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A Conference of Peoples. THE first burst of enthusiasm is over. The thrills are thrilled. The exultation of triumph is in the diminuendo. The conference has settled down to routine.

This conference is absolutely unique in that it is the only international gathering whose conclusions promise to be materially, if not wholly, influenced by public opinion. It is the first time public opinion has not been used, has not been led by a nose ring to serve the hidden purposes of assembled diplomats.

They recognize the ravens, the vultures, and those plausible birds with lovely feathers, but no meat. They know very well that this period of a few days when everybody's arm has been around everybody's neck in fulsome affection has been a period of show days and that it largely depends upon them whether or not the carressing hands do or do not slip down in the direction of the other fellow's pocket.

The plain people are sick at heart of all this as the cheerers which everywhere have greeted the program of Secretary Hughes amply prove. They are determined to have this program, with more rather than with less, of disarmament. But even it is recognized as but the outward sign, a symbol of the greater agreement for peace.

Nor is what China wants or demands or formulates the crux of the situation. China has done nothing for herself and is incapable of doing anything for herself. She is a land of the impracticable, of theory without practice, of revolution without progress.

China has but a few hundred miles of railroads where she should have thousands. She has almost no highways. She lacks nearly all the adjuncts of modern progress.

An Example of Courage. ENGLAND had a coal strike last spring. It began April 1 and ended June 29. We knew it was a serious strike; that Lloyd George pleaded and scolded, all to no avail. But we did not know

how terrifically England must really have been suffering during those months when she was away almost out of the woods, observes the Baltimore American. In the current issue of United States Commerce Reports is a statement of British iron and steel production for 1919, 1920 and the first nine months of 1921.

Table with 3 columns: Pig Iron, Castings, and Steel Ingots. Rows for months from January to December, and a Total row.

The process for making cast iron was introduced into England about the beginning of the sixteenth century and the industry grew rapidly. It is probable that for all the vicissitudes through which she has passed her output in a single month has not been as low as it was last June since the year 1600.

It was about last June that occasional reports were finding their way over here, that one person in five in England was receiving some form of support from government or charity. Well may those stories have been true; the surprise is that it was not one in three.

One-man street cars are said to be a failure in Utica because of the time wasted in making change. A great deal of time is wasted on our two-men cars for the same reason.

Unduly Disturbed. SOME of our dear people who have had the distinction of having been "abroad," and who have met and entertained those of other lands who are close to court circles, are much disturbed.

These dear folk are quite right. This is the first show of the kind ever "pulled off" in the United States. Our people do not know anything of the formalities of such affairs and are less. They do not care a hang for the peculiar brand of decorum and the proprieties demanded by custom of other lands.

Then they heard Mr. Arthur Balfour and liked him; they liked his looks and the way he said his piece. But they were there on Saturday and did not know if they could come again; they had business of their own to do to get home for Thanksgiving, and there was Briand! So as is their wont on public occasions, at banquets and Chautauquas when they want to extend the program, they called for the premier of France.

It was a great occasion fully enjoyed by all. And let no American mistake. The British, at least, fully understand. They were not in the least shocked. They enjoyed it, would not have missed it for worlds and it was just such a thing as they would have delighted to do themselves had someone given them the first shove.

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Dry Farming. THE whole farming fraternity of the United States admires the unprecedented results of "dry farming" accomplished by the truly great agricultural artists of Colorado. A correspondent suggests that if forty bushels of wheat can be produced on an acre of semi-arid land in America, could not similar results be obtained on the semi-arid plains of the old world, the eastern hemisphere? Would it not be a nice thing to send some of these successful "dry farmers" over across seas as tilling missionaries, equipping them with American implements, teams, etc., to demonstrate and school the sleepy Orientals as well as some Europeans, so that famines may henceforth, now and forever cease to exist?

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New York City Day by Day Impressions: by C. O. McIntyre

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—There is raw contact with the seamy side of life when the nightly electrical cornucopias of leaping kittens, whizzing autos, slashing showers and chewing gum, acrobats is poured into Broadway. The other evening I traveled from Herald Square with a square-toed, brown-derbed gentleman from Central Office— a Tenderloin dick who knows the district from the crook's dead line at Fulton street to the circle.

He knows the shadowy figures of the hotel lobbies, cafes, steel-doored gaming places and theaters where dare devils men travel with their "mobs" on the Lupin theory that the strength of the wolf is the pack and the strength of the pack is the wolf.

In front of a theater waited a clear, dark-skinned man—his lit and clean bespoke a strain of Spanish or French. We drew up in the shadows. Two or three limousines emptied a lady beautiful woman and silk-batted escorts who might have stepped from the pages of a Monte Carlo novel.

Under the flood of the lighted canopy I sat for a moment with their host—the debonaire figure who awaited them. The picture presented a marvelous blend of energetic, luxury-loving cosmopolitan.

And a few blocks away we visited a shady hotel, whose halls were filled with blurry limonad women and men whose faces were honed to criminal sharpness. The proprietress of the hotel is known as Shanghai Solly in the underworld—the same sleek fellow who waited under the theater canopy. He has made a fortune in opium smuggling and is said to own a hotel of ill-repute in a dozen or more large cities where each is used as a depot or distributing station.

Life is a privileged visitor to many clubs. He talks to no one about his business save trusted lieutenants and then only in a skiff rowed to the middle of the Hudson, where he is free from dictagraph and man-made devices for outwitting the malefactor.

On a nearby street we came upon one of those innocuous appearing tea rooms that dot the Tenderloin. It was humming with the thronous cackle of leisured tea sippers. A slim, innocently wide-eyed girl runs it. She is under constant police espionage for acting as a sort of clearing house—a go-between for "business" for New York's army of shop-lifting women.

A college for dogs has been opened up in Westchester. It is a place where dogs are taught to live in a crowded city. They are taught the art of "heeling," which is to follow closely at the master's heels. They are also taught to eat from only one hand—the hand of the master. Then they learn how to sit in the corner quietly when company comes, how to cross the streets at the proper signal and how to growl when they see some other dog.

EXPERT DISCUSSES PACIFIC PROBLEMS

"What policy in reference to Far Eastern questions should America pursue?" asks Dr. Sidney Gulick, secretary of the commission on international justice and good-will of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, and a leading authority on Japan. He then proceeds to answer his question as follows:

- 1. Let America and Japan agree once to make a real positive reduction in their sea power.
2. Let them declare to each other and to the world that they have no plan whatever for war.
3. Let them remove at once from the Pacific all their fleets and break the vicious circle and make possible a fruitful peace.

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The First Round With the Philistine Giant —By J. N. Darling.



Open Court Letters to The Herald

Gives Bible Version.

To the Editor, The Washington Herald: I desire to give our worthy Bible expounder, Walter L. Burgan, a few gentle and kindly hints. I was not ignorant of the fact that there is extant such a theory as that contained in his elaborate and now thoughts I expressed in your issue of the 4th instant. I omitted it purposely, as my study of the Bible has not as yet convinced me of its correctness.

Denies Blanton Affidavit.

To the Editor, The Washington Herald: In The Herald of November 7 there was published a letter over the signature of "A Woman," in which the writer made reference to the language, the publication of which in the Congressional Record by Mr. Blanton created such a scandal in Congress. The lady writing seems actually to believe that said language (which she may never have read, and which it is best she should not) was really uttered in Washington by one of the members of the House of Representatives. Such, however, is not the fact. No such language was used. The fact that it was quoted under oath does not make it true. Many and many an affidavit is contained in the Congressional Record which is false testimony and is uttered for no other purpose than to injure the innocent and to bring dishonor upon the name of the Government.

Correcting Quotations.

To the Editor, The Washington Herald: "Would it not be fair to make a request of the people who are writing to Open Court to ask them when they quote the Bible to quote it as it is printed in some authorized version of Holy Writ?" I have referred to as "The Sun of Righteousness shall arise with healing in his beams." Malachi 4:2. It is the King James version and the American revised version give this: "The sun of righteousness shall arise with healing in his wings." Jesus is referred to as the sun of righteousness as an evidence of the glory of his righteousness, but the word wings is a corruption of the personal Christ, because a sun of fire does not have wings. She destroys the meaning by misquoting the passage. She quotes as Matthew 24:27: "As the bright shining sun emerges from the East and illuminates even from the West, so will be the presence of the Son of Man." The King James version and the American revised version give this: "For as the lightning flasheth forth from the East and is seen even unto the West; so shall be the coming of the Son of Man." (Rev. Version) and "For as the lightning cometh out of the East and shineth even unto the West, so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be."

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The Herald's Scientific Notes and Comment

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1921. "The Sun, Our Nearest Neighbor," will be the subject of an address by Dr. H. D. Curtis, director of the Allegheny Observatory, Pittsburgh, at the meeting of the Washington Academy of Sciences at the Cosmos Club tonight at 8:15 o'clock. The address will be illustrated with lantern slides.

BEER YIELDS TO BREAD. Another stronghold has changed hands. The school which for a generation has led American schools in the training of master brewers is soon to become a school for master bakers.

Two years ago the progressives in the American Association of the Baking Industry organized the American Institute of Baking, having as its purpose the application of known science to the making of breads, the research necessary to establish new facts and principles and the education of men in or about the business of the baking industry.

The association has changed its name to the American Bakers' Association and is now conducting a national campaign of cleanliness and education and provided ways for adequately supporting this work as well as research. In casting about for a central location and for facilities to show the wonderful possibilities and just now a forward step of importance is being taken.

The study of -- ats will continue but their mission in life will be to raise breads and not that which goes into the stomach. The study of chemistry, physics, of grains, is to go on but with a different direction to the work. The miniature bakery will give way to a model bakery and may be some day advertisement signs will have for their theme the biggest loaf for a nickel in place of the biggest schooner for that convenient coin.

The master brewer is to give place to the master baker, the application of his technical training to apply the laws of hygiene to his work shop, intent upon national nutrition problems and leaning upon the research being steadily pursued back at the institute.

FIGHTING THREE PLAGUES IN BANGKOK.

Far Eastern customs continually hamper the fight against disease in Bangkok, but Dr. Ralph W. Mendelsohn, acting principal medical officer of the British-Siam government, reports progress in controlling the three important epidemic diseases, plague, cholera, and smallpox. Lower classes in Bangkok obtain dirty water from the canals because it has the "body and taste" that clean city water has not, and this hampers cholera control. The people are also slow to submit to the doses of cholera vaccination now being given. The British-Siam government is carrying out a campaign to clean up the city and to get rid of the filth which is the breeding ground for the plagues. The people are slow to submit to the doses of cholera vaccination now being given. The British-Siam government is carrying out a campaign to clean up the city and to get rid of the filth which is the breeding ground for the plagues.

DAMAGE MEADOWS.

Entomologists at the Connecticut Agricultural Station, New Haven, Conn., have been looking into the life history and actions of the grass-feeding frog-hopper or spittlebug an insect that sucks sap from grasses and uses it to form a protective shell which protects it in one stage of its life. When grass, hoppers, leaf-hoppers, trips and similar insects are common, these and the frog-hoppers often do considerable damage to meadows. The British-Siam government is carrying out a campaign to clean up the city and to get rid of the filth which is the breeding ground for the plagues.

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