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"Give Light and the People Will Find Their Own Way."—Dante.

A Wonderful Chance
The Republican editors of the State have decided to invite President Coolidge to help them celebrate their golden anniversary.
Let it be hoped that he accepts and that in preparation for his coming the Republican editors make one final contribution to good citizenship which will itself be golden.
Between now and the date of the celebration in March they can show the power of the press and the unselfishness of the press if they will advocate a policy of frankness and of honesty.
They can band together to force the Governor through the power of public sentiment to call a special session of the Legislature to give justice to this city in the matter of self-government.
The last Legislature took away from this city the right to change to a city manager form of government.

Over 50,000 citizens have now voted for this change and the only reason that Indianapolis worries along with a city council, of whose membership six are under indictment, is that the Legislature passed a law that robbed the city of the right to change and tried, in vain, to keep John Duvall in the mayor's chair.

The people of this city have registered their wishes in this matter of change of system, a change which will introduce a business system of government and not create the present situation of huge indebtedness without any provision for payment.

A special session of the Legislature, which has a majority of Republican members, could show repentance and its freedom from the machine which is now so discredited.

A special session could really show that there is an honest purpose within that party to "clean up" not only its own organization but to change its whole attitude toward the public service.

Such a session could demonstrate that the party still does "think with Lincoln and Roosevelt" as its stationery pleads and boasts.

Such a session could begin by being honest with Indianapolis. It could then be honest with the whole State. It could, if it wished, reverse itself upon the matter of very necessary investigations which were refused last winter under the edicts of men who have since demonstrated that they had a very personal interest in not being investigated.

Here is a task which should challenge the organization of editors who are proud of fifty years of service.

What a chance is theirs to lead the people back to the principles in which their party was founded.

What a chance to offer to a president as evidence of good works, a final act of merit for his approval.

England's Momentous Decision

There has never been a time when the world faced a subtler, milder-looking, yet direr, peril than it does today. It jeopardizes all that we mean when we speak of white man's civilization.

Vacuously prattling of the unspeakableness of war between them, Britain and America go on "twisting each other's tail," as Viscount Cecil puts it, and drifting toward a break which would mean the very thing both wish at any cost to avoid.

Just now, as a leading British publicist expressed it, the chief subject of political controversy in England is who was the villain of the piece at Geneva. Why did the Anglo-American-Japanese naval limitation parley break down?

The truth is, not one man but many men were at fault because the main obstacle at Geneva was the failure of those now in charge of Britain's destiny to recognize the altered conditions in the world.

What we mean is this: Events, rather than design, have combined to make the United States actually the richest and, potentially, the most powerful nation on the face of the globe. Our interests, differing no doubt from those of other powers, none the less are as far-flung as any and as great, requiring at least as vast a machinery for their protection.

For centuries Britain has occupied the most exalted position of any nation in the world. Today time and fortune have placed us beside her. In the past when such a thing happened, when Britain found her place at the head of the procession, she struck and struck hard, ridding herself of such a presence. She has always refused to tolerate an equal.

What is Britain going to do now? Does she intend to recognize the United States as her equal in power and place in the world? And is she going to hold out her hand and say: "Let's be friends—let's be sensible and agree to live and let live?" Or will she allow the bitterness of the moment to blind her—as it notorious does so many leaders among men when they discover their supremacy slipping—and so commit the folly of a course which in time would carry her down to her doom, taking us and the rest of civilization with her?

It is a momentous decision and no doubt a disagreeable one which Britain must make, and, like all questions of life or death, she must make it for herself. No one can do it for her.

But of this she may rest assured: We in this country are her friends and believe at heart that she is ours. Certainly we covet nothing she has. And when we propose parity in naval tonnage, it is not with any idea of challenging either her prestige, her bread line or her trade routes, but simply that our equally great country needs equally strong security.
That is all.

When You're Winning

Alumni of Ohio State who now are demanding the scalp of Coach Wilce are strange, comments an editorial writer. But, are they so strange, after all? Isn't it true that you have to win to keep your job?

Last year Wilce put a good team on the gridiron and the team won, the only conference defeat being a battle lost to Michigan by one point. Wilce was proclaimed by the alumni as a super-coach.

This year, with the material not so good, Wilce fashioned a team that finished sixth in the conference, losing three games and winning two.

Tad Jones, the Yale veteran, has been a victim of similar experiences. For the last several years critics have been after Jones, saying he coached football like he played it—in a departed century. So, sometime ago Jones announced that he would retire.

This year, expected to be his last, Jones coached a team that played like a Yale team is supposed to play, and knocked off Princeton and Harvard with a fine flourish. Now there is a great hue and cry that Jones remain, and that his critics were certainly all wrong.

Which only goes to prove that it's always fair weather until rain begins to fall.

A Lobby Clean-Up Due

If you are interested in a matter that is before Congress or if you wish to present a new matter to Congress, it is your privilege to appear in Washington and argue the case with every Congressman that will listen. It is not difficult to obtain the privilege of appearing before the congressional committee or committees having your subject in charge.

You can even hire a lawyer to do this for you, if you are not sure of your own persuasive powers.

But beyond doing these things—openly—more and more Congressmen are coming to believe you should not go.

Recently there was held in Washington, with considerable fanfare, a gathering that purported to be a spontaneous assembling of State legislators. They appeared to insist that Congress repeal the Federal inheritance tax. They had all the right in the world to do this, if their gathering was just what it purported to be.

But question has been raised as to the authenticity of their representations. It is being charged that the meeting was arranged and financed by certain persons throughout the country who have a direct interest in seeing the inheritance tax repealed.

Representative Royal Johnson says he has evidence that \$100,000 was contributed toward the expenses of the enterprise by one Montana corporation alone, a corporation whose name never appeared in the hearings granted by the House Ways and Means Committee.

It can be shown, he says, that \$3,500 was spent to bring legislators here from a single Western State. And he tells of reports that one "pay-off man" had \$50,000 in \$100 bills with which to defray the expense of those delegates who were not prepared to pay their own.

It looks like the house has a job to do. Johnson's reports should be investigated. If they prove true, Congress should provide a method of preventing their recurrence.

But in taking the subject up it would be well for the House not to restrict itself solely to this inheritance tax lobby. It should go into the whole subject of proper and improper efforts to influence legislation. The time has come when a lobby clean-up is due.

A Wisconsin university professor says success is not due to brains, but luck and outside influences. It seems that intelligence has been overemphasized, too.

The prima donna who was offered contracts in the movies probably doesn't know yet whether she was being praised or damned.

Dean Inge says England would be better off if the country were more sparsely settled. Certainly, Dean, look at us—why, we're not settled at all!

Keller's Death Recalls Memorable Battle
—BY JOHN M. GLEISSNER—

The death in St. Paul of former Representative Oscar E. Keller recalls one of the most stirring congressional battles of recent years.

It was Keller who, in 1922, launched the offensive against Attorney General Harry M. Daugherty which resulted in the forced resignation of Daugherty from the Cabinet two years later. Keller was the David who dared attack the Goliath of the Ohio gang, then riding on the crest of party power and success.

Keller was convinced these were not as they should be, so he asked Daugherty's impeachment in the House.

Seldom has a more courageous political battle been waged, and while Keller failed with disaster to himself, he lived to see the accusations he made substantiated, and Daugherty driven from public life. A politician for many years, Keller knew the cost of differing with leaders of his party. Those in authority warned him, but he persisted in speaking freely. His punishment was persecution, ridicule and abuse, and in the end political defeat.

Daugherty was driven from the Cabinet two years after Keller attacked him, the difference bred persisted, and in 1926 Keller was defeated.

Soon after Keller asked Daugherty's impeachment Governor Preus of Minnesota instructed the Republican organization not only to withdraw its support of Keller, but actively to oppose him. Preus spoke of Keller's "disgraceful performance" in proceeding against Daugherty and denounced it as instigated by "lawless elements."

"I think Daugherty ought to be impeached, and I'm going to do it," Keller told those who warned him of political death.

Keller won the election and returned to Washington. Here he found arrayed against him all the bigwigs of the Republican machine, from House Leader Frank W. Mondell down.

He filed a bill of particulars against Daugherty with the House Judiciary Committee, charging him with favoritism toward corporations and with an illegal and unjustifiable use of power in obtaining the injunction in the railway strike, which Keller claimed was "framed." Keller cited the appointment of William J. Burns as chief of the Bureau of Investigation, recalling that serious charges of jury tampering had been made against Burns by Attorney General Wickham during the Taft administration.

Keller accused Daugherty with "deliberately conniving" at the looting of naval oil reserves by approving a contract for the lease of Teapot Dome. The committee hearings were a tragic farce. Keller and his attorneys were heckled and interrupted. It was apparent there was no intention of serious consideration. Keller charged an effort to whitewash Daugherty, and refused to proceed further.

TRACY
M. E.
SAYS:
"Football Has Sent Seventeen Young Men to the Cemetery This Season; at the Same Time It Has Hardened and Disciplined a Thousand Times That Number."

The 1927 football season came to a real climax with Army beating Navy, 14 to 9, and Notre Dame barely escaping a tie with Southern California.

Seventy-five thousand people attended the former game and 115,000 the latter.

What is more to the point, each and every one of them got his money's worth.

Let those who will rave at the cost. It may not be higher education in a strictly cultural sense, but it is he-man stuff, and we need that as much as we need anything in this flapper, jelly-bean age.

Trained to Buck Line

Football has sent seventeen young men to the cemetery and 100 to the hospital this year, which is something to interest professional reformers out of a job.

At the same time it has hardened and disciplined a thousand times that number, which is something to reassure the rest of us.

There is quite a lot to be said in favor of training young men to buck the line for all there is in them, without losing their temper, to get knocked down without whining, to see a chance of playing dirty without taking advantage of it.

Discipline Flabby Minds

Education minus athletics contains little to challenge the spirit of youth.

In nine cases out of ten it makes for a flabby mind as well as a flabby body.

What young folks learn to do by and for themselves is as of much consequence as what they learn from others, if not more.

The greatest advantage of athletics is that it forces every one to fight his own battles and stand on his own merit.

Large Families, Genius

A German professor claims to have discovered that large families are more apt to produce genius than small ones.

He explains this on the ground that in small families children are sheltered and cared for to the point of repression, while in larger ones they have to shift for themselves.

Something in that, when you come to think of it, over, something of essential value to any system of education.

Don't Play, Go Wrong

If energetic people do not play hard, they are likely to go wrong. Nothing does more to keep the war spirit alive in Europe than lack of exacting sports.

Over there the surplus energy runs to military training. Here it runs to baseball, football, bowling, basketball, prize fighting, track meets and motor races.

America has an outlet for her excess strength and enthusiasm which does not involve the art of wholesale murder, and she gains by it.

Dreaming of War

Europe is still dreaming of war and plagued by the usual number of war scares.

Were it not for the haunting effect of her cross-dotted ills, cripples and debt, she would have seen a dozen wars since the Armistice was signed.

Her tricksters and militarists are ready, but the people are not. The people have had enough for one generation.

If during that generation their excess energy could be directed into other channels, the situation might be changed.

For Example—Germany!

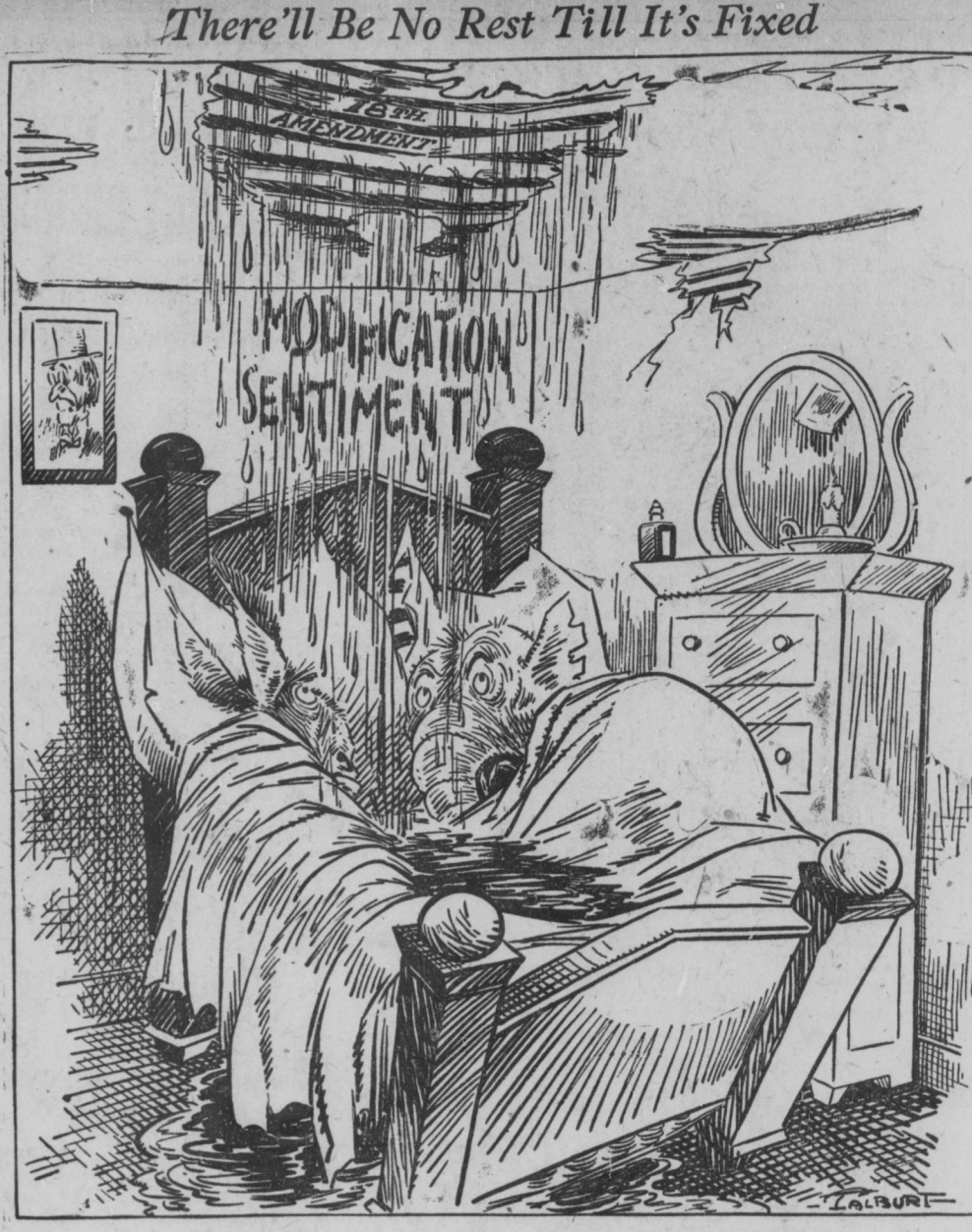
In Germany, where the disarmament was forced by the Versailles treaty, the situation has changed.

In Germany, the people are devoting themselves to a new conception of national greatness.

Difficult as it has been, the post-war period has taught them that there is glory in the field of trade and science and that a nation can be prosperous without a huge army.

No sooner did the German government hint that it might back Soviet Russia in a case of trouble with Poland than business men and labor leaders brought such pressure as to change its mind overnight.

Give the people something to think about, and there will not be so much war.



CONSTANCE, DON HAVE LOVE EYES

Two Funmakers Frolic Through a Gay Little Farce by the Name of "Breakfast at Sunrise," Which Has Been Splendidly Photographed.

By WALTER D. HICKMAN
LOVE eyes are owned by Constance Talmadge and Don Alvarado, a new type of a leading man for Connie.

Constance possesses the cutest little love eyes on the screen, and they who make the movies had to find a male pair of love eyes so that Connie could gaze into 'em.

And they found such love eyes in Alvarado and Connie and Don do a lot of love lookin' in "Breakfast at Sunrise." These two, as Madeleine and Lussan, start out drinking champagne at night and end up having breakfast at sunrise.

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When the "sugar" gave out, the daddy was changed. And that was what happened to Lussan when his "sugar" all melted. So Madeleine and Lussan carry on a lively love affair in public when the Marquis and Loulou appear.

The two finally decide to get married and force the two to come to them on their knees, begging them to get a divorce. They do get married and they stay married to each other.

"Breakfast at Sunrise" is the correct vehicle for Miss Talmadge. It is smart and has just enough naughty and cute little winks in it for spice.

Constance is a delight in this one. She has a rare idea of farce and she knows how to put "love" into her eyes better than any other woman on the screen today.

She and Alvarado have a delicious scene when they make love to each other over wine glasses. Here is mighty smart acting. Alvarado makes a good leading man for Miss Talmadge.

Bryant Washburn is the marquis and Louise White is the good looking Loulou. For no reason whatsoever, Marie Dressler is cast as a comedy queen. She is good, but the role has no bearing upon the story at all.

One of the real features on the bill is a Paramount novelty film called, "A Short Tale" in which cute little puppy dogs take the leading roles. This little movie got a big hand of appreciation when I was present.

Bill includes an overture, the Four Aristocrats as a Vitaphone presentation; Russell and Marconi in a musical presentation and a news reel.

At the Circle.
"SPOTLIGHT" IS A TRAVESTY ON STAR MAKING

Some time ago Rita Weiman wrote "Footlights," which was a pretty smart satire upon the forced making of stage stars.

This story has come to the screen under the movie title of "The Spotlight." Esther Ralston is cast as the small

Questions and Answers

You can get an answer to any question of fact or opinion 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. Unsigned requests cannot be answered. All letters are confidential.—Editor.

Should the roots of azaleas be protected in winter?
Most azaleas are hardy, but in the north and in exposed situations a protection with brush, hay or mats should be given in winter, to protect the flower buds from sudden changes in temperature. They are easily transplanted in early spring or early autumn, when the year's growth has ripened. If desired they can be planted in beds for decoration in the early spring, without injuring the abundance or brilliancy of the flower, and later can be removed to nursery beds to give space for other decorative plants.

Where is Berea College located?
Berea, Ky.

Has the United States a National Anthem?
"The Star Spangled Banner" is universally recognized as our National Anthem, though it has never been so designated by act of Congress.

What is the cud of a cow?
It is a ball of food that is held in a paunch until the cow is ready to chew it. She brings it into her mouth by muscular action, chews it, and then swallows it into a second stomach, where it passes through the regular digestive processes.

Old Masters

He is gone on the mountain,
He is lost to the forest,
Like a summer-dried fountain,
When our need was the sorest.
The font, reappearing
From the raindrops shall borrow,
But to us comes no cheering,
To Duncan no morrow!

Fleet foot on the corral,
Fence counsel in lumber,
Red hand in the foray
How sound is thy slumber!

Like the dew on the mountain,
Like the foam on the river,
Like the bubble on the fountain,
Thou art gone, and forever!

—Walter Scott: Lines from Coronach from The Lady of the Lake.

B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A
C	U	T	E						

The Rules

1. The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and do it in par, a given number of strokes. Thus, to change COW to HEN, in three strokes, COW, HOW, HEW, HEN.
2. You can change only one letter at a time.
3. You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.
4. The order of letters cannot be changed.

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G	A	I	N						

father, the king, is dead, and that he is king. They force the clown to go to the kingdom.
The aerial artist decides to revenge himself upon the count and tries to kill him, falling when she realizes that a clown has become a king.

The ending is in keeping with the swift action of the story. The outstanding features are the circus "shots," the double role acting of Colman and the sincere work of Miss Banky, Cast is satisfactory.

The stage presentation of "Florida" and it is blessed with some magnificent dancing, especially the eccentric dance work of Al Markell and Gay Faun.

The chorus is made up of Southern girls who are beautiful to see. They make some pretty stage pictures. Others in the cast are Chester Fredericks, the Giersdorf Sisters and Jones and Elliott.

Charles Davis directs his orchestra through some fifty tunes. Davis is very much at ease this week and is doing a fine job of being master of ceremonies.

Bill includes Maurice at the organ and news events.

At the Indiana.

Other theaters today offer: "Able's Irish Rose," at English's; "Rahman Bey, at Keith's; "Serendip Misses," at the Lyric; "The Road to Happiness," at the Colonial; "Follies of Pleasure," at the Mutual; "Blood Will Tell" at the Isis, and "Twelve Miles Out," at the Irving.

The Maennerchor will be heard in concert tonight at the Academy of Music. The Mendelssohn Choir will be heard in concert tonight at the Murat with Mary Lewis as the guest artist.

Verdict of the Movies

OHIO—Pirates and crooks and soldiers swarm all over the landscape along with love and intrigue in "The Road to Romance."
APOLLO—"The Spotlight" is a lightweight movie adaptation of "Footlights."

INDIANA—"The Magic Flame" is a beautiful Colman-Banky picture. The suspense is good and the photography is excellent.

CIRCLE—A very smart farce is "Breakfast at Sunrise." Constance Talmadge is splendid.