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### PRESIDENTIAL TIMBER SCARCE.

Both of the great political parties of the country are virtually without leaders big enough to lead them successfully in the next presidential campaign. It is assumed that President Wilson will retire at the end of this term and there is no commanding personality to take his place. Mr. McAdoo is barred almost by being the president's son-in-law and apparently has definitely retired from public life. He is the biggest and brainiest of the democratic leaders next to Wilson. Below him there are governors and senators but scarcely any particular one who towers above the crowd sufficiently to be turned to as a national leader. Governor Cox, of Ohio, seems the most promising of all these leaders at the present time.

In the republican organization the death of Colonel Roosevelt, and the fact that former President Taft, is out of harmony with his associates on the League of Nations proposition leaves the party at sea, with many state leaders like Borah, Johnson and Cummins, former progressives, arrayed against the "old guard", led by Penrose, Lodge, et al. Chairman Will Hays has been trying to unite the party with some success but the schism over the League of Nations seems to have undone much of his work. Lack of a national leader of real strength and ability is already lessening the hopes of success of the republican party, which appeared extremely bright up to six months ago.

Summed up, with Bryan out of politics, Roosevelt dead, Taft operating as a political free-lance and Wilson soon to retire to private life, there exists the greatest dearth of real statesmen and strong political leaders in the history of the nation. The situation is noticeable particularly by the absence of presidential booms and the fact that the newspapers, which usually line up in support of favorite candidates long in advance of the elections are mute as to presidential preferences. It looks like a race in 1920 between two very dark horses with about even chances of winning.

Salem may not be due for a boom this year, but its growth is going to be so strong and substantial that a great many people will get the mistaken idea that a boom is on.

The current rumor that Governor Olcott will not shake up the office-holding element of the state is good news to everybody—except the plain people.

The German statesmen have joined those thirty-seven senators in their fight on the League of Nations. It is in all respects an unholy alliance.

Never did an American congress start better and finish worse than the last one.

## RIPPLING RHYMES

By Walt Mason

RESILIENT.

It is good we're so elastic, for it helps us play the game; not a grief can be so drastic that we can't forget the same. I have half a ton of sorrow bearing down, today, on me; but by ten o'clock tomorrow I'll be happy as can be. It's our nature to be joyous, to indulge in mirth and song. Sometimes we announce, in sadness, that we'll never smile again; we have said farewell to gladness in this grim gray world of men. Woe has got us by the ringlets, grief has soaked into our bones; we're as dour as any kinglets who've been chivied from their thrones. "Let us talk of tombs," we mutter; "let's discourse of epitaphs; for there are no jokes to utter, and there's no excuse for laughs." But the next day we are grinning in the old time cheerful style; and there's naught on earth so winning as our large flamboyant smile. It's our nature to be cheery, to believe that grief is vain; when the times are dark and dreary, it is all that keeps us sane.

### EUROPEAN TIPS.

In spite of all the delights of hob-nobbing with royalty and living in palaces, and traveling in special trains and being a public guest wherever he goes, President Wilson is said to look back with regretful longing on a European trip he made ten years ago on a bicycle. Even a modest cycling tourist in Europe has to tip, but he gets off easier.

When the president visited Rome, he was politely informed that it was the custom of visiting rulers to contribute \$10,000 to a fund for the city's poor. Mr. Wilson, in some embarrassment had to plead exemption from that cheerful custom, because he was not authorized to make any gifts in behalf of the United States government, and he could not afford to pay the money out of his own pocket. He had similar experiences in other cities.

The gratuities the president is obliged to pay for ordinary personal services come high enough. On his last trip they are said to have averaged \$1000 a month. Everywhere at palaces, hotels, private homes and in railway trains there are servitors with extended palms, taught by traveling royalty to expect princely fees, seeing no reason why the head of the richest nation on earth should not be as liberal as European sovereigns. The president of France scatters money about with reckless abandon—he gave the Czar's servants \$20,000 when he visited Petrograd, and gave \$10,000 to the household of the king of Sweden. France supplied the money.

It is one of the penalties of American democracy that our president cannot do that sort of thing. It is so un-American in spirit that the American people would hardly sanction any provision for it. And they are probably right about it. It is a good thing for the flunkies of European courts to learn that a man may wield the greatest power in the world and yet be a comparatively poor man, compelled to practice the thrift of a merely well-to-do private citizen.

### BATHS FOR BOLSHEVIKS.

It has been stated frequently of late that Bolshevism was the worst type of autocracy, and now there is proof that is so.

The Bolshevik regime in Moscow has divided the people into three classes: those who bathe twice a month, those who bathe once a month, and those who never bathe at all.

Talk about class distinction! No autocracy ever equalled it. It is manifestly impossible for one who wishes to be in the very best order as a Bolshevik to bathe, and here the Red Rulers are condemning their associates to as high as two baths a month.

There is only one consolation. The indignant washed may rise, and in their wrath condemn the others to a dreadful death—by drowning for instance—and so eventually Bolshevism, at last revealed in all its crafty power, may bring about its own demise.

Alas! There is no freedom. Behold the Bolshevik gone drunk with the sight of water-power!

The Burden of Brest; "For the rain, it raineth every day."

## THE PROMOTER'S WIFE

BY JANE PHELPS

NEIL TELLS BARBARA MORE ABOUT HIS BUSINESS.

CHAPTER XXIX.

"What in the world did Mr. Rayburn mean when he said I was asking a good deal for a promoter's wife?" I asked.

"What did you say to him to call forth a remark like that?" "I said I was more anxious to see the workings of the mines in which you were interested than I was in seeing the people of Mexico."

"What brought up the subject?" There was a frown on Neil's face—the kind of look I had learned to dread.

"He asked me if I ever had visited Mexico." "And you told him?" "That I hoped to go with you if you went again," I interrupted.

"Rayburn is all right, but he is apt to think things. Be very careful what you say to him." "Think things?—what do you mean?"

"Oh, nothing in particular. He prides himself upon his skill in reading character; and sometimes he is pretty shrewd in getting information from people without the one he is talking to, realizing he is pumping them."

The conversation had taken place in the car on the way home from Blanche Orton's dinner. Neil did not appear sleepy, and seemed inclined to talk

after we reached home. So we went into the library, where, in spite of all I could say, he took another drink—his "nightcap," he called it.

Suddenly I thought: "This is a good time to urge him to tell me about his business?" So I commenced:

"Neil, please tell me how you sell the mines you get hold of. That is what you do, isn't it?" "I don't sell mines at all. I sell stock—shares."

"But it is mining stock?" "Yes, naturally." "But just how do you go about it? Do you do it by mail? I saw such a stack of circulars and addressed envelopes the day I was down at the office—the day you were not there."

"We do a lot by mail. Occasionally we get hold of some rich man," he had hesitated, "and land him for a few thousand shares."

"And does that mean that people who are not rich buy mining stock?" "It means that people who WANT TO BE RICH buy it. There: 'By the way Bab, I am going to bring a prospective customer home to dinner tomorrow night. Look your prettiest. Better wear that dress. We will be alone, but I want you to make a good impression. And that is a stunning gown."

"I thought it was, too, until I saw Mrs. Orton's."

"You couldn't wear the same clothes Blanche does. You aren't the type."

"But why! She looked so wonderfully well—different. I was quite out of conceit with my dress."

"Don't be foolish. Blanche can wear those things; you couldn't."

"I'd like to try," I pouted. "You admire her immensely, don't you?" "She's a very clever woman. But we were talking of tomorrow night. Scott is a fine fellow, and is rotten with money. I want to interest him in this new deal. It will mean a killing if I do."

### Amounts Of Poultry And Dairy Products Stored Up Increased Greatly

Washington Mar. 12.—If the old fashioned law of supply and demand was in good working order today chickens, meat, eggs, and butter certainly ought to be cheaper eating.

Just listen to these department of agriculture figures: Frozen poultry stocks in store March 1, totaled 110,003,382 pounds, an increase of 93 percent as compared with the same date a year ago.

Additional reports showed these increases over March 1, 1918. Broilers 98.1 percent, roosters, 16 percent; fowls 121.1 percent; turkey 2.9 percent; miscellaneous 119.7 percent. But that isn't all.

Creamery butter in storage shows an increase of 30.9 percent, while packing stock butter gained 51.2 percent over the 1918 figures. And while chickens were piling up in storage, eggs were keeping pace. Case eggs held March 1 had increased 28.1 percent over a year ago. Frozen eggs, however, showed a decrease of 25.5 percent.

Meats, too, joined the growing food hoards.

### Tie Up Of Street Cars In New Jersey Stops Traffic

Newark, N. J., March 12.—With street car traffic in Newark, Patterson and Elizabeth, Jersey City and 137 smaller municipalities completely tied up today, striking streetcar employes are aligned for a finish fight against the railway companies.

The tieup has virtually stopped all traffic on car lines, only 12 cars out of 533 being in operation in Newark. Public sentiment is in sympathy with the strikers and only a few persons used the cars.

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FOR ROUGH, WRINKLED,  
FRECKLED, PIMPLED SKIN  
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As March winds, flying dust and dirt, are apt to injure any complexion, this information will be of special value right now. If you have any cutaneous blemish, don't use paint, powder or anything else to cover it up.

Two often this only emphasizes the defect. Besides, it's much easier to remove the disfigurement with ordinary mercurized wax. Applied nightly, the wax will gradually remove freckles, pimples, moth patches, sallowness, red or yellow blotches or any surface eruption. The affected cuticle is absorbed, a little each day, until the clear, soft, youthful and beautiful skin beneath is brought wholly to view. Ask the druggist for one ounce of mercurized wax and use this like you use cold cream.

Remove in morning with soap and water. Many who have tried this simple, harmless treatment report astonishing results.

If bothered with wrinkles or furrows a wash lotion made by dissolving an ounce of powdered salolite in a half pint of witch hazel will prove wonderfully effective.

no attention, I would try to turn it to advantage. I so wanted to know what Mr. Fredericks referred to when he said others would suffer from Neil's business methods even if he did not.

"Why, because he'll take stock, of course—a big block of it."

"But if the mine is worth what you ask, and you had to pay for it, how can you make a killing if he does buy the stock?"

"Oh, let's go to bed. You make yourself attractive to him, and let me attend to the rest."

"Good-bye—Neil Tells Barbara That a 'Good Front' Goes a Long Way."

### CHILDREN HATE PILLS, CALOMEL AND CASTOR OIL

If Cross, Feverish, Constipated, Give 'California Syrup of Figs.'

Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "does" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

With our children it's different. Mothers who cling to the old form of physic simply don't realize what they do. The children's revolt is well founded. Their tender little "insides" are injured by them.

If your child's stomach liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive, but gentle. Millions of mothers keep this harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know children love to take it; that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach; and that a teaspoonful given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. See that it is made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

Jim tells it to the Boss



"Tisn't the size of a plug that counts," says Jim. "It's the way it tastes—and how it lasts. A couple of squares of Real Gravelly keeps me satisfied."

Good taste, smaller chew, longer life is what makes Genuine Gravelly cost less to chew than ordinary plug.  
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### President Wilson May Be Back To America In May

By Carl D. Groat.

(United Press Staff Correspondent.)  
About The U. S. & George Washington, March 12.—As President Wilson neared France today, his advisers were confident that he would be able to return to the United States by the last of May. All information reaching the George Washington indicates the peace work is being speeded up to such an extent that it is really several weeks ahead of the original schedule.

New groups of destroyers has joined the George Washington, replacing those which put into the Azores yesterday and last night. The George Washington was making slower progress today but was expected to reach Brest tomorrow afternoon.

### Discuss Greater Guarantees For Security In Convention

London, March 12.—The league of nations societies, in convention here, today considered amendments proposed by the French for greater guarantees of security. These consisted of proposals for fixing the limitation of armaments and providing a permanent body to foresee and prepare military measures necessary to assure the fulfillment of obligations on the league.

The chief objection to these amendments comes from the Americans. According to one of the American delegation, they are agreeable to giving the French guarantees so long as they do not make demands which interfere with the United States constitution. They wish to preserve the right for the American congress to decide when the United States shall make war.

### Cable Service Between Japan And United States Resumed

San Francisco, March 12.—Cable service between the United States and Japan was resumed today, after a suspension of three weeks owing to cable trouble. Business sufficient to keep the cable working constantly for 12 hours, was piled up within a short time after service was resumed. Normal service will be possible by the end of the week, cable officials believe.

"So things rocked along until a friend of mine talked me into trying Tanlac. When I started on this medicine I weighed only one hundred and fifteen pounds—had dropped off from one hundred and fifty two—so you can imagine what a dreadful condition I was in. Well, my first bottle of Tanlac never helped me any that I could tell but I couldn't afford to condemn a medicine so many people said had helped them, so I kept on taking it and am certainly glad I did for it has really and truly made me feel like a new man. I never felt any great improvement until after I had taken five or six bottles and then I began gradually feeling better. So I kept right on, taking five or six more bottles, and by that time I was weighing one hundred and thirty six pounds—had gained twenty one pounds—and since then I have felt perfectly sound and well. I sleep like a log every night and have more energy and strength than I have in years. This is certainly one happy New Year for me and is the first one in twenty five when I could say I was free from suffering. I still take a dose now and then and would buy up every bottle in town if I knew no more was going to be made. I have just finished my dinner of salad, meats, vegetables, pie and coffee, and I can digest these things now better than I could make before I took Tanlac. I would spend my last dollar for Tanlac rather than be without it."

Tanlac is sold in Hubbard by Hubbard Drug Co. in Mt. Angel by Ben Gooch, in Geravia by John Kelly, in Turner by H. P. Cornelius, in Woodburn by Lyman H. Storey, in Salem by Dr. A. C. Stone, in Silverton by Geo. A. Steelhammer, in Gates by Mrs. J. P. McCarly, in Stayton by C. A. Beauchamp, in Aurora by Aurora Drug store, in St. Paul by Groceria Store Co., Inc., in Donald by M. W. Johnson and in Jefferson by Pughay & Mason.



### Advocates Constructing Tunnel Under Bering Strait

San Francisco, March 12.—Construction of a tunnel under Bering strait, establishing rail trade communications between the Asiatic and American continents, is advocated today by James Wickersham, Alaska delegate to congress, who is here on business. He is also active in siding Pacific coast firms in leasing government coal fields in Alaska with a view to giving this section cheaper fuel.

### SPORTS THINGS

The material of the wide hat is of calico, well covered in a pink, green and gray design. There is a facing of deep rose pink to let the light fall becomingly through the brim. Wide tucks trim the skirt and there are large pearl buttons, too. A rough-weave silk in oyster shade is used.