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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

President Roosevelt's big stick has been wielded officially for probably the last time and he has hurled his words of denunciation broadcast. He asks for a continuation of "my policies," which a year ago shook the business world of this nation and incidentally the whole world. He takes up a great deal of space in his last message with criticism of the courts and intimates that there is need for reform there. The last session of congress comes up for some caustic raps, as do the railroads. The message is altogether Rooseveltian. It is characteristic of the president and as many of those in high position read it, they will sigh with relief as they reflect that Mr. Roosevelt will not be president after the fourth of March. Much of what the message contains has been said before, but it comes again with the hammerlike blows of a series of amazing documents that Mr. Roosevelt has given to the nation. His critics will have ample room in the message to use plenty of vitriol in denouncing certain parts of it and his admirers can find just as much to praise.

PLAYING AT WAR.

Whenever the federal government orders the army or navy to take part in war manoeuvres, there is always a loud protest from a hundred sources, against the expense incurred. Playing at the game of war is not altogether a new undertaking, but it still too much of an innovation to be appreciated by the rank and file of persons who know nothing about the army and navy. Demonstrations have proved that all the drilling and practicing that can be done, do not equal the war manoeuvres on land and sea. It is true that it is an expensive business but it must be remembered that our fighting forces represent a tremendous yearly expenditure and that they are worthless unless prepared for any emergency at a moment's notice. This country has now provided itself with a fleet of warships that is excelled only by one other nation. It would be a case of penny wise and pound foolish for us to curtail the legitimate expense of maintaining it as it should be and deny it the same advantages as enjoyed by other navies.

HOW TO BE SUCCESSFUL.

Some facetious reader, who we fancy is trying to be a little sarcastic at our expense, pleads for the remedy for success. Well, it is just this way: You have to be a sort of a second sight phenom. Never be caught napping and always be there with the goods. While the other fellow is thinking how he will play the game just full to and trim him with beautiful completeness. Be prepared. Some folks are so prone to wait until the thing happens before they act. That's the down and out policy. The thing is to act before the thing happens. If a coarse man threatens to dislocate your headpiece and you are sure he'll do it, don't leave it all to Providence, because you are likely to get hurt. Get proficient in the use of the "big stick," practice all the latest stunts, half-Nelsons and Batling Nelsons and then when opportunity looms propitious slam it into the chap good and quick, so that when he is ready to begin, the doctors are working over him. Don't let tomorrow take care of itself, because it is apt to act unadvisably. Care for tomorrow today and always keep enough gasoline on hand for emergency, then you won't get left.

Which is a good brand of success.

A YEAR AGO the real estate market in Lake county was quiescent. It was even worse than that in some parts of the county; it was dead. Now, that prosperity has recovered sufficiently to get up and take notice, the real estate market has come out of the cyclone cellar and is getting busy. The story of the activity of real estate in Hammond will be hailed with joy in business circles. Twenty-four lots have been sold in one addition for a sum aggregating ten thousand dollars and the addition is a new one and has not been advertised as yet except in the columns of the TIMES.

THERE IS A GANG of young toughs and boozers who attend Hammond theaters and who for years have succeeded in making life miserable for the patrons of playhouses. It is a common thing for some of them to be yanked out of the gallery and ejected. This is not enough. The toughs laugh at this. They should be marched down to the police station and jailed and then subjected to a heavy fine and a few days' sojourn in the prison at Crown Point. That is the lesson that the smart Aleck needs.

IN GETTING AN experienced fire fighter at the head of their fire department to begin with, the officials of Gary have taken the bull by the horns and done the right thing. Now let the city have a splendidly equipped fire department, one that won't be for today but for the city in years to come, and the people will rise up unanimously and say: "Well done."

THE FINING OF ten policy players at fifteen dollars per, hardly seems to call for the solemn remark that a wave of reform is sweeping over the whole world.

NAVAL OFFICERS MUST also do the fifteen-mile walking stunt for four successive days. It may be the fair pot-bellied judiciary's turn next.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

December 10.

1672—A monthly post was established between New York and Boston.

1741—John Murray, founder of Universalism in the United States, born in England. Died in Boston Sept. 3, 1851.

1787—Thomas H. Gallaudet, a noted educator of the deaf and dumb, born in Philadelphia. Died in Hartford, Conn., Sept. 9, 1851.

1804—New York Historical society instituted.

1817—Mississippi admitted to statehood.

1823—The house of assembly in Jamaica passed a bill abolishing slavery.

1856—Christ Church, Montreal, destroyed by fire.

1868—All disputes between Mexico and the United States, settled by treaty.

1907—Norwegian parliament conferred the Nobel prize upon President Roosevelt in recognition of his services in ending the Russo-Japanese war.

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THIS IS MY SIST BIRTHDAY.

William J. Rolfe.

William J. Rolfe, the noted writer and Shakespearean scholar, was born in Newburyport, Mass., Dec. 10, 1827. In his early years he was a school teacher and has always taken an active interest in educational affairs. As a young man he removed to Cambridge, which city is still his home. He began his studies and literary labors in 1858, since which time he has written many textbooks, criticisms, guides and magazine articles. In his multitude of labors Dr. Rolfe has still found time to master seven languages and to make no fewer than twenty trips to Europe. He is regarded as one of the greatest living authorities on the life and work of Shakespeare. Harvard bestowed the honorary degree of A. M. upon Mr. Rolfe in 1889 and similar honors have come to

Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

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DAINGEROUS TEACHERS.

The writer's attention recently has been called to certain peripatetic "teachers" who are said to be exploiting the doctrine that it is sinful for men and women to live with one another in any other way save that of "the spiritual life."

Beware of these wolves in sheep's clothing!

They have broken up many happy homes.

The best advice one can give is this: Should this sort try to make disciples in your community see that they are sent away.

Charlatans of this kind have ruined homes in many places.

They peddle a kind of cult that appeals at the first blush to intellectual persons, women in particular. Afterward, when the disciple is believed to be "strong in the faith," the inner teaching is revealed.

There is much talk of "esoteric" and "ecoteric" teaching, the outside for the world, the inside for the faithful.

First comes the piously put declaration that "the life of the spirit" is the only true life.

Then comes the inner teaching—the delicate suggestion of "spiritual affinities."

And then—destruction.

It may seem strange that sensible people should become devotees of these cults and be victimized by apostles of such teaching, but it should be remembered—

Every normal human being is hungry for spiritual food. The craving is just as keen as that of the physical appetite. And the appetite itself is not always the most accurate judge of what is best.

The fads exploited by many of the long haired itinerants are not dangerous. They are for the most part sublimely silly. But—

There is a specious plea that does attack the heaven ordained relations of husband and wife and that leads to HELL ON EARTH.

Thousands of poor derelicts on the sea of life have been wrecked and set adrift by pious pirates.

Society needs to keep an eye on dangerous social interlopers who masquerade in the guise of religious prophets.

Whenever and wherever the sanctity of family life is imperiled by the propaganda of any preacher, prophet, medium, professor or what not—

KICK HIM OUT!

him from Amherst and other leading colleges.

RANDOM THINGS AND FLINGS

Through some mysterious and incomprehensible reason, Nat Goodwin hasn't sought a divorce for about three or four weeks.

An old man's darling is either a pet dog on a string, or has him on one.

A lot of very distinguished gentlemen will be hoping very sincerely that Mr. Roosevelt won't meet with any accident in Africa on his hunting trip.

A girl never gets over adoring a matinee idol unless she happens to marry him, and then how the scales fall away. Oh, my!

A Kentucky Crises.

Well, there was quite a little rumpus raised over our little protest last week as to our attitude toward our county officials. . . . He (the county attorney) was told if he was aggrieved by any assertions made by Thousands that in the courts was the only legitimate place to settle it, and in the face of all this his talk was so wrathful that we do not care to publish the exact words, but we will say this much, that it began to look like we would have to use some physical means to avoid the barbaric attack that was about to be made upon our anatomy.—Hyden (Ky.) Thousand-sticks.

People wax cynical under the impression that they can say some awfully cutting things, and seldom hurt quite as much as they think they do.

Why doesn't the Ananias club get together and elect officers. There doubtless wouldn't be much of a stew about the presidency.

Buttoning a girl up the back seems alluring to a man unless she happens to be his wife or his sister.

Three Times and Out.

Some people tell us that circumstances are in Bryan's favor. We cannot see it that way. Ye editor will vote for Bryan for the third and last time, regardless of circumstances.—Blackshear (Fla.) Times.

No man really understands the

Santa Claus For Times Boys And Girls

write Your Letters And Send Them To Santa Claus And He Will Take Care Of Them

Another year has rolled around and Santa Claus is preparing his gifts for his good boys and girls. As has always been its custom, the TIMES will publish letters from its young readers, both boys and girls, and give them to Santa Claus so that he will know what to bring them. Letters intended for Santa Claus must be written plainly and on one side of the paper only. It does not matter where you live, any letter from any part of the country, will be sent to Santa Claus. Santa is getting old and his eyes are not so good as they used to be, so his boys and girls are asked to be careful in their writing. They must be careful and give their names and addresses for, if the name only is given how is Santa Claus to tell where to go. Don't forget to write early. Santa Claus wants to know what you want and address all your letters to SANTA CLAUS, care of the Times, Hammond, Ind.

UP AND DOWN IN INDIANA

STATE GRANGE OPENS.

With 300 delegates present the annual session of the Indiana state grange opened yesterday at Winona Lake. Master Aaron A. Jones of South Bend read his annual address in which he recommended the state grange to influence in bringing about a radical change in the tariff laws.

PEETZ'S METHOD IS NEW.

J. L. Peetz, state statistician, started yesterday to initiate a new method of getting the acreage of land devoted to crops, which he declares is superior to the old method and will make it possible to get reports of the acreage devoted to the different crops that will be as nearly accurate as it is possible to get.

ON CRIMINAL DOCKET.

Judge Anderson and a United States district court jury yesterday disposed of two criminal cases in two hours.

The case of John H. Graham, charged with being implicated in the robbery of the postoffice at Carlisle, Ind., was the first. Graham pleaded guilty and was sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

SUBORNATION OF PERJURY.

Acting on the belief that J. S. Ruthenford, an Indianapolis lawyer, had purposely told a boy to testify to an untruth, Judge G. W. Stubbs in the juvenile court yesterday morning summarily ordered the lawyer from his courtroom and warned him not to return under pain of being sent to prison.

BOB EVANS TO LECTURE.

Robley D. Evans, retired vice admiral, has been secured to deliver a lecture at Bloomington the first week in February. Dr. Howe of the English department of Indiana university closed the contract today with Admiral Evans.

MANY INDIANA MINERS.

"I believe there were between 8,000 and 10,000 votes cast in Indiana today in the national mine workers' election," said President Van Horn of the eleven district. Besides the warm fight over the national presidency between Lewis and Walker, the fact that Mr. Van Horn is a candidate for the vice presidency has caused the miners in the district to turn out in force.

TAKES CARBOLIC ACID.

Following a domestic row, Mrs. Robert Stamm of Glenwood took a large

danger there is in a dimple unless he marries a girl with a Julia Marlowe chin.

We know one or two people in Hammond who hope that Mr. Bentall won't get his job back, and yet they ought to live in fear and trembling just the same.

A LITTLE BOOSTING DONE IN YOUR INTEREST BY WELL-MEANING FRIENDS WHO DON'T CONSULT YOU BEFOREHAND, IS APT TO BRING YOU FACE TO FACE WITH AN EMBARRASSING SITUATION LATER ON.

Lament.

"Saturday comes but once a week, but wouldn't it be nice if we could draw our envelopes, say, twice—or even thrice? For when the week is at its most o'er, And you are strapped quite tight, You wish that Saturday morning came at six on Friday night."

"'Twould help the scheme of things a lot if you could draw your envelopes, say, a day ahead, you wouldn't be behind on Saturday. You wouldn't have to borrow then, And prospects would look bright, if only Saturday morning came at six on Friday night."

SON OF INDIANA BANKER ENDS LIFE WITH BULLET.

With a specially made revolver that he had ordered from the factory for the purpose, Robert Harry McCrea, son of James E. McCrea, a wealthy retired banker of Wabash, Ind., ended his life in a bathroom in the Great Northern hotel, Chicago, early yesterday morning by putting a bullet into his brain. Despondency over the death of his wife is believed to have been the reason for the suicide. McCrea's wife was Miss Cora Munson, who at one time lived in Chicago. McCrea was well connected. Checks payable to his order for \$1,000 and a Commonwealth Electric company bond for \$1,000 were found on the body. McCrea's body will be taken to Wabash.

ANOTHER SNOWSTORM DUE IN LAKE CO. TO-DAY

Another snowstorm is due in Lake county today or tomorrow, according to the official weather map last night, the prediction being for rain or snow and fresh southerly winds. The coming storm was foreshadowed yesterday with lower sky and a cold, western wind of twenty miles an hour. The temperature ranged from 32 degrees at 5 o'clock in the morning to 21 degrees at 9:30 o'clock at night. Snow fell in the east and some rain in the south, where temperatures were lower. Amarillo, Tex., recording 64 degrees.

quantity of carbolic acid today. She recently sued her husband for divorce and afterward withdrew the suit. She is the mother of three children and the daughter of a wealthy farmer. Attending physicians believe she will live.

SINKS TEST OIL WELL.

The Crawford Oil company, which is sinking a test well in wildcat territory, in Center township, about midway between the Princeton and Oakland City oil fields, will pass the Princeton sand, where they got a nice flow of oil at 900 feet, and drill down to the third Bridgeport sand, estimated to be at 1,800 feet. This is located on land known as the old reservoir, which was under water in the lake that fed the old Lake Erie and Evansville canal years ago.

FAMINE IN ACID.

Facing a famine in carbolic acid, which is used in enormous quantities in disinfecting live stock cars as a safeguard against the foot and mouth disease among cattle, officials of the Lake Shore railroad at Elkhart are putting forth efforts to scrape up a supply and thus prevent a congestion of cars awaiting disinfection.

FINDS POISON IN STOMACH.

Dr. Oliver Terry of Purdue university at Lafayette today reported that he had found large quantities of strychnine in the stomach of Ethan Meharry, who died suddenly Saturday afternoon under such peculiar circumstances that Coroner Levering believed the man had committed suicide. It has been found that Meharry purchased the poison Friday at a downtown drug store.

FAIR ASSOCIATION A LOSER.

The sale of the property of the Madison County Fair association, at Anderson, yesterday will enable the board to pay about 80 per cent of the unpaid premiums. There will be nothing left to apply on the \$10,000 worth of stock certificates. Among the heaviest losers is Thomas B. Orr of Anderson.

GETS LIEN ON TOWN HALL.

William H. Minnick, a street contractor, today secured a lien against the town hall and jail of Jonesboro, near Marion, and both buildings will be offered for sale in public auction unless the town raises the money to pay a judgment of \$400. Minnick, as a contractor, paved Fourth street, in Jonesboro, with brick a few years ago.

THE CREAM OF THE Morning News

Judge Dupuy rules that Feld museum may be erected in Grant Park, but A. Montgomery Ward will take fight to United States supreme court.

Richard Walsh, former head of Walsh, Boyle & Co., wholesale grocers, is indicted by the federal grand jury with Taiton Embury and Hiram E. Rose on charges of using the mails to promote a fraudulent scheme.

District Attorney Slims starts a crusade for the enforcement of the federal pure food laws in Chicago.

Instead of a franchise extension the Oak Park Elevated Company will get a mandatory ordinance compelling it to elevate its tracks in Austin.

Manufacture of articles at bridewell in competition with free labor is to be discontinued.

Governor John A. Johnson, at the national conservation conference, declares the paramount problem is the development of inland water ways.

Effects of business depression are shown in the annual report of Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou, who tells how the nation added in ending panic.

Appeal to congress for an appropriation of \$200,000 to improve the nation's water ways is urged at the annual session of the Rivers and Harbors congress in Washington.

Secretary of War Wright recommends the addition of 612 officers to the army and the elimination of all unfit.

Regulation by the government of future issues of securities by transportation and other interstate corporations is provided by a bill introduced in the senate.

Discussion of the census bill in the house brings up problem of civil service in the appointment of employees.

Leader of religious band who fought Kansas City police eludes pursuers. List of two dead in battle is not increased.

Counsel for Princess de Sagan, speaking in the arid at Paris, charges that Count Boni de Castellane is moved by hatred and envy of de Sagan in trying to secure possession of the children.

When President Castro's steamer touches at Santander, Spain, it becomes known that he is going to Europe for the double purpose of finding health and settling all differences with foreign powers.

President Earling of the St. Paul lines, before a master in chancery taking testimony in regard to freight rates, declares it impossible to fix exact valuation of railroads.

You will find that it is the merchants who are advertising in THE TIMES are the ones who are doing the business. They are live ones.

Chicago Woman Robbed Of Jewels, Recovers Them By A Lucky Chance



Mrs. Samuel K. Martin.

A green leather case containing \$15,000 worth of jewels belonging to Mrs. Samuel K. Martin Jr. was stolen from her in the Lake Shore railroad baggage office yesterday afternoon and found an hour later in an elevator shaft, where it had been thrown by the thief. City and railroad detectives attempted to find the robber without success.

The only unexplained feature of the affair is whether the robber was one of the employees of the railroad or an expert "dip" who worked his way into the baggage room unnoticed. The latter view is taken by the railroad officials. Mrs. Martin was about to take the Twentieth Century Limited for New York at the Chicago La Salle street station when she noticed her loss. She had left the members of her family standing outside the baggage room on the ground floor and went in to the baggage counter to look after her trunks.

LABOR NEWS

French labor unions have a membership of 1,500,000.

There are about 330,000 laundresses in Santa Clara county, California, of which forty-one are in the city of San Jose.

The Chinese government has established a school at Shanghai to instruct the sons of fishermen in modern methods of fish culture.

In 1828 the workingmen's party, a local political organization, appeared in New York, Boston, Philadelphia and other large cities.

A vigorous campaign of organization has as its objective a tri-state central labor union, taking in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia.

Boston's labor movement is to have an eight hour labor chorus of women members of Boston unions along the lines of the famed women wage earners' chorus of Chicago.

About 150 labor measures will be presented to the next California legislature by the State Federation of Labor, the State Building Trades council, central bodies and individual unions.

Boston (Mass.) stationary firemen's union has organized a class in steam engineering which will take a course at the Boston mechanics art high school under the evening industrial school system.

Central Federated Union (Manhattan, New York) has decided to co-operate with the charity organization society of that city in its efforts to arrest the progress of tuberculosis among the various crafts.

Wages of Cleveland (England) ironstone miners and Weardale quarrymen have been reduced by three-quarters of 1 per cent, a majority on a vote of the employees having agreed to these terms, sought by the employers.

Fifteen different municipalities of Alsace-Lorraine, ranging in population from 5,000 to 175,000, conduct employment bureaus which aim to keep in close touch with the various organizations of employers and employees.

EXPECT STEEL PRICE TO STAND.

Big Manufacturers, However, Plan to Induce Railroads to Order.

New York, Dec. 10.—Material changes in prices are not expected to be made

Voice of the People

SAYS HE IS A SANITARY DENTIST.

To the Editor of THE TIMES—Dear Sir: I desire to make a statement through THE TIMES regarding the \$5,200 damages suit brought against me by a Polish woman.

She claims I am not capable to do dental work and that I neglected my professional duties.

That fact that I am practicing here at East Chicago for more than two years with great success; that my patients are very well satisfied; that I always have an office to keep everything in a sanitary condition, is evidence that I am not neglecting my professional duties.

There are witnesses to testify that this woman neglected to come for treatment as I prescribed and that the last time she was in my office she was all right. Besides I have treated her outside of my regular office hours. She was suffering from an ulcerated tooth, and I have requested her to come to my office for further treatment.

She neglected to come and the neglected tooth for two weeks until she went to another dentist and had it extracted.

Yours truly,
DR. GOLDMAN.
East Chicago, Ind., Dec. 7.

at the meeting of representative steel manufacturers, which is to be held here today at the call of Chairman E. H. Gary of the United States Steel corporation, nor is it considered likely that the deliberations of the manufacturers will be influenced by the chances

of a downward revision of the tariff on steel. It was pointed out that such a step at best is comparatively remote and can hardly at this time influence the railroads to hold off in placing their orders for rails in hope of lower prices. With the steel trade as quiet as it is now, the likelihood of a marking up of prices at today's meeting, on the other hand, was said to be entirely out of the question.

But something is expected to be done by the manufacturers, which will have conclusive effect on the many railroad system which are known to be withholding their rail contracts for better prices than now prevail. That that something is more likely to be in the line of harmony, however, than of price cutting was the general opinion.