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THE PRESIDENT TAKES THE RESPONSIBILITY

THE Senate vote advising the President to dismiss Secretary Denby has no more legal force and effect than a similar resolution passed by a chamber of commerce or a labor union or any other group of citizens.

The Senate does not claim anything more for its action. So it is unfair to say the President defies the Senate by his refusal to ask for Denby's resignation.

The Senate resolution is, however, an important addition to the body of public opinion as to Denby's fitness. That there is a great body of such opinion there can be no doubt.

The Senate's opinion has a peculiar element of strength and a peculiar element of weakness.

Its strength lies in the fact it is the action of a body of men fully informed of the facts, men who have watched, studied and debated the Denby case. Also they are public men and have the same class instincts for the population of public men that members of any other class or caste have.

The element of weakness is the measure of partisanship that controlled in the Senate vote. Party lines, however, were broken and one out of every four of the Republican Senators voting, voted Denby is not a useful public officer.

President Coolidge has a perfect right to disregard this expression of opinion—or any other expression of public opinion. He says he will do so. He says he will await the advice of two attorneys who are to be named by him and confirmed by the Senate. In doing this he says he takes full responsibility for Denby's continuance as Secretary of the Navy, and that, clearly, is his affair. The country is asked to hold him responsible and it will do so.

There should be no misunderstanding about the failure to impeach. It seems to be the well grounded judgment of lawyers in Congress that Denby's proceeding in signing the Teapot lease was not treason, neither a high crime nor a misdemeanor (in the legal sense).

It would seem the signing of contracts for the expenditure of millions of dollars for construction work without bids and without congressional authority comes close to furnishing a ground for impeachment charges. But that is another matter.

President Coolidge has clearly set out his proposed line of conduct and says he will not fire Denby. He will be held in the responsibility which he invites.

SCHOOL FOR BLIND

WHILE a new location for the Indiana School for the Blind is being discussed, it would be well to heed the recommendations of George S. Wilson, superintendent, made in his annual report, just published. It will be necessary to move the school to make room for the World War Memorial.

Wilson suggests that the new location—

"Should have a moral environment. All ethical influences should be provided as far as possible. It should be located in or near a good residence district of Indianapolis and should have available education, social and religious opportunities.

"Every advantage of health-giving and health-restoring conditions be sought.

"The location and arrangement of buildings should facilitate quiet and thoughtful study.

"The plant should be so constructed that the initial cost and upkeep would not be excessive."

Wilson is well qualified to discuss this subject because it is one with which he deals every day.

The new location of the school for the blind should not be considered lightly. Many blind children, as Wilson points out, are frail and should have the best of surroundings.

State officials discussed for months the location of the new reformatory to house criminals. Let's give a little studied attention to the proper location of a school for our blind children. Nothing could be too good for them.

SUSPENDED SENTENCES

MORE than 1,750 inmates are in State prison at Michigan City—a record number. This is in spite of the fact that many judges, like James A. Collins of the Marion County court, are firm believers in the suspended sentence for the first offender.

Reading an address by Judge Collins on "Social Service in the Administration of Justice," we find this: "The power to suspend sentence where the circumstances seemed to justify it has saved many novices in crime from undergoing the harsh punishment that would otherwise have been meted out to them."

There is this to be said for Judge Collins' preaching, even if it does not find general favor—a convicted man is given a chance to make himself over outside of prison.

We have received from Moundsville (W. Va.) prison a copy of "Work and Hope," a magazine written, illustrated and printed by prisoners. In it are two pictures of a former prisoner. One shows him at the time he left prison, after five terms, a furtive man with a hunted look. It is labeled "The Old." The other presents him as he is today, a number of years after his departure from prison, a man of open countenance, even handsome. It is labeled "The New."

He was given a chance, reclaimed himself and now occupies a position of trust. Prison terms failed to make him over; but a bit of kindness did.

Twenty years he had spent in various prisons at a great cost to the State, doubtless. A fair chance that cost nothing has converted him into a productive citizen.

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ANOTHER ICE AGE MAY VISIT EARTH

Many Scientists Think Glaciers May Again Cover Globe—Abundant Snow and Cold Is Necessary.



THE ARTIST'S SKETCH SHOWS THE GORNER GLACIER IN THE ALPS. THIS IS THE SECOND LARGEST GLACIER EXISTING IN THE ALPS.

By DAVID DIETZ
Science Editor of The Times
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IC is another one of the agencies which plays an important part in the wearing away and changing of the earth's surface.

Ice forming in the crevices of rocks helps crack and crumble the rocks. The ice which forms upon

QUESTIONS Ask—The Times ANSWERS

You can get an answer to any question of fact or information by writing to the Indianapolis Times, Washington Bureau, 1322 New York Ave., Washington, D. C., enclosing 2 cents in stamps for reply. Medical, legal and marital advice cannot be given, nor can extended research be undertaken. All other questions will receive a personal reply. Unanswered questions cannot be answered. All letters are confidential.—Editor.

What is the government of Ukraine? Soviet republic.

How does one oxidize copper and brass? Immerse the articles in a solution of 2 ounces of nitrate of iron and 2 ounces of hyposulphite of soda to 1 pint of water until the desired shade of oxidation is acquired; then wash, dry and brush.

Who said: "Though love repine, and reason chide, There came a voice without reply: 'Tis man's perdition to be safe When for the truth he ought to die.'" Emerson, in "Sacrifice."

Is it true a huge lighthouse will be erected in memory of Columbus? It is reported such a lighthouse will be erected in Santo Domingo.

What is the average daily consumption of matches per person? An average of seven. The amount of \$200,000,000 is spent per year throughout the world for matches.

Next to mining, what is the most important industry of Alaska? Salmon fishing and canning rivals mining in importance. In 1918 nearly 7,000,000 cases were packed.

What is the population of Venezuela? 2,411,352 (census of 1920).

When is the apostrophe used with the pronoun "it"? The possessive pronoun is "its," while "it's" is an abbreviation of "it is."

If one drops a fork at a dinner, is it proper to pick it up? Never try to retrieve a fork, allow the waiter to do this. The waiter should, of course, carry it away and bring a fresh one.

Is a cold bath in the morning good for one? This depends on the physical condition. A robust person finds it very stimulating, but the delicate person can hardly stand such treatment. It is best to have a doctor's advice.

Is it true that there was an ex-President who was a member of the Confederate Congress? Yes, Tyler.

Are individual salt-cells used at present? Yes, they are still in use, but the larger stands filled with salt seem to be more popular.

What is a good wash for tired eyes? Borax water is good, or simply salt and water.

Is the expression "than whom" correct? It is generally admitted at the present time that usage has sanctioned this expression as good English, and it has been used by many standard writers.

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streams or lakes has a destructive effect upon the banks or shores when it begins to break up.

But it is in the form of glaciers that ice does its greatest damage to the rocks.

A glacier is a great mass of ice which is slowly moving down a valley or overspreading a tract of land. Glaciers range in thickness from several hundred feet to several thousand feet.

They are found today in Switzerland, the Eastern Alps, the Pyrenees, the Caucasus, the mountain valleys of Norway and the Himalayas.

Some in United States In the United States, small glaciers are found in the high mountains of California, Oregon and Washington. Larger glaciers are found in Canada and Alaska.

The whole interior of Greenland, a territory several hundred thousand square miles in extent is covered with a glacial formation known as an ice field.

A similar ice field covers the arctic region. Geologists believe that at four periods in the earth's history such ice fields extended far down into what is now the temperate zone.

Many geologists think that another such period may be in store for the earth.

Two factors are needed for the formation of a glacier. First an abundant snow fall. Second, sufficient cold to preserve part of one winter's snowfall over the next.

In this way, layer after layer of snow accumulates. As the weight increases the undermost layers are compressed into a coarse-grained ice to which geologists have given the name "neve."

Glaciers are important geological agents because of their motion. The great weight of the glacier exerts a force which causes the glacier to move slowly down hill.

This movement in some glaciers is only a few inches a day. In others it is as much as sixty feet per day.

Rock Dragged Along Loose rock caught under the glacier is dragged along with it. The pressure of the mass of the glacier is so great that these loose rocks act like engraving tools, scoring great grooves in the bed rock underneath.

The ordinary processes which wear away rocks, and land slides and avalanches, cause much rock debris to be deposited upon the top of the glacier. This is carried along by the glacier and when the glacier melts, deposited upon the ground.

Melting of glaciers also gives rise to many rivers. Thus the Rhine River has its source in the Rhone Glacier.

Icebergs originate where glaciers meet the sea. As the glacier pushes over the end of the land into the sea, the end is buoyed up for a time by the water. Eventually, it breaks, leaving gigantic chunks of ice—the icebergs—floating upon the sea.

Next article in series: The Work of the Ocean.

Family Fun

Just Washed The traveler had returned to his native village after being abroad for twenty years. He stopped as he saw a little boy with a small baby coming down the road.

"Ah! a new face, I see!" "No, it isn't sir," replied the boy, looking at the baby. "It's just been washed, that's all!"—Western Christian Advocate.

How It Happened "Did you let Jack kiss you before you were engaged?" "Yes; that's how we happen to be engaged—papa came along!"—Boston Transcript.

Self-Made by Wife "You can't deny that I made you what you are." "I certainly can't, for what I am is over my ears in debt!"—Boston Transcript.

Heard in the Smoking Room

ONE can't be too poised and careful in our profession," said a smoker who was evidently a M. D. "Went to see a young fellow who had just hung out his office shingle and found him paralyzed with gloom. Upon my coaxing, he said:

"O Lord! Got my first big patient yesterday, old man—Murchmoney. Found him roaring with gout and prescribed a diet. He's a big eater, and it made him mad."

"Why in — don't you order out your snuff-taking, too?" he yelled. "I told him he might take his snuff

NAVAL OIL CONTROL IS DEFENDED

Officers Resist Moves of Fall and Denby to Lease Reserves.

Naval officers resisted efforts of Secretary Denby and Fall to turn the Navy's oil reserves over to oil magnates Doheny and Sinclair, but their reports were submerged by Denby. Recently Senator Walsh came by a copy of a report by Admiral R. S. Griffin, and made it public before the Senate Committee. Here is what the naval strategists thought of the Fall case, which Fall explained on the grounds that naval oil was safer in tanks than in the ground.

By ADMIRAL R. S. GRIFFIN
Chief Naval Bureau of Engineering

THE position of the Navy Department with respect to control of the naval petroleum reserves has for the past nine years been that this control should rest with the Navy Department.

The Navy Department is the one most vitally interested in conserving for its ships a supply of oil which will be available when the present sources are getting low, and also the Navy Department alone is responsible for the efficiency of its ships and their ability to fulfill the requirements laid down in their design with respect to speed.

These requirements are impossible of attainment with coal. It was with this idea of conserving in the ground a supply of oil that the Secretary of the Navy in 1908 initiated correspondence with the Department of the Interior, which resulted, in 1909, in the withdrawal from survey by President Taft of certain oil-bearing lands in California.

These lands were, in 1912, set aside by President Taft as a naval petroleum reserve "for the exclusive use and benefit of the United States Navy."

Later, in 1915, certain lands in Wyoming, which were withdrawn in 1909 and 1910, were also set aside as a naval petroleum reserve.

Validity Is Contested The validity of the first order of withdrawal was contested in the courts and finally carried to the Supreme Court, which decided in favor of the Government.

During the past ten years a number of so-called leasing bills have been introduced in Congress, all having as their ultimate purpose the opening up to lease of the naval petroleum reserves. Passage of these bills was resisted by the Navy Department, supported by the Department of Justice, because the paramount purpose was to retain oil in the ground.

Oil was then cheap and the quantity used by the Navy was small, but as time passed it became increasingly evident in a short while oil would become a comparatively scarce commodity and its price would increase accordingly.

This further emphasized the importance of retaining the oil in the ground. Recognition of this principle was given by the Southern Pacific Company, who owns valuable lands in the same locality, and who, up to a few years ago, drilled only oil set wells on their property.

Congress Directs Secretary The Secretary of the Navy is here clearly "directed" by Congress to: Take possession of the naval petroleum reserves, to conserve them, to develop them, to use and operate them, in his discretion.

And it would seem this duty cannot legally be transferred to another. The reason the Navy has always insisted on control of these lands is it has such vital interest in them it cannot be imagined that another department, and especially one whose function is the development of public lands, could possibly have the same interest in safeguarding the Navy's interest and in seeing these lands were reserved—as was directed in President Taft's order of withdrawal—"for the exclusive use and benefit of the United States Navy."

Oil Vital Need Oil is vital to the Navy's needs. In two years the entire fleet will be composed exclusively of oil-burning ships. They have been designed solely for oil and cannot be converted to the use of coal.

It is submitted the naval petroleum reserves are not public lands such as are usually under the control of the Department of the Interior. These lands were in the 1909 order of withdrawal expressly "withdrawn from all forms of location, settlement, selection, filling, entry or disposal under the mineral or non-mineral public land laws."

And the orders of 1912 and 1915 reserving certain of the "naval petroleum reserves" for the exclusive use and benefit of the United States Navy would seem to remove them as completely from the domain of public lands as any other land under the control of the Navy Department.

A Thought It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth.—Lam. 3:27.

LIVE as long as you may, the first twenty years are the longest half of your life.—Southey.

PARALAUGHS

A Seattle milkman was arrested for not putting enough milk in the water before delivering it.

Dempsey says fast footwork is necessary in fighting. It is often more necessary in not fighting.

It is not against the law to sit around and cuss the Teapot Dome men, but it is an awful waste of time.

The sad thing about being cheerful is so many people mistake it for just plain ignorance.

Speaking of horses, the Prince of Wales' hobby is horses, but this is one hobby he can't ride.

A promising cat happen these days. An eminent movie star says she is not contemplating divorce.

A dancer is returning to Russia with thirty-six trunks. The funny part is they are not dancing trunks.

Sure, We'll Send Some Valentines



THIRD DEGREE YOURSELF

27 More to Come

Could you get a job as clerk? Would you make a good one? Here is a test which will give some idea of your ability in one form of clerical work. You should be able to complete it without error in one minute.

Below are some pairs of names and Sample:

Watkins, E. S. Watkins, E. S.
Emmett, R. F. Emmet, R. F.

1. Busey, S. A. Busey, S. A.
2. Clowes, C. A. Clowes, C. A.
3. Engel, J. D. & Co. Engel, J. P. & Co.
4. Rosenbusch Mfg. Co. Rosenbusch Mfg. Co.
5. Thompson, J. A. Thompson, J. A.

6. 560
7. 9673
8. 23892
9. 61743
10. 142961

Answers: 1, S; 2, D; 3, D; 4, S; 5, D; 6, S; 7, D; 8, U; 9, D; 10, D.

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Editor's Mail

The editor is willing to print views of Times readers on interesting subjects. Make your comment brief. Sign your name as an evidence of good faith. It will not be printed if you object.

Clear Laws Have read the sensational outburst regarding the Teapot Dome oil lease. I note a prominent man is slated for the presidential nomination.

We cannot wipe a clean character off the slate because he happened to be an employee. I think it would be better to bestow honor where honor is due.

Have more clean laws and not war on the minds of men for political advantages.

ALBERT HEATH,
26 S. Capitol Ave.

License Refusers To the Editor of The Times

Governor McCray says, "If the people only got it into their heads that money from auto license fees went for building good roads, they would not ask for refund."

I would just like to add, that if people could just be assured that more than a very small portion of their license money ever really saw any sand, gravel, cement or real labor, they probably would be a little more reluctant about demanding a refund.

H. J. PERKINS,
5925 Dewey Ave.

Evangelist's View To the Editor of The Times

Another answer to Mr. James Knox of one of your contributors: Please look again at Luke 1:32. It is written of his reign and eternal kingdom, "Rightly divide the word and you will see him as Lord God Almighty, Alpha and Omega, beginning and end" (Rev. 1:8). "He that hath seen him hath seen the Father" (John 14:9). In him dwells the fullness of the Godhead bodily, the image of the invisible God.

Paul says henceforth know we know man after the flesh. As we have known Christ after the flesh, know we him no more. Paul saw him as the one Lord God Almighty Christ Jesus was both Lord and Christ.

Don't allow some small mistake to drown down the great love and many verses of Holy writ that are in the Bible. There are no doubt a few mis-translations in the Bible. For instance, the First Epistle of John 3:9—"Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin." The original Greek reads, "Doth not practice sin." Quite a difference. I must say.

This same Jesus shall appear the second time without sin, without fleshly appearance. He shall come in an hour ye think not and every eye shall see him face to face, even those that pierced him. Repent and obey (Acts 2:38) and you will know a greater and more powerful Jesus than ever before.

For David is not ascended, but he saith himself, "The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand until I make thine enemies thy footstool." If David then called him Lord in spirit, how then is He, David, the father of Jesus?

In conclusion, I invite you to my humble mission hall, 320 Shelby St., Sunday at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m. and Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m. Come one and all to this helping hand gospel meeting.

WILLIAM J. SWEENEY,
Evangelist.

Iconoclasts

By BERTON BRALEY

There is a certain type of roof, Who always has undoubted proof That no great man alive or dead Has said the things we think he said, Or done the things we thought he did.

From Cheops and his pyramid To Henry and his well known liver, This doubting Thomas will deliver Proof that these big men we recall Deserve no credit, none at all.

It matters not what name you mention In art, in letters or invention, Or who may be the mighty giants In war or politics or science, Those expert knockers will essay To take their credit all away.

And give it to some gent unknown Who was "the power behind the throne." Perhaps they're right, but I prefer To think my heroes really were Heroic as I've always thought, And that the things they said and wrought Were mostly theirs—and mostly true.

I like illusions, so I do; I like my idols, and I trust 'em More than I trust the guys who'd bust 'em! (Copyright, 1924, NEA Service, Inc.)

Animal Facts

Hippopotamus has skin as thick as a column of this paper is wide. Natives say that, boiled, the skin islicking good.

Tent-making is a poor trade down in South America where grows the fifty palm, with leaves as long as five feet and as wide as ten. Folks make young houses with them.

In Southern part of the West lives Trap-door spider which digs a deep tunnel in the soil, lines it with spider silk and shuts out drafts and Jack Frost with a trap door, hung on silk hinges fitting so perfectly that the surface shows no sign of an entrance. Before papering his walls with silk, the Southern California species of this critter saturates them with saliva which, before drying, makes the burrow water-tight.

Tongue Tips

William Morgan, professor of philosophy, Washington College, "Ford cars are responsible for the low birth rate in the United States. Many couples in medium circumstances can afford either to buy a low priced car or to support a child. A majority of them choose the car."

The Rev. Christian Reinsner, New York: "You can't build a home without babies. Without them it is only a boarding house."

M. D. Campbell, Kirksville, Mo.: "If matters go wrong in our country it is because men will not study the vital questions that are submitted to them, and vote their conscientious judgment."

John D. Pew, city counselor, Kansas City: "Any system of transportation that fails to realize the people are not put up with discomforts is a failure before it begins. The fact is, there shouldn't be any strap-hangers."

What Editors Are Saying

Achievements

(Logansport Pharos Tribune)
The Republican editors have been furnished with a pamphlet containing fourteen pages in which are set forth the account of the "achievements" of the McCray administration. What the—

Joy-Riding