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HOW LARGE IS OUR ARMY TO BE?

The United States senate has voted that the army for the fiscal year 1920 shall be 400,000 while the house says that it shall be 100,000 less, and the matter is to be settled in conference.

"We must keep a necessary force to patrol our outlying possessions, keep a force in Texas, in the United States as custodians and guards of the tremendous amount of army property and in the coast defenses. The War Department has a vast accumulation of stores, both military and non-military, and a great many men are needed for the purpose of watching over this property.

This list of "musters" seems rather imposing until analyzed. There need be only a light "patrol" of "our outlying possessions," which have proved their loyalty during the war handsomely. A strong guard should not be necessary to take care of government property in this country acquired in the last two years.

The question remaining is whether the temporary army shall have a strength of 400,000 or of 300,000 men, or of less than the greater and more than the smaller number. A compromise is indicated.

BEMIDJI CELEBRATES TOMORROW

Bemidji is going to observe July Fourth tomorrow in a most fitting manner, for there never has been a time when the occasion called upon Americans to demonstrate their Americanism as this year.

The hatred of autocratic government which embittered men brought to this country has been deepened in many cases to include ALL governments, and of course that means THIS government.

The bomb-throwers, the I. W. W., the Bolsheviks, the preacher of "direct action," the revolutionist—all the red crew that have no patience with the processes of argument, conviction and political action—are deadly enemies in our midst, and every one of them is a challenge to the America of 1776, the America of 1865—to the America that, thanks to the challenge of the German threat, we discovered in 1917 and 1918 to live still, as vigorous and fearless and unconquered as ever.

Bemidji and its people will hold its greatest Fourth of July celebration tomorrow, with everybody who professes to be an American taking the stand with America and the constitution and against Bolshevism and its twins, the bomb-throwers and the revolutionists.

Bemidji is receiving many bouquets from the state press as a result of the entertainment provided for those attending the outing. Among the first to arrive is the following from the Brainerd Dispatch: "As a real tonic, a renewer of youth, an elixir with the bracing quality and wisdom of years pent up energy, the summer outing at Bemidji worked wonders in the minds and frames of the editorial men and women and a big sprinkling of children there assembled. Bemidji fairly radiated hospitality. It shone out in the enthusiasm of the first flotilla of automobiles which took early arrivals to Birchmont on Saturday morning. It was evident every minute of the day. Never was an editorial foot set down but some Bemidji man was right there with a kind word, a waiting car and that general spirit of good fellowship and helpfulness was ever present, and if the editorial crowd didn't have to work for a living and continue publishing papers to maintain the legal standing of the business, the whole bunch would still be at Birchmont and in and around Bemidji."

Governor Burnquist is being commended from all parts of the state because of his re-appointment of Carlos Avery as state game and fish commissioner. Commissioner Avery is a splendid official and the statement that he is the best fitted man for the place in Minnesota must go without challenge.

Bemidji people appreciate the Twin City sleeper which has been returned to service and also the parlor car accommodations.

NEWS OF THE THEATERS

BUDDY HAD MONEY.

Would you expend \$250,000 just to meet a beautiful woman? That's just what Buddy McNair, the hero of "Yenus in the East," the Paramount photoplay starring Bryant Washburn did, and how and why he did it are shown by the picture, which will again be presented at the Elko theatre tonight. Buddy McNair had a great deal of money and he was free with it. The pearls he "found" were as genuine as his admiration for her. The pearls she wore were as false as her heart. He discovered that his "Yenus in the East" was a flickering will-o'-the-wisp.

FOUR INGREDIENTS.

Youth, laughter, love and happiness. These four things compounded together with a dash of surprise and a sprinkling of thrills are the ingredients that go to make delightful entertainment in the new World picture, "An Amateur Widow," which will be shown on Friday at the Elko theatre. Zena Keefe, who is starred in "An Amateur Widow," adds to the sparkle and life and vivacity of this production.

UNUSUAL SITUATION.

There is an unusual situation in "The Best Man"—J. Warren Kerrigan's new photoplay which may again be seen at the Grand theatre tonight. The Best Man married a girl he'd never seen in his life before! Why? Can there be any logical reason for such a wedding? The bride was innocent—she had never seen her fiancé for fifteen years and only consented in order to save her mother—but the bridegroom must have had a mighty good reason. He had! The development of this unusual story is highly interesting.

CLEVER YOUNG PEOPLE.

The two charming young stars, Louise Huff and Jack Pickford will be seen at the Grand theatre tomorrow, Friday, in Marian Fairfax's picture, "Freckles," the picture which is a story of a one-armed wail, who becomes a watchman in a lumber camp and has most exciting adventures. He meets and loves a girl and when he tries to bail the operations of a band of thieves, he is all but murdered. The support is excellent.

KNOWN AS WITCHCRAFT TOWN

Old Salem, Mass., Has Never Been Able to Live Down the Much-Dilapidated Name.

Salem is nationally known as the witchcraft town of history, a title which it has been trying to live down for 200 years. Fortunately for Salem, the terror of witchcraft indignation is fading from memory.

Invariably the visitor comes to Salem with the idea of witches firmly fixed in his mind, but the only evidence of their existence that he can find is a tinie bearing a tiny witch astride a broomstick. Besides buying witch-adorned souvenirs, which Salem provides to meet the demands of visitors, there are other ways of satisfying witch-hunting ambitions.

To a person already keyed to a high pitch by vague recollections of witch days Salem on a frosty moonlight night seems to slip back a century or so into the solemn superstitious little Puritan town, where one must think several times before making the most casual remark lest it be construed as evidence of friendly dealings with the devil.

Over by the cemetery the tombstones of the witch accusers gleam ghostly in the moonlight. It seems plausible that any of those venerable judges of 1692 might glide suddenly into view and stroll with dignity down the street or that Mistress Sarah Good or Elizabeth How should appear and ask sternly if it was your ancestor that labeled her a witch.

Out on Gallows hill, too, there is "atmosphere" undiluted. Here 19 unfortunate convicted of witchcraft met their fate before Puritan common sense overcame Puritan fanaticism. Gallows hill is a monument to Salem's darkest days.

EASY TO SEE ONE'S BRAIN

Scientist Asserts That All That is Necessary is a Candle and Some Perseverance.

"Have you ever seen your brain?" is not such an outlandish question as one might suppose. In fact, it is quite possible to see one's own brain, according to Dr. Fraser Halle, says London Tit-Bits.

Many years ago Purkinje startled the scientific world by announcing that by passing a candle to and fro several times by the side of the eye, this might be done. The air in front, he declared, was transformed into a kind of screen on which was reflected what he supposed to be a magnified image of part of the retina.

This started a research movement among the scientists of the period, and a controversy began.

Sir C. Wheatstone thought the professor was slightly out of his bearings. He declared that what the latter had seen was merely the shadow of the vascular network.

Then Dr. Fraser Halle returned to the attack, and stated that he had succeeded in identifying the picture with the representation of the "anterior lobe of the cerebrum."

The candle should be moved to and fro about four inches below the eye and three and a quarter inches from the face. If the movement is suspended, the image disappears. Night is the best time for this experiment, but it can be seen faintly, in any dark place even in the daytime.

African Witch Doctors.

Africa is a sick country—one of the sickest in the world. Malaria, tuberculosis and pneumonia fill the swamps and forests with death. The fear of death is so constant a companion of the black people that they have come to consider their native witch doctor as more important than the ruling foreign government or the chief of their own tribe. But once the white man sets foot on the fever trail the witch doctor might just as well throw away his crazy medicine. In his heart he knows he is a humbug—Christian Herald.

TRAVELING MAN GAINS 15 POUNDS

M. M. Miller Works Every Day Since Tanlac Built Him Up.

"I have gained fifteen pounds since I commenced taking Tanlac, and since my health failed five years ago, it is the only medicine that has done me a particle of good," said M. M. Miller, a well known and popular traveling salesman for the Northwestern Manufacturing and Milling Co., who lives at 302 North State street, Aberdeen, S. Dak.

"I don't believe any man on earth ever had a worse case of stomach trouble than I did," continued Mr. Miller, "and I know I took enough medicine during that five years, to cure a dozen people, but I never got any relief until I got hold of this Tanlac. Everything I ate would sour on my stomach, and this would cause gas to form so bad that the pains I would have would almost kill me. I was in so much misery that I couldn't sleep at night, and would have to walk the floor for hours at a time. I lost in weight from two hundred and forty-five pounds to one hundred and seventy, and finally got so weak and rundown that I was not able to work more than two days out of each week.

"Several of my friends spoke to me about Tanlac, and recommended it so highly that I decided to give it a trial, and I am here to tell you, that you will have to go a mighty long way to find a medicine to equal Tanlac. Why, I can eat anything I want now, and I never have a sign of indigestion or stomach trouble of any kind. My strength has come back to me and I am getting my weight back in a hurry. I feel as well in every way as I ever did in my life, and I never lose any time from my work at all. Yes, sir, I certainly can recommend Tanlac, for I know from my own experience with it that it is one medicine that will do all they say it will."

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Things you need for the Fourth—

If you plan an auto trip or picnic, be sure you have vacuum bottles for hot coffee and lemonade. They'll prove bright spots in a perfect day.

The right kind of a lunch kit will make you independent of the crowded, hot restaurants.

And goggles will be a treat to the eyes, protecting them from glare and dust.

If you stay at home you will need iced tea glasses and spoons, cold meat forks, berry spoons, sherbets, and other equipment that makes the hot weather meal more appetizing and more easily served.

- Price list for various items: Icy-Hot bottles \$2.75 to \$15.00, Auto Lunch Kits \$5.75 to \$50.00, Iced Tea Glasses, set of 6 \$2.00 to \$12.00, Iced Tea Spoons, set of 6 \$1.00 to \$15.00, Sherbets, set of 6 \$2.50 to \$4.50, Silver Serving Pieces \$2.00 to \$10.00, Goggles \$ .75 to \$ 3.00

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Prosperous as Bemidji always is, she is unusually prosperous just at this time. Every merchant with whom we have talked tells us that he is doing a greater amount of business than he did a year ago. This bank has always been ready and willing to do its share in any publicity work. We feel that the donations which we have given for different publicity matters have been of great value to us. We think that the merchants ought to realize that probably one of the greatest reasons for their prosperity is the fact that they have donated five or ten dollars toward boosting for community development and that they should be more than willing to continue this good work in the future. Lets dig up cheerfully hereafter when called upon. Bemidji will then continue to be one of the liveliest, most prosperous towns in the state.

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