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EDITORIAL

WOULD THE PEOPLE VOTE WAR ON JAPAN?

Resolutions continue to be passed, in various sections of the United States, protesting the sale of war materials, such as oil and scrap metal, to Japan.

There can be little doubt but that the people of the United States condemn Japanese aggression in China and abhor the wholesale murder of Chinese civilians.

This is an instance, so far as we can judge, where the government of the United States is pursuing a policy, less likely to provoke war than the policy directed by popular emotion.

This does not mean that we condemn the present policy of the United States. It may be based on factors that are well known to officials, which justify the attitude of the democracies.

Certainly, so far as the present attitude of the United States government is concerned, there is less chance of a war with Japan, over the Far Eastern situation, than there would be if the matter was submitted to a vote of the people.

THE SQUALUS: SORROW AND JOY

The sudden death of twenty-six brave sailors of the United States Navy, on board the Submarine Squalus last week, emphasizes anew the perils connected with submarine service.

The death of these men shocked the people of the United States. Otherwise, the rescue of the thirty-three survivors would have caused general rejoicing over their escape from a watery grave.

From the minute that the Squalus went down, in its last dive, to rest on the bottom of the sea, 240 feet below the surface, until those left alive in her hull were brought to the rescue ships, the Navy acted with promptness, dispatch and courage.

The stricken ship was located and relief work underway in a few hours. Improvements in rescue work, developed in recent years, were utilized.

The Squalus was one of the Navy's newest submarines and equipped, supposedly, with devices intended to make impossible just such an accident.

The fact that so many of the crew escaped death is due to discipline and prompt action that confined the water to one end of the submarine and to the effective rescue methods perfected after sad experiences in former years.

GREETING THE KING AND QUEEN

Some Americans are worried about the "best way" to greet the King and Queen of Great Britain.

Others, in the national capital, are concerned because they will not have an opportunity to gaze into the royal eyes at the reception that will be tendered the visitors from the realm beyond the sea.

Well, if any reader of The Centre Democrat gets a chance to appear before royalty we advise them to treat the King and Queen just like they would treat the President of the United States, or his wife.

If the appearance should happen to be staged in Great Britain then democratic Americans should not hesitate to conform to the customs that are followed by sensible British citizens.

THE "MOST CRIPPLING" DISEASE

What is the "most prevalent and most crippling disease?"

The answer, according to Dr. Reginald Burbank, president of the American Society for the study of Arthritis, is arthritis, which now threatens the nation with "more than 3,500,000 potential cripples."

Dr. Burbank urges a concerted effort to establish hospitals and clinics for those who suffer from the disease, saying that if adequate attention is paid to premonitory symptoms of rheumatoid involvement, disability would be avoided in a great majority of cases.

Louisa's Letter

Dear Louisa:

My wife has a habit of interrupting me if I am correcting my son and will very often point out where she thinks I am wrong.

When she is admonishing one of the children, I sometimes think she is going about it in the wrong way, but I make it a point never to say so before them but to save my criticism until we are alone.

What do you think about this? FATHER.

New York.

ANSWER

Of course, I take it that you mean by correcting, that you are just talking to your son, and I agree with you that you should be allowed to do so without your wife getting into the argument.

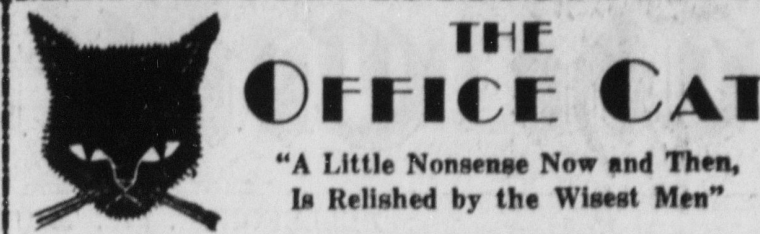
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self you cannot expect to have any good influence on your boy, for you are setting him a very bad example by the way you are acting.

However, if you are calm and self-possessed and try to be just and see both sides of a question when you talk to your son, I think your wife should remain quiet unless some one asks her opinion.

LOUISA.



57 VARIETIES

There are women who are comely, There are women who are homely, But be careful how the latter thing you say, There are women who are healthy, There are women who are wealthy, There are women who will always have their way.

There are women who are truthful, There are women who are youthful, Was there ever any woman that was old? There are women who are sainted, There are women who are painted, There are women who are worth their weight in gold.

There are women who are tender, There are women who are slender, There are women very large and fat and red, There are women who are married, There are women who have tarried, There are women who are talkless—but they're dead.

Ingenuity, We'd Say

A certain flesh reducing company was on the verge of bankruptcy when one of its sales force happened to think. He left for London on the next boat with several bottles of the product.

The result was that the lady's physician was busy for a week. At the end of that time the salesman called and asked the lady for a letter of recommendation.

In anger the woman wrote to him, "Your medicine has cost me 15 pounds for doctor bills in one week."

Expressing a regret which he did not feel, the agent hastened back to New York and the country was flooded with the following advertisement: "English Lady Loses Fifteen Pounds in One Week."

THE FARMER'S DAUGHTER

Tempt me not away to the mountains, to lakes or shady dell, Nor to the seashore where the sand is full of fleas; Tempt me not with lovely ladies, with their husbands left at home, And a bunch of bathers basking at their knees.

I prefer the dairy maiden upon her native loam, In the land where grow the cabbage and peas; Where the hay upon the meadow gives a fragrance to the air, Where the cow and calf are browsing 'neath the trees; In the golden glow of evening I would greet the maiden fair As she works among the cabbages and peas.

Here's Relief For Farmers

A farmer was delivering a load of vegetables to an insane asylum. As the farmer drove through the entrance an inmate greeted him.

"I used to be a farmer once," said the inmate. "Did you?" said the farmer. "Yes, say, stranger, did you ever try being crazy?" The farmer never had and started to move on.

"Well, you ought to try it," the patient yelled after him. "It sure beats farmin' all to heck."

Prayer For a Change

A Tyrone man while asking the blessing at meal time the other morning hit his wife a heavenly right-hander as follows: "Dear Lord, I would ask thy blessing on this food, but I realize it is cooked too miserably for Thee to waste thy valuable time in blessing, so, instead, I urge it upon Thee that Thou instill into my wife's heart that it is better to fry bacon and eggs acceptably for one man than to raise \$10 by working two weeks for a church social."

OUR GOOFY POME

A clever girl Is Susie Bonnum, If her hands get cold She just sits onnum.

Choice of Two

Two gentlemen of color were standing on the corner discussing family trees. "Yes, sub, Rastus," declared one, "Ah kin trace mah relations back to a family tree."

SEW IT SEAMS

I married the dressmaker's daughter, Many years ago, But I can't get along with her mother, For she's an old sew and sew.

It Evolves This Way

One of the snooty Office Cat readers wants to know which came first, the chicken or the egg. We usually found that the chicken comes first, and then some egg follows her.

TOMBSTONE POEM

While washing windows Nora Tucket Slipped and fell On her bucket.

Pa Was Observing

Willie (glancing over stock market)—"Pa, what is 'short covering'?" Father—"Your mother's latest party dress, my son."

Well, Why Not?

Customer (in restaurant)—"Two eggs and a slice of ham, please." Waiter (shouting into speaking tube)—"Send up two cackles and a grunt."

Slips That Pass in the News

(From the Annam, Texas, Journal) "The choir sang 'Nearer My God to Thee as he was lowered into the gray grave.'" (Alzen, Me., Journal) "Warning—Those who fail to pay their water bills by the first of the month will be disconnected.—Bill Prevost, Water Supervisor."

(Alama, Me., News)

"Young widow wishes work for widower on farm. Works quickly, inside or out." (Firms, Me., Transcript) "Wanted—Man with gas who can furnish small blond (bond) to work established route. For interview write 922 E. Drown St."

(Boston, Mass., Herald)

"Miss Barbara Trent, popular first grade teacher, entertained the father of one of her children Thursday evening." (Cumber, Me., Record) "The boys and girls of the sophomore class assembled in the basement and enjoyed a masked social last night. The girls were all in costume, consisting of beautifully tinted autumn leaves and masks. After the merry-making these were left aside and the rest of the evening devoted to other business."

(Hillman, N. C., Record)

"Hank Pell, who recently received a broken shoulder when he accidentally fell down a flight of cellar steps with the cook, is now able to be out again and will soon be able to resume his work where he left off."

Over in a near-by hospital they are telling a story about the absent-minded surgeon who put a patient to sleep for an operation and then started to cut up with the nurse.

That's all, folks. It takes a lot of pluck for a woman to keep her eyebrows in shape. —SCAT.

Peaceful policies may prevent war but once the fighting begins a nation must rely upon its fighting arms.

When get-rich-quick schemes boom you can take it for granted that an economic collapse is on the way.

Health and Beauty

EMBALMING IN EGYPT.

The art of embalming reached its highest perfection in ancient Egypt. The people believed that the same body that was committed to the tomb would at the final judgment, be re-entered by the spirit and live forever.

There were many different methods of embalming. The rich employed only the most famous and skillful operators. The materials which were used in the process were very expensive. It required a long time to mummify a body so that it was preserved intact for thousands of years.

The medical men of Egypt were the servants who taught the various qualities and uses of the fine spices, resins, pitches and drugs that were employed in the process. The physicians were also priests, and among their many accomplishments was the art of embalming, which they alone understood.

Medicine was highly specialized in ancient Egypt, so much so that even the embalmers only had one particular service to perform. The bodies of the rich were incised on the left side with a sharp knife made of rock, found only in Ethiopia.

The relatives of the deceased, grieved to be very much shocked at the desecration of the corpse of the dear departed, and chased away the priest who performed this service. As he ran they threw stones after him as an evidence of their indignation.

When the tombs of the rich and great were sealed, the priests invoked their gods to watch over them until the resurrection and to destroy those who desecrated them. Many believed that such curses brought down the tragedies and deaths, which befell most of the party who entered the tomb of Tut-An-Kh-Amen.

Weekly English Lesson

Words Often Misused

Do not say, "I do not intend to go no more." Say, "I do not intend to go again."

Do not say, "My work is completely finished." Omit completely. To finish means to complete.

Do not say, "The men ran every which way." Say, "The men ran in all directions."

Do not say, "There were only four people present." Say persons when referring to a small number. "The streets were full of people" is correct also. "The people of this country."

Do not say, "I beg to say," or "I beg to differ." Say, "I beg leave to say," and "I beg permission to differ." However, it is just as well to avoid the "begging" phrases.

Do not say, "I want to see you badly." Say, "I want to see you very much."

Words Often Mispronounced

Incognito—Pronounce in-kog-ni-to, both 'i's as in it, first 'o' as in of, second 'o' as in no, and accent second syllable, not the third.

Qualm. Pronounce kwam, as in ah.

Beatitude. Pronounce be-at-i-tud, e as in be, a as in at, i as in it, un-dressed, u as in cube (not as in rude), accent second syllable.

Sapient (wise). Pronounce sap-i-ent, a as in say, i as in it, accent first syllable.

Jocose. Pronounce po-kos, both 'o's as in no, accent last syllable.

Words Often Misspelled

Kernel (a grain or seed). Colonel (military officer). Martyrdom, observe the 't'. Eau de Cologne, observe the seven vowels. Lattice, ice; lettuce; use. Bailiff; two 'f's. Grate (bars to hold fuel; also to pulverize); great (large).

Word Study

"Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Words for this lesson:

COMPLAISANCE; disposition to please or oblige. (Pronounce second syllable play). "The inward complaisance we find in acting reasonably and virtuously."—Asterbury.

INSATIABLE; not to be satisfied. (Pronounce in-sa-shi-a-b'l, second syllable as say, accent second syllable). These enormous dishes show the insatiable avarice of man.

TERRESTRIAL; of the earth; worldly; mundane; as, "terrestrial delights," or, "terrestrial magnetism."

GENTILITY; dignity of birth "Gentility without ability is worse than plain beggary."—Proverbs.

ILLUSION; an unreal or misleading image presented to the vision. "Psychologists recognize normal illusions, which are often not distinguishable from hallucinations."

HEALTH

What destroyed the glory that was Greece and the grandeur that was Rome? Medical scientists insist it was the mosquito. Mosquitoes have done much to ruin man's work and retard man's progress. They are credited with doing as much damage as floods, cyclones, tidal waves and similar catastrophes.

In our own time, mosquitoes stopped the work of the French engineers in digging the Panama Canal. American health officers eradicated the mosquitoes from Panama before the canal could be dug.

There are great sections of the United States where the mosquito still rules. Below the Mason-Dixon line, which is the southern boundary of Pennsylvania, the annual loss from malaria is \$100,000,000. It is entirely possible for the malarial microbe to be brought into this territory by the mosquito.

Two years ago a city across the river from Philadelphia had a mild epidemic of malaria with ninety cases. There have been recent outbreaks in Ohio and Michigan. The huge reservoirs to be created for flood control will offer inducements

Private enterprise, we see by the newspapers, is willing to establish an airline over the Atlantic ocean if the government will guarantee a profit.

Query and Answer Column

PROBLEM: Do you know what an extravagant girl becomes when she ceases to be pensive? (Answer elsewhere in this department.)

B. F.—In an argument, "A" says the battle of Waterloo was fought on Saturday, while "B" says it was on Sunday. Who is right? Ans—"B" is right. The date of the battle of Waterloo was Sunday, June 18, 1815. The battle was scheduled to be fought on Saturday, but heavy rains delayed the action. Therefore Napoleon opened up hostilities at daybreak on Sunday.

N. W.—What causes cyclones, tornadoes, etc.? Ans—These come under the general term of "whirlwind." Two currents of air which move in different directions cause a whirlwind, which may vary in size from a small eddy to a hurricane a thousand miles in diameter. An observer may see the entire whirl if it is of small size and passes over dusty ground, but very large whirls, like hurricanes, are only seen in part and appear as straight-lined winds.

O. H.—What is a yak? Ans—A yak is a bovine ruminant, a native to Central Asia. They are domesticated, but still are abundant in the wild state. Besides the milk and flesh being important articles of food, the male yak is employed as a beast of burden, similar to the American ox.

E. J.—I wish to ask you when were the airplanes invented? And who were the inventors? Ans—The Wright brothers (Orville and Wilbur) of Dayton, Ohio, were the inventors of the flying machine. In 1896 they established a small shop in Dayton where they built and repaired bicycles, but gave the greater share of their time working on their invention. In 1903 they produced a machine that remained aloft two minutes, and in 1908 they produced another machine that made a test of 40 miles an hour and remained in the air 1 hour, 14 minutes and 20 seconds.

O. L.—Did Brigham Young found the great Salt Lake City, Utah? Or was it Joseph Smith? Did both of them teach plural marriages? Ans—It was Brigham Young who founded Salt Lake City after the cult was forcibly expelled from Nauvoo, Ill., in 1847. Joseph Smith, who founded Mormonism, died in 1844. Young succeeded Smith as president and prophet, and both leaders taught the sanctity of plural marriages and a large party left the organized church on that account. The United States placed a ban on plural marriages, and while the Mormons still believed in its righteousness, plural marriages (polygamy) was abandoned in practice.

F. R.—Can you answer what the Zouaves are? Ans—Zouaves is the name of light-armed infantrymen in Algeria. When the French took Algiers in 1830 they incorporated the Zouaves into their army. After 1840 the Zouaves were strictly French soldiers, bearing the native name and wearing the native uniform.

N. L. M.—Please describe the peace arch on the United States-Canadian border. Ans—The Portal of Peace at Blaine, Wash., is a massive concrete structure in the form of a gateway. It was dedicated September 5, 1921, in honor of the peace between the United States and Canada, which has lasted more than 100 years without a break. The memorial which cost \$40,000, stands 100 yards from the international boundary where the forty-ninth Parallel meets Boundary Bay. It is fifty-four feet high and stands in a circular area 125 feet in diameter within a five-acre park, one-half of which is in Canada and one-half of which is in the United States. Over the doorways are the legends: "Open for 100 Years" and "May These Doors Never Be Closed." At the sides "Children of a Common Mother," and "Brethren Dwelling Together in Unity." On the American side of the portal there is a bit of wood from the Mayflower and on the Canadian side, a piece from the Beaver, a famous old Hudson's Bay Company ship, the first steam-propelled vessel to ply in Pacific waters.

L. D. H.—Is there any liquid or solution that will soften phonograph records so that they can be regrooved and then hardened? Ans—The National Bureau of Standards knows of no solution nor process that will soften phonograph records so that they can be regrooved and then hardened. Wax records used for dictaphones are shaved off and used again.

C. E. S.—Who was found guilty in the famous Hall-Mills murder case? Ans—The Hall-Mills case remains unsolved. The decision being that Mrs. Mills and the Rev. Mr. Hall came to their death at the hands of an unknown person or persons.

R. T. G.—How does the volume of water at Niagara Falls compare with that of Iguassu Falls in South America? Ans—The mean annual volume of water at Iguassu is 61,669 cubic feet per second, while that of Niagara is 212,300 cubic feet per second.

L. J. W.—Is it better to steam or to boil carrots in order to retain the vitamins? Ans—Carrots retain more vitamin C when they are steamed.

L. W. J.—Have the movies bought Robert Sherwood's play "Abe Lincoln in Illinois?" Ans—The motion picture rights to the play have been purchased for \$275,000.

B. N.—What is the significance of Bull Moose as applied to Theodore Roosevelt? Ans—The name was applied to Theodore Roosevelt in 1912 arising from his remark, "I feel as fit as a bull moose." Through constant use of this animal's figure by the cartoonists in connection with Roosevelt's political campaign as the presidential nominee of the Progressive Party, he became known as the Bull Moose candidate and the party as the Bull Moose Party.

E. S. J.—How much of the weight of the brain is gray substance? Ans—The gray substance represents 37 to 38 per cent of the total weight of the brain.

S. P.—How many Senators and Representatives are there in Congress? Ans—There are ninety-six Senators and 435 members of the House of Representatives.

K. R. L.—How large is the Rock of Gibraltar? Ans—The Rock is two and three-fourths miles long, three-fourths of a mile wide, and 1396 feet in height. The area is nearly two square miles.

M. S. J.—Please describe a presidential reception in George Washington's administration. Ans—Stephen Decatur says that in 1789 a tremendous amount of entertaining was done by the President and Mrs. Washington. The receptions of Lady Washington were on Fridays from 7 until 10. They were of a purely social nature. Mrs. Washington "sat with one or two intimate friends and usually remained seated while receiving her guests." Tea, cakes and candy were served. In hot weather, orangeade or a similar cold drink was offered. As Mrs. Washington and her husband liked to go to bed early, she often "broke up the receptions by 9:30 p. m., by remarking that her husband usually went to bed about 9, and she generally preceded him."

J. G. F.—What is the most valuable stamp that has been purchased recently? Ans—Esmond Bradley Martin recently purchased for \$25,000 the only known used block of the 1869 twenty-four cent purple and green stamp with center inverted. It is estimated by authorities that the block is worth \$35,000 and that in time it will become the world's rarest stamp accession.

K. L. J.—Of all the money spent for bottled soft drinks in the United how much is spent for Coca-Cola? Ans—Fortune says: "Sales of bottled carbonated drinks to the United States public last year are estimated at upwards of \$600,000,000, while Coca-Cola bottle sales in the United States in 1937 totaled about \$145,000,000."

M. M.—What is the name of the American who was the Kaiser's dentist? Ans—Dr. Arthur Newton Davis of New York City numbered among his patients the Kaiser and his family.

T. K. J.—How many words a day are spoken over the radio? Ans—An estimate by the statistical department of the National Broadcasting Company shows that words enter the WEAF-WJZ microphones at the rate of 212,908 a day, 1,490,356 a week, and 77,848,400 a year.

H. V.—How much did it cost to build the World's Fair at San Francisco? Ans—The Golden Gate International Exposition is estimated to have cost \$50,000,000.

E. J. H.—What is the easternmost city in the United States? Ans—Eastport, Maine.

Answer to problem: She becomes ex-pensive.

Address Change

Pennsylvania motorists contemplating a permanent change of address, are asked by the Deputy Secretary of Revenue Otto F. Messner, to notify the Bureau of Motor Vehicles within forty-eight hours after such change has been made.

Economy in affairs of state depends upon a strong-willed executive who doesn't need votes right away.

Vote Against Daylight Saving

A weak but supposedly decided "Way" was voted in Lock Haven on the day-light saving question. Only a fifth of the city's voters turned out to the polls to cast a main of 180 "x's" against "fast" the.

Statistics from the polls showed that at about 3,000 voters, 1,070 were divided into 445 for and 625 against daylight saving.

—The most news for \$1.50.