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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1919.



Those I. W. W.'s and Bolshevists of Seattle who undertook to heckle the President must have been taking lessons in manners from some of the more distinguished Republican members of the United States Senate.

Nothing is more interesting or encouraging than to note the rise in life and gradually ascending aspirations of promising men.

Really, are we not trying to cut our cake and have it too when we cut the productive capacity of the individual producer one-third by reduction of working time and then scheme to keep prices of the things produced at the former levels by legislation and court proceedings?

Responsibility for the first violence of the steel strike seems to lie at the door of the police authorities. Whether the strikers be right or wrong in their contentions, so long as they were meeting in peaceful assemblage the action of the State troops in charging and dispersing them was an open invitation to mob violence, and undoubtedly that invitation will be met halfway.

The Italian government seems to be up against a serious proposition in its efforts to control the Fiume situation. D'Annunzio says he is there to stay, with plenty of troop backing to support him.

If it be true, as cable advices to Washington report, that the United States has asked Japan to fix a definite date for the evacuation of Kiao Chow, Japan's answer to the demand will determine the sincerity of its promise.

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public expense or hope to by a continuance of the present pernicious system. It is hoped that the fight to alter the Constitution will be taken up and discussed at the meeting of the Virginia League of Municipalities in Danville today.

The Packers' Compromise. THE packers of the country have been charged from the first movement to regulate them to the last, with consistent opposition to every piece of legislation designed to control their industry.

This attitude of resistance to every form of regulation has cost the packers heavily. They have deliberately invited the distrust of the country.

The confession is made by Thomas E. Wilson, president of that organization, who stated that "the packers have been so engrossed in defending their business against misinformed criticism and perilous legislation that they have had little opportunity to formulate reforms which changing conditions require in a period of reconstruction."

In the first place he announces a willingness to have a commission formed composed of expert accountants, to audit the packers' books every year and to make a report which will show whether or not excessive profits are being made.

Again, it is suggested that a conference committee be authorized upon which the packers, the consumers, the live stock producers and the government will be represented, to find means of "stabilizing the relation between the supply and the demand."

It is proposed, too, that some means be found of determining whether or not the packers' control of the stockyards is helpful or hurtful to the interests of the live stock producers.

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SEEN ON THE SIDE

BY HENRY EDWARD WALKER.

The Instinct. When Adam wondered innocently in the Garden with the beasts...

Came Eve, bewitching Creature, in the morning of his life. And came the Serpent, hissing through the air.

And Adam woke to realize that he possessed a wife. With tempting lips and tantalizing hair.

When Cain and Abel ventured into life's so troubled sea. And set themselves adrift on Adam's boat.

Cain was a dark and hairy child, Abel a fragile kid. Who played with flowers while Cain pursued his kill.

The lesson and the moral: in his Garden every man is born to leap, to sing, his spirit free.

Charcoal Eph's Daily Thought. "Hit suttinly 'git my goat," said Charcoal Eph in a mood.

The Night-Owl. In one of his stories referring incidentally to olden customs and ancient rites, the Honorable O. Henry wrote:

Seasonsquery. We folk who but so lately cured the heat. And howied mosquitoes down of August nights.

Politics. "Hoary! Hoary! Whee-ee-ee!" shrieked the daughter of the house.

Keyboard Touches. BY FRANK H. BROOKS. Sincerity and "Bluff."

Experience and observation only will enable one to discern the line that divides sincerity from bluff.

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Health Talks by Dr. Wm. Brady

Laxative Pills. Copyright, 1918, by National Newsdealer Service.

Compassion letter from 1,001 readers: "I have to take these pills every night, and it seems to lose its effect, or I have to change to another brand."

Run over the interesting list of symptoms which develop when a day passes without a bowel movement.

The alleged symptoms of withdrawal, in a case of confirmed habit, are mental, physiological, due directly to introspection and not to a retained network of auto-intoxication.

Collars and Boils.—What causes boils? Do get your collars changed often. If so, why do men wear starched collars at the time of a cold?

Seasickness and Car sickness.—Some time ago I suggested a method for the prevention of seasickness and car sickness.

A Tabloid Tale. The Princess and Her One-Eared Lover. Although of the blonde royal, and a princess in her own right, Sallyroyale, daughter of King Twelfth century monarch of Cornuopia.

News of Fifty Years Ago. The transfer of the office of provisional Governor from Governor Wells to Colonel Gilbert C. Walker, which took place yesterday, was effected in a very simple manner.

The "Home" committee of the Chamber of Commerce reported yesterday in favor of the proposed amendment to the Federal suffrage amendment.

Among the notables registered at the Exchange yesterday were Governor Walker, Honorable Joseph Segar, Congressman-elect, Hon. J. P. Johnston, Major Zeph Turner and Edgar Allan, of Prince Edward.

Colonel S. McDowell Reid died at his residence in Lexington a few days ago. He had lived in the town eighty years, and Lexington had no more honored citizens.

General Ames expresses doubt about the Mississippi election being held on the 23rd and 24th days. He says voting is something new with the negro, and thousands of them will have to be taught how to vote.

Fourteen States Ratify Suffrage. The States which have ratified the Federal suffrage amendment are: Massachusetts, June 16; Illinois, June 16; Pennsylvania, June 24; Wisconsin, June 10; Texas, June 23; New York, June 16; Ohio, June 16; Kansas, June 16; Arkansas, July 3; Montana, July 30; Nebraska, July 28; Iowa, July 28.

The Legislatures of the following States do not convene their regular sessions until 1921, and have not ratified the suffrage amendment: Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Idaho, Maine, Minnesota, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, New Jersey, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, Tennessee, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia, and the next session of the Alabama Legislature will convene July 8, 1923.

An amendment to the Constitution of the United States, such as the Federal suffrage amendment, must be approved by a two-thirds majority of each House in Congress and ratified by at least three-fourths of the States of the Union.

FROM OTHER VIEWPOINTS

National Problems Discussed for Readers of The Times-Dispatch by Authoritative Writers—A Daily Editorial Feature.

IF BANKS, WHY NOT RAILWAYS? BY ALFRED B. WILLIAMS.

As everybody expected, the owners of strong and prosperous railways opposed the new railway bill submitted to the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee.

One of the underlying principles of the proposed measure is that competition in the railway business shall be free, and that the strong and prosperous corporation shall be required to share their strength and property with the weaker.

Many men now living knew the railway business when it was widely speculative and a cut-throat and rascally game.

Letters must give the name and address of the writer. Name will not be published if writer so requests.

That Capital Fence. To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch: Sir,—I sit in my bath-tub, old cobblestone street, and I see the old street-sweepers and old street-sweepers stables are a few feet from the street.

What is Richmond doing for them? Wake up, Richmond! Get together, get rid of that old fence, give the children of the present generation a chance to play in a modern playground.

Books and Authors. Among the fall publications of Small, Maynard & Co. is "Inside Football," a book of 100 pages, of which the first 50 pages are devoted to the game.

Information Bureau. Inquiries regarding almost any topic, excepting on legal and medical subjects, may be made of the Information Bureau, which is maintained by the Times-Dispatch.

Solder for Gold. Six pennyweight silver, one pennyweight copper, two pennyweights.

Wedding Anniversaries. Miss W. E. F. Sturges, born Oct. 10, 1850, second, paper; third, leather; fourth, fruit and flowers; fifth, wooden; sixth, silver; seventh, gold; eighth, India rubber; ninth, willow; tenth, eleven, steel; twelfth, silk and line; thirteenth, lace; fourteenth, ivory; fifteenth, crystal; sixteenth, china; seventeenth, silver; eighteenth, pearl; nineteenth, ruby; twentieth, diamond.

The "Pretender." N. T. D. Marion—Pretenders was the name of a play which the late Stuart family had laid claim to the English crown after the Revolution of 1688.

The "Mafia." A Sicilian secret society which originated in the "Compagnie d'Armi," there are traces of it in every town of about 1800 to 2000 people.

The Fountain. Into the sunshine, Full of light, Leaping and flashing, From morn till night; Into the moonlight, Whiter than snow, Wafted on the breeze, When the winds blow!

Into the starlight, Rushing in spray, Happy at midnight—Happy by day! Ever in motion, Bithemesome and cheery, Still climbing heavenward, Never weary;

Under all weathers, Still seeming best, Raining or blowing, Glad of the sun, Motion thy rest; Full of a nature, Nothing can tame, Changed every moment—Ever the same. —LOWELL