

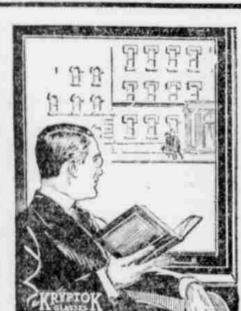
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 1916.

THREE IMPORTANT BILLS.

The prospective railroad strike has required the attention of the President this week in a large degree, but he found time Tuesday to sign the army, navy and Philippine bills. The army, navy and Philippine bills mark the longest step ever taken in time of peace for national defense. After passing the army reorganization bill, which increases the strength of the regular army and creates a strong second line of defense by federalization of the organized state militia, congress appropriated \$267,000,000 for the army. By the appropriation of \$815,000,000 for the navy, congress also assured its restoration to its proper place of power among the navies of the world. At the head of a long list of new ships to be constructed are four super-dreadnoughts and four battle-cruisers outclassing any ships of their kind in foreign navies. New construction includes 121 warships, from super-dreadnoughts to submarines. Under the continuing program of construction adopted in the navy bill ninety more ships will be added, among them six super-dreadnoughts and two battle-cruisers. The total sum appropriated this session by congress for the national defense—for the army, navy, coast fortifications and the Military Academy—will aggregate about \$645,000,000.

In the Philippines the time has come for the extension of the rights of self-government after nearly twenty years under American rule. At present only the lower branch of the Philippine legislature is elected by a small class of voters. The Philippine bill abolishes the Philippine commission, an appointive body, and substitutes for it an elective senate, while increasing the number of electors in the islands from 200,000 to about 800,000. It is a charter of home rule of the kind long promised the Filipinos.

Because equipment and transportation facilities are lacking it is said that 300 Vermont National Guardsmen in camp at Fort Ethan Allen since June 18 would not be able to start for the Mexican border until at least 30 hours after receipt from Washington of orders to entrain. Let's see! Wasn't Vermont one of the states that poked fun at New Hampshire for her delay in starting troops for the border? And hadn't it been generally understood that all the Vermont troops had gone?—Manchester Union.

The First Vermont regiment, recruited to more than minimum strength and fully equipped, left for the border more than two months ago. Weeks after our soldiers went into the service the New Hampshire regiment remained in camp at Concord, while the governor and the newspapers were raising the cry of patriotism and state pride in order to get more men. New Hampshire was the one state of New England that was woefully unprepared. The Vermont National Guard made a fine showing, at a time when New Hampshire felt disgraced. The additional men are recent volunteers who were untrained when they enlisted, aside from the Norwich university cadets. The latest contingent includes the regimental band, mounted scouts, supply company, wagoners and machine gun company. Vermont has furnished more soldiers per capita than any state in the union for border service, and the addition of the 300 new men, if they ever get to the border, will make the regiment strong and well-

rounded out in all the departments for service. New Hampshire has made a weak and sorry showing in comparison with Vermont and The Union knows it.

One-ninth of the area of New Hampshire is now owned by the government, almost 700,000 acres having been taken as a part of the national forestry reserve. The state will hereafter have no claim on this land for taxation purposes, but the perpetuation of the forests will mean more to our neighboring commonwealth than anything that could ever be collected in taxes.

Judging by the experience in other states the vote in the primaries in Vermont this year will be small. But it is this vote which counts. The candidates for the senatorship and for state and county offices on the Republican ticket are practically assured of election in November. The time when votes really count will be Sept. 12.

New York, by way of apology for its epidemic, says that there were fewer deaths from infantile paralysis in July, the worst month, than there were from measles last May—and nobody got excited about the measles. There's one highly important difference, however. Measles do not leave three-fourths of the victims cripples.

Good-bye summer months. We see you go into the discard with regret. But the two most beautiful months of the year are before us for enjoyment.

The trout fishing season in Vermont ends today.

Courtesy on the Road.

(Rutland News.)
With the multiplication of automobiles—there is now one machine to every twenty-five men, women and children in Vermont—comes not only the growing list of casualties, more or less serious, with the greater demand for safety and sanity in driving, but there is also emphasized the serious question of decency and courtesy on the road. One Rutland woman who drives her own car states that on two occasions recently cars that passed her machine dashed through mud and thoroughly besmeared not only her automobile but all of the occupants of the same. This is absolutely inexcusable and thoroughly reprehensible. The drivers of automobiles should certainly wish to show common courtesy to each other for their mutual benefit, if for no other reason.

Desire to Avoid Fuss.

(Athol, Mass., Transcript.)
What's the great attraction in Brattleboro that so many Massachusetts couples go there to be married? Four times as many marriages are solemnized in that town now as there were a few years ago, and the records show that nine-tenths of the couples are from Massachusetts. One Brattleboro justice of the peace performs more marriages than all the town ministers put together. This justice says the majority of people coming there from Massachusetts are of a prosperous and intelligent class, and not runaways or forced to marry in undue haste. Perhaps the mystery is explained by a desire to avoid the fuss and inconvenience of a home wedding. But we always thought that brides deemed the home ceremony the best part of the whole thing.

Should Wield Large Influence.

(Rutland News.)
George L. Dunham, the prominent merchant of Brattleboro, will be the next representative of that town in the state legislature. He is a man of unquestioned ability and will have opportunity in the legislature of showing that his reputation, perhaps all undeserved, of always looking out exclusively for Number 1, is not well grounded. An able representative like Mr. Dunham should wield large influence for promoting every progressive movement for the upbuilding of Vermont.

STATE NEWS NOTES.

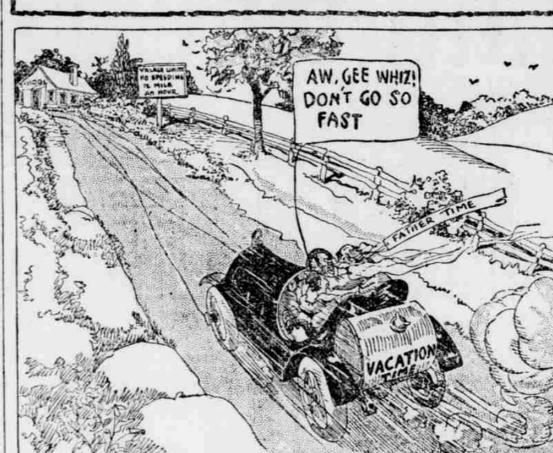
Celebrities Coming to Vermont.
A trio of celebrities is about to descend upon the good green hills of Vermont. None other than Thomas Edison, Henry Ford and John Burroughs are to take a joint vacation. They will fish first in the Adirondacks and Catskills and then invade Vermont. No guns will be taken because the party is made up of bird lovers and partly because Mr. Ford is alone. Edison will not even take his razor, so pacific is his expedition. The trio will travel in a touring car and their supplies will follow them in a high-speed motor truck. They plan to do the circuit, folks and will stick to backwoods roads most of the time. They are going to camp out as they did when they were boys, and either Burroughs or Edison will do the cooking. Edison says that he wants to do it, but doesn't think Burroughs will let him. The campers will take five tents and each will have his own quarters. Four men will go as attendants, to pitch camp and rattle supplies, which will be bought from farmers along the route.

TOWNSHEND.

Little Red Schoolhouse News.

There are several cases of pink eye in this neighborhood.
A. W. Sweeton was in the neighborhood this week inspecting the garlicks which have been entered for the contest.
Dr. and Mrs. Hopkinson and Mrs. Ira J. Dutton came to Wilmington Saturday and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Boyd at their cottage on Raponda lake.
Miss Bessie Thayer, demonstrator for the extension service of the agricultural department at Burlington, is to give her lecture and demonstration on canning at the schoolhouse Friday evening, Sept. 1. Every one is cordially invited.
Excursion to Ocean Beach, New London, Sept. 3. See adv on page 5.

JOY RIDER



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EASY MONEY

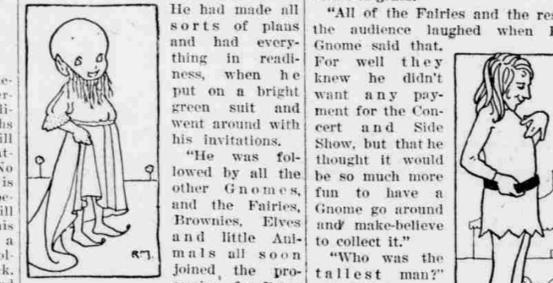
Easy money is a slang phrase which means putting nothing in and taking something out.
In the pioneer days of the Republic there was not much money in circulation and people who had a dollar were willing to work four days for another. Many a man who now owns a church pew and a limousine with a summer top started out in life with a hickory shirt and an appetite for work that wouldn't stall on a crossing. He never saw any easy money unless some kind-hearted neighbor gave him a quarter on circus day, and the chances are that he would sell the quarter and crawl under the tent. Up to 1888 the boy under eighteen who had \$2 on his person was considered a greater catch than an Italian count with a coat of arms and a reputation that could be heard from Maine to California.
Money is made so rapidly and in such large, rectangular blocks nowadays, however, that people put it in the banks and forget where they left it. A dollar today looks smaller to the average boy than a dime did thirty years ago. This is not because the boy is naturally a spendthrift, but because the average father looks back upon the time when he went to the Fourth of July celebration with nothing in his pockets but a fish hook and a doughnut. The trouble is that the boy who never has to work for the money he spends gets to thinking it grows on bushes, like the gooseberry, and when the supply runs short at home he is tempted to take enough from the till to get into the next jackpot on high.
Easy money is responsible for nine-tenths of the graft being put over in high and low places. The healthiest sight in the world is that of a man who is content to live in a small town, keep within his income, go without an electric washer, if necessary, and give his employer an hour's work for an hour's pay, without trying to lead the procession in an automobile costing more than a nine-room house with mission-oak finish. The responsible men of a community are not always the ones who can draw a check that would choke a rain barrel. It is just as liable to be the clerks and the day laborers who lay by money on \$3 a day, own their little homes, pay their bills promptly and go to church on Sunday without wrapping up in the cloak of pretence.
The quickest way to get easy money is to inherit it. Lots of money made by chicanery and 24 per cent interest thus falls into hands which have never had any and are thereby enabled to do a little good before the curtain drops.
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DADDY'S EVENING FAIRY TALE

MARY GRAHAM BONNER

BIG TENT.

"The Gnomes," commenced Daddy, "said that they hadn't had a Circus in ever and ever so long."
"Do they like a Circus, Daddy?" asked the Children.
"About as much as you do," said Daddy smiling.
"Then they certainly must like it better than anything in the world," said Nancy.
"That's just about true," replied Daddy. "Well, Peter Gnome was the one who started it. He had made all sorts of plans and had everything in readiness, when he put on a bright green suit and went around with his invitations."
"He was followed by all the other Gnomes, the Fairies, Brownies, Elves and little Animals all soon joined the procession, for Peter Gnome kept on calling out:
"This way to the Big Tent! This way to the Big Tent! Over and over again he kept saying it until finally he had enough little Creatures following him to fill as big a Tent as ever you've seen."
"At last he stopped before it, and there everyone saw an enormous Tent made out of birch bark and moss. Inside there were Seats made of old trees, and there were also Reserved Seats of old pieces of trees covered with moss. Most of the Fairies took Reserved Seats.
"And there were poles to keep the Tent up. Some of the Spiders and Caterpillars who had followed along climbed up the poles. For they said they might miss a great many sights if they stayed on the ground, but if they were high up they would see everything that was going on.
"Then the Circus began. And such a Circus as it was. The Gnomes had certainly practiced some very fine Tricks, and the way they dashed about the Ring in the center of the Tent, and the way they turned Somersaults and did Tricks—made the Brownies and Elves and Fairies delighted beyond words that they had been invited.
"But when all the Tricks were over,



and all the little Creatures thought it was time to leave, out came Peter Gnome and stood on the Platform made of a Toadstool in the center of the Ring.
"Ladies and Gentlemen," said Peter Gnome—for he had heard that was what they were called in the real Circus Tents—I want to take up a few minutes of your time."
"It's not our time any more than anyone else's," interrupted one of the Snails who had come in late.
"Well," continued Peter Gnome, "for a little while I wish to talk to you. And this is what I want to say. After this Circus, there will be a Concert—one of the finest Concerts ever heard. And in addition to that there will be a Side Show where will be seen the Bearded Lady and the Tallest Man living. All keep your Seats and one of the Gnomes will be around to collect from you the extra payment of two stems of grass."
"All of the Fairies and the rest of the audience laughed when Peter Gnome said that.
For well they knew he didn't want any payment for the Concert and Side Show, but that he thought it would be so much more fun to have a Gnome go around and make-believe to collect it."
"Who was the tallest man?" asked Nick.
"Old Mr. Giant," said Daddy. "He had been made to come just this once, and he did enjoy being made such a fuss of. The only thing he didn't like so much was when some of the Spiders crawled up his great long legs and tickled him a little. But soon they stopped when they saw he didn't like it and began weaving webs instead.
"All right," said Mr. Giant. "Make all the homes you like. I'll carry you to my Cave when I go, and you can have your Homes there. The Spiders, of course, were delighted.
"And the Bearded Lady turned out to be none other than Peter Gnome himself—dressed in a fine gown of oak leaves and wearing over his face a mask made out of the roots of trees!"
"Willie Had Had Enough."
"Look at that poor tramp, Willie," said his mother. "Don't you wish he had some of your pudding?"
"I wish he had it all," said Willie, who was suffering from a sense of fullness.

There was an old geezer, he had a lot of sense. He started up business on a dollar, eighty cents. The dollar for stock, and the eighty for an ad brought him three lovely dollars in a day, by dad! Well, he bought more goods and a little more space, and he played that system with a smile on his face. The customers flocked to his two-by-four and soon he had to hustle for a regular store. Up on the square where the people pass, he gobbled up a corner that was all plate glass. He fixed up the windows with the best that he had and told them all about it in a half-page ad. He soon had 'em coming and he never, never quit, and he wouldn't cut down on his ads one jit. And he's kept things humming in the town ever since, and everybody calls him the Merchant Prince. Some say it's luck, but that's all bunk—why, he was doing business when the times were punk! People have to purchase and the geezer was wise—for he knew the way to get 'em was to advertise.

LONDONDERRY.

Entered House and Stole \$14.
Some one entered Walter Cudworth's house Friday while the family were out and took \$14 in money. Mrs. Busher, who is working there, came in the front door and heard the back door shut and saw a man running up through the pasture, but could not identify him.

Ed. Slate has moved to Bellows Falls. Arthur Bemis of Springfield is visiting at F. A. Curtis's.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marble were in Manchester over Sunday.

Mrs. Lillian Shorey of Brattleboro was with her mother last week.

Mrs. F. A. Curtis was in Springfield, Mass., from Friday to Tuesday.

Carson Peirce of Springfield, Mass., is visiting his mother and other friends.

Herbert Williams and family have gone to Mallets Bay for a week's vacation.

The Ladies' Aid society made a trip by automobile to Cambridge, N. Y., Thursday.

Miss Mabel Phillips of Newfane was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Grey Wyman last week.

Rev. Frank Stockwell has gone to St. Johnsbury to attend the Universalist convention.

Mrs. Reed and two daughters of Amsterdam, N. Y., are visiting her mother, Mrs. Stella Bryant.

Rev. J. P. Richardson of Dighton, Mass., occupied the pulpit in the Congregational church Sunday.

Mrs. Annette Leonard of Windfall and Mrs. John Bush and son of Wakefield, Mass., were guests of F. M. Leonard's last week.

At the close of the meetings in the Universalist chapel last week eight children were christened and 17 were taken into the church.

Mr. Pete, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer and two children, and Miss Cora Orvis of Shelburne were guests over Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Barney.

The women of the Congregational society had a supper and concert in Union hall Tuesday evening, the proceeds to be used to build new steps for the church.

Mrs. Frank Pelkey and daughter, Clara, of Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pelkey and Mrs. Dousette of Claremont, N. H., were at Mrs. E. P. and Malcolm Barney's last week Wednesday.

Dr. Galvin's mother, his sister and husband and his niece from Camillus, N. Y., are visiting him at Lake Wantastiquet, also Mr. and Mrs. Mirfield of South Shaftsbury.

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