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THE WRECK EPIDEMIC

INDIANA has been the scene of three big wrecks, accompanied by tremendous loss of life, during the last few months. They have demonstrated the fact that with all our boasted modern mechanical ingenuity we have not yet succeeded in getting away from the human element. Carelessness and thoughtlessness have been responsible in each case.

In one wreck block signals were not working, due to human carelessness. Carelessness also was evident in connection with transmission of orders. In another case, a railroad employee is supposed to have left a switch open, resulting in eleven deaths and injury to thirty or more.

The only positive remedy is a mechanical device, yet to be invented, that would prevent two trains coming together. The present remedy is more care, both by railroad officials and employees. It is an unusual circumstance that with the lesson of the tragic Fortville collision so freshly in the minds of everyone two more such accidents should have occurred in rapid succession.

ISOLATED BUT CUTTING ICE

MAYHAP Iceland is right. We do not know. Anyway, having had a sniff of modern civilization, it turns up its fringed nose and then desperately plunges back into the dead and gone.

A dispatch says the parliament of the little country has decreed that, for two years to come, there shall be no importations of such luxuries as pictures, films, jewelry and other effeminate or fancy things. Ready-made clothing also shall be taboo and the automobile barred from entrance. Back, back to the homespun garb, coarse food and undecked and primitive living conditions. That is the order of this late day in Iceland—the simple life in its simplest form established by law.

Men the civilized world over have long tried to regulate and control individual tastes and appetites and purposes by law, and they have very largely failed. Perhaps Iceland, snow-bound, icebound and ocean-bound, may get away with it as completely as it plans. Perhaps it may cause civilization, as represented by the insinuating silk stocking, the gaudy bauble and the language of the frozen radiator, to detour. Perhaps it may turn its people face-about and send them wandering down the road to yesterday. And perhaps it may successfully do none of these things. We shall see. But whatever the result it will be able to, at least, lay claim to the fact that its isolation and insignificance did not prevent it from attempting about the most complete experiment in paternalism of record. It must at this very moment be the envy of our own legislators of a similar bent of mind.

PAT IS OVERDOING IT

SENATOR PAT HARRISON of Mississippi, who is to be the Democratic keynote, is in pretty good trim already. He started to train with a graphic, heart-rending description of the G. O. P., which, he insists, "is dislocated at every joint and bleeding at every pore." "It floats downstream," he adds, "tossed by every current and battered at every turn, like a weatherbeaten raft. No one guides it and the raftsmen are fighting for their own safety."

It looks as if Pat knows his subject, but he must, as a good Democrat, have a care. If he persists in such tear-drawing, heart-pulling and sympathy-inviting descriptions as is this initial one, he is likely to find that some overwrought individual has shed his clothing and jumped into the stream with the purpose of saving the bleeding raft from complete oblivion. Then he'll be sorry.

SOMETHING GOOD FROM WAR

ONE of the most deadly liquids used to destroy the fighters in the World War was chlorine gas. Sweeping over a field, it laid men low in every direction like a blight. It was an especially effective agent of war, misery and death. Now it is to be used, in modified form, as an aid to health.

The gas has been tried on Congressmen, and even the President, in the treatment of the ailments of the respiratory organs and it has brought relief. This fact leads to the application of logic. If anything on earth will benefit a public official, it is wisely argued that same thing cannot fail to be helpful to the more deserving and needy, the general public. So diluted chlorine gas will go into general use for throat and lung afflictions, the first public application being planned for New York City, where throats, at least, have been under a severe strain for some time. From there its use will spread over the entire country and colds that furred and tickling sensation in the general throat is expected to disappear from our list of things we don't care for.

The main point about this new treatment is that peace has developed from a most deadly accessory of human battle an aid to human health and well-being. It is good, indeed, to record that something beneficent has at last come out of the war.

SWITZERLAND boasts a supply of cheese 100 years old, which appears to be about the limit of offensive and defensive preparedness.

IT LOOKS as though Massachusetts would cast its delegate vote in the convention for Al Smith, showing how thirst may make even culture resort to hopeful gesture.

The Soldiers' Bonus Law

Do you want to know what the newly passed War Veterans' adjusted compensation law provides? Our Washington Bureau has a specially prepared bulletin ready for distribution to every reader of The Indianapolis Times who is interested in learning what the bonus law gives to veterans.

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UNDERWOOD IS TYPE FOR EXECUTIVE

Psychologist Says Candidate's Decisions Can Be Relied Upon.

By DR. WILLIAM M. MARSTON
Washington Psychologist and Psycho-Analyst

SENATOR OSCAR W. UNDERWOOD'S face and head denote, at a glance, massive and substantial accomplishment. They belong to a man who has arrived, and who can't be budged from the position he has won.

Drawing a line straight down, from where Underwood's nose joins his upper lip to the bottom of his chin, would show the Senator, as of an executive type, the chin tip being slightly behind the nose-lip line. This chin does not protrude itself as an impediment to efficient progress through troubled waters, but it is a very broad, substantial chin comparable, perhaps, to a first-line battleship capable of much speed, but not of entering shallow water. Underwood's mouth is of the ample, appetitive variety. The lower lip has the beginnings of being a speaking organ for unselfish discussion. The upper lip, to be sure, habitual-

Thorough thinking, Power

Loving Nature, Property Seeking Characteristics

Executive Efficiency

SENATOR UNDERWOOD ANALYZED.

by closes down pretty tightly on such talk, whenever it is not directed to some discernible appetitive purpose. But if the lower lip gets a chance, it could espouse some very fine, public causes.

Balanced Judgment
Underwood's eyes are worth putting considerable attention on. They show two exactly opposite characters, sex and appetite, not often mingled in this way.

But when you look at the fleshy formation of the Underwood eye-sockets, you find perfect outward-pointing triangles, indicating property-seeking characteristics. Since this fleshy structure has, of course, developed during the Senator's active lifetime, we might suppose his naturally altruistic tendencies have been turned, by the circumstances of his career, into appetitive channels. That is, every human being has some of both motives to begin with.

It is quite possible the motive least in evidence at the start may be brought out by the person's environment so it is the predominant one at maturity. So it seems to be with Senator Underwood. Politics have persistently repressed love, and have, at the same time, brought out appetite—the motive necessary for success.

Underwood has a splendid head. His forehead is exceedingly high, broad and well-blended with the dome and side curves of his skull. That means a thorough-thinking, fully conscious, well-controlled mind. In fact, the forehead and head are so unusually strong that one would expect that cool, evenly balanced judgment would usually outweigh executive quickness and directness of action.

Gets What He Seeks
If Underwood has made up his mind that he has a good chance of winning the Democratic nomination, his head shows that such a judgment is something to be on!

To sum up: Half Senator Underwood's eyes and mouth are made for spotting good food—including political plums—afar off, and for reaching such tidbits hard and efficiently. The other half of eyes and mouth protest against such procedure, and would seek out human needs, ripe for discussion and remedy.

The senatorial chin, though broad and serviceable, is capable of much executive efficiency. And, above all else, the Underwood head is an organ of such power that Democrats may well be directed by it, and Republicans may be obliged to direct their principal attacks at it.

Bub Has A Thought
"Mamma," said Archie, "do all wicked people go to the bad place?" "We are told so, dear."

"Aren't some people wickeder than other people?"

"Yes, I suppose they are."

"Well, I think the people who are not so very, very wicked ought to go to the bad place only in the winter time."—Boston Transcript

Peanut Politics
The origin of the peanut is a mystery, but peanut politics started with the very beginning of government.—Marion Leader-Tribune

Getting Shot

By NEA Service

WASHINGTON, June 4.—If you're going to get shot in a battle between bootleggers and prohibition agents, get elected to the Senate first.

The Senate has authorized payment of \$7,500, for hospital and doctor bills, to Senator Frank Green of Vermont, who was beaten by a bootlegger's bullet in a battle near the capitol. Poor consolation at that!

Science

Business men have complained in the past that the schools turn out too many bookish persons, who will not buckle down to work, while educationalists have grieved over the fact that their product was not appreciated.

These two forces have quarreled over a spite fence for several years. The schoolmaster has held the lead that the industrialist was a sordid materialist not to be considered, while the manufacturer retorted that pupils coming from the schools knew nothing of any value. Both of these attitudes are to be discarded. A movement has been initiated in England, for bringing together a committee for adapting the needs of the school to after-life and making education what it really should be. They have adopted as their slogan, "Education is the art of making people at home in their environment."

OUTSIDERS MAKE NAVY NECESSARY

Fear of Alliances Also Is Factor in American Situation.

Editor's Note.—L. E. Judd, editor of the Akron Press, accompanied the naval fleet to the Caribbean Sea for its maneuvers this spring. He made a study of the navy's needs from a layman's point of view.

By L. E. JUDD
If the nations of the world were so well fed, so prosperous, so engrossed in their personal affairs and so generally contented as United States; if all were so unselfish in their national viewpoints, there would be little need for navies or armies.

But, unhappily, this is not the case. Limited resources inspire jealousy. Harsh national needs inspire national avarice. International suspicions and hatreds are still inborn in many sections of the world, not so fortunate as our own land.

So it is not entirely because of our own needs that we must maintain an efficient navy. It is more because of the conflicting needs of certain other nations.

Without a navy fully capable of maintaining our honor, we would be a shining mark for many ambitious, covetous nations whose peoples have not even approximated our national contentment.

Must Protect Property
Because we have more than any other nation, we have more to lose. It naturally follows that we must protect our own, just as it naturally follows that we are nationally able to afford the best protection money can buy.

If we could forget our ancient dogma concerning "entangling alliances" there might be a different story to tell. But without an effective association of nations to guarantee peace, we must be sufficiently strong to look out for ourselves. There are still too many potential war breeders on the face of the earth for us to relax our vigilance.

That we are dangerously derelict in protecting our national safety was brought out during the recent maneuvers of our combined fleets in the Caribbean Sea.

Small Ships Unlimited
Disarmament conference agreements limit us to our present tonnage of capital ships so that there can be no dreadnaughts built during the next eight years. But we and other nations are unlimited in the matter of building war craft of 10,000 tons or under. This lighter class of tonnage includes the highly important light cruisers, destroyers, aircraft carriers, submarines, mother ships and aircraft. Each nation is privileged to do as it sees fit in construction of these ships.

Our strength is on a theoretical equal with that of Great Britain, while we are entitled to a five-to-three superiority over Japan in the matter of capital ships. So far as actual tonnage goes, we are approximately in this position. But several of our frontline battleships would be materially weaker in battle than the ships of Great Britain or Japan. This is because our weaker battleships are coal-burners, slow and carry guns of insufficient elevation, thereby reducing their firing range and putting them at a great and dangerous disadvantage.

Should Be Remodeled
These ships should be remodeled, provided with oil-burning engines and the elevation of their guns should be increased so as to put them on a firing range equality with the strongest. In their present condition they are not going to do us much good in actual battle, for they would be sunk before they could get within two or three miles of their own firing range. The fact that they are coal-burners would make them all the more vulnerable as targets for an enemy possessing longer range.

Congress has not provided sufficient funds to keep these capital ships in proper repair. Glaring deficiencies were brought out during the recent maneuvers. Sustained speed and agility was impossible, due to the run-down condition of the power plants on practically all of our capital ships. A number of our capital ships are not equipped as they should be for defense against air attacks.

These facts are having a pronounced effect upon the morale of line officers and men. They realize that their chances would be slim if we were to go into battle in our present run-down condition.

It's Educational
"We want to make the farm radio programs a combination of university, newspaper and chautauqua," says Kibler.

"It isn't to be an exclusive affair. We want the cooperation of all organizations interested in agriculture. Already the National Live Stock and Meat Board, the National Live Stock Producers Association, the Committee on Boys' and Girls' Club Work and similar organizations are united with us in the project."

"A forum for agricultural discussion is the ideal. It should work into the broadcasting of a farm program every evening from half a dozen or more scattered stations to bring it within easy range of every part of the country."

Whether the farm audience itself craves the university and forum features in addition to the entertainment, remains to be demonstrated. So far, apparently, folks prefer to hoot the corn to music rather than to lectures.

Tongue Tips
Isaac J. Sherman, president Arcos America Company: "In five or ten years Russia will be the greatest single market in the world."

Finley P. Mount, president Advance-Rumely Company: "Neither prosperity nor adversity is universal."

Arthur C. Dunmore, investment banker, Boston: "Capital is nothing but a tool—a super-tool—that makes possible and practicable the creating of other tools."

Weather men say summer starts later every year. Just the same, it never will come after summer starts have been reduced.

Many a man kicking about where he is should be glad he is anywhere.

The fastest things on earth seem to be Washington clefts; you seldom hear of one being run down.

But these fliers headed for the north pole get a cold reception.

There may be safety in numbers, but not in a number of bills.

June Is Here Again



RADIO GIVES EDUCATION TO FARMER

Wireless Takes Place of Party Line in Rural Communities.

By GEORGE BRITT
NEA Service Writer
HICAGO, June 4.—"Our women-folk have quit listening in on the party telephone line and have taken up radio."

So answers one caustic rural correspondent to a questionnaire on radio sent out by the Illinois Agricultural Association.

The radio broadcasters are awake to this new interest down on the farm. Nearly every station puts on programs which are aimed at def-

General Delivery

By HAL COCHRAN

At the postoffice window in any old town where strangers inquire for their mail, you always can tell, by a smile or a frown, whether hopes come as wanted, or fail.

A youth stammers up in a nervous-like way, and he's handed a letter from dad. It's one he's been waiting for many a day. There's a check. It's no wonder he's glad.

A little old lady breaks out into smile as her heart has occasion for fun. She stood in the line and she waited a while—then they gave her some mail from her son.

A girl in her teens who is flashy and fair will suddenly register frown. She asked for her mail, but she found nothing there from a sweetheart in some other town.

And thus, at the General Delivery, all day, folks' spirits go up or go down. The ones who are always affected that way are the ones who are strangers in town. (Copyright, 1924, NEA Service, Inc.)

BORAH MAY BE OFFERED NOMINATION

Senator May Be Tendered Second Place as Inducement.

By HARRY B. HUNT
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Having failed to entice wary Bill Borah of Boise, Idaho, into the Coolidge camp by offering him the honor of placing "Cautious Cal" in nomination at Cleveland, it is now suggested Borah be brought in bodily, by coercion if necessary, and placed on the ticket as Coolidge's running mate.

That, it is believed, would turn the trick.

No man, it is pointed out, ever has refused the vice presidential nomination after it had been voted him. And Borah, although in many ways different from the average of Senators and politicians, might be expected to run true to tradition if the nomination for Vice President was sawed off into his lap.

Progressive Possibilities
This new proposal emphasizes more than ever the desire of the Coolidge backers to tie up the Coolidge candidacy with mid-western and western elements which, while progressively inclined, still have at heart a desire to remain regular to keep within the G. O. P.

This was pointed out recently in connection with efforts to induce Borah to make the Coolidge nominating speech. By such a speech Borah naturally would have committed himself to the Coolidge cause. And an endorsement by Borah would have been sufficient to line up for the Republican candidate thousands of voters who at present regard him as conservative if not actually reactionary.

After hints that he preferred not to do the nominating were disregarded, and pressure continued to be applied, the Idaho progressive put himself out of further consideration for the honor by announcing that he would not be present at Cleveland.

That he felt would be conclusive. Also final.

If he wasn't there, he couldn't be committed. He'd still be free to exercise independent judgment and leadership.

Demand Persists
But the demand for Borah as an active participant in the Coolidge campaign has persisted. And the invitation that he volunteered may now be replaced by an order that he be drafted.

The one big deterrent to this program is fear of just how Borah would take it. Would he submit himself as a conscientious objector only, or would he raise a hue and cry of "kidnappers" and, by fighting for freedom, mess up the whole abduction scheme and frustrate the forced marriage of his progressivism with Cal's caution and conservatism?

Well—that's one of the things that only time will tell. Borah just grins when he's asked about it.

Doesn't Sound Like Bill
It's hard to think of Borah as a vice president. It's harder to think of Borah thinking of himself as vice president.

To sit, day after day, perched up on a dinky rostrum listening to the drone of senatorial debates and with never a chance to pitch in and stir things up a bit—

To be the tail of a presidential kite, without real leadership or influence, instead of an independent leader, feared and respected by friend and foe alike—

No, somehow that doesn't sound like the role for Bill Borah.

No man was a closer friend or more staunch admirer of Theodore Roosevelt than was Borah.

Yet he refused to follow Roosevelt when T. R. rode out of the reservation in 1912.

He would have helped Roosevelt then as he can help Coolidge now. He held thousands of votes in the G. O. P. for Taft, as he can hold them for Coolidge if he but says the word.

But will he? If Borah won't tell in the meantime, June 14 will

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Ask The Times

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. Enclose 5 cents in stamps for reply. Medical, legal and marital advice cannot be given, nor can we undertake to answer questions. All other questions will receive a personal reply. Unsigned requests cannot be answered. All letters are confidential.—Editor.

Please give me the winner's name in the national chemical contest who wrote on "Chemistry in Relation to the Enrichment of Life," in the State of Indiana.

Miss Mabel Keener, Kingston, Ind., wrote the above mentioned essay. It is now in the national contest, the result of which will be announced as soon as selections are completed.

Please state rules regarding saluting of the American flag. When the flag is passing in a parade, citizens should salute by removing their hats. Soldiers perform the regular salute. The flag is also saluted in this manner when arriving at an Army post.

When was Chopin born and when did he die?
Born March 1, 1809; died Oct. 17, 1849.

Who was Phidias?
A famous Greek sculptor of ancient times.

What was the Phoenician contribution to civilization?
The development of shipping and navigation. They were a race of sailors and to some extent colonizers.

Who were some of the English artists in the last three or four hundred years?
Burne-Jones, Eastlake, Flaxman, Gainsborough, Hogarth, Landseer, Leighton, Millais, Raeburn, Sir Joshua Reynolds, Romney, Rossetti, Turner, Watts and Wilkie.

How fast can swallows fly?
Ordinarily about thirty-eight miles an hour, but there is a record of a swallow flying 106 miles in an hour.

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A Thought

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.—Ninth Commandment.

Where fraud and falsehood invade society, the band presently breaks.—South.

Family Fun

Kind of Rough

Lois' and Dora's joyous shrieks from the yard attracted their mother's attention. Running out, she asked them what they were doing.

"We're playing fire," cried Lois, almost breathless from excitement.

"Fire?" apprehensively. "And how do you play that?"

"Oh, it's heaps of fun! Dora makes believe she's a door and I knock her down."—American Legion Weekly.

Sister Shows Speed
"If wishes came true, what would be your first?"

"I would wish—Ah, if only I dared tell you."

"Go on, go on. What do you think I brought up wishing for?"—Jack-o-Lantern.

He Called Father
"So you propose to take my daughter from me without any warning?"

"Not at all. If there is anything concerning her you want to warn me about, I'm waiting to listen."—London Answer.

Fixing Up Baby
"Baby's looking quite pale. You ought to do something about it."

"I'm going to. Next time, I'm downtown I'm going to get her a complete makeup outfit, all for her very own."—Detroit News.

UNUSUAL PEOPLE

Fail to Find Secret

Many a face is worth a fortune because she has received bills to prove it.

There may be some merchants who don't believe in advertising, but you never hear of them.

Statistics showing the average man is sick eight days of every year don't include being sick of taxes.

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