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### "THE LEAGUE IS HERE."

Maybe Premier Clemenceau was misunderstood when he seemed to declare for a return of the old "balance of power". At any rate, if he was ever committed to that policy he has changed his viewpoint. His inaugural address as permanent chairman of the peace conference showed him apparently as earnest and eager for an international peace league as any of the more outspoken delegates from other countries.

It was not the old, familiar "Tiger," but a genuine idealist, who spoke of "the new institution which we will try to establish, in order that nations may at any length escape from the fatal embrace of ruinous wars."

"It is a great, splendid and noble ambition which has come to all of us," he said. And he added these significant words:

"We have come together as friends. All else must be subordinated to the necessity of remaining friends. For the league of nations is here. It is yourselves. It is yours to make it live; and to make it live we must have it really in our hearts."

This need not be taken as mere sentiment nor mere courtesy. Clemenceau is not given to either. He evidently regards the allied nations assembled in Paris as constituting, even now, a veritable league of nations. They are, in fact, a league which has made peace. It remains to preserve peace.

The allies are the natural charter members of the league of nations that is to be created as a permanent organization. The French premier's idea evidently is to keep them together and keep them functioning in this capacity. This is a natural and practical way to go about it. Later on, enemy countries can be admitted--when they have made sufficient reparation and established stable governments of the right sort.

We have no desire to enter into any controversy over the Salem-Silverton road work. We have said it would not last and the best way to prove the assertion is to wait a couple of years and then look it over again. It is cheap work of anything but a permanent character. We called attention to this fact not for the purpose of attacking any official but because it is of interest to the people and taxpayers of Marion county. The county has done good work, and if a mistake has been made in attempting to build a road too cheaply or for any other reason, then the officials in charge should profit by the mistake in their future operations. That is all the interest we have in this road matter--to see that the taxpayers get their money's worth.

## RIPPLING RHYMES

By Walt Mason

### HONEST POVERTY.

It is unpleasant to be poor when cold winds sweep across the moor, fresh from the arctic pole; and honest poverty looks stale when it involves the lack of kale to buy a ton of coal. On summer days we sit around the drugstore or the village pound, and jeer at heaped up wealth; why should a person lust for gold, for bonds and stocks and gems untold, if he has strength and health? We do not envy any gent who is beneath the burden bent that rich men always bear; while we have roofs above our heads, and frugal meals and truckle beds, for wealth we do not care. Oh, thus we spie! when days are warm, and there's no symptom of a storm, we hand out just such rot; we think we mean the things we say, we shoe the plutocrat away, and boost our humble lot. But when the snow whirrs by like smoke it's blamed unpleasant to be broke--it jars the honest soul to eat the last remaining prune, and feed the furnace with a spoon, a-husbanding the coal. Oh, then one longs for precious stones and diamonds and silver bones, and bullion bars that clank; one winds the clock and fires the cat and yearns to be a plutocrat with plunder in the bank.

### THE DEPORTATION BILL.

Attorney General Gregory's bill calling for the deportation of all aliens who have been interned, on the ground that internment has proved them undesirable, is good as far as it goes, but it does not go far enough. It will be difficult to frame any bill which protects the nation fully against the undesirable alien, because, as the New York Times points out, "Aliens who come here for the purpose of destroying our government and wrecking our institutions do not announce their purpose through a megaphone at Ellis Island or Castle Garden."

Any bill which handles the subject should include the deportation of those found guilty of harmful acts or intentions in days to come. If we have not learned to be suspicious of the stranger within our gates, we have learned little from the war.

The United States has been the breeding spot of seditious plots, and the only way to treat such a condition is to remove the source, just as is done in yellow fever and typhoid.

To convict and imprison such people is not enough. It only suspends their period of operation. When they are set free, society has not only social disturbers but ex-convicts on its hands, and they surely are not more desirable in that state than before imprisonment.

"Clean out the rats! Stop up the holes!" That is the way to rid the country of these vermin.

The Commercial club's annual membership meeting is to be held tomorrow night and there should be a large attendance. Salem never faced a brighter outlook for an era of growth and prosperity, than at the present time, because of the promising industries which are based upon the fruit and other products of the surrounding territory. If the city does not enjoy a marked and substantial growth this year and in succeeding years it will be the fault of the people of Salem in failing to take advantage of the opportunity. The Commercial club should be made the center of all our work for the upbuilding of the community and this cannot be done unless the membership and interest is general. The annual meeting tomorrow should launch a movement for a greater Commercial club as well as a greater Salem.

Some of that attack on the state highway commission looks to us like a barrage on the part of the paving combine to conceal an offensive movement on their part--and any move made by the paving gang ought to be offensive to honest people. We only know that some of the men who are loudest in charging the commission with graft in the letting of contracts, are undoubtedly, very close to the paving trust themselves. We still believe the state highway commission is on the square, and are inclined to think that is why it is so bitterly attacked from certain quarters.

Senators Borah and Chamberlain object to everything and everybody connected with the war. Their latest move is for general amnesty for every soldier convicted of any kind of an offense by court martial during the war, a sweeping proposal, but demagogue politicians always make sweeping proposals. When they go out after a certain class of voters they promise anything, both the possible and impossible, in order to round them up.

The Oregon boys, or a large number of them, are expected soon to reach New York from service overseas. There is a big reception awaiting them when they get back home.

The United States is only insisting that the treaty at Versailles be made in the way that the United States always made treaties--openly and honestly.

A French steamer passing through the Strait of Messina escaped Scylla and Charybdis, and was blown up by a mine. Page Homer!

## THE WIFE

By Jane Phelps

### BRIAN RENTS THE OFFICE RUTH SELECTED.

About eleven o'clock Ruth and Brian called on the agent who had so kindly allowed Ruth to hold the option so long a time on the office she selected. She felt almost afraid to ask him if it were still vacant, but when he assured her that it was, and added: "I was perfectly sure you would want it, Mrs. Hackett, so have not tried to let it," she thanked him profusely. Brian was delighted with it. The location just suited him, and the room was bright and sunny with a small waiting room leading into it. It was all the space he should need until he became famous, he remarked jokingly. "Which I hope may be very soon, Lieutenant," the agent politely replied. "It is going to be soon," Ruth added with decision. Ruth insisted that they at once get the office cleaned and furnished. In this she was not quite as unselfish as it might appear. She would have something to occupy her mind for a day or two--the first spent out of business in years. To tell the truth, Ruth rather dreaded these first days, although she in no way allowed regrets to fill her mind. She couldn't! Brian was too boyishly happy. If, in his exuberance, he said things

which hurt a little--if he didn't seem to realize that she had given up anything really vital for him--she tried not to notice, and did not explain. Brian's absence, his danger, his wounds, and lastly the recognition given him by his country, had made all her own desires and plans seem very unworthy to Ruth as compared to making her soldier-husband happy and contented with his home. This she realized that he never had been. And she also sensed that it was partly because he did not feel that it was HIS home; but he thought of it as HER home, the home she provided. The agent had recommended a cleaning woman who was working in the building, so Ruth left Brian talking to him while she found her and made arrangements for the thorough cleaning of the office. Then she and Brian measured the floor and windows. New shades and a nice rug were the first requisites. They went at once to a department store and selected them. Then they took a taxi and drove to the warehouse where Brian had stored his small law library. They ordered the books delivered, but Ruth decided the old book-cases wouldn't do. It was an old wad--but one Brian had picked up for a song when he first left college and opened his office. "You must have the sort of book-cases which can be added to as you buy more books," Ruth said decidedly. "You are going to need more books right away. You haven't near as many as auntie's lawyer down home had." "Considering that Mrs. Clayborne's lawyer was an old man, and had been practicing many years, I scarcely think that is very strange," Brian returned

with a laugh. But his eyes were a little moist, his manner very tender because of Ruth's thought for him.

That night after dinner they talked of what they had done during the day, of all they hoped it might mean to Brian to have an office in such a locality and in the same building with men of affairs. Ruth astonished Brian with her grasp of both essentials and what he had deemed non-essentials, but which he saw were really things necessary to build himself up in his profession--after she had explained.

Ruth was really very practical where business matters were concerned. The responsibility which had been necessarily hers because of the war taking so much of her employer's time and attention, so throwing on her shoulders the onus of the business, had developed her greatly along the practical lines of affairs. Not only had she become an artistic and valuable member of Mandel's force because of this, but also because she had, through this late experience, become almost the business manager of the firm as well.

Brian was truly astonished at her acumen, but he said nothing of this to her. He was too well pleased with the way matters were going; too happy that she was going to at last, be contented to remain at home.

"Will it put you out if I bring Major Williams home to dinner tomorrow night?" Brian asked as they started for bed. Ruth was delighted. More because it proved that perhaps she was doing what would be for the best happiness of both in the end, than because she really cared about meeting Major Williams. (Tomorrow--Ruth Plans a Surprise For Brian)

### Open Forum

#### THE INFLUENZA SITUATION AND THE HOSPITALS.

Editor Journal: The current epidemic of so-called

#### FRENCH SOLDIERS LEAD IN WORLD'S SACRIFICE

At the outbreak of the war the population of France was 36 millions and of these 6 millions have been offered on the altar of freedom, thereby leading every other nation. We of America must be very grateful for this and wish for an valuable remedy for stopping liver and intestinal ailments discovered by the peasants of France, which it is reported has saved many lives in America, prevented thousands of surgical operations and relieved incalculable suffering among its people. Geo. H. Mayr, for many years a prominent Chicago chemist, imports the ingredients and sells this remedy under the name of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy. It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the entrained mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. J. C. Perry, Capital Drug Store, and druggists everywhere.

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Spanish influenza has thrown a staggering burden on our hospitals. The situation would have been serious in normal times, but today the depletion of medical and nursing staffs and the demands of the army adds an element of strain which cannot be ignored. Situations of difficulty and stress calling for clearer heads and stout hearts, however, are just what hospitals, physicians and nurses are trained to cope with. These are signs that the high point of the epidemic has passed and the one thing most needed now is for everyone to understand exactly what his part is in the battle against this malady. What can hospitals do? So far as devoted effort and sacrifice are concerned most of them are doing all that is humanly possible. Surgeon General Rupert Blue of the U. S. Public Health Service, has issued a personal appeal that nurses be released from private duty for influenza epidemic work, and that volunteer nurse aids be employed. It is the duty of the every hospital to employ and to train nurse aids if the firm belief of J. O. Cobb, senior surgeon of the U. S. public health service, in charge of a division of Illinois. One trained nurse on an eight hour duty should with ten aids under her be able to care for 50 patients on a floor. Dr. Cobb has called in the public press to ask women to help in this emergency as a patriotic duty. The epidemic is by no means over, but by the means just mentioned with the aid of the hospitals and physicians and hearty cooperation of the public at large, aid of some kind assured for all who need it. Warning is given out by the government to influenza convalescents to guard against tuberculosis. A large number of states are setting aside one hospital for influenza or any other suitable building, allowing one half for convalescents and plenty of time given for quarantine. Those suffering from influenza are at once removed to the hospital just as any smallpox case would be and cared for in the same manner. This home property fumigated by authoritative and all-healthy persons being careful taking hygienic procedures. There would be no need for the closing of schools, churches and places of business would not be paralyzed.

#### A NURSE.

#### AIRPLANES IN WOLF HUNT

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 28. -- Airplanes will participate in a wolf hunt near here tomorrow. The aviators will keep in touch with the hunters on the ground, directing movement of the forces. Several wolves have been observed in the vicinity recently.



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