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Does Washington Realize?

"The American people are coming to realize they are confronted with three amazing conditions in the management of the national government," says the Kansas City Star. "Nobody knows within one billion dollars of how much the government is spending a year; no economies are proposed that will not be more than offset by additional expenditures; no radical revision of the war tax system is in sight."

"It must be said that provision has been made through the budget to get the haphazard financial system on a rational basis. Mr. Dawes, as director of the budget, has taken hold aggressively and it ought to be possible for the nation to know within a few months certainly what its financial status is, and whether it is spending five billion dollars or six."

"As to expenditures and taxation, however, there is no indication of relief. The country is still supporting an army of government employees. People have become accustomed to running to the federal government for help on every conceivable matter, and every additional bureau means growing demands for funds. An illustration of the way in which expenditures pile up may be found in the naval program. 'How much money can the country stand for the navy in the

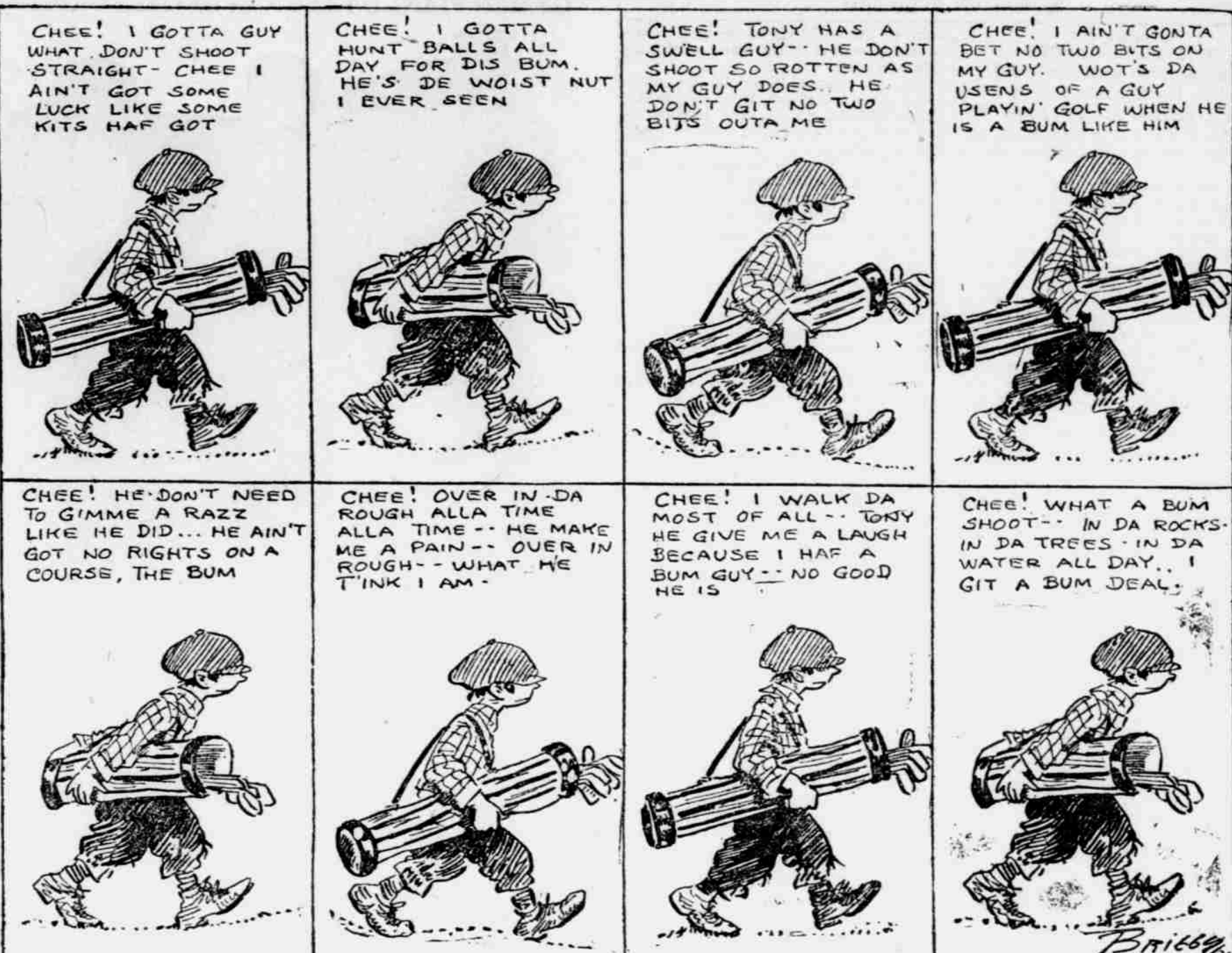
next three years?' is inquired. The sum is agreed on. Then it is all put into capital ships. When those are ready, the next step will be to say—and with absolute warrant: 'But we can't leave these capital ships undefended; we must have a large aircraft program to give us a balanced fleet.' So the nation, having decided on the limit for naval defense, will have to raise it immensely in order to take care of essentials left out of the original program. This sort of thing is characteristic of government methods."

"Finally, congress is shying away from the revision in taxation, so necessary in order to distribute the burden in a way that will not prevent business from going forward. The existing system was built on the theory of taking for the government the extraordinary profits from war industries. But those profits have passed. To continue the war system simply involves taking funds out of business and industrial development by driving them into tax free securities or by putting them in the public treasury."

"A continuation of the heavy surtaxes means the assumption that it is possible to do business on a much smaller margin of profits than experience has demonstrated to be necessary. The result is to increase unduly the cost of living both by a cumulative shifting of taxes to the consumer and by cutting down the production and distribution of goods. Government cannot absorb a large share of the investment and business funds of the community without interfering profoundly with the progress of industry."

"But do congress and the administration suppose the nation will be satisfied with the ultimate result of continued disturbance of industry and of high cost of living due to extravagance and to a failure to meet the pressing problems of governmental management?"

Wonder What a Caddie Thinks About



Good Evening

By ROY K. MOULTON
SPEAKING OF SIGNS

Dear Roy—Sign on a grocery store in Holyoke, Mass.: "Butcher, the Grocer."

Incidentally, Mr. Butcher's brother is the superintendent of the Newsboys' Lodging House in Manhattan. Also, sign on a printing establishment in Brooklyn: "Kick, the Printer."

Don't you think Mr. Kick must be a brave man?

The meanest white man in the world lives in Kansas City, according to a story told by his wife. She says he never works, but spends all his time going to dances. The other night he took her only pair of silk stockings and cut them down into socks for himself and then went to a dance. Well, perhaps long stockings are uncomfortable when a man is dancing. Who knows?

WHY SODA CLERKS GO MAD
Temperature 102. Crowd 5 deep around soda fountain.
Sweet-Faced Mother — Two sodas, kindly.
Hysterical Dispenser — What kind, madam?

S. F. M.—Ice cream sodas.
H. D.—WHAT FLAVOR, MADAM? WHAT FLAVOR?
S. F. M. (to daughter)—What kind do you want, Mary?

Dispenser loses all control and giggles hysterically, while the ladies seek managed with a view to lodging a complaint.

WHO'S LOONEY NOW?
South Cairo, N. Y.
Dear Roy—Rousse Overby, the village loon, built a boat in his cellar. When he got it done the door was too small to get the boat out, and the folks all gave Rouse the laugh. But Rouse, 'thout battin' an eye, tore down the house, lifted the boat out an' set her inter the Catskill crick.—Lester Lamb.

ALL RIGHT
Dear Roy—Roger Nutty is in the meat business at 200 Fifth avenue.—Leo.

Rippling Rhymes

By WALT MASON
FATIGUE

When worn from toiling in the sun, from baling hay and cutting feed, the rest that comes when day is done, is surely, surely worth the price. I labored hard and long this week. I sprung new curves in honest toil; the neighbors heard my hinges creak as though they needed castor oil. The neighbors saw me hoe my beans, and cull the vats the growing spuds, as they rolled by in limousines, all dolled up in their costly duds. The neighbors rode along the shore and up and down the asphalt pave, and found all mortal things a bore, as dour and dismal as the grave. And when the evening came at last it bored them so they had to weep; they went to bed and lay agast and cuss, because they couldn't sleep. And I, fatigued by honest toil, found peace and comfort in repose; I'd left my trademark on the soil, out where the pallid pumpkin grows. Oh, I had done the best I could to show a line of sterling worth; I felt I had achieved some good to vindicate my stay on earth. And that's a feeling most sublime for any man to entertain, to know he has not wasted time, or let a day get by in vain. And so a spirit calm was mine, when to my couch night saw me creep; there I indulged in fifty-nine varieties of balmy sleep.

Correct English

Don't Say:
He is taller than ALL boys in school.
It is the tallest OF ANY building in New York.
It is taller than ANY building in New York.
New York is the largest OF ANY city in America.
New York is larger than ANY city in America.
Say:
He is taller than all OTHER boys in school.
It is the TALLEST building in New York.
New York is the largest city in America.
New York is larger than any OTHER city in America.

HE HAS COASTED THOUSANDS OF MILES



The champion coaster on his car ready for the descent.

This man is believed to be the world's champion coaster. Daily for thirty-five years he has coasted 6,293 feet down the side of Mt. Washington on a little railroad trolley. He works at the top of the mountain.

Two Minutes of Optimism

By HERMAN J. STICH

J. Ogden Armour, who owns pretty nearly everything on four legs worth owning, is one of those rare members of the human family who, when he talks, says something—only more so.

Some time ago we gathered in some of his stray remarks; and being as we are not a hog, also that the only way that you can keep some good things is to give them away, we pass this along, wishing you the best of luck.

Says J. Ogden Armour:
"Most people want to grow. They would like to advance in their work, earn more, have greater influence, do bigger things. Yet, strange to say, the world is full of people who do not grow up. They have lost the secret of their youthful days. They come to a halt in self development, and folks say they are getting 'old'."

"Now a person is never old until he quits growing; and he need not quit growing until the end of his years. The most conspicuous fact about great men—men who do big things and keep on doing them—is that they never cease growing. They are perpetually young. And if a man sets his heart upon growing, he has but three things to do:

"First he must be a learner all his life. I do not mean from books only. Almost any one can learn from books. Many have obtained the knack of learning from things by observation. Few have acquired all there is to the art of learning from other people, and this despite the fact that if you are genuinely interested in learning and know how to ask intelligent questions, almost every one you meet has something important or useful to teach you, tell you or show you. Some will give you information; some will teach you wisdom; some will show you the right manner of delivering a smile or handshake. The man who would grow must be a human interrogation point."

"Second, a man must be able to really think and think hard. Most men never put a load on their brains, and their brains, like an unattached locomotive, always run 'light'. By making deductions from things he has observed, a man gets a sure use of what he has seen."

"And third, a man must be a doer. Many people think a lot, but do little. When you have the courage to tackle the difficult things which test your utmost ability then you are down to the business of growing in all its fine points. The bumps you will get, the discouragements you will encounter, even the mistakes you will make in being zealous in your doing, will be among the best parts of your education."

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Answers to Questions

BOY—How did "Stonewall" Jackson get to West Point?—Thomas Jonathan "Stonewall" Jackson was left a penniless orphan when 3 years old. Within a few years he set out to support himself. At the age of 18 he learned of a vacancy from his district in West Point and determined to make the journey to Washington to seek the appointment. He set out at once—traveling a part of the way on foot—appearing before his congressman in a suit of homespun and with his leathern saddle bags over his shoulders. The congressman presented young Jackson to the secretary of war, who was so much pleased with the youth's determination that he at once made out his appointment to the military academy. He was very badly prepared to enter the academy and barely "squeezed through" on his entrance examination, but by persevering work he gradually rose in his class until in July, 1846, he was graduated in a brilliant class containing such men as McClellan, Foster, Reno, Stoneman, Couch, Gibben, A. P. Hill, Pickett, Maury, D. R. Jones, Wilcox and others; and one who knew him intimately expressed the belief that if the course had been longer "Old Jack" would have graduated at the head of his class. Immediately after graduation

TODAY'S TALK

By George Matthew Adams, Author of "You Can", "Take It", "Up"

A POOR MAN WHO WILL DIE RICH

In one of the recent magazines I read a most interesting interview with Dr. Russell H. Conwell. When I was in high school I went to hear him give his lecture on "Acres of Diamonds." Much of what this great man said is now fresh in my mind.

But this is the important thing about Dr. Conwell. He is a distributor of wealth—and, in my opinion, a much greater philanthropist than Carnegie or Rockefeller.

"At the close of every month," says Dr. Conwell, "I pay my debts, balance my books, and then give away the balance."

And when I tell you that this man has earned about \$50,000 a year for on toward half a century, and has always lived simply himself, you get an idea of his real character. They tell me that he has added around 5,000 boys in their climb toward success.

As he himself has put it in another way, he has invested his "fortune in folks" and his "money in men."

Outside his life insurance, Dr. Conwell confesses that he probably has not a thousand dollars to his name.

What is better or more satisfying than to come to the end of the lane of life with your wealth all distributed—doing happy business in the hearts of people?

And your wealth consists not alone in what you give to others in dollars, but in what you give to them in inspiration, ideas, encouragement.

When Dr. Conwell dies, people will talk about the wealth that he left—millions will have been given a legacy!

To grow rich, keep giving away.

The investment that you make in men will never fall below par—and the dividends will keep rolling in no matter what the times or conditions.

Rich investments are awaiting action on your part right this very minute!

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Who's Who in the Day's News

DR. SUN YAT SEN.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen, well known in this country for many years, has been elected to the presidency of China—not by the Chinese electorate, but by the "Parliament of China," sitting in the British colony of Hongkong. His electors mostly belonged to the province of Kwangtung, which forms about one-eighth of the total area of China, and while he now exercises a certain amount of power there, his rule is recognized nowhere else in China.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen is a most gifted erudite man, with an extensive knowledge of European and American politics, and speaking several European languages with the utmost mastery. But in spite of the undoubted support which he has received at various times from the English, from Americans, from the French, and especially from the Japanese, he has never succeeded in establishing his rule over his native land or even in creating an impression upon its leading statesmen or upon its great and all powerful commercial and industrial guilds. His most notable recommendation has been a fantastic scheme for the conquest of all Russia, in 1913, and proposals for the reorganization of Chinese currency by the unlimited issue of inconvertible paper notes.

Dinner Stories

On election day McCarthy and Dunnavent each had succeeded in casting fifty-nine votes. At the sixtieth voting place a judge looked at Dunnavent suspiciously and demanded to know his name.

"Rosenbloom," Dunnavent replied.

"You're a liar; get out of here," said the judge.

"You're another," answered Dunnavent, "Rosenbloom's me name and that's the name I'm going to vote by."

All might have gone well had not McCarthy called from the rear of the line: "That's the boy, Dunnavent. Don't let 'im bluff ye."

They met at a dance, and after a few dances together sat down. Silence followed. He looked at her, she looked at him. More silence. Then at last George asked: "Daisy, will you be my—"

"Oh, George," cried Daisy, "this is so sudden! Give me a little time—"

"Partner for the next dance," concluded George.

"To get my breath back," also continued Daisy between puffs. "I haven't quite recovered from the last shuffle yet."

Sitka, Alaska, was settled by Russians in 1780.

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