

RATIFYING TREATY NOT ESSENTIAL TO FILLING THE EMPTY LUNCHPAIL

THERE was one very weak spot in president Wilson's otherwise excellent address to congress on the high cost of living. He said we now have "neither peace nor war" and for that reason any expedients adopted cannot be permanent "unless we first have peace." It was indirect pressure on the senate to ratify the peace treaty immediately and then get to work on remedial legislation for the cost of living.

The president argued, to be specific about it, that it would be impossible to prosecute profiteers effectively until after the senate had ratified the peace treaty, incidentally swallowing the league of nations plan in its entirety. He argued, by inference, that until the peace treaty is ratified, it will be impossible to restrict food shipments to Europe, a matter that has much to do with high prices in this country, inasmuch as we now are obliged to bid for our own food against foreigners who will pay any price rather than starve.

He argued, by inference, that until the peace treaty is ratified, the food control act cannot be amended and made really effective in the present emergency. It is argued until the peace treaty is ratified a national cold storage law cannot be enacted and federal licensing of corporations engaged in interstate business cannot be put into operation.

That is all inferential. It is the shallowest of reasoning, if the president intended his statement to be analyzed. Of course he didn't. He intended to spur the senate unthinkingly into ratifying the peace treaty.

Suppose the senators gave approval to the peace treaty today. Does any sane person suppose that that fact would stop the profiteering tomorrow? Is anyone glib enough to believe that the senate's ratification of the peace treaty will have any effect on the price of meat, butter, eggs, shoes or calico?

Great Britain has ratified the treaty, but prices are still soaring throughout the United Kingdom. Germany has ratified the treaty, but high prices, bread riots and disorders of all kinds prevail.

If ratification of the peace treaty were an indispensable prerequisite to ending an era of extortionate prices, Great Britain ought to have experienced some of it and Germany ought to be relieved a little. But the president himself admitted in this speech of his that conditions are serious in other countries, not mentioning any of the allies by name, when he said that "our national life has, no doubt, been less radically disturbed and dismembered than the national life of other peoples."

It is clear that there is no logical connection between high prices and the peace treaty. Mr. Wilson plainly brought in the peace treaty reference in order to put a club over the heads of senators who are known to oppose the treaty in its present form and to prod the senate, as a whole, into immediate ratification.

It was a well intentioned maneuver, but it seems to have had no effect. While most of the attention of the senate is being given to the cost of living problem, the senate foreign relations committee is carrying forward its investigation and consideration of the peace treaty with calm diligence, but without undue haste. If the president thought to put over a stampee, he must have decided that the deliberative senate is also deliberate past the point of ratifying.

As for the president's zeal for running in propaganda on the peace treaty and league of nations even on a high cost of living discussion, one is reminded of a recent writing by Henry Watterson, the old warhorse of the Democratic party, in which he says:

"Accented by the indecible vote in the elections and heralded by an ambitious president who writes Humanity bigger than he writes the United States and is accused of aspiring to world leadership, democracy untried and untried, the democracy of Jefferson, Jackson and Tillam and history, is a back number."

It isn't quite as bad as all that. True, old fashioned democracy is stronger in this country than ever before, only that many of its staunchest supporters call themselves Republicans. The spirit of democracy is in the saddle and riding hard and whatever is done in or out of congress to make living more tolerable for this people will be done at the dictates of a democracy which views Germany as beaten beyond dispute and the signing of a treaty marking geographical lines as of less vital importance at the moment than food for women and children at prices husbands and fathers can contrive to pay.

The Wages Of Justice.

HOW soothing are the ways of justice in cases that are justiciable!

For instance, there is the jitne king. He won his suit and was awarded a jitne, plus one cent war tax, by the Mr. Clemens jury.

The court saved Ford's face and the Tribune's pocket-book by giving the former the verdict and the latter a light assessment.

Mr. Ford now stands before the world certified as a non-anarchist. How fortunate! Many a man won't have such proof when confronted with the accusation of being one. The Tribune has given several lawyers a boost over the hard ways of the H. C. of L. and has given to various college professors and expert witnesses a vacation in a pleasant spot at an unpleasant time of the year.

For awhile it was uncertain whether the Tribune or Mr. Ford would defray the expenses of these vacations, but it is settled now.

It will cost the defendant journal some few ducats, but think of the advertising and the increase of circulation that esteemed but disgruntled journal must have acquired. Besides, it has learned a valuable lesson.

Hereafter when the Tribune calls somebody an anarchist it can mail the person it accuses six cents and save the costs.

An Unfair Ruling.

REGULAR army men are making a just complaint against the act of congress which discriminates in favor of the emergency soldier in the matter of bonuses and mileage payment at the time of discharge.

The man who enlisted for the period of the war, or who was drafted, has been paid a bonus of \$60 and five cents a mile to defray his travel to his home at discharge.

The regular who served as ably through the war, was ready for emergency before the war and stands ready still to give his life, or at least his services, now that the war is over, not only gets no military, but is now deprived of his bonus and the travel money that those who had received them may be compelled to return them, so army men say.

All praise to the men who took up arms in the pinch. But the man who bears arms, pinch or no pinch, and stands ready to defend his country against all comers at all times, is entitled at least to the same treatment accorded to his brother soldiers.

If out of a job, don't worry. Advertise a new reform. Campaign for a \$10,000,000 fund and make yourself secretary-treasurer. It's the newest thing and the one best bet.

Compelled to flee Vienna, Bela Kun broke into tears. Then he broke into a run. When caught and examined, they found he had broken into a bank. And so he broke into jail.

The elder T. E. had a recipe that might be applied to the profiteers, didn't he? Something about a soft word and a big stick, with the accent on the stick.

The Dutch queen's German husband says Holland will never surrender Wilhelm of Hohenzollern. Maybe he doesn't have the final word. Wait until his wife speaks.

When the fiance winds up an evening's entertainment nowadays he knows that H. C. of L. stands for the high cost of loving.

He who raises a mint bed rashly courts the attention of all his dry neighbors and the officers of the law.

It's easier to excuse the fool than the scoundrel, though the former does the more damage.

The price of gasoline these days adds much to the high cost of loving.

They who have steeped their souls in prayer Can every anguish calmly bear. —Lord Macaulay

Texas Will Vote On Constitutional Amendments On Fourth Of November

NOVEMBER 4 will be election day in Texas. The referendum having been passed upon the proposed amendments to the constitution and also as to whether there shall be a constitutional convention. That is, there will be seven propositions to be voted upon.

The constitution clothes the legislative authority to call a constitutional convention; but a majority of the members of the legislature decided that it would be proper to refer the matter to the people of the state before making their decision. The women will not vote upon the proposition, but it is the understanding that they are opposed to having a convention at this time, women not being eligible under the terms of the resolution submitted.

The proposed amendments are of considerable importance. Under the terms of one of them the regents of the University of Texas are given authority to issue bonds based upon the university's land holdings; the money resulting from the sale of such bonds to be divided: 75 to the university, 25 to the Agricultural and Mechanical college 25-25 percent. The issuance of bonds will doubtless be the kind of thing the university to hold the lands, paying the interest on the bonds and redeeming them at the date of maturity. The bonds realized are to be used for the permanent improvements for the university.

The resolution proposes an issue of \$7,500,000 in bonds by the state, the sinking fund and interest to come from the tax assessed against automobiles, and there is never to be outstanding a greater amount of bonds than can be covered by the tax.

A companion resolution provides that counties may have the right to assess taxes. In event this resolution is defeated there will be no assessment on counties for road maintenance purposes; and in event this resolution is defeated there will be no assessment on counties for road maintenance purposes.

The latest reports from Portsmouth, N. H. show that the Russians have called the Chinese Eastern railway in the arrangements.

Yellow fever conditions in New Orleans are much the same.

Henry Pfaff and family leave for Chicago this afternoon. After a number of changes, made

Rippling Rhymes

By WALT MASON.

Sawing Wood

OLD WILHELM'S busy sawing elm, all day his back's in labor bent; and who shall rule his native realm he doesn't seem to care a cent. He doesn't seem to care a whoop what factions fall, what factions rise; he's whacking wood behind his coop, and there all day the sawdust flies. Old Wilhelm has a crippled arm, he has a shivelled, helpless paw; and I would give an upland farm to know just how he wields a saw. I'm sawing wood myself, these days, upon my rolling, mortgaged lands, and I'm equipped, like other jays, with lanky arms, emblemmed hands. When I have sawed an hour or two my wind is gone, my backbone creaks, and I remark, "I guess I'm through—I'll have to rest for seven weeks." Then to my cabin I repair, all tucked out, my ribs pulled loose, and read in daily papers there how Wilhelm saws his cords of spruce. Oh, prithee, tell me how this king, whose lost his throne and jeweled hat, this relic with a crippled wing—how can he pull such stunts as that? For days I've plied a saw and ax, and this to me seems amply clear: When Bill gets down to royal tasks, he doesn't saw a cord a year.

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The Broken Wing - - - - - By Hal Coffman



Little Interviews

El Paso Has Better Summer Weather Than Most Cities Suggests Forming Groups Of Buyers At Municipal Store

PROSPECTIVE purchasers of goods at El Paso's municipal store, which will open next week, are urged to form in groups and buy in large amounts where possible, said Mayor Charles Davis.

"In giving the civilian population of El Paso an opportunity of buying government goods at cost, the city wants to serve as many people as possible. By buying in groups much time and effort would be saved and much better service can be given to the maximum number of citizens."

Those who cannot buy in case lots will find it in their advantage to purchase in groups and redistribute the goods.

"Compared with the temperature prevalent in other sections of the state, El Paso is comfortable," said W. H. Edgington, Los Angeles business man who is visiting in El Paso.

"High school students who registered on the last day of school for the coming school year should nevertheless come to the high school some time before the start of actual work on September 2 and make certain that they will not have to make any changes or transfers in their schedules," said W. Fowler, principal of the high school.

"Between 25 and 30 babies are treated at the baby clinic three times each week," said Miss Evelyn Gosselin, in charge of the county dispensary at the courthouse.

"The hardest thing is to find some buddy to agree with you on a resemblance. Who remembers when women stepped out of their skirts instead of acquirin' 'em of 'em."

Changes in plans of the delegates, those accredited from El Paso to the National Irrigation congress, which meets in Portland Monday, are Judge Joseph H. Sweney, John L. Eyer, J. Mundy, H. F. Noake, A. W. Paerem, M. W. Stanton and Capt. H. A. Warren. They will leave tomorrow.

Police chief P. J. Hall, in company with several other El Pasoans, star of Mr. Hall's upper ranch this morning.

Dr. E. W. Bryan, who left El Paso for Houston some months ago, returned today.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Duthie, of 162 Upson avenue will return home Thursday or Friday from a trip through the west.

Business conditions in Mexico are just as bad as they can be," said Julian Y. Rodriguez, a recent arrival from an important city in interior Mexico. "There are more than 100,000,000 pesos in the country with which to do business. It is Mexican gold and silver and some American gold, but it is not doing any good. The Carranza government is likely any moment to take it. In the old days of the Diaz government we had in Mexico a sound bank currency which swelled the money of the country to 200,000,000 pesos or more, and we had banking facilities so that money could be kept working. Now the railroads are unsafe from rebel attacks. This is especially so of the roads to Tampico, south of Saltillo, about San Luis Potosi and south of Mexico City, and the roads from the federal capital to Veracruz is simply awful. There is no chance to get back into the country the capital the refugee Mexicans took out, nor will the foreigners bring in any as long as the Carranza government, with its constitution and laws and practices which are worse than laws, are in vogue in Mexico. Everything the present government does now is aimed at the foreigner and God knows that if ever Mexico ever needed foreign capital she needs it now."

Beauty Chats By Edna Kent Forbes

Reduction Exercises.

I'VE talked a lot about reduction diets, so much that today, for a change, I'm going to describe some reduction exercises, with the suggestion that the large woman try both if she wants to grow slim.

The first and most thing, in the opinion of the stout woman, is a large abdomen. This is serious, too, because an accumulation of flesh there, besides spoiling the symmetry of the figure, decreases muscular vigor and increases the tendency towards constipation. A good method of treatment is massage, 10 to 15 minutes a day. The abdomen should be bare and the massage motion not unlike that of kneading, not too gentle, but, of course, not hard enough to injure.

Another exercise is for the woman to sit easily on a chair with her feet on the floor. Bend or rather lean to one side, touching the floor with the hands. This is also a help for constipation because it causes a protraction of the abdomen against the things which stimulate the bowels. Any rotating motion of the waist is apt to have this effect on the stout woman.

Here's an exercise to reduce the hips and abdomen too. Lie on the back, on the floor, with the knees to the chest, hold the broom stick in the hands, rest the feet on the stick, so held. Then stretch the right leg up perpendicular to its floor, as far as possible, reaching way up with the toes, bring back in position, and repeat with the left leg. Exercise each leg 14 times always keeping the knees, when relaxed, as close to the chest as possible.

Questions and Answers. Anne—Diet, and both the excess flesh and the red nose will disappear. I am inclined to think you are eating too much just now.

Worried—Bleach that turns above the lip with peroxide. Neither the soap nor the powder cause this growth.

Anxious Friend—The "Dix" seems to cause the hair to fall out, or to turn gray. You can bring it back to its normal condition by proper tonics and treatments.

Thanks—No, the henna shampoo won't make the gray hair abundant. It doesn't affect the color of the hair at all. You can find out what day of the week certain dates come on by consulting an almanac in a library.

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Boy Is Winner Of Uncle Wiggily Prize

William Eugene Jordan, Jr., 115 Wyoming street, is the winner of the six tickets to the Wirawan theater, which were offered as a prize for the nearest and most attractive booklet made from the "Uncle Wiggily" picture page in last week's Week-End Edition of The Herald.

The following made the next best books in the order of their merit: Yakola Horne, 252 Clifton street; Marie Lawless, 1485 Myrtle avenue; Willie Wilestein, 2218 Anaw street; Kathryn Payne, 2212 Montana street.

Anyone who wants their booklet may have it by calling at The Herald, feature department, for it

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Why Bother The Administration?



WHY BOTHER THE ADMINISTRATION? I confess it looks to me as if it were a desire to pass the responsibility to congress.—Senator Pomeroy, Democrat.

WHEN there's any sort of trouble that involves the labor vote. The Cabinet receives a hurry call; If the railroad men get after the administration's goat Things begin to move with no delay at all. Then it's: "Palmer, hurry, hurry! or we'll all be out of luck; Let Hines remain as silent as a mouse; We must all pretend we'd like to—if we could—and pass the buck Serenely to the senate and the house."

If the packers are receiving too much money for their meat Let some obscure commission bear the blame; If there's wicked speculation in potatoes, eggs or wheat We must not be coaxed to interrupt the game. So, it's: "Palmer, hurry, hurry! Show them how our hands are tied; Make much of the authority we lack; Agree to think it over, or start something on the side And switch attention to some other track."

If a private in the army says a thing he shouldn't say, Let his punishment be adequate and quick; But when wicked combinations take the people's right away Always dodge the issue by some cunning trick! For it's: "Palmer, hurry, hurry! Can't you see it's up to you? Speak vaguely of the wherefore and the why, Or mention things the congress ought to have the grace to do, And then permit the argument to die."

WHY can't the trouble-makers be induced to hold their peace? Why will they come, demanding this or that? Can't they see that they are causing consternation to increase By teasing the administration cat? So, it's: "Palmer, hurry, hurry! Make them see that we are stuck; Deny it if they say they smell a mouse; We will run things in good weather, when it's nasty let the buck Be handed to the senate and the house."

Even The Birds Have Troubles When They Enter Married Life

IN A little hole. "OH, DEAR! Oh, dear!" AND OTHER birds came. AND SOUGHT to console. BUT IT DID no good. UNTIL ONE day. FROM A nearby branch. A MALE voice chirped. "MY DEAR, come here." AND THIS mother bird. TOOK A twist in her neck. AND LOOKED around. AND MODESTLY said. "YOU BET I WILL." AND HEAT it across. TO THE man bird. AND THEY'RE married now. AND IF she'll be careful. AND NOT raise a fuss. IF HE happens home. WITH A new kind of bug. SHE CAN probably keep him. HES A swell looking bird. AND IF I'm any judge. SHE COULD go a lot farther. AND DO A lot worse. I THANK you.

A WOMAN'S WAY. "Yesterday afternoon at 4:10 o'clock," said old Fortuna Packer. "My favorite niece killed her husband."

"What?" cried the listener. "Surely, you do not mean."

"She killed him seven times and in as many different ways before she opened the telegram at 4:15 and learned to her relief that he had one cloved his business with unexpected ease, and would arrive home on the midnight train last night instead of some time today."—Kansas City Star.

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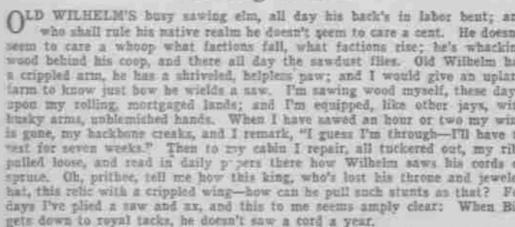
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Old Judge Rumhauser

A Regular Charlie Pollock Verdict. - - - - - By Tad



WELL - JUDGE I CAN'T PAY YOU - I'VE ONLY GOT A 50 BUCK BILL - KIN YOU CHANGE THE 50

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NO BUT I'LL CHANGE THE FINE - CLERK!! MAKE THAT 50 - NET CASE

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