

On the Issue of Americanism There Can Be No Compromise

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Weather: Tonight and Sunday, occasional rain; moderate southerly winds.

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Baby: Unwise Mothers. Babies on Trains. Foolish Feeding. Lack of Sleep.

BY MRS. MAX WEST
With the flood of books and articles on the care and feeding of babies and young children constantly pouring out from many sources at the present time, it seems as if every young mother ought by this time to have learned at least the fundamental principles of her business.

WHAT THE BABY HAD TO EAT
When the meal came it consisted of chicken salad, covered with mayonnaise, hot rolls, soft and thick coffee, and apple dumplings, hot with a thick sauce poured over it.

First a forkful of salad to herself, then one to the baby. Naturally he could make but little headway with the hard bits of chicken, his teeth being so tiny, and when she added to this lump of the soft inside of the rolls, his mouth became so full that mastication was out of the question.

Another child on this same journey was the victim of a different sort of maternal wisdom, almost as deplorable. He was between 3 and 4 years, a thin, nervous child, but bright and attractive.

It was 7 o'clock when they had finished dinner and high time for him to have been put to bed. But instead, the mother took him back to the club car and permitted him to run about from one to another of the strangers seated there, reading, or chatting. They talked and laughed with him, and the mother evidently proud of his conquest, urged him on to show her off. At last one of the women present asked her what time he went to bed, and she replied, "Oh, most any time. Sometimes at 7, sometimes not until 10 or after. He HATES to go to bed!"

There was silence, since no one seemed to undertake her education, it appeared, tho no one agreed with her.

But presently the baby began to whimper and fret. He was so thoroughly tired out that even his mother couldn't urge him to further activity, and at last he was borne off in a fit of hysterical crying, to the bed he ought to have been in for at least an hour.

In both cases, and in many more similar ones, it is not the mother who pays the price of her own ignorance of proper methods of care. It is the baby who at last pays, and often pays heavily.

FRANCE HOPES U. S. WILL CANCEL DEBT
WASHINGTON, March 12.—The coming to America of Rene Viviani, former French premier, has two main objects, it was stated in semi-official advices received in Washington.

Town's Population Takes Big Jump
LANCASTER, Ohio, March 12.—North Berne increased its population 74 per cent today. The population was 19. George W. Frazure moved his family of 14 there.

Japanese Cabinet Sustained in Vote
TOKYO, March 11.—(Delayed.)—What amounted to a formal vote of confidence in the government was given today when the peers defeated a resolution impeaching the cabinet by a vote of 164 to 126.

Searches for Lost Woman Due on Ship
F. M. Mizner, of Chico, is searching for Mrs. S. Patterson, 45, who was supposed to have arrived here on the steamship President Thurston.

DOLL TAX REFERENDUM

---at the End of the Week WE TAKE OFF OUR HAT TO:

CAMPAIGN IS STARTED IN SEATTLE

Manning Organizing Committee to Lead Fight to Kill Measure

(See Editorial Comment on Page 6)
A statewide referendum on the new poll tax law will be started, with Seattle the center of activity.

This was the announcement Saturday from J. R. Manning, a Seattle undertaker, who Thursday in a statement to The Star branded the tax as a "damnable piece of work."

Manning Saturday said he had a committee partially formed to push the referendum with all possible speed through the state. He promised to have the names of the committee ready for publication Monday.

AMERICAN LEGION AND LABOR INTERESTED
"I have men from various occupations, irrespective of politics, who have agreed to serve," he said.

"Among them are representatives from labor and from the American Legion posts," he said.

Manning said he expected no trouble in financing the referendum. "There is no question but that we will push it thru," he said.

"But we want to put it over within 90 days, before the poll tax measure becomes a law."

The poll tax was branded as an attempt by Governor Hart to cast odium on the soldiers' bonus, when Seattle Post No. 18 of the American Legion Friday night adopted a resolution bitterly attacking it.

The new law levies a \$5 tax on every man and woman in the state from 21 to 50, whether rich or poor.

The resolutions were adopted almost unanimously.
Seattle was ranged with those who believe that the poll tax is necessary to raise funds for the bonus.

County Assessor ALSO OPPOSES IT
The ex-assessor was wild with indignation when the matter was brought up.

County Assessor Frank W. Hull Saturday was ranged with those bitterly opposed to the poll tax.

Hull declared the proposed law impracticable, pointing out that collection would be highly expensive and the law difficult to enforce. The burden, he thought, would fall on property owners who are already paying heavily and others would devise ways of escape.



MISS NELLIE CORNISH—Because this summer, she will bring to the Cornish School of Music some artists of national repute.



WILLIAM L. LINDSLEY And MRS. M. M. LINDSLEY—Because Mrs. Lindsley, who, on Sunday, will celebrate her 90th birthday with a whole flock of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren present, believes in keeping young and cheerful.



MISS VIOLA NORREY—Because, when she went to war, and Star carriers were scarce, she undertook to fill the gap by being a carrier herself.



RALPH R. KNAPP—Because he is a fine, living, flesh-and-blood example of a boy's book hero.



Clara Smith Hamon, his secretary-protege, charged with his murder.

USE WEAPON TO FORCE PAYMENT Woman and Brother Face Extortion Charge

To collect a bill of \$300, Mrs. E. J. Johnstone, 218 Harvard ave. N., accompanied by her brother, T. Gill, who arrived from Michigan to help her get the money, is alleged to have gone to the office of C. W. Antill, real estate dealer at 524 Lumber Exchange bldg., at noon Friday and to have beaten him until he wrote a check for the amount.

WOMAN IN JAIL; BROTHER FLEES SOUTH

Mrs. Johnstone is in the county jail charged with extortion. Gill has been fixed at \$2,500. Gill is believed to have been on his way to California.

SISTER CASHES CHECK AS WRITER IS HELD

Antill decided. He wrote the check, thinking he would stop payment by telephone at once.

Cannery Boat Loses Chinese and Opium

The cannery boat Libby Marie is minus one of her crew Saturday, and Chung Sai is minus his liberty and a can of smoking opium.

Auto Stalls; Driver Is Hurlled Thru Air

Stalled on the car tracks at Howell st. and Summit ave. Friday night, the auto of W. R. Grisson, 7440 Rainier ave., was hit by a street car, badly damaged, and Grisson hurled thru the air and painfully injured.

Why Do More Brunettes Than Blondes Disappear?

Dear Miss Grey: Some time ago I saw an article in a paper in regard to the fact that nearly all the girls that leave home, according to the police records, are brunettes. They are unable to give any satisfactory answer as to the reason, claiming it is a question for science to answer.

As shown by these records for 12 consecutive months, every day of the year there has been at least one girl reported missing in Seattle to the police. Of these nearly all are brunettes.

I have followed your columns closely for some time and I notice in many of your discussions, some of your correspondents answer from a scientific or psychological viewpoint. I wonder if some of them can make a plausible answer to this puzzling question?

How about it, readers? Get out those thinking caps and let's not disappoint "Anxious to Know." Seriously speaking, it should prove both an interesting and enlightening discussion: "WHY DO MORE BRUNETTE GIRLS DISAPPEAR THAN BLONDES?" —CYNTHIA GREY.

PICK SCENARIO WINNERS SOON

Friday, March 18, has been chosen as the day on which the three local winners in The Seattle Star J. Parker Read, Jr., \$5,000 scenario contest will be announced.

President Appeals for China Relief

WASHINGTON, March 12.—An appeal for relief to the famine-stricken people of China was issued by President Harding today.

Thomas W. Miller Property Custodian

WASHINGTON, March 12.—Thomas W. Miller, of Delaware, has been named alien property custodian, it was announced at the White House today.

Mary Is Sick; 'Doug' Is Now Her Physician

LOS ANGELES, March 12.—A galaxy of learned M. D.'s was dismissed and Douglas Fairbanks, L. D. laugh doctor, today took charge of the peculiar case of Mary Pickford.

This Thief Likes Camouflaged Coats

The several spots of paint on Ritchie Kingen's overcoat didn't worry the thief who removed the spots and coat from the office of the Hotel Oxford, Second ave. and Virginia st., Friday.

All School Warrants Are to Be Called in

Constituting the largest call for redemption of warrants ever made in King county, the county treasurer announced that on March 19 all the outstanding warrants of Seattle School District No. 1, amounting to over \$2,700,000, will be paid on presentation at his office.

Several Dead in Hotel Fire

CLINTON, Okla., March 12.—Several persons were reported burned to death in a fire which today destroyed the Grace hotel, a four-story brick building here.

Booths Due in City at 3:15

Gov. Hart has been asked to present Gen. Bramwell Booth, world organizer of the Salvation Army, who was scheduled to reach Seattle at 3:15 today, at meetings Sunday at the Masonic Temple.

Tacoma Woman Lost Pearls on a Visit

While visiting here Friday, Mrs. B. Knutsen, of 803 1/2 S. 38th st., Tacoma, lost a string of pearls, 20 inches long, she reported to police Saturday.

HE SENT WORD TO HARDING AND DIED

Witness at Hamon Girl's Trial Says Jake Was Republican Leader of U. S.

BY CARL VICTOR LITTLE
COURTHOUSE, Ardmore, Okla., March 12.—The dead Jake Hamon's political power was revealed today in the trial of Clara Smith Hamon, his secretary-protege, charged with his murder.

Jake Hamon's pal, W. D. Nichols, former police chief of Ardmore, and now in the oil game, in testimony for the state, said:

"I was with Jake just before he died. Jake and I talked politics. I think he was the republican leader of the United States. He told me he would die and begged me to go straight to Warren Harding to get some of his friends taken care of with political jobs."

LAWYER ASKS ABOUT REPUBLICAN VICTORY
Nichols' testimony came as the result of cross-examination of "Wild Bill" McLean, Fort Worth, counsel for the accused girl. It was brought about by this leading question:

"Didn't you and Hamon discuss the great republican victory at the polls?"

Nichols' testimony was chiefly concerned with corroborating the testimony of Dr. Hardy yesterday, who stated Hamon, before he died, said that Clara shot Hamon while she was lying on the bed and while she carried his hair.

Nichols stood up well under cross-examination.
E. S. Sallis, chauffeur, who drove Clara from Dallas on her wild flight toward the Mexican border, was called to the stand after Nichols.

He said that the defendant tried to get an airplane at Dallas, but when she failed she hired him for the trip, for which she paid him \$150 and a \$100 tip.

"She rode in the front seat with me," he said. "At one time I noticed that she had two pistols on her lap. She told me she had shot a man."

Attorney General Freeing, prosecutor, brought out the point, while examining Sallis, that Walter Scott, one of the defense attorneys, and the defendant had called on the chauffeur recently for a statement.

On cross-examination, McLean asked the witness if he had ever been convicted of a felony or charged with a crime. Sallis made denial.

"You didn't give the defendant a statement because she didn't offer you any money," exclaimed McLean.

McLean asked the following from the sermon: "Why God permitted this accident I do not know. SAYS HAMON'S SINS 'WASHED AWAY'."

"If Jake Hamon is not safe in the hands of his Master, then I am lost," Rev. Irwin said he knew Hamon didn't go to heaven, he didn't want to go, we read.

At the time of the sermon it was believed Hamon's death was accidental. McLean read the following from the sermon: "Why God permitted this accident I do not know. SAYS HAMON'S SINS 'WASHED AWAY'."

HUNT ASSASSIN OF TACOMA MAN

Citizen Is Slain and Wife Wounded

TACOMA, March 12.—A small, dark man, speaking with a foreign accent, was being hunted today at the suspected assassin who, late last night, shot and killed Harry E. Hallen, 27, assistant superintendent of the Griffin Wheel company, and wounded Mrs. Hallen.

Footprints of the murdered beneath the windows of the home of Mrs. Hallen's parents, whom the couple had been visiting just previous to the shooting, were definite clues on which the police were working.

PIERS AT VICTIMS THRU WINDOW
The slayer had emptied a rain barrel and had moved it from one window to another to stand up on while he peered in at his intended victims.

Neither Mrs. Hallen, who is in the hospital, nor her relatives, could describe any motive for the attack.

Police still held to the theory that the shots might have been fired by a disgruntled employe of the Wheel company, recalling the fact that an assassin on two different occasions recently attempted to take the life of Victor Kramer, foreman at the same plant. Kramer has left the city since these shootings.

The description of the murderer, as given today by Mrs. Hallen, tallied exactly with that of a man seen by her brother, Walter Richmond, at the scene of last night's killing.

Four shots were fired by the murderer, Mrs. Hallen said. Two of them struck her husband in the body and two pierced Mrs. Hallen's leg below the knee.

Hallen died 40 minutes after being shot, while being removed to a hospital.

As the couple were walking along a darkened street, a man stepped from behind a telephone pole and with warning opened fire. Hallen fell, pulling Mrs. Hallen down with him.

Altho Mrs. Hallen and her husband had no enemies, to her knowledge, the police incline to the belief that the motive for the crime was revenge.

They Tell 'Em About George Washington

They told all about the constitution of the United States and who was George Washington, and everything in Federal Judge Neterer's court Saturday. Naturalization hearings were in progress.

Mrs. MacSwiney Is Not Engaged to Wed

LONDON, March 12.—The report of the engagement of Mrs. Terence MacSwiney, widow of the lord mayor of Cork, to Arthur O'Brien of the Irish Self-Determination league, has been denied. O'Brien himself issued the statement that the report was false.

Young Banquet Is Taken From Store

Seven luscious pies, two slabs of bacon, a piece of hotted ham, candy and tobacco were stolen from the store of H. Polzin, 1515 Westlake ave. N., he reported to police Saturday.