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"FORGET-ME-NOT DAY"

EVERY man, woman and child in this city will have an opportunity to be a part of the nation-wide movement to assist wounded and disabled American veterans of the World War on "Forget-Me-Not" Day. It will be observed throughout the United States Saturday, Nov. 10.

You remember—or have you forgotten?—how all of us promised when the boys marched away to war that never, never, would we forget them.

If you wear a cloth forget-me-not flower, to be sold on the streets on the day set aside for the collection, you will show outwardly that you have not let thoughts of our heroes fade from your mind.

Proceeds of "National Forget-Me-Not Day" will be used for relief, welfare, legislative, hospitalization and rehabilitation assistance of the Nation's wounded and disabled veterans of the world struggle.

James A. McFarland, national commander of the Disabled American Veterans of the World War, has received a letter from President Coolidge warmly indorsing "Forget-Me-Not Day" and lauding the veterans' organization for its constructive work.

WRONGS OF THE COURTS

JUDGE MICHAEL L. M'KINLEY of Chicago is writing a series of articles in which he dilates on "what is wrong with the criminal court." He admits many of these wrongs and seems to believe the only remedy may be found in an aroused civic consciousness and the better conscience of better judges.

These two purgatives, administered together, would go a long way toward correction, but they would not entirely cure the disease.

Justice must be divorced from party politics. That is the only cure—the only preventive—not only for the evils of the criminal court, but for the evils of all the other elective courts.

There can be no justice where the power of party affiliations and party pull rise superior to the written law. There can be no justice where the court and its officers are subjected to any pressure or are influenced by any attachment that is beyond the law and the evidence. These are facts as plain as the average nose on the human face.

Judicial and court selections and elections could, by several means, be secured outside and apart from party, if we did but seek those means. We will, in time, appeal to them. We will get better consciences and better judges then, and not until then, and justice in its true meaning will have its inning. And, furthermore, we will gain much in that the new and cleaner order of judicial administration will influence the bar, as a whole, to regard the law as something other than a trick animal. Speed the day.

THE U. S. PRESIDENT AND YOUR SON

LITTLE ceremony will be held tonight by members of Troop No. 45 of the Boy Scouts. In honor of a friend—and such is the basis of the Scout creed—the youths of the troop will pay tribute to Warren G. Harding at the Central Universalist Church. Today is the birthday of the dead President. Scouts will worship at his shrine of patriotism.

The position of President is oddly different from the high official position of any European peer. No better illustration can be found than the fact that every President of the United States serves as honorary head of the Boy Scouts of America.

To have leadership in spirit, if not actively, over the ideals and living of 618,000 youths in one country is, indeed, a rare privilege.

"I wish every boy in our America could have the advantage and honor of being in the Boy Scout organization," Harding had said.

Woodrow Wilson, whose ideals have stood the test of political criticism and persecution, made this tribute:

"The Boy Scouts have not only demonstrated their worth to the Nation, but have also contributed to a deeper appreciation of the American people of the high conception of patriotism and citizenship."

Roosevelt thus paid homage to the movement:

"The Boy Scout movement is distinctly an asset to our country for the development of efficiency, virility and good citizenship."

To intrust in one organization the "makings" of a Nation in producing virile manhood with clean ideals and strong characters is more than an asset.

Is your son among the 1,600 Scouts in Indianapolis? Think it over.

GOOD SAMARITANS OF FOUNTAIN SQUARE

FEW stories are as old or as familiar as the one of the Samaritan. Lending a helping hand is as old as civilization itself. The giving of aid is one thing, yet society should not attempt to rely upon the wandering Samaritan for aiding the sick and the needy.

It is much better to have the "Good Samaritan" remain on the job in living his gospel of good will.

In this spirit the Family Welfare Society announces the establishment soon of a branch in the territory tributary to the Fountain Square district.

Aid will be ministered by those who are friends to the needy people—those who have a personal, neighborly interest in them.

That's much better than a commercial basis of merely giving money. It's the heart that counts. A genuine smile is worth more than a mere dole of charity.

APPLICANTS for Federal employment are advised by the civil service commission to tell the truth. Why wouldn't that be good advice for candidates for elective offices?

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NAVY will sell the battleships Iowa and Massachusetts and the cruisers Ranger and Constellation to the highest bidders. Purchasers must take their ships with them, either by water, on freight cars or in boxes.

"ONE of the favorable results of the coal strike last year has been the thorough investigation of the coal business in all its phases," choruses the American Chemical Society. Will they please tell us about the profits of the individual operators?

WIDOW OF CROKER TO 'CARRY ON'

Tammany Hall Will Be Guided by Voice of Dead Chief From Beyond.

By JOSEPHINE VAN DE GRIFT
NEA Service Staff Writer

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Richard Croker is dead, but Tammany Hall, the country's most powerful political machine which he helped assemble, will be "guided" in its campaign this fall by his voice.

Croker's voice speaks through his widow, Bula Edmondson Croker. She sits in council with Tammany chieftains. She holds out the Croker millions for Tammany to do with as it wills.

Behind this is a story of loyalty undying even in death—of double loyalty.

"All that I have I owe to the boys at Tammany Hall, and what I have is theirs." That is what Croker told his young wife shortly before he died.

Spirit Is Left

"When he died a part of me died," says Mrs. Croker. "His spirit was with me after he died. It is with me now. And so now I am doing what I would do."

"Before my husband died," Mrs. Croker continued, "he told me that the most desirable quality in any man was gratitude. The boys in Tammany fought many a hard battle for me and with me," he said to me. "Go back to them. Tell them that they can command you as they would command me. I would rather have them think of me as loyal than to think of me as great."

And so Croker's widow has offered Tammany her money and her services.

"I shall do anything except run for office," she says. If Al Smith, New York's governor, should gain the Democratic nomination for President, you'll probably see her as a campaign speaker throughout the country.

Croker's widow, Bula Edmondson, in September, 1914. In her veins ran the blood of the Cherokee Indians. She was studying music and public speaking. They were married in November.

Destiny Guides Us

"Destiny guides us," said Mrs. Croker. "Years before he was born, Mr. Croker had built a shack on some land in Florida. He called it 'The Wig-Wam.' Little did he think that one day he would bring an Indian woman there to live.

"I do not know how much my husband's estate is worth, but that land in Florida is now valued at a million and a half. Tammany can have it.

For the spirit of Richard Croker is with me still and I cannot help but be loyal to his loyalties."

Mrs. Croker, still young in years, is wearing yet the mourning she donned at her husband's death.

"I have had such happiness as few women know," she said. "I do not need the fortune that was left to me. I can live under a tree if necessary. Perhaps, some day, I shall adopt a child—but I shall never marry again."

News from Paris. New serum

protects hoof and mouth disease. We trust some golfers will try it.

In Sayre, Pa., \$200 in bills was

burned in a stove. Even coal would have been some cheaper.

Package mailed nine years ago

arrived in Seattle. Do your Christmas mailing early.

Man in Lima, Ohio, refused to

pay some clothes at all, so perhaps he has seen the new prices.

Boston boy of 12 has insomnia.

Doctors can't cure him. We can.

Make him study his lessons.

Wind in Panama destroyed 350,000 banana trees. Another evil result

of that no banana song.

Revenge is sweet. New York girl

arrested a cop who arrested her.

All the world's problems must be

settled every day to make room for

more world problems.

Many people who don't have to

work do work and many people who

do have to work don't.

You can get an answer to any question of fact or information by writing to the Indianapolis Times, Washington Bureau, 1323 New York Ave., Washington, D. C., enclosing 2 cents in postage. Letters on subjects of a general nature will be answered. Personal requests cannot be answered. Unsigned requests cannot be answered. All letters are confidential—Editor.

How did the expression "heaping coals of fire on his head" originate and what does it mean?

It is found in the Bible: Proverbs XXV, 22, "Heap coals of fire upon his head," and again in Romans XII, 20, "If thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink; for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head."

The meaning of the expression is to shame by returning good for evil; the inference being that as metal is melted by heating hot coals upon it, the hard heart is melted in the same manner.

In what countries are chestnut

trees found?

In the United States, Canada, Asia

and Europe.

When was Louis Philippe of France born?

He was born in the United States?

From 1766 to 1800.

How many boats pass through the Suez Canal and the Panama Canal?

In 1921, 3,975 boats passed through

the Suez Canal. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1922, 2,726 passed

through the Panama Canal.

How many were rejected under the Selective Draft because of defective vision?

Approximately 20,000.

What is sandblasting?

A device for cleaning, engraving,

cutting and boring glass, stone, metal,

or other hard substances, by the per-

cussive force of a rapid stream of

sand driven against them by an

artificial means.

The device was invented by Gen. Benj. Tilghman of Philadelphia.

To whom is Lila Lee married?

To James Kirkwood.

How many bakers are there in

the United States?

97,940.

How may lead be removed from rifle barrels?

One way is to remove powder foul-

ing first by means of sal soda solution,

and then, having closed one end of

the barrel, introduce a small amount

of mercury, close the other end of

the barrel, and let the mercury come

in contact with all parts of the inner

surface of the barrel. Remove the

mercury and mercury-lead alloy, and

clean with a swab. Another way is

to thread a piece of cloth through

the cleaning rod as usual; then run

a piece of copper wire through above

the rag; twist the wire back over the

rag and you will then have a cleaner

which will take out small flakes of

lead from your rifle barrel and will

greatly improve its shooting qualities.

This method of removing lead will not

injure the rifle on account of the soft

nature of the copper. To secure the

best results the cleaner should fit

the barrel tightly.

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UNUSUAL PEOPLE

She Teaches Pharmacy

By NEA Service

CLEVELAND, Nov. 2.—Is there any woman outside of Cleveland who teaches pharmacy? If Western Reserve University doesn't get a reply soon, it will put