

DEDICATED TO THE SERVICE OF THE PEOPLE, THAT NO GOOD CAUSE SHALL LACK A CHAMPION, AND THAT EVIL SHALL NOT TRIBE UNOPPOSED.

Pecos Entitled To Success

"Dam it, we must," from down Pecos way, is not profanity. It is merely the determined slogan of the farmers of that section relative to the Pecos river. They want Uncle Sam to do for them what he has done for New Mexico and Texas with the Elephant Butte dam; what he has done for scores of other communities in the great west with his reclamation service.

is all that is needed to make fertile the year round some of the finest land to be found anywhere. By private undertakings dams and canal systems have been constructed for the reclamation of many acres of this very valuable land, but with several different enterprises united under one head and receiving their water from one source, the cost would be reduced, the operation simplified and the guaranty of permanence and success would be greater.

Pecos valley and her people are deserving. They have pioneered the country, proved what can be done, and are entitled to the aid of the government. The Herald predicts success for them in their undertaking, for the Pecos people are of the type that has made all this southwestern country great—they are workers, hard, earnest workers—and in this as in all else they have done and are doing, they are going about it to win. Here's success to them.

Gen. Villa has transferred his campaign from Torreon to Washington and ordered all the veterans of pro-arrivacion into action.

Villa currency is said to be the only currency in the world which isn't being counterfeited. It's so cheap that makers of bogus currency would lose money on it.

The big drive of the allies on the western front is probably intended for a four-fold purpose: To relieve the pressure on Russia, to delay the Austro-German march through Serbia to the rescue of Turkey, to wobble Bulgaria's flank before committing herself to the side of the central empire, and, lastly, to drive the Germans out of France and Belgium.

Help To Prevent Fires

The warning of the Texas fire marshal against the danger of fires from uncleaned flues is timely and should be heeded. More fire losses, according to the records, are the result of carelessness with flues and stoves than of any other cause.

Flues become clogged with soot and sometimes with papers; they take fire at the first kindling of the furnace, stove or fireplace in the fall and often the flames are communicated to the house.

All flues should be examined once a year for cleanliness; it is far better to pay a chimney sweep for a few hours' work than it is to lose a home and its contents. Insurance never covers all the loss; there are often many things that can never be replaced. Few homes are without their relics and keepsakes that are of more value than money. A little care will help to save these.

Flues are not the only danger, but they are probably the most prolific cause of fire. Waste paper and other materials that are allowed to collect in corners in the basement or in the yard; old rags, especially if they are greasy, and debris of all sorts are causes of fire and should be cleaned out. If they cannot be burned in the furnace, they should be hauled off.

Clean premises seldom take fire except from some exceptional cause, such as an explosion, defective wiring, or carelessness. It is a duty to keep a place clean in the first place, but it is also a precaution. And besides protecting yourself, you are protecting your neighbors when you do what you can to prevent fires.

You owe a duty to society to protect it. Your neighbor who takes precautions against fire should not be compelled to be exposed to your carelessness. Clean up the rubbish, inspect the flues and keep down the fire loss.

Who says the masses don't appreciate art? The alluring girls on the cover pages sell thousands of magazines.

A hearty grip of welcome for the Eighth cavalry, Fourth field artillery and Seventh infantry. Some day we hope to have the other three-quarters of the army here, the samples are so excellent.

Southern Arizona settlers, far removed from the hope of big dams and reservoirs, foresee in pump irrigation the reclamation of their fertile plains. There was a time when there seemed to be no future agriculturally for land which could not be irrigated from a reservoir or river. But the day is coming when land which even now is considered practically worthless because of lack of water will be producing crops and furnishing homes for a happy people.

Here is one the Bisbee Review prints as a fact: A man stuffed a ten dollar bill in the muzzle of his revolver to hide it. Another man borrowed the revolver and fired it at a jack rabbit. Next day the two went to the point where the shot was fired and found the ten dollar bill, perfectly good except that the corner was a bit singed. To have added that the rabbits laughed heartily over the affair would have made it a better story.

Short Snatches From Everywhere

According to accepted standards the right side of politics is the inside.—Chicago News.

The one thing a woman positively won't exaggerate is her age.—Philadelphia (Pa.) Record.

A good place for Americans not to go on their vacation is Mexico.—Amarillo (Texas) Fishman.

If poverty is a disease, as a Chicago preacher declares, then the health of more than two-thirds of the human family is wretched.—New Orleans (La.) States.

It is said that even in Mexico there are those who are sick of war and want peace. But only by three men are Mexicans willing to work.—Duluth (Minn.) News-Tribune.

The fact that he has been trying to detain appointments of federal judges in Nebraska should reassure any who may have feared the ex-secretary of state had lost his nerve.—Cleveland (Ohio) Leader.

Japan has every reason to look out for trouble if she permits Germany to win. And we may be sure that so shrewd and farsighted a nation will take no such risks. If the European battlefields really need them, we will see Japanese troops fighting by the side of the Allies.—Montreal (Quebec) Star.

Tacks On Streets Cause Memphis to Take Action Hot and Cold Drinks Do Not Hurt the Stomach

TACK throwing became so bad on the streets of Memphis, said B. E. Person, "that the city council passed a special ordinance fining any person throwing any object of a punishable character on the streets. The situation upon Arizona street for two days makes it likely that similar legislation will have to be enforced. It was certainly a temperance mischief or the fault of children, as has been suggested, but evidently someone opposed to the lime cars, for these cars were the first to tackle the street on Tuesday and Wednesday and on both days suffered many punctures."

"We never hear much about the danger of food drinks any more," said Dr. C. E. Calman. "It was a theory that people didn't like and soda stands discouraged. Instead of food drinks being hard on the insides of people they are frequently the only liquids that the insides will retain. The same is true of hot drinks. 'Lord-Lord,' we say when a man tosses down a hot cup of coffee. 'How does his insides stand it?' And it is a puzzle, but I don't know that it does the man any harm. There was once a case where a man took a strong dose of iodine by mistake. He had every known trouble of the stomach that his leisure hours could invent. The first aids saved him and ever after he had one of the best stomachs in his community. Which illustrates that stomachs are like women, you never can tell."

garbage cans. The city's garbage disposal plant is a good thing, but it can't properly handle refuse which is saturated with and floating in water. It's pretty bad when we have to educate the Mexicans here to keep water out of the garbage cans, but it's worse when we can't get ordinary common sense folks in the better parts of the place to follow instructions.

ABE MARTIN



Next 't' an Arctic summer their haint nothin' quite as brief as th' popularity of a four-flusher. Th' glad hand is th' one you put money in.

The Daily Novelette

The size of a dollar depends entirely upon how many more you have.—Professor Simp.

Some Roman History As It Was Not Written Some "Inside Facts" About One Constantine

FLAVIUS VALERIUS AURELIUS Eusebius Constantine was the son of Constantius Chlorus, who had a half interest in the Roman empire in the third century and ran it in partnership with an exceedingly fatal ailment named Diocletian.



to that time the cross had been used by Roman emperors only as a means of selling up superstitious Christians to the gods. But immediately thereafter adopted it as his insignia, and had Maxentius into a collection of unclassified remains. He then enclosed Rome in all Christian churches, and the church and declared a closed season on all religious beliefs.

Bedtime Story for the Little Ones

"Come on, boys! That's the way to do it! Now kick it this way: Whoop-de-doo-dee-do!"

hall, and when one side gets knocked down and stepped on and rolled over, then I blow the whistle to let the other side to stop pushing—that it's enough."

son swim, and I'm not afraid of getting wet," answered the duck boy. "Well, now I guess I'll go back and blow the whistle to start the game again. They can't play if I don't blow the whistle."

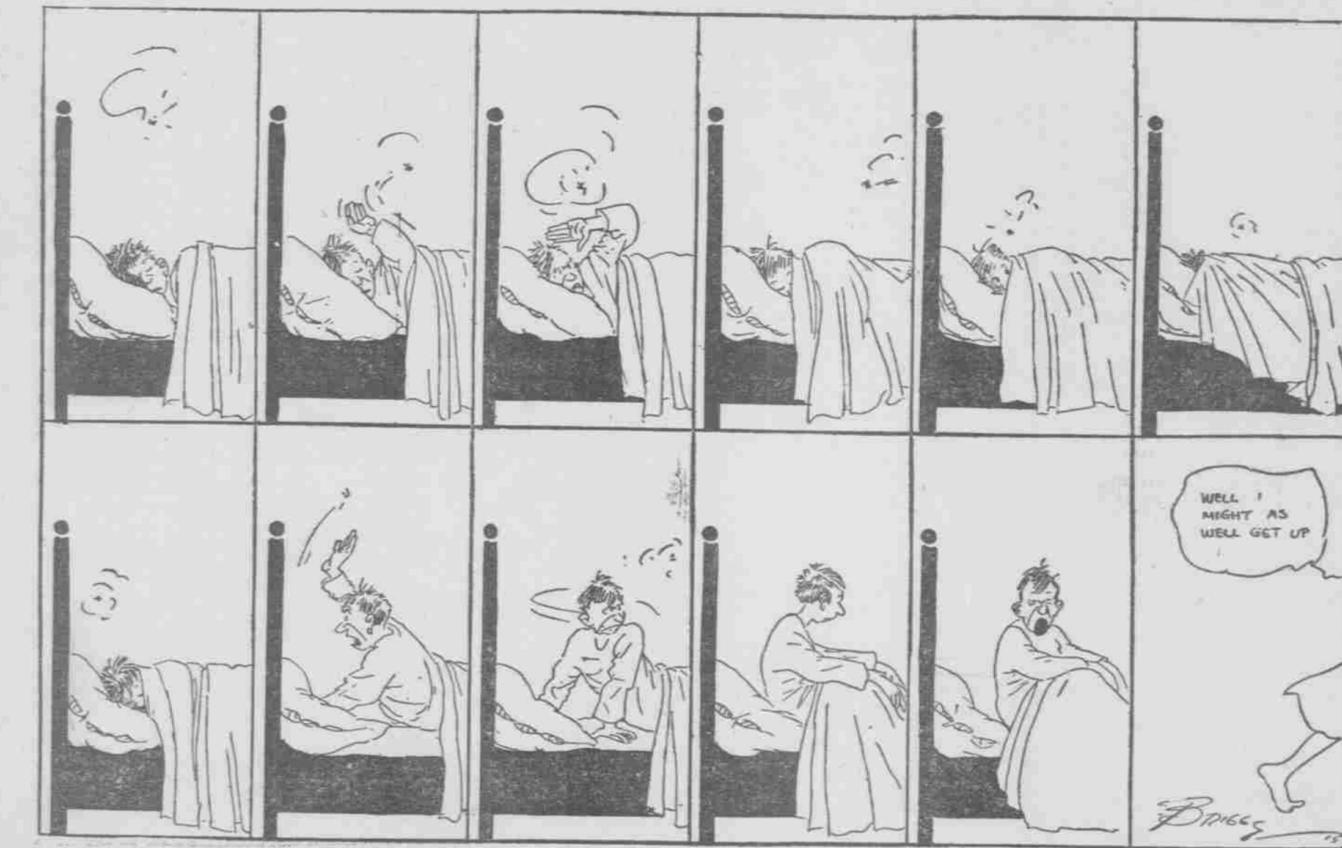
The Stingy Man

There really should be gates at the Oregon and Stanton street crossings of the Southwestern railroad tracks," said Robert P. Anderson. "There is going to be some bad accident there if gates are not put up, for I have seen a number of incidents that avoided being collisions only by the closest shave. At the rate that the city population is growing and that traffic is increasing, these points are becoming danger spots for the people of El Paso."

HIS fame is dingy—the man who's stingy—men greet him with a frown; "He's always pinching the sidewalk, the tightwad of the town. He's never willing to give a shilling when we pass round the hat, to give some pauper a meal that's proper, or heat some widow's flat. He lives to collar the large round dollar, with coin to dine and sup; he's tight as blazes; no honeyed phrases can make him loosen up." Yet some are saying, "He's good at paying his bills right up on time; he asks no credit—he seems to dread it—he owes no man a dime!" And some who blame him and try to shame him as one old tightwad dub, are cheerful fakers who owe the bakers and grocers for their grub. I hold it wiser to be a miser, and pinch coin till it bleeds, than one who wanders round and squanders the coin his butcher needs. I hold it cleaner to eat stale wiener and save three moidy cents, than be a glutton on stand-off mutton, like some half-fellow gent.

WALT MASON.

MAN TRYING TO SLEEP AFTER DAYBREAK BY BRIGGS



"Well, I might as well get up."

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