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NOT FOR US

Before the senate at Helena takes serious notice of the proposed Willett measure to bifurcate the legislative sessions of Montana after the plan in vogue in California, it should make sure that the scheme is practicable. The plan has not had a fair trial in California, where it has been in operation for only two sessions. Quite recently the legislature of that state, in session at Sacramento, adjourned for thirty days, when it will come together again to complete the business instituted in the first half.

While it will take many years to prove that the California system has any material advantage over the old plan, it is worth while noting that in that state it already is the subject of much criticism. Thus far it has not proved its merit, a fact recognized in quarters not especially interested in it one way or the other.

The idea of a bifurcated session is to have all the measures introduced at the first session, and the polls closed; then a recess is taken of a month to enable the people to consider the bills proposed, so that it could be decided whether they were meritorious or the contrary. Commenting upon the system, a writer in last Sunday's Oakland Tribune said: "This was a pretty fair theory, but the hiatus also gives opportunity to circumvent laws that may trench upon somebody's interests but that might otherwise be all right, as well as a chance to bolster up undesirable measures that it is sought to put over."

In short, the observant Californian concludes that the double-decker plan works both ways and that it would be a difficult matter to establish the exact desirability of the bifurcated law. Our guess is that the people of Montana do not want two sessions of a legislature when one will answer the purpose. The results do not justify the additional expense, nor is the added cost the only objection that could be offered against the innovation.

THOSE CATALOGUES

In the language of Luke McLuke, it is none of our business, but we are going to say it anyway. When \$9,000 catalogues, each weighing four pounds, is the measure of a single mail-order house's bid for business centering at Butte, it is time to call attention to the fact that the men and women who to their shopping at home serve their own interests as well as those of the community.

A news item in last evening's Post noted the arrival of 12,000 catalogues, not quite one-half of the semi-annual shipment of that house to Butte. It was stated that another firm is expected to send an even larger shipment of buyers' guides to Butte in a few days and that, while a majority of these concerns doing business in the state mail their catalogues from Billings and Helena, five or six distribute from this city. That figures out an extraordinary total of business transacted in Montana by mail-order houses. The houses of this description are in no sense philanthropic. They are not in business for their health. They know what to expect from every card of catalogue in a given territory.

They have no investment in this state, but their profits derived from Montana patronage must mount to a large sum.

There are people who know that in this world there is no such thing as getting something for nothing. On the other hand, there are many who have not learned the lesson and will never learn it. As long as human nature is what it is, the bargain hunter will be in evidence. The trouble of it all is that the alluring promises held out in the attractive mail-order catalogues are accepted with the same faith that is given the assurances of the local merchant who is responsible and whose goods may be examined. The mail-order houses sell inferior goods at prices that are made to seem cheap. As a matter of fact, these concerns pay enormous dividends at the expense of their patrons.

In Eastern Montana an enterprising merchant has been using space in a local paper advertising his goods and comparing prices, item for item, with the same articles listed in one of the best-known mail-order house catalogues. He finds it pays. He shows, every week, that so far as there being an actual saving to the people who patronize mail-order houses, the opposite is true. The same thing could be demonstrated right here in Butte. The people who buy at home save money and benefit their own town; the people who seek bargains in Chicago, Kansas City or elsewhere lose money and at the same time build up the dividends of those who have done nothing for the community and have no interest in it except what they may take out of it.

THE NEW MEMBER

In calling a special election in Silver Bow county to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Representative Jerry Flanigan, Governor Stewart doubtless did no less and no more than the law requires. At the same time, our guess is that if the views of the people of this county could be obtained, it would show that there is no desire here for such an election.

The appointment of Mr. Cutts to the vacancy answers all purposes and there will be no disposition here to question his right to act. Mr. Cutts has had legislative experience; he made an excellent record in the house when he served as representative from this county, and he is a democrat. Because he is a democrat there should be no objection from his own party to the honor conferred upon him by the governor. The republicans of this county are broad enough, we feel sure, not to want to have the issue submitted to the voters of the county.

If the commissioners of Silver Bow county conveniently overlook the proclamation calling for a special election, we do not believe they will be criticized for the oversight. There is precedent for such lapses. Several years ago a vacancy occurred in the Madison county delegation in the house and a special election was called by the governor. The county commissioners of Madison ignored the order. They didn't think it worth while—and in that they were perfectly right. If in the case of Silver Bow history repeats itself, the taxpayers and the people generally probably will not make any complaint about it.

THE SENATE TEST

Five hours of debate, yesterday, developed the fact that the membership of the senate includes more than five men who are not in accord with the policy the president has pursued in the matter of severing diplomatic relations with Germany. Several members remarked, in substance, that the president ought first to have submitted the question to the senate, instead of taking action and thereafter submitting the act for approval.

However, only five of the senators in a voting total of eighty-three went so far as to carry their personal views to the limit of opposition. Senator Works of California made it clear that, if the proposition to terminate these diplomatic relations had been submitted in advance of action by the president, he would have voted against such action; it was not disclosed during the debate whether many senators would have been with the Californian. Nor is that an item of much account.

The salient fact is that in this momentous matter the president was almost unanimously sustained, as the sequel of an earnest discussion in which, of course, every man in the senate's membership was absolutely free to express his views and vote in accordance with his personal preference. No doubt the run of comment in the country will be that it would have been a manifestation of a higher order of patriotic citizenship had the dissenters shown a willingness to make their individual view subordinate to what manifestly was the judgment of the senate. Partisan motives were effaced yesterday. The minority included two democrats and three republicans, if Senator LaFollette is to be accredited to republicanism—his habit is, in senate votes, to disregard party ties.

The order of events was different when, nineteen years ago, we were ap-

proaching our war with Spain. During several weeks following the destruction of the Maine President McKinley was zealous in efforts to avoid hostilities and at length congress, especially the house of representatives, fairly took the matter out of his hands and led in an aggressive course. At that time the senate membership included several men of recognized personal strength who hesitated long when the moment for decisive action was approaching.

Today's situation is, in some of its aspects, incomparably more grave than was the case in 1898. In any event and in presence of the vote recorded in the federal senate yesterday, it can be said that the country proposes to stand by the president.

NEUTRALS IN EUROPE

The neutral powers are not coming our way. Switzerland gave prompt answer. Spain will not sever relations with Germany. Holland will protest and let the case rest there, and that course will be adopted by the Scandinavian powers. These, all, were invited by President Wilson to join the United States and make the break. The talk in Washington has been to the effect that the neutrals in Europe had been "sounded" and that President Wilson had reason to expect favorable replies. Evidently there was a good deal of imagination in this story—apparently they were not approached in a tentative way in advance of the recent rupture with Berlin. Reasons are apparent why the small states in the vicinity of Germany would not find it wise to take a belligerent attitude. There remain several states in South America to be heard from.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

- FEBRUARY 8. 1674—British house of commons adopted a resolution that a standing army was a nuisance and that the king should have no other guard than the militia. 1779—Moses Allen, chaplain to the Georgia brigade, was drowned in attempt to escape from British prison ship. 1815—The congress of Vienna voted to abolish slavery. 1820—Gen. William T. Sherman born. Died Feb. 14, 1891. 1861—Jefferson Davis elected provisional president and Alexander H. Stephens provisional vice president of the Confederate States at the Montgomery convention. Governor Brown of Georgia seized five New York vessels in the harbor of Savannah and the United States arsenal at Little Rock, Ark., surrendered to the state of Arkansas. 1872—Earl of Mayo, viceroy of India, assassinated by convict in Andaman Islands. 1879—Peace between Russia and Turkey signed at Constantinople. 1883—Opera house at Toronto destroyed by fire. 1897—Union of Greece and Crete proclaimed. 1904—Outbreak of war between Russia and Japan; Port Arthur attacked by Admiral Togo. THE ANNIVERSARY IN THE EUROPEAN WAR. FEBRUARY 8. 1915—Allied torpedo boats bombard Dardanelles forts. Russians inflict severe defeat on Austrians in southern Carpathians. 1916—French aviators attacked city of Smyrna, dropping bombs on fortifications. President Wilson accepted Germany's memorandum of settlement of Lusitania case, both sides yielding ground. Germans carried half a mile of the French trenches north of Arras. Federal grand jury at San Francisco indicted 32 persons, among them the German and Turkish consuls, for conspiracies to wreck ammunition factories and to furnish supplies to German war vessels.

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HUH! He is strong for the Voice of the People. This fact he will let no man quit; But he thinks, does the big-mouthed Bill Hepple, That the voice of the people means his.

Hair Tinting All the Rage

The Absolute and Utter Harmlessness of "Brownstone" Has Made Hair Tinting Safe and Easy.

Advertisement for Brownstone hair tinting. Includes text: "You need not tolerate gray, streaked or faded hair another day. It takes but a few moments to apply 'Brownstone' with your comb or brush, and it will give your hair the beautiful shade you most desire. Will not rub or wash off and guaranteed to contain none of the dangerous ingredients so often found in 'dyes' and so-called 'restorers.' Any shade from light golden-brown to black. Sample and booklet sent on receipt of 10c. 'Brownstone' is sold by leading drug stores, in two sizes, 50c and \$1.50. Order direct from The Kenton Pharmaceutical Co., 630 E. Pike St., Covington, Ky. If your druggist will not supply you, you will save yourself much annoyance by refusing to accept a substitute. No samples at dealers. Insist on 'Brownstone' at your hair-dresser's. Mention shade desired. Sold and guaranteed in Butte by Paxson and Rockefeller and other leading dealers."

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LUKE M'LUKE SAYS

Copyright, 1916, Cincinnati Enquirer. There was a time when the women folks were satisfied to play the Harp and the Piano. But the Suff movement has given them the idea that they should be playing the Trombone and the Bass Drum.

Men and women are alike in one respect. The more you argue with them the less you convince them. After a man has been married long enough he doesn't have to sit down and worry every morning over which suit of clothes and which tie he will wear that day. He has only one of each.

Any time you find a woman who wears a No. 6 shoe it is almost a safe bet that she has a No. 12 brain. It is wonderful how thick a woman's waist can get when she has to devote more time to raising her children than she can to her personal appearance.

If you live long enough you'll find that a day will come when your hair will grow faster in your ears than it will on your head.

It is safe enough to tell a bunch of single men that your wife lets you do as you please. But don't try to spring it on a bunch of married men.

The reason why a man keeps his grouch under cover until he gets home and then takes it out on his wife is because he doesn't want people downtown who are absolute strangers to know how mean he is.

When a man falls, he only falls so far. But when a woman falls, she never seems to hit the bottom. Before he gets her he thinks he isn't good enough for her. After he gets her he thinks she isn't good enough for him.

The female of the elephant species doesn't require a larger trunk than the male. But it is different with our own species.

It has got so that the war news from Europe is almost as contradictory as a woman.

You imagine that you are a pretty well informed fellow, don't you? Well, let's hear you repeat the Ten Commandments from memory.

If the Meek shall inherit the earth, we know a lot of men who will never have any property.

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ODD EVENTS IN TODAY'S NEWS

"SOLDIER WITHOUT NAME." London.—Soldier without a name! called the swarthy clerk at the Willesden police court, and a weary looking youngster, attired in khaki, shuffled his way forward in answer to the charge of deserting. It was stated that he destroyed every mark of identification on his clothing, and had removed the shoulder plates from his tunic. He said he had served 10 months in France, but had forgotten his name and he refused to give any further information about himself. "It's up to you to find out who I am," he added as he was led away to await further investigation into his case.

CURIOUS WAYS OF ARAB. The Arab has some curious ways. He takes off his shoes when he enters a house, but keeps on his hat. He reads and writes from the left. He eats scarcely anything for breakfast or dinner, but in the evening he sits down to a hot meal swimming in fat. His sons eat with him, but the women of the household wait till the males have finished. The Arab rides a donkey when traveling, his wife walking behind, and he laughs at the idea of giving up his seat for a woman. The Arab has one strong virtue, and that is he is rarely seen drunk.

NEW COINS DISAPPEAR. Bankers and pay officers of the army are puzzled over the rapid disappearance of new gold coins and their replacement by old worn gold coins. That some one is collecting and retaining all new gold coins being paid out by the army to soldiers, replacing them with old, worn-out coins, was asserted by quartermaster department officers. As much as \$175,000 in gold has been paid out at Brownsville, Tex., in one month. It is believed that the higher weight of the new coins is the cause for their disappearance.—San Antonio Express.

THIEVES' INSURANCE. London.—A thieves' mutual aid society has sprung up in the last 10 days. Its aim is to pay police court fines inflicted on thieves. Offenders are insured against fines, paying toward the support of the society as they would in a life insurance proposition. It is said that both honest and dishonest men have clubbed together to make a livelihood from the business done by the society. They appoint an official called "the banker," who collects the money, and it is his duty to attend the court and pay the fines. The scheme seems to be widespread, according to a Tower Bridge magistrate, and the most curious thing is that honest men should help the funds. In one case a youth caught stealing had in his possession a card showing subscriptions to the amount of two pounds for use in paying fines of friends found guilty of theft.

WOMEN OF THE WEEK Ruth Law, the plucky little American aviatrix, is now on the French front watching the army flyers at the front. Miss Law, if the French government will let her, will "do her bit" with the corps of American flyers who have already done such splendid work for France. She wants to try her hand at dropping bombs on the Germans. The news of the coming of the famous little American flyer to offer France her services has excited great enthusiasm in that country, where the men aviators from America are already everywhere greeted as heroes. One of the purposes of the journey, moreover, is the purchase from the French government of a motor such as is used on the wonderful new French war speed planes, with a transcontinental flight in view when she returns to America.

Former Queen Liliuokalani of Hawaii, who is reported critically ill, was born in 1838, and is suffering from a general breakdown due to advancing age. Possessed of no more actual sovereignty now than the meanness of her former subjects, the aged "queen" is still accorded all the deference of royalty, and the people have for her an extraordinary and touching deference. On state occasions at her own home in Honolulu she is accompanied by ladies-in-waiting who wave peaceock fans over her, while the royal kahilis—feather-topped standards—are still carried when she passes. In the years immediately following the overthrow of her monarchy in 1893, Queen Liliuokalani struggled bitterly against the fate which had overtaken her. Her attitude toward America was extremely hostile. But age has healed these wounds and today her constant advice to her people is to be loyal to the country that has adopted them. In recent years and previous to her breakdown, which has now made her inactive, she occupied herself largely with literary and musical labors. She is the author of both the words and music of "Aloha Oe," the Hawaiian song which is now so well known in the United States as to be, in fact, almost a "crash." She wrote it as a farewell tribute to her brother, King Kalakaua, and it has been a matter of much grief to her that the song has been syncretized and is now played and sung as dance music in the United States. Quite recently in compiling a dictionary of the Hawaiian language and had already defined in both English and Hawaiian, when illness forced an end to her labors, several thousand words of her native tongue. To the American public the former queen has been known for a generation as "Queen Lili." Her nephew, Prince Kuhio Kalaniana'ole, better known as "Prince Cupid"—from his round and jovial appearance—has been since 1908 a member of congress as representative from Hawaii.

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Advertisement for Rippling Rhymes. Includes text: "RIPPLING RHYMES By Walt Mason. TIMES HAVE CHANGED. The Indian's cut out his thirst for gore, his warwhoop's heard on the plains no more. He wears boiled shirts and he smokes cheroots and doesn't care for a scalp three hoots. The bison's gone from the western plain, with the emigrant and the wagon train. And the tireless bronk with its Texas brand, has gone to the mustang's happy land. Where the lean wolf howled in the lonely night, the farmer's windows are glowing bright. The autos scorch on the dusty pike, where scout and trapper were wont to hike. These things discourage an old time modern days; the motor fends and the flying jays, the champions of the mat and ring, the football chief and the hand-cuff king. New heroes come, and the old ones go, and Buffalo Bill is lying low. A brave old soul, and he seemed sublime to a million boys, in the long gone time. Inspired by him, how we used to swear we'd ride on chargers and wear long hair, and blow a blast on a hunting horn, and kill an Indian every morn! The world moves on and the old dreams go, and Buffalo Bill is lying low."

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