

DOUBLE CONSCIENCE
THEME OF NOVEL

"David Vallory" Describes a
Spiritual Dr. Jekyll and
Mr. Hyde

First of all, "David Vallory," Francis Lynde's newest novel, is a corking good business romance, but beyond that it is one with a very definite moral purpose, though it is never "preachy." Mr. Lynde is always at his best when he projects his fiction against a big industrial background. In this novel he has a background of a great engineering enterprise, a field which he understands thoroughly and which, in the environment and incidents of this story, he makes the reader, however casual, understand and appreciate. Usually he tells a story for the story's sake, but in "David Vallory" he has also written with a purpose—the purpose of exposing something that is all too common in "big business," that is, the double standard, which has one code of ethics for private living and another rule of conduct for business dealing.

Power and Evolution

In "World Power and Evolution," Dr. Elsworth Huntington, research associate in geography at Yale University, applies the principles of his thesis "Civilization and Climate" to the cataclysmic tragedy of the world war. Briefly, Doctor Huntington has developed new and striking theories of the influence of climate upon human life. His new work tests the motives and impulses that brought about the world war and more especially and substantially the vast and profound problems that are consequences of the world war by the principles of climatic influence. He explains by his theory Germany's duration and intensity of resistance and develops a new interpretation of business cycles and financial depressions. Other interesting matters growing out of his most recent researches and following up of his thesis have to do with the health of 60,000,000 Europeans, Africans and Asians; a new idea of the cause of mutations, i. e. the changes that lead to the rise of new species in nature, and an account of experiments in the production of new species.

Miller's Handbooks

Warren H. Miller, formerly editor of Forest and Stream, has written a good life in various forms. He has recently put into book form some of the things he knows about the American hunting dog and about canoeing, sailing and motorboating. The dog book begins with a chapter on the history of the hunting dog. This is followed by chapters on bird dogs, hound dogs and special field dogs. There are also chapters on dog breeding, on kennel construction, on dog training and on dog diseases. It is a practical book for the dog owner. The boat book is just as practical, for it not only tells how to sail a boat, how to manage a canoe and how to run a motorboat, but it also tells how to build them, with illustrations and diagrams. The man or boy fond of life on the water will find it most useful.

Sykes Cartoons

George J. Hecht, founder of the bureau of cartoons in the committee on public information, has assembled in a volume one hundred of the best cartoons drawn in America during the progress of the war. Twenty-seven cartoonists are represented. Twenty-five of the cartoons are drawn by three men, leaving seventy-five for the other twenty-four. The three are Charles H. Sykes, of the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER, who has signed; Rollin Kirby, of the New York World, who has the same number, and J. N. Ding, of the New York Tribune, who has nine. The Sykes pictures are the equal of the best in the volume, which offers to the admirers of the work of this brilliant cartoonist the first opportunity to get specimens of his work for permanent preservation.

Country Boy and City

Henry G. Altman rings a new change on the sempiternal theme of the country boy in the great city in "The Groper." The hero leaves the rustic precincts of Chatham and seeks his fortune in Detroit. Eventually he wins success, and the girl he left behind him. His progress includes an experience in a department store and a part in the motor-car industry which made Detroit noisy. Merchandising and silver fabrication afford a novel background for the story of the "groper's" chronicles. Although the motivation is somewhat conventional the story itself has sufficient variations from the hackneyed to make it readable. The author's style is brisk and readable, and his novel is characterized by wholesome morals and sound philosophy.

Mrs. Burt's "Best Seller"

Houghton Mifflin Company takes pleasure in announcing still another reprinting of Mrs. Katharine Newlin Burt's new novel, "The Branding Iron," which makes the sale of this book, which has been out only a month,

WASHINGTON PUZZLES
OVER NEW EQUATION

The Saving of Gompers Equals "the Putting the Whole Wage Question Upon Another Footing," Is Theorem in Which President Figures

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Washington, Sept. 20.—This is a discussion of the latest Washington equation, to wit: The saving of Gompers—"the putting the whole wage question upon another footing."

Or if you like it better, state the equation this way: The saving of Gompers—"the democratization of industry."

There isn't any express official authority for either equation. Not the slightest, but much implied. There is never an official authority for equating Woodrow Wilson's language with a state of facts; at least, not till after the facts have developed. There wasn't any authority for equating his language before the Peace Conference with the peace that the conference created. But there is the language and here is the peace, though, to be sure, the President sometimes interprets the peace one way and sometimes another, as in Article X, where the council sometimes constrains and sometimes "advises."

And here is, or soon will be, the labor conference on October 6. The language is "putting the whole wage question on another footing," or the "democratization of industry." Presumably, these two phrases can be equated. They are both large, vague and Woodrowian. And there is the seeming intention to save Gompers; it is the only seeming intention of the conference so far as personalities are concerned. All the machinery created for it has been created for the purpose so far as the most diligent inquiry here in Washington seems to show, of preserving the non-union channel, in which the twin minds of the President and the chief of the Federation of Labor, according to the Buffalo confession, run so comradely.

What the Equation Signifies

These five we equate, at least, till after the failure has shown the answer to the example in the back of the book. Thus: The saving of Gompers—"the putting the whole wage question on a different footing"—"the democratization of industry"—"the election of another Democratic President in succession to Woodrow Wilson"—the launching under favorable auspices of the international government of the world through the league of nations—anything large that the mind of man conceives in the way of a phrase.

And as we are saved by phrases, the "truth" is of happy promise and the conference is another proof of the President's leadership.

Mathematics is a great aid in teaching us where we are going in Washington, how fast and how happily. You put down the latest phrase around which a "truth" is built—the armistice terms which public opinion accepts—and alongside of it you put the known fact into which the phrase will, it is hoped, eventuate; you put an "equals" sign between them and you know—as much as Mr. Wilson knows of where we are going and how we are getting there!

Gompers Must Be Preserved

The immediate thing to do is to save Mr. Gompers. Mr. Gompers, one and inseparable, he must and shall be preserved.

To save Mr. Gompers you call a conference. I do not wish to rob the President of the credit of inventing this idea, but the truth is that at least one congressman, whose name escapes me, and one senator, Jones, proposed in resolutions to call a conference—to save Mr. Gompers—long before the President did, and they only just succeeded in beating 400 other congressmen and ninety odd other senators to it with their proposals.

When things threaten, call a conference. It is like the old rule of Hoyle on whist, "When in doubt, lead trumps."

President's Voice Loudest

But in the calling of conferences the President has all the advantage. He calls with the loudest voice. Besides, he uses up all the best words—"democratization of industry," "putting the whole wage question upon another footing," recognizing the new importance and dignity of workers in the direction of industry—as Roosevelt used to say, seeing it fit that there was a "square deal for all."

The Call That is Heeded

This country is like a headless dog. It is dog that will be summoned to the parental domicile. First little brother goes out and he calls in his childish treble, "Willie! Willie hears, but heeds not, saying to himself, 'I'll wait till mother calls.'" Then big sister goes out and calls with all the note of command she can assume, "Willie!!" Willie goes on with his play, making the same remark to himself. Then mother comes out and shouts with a voice of finality, "Willie!!!" and Willie comes up running. So it is the Executive who summons the conference.

Well, the Executive has called loudly, "Come and put the whole wage question upon another footing." And everybody is coming, running. Nobody, so far as can be learned, has the different footing concealed about his person, not even the President.

Wage Question Never Laggard

Though nobody seems to doubt that the wage question will be sure to get here if not a single person takes the trouble to pack it in his valise. The wage question, like the high cost of living, is an excellent traveler, knows its way about alone and always arrives on time or a little ahead.

As for the "different footing," why there is Mr. Gompers? Why call Mr. Gompers a "different footing"? Well, why not? Wasn't he a "twin mind" at Buffalo operating through one commodious channel with the President? Then why not a "footing" now?

It is all a question of words anyhow, and "footing" is a perfectly and happily chosen word. It really is the same, is one form or another. Shall Mr. Gompers have a footing or not? And if so, if he

your mind works quickly and surely, if you have the sound quality of leadership when you find yourself standing upon this air you call a conference and call it quickly. Meanwhile you put a few good round phrases under your feet, like "democratization of industry" and "putting the whole wage question upon another footing."

So it is really Wilson that needs another footing, though he says that it is wages that needs one.

And it is doubtless true that if he could put wages upon another footing, but would be something substantial and would provide him with another footing himself for 1920.

Gompers's Hand No Longer Secure

Gompers's feet seem secure enough anyway, whether planted radically or conservatively. It is his hand that is no longer secure. The scepter trembles in it. No one certainly obeys. A police strike is "crime against civilization," but Gompers's mind, working like a twin in the same commodious channel with Wilson's, may forbid a police strike, and still the police may strike.

Similarly, though every one else, Mr. Gompers, channeling along most beautifully, may conserve, but the soft coal mine workers invite the railroad workers and other workers "in key industries," to form an alliance like the triple alliance of England, and go their own way without regard to Gompers or the commodious channel.

So to sum it all up we call a conference to provide a new footing for Mr. Wilson, but we say it is to provide a new footing for wages, and tip the wink that it is really to provide a footing for Gompers and invite—the invitation being something in the nature of a royal invitation to the palace, which means that you have little choice but to put on your best plush breeches and go—and invite business to do the footing of the little bill.

Conclusion of the Theorem

Now we come to the Q. E. D. All this, which has been written in between the equations at the beginning and the equation that is to follow, is like the stuff that used to appear between the postulated equations in the geometry book and the conclusion of the theorem. It was hard to remember or think out when your mathematics professor went you to the blackboard; for reasons that ought to be clear to any patient reader of this article. Now for the Q. E. D.

TO DEDICATE NEW CHURCH

Archbishop Dougherty Will Preside at Conchohocken Exercises

Archbishop Dougherty will tomorrow dedicate the new St. Matthew's Church at Conchohocken.

Following the dedicatory ceremonies there will be a solemn high mass, beginning at 10:30 o'clock. The Rev. John J. Rooney, rector of St. Philip Neri's Church, will be the celebrant. The Rev. Joseph A. McCullough, rector of Holy Cross Church, Mount Airy, will be the deacon, and the Rev. William T. Brady, of the Church of the Nativity, B. V. M., subdeacon. The Rev. Denis A. Corbett, of St. Charles's Seminary, Overbrook, will be master of ceremonies.

The Right Rev. Philip R. McDevitt, D.D., bishop of Harrisburg, will deliver the sermon.

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