly transported over the Cascades to the states that have been blanketed with deep snows while the thermometer went 20 degrees below zero."

Big business prospects for Salem in 1917, listed by the Capital Journal: "For the year 1917 the outlook is excellent. A new Southern Pacific depot will be built, iron steel or concrete bridge across the river will give employment to many workmen, and already several business buildings are under way or definitely projected. Best of all perhaps is the assurance that the old South mill race will be utilized for a new factory which will be one of the most important industries of the city."

Marshallfield Times: Z. T. (Taylor) Siglin, one of the best known pioneers of the Coos Bay section, died last night at Mercy hospital after a short illness of la grippe and other complications. His condition was not regarded as serious until yesterday.

Mr. Siglin was an old bachelor and for years lived on a ranch on Isthmus Inlet near the Coquille-Marshallfield road. Besides looking after his ranch, he had many other interests and spent much time in Marshallfield. He served one term as sheriff of Coos county, served many years as road supervisor, as school director and in other public capacities. He leaves an estate valued at \$200,000.

MY HUSBAND AND I

Jane Phelps

LEONARD BROOK ACT AS ESCORT

CHAPTER XXIV.
I told myself that my husband had set the pace and that I had a right to follow it.

Yet women of my type, brought up as I had been, require some strong impelling motive to make them set aside convention. It was one thing to determine to do as I pleased, and as I imagined my husband did, and quite another thing to carry out my determination.

Mrs. Norville had invited Clifford and me to a dinner party. Clifford claimed he could not go, but said for me to accept if I wished, carelessly adding that there would probably be some young cub there who would bring me home.

I absolutely refused to go without him and so told Mrs. Norville, who in stated that I MUST come and that she would send Leonard Brooke after me.

"He is to be one of my guests," she told me, "and I know you are great friends, so come."

I told Clifford just what she said, and he replied: "Just the thing! Brooke will be glad to play escort."

Do you wonder that I made up my mind to defy convention? That I thought what I did mattered nothing to my husband?

Vain Wishing.
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University Notes

Excellent results are reported by Secretary E. C. Richards of the administration board who has just returned from a two-weeks' tour in southern Oregon in the interests of old Willamette. Several hundred dollars were pledged and many more promised to the endowment fund by friends and alumni in Grants Pass, Ashland, Talent and Gold Hill. He also secured the promise of half a dozen high school students to investigate the local institution when selecting a university for their alma mater.

Prof. Richards' principal work as extension and financial secretary is to interest the northwest communitwealth in Willamette as a character-building institution of top notch rank. He interviews the laymen of the conference and discharges the local Methodist churches and addresses the students of the high schools. As his work is so widely scattered and demands travel, he is able to visit in Salem infrequently. His schedule for January consists of Halsey on the 14th, Lebanon the 21st, and Sheridan the 28th.

Of more than passing interest to the student body is the fact that Prof. Eugene A. Hancock, who has just assumed the chair of the rhetoric department vacated by Prof. MacMurray, is a former student of Dean George H. Alden of Willamette. Prof. Hancock studied English history under Dean Alden when the latter was a member of the faculty of the University of Washington. It was largely through his brilliant scholastic standing that Dr. Alden came to know Willamette's now professor and when the vacancy occurred, it was but natural that Prof. Hancock was of first consideration as to the prospect for the position.

On account of Mr. McDaniels' death and the pressing necessity of securing a new rhetoric instructor immediately, President Doney was delayed in leaving for Chicago until yesterday afternoon. He attended Mr. McDaniels' funeral in Portland, leaving there last night for Chicago, where he is to attend the sessions of the Methodist educational board. He also was delegate to the university senate, the board in charge of the furtherance and general supervision of the colleges of the church.

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There's always saying little things like this, but never since the day I told him he must not had he again said anything at which I could take offense.

"I am going to Chicago with Clifford next week," I told him before we reached home.

"To make a long story again?" he asked, his face darkening. I know he was thinking of Burns Myerson, and was sorry I had mentioned going.

"No, just a day or two. I haven't felt really well since Edith's sickness. The doctor thinks a little change will do me good."

"I'll see you before you go," Leonard answered as he helped me from the car and bade me goodnight. His tone conveyed the impression that he would have something to say to me.

(Monday—Equal to the Occasion.)

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947 ounces, and the estimated output in 1916 is 227,500 ounces, or 109,500 ounces more. The output of copper in 1915 was 451,172 pounds, and the estimated output in 1916 is 2,527,000 pounds, an increase for 1916 of 2,076,999 pounds, and the output of lead in 1915 was 62,957 pounds, as compared with 102,000 pounds in 1915, or 41,000 pounds less. These preliminary figures are compiled by Charles G. Yale, of the San Francisco office of the geological survey.

Pendleton, Ore.: Umatilla Indians are in council to consider the proposition of allotting 75,000 acres of tribal lands on the reservation among the