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PAYING NATIONAL DEBTS. Paying off national debts involves figures running into billions, so that when it is announced that David Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer of England, is to reduce the national debt of that country by possibly \$3,000,000,000 out of the surplus, it is in reality cutting it down but a trifle, when it is considered that England's debt is \$3,500,000,000, outside of the capital of the terminable annuities. This, of course, serves to make a good showing, such a large amount of money can be used for cutting down the debt, and that is the plan in the present instance. There is a certain amount of credit to be gained by such maneuvering which does things in a more political way.

THE WIDE AWAKE CIRCLE Boys and Girls Department

Rules for Young Writers. 1. Write plainly on one side of the paper only and number the pages. 2. Use pen and ink, not pencil. 3. Short and pointed articles will be given preference. Do not use over 200 words. 4. Original stories or letters only will be used. 5. Write your name, age and address plainly at the bottom of the story. Address all communications to Uncle Jed, Bulletin Office.

WINNERS OF PRIZE BOOKS. 1. Winfred Holton of Franklin: "The House That Grew," by Mrs. Molesworth. 2. Morris Starkweather of Plainfield: "One of the Fighting Scouts," by F. V. Coville. 3. Ada Marriott of Oneco: "Billow Prairie," by Joy Allison. 4. Lea Carpenter of Lebanon: "By Love's Sweet Rule," by Gabrielle E. Jackson. 5. Bertha Maffitt of Norwich: "Good Luck," by L. T. Meade. 6. Earl James of Warrenville: "Swiss Family Robinson." 7. Nellie Cotter of Scotland: "The Swiss Family Robinson." 8. June Lathrop Johnson of Chichester, Mass.: "Thru a Looking Glass," by Lewis Carroll.

GRATUITIES FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN. Uncle Jed was very much pleased to see the school work of Joseph J. Hartley of Grade II and Morris Bernstein and Bessie Bruckner of Grade III. He was most gratified to see the work of the children, especially the drawings and the appended verse very appropriate.

A Present of Books. Joseph J. Hartley of Grade II: "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland." Bessie Bruckner of Grade III: "Mother Fairy Tales." Morris Bernstein of Grade III: "Aunt Martha's Corner Cupboard." Antonio Kratochville of Norwich: "Bedtime Stories."

LITTLE STORIES BY WIDE-AWAKES. Discontented Sam. Sam was a very cross boy who lived in a little fishing village. He always wished he was older and richer. His mother, father and little sister were always kind to him. His little sister grew very frightened when she heard him talk of running away to sea as a soldier, as she thought he might get shot.

A True Story of a Little Dog. When he was a puppy Foxy would get into my doll carriage and I would wheel him around the house until he jumped out as a soldier, as she thought he might get shot.

LETTERS OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT. FRIEDA RETKOWSKI of Norwich: I received the prize book and I am very thankful for it. I like it very much. MILDRED I. CARROLL of Norwich: I am not such a long time in thanking you for my prize book and I am very grateful for it. I like it very much.

THE PRINCESS LORABEL By ISABEL LEE. Once upon a time there was a king and his king had a son who was named Lorabel. Not long afterward the marriage took place and all went well for many years. The king and queen had three children, a boy and two girls. The king and queen were very kind to their children and they were very kind to their subjects.

A Rich Man's Reward. Once upon a time there was a great drought and it made very scarce. Then a milk farmer followed and there was suffering among the poor people for milk. There was a good old man who had some cows and he was rich. He sent his milk around to the poor who had little children.

Two May Baskets. Thursday (May 18) night I had a May basket hung to me. It was a basket full of flowers and it was very pretty. I had a deep sleep and I ran to the door and there lay a bundle. It was a May basket. I ran out to catch them. I caught all but one. Then I invited them into the house. There were eight children there.

Letters to Uncle Jed. Dear Uncle Jed: I thought I would write you another letter to tell you about my school work. I have been very happy and I have learned a great deal. I hope you are well and happy. I love you very much. Your nephew, CLARENCE SPICER, Age 10.

Behind Time. Dear Uncle Jed: A railroad train was running along at almost lightning speed. A curve just ahead, beyond which was a station at which the train usually passed, was blocked. Suddenly a locomotive dashed into sight right ahead. In an instant there was a collision. A shriek, a shudder, the engine was in the air, and all because an engineer had been behind time.

A Cruel Prospect. Will try to stand it if third term candidate gets nomination, but shudder to think of outcome should he decide to hold 21st election.—New York Herald.

Old in Wisdom. It didn't take the infant republic of China very long to get a lesson in the art of borrowing money.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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SOUND, PROGRESSIVE PLATFORM It is a sound, rational and progressive platform which the republican party in convention adopted at Chicago as a declaration of its principles and as a statement of what it stands for in the conduct of its government.

Standing on the firm foundation of a government of the people, for the people, and by the people, it strongly defends the interpretation of the law by an untrammeled and independent judiciary and the upholding at all times the authority and integrity of the courts in the protection of life, liberty and property. Recall of judges is considered unwarranted and unnecessary, but the strengthening of the removal of a judge derelict in his duty is favored.

It is in keeping with the progressive demand. The document speaks in support of the tariff and its revisions through the channel of the tariff board to meet changing conditions, but only after careful investigation. It stands for investigation and reduction of the high cost of living and an important plank is that calling for a sound currency and safe banking methods. It wisely avoids endorsement of the Aldrich plan, but realizes that the movement of crops, the extension of foreign trade, the welfare of labor and the promotion of general business demand a change, the plan to be determined later, but it is realized that the system must be protected from domination by sectional, financial or political interests.

POLICE SIGNAL SYSTEM. Now that the police department has been deprived of the use of its signal system because of the danger to the users from high voltage wires in the vicinity of the signal wires, the time is ripe for the installation of an up to date system which will reach all sections of the city and keep headquarters in touch with their posts at all times. The signal system has always been a source of much trouble, needing constant attention because of its age and inclination to get out of order. The end of it now should be made certain and no further expense be wasted in attempts to repair it.

EDITORIAL NOTES. The two Colonies joining hands give a military aspect to the new party movement. With the Baltimore army filled with big guns, it ought to withstand quite a siege.

It certainly looks as if Bryan and Roosevelt will strengthen the good old party instead of weaken it. Bryan claims the third term stole his platform, and now the Peaceless One is following in the footsteps of the disturber.

Since Roosevelt has stolen so much of Bryan's thunder, perhaps the Nebraska is now trying to get some of it back again. The idea of Roosevelt not being able to talk until he gets his plans perfected. His resourcefulness is turning to depleted energy.

While a department store is conducting a temporary live wire and the police department is handicapped by fear of a live wire.

ONLY ONE TERM. More than ever is the sentiment expressed that the president of the United States should be elected for one term, and in that direction the bill before congress changing the term of office of the president to six years and no re-election is appealing strongly to the rank and file, who have been dissatisfied with the situation which the ex-president precipitated and dragged the administration and party against insidious attacks.

Disappointed candidates make alarming revolutions of the secret doors of convention after they have become experienced in running these beautiful fair-haired Lorabels.

The infidelity of the graduation dresses of the girls, paraded after the style of the state beauties, have come in for a severe drubbing from the Boston papers.

The lea-paired vessel Birmingham is not only reporting the iceberg by wireless but is standing by them and testing out searchlights. Two results of the Titanic disaster.

Denver woman has sued for a divorce from her husband because his dog barked and trampled upon the American flag when she was in the street. The American flag was warranted in standing by the flag.

Colonel Roosevelt knows that he is a political coxster, and if he was the only coxster his name would be realized.