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The New Constitutional Convention

Dear Editor—Many years of devotion to the highest welfare of my state is my excuse for wishing to arouse general interest in what to me will be the most important event in Missouri history since 1875.

The possible outcome of the constitutional convention may affect us "for better or for worse" for a full half century or more, hence the thought that there should be full and free discussion of what constitutional changes are desired before the delegates are selected and the convention assembled.

That quick and easy adjustments may be made in any changes proposed by a new constitution, its proposals should be submitted to the people for adoption not later than June next. August primaries and November election next year may then be used to put its provision into effect. Should the election of delegates be held in November and the convention assembled in January its work may be completed in time for adoption in June.

There will be eighty-three delegates in the convention—two from each of the thirty-four Senatorial districts and fifteen from the state at large. The district delegates will be equally divided politically, since each of the two leading political parties in each district nominates one and each voter votes for one delegate only. All candidates for delegate-at-large will be nominated by petition and submitted on the ballot without any designation as to politics or issue.

While the plan may be commended for its bipartisan and non-partisan provisions, it has its dangers. Those who may have special interests to subserve or pet theories of government to try out will not find it difficult to secure membership in this convention if the people generally do not take interest in selecting them. No delegate should be elected until he is pledged on a few fundamental propositions.

There should be a non-partisan organization formed in every school district in the counties and in every voting precinct in the cities to discuss such questions as the short ballot, consolidation of departments and commissions, centralized control, a reorganized court system, county representation in the legislature, a unified state school system, assessment of property, limitation on taxation and bonded indebtedness, changes in the "Bill of Rights" affecting the home, women and children and affecting trade and industry, the retention of initiative and referendum and retaining and magnifying county and local control of public schools and in the administration of justice and public welfare. These and other questions will be issues in the convention. Respectfully,

W. T. CARRINGTON.
—From Capital News, Aug. 28.

Chronic Catarrh.

Our manner of living makes us very susceptible to colds and a succession of colds causes chronic catarrh a loathsome disease with which it is estimated that twenty-five per cent of our adult population are afflicted. If you would avoid chronic catarrh you must avoid colds or having contracted a cold get rid of it as quickly as possible. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is highly recommended as a cure for colds and can be depended upon.

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Special Appropriation For Hospital At M. U.

The Fifty-First General Assembly, in extra session, appropriated \$250,000 for the erection and equipment of a hospital at the University of Missouri. This appropriation was made contingent upon the establishment of the full four year course in the School of Medicine. The board of curators having complied with this requirement, the erection of the hospital building will proceed promptly and students will be enrolled for the full four year course as soon as proper conditions for clinical teaching prevail.

The School of Medicine of the University of Missouri is rated in the highest class by the Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Colleges. In the report of the Carnegie Foundation, published in 1910, the facilities of the School of Medicine of the University of Missouri are summarized as follows: "The medical department occupies a new and well

equipped building, excellently adapted to its purposes. The teaching is in charge of full-time instructors of modern training and ideas. A university hospital of forty-five beds gives the department the advantage of clinical material and connection, even though the actual instruction is limited to the work of the first two years, a feature of great importance. There is a library supplied with important current periodicals, domestic and foreign."

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The only difference between an egotist and an ordinary person is that the former lacks the good sense to conceal the fact from others that he thinks he's the smartest guy on earth.

HAS SEEN LIFE'S BITTERNESS

Granddaughter of the Mighty Napoleon I. Worthy of Remembrance by the French People.

Paris observed the centenary of Napoleon Bonaparte's death with elaborate ceremonies a few weeks ago. Amid all the pomp in honor of the one-time arbiter of Europe another figure stood out in contrast—that of a woman of fifty, dressed in black, with a fine open face, lined by sorrow and the incessant effort to eke out a livelihood, a teacher in an ordinary elementary school near the Boulevard St. Michel. This poor teacher, now living in a tiny apartment with her cat and a few meager possessions, is the granddaughter of Napoleon I. Her father was the illegitimate son of Napoleon and Eleonore de la Plaigne, a maid of honor to Caroline Murat, Napoleon gave the boy the title of Count Leon. Born in 1800, "Count Leon" died in 1881, after an exciting and feverish life, into which he crowded excessive gambling, many duels and love affairs and some mystical meditations. The count's only daughter, Charlotte Leon, was born when her father was sixty years old. She began life as a teacher in Algeria to support her widowed mother, to whom the count had left but small means of subsistence. After hard years of struggle on a pittance she finally went to Paris, where she married a M. Mesnard, taking the name of Mme Mesnard-Leon. Her husband is now dead and she lives alone, barely removed from want, meditating on the strange destiny of her grandfather, the great emperor, of her father's wild and stormy life—and of her only son, who died for France at Rheims during the war.

ALCOHOL FROM THE JUNGLE?

May Yet Be Economically Manufactured From Moist Vegetation of Tropical Forests.

We clutch at anything as a substitute for gasoline. Professor Whitford of the Yale school of forestry says that alcohol could be economically manufactured from the moist vegetation of tropical forests and jungles. "The evidence is conclusive," said Professor Whitford, "that the tropical sun has the power to store up more energy in the form of cellulose in a given time than has the temperate sun. If this is in a utilizable form it remains for the ingenuity of man to overcome the difficulties of profitably applying it. With the increasing needs of the nation it is reasonable to expect that sooner or later it will be necessary to utilize more fully the plant resources of the tropics." Professor Whitford said that the annual production of alcohol from the alpa plant in the Philippines was now nearly 3,000,000 gallons and that one distillery there had produced 93 per cent alcohol at a cost of about 20 cents a gallon, and if operated to full capacity could make it at a cost of 15 cents a gallon.—Scientific American.

Reversing Speech.

A curious phonographic instrument was invented by Poulsen, capable of reversing the sounds of a word or a sentence. A steel piano wire, carried on two spools, passes between the poles of a small electromagnet so connected with a telephone transmitter that spoken words are magnetically recorded on the moving wire and reproduced in a receiving instrument. When the motion of the wire is direct, the words are heard as in ordinary conversation, but if the motion is reversed, the sounds come to the ear in reverse order, like words spelled backward. To represent the order in which the reversed sounds strike the ear, however, not only must the order of the letters composing a word be reversed but each letter must itself be reversed from right to left, as when reflected in a mirror.—Christian Science Monitor.

Remarkable Calculation.

Charles L. Dodgson, professor of higher mathematics at Christ Church, Oxford, known to most people as "Lewis Carroll," and the author of "Alice in Wonderland," is responsible for the following peculiar calculation:

Write down the number of your brothers that are living. Multiply this by two. Add three. Multiply the result by five. To this add the number of your living sisters. Multiply the result by ten.

Add to this result the number of your dead brothers and sisters. From the total subtract 150.

The right hand figure gives the number of deaths, the middle figure gives the number of living sisters, and the left-hand figure gives the number of living brothers.

Lodgings or Lollypops.

Referring to our note on the disappearance of cottage pudding because of the shortage of cottages, a correspondent asks if the high cost of lumber isn't really due to the vast quantities of it now being used in making lollypop handles. Probably, sir, probably. So that while we use our lumber in making cheap sweets we cannot expect to have cheap suites.—Boston Transcript.

German Blind Soldiers Increase.

There are 3,322 blind soldiers in Germany from the World war and one hundred have died. The discouraging feature of it all is that there were only 1,354 war blind when the armistice was signed. In addition to the totally blind, there are at present 4,129 who have "bad eyes" as the result of war service.—New York Evening Post.

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DRIVING A PIG.

By CLARA C. HOLMES.

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"Not many folks in Willoby know it, but I did have one gentleman friend once," confided Miss Amelia, glancing up from her sewing.

With mischief gleaming in her roguish eyes, Constance asked: "One experience was quite enough for you, was it, Miss Amelia?"

"Well, I must say I was disappointed. 'Tisn't likely I shall be mistaken again."

Then Constance fell into abstraction, while Amelia continued reminiscently: "When I lived on Rock road a young man from Darrytown used to visit me. Willoby folks never knew what good friends Simeon Rush and I got to be. I liked Simeon awfully well, but I was too shy to let him know. He and I used to play checkers together."

"Simeon married Lovey and they began housekeeping in Darrytown"—this time she was interrupted by an unwelcome sound outside.

"If my pesky pigs aren't both out!" exclaimed Amelia.

Constance, at the window, saw two shoats running toward the orchard.

"They'll spoil the apples!" despaired Amelia.

"I'll call George," encouraged Constance, going to the telephone.

Amelia hurried out to the shed and stirred up a painful of mush; but porridge did not appeal to the palates of the rooters—they had had a whiff of the wild.

When George arrived he and Constance took to chasing one shoat, which started with speed for Darrytown 12 miles away.

When he might have reached that township is still a matter of conjecture, for a pedestrian chanced along and headed the runaway toward home. When the man reached Little Orchard farm he observed three people sitting on the well curb, one looking as though she had lost her best friend; one laughing gleefully, and a young man pretending to fill himself with oxygen from his bicycle pump.

George went to assist the man, who was flourishing a long stick at the shoat's nose.

"A fine idea," acknowledged George. "Gif the point?" asked the man. "A pig must be drove in an opposite direction—north for south, and vice versa. You got a string?"

George happened to have a trout line.

"You hold the dumb thing," commanded the man, "I'll adjust the string to his tail."

George succeeded in gripping the "dumb" thing's head. As the string would not coalesce with the tail, it was affixed to a hind leg.

"Where is your pig pen?" demanded the man. "Everybuddy gif out of the way!"

The man drew the string taut. When it was slackened the pig started on a "home run" that would have done Babe Ruth credit.

Satisfied at last, the pig grunted at his porridge, and, pig-like, the other shoat came to feast with its brother. Amelia came forward, extending her hand. She was greeting Simeon Rush!

It was Constance who invited Simeon into the house.

Amelia made herself hospitable, chatting and preparing a lunch.

"How is Lovey nowadays?" she inquired.

"Well, as far as I know," frowned Simeon.

"Do you ever play checkers nowadays?" he asked at last.

"Not often; but I have our board."

"Let's play checkers, Amelia."

"I don't want to play unless you play better than you used to," she demurred.

"I'll do my best."

But she won the first game.

"We play too one-sided," she revolted, thinking about Lovey.

"Give me one chance more, Amelia," he entreated, smiling into her eyes.

She won two games out of three; then she arose.

"You don't play any better," she reminded.

He grasped her hands, holding them fast. She flinched, the word coming involuntarily.

"Lovey!"

"Lovey left me three years ago—don't you know?"

"I didn't know," she replied, a little wistfully.

"Amelia," he faltered, "I wonder if you will consider marrying me now?" She flashed him a smile, and in it he saw a light he had never seen in Lovey's eyes.

That night Amelia's beautiful face beamed brightly in her new happiness. There was a commingling of humor in Amelia's mental composition. As she gazed at the sparkling creature in the glass before her, she said to it: "Amelia Hubcock, today you learned a valuable lesson at the checkerboard; you knew just how to drive a pig."

The next day, however, Amelia heard Simeon say to Constance:

"If I ken help it, ye ain't goin' to have no regrets, pretty little match-maker."

Wiring Terminals.

In applying wire to terminals the correct way to perform the operation is to twist the bare end of the wire around the terminal in the same direction that the hands of a clock move. This is because the screw thread is right-handed and the tendency in tightening the nut will be to twist the wire tighter even than it was.