

PASSAGE OF WATER POWER BILL OPENS FUTURE FOR ELECTRICITY

(BY H. S. H.)

A LARGE step forward for the development of water power in the United States has been taken by the senate in passing the Shields bill for leasing power sites on navigable streams...

It is provided in the Shields bill that water power development on navigable streams would be under control of the war department, which would grant 50 year permits to private enterprises for the construction of dams and power plants.

The difficulties in securing supplies of coal, coincident with the enormous demand for supplies and for manufacturing facilities of all kinds...

The bill mentions navigable streams for the reason that navigable streams are those which have been most shut off from private water power development heretofore.

The bill has no effect on El Paso, for we have no navigable streams. Nor are there any in the southwest where the Colorado river is called one.

The bill is most significant in that it opens the way for the coming of that time which is bound to arrive, when electricity developed by water power machinery will run our trains and factories, heat and light our office buildings and homes...

The Liberty motor used to be the army mule and he rarely missed an opportunity, although he used to fly out now and then and knock somebody galley west.

Now Make A Settlement

ONE of the largest land disputes in the southwest has just come to a decision. It is the Baca Flood case, involving 99,269 acres of land lying along the Santa Cruz river between Tucson and Nogales, Arizona.

The land alone is assessed for purposes of taxation at \$600,000. The grant was first made to the Baca family of New Mexico before the Gadsden purchase from Mexico.

The case seems now to have ended in the United States district court at Tucson, with a decision by Judge Hledose in the suit entitled Waite and Davis vs. George Atkinson.

They may put up sausage in capules but they'll require the cash in sales.

It's no proof that coats of mail cost more just because postage has gone up.

The war savings campaign offers the best possible opportunity to do your two bits.

Bernstorff is off the scene, but his letters, like Banquo's ghost, keep bobbing up to plague us.

In their looting in France, Belgium and Italy, the Germans are living up to the worst traditions of their robber barons.

King Albert of the Belgians is a Hobenzollern by birth and in a monarch but not in action. He lacks the brutal strain in the blood.

Proving that a name may sometimes become inappropriate, the old Paymaster mine of Arizona is to be sold at auction to satisfy claims against it.

A New Mexico paper's headline says: "American army may lead slave holder back into democracy's fire." You may lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink.

WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND

By BRIGGS.



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FACTS ABOUT OUR NAVY

Search.

By LIEUTENANT FITZ HUGH GREEN, U. S. N.

SUPPOSE you've copied the booby prize at Friday night bridge and while you are returning in the impenetrable gloom of 3 a. m. with aforementioned monotony under your arm, the night watchman suddenly confronts you...

Well, suppose in the following amphibious morning on your way to hook the gift of fortune you fall in with the night watchman, a policeman, and he looks upon you with suspicion; and you, breaking no written statute but simply obliterating the moral law of gift and gratitude, cannot conceal a guilty look—and he accuses you.

Last year I left Copenhagen on a Danish steamer. British patrons stopped to and examined both passengers and cargo. British officers were indignant. "How dare they delay a neutral ship?" was heard on every side.

Nothing personal, but just suppose you were on your honeymoon and in your private yacht, cruising blithely through the English Channel, you were accosted by a British gunboat, which approaches, stops you, and sends a boarding party on board.

Parsons whose birth date it is may have an anxious year in business matters, but those who are employed will be a better than employed.

Man Is Coming To Help You Make Out Your Income Tax Return

Austin, Texas, Dec. 15.—You won't have to figure out your income tax all by yourself hereafter. The government is going to send out men to help you. It will be up to you to find out these men, who will be sent into every county, to see how they can help other towns besides, to meet the people.

Little Interviews

Inquires Why El Paso Men Are Not More Courteous on Cars Not Necessary Now to Overurge Public on U. S. War Loans

WHY is it that so many El Paso men stick at elbow in the seats in a street car when women are obliged to stand after a hard shopping trip, and only the soldiers exhibit the usual courtesy?" said B. R. Cannon.

on almost every crowded car. At the same time there are few soldiers who do not willingly and quickly give their seats to women who are more entitled to it.

Abe Martin

"The people should see and are beginning to see, that it should not be necessary that they be urged in prolonged meetings and other demonstrations, to patronize the government's war loans," said A. P. Colson.

"The parents of the nation have a great opportunity to help the boys enjoy life better and have more ambition for the future by making their rooms at home more attractive," said J. H. Deemon.

"Two new specimens of the genus homo have come into being since the beginning of the war, the 'slacker' and the 'sicker,'" said Edward Boardman.

"I notice that the wife of a pastor in one of the most important college towns in the middle west is assuming her husband's duties while he serves his country," said J. H. Wheeler.

Uncle Wall's Denatured Poem.

By Comparison

WHEN anything goes wrong with me, I don't rear up and curse, but think of claps across the sea, who suffer nine times worse. I have rheumatism in my bones, these marrowbones of mine, and sometimes I would hand out some tears of mine, and then I think of men who fight in trenches far away; they crouch in the night, and toil through mud by day.

Short Snatches From Everywhere

Every enemy alien at large offends a soldier at the front.—Wall Street Journal.

SKINNY SHANER'S STRIP



GOAT GRABBERS

CONSTANTLY, THE GINK WHO KEEPS TALKING TO YOU WHEN YOU ARE TRYING TO READ

HOROSCOPE

Wednesday, December 19, 1917.

ASTROLOGERS read this as a most unlucky day. Jupiter and Mars rule strongly for evil. It is a time when commerce will not benefit and when they buy and sell should be exceedingly cautious.

That Rookie from the 13th Squad.

By P. L. Crosby.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.—No restrictions upon the price of distribution of lead are deemed necessary at this time by the war industries board.

Portrait of Dubb Thinking of the Ooze to Come



Hogwallow Locals

By DUK BOTS.

THE horse tractor was called last night to see Al Peck, who was sick of a horse trade he made yesterday.

Miss Hostetter Hooks pines for a lover with a handsome moving picture moustache, she can give him a moustache cup for Christmas.

Columbus Allsup thinks a person can get more for his money out of the Bible than any other book, because every time he reads it he finds something that wasn't in there the last time he read it.

EL PASO HERALD

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

Answer to Saturday's

WHY IS A PAIR OF DARING NEEDLES LIKE A SET OF CYMBALS? BECAUSE ONE CANNOT WORK WITH OUT THE OTHER.

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FROM MICHAEL GLEICH—NEW YORK

U'ELL KNOWIN SAYINGS ILLUSTRATED BY A.H. LISTAARD



WHEN YOU DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING, DON'T FORGET THE BOYS OVER THERE!

ANSWER TO-MORROW