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THE WORM TURNS:

Most of us have received various reports, speeches and what-not issued by the government. In newspaper and magazine offices they come in bales.

Last year the government printing office turned out four billion copies of such matter, at a cost of about \$20,000,000. Sales to the public returned \$215,743 of this. The rest was free issue at the expense of taxpayers.

Most of this matter, furthermore, is sent free through the mails, thus building up the postal deficit, and again taking money from the pockets of taxpayers. Some of these publications are, of course, valuable and constitute a legitimate function of government. But the bulk of them are either useless or consist of political utterances which serve only to glorify some "statesman" or bane in the public eye. And we pay for it.

Twenty million or so dollars is a comparatively small item in the cost of government. But the free-printed, post-free document "racket" is a good example of wastefulness and extravagance in the use of public funds.

The taxpayer is a patient, long-enduring creature, but cannot even his patience be strained to virtual rebellion? There are signs of it.

The Massachusetts Tax Association said recently: "Recognition must be given to the gradually awakening tax consciousness of the public, which more and more is causing the average citizen to realize that expenditures in government must be reduced or curtailed just as industry has been forced to deflate its costs in order to exist."

—Terra Haute Tribune.

We are again at that period of the year when most of our subscribers who take the Daily Democrat by mail will be asked to renew and we hope that every one of them will do so. This year is one of the most important of your lives so far as news is concerned and you will want to know what is going on. Taking your home paper helps you and makes it possible for us to continue to try to help you. We are for Adams county against the world and we are happiest when boasting this garden spot or her people.

There seems to be an attitude of "passing the buck" on the special session of the Indiana legislature to enact some tax laws that will relieve conditions in the state. Committees are appointing sub-

committees and it takes several days for each to get organized and the first thing we know the tax assessors will be out and the time will have passed when any thing can be done. If there is any cure for the present illness in economics, it ought to be presented and then carried through in as short a time as possible.

The Indiana Farm Bureau is continuing the campaign to secure beet acreage pledges and with good success. They expect by tomorrow evening to have the amount desired by Col. Gallagher. If the finances can then be arranged the fieldmen of the company will be organized and they will be sent out to get the contracts. Let nothing stand in your way of boosting this industry. It means much to all of us.

The busiest place in town just now is the license bureau where hundreds are calling for their plates and the right to operate the old bus the coming year. Some of the boys have to hustle over to get their poll tax receipt before they can qualify but they usually return soon. No data as to how long a period of grace will be extended but the safe thing is to get the plates and put them on.

A man who claimed he had run away from his parole in a California prison, walked into police headquarters at Huntington and asked to be sent back. They held him there over night and then decided he could get back the way he got here. This is not a time for communities to spend money shipping criminals across the country.

The selection of James Briggs of Geneva as a member of the Adams County Memorial Hospital board is pleasing to every one who knows this splendid young man.

He will prove a valuable and very competent member of this important board. He succeeds Mrs. T. J. McKean who has moved from the county.

There is much concern over the country because of the serious illness of Julius Rosenwald, Chicago businessman famed for his philanthropies. He has been a great man in many ways and the country needs all of the men of his caliber at this time.

Congress is back at it—making the fur fly—and providing a lot of interesting headlines but what the people want just now is some serious consideration of some very serious matters.

Lessons In English

Words often misused: Do not say "It is rarely that you hear of such things." Say, "It is rare that you hear."

Often mispronounced: Cigar. Pronounce si-gar, i as "it" (not "see") as in "arm," and accent last syllable.

Often misspelled: Subterranean. Observe the two r's.

Synonyms: Intangible, impalpable, impalpable, insubstantial, vague.

Word study: Use a word three times and it is yours. Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: Lascivious; tending to produce voluptuous or lewd emotions. "Lascivious books and pictures should be condemned."

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At that time, De Mille was living alone in a little house on Lexington Ave. His family had not come on from the East. Uncle Carl Laemmle was staying at the Hollywood Hotel. Junior Laemmle was a babe.

These men faced tougher times than the present crisis. But they persevered, and the motion picture colony stands as a monument to their courage and industry.

HOLLYWOOD FABLE.

They are telling the story about the film leading man who was upstage to the heavy in one of his pictures. Finally the heavy backed him up in a corner.

"Listen," he warned, "either you treat me differently, or when we come to that big fight scene, I'll have my double whale the tar out of your double."

DID YOU KNOW?

That Paul Lukas once competed in the Olympic Games as a member of the Hungarian wrestling team.

LATEST GOSSIP.

Universal is distributing more than 200 Christmas baskets to former studio employees now out of work. John Barrymore's crest

—and the Worst is Yet to Come



RADIO PROGRAM

Tuesday's Five Best Radio Features

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WZJ, NBC network—3 p.m.—CST
U. S. Army Band.
WABC, CBS network, 7:45 p. m.
Modern Male Chorus.
WZJ, NBC network, 8:30 p. m.—
Great Personalities.

WEAF, NBC network, 9 p. m.—
Dance Hour with Walter Winchell.
WABC, CBS network, 10:15 p. m.
Columbia Symphony Orchestra.

Wednesday's 5 Best Radio Features

WABC, CBS network, 6:15 p. m.

Bing Crosby.

WABC, CBS network, 6:30 p. m.

Boswell Sisters.

WEAF, NBC network, 7:30 p. m.

Sousa's Band.

WZJ, NBC network, 9 p. m.—Russ Columbo and Orchestra.

WEAF, NBC network, 9:30 p. m.

Guion Orchestra.

Modern Etiquette

—by

ROBERTA LEE

Q. Are tinted calling cards in good taste?

A. No; nor should they be engraved in any color but black.

Q. How is the table decorated for a formal dinner?

A. With a low center-piece, and glasses in individual holders or candleabra.

Q. What is the work of the lady's maid?

A. A lady's maid takes care of her mistress, her clothes, manicuring, hair-dressing and facial massage.

CONGRESS TODAY

—by

ROBERTA LEE

Banking and currency sub-committees meet to complete emergency domestic relief bills.

Lafollette-Costigan committee continues unemployment relief hearings.

Finance committee continues foreign bond investigation.

House:

Continues consideration of first deficiency bill.

Military affairs committee begins hearings on Muscle Shoals.

Agriculture committee considers bill to distribute farm board wheat to unemployed.

Ways and means committee holds hearings on democratic tariff bill.

Naval affairs committee considers naval building program.

Interstate commerce committee considers pending bills.

Banking and currency committee begins hearings on \$563,000,000 reconstruction finance corporation bill.

Foreign affairs committee considers resolution for appropriation of \$450,000 for expenses of U. S. delegation at Geneva disarmament conference.

Public lands committee considers several small bills.

Rules committee considers Somers resolution for investigation of silver prices.

Appropriations sub-committees continue work on war, agriculture, interior and state and justice department appropriation bills.

PREBLE NEWS

By HARRISON CARROLL.

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HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Dec. 30.—

Though Wall Street pounds at their gates, Hollywood producers

may take a lesson in courage from that determined band of men who

were groundbreaking for the industry back in Christmas, 1913.

Cecil B. De Mille recalls his memories of that December when "The Squaw Man" was just about to be produced at the Famous Lasky barns.

Over at Sunset and Gower, Uncle Carl Laemmle had a

just established himself on the Coast.

On the day before Christmas, 1913, says De Mille, "we had a conference at the studio. I remember Dustin Farnum, Winifred Kingston, Fred Kiley (now in the jewelry business), and Wilfred Buckland, the art director, were on it. Christmas morning we showed up again and did some more work."

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IN THE NEWS.

So many wild guesses have

been made about the players in

"Grand Hotel," I scarcely dare to

affirm that both Joan Crawford

and Greta Garbo are definitely

set for the picture. Yet this is

my information, and from an

excellent, though unofficial,

source. Greta will play the

dancer of course, and Joan the

stenographer. Both

have been mentioned for the

parts, but the matter has

never been settled. Now, I understand, Director

Edmund Goulding definitely ex-

pects to start in the middle of

January.

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