

"VAMPS" WHO MADE HISTORY

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THE FIREBRAND OF THE REVOLUTION.

IF IT had not been for a woman the French Revolution might never have taken place. It was October 5, 1789. Outside the palace of Versailles a mob of women from Paris cried for bread and the head of "the Austrian woman," Marie Antoinette. She and Louis XVI looked from the windows, and Marie asked: "Why don't they eat cake?"

The women had dragged cannon from Paris, which they could not fire because the rain had wet their powder. Versailles was protected by the royal bodyguard and a regiment of Flemings. The local post of the Garde Nationale was in sympathy with the women and would have helped them, but they had no cartridges.

At this point enters Theroinne de Mericourt, already a heroine of republican Paris, and a vampire who had laid waste many hearts. She appeared before Versailles in a red silk dress, a big hat with a feather, and a sabre at her belt. She went among the women and picked willing spirits to attack the Flemings. Their "attack" was made with kisses—a kiss for a cartridge. Soon the Garde Nationale fired on the bodyguard. The next day Versailles was stormed. Marie escaped in her petticoat.

Back in Paris, Theroinne was acclaimed a queen of the Revolution. On August 10, 1792, she led in the attack on the Tuilleries and the massacre of the Swiss guard. The sinister Robespierre, revolutionary leader, was said to have been one of her intimates. But before he came to his greatest power suspicion pointed to Theroinne in a plot to assassinate Marie. She was kidnaped and carried to Austria in a carriage, and there put on trial for her life. She succeeded in reaching Leopold II and "vamped" her way to freedom.

Then came the tremendous events of 1793. Robespierre rose to be the first man of the state. But Theroinne announced that she had "withdrawn her confidence" from him and joined his enemies. Her opposition was so strenuous that Robespierre hired a band of women to take his revenge. They intercepted Theroinne before the Tuilleries the scene of her glory in 1792. This time she did not wear her sabre. The women overpowered Theroinne, turned her petticoats over her head and spanked her before the Parisian crowd.

No human reputation could have withstood such ignominy. The sly Robespierre had struck Theroinne a death blow. Paris laughed, her great deeds were forgotten and only her shame known. She lost all political power over night and not long afterward her mind as well.

Local Addenda

W. C. Brandt of Dalton was a capitol visitor Thursday.

Chas. Bondurant is here the guest of relatives and friends.

Mrs. Wade Grimsley of south of town is a typhoid fever patient.

Miss Ida Veatch was quite ill the first of the week but is much better now.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Ryan returned to Kansas City Sunday after a few days with relatives here.

Wm. Ward of Winslow, Ariz., came Wednesday to be a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. White.

Mrs. Henry Linneman a highly respected citizen of south of town died at her home Sunday Sept. 11 and was buried Tuesday Sept. 13. She was 57 years of age.

FOR WINTRY SETTING



Here is a wrap that will delight those women who admire handsome embroidery and rich fringes in the company of luxurious looking furs. It is made of a fine coating of the velours type, which lends itself to these decorations and is entitled to be classed as a superb coat.

METHODIST CHURCH

The services at the methodist church Sunday were very well attended. Will you be with us next Sunday?

Do you go to church?
If not, why not?
Come thou with us and we will do thee good.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.
Sermon by O. L. Hunt at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.

AND THEN TURN DOWN UNCLE SAM

An exchange in saying that "life is one derved thing after another" further goes on to say: We wear gold and diamonds, silk and satins, feed on luxuries, play cards for prizes dance the bunny-hug, gutter dip and shimmy-wiggle, fill our hides full of bootleg and lobster, fly thru the air, tear up roads, keep late hours, deny ourselves rest and sleep, spend money like pouring water down a rat hole, and then damn the universe and the government because we feel tough and go broke.—Howell County Gazette.

NOT SURPRISED IN CALIFORNIA STATE

Los Angeles, Sept. 22.—The tragic death of Virginia Rappe and the arrest of Roscoe Arbuckle as her murderer, found the citizenry of Los Angeles—those in other walks of life than the movie industry—not unprepared, and not inclined to be overly shocked or surprised. Rather the attitude is "I told you so."

So many scandals, so many rumors, substantiated or not of wild orgies and wilder individuals of the film colony, have been the daily "news" of the town that the Arbuckle case is classed as "only one more movie outrage."

The movie industry and the homes and studios of those connected with it are largely confined to the Hollywood section of the city. When the denizens put on "parties" their objective points are usually a number of cafes and hotels which have made it a practice to cater to the supposedly long purses of the actors, actresses and hangerson.

The more violent orgies have been generally reserved for private consumption. Liquor is free as air in most cases, and, as usual under the prohibition scheme here, flows fast and furiously. Many times the neighbors have telephoned the police and the parties have been temporarily broken up, but that apparently has been no detriment.

The wilder entertainments at the cafes which make bids for the film trade have been more restricted, but the spectacle of drunken people, rough dancing and table visiting is too common to allow those of the populace who are respectable to patronize the "jazz palaces."

Such places have become "thrillers" where the tourists were taken and the action has been provided by the hangerson, the ruffian of over-salaried boom-time suppers.

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HAS PICTURE OF FOURTH CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED IN 1875

A photograph of the members of Missouri's Fourth Constitutional convention, held in 1875, and which is thought to be the only picture of the convention now in existence, is in the possession of Carl Deeg, 225 East High street Jefferson City.

Mr. Deeg has had the picture ever since he opened his studio twenty-one years ago and thinks it was left there by the former owner. The picture was made by Downing & Win-High street Jefferson City.

While the picture is yellowed with age, the photographs of the members are practically unmarred. In the upper left hand corner is a picture of the capitol building which was then used. In the upper right hand corner is the Governor's Mansion which stands today. It shows a difference, however. Then there were no trees in the yard and one lone gas lamp serves for illumination.

An interesting feature of the picture is the apparent abundance of beads among the statesmen of the time and the noticeable lack of baldness in the picture, not one is bald and only four appear with beards.

Mr. Dees prizes the picture very highly and is sorry that he did not take it to the State Fair at Sedalia to be shown in the exhibit of the Missouri State Historical Society. At this time, when interest all over the state is developing over the coming state Constitutional convention the picture takes on added interest and value and should be included in the collection of the Missouri State Historical Society.

Members from the various districts of the state made up the convention of 1875. Among them were numbered such men as Joseph Pulitzer, the organizer and owner of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and New York World, William F. Switzer of Columbia, in whose honor one of the buildings at the State University was dedicated, and Elijah H. Norton, of St. Joseph, who afterward became a member of the Supreme Court of the state, and Lewis F. Cotty, of Edina, who draws his distinction from the fact that he was the youngest delegate to attend the convention.

The convention met at Jefferson City, May 5, 1875, and elected Waldo E. Johnson president. A thorough revision of the entire organic law of the state was made and the adoption of the Constitution by a vote of sixty ayes and no noes is emphatic of the unity and purpose which actuated the body. The convention adjourned Aug. 2, 1875. The Constitution was ratified when submitted to the people by a majority of 76,688.

At the convention of 1875, sixty-one of the delegates were Democrats, five were Republicans and two were Liberals. At the coming Constitutional convention such a preponderance of delegates from one political party will not be possible since the plan is to elect two delegates from each senatorial district, one from each of the great parties. In addition to this fifteen delegates will be elected at large.

Missouri has had four Constitutional conventions. The first was held in 1820 and the first constitution of the state enacted. It must have been well nigh perfect, as it answered, with few amendments, every requirement for forty-five years. The second convention, which was held in 1845, proved a failure as the people of the state refused to ratify it by a majority vote of 9,000. The third convention was held during the turbulent times of 1895.

The following is the list of the delegates to the fourth convention of 1875, in full: James C. Roberts, Henry Boone, Elijah H. Norton, D. C. Allen; J. A. Holliday, John B. Hale, John H. Shanklin, Wesley Halliburton, Charles Hammond, A. M. Alexander, H. M. Porter, John R. Ripley, B. R. Dysart, William F. Switzer, John R. Rucker, H. C. Lackland, L. J. Dryden, A. V. McKee, N. C. Hardin, Levi J. Wagner, Lewis Cotty, Edward McCabe, William Priest, William Crisman, F. M. Black, Waldo Johnson, E. A. Nickerson, S. R. Crockett, J. H. Taylor, Henry C. Wallace, W. H. Letcher, B. F. Massey, John Ray, C. B. McAfee, G. W. Bradfield, J. W. Ross, T. W. B. Crews, John Hyer, J. H. Maxey, Philip Pipkin, E. V. Conway, J. F. Edwards, Pinky Mabrey, N. W. Watkins, G. W. Carlton, L. H. Davis, J. H. Rider, A. M. Lay, T. J. Kelly, Washington Adams, J. P. Ross, J. O. Broadhead, Albert Todd, Joseph Pulitzer, Thos. Gantt, Amos Taylor, Henry Spaunhorst, Nicholas Mortell, Henry Brockmeyer, J. C. Edwards, Malcomb McKillop, T. J. Johnson Charles Eitzen, George Shields, Henry Mudd, R. W. Ryan, Lewis Gottschalk.—Missouri State Journal.

Mrs. Pat Wilkerson of Fayette, attended the funeral of her father, Joseph Hayward, and remained for a few days visit to her sister, Mrs. Lee Cuddy.

BOY SCOUTS



(Conducted by National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.)

BURGOMASTER MAX TALKS

The following little address was made by the famous Belgian patriot Burgomaster Max of Brussels to the Boy Scouts of Belgium. Its message rings as true for the Boy Scouts of America as for their brothers across the sea:

"In becoming a scout, each one of you has made the most important resolution of his life: that of seeking to acquire those many qualities and moral virtues which make the good citizen.

"You know already that to be a scout it is not enough to wear the uniform. You must obey the law which you have voluntarily imposed upon yourself, whose ten points embody your duties toward yourself and toward your neighbor.

"In subjecting yourselves to the training which renders the body supple, in exercising your will power, in developing your powers of observation, of decision and of judgment, you serve your apprenticeship to active life. You will learn to act quickly and well and to surmount difficulties and obstacles.

"The habit of discipline and the consciousness of fraternal solidarity combined with exercise in the open air, will prepare you to defend your country, following the example of the heroic boy scouts who fell in the course of the war. The devotion that you bring to this sacred mission will ennoble your desire always to keep in practice the principles of duty and of honor.

"The scout school is a school of self-denial and loyalty. The good scout ought to have the cult of moral beauty, the unwavering desire to be worthy of his own and to merit others' esteem. You will reach this goal if your spirit is vigilant and your effort sustained.

"All that you accomplish of good, however small may be its results, will contribute toward the growth of your soul, to make of you a man without reproach who has no guide save honor.

"Courtesy, correctness, good humor, and cordiality, service and the conscientious accomplishment of your task will strengthen your heart and your spirit.

"Those will become men of worth who strive to observe this scout law, to seek each day to do a good turn."

WHEN SCOUTS ARE TOGETHER



Typical one-tent unit of many of the boy scout camps, so popular in many sections.

SCOUTS IN CAMP.

L. L. McDonald, national camp director of the Boy Scouts of America, recently gave out that there are approximately two thousand troop and council camps at present in operation in the United States, which means that over 150,000 boys are enjoying this summer the benefits and delights of life in the open under ideal conditions of leadership and equipment. All these camps are under expert scout men and are conducted in accordance with the requirements of the national camping department. The scout law is the law of each camp and every one of these 150,000 boys will come back home a little nearer the scout ideal "physically strong, mentally awake, morally straight."

SCOUT LOSES LIFE SAVING CHUM.

Thomas R. Robinson of Camden, N. J., a thirteen-year-old boy scout, recently gave his life in saving that of another lad who could not swim. His effort was successful, but just at the last moment he himself became exhausted and sank. Pathetically enough, young Robinson had confided to his friends long before the accident that it was the dearest wish of his life to be a hero and to wear a medal of honor from the Boy Scouts of America.

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