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NEVER, VIEW OF DORAN

Sponge Army Working to
Good Advantage, Says
Commissioner.BY JOSEPH S. WASNEY
United Press Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON, May 8.—General attention was focused on the prohibition question today, as wet and dry political factions organized for the presidential campaign.

Prohibition leaders and Government dry authorities told the United Press in exclusive interviews that the experimental stage of prohibition has passed and the dry law is in America to stay.

On the other hand, opponents of the Eighteenth amendment and the Volstead law contend people are being aroused against the anti-liquor decrees, and that before 1932, the dry laws will have been modified materially.

Dr. James M. Doran, Federal commissioner of prohibition, said that prohibition law enforcement work is improving and that the general prohibition situation has improved.

Doran is Optimistic

The Government dry organization now is functioning satisfactorily and what the country needs to make the Eighteenth amendment more effective is better State and local enforcement work," Dr. Doran said.

States, counties and municipalities must measure up more fully to their responsibilities and not call on Washington to do police work for them," he declared.

The Federal organization now is adjusted with the Federal courts and the United States attorneys' offices. Therefore, there is no object in increasing the Government enforcement machine unless Congress increases the size of the judicial establishment.

The greatest opportunity for immediate betterment is local expansion of enforcement work and better local cooperation. I don't personally believe communities want to turn Uncle Sam into a policeman."

Moonshine Big Problem

Dr. Doran said moonshine is the greatest problem of prohibition enforcers. Bootleggers are manufacturing moonshine alcohol as well as moonshine whiskey, he said.

There will be very little diversion of industrial alcohol in 1928," Dr. Doran asserted. "Production will be limited to 90,000,000 gallons, 5,000,000 gallons less than last year, and little or no surplus will be available for diversion into illicit channels."

Sacramental wine diversions no longer present a problem. Withdrawal of wines will be held to about 1,000,000 gallons this year. Medicinal whisky withdrawals are diminishing, because physicians are prescribing less liquor.

Real beer no longer is a reality. All cheating breweries have been put out of business and the only illicit beer making comes from plants that use wort on some similar preparation.

Smuggling Is Extensive

Smuggling still troubles Federal authorities, however. Dr. Doran said that rum-running from Canada was an organized industry and that Canadian authorities estimated \$47,000,000 worth of Canadian liquor entered the United States illegally in a year.

He characterized New York and Chicago as America's two "wettest" cities and Florida and Michigan as the two wettest States.

"But prohibition is here to stay," he declared. "It is so intensely tied up with industry that America could not afford to repeal the law under any circumstances. This is a mechanical age and prohibition cannot be disposed of."

FRENCH IN TIME HOP

Brothers Hope to Wrest Record
From Americans.

By United Press

LE BOURGET FIELD, Paris, May 8.—France today made a bid for the sustained flight record now held by Americans, when the Arrachair Brothers hopped off at 6:29 a. m.

They hoped to be able to remain in the air in excess of 54 hours—the record now held by Capt. George Haldeman and Eddie Stinson, American aviators.

Before leaving, they said they expected to fly mostly in the vicinity of Le Bourget field.

SPEAKS WITH COOLIDGE

Frank Strayer on Memorial Day
Program at Arlington

Frank T. Strayer, national commander, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will speak on the same program with President Coolidge at Arlington, Va., May 30 at memorial services.

A third speaker on the program will be former Senator Guy Means, Colorado. A wreath will be placed on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier during the ceremony.

Honor for De Pauw Head

GREENCASTLE, Ind., May 8.—President Lequel H. Murlin of De Pauw University left here today for Kansas City, Mo., where Wednesday evening he will be honored guest at a dinner given by the Methodist Episcopal board of education. He is dean of Methodist institution presidents in the country.



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CHAPTER I

If you marry that girl I'll jump in the river!"

The man at whom the reckless speech was directed smiled his disbelief.

"But I mean it, Niel," the girl persisted.

"Yes, of course, you do. Just as you meant it with Berto last year and Harry the year before and . . ."

"Oh, shut up! I never pretended to care about them, but you are different. I'm crazy about you, Niel. The whole village knows it."

The young man made a gesture of weariness with one hand. His other was busy at the table before which he stood, arranging the decorations for a buffet supper.

"Please stop being childish, Chiri," he said, "and help me with these flowers."

This time the man paused in his work to regard her seriously.

"Why not? She sent this cloth, too," touching the fine lace and linen cover, "and these," lifting a piece of sterling silver tableware.

"In fact, she sent all this stuff, Chiri, but what does it matter if she wants the things she's accustomed to? It's her party, too, you know, and if I hadn't won the mural competition and used it as an excuse to celebrate down here we would be announcing our engagement upstairs."

Across the richly appointed table the girl called Chiri, drew back and looked at him scornfully.

"You . . . poor . . . fool," she said slowly.

"For heaven's sake," he returned impatiently, "stop trying to quarrel with me and get busy; can't you stick these candies up straight?"

Nathaniel laughed. "You talk as if that were a political platform. Chiri, I'm ashamed of you. I cried with genuine tears in her eyes. They were, however, tears of desperation. "You're the only man I love and you have to go monogamous."

"Must you be vulgar?" Nathaniel asked quietly.

"O, I don't care what I am," Chiri cried with genuine tears in her eyes. "They were, however, tears of desperation. "You're the only man I love and you have to go monogamous."

"What did you say her name is?" Virginia asked Nathaniel when Chiri had left them.

"Chiri, as though you spelled it 'cheery.' Odd, isn't it? Says it is part of the name of South American fruit. Must have had strange parents, poor little kid."

"She seems . . . sort of . . . tropical. Who is she, what does she do? Paint?"

"Well, she calls herself a student-model. Really gets serious now and then and tries to work, but mostly she models."

Deliberately Nathaniel watched Virginia then. Chiri had not been the first to plant the seed of doubt in his mind about the success of the marriage of an artist to one who might be presupposed not to understand art.

"Would she be common-minded about models?"

"I've used her quite a lot lately," Nathaniel went on, still watching.

Virginia lifted calm eyes and spoke. "For your illustrations, I can see she was the woman's figure."

Virginia did not know why he did it. He came and took her in his arms and said, "Virginia, you are sweet."

She hadn't even thought about nudity! The figure she mentioned was clothed. He had sought to make her think Chiri was the lovely figure in the mural drawings, to get her reaction. And she hadn't any. No more than an artist visiting him and discussing the same subject would have had.

Between her and the door stood a screen. She glanced at it with eyes made X-ray by her obsession. Nathaniel was kissing his love—she knew that, and if she hadn't known already she would have when she saw the girl's face.

It was radiantly beautiful as only the face of a woman happy in love can be. Nathaniel's kisses seemed to linger in the smiling tenderness of the clear gray eyes and the curves of the smiling lips.

Chiri hated to look at it when Nathaniel introduced her to Virginia. And the voice that greeted her was the one she mentioned was clothed. He had sought to make her think Chiri was the lovely figure in the mural drawings, to get her reaction. And she hadn't any. No more than an artist visiting him and discussing the same subject would have had.

"Please excuse her, Lionel," he said to the man he was dancing with; "there's been something happening at her home and we'll have to go at once. Will you tell the others?"

"Let's get your wraps. Is your car downstairs?"

Virginia grasped his arm with both hands. People were gathering round them now, but she did not notice. "Tell me," she demanded; "tell me, Niel, what has happened . . . my father . . ."

"I don't know . . . for certain. We'll go at once."

He was leading Virginia toward the door now, where he saw Chiri standing with Virginia's blue and silver wrap.

In the car Virginia made him tell her of the message from Pounds, her father's valet. One moaning, protesting "no" burst from her lips when Nathaniel said Pounds feared the worst, and Nathaniel then tried to tell her that the man could not have been sure; he had not yet called a doctor when he telephoned the studio.

"I'm sorry," Nathaniel said, and meant it. He genuinely liked Virginia's father. Before he had become engaged to her he had feared the battle of life to herself. She could not give up.

But she knew she could gain nothing by creating a scene, and her passion being what it was—a flame which she fed with conquests and fleeting satisfactions—she was able to control it, to speak calmly and with ease.

"Because you're lying. But I'd be sorry if it were true, as I honestly believe I'm monogamous. Anyway, I've never loved any girl but Virginia, and I have an idea that I never will."

Chiri's a peculiar little sound that meant "too bad" escape her lips. "You're talking like a boudoir already," she declared re-

sently infatuated with Nathaniel, but she would never be swept into an affair.

(To Be Continued)

BAD BOY OF GRADES BECOMES TEACHERS' PRIDE WITH HIGH SCHOOL RECORD

By DAN M. KIDNEY

AT School 75 there are two teachers who are literally "thrilled" over their leading "bad boy."

They are Miss Olive Selby, principal, and Mrs. Leona B. Knight. The "bad boy"—we all call him Jack, since that is farthest from his real name. Besides he isn't a bad boy now but an honor student in one of the fourth year classes at Shortridge. It is his progress there and not his original misconduct

at School 75 that gives his former teachers the thrill.

Many of the things he disliked to do, he has since excelled in at Shortridge. They are justly proud of his conversion to them.

THERE were the gym drills with music, for instance. Jack refused to function in such business. All the independent blood of a race of Kentucky mountaineering ancestors revolted against it.

And of all these things grew out of the last conference in Miss

Selby's office. The event was a crisis.

Nothing doing," he told Mrs. Knight in the gym class one day when ordered to take part. "Such stuff is only for girls."

Now he is a cadet officer at Shortridge and takes the greatest delight in the drilling, his former teachers declare.

Music and appreciation were other things he classed as effeminate.

Now he is an accompanist of considerable merit and a student of the classics.

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FORD VISIONS
PROSPERITY IN
U.S. TO STAYMotor Magnate Returns
From 'Time of Life'
in England.

TALKS OF AIR ADVANCE

Evades Question on Lindy;
Interested in Visit of
Junkers.

By United Press

NEW YORK, May 8.—Continued prosperity in the United States was predicted by Henry Ford when he returned today on the majestic from his trip abroad.

"I am confident that current prosperity in the United States will continue," Ford said. "The business outlook is good and there is no factor in sight to disturb its future."

Something like a cold finger seemed to reach into Nathaniel's heart and coil round it for an instant. Nathaniel knew it was fear. His mind, sensitive and psychic, had leaped to a dozen alarming conjectures and settled to the conviction of tragedy.

Though not a skeptic, yet he knew that life allowed no perfect bliss, and his recent happiness had been so great as really to concern him about the inevitable rift.

But Virginia! Why must it touch her? He paused for a moment at the door of the small room adjoining his studio, which he used as a bedroom, and glanced back at the girl whose joys and sorrows must henceforth be his joys and sorrows. No foreboding seemed to trouble her now. She was smiling, being gracious to his friends. Nathaniel was proud of her, of her calm beauty and poise.

Regarding production of the Ford Motor Company, Ford said about 1,000,000 orders were on hand and that production was being increased as fast as possible to meet the demand.

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