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Have you taken 15 minutes off to learn Esperanto?

Dear, dear, when an asbestos plant burns, where does safety lie?

In time to come man may evolve a blunderproof, wreckless railroad.

Paris has thoughtfully relegated the hobble skirt to the museum of horrors.

In the agreement between Korea and Japan the latter did the agreeing for both.

A Long Island milkman mistook a mule for a cow. Moral: One cannot be too careful.

A determination to practise what we preach keeps us from doing too much preaching.

"Kondamnighin," the cuss word in Esperanto, is ornamental, but too long for practical use.

There ought to be a greater difference between civilization and the merely complicated life.

Men may beat the birds flying, but the birds don't have much trouble with their propeller blades.

A woman-hater has been captured by cockies. More than one man-hater has been won by dough.

Europe cannot expect to experience a cholera epidemic and an epidemic of American tourists at the same time.

In the coming sham battle of aeroplanes is the contest to see which crowd of aviators hurt themselves least?

Washington has displaced the eagle and has made the woodpecker the state bird. This will make Old Baldy red-headed.

Occasional showers are useful, but the weather man should not go away on his vacation and forget to turn them off.

It has been decided that a divorced woman is the widow of her former husband. This classifies husbands with the dead ones.

Married men, according to statistics, are subject to fewer accidents than are single men. Somebody is keeping tabs on their hours.

An Illinois man has patented a safety pin with two points. However, wearers of the gallus are still waiting for the two-headed nail.

It may be marvelous, but it is human that Susie, the pet ape, should refuse chewing gum simply because her teacher tells her to?

The Philadelphia man who was choked to death by a high collar died a death that ought to turn Harry Lehr and Berry Wall green with envy.

Half a million in counterfeit coin has been recovered by the United States in the past year. Has any one heard of any real money being recovered?

Correspondents are arguing that a lie is occasionally justifiable and a Brooklyn judge decides that "dam" is not profane. Being good is becoming easier.

In Paris fillet of beef is worth 50 cents a pound and only cheap cuts of horse meat are as low as 20 cents. No wonder they call it "that dear Paris."

The language of the North American Indian and the Japanese contain no cuss words. What a handicap when an aborigine hit his finger with a prehistoric ax!

Canada has discovered that it has \$39,000,000,000 worth of peat bogs and it is wondering how it can induce its people to use peat at a low cost in preference to coal at high cost.

The uncle of the King of Portugal, who saw a man killed in a street fight among ruffians in New York, is now in a position to go home and write a book about American civilization.

Esperanto will never offend against the pure-food laws, unless its advocates, being merely human, revolt against its limited expressions for emotional relief. Its vocabulary does not contain a single swear word.

England is now figuring on a gas-driven battleship to render obsolete all vessels of the Dreadnought type. People over there must sit up nights thinking of new ways to spend public money.

A Poughkeepsie man who went to California to accumulate a fortune rapidly has just returned after an absence of 51 years. The old gentleman will probably put in the rest of his days reading all the get-rich-quick literature he can find and giving it the ha ha.

In the presence of all this wonderful aviation on the other side of the ocean it would seem to be high time for Americans to do a few stunts; or is it to be said that an aeroplane is to have no honor in its own country?

# NO CLOUDS IN SIGHT

COLONEL GEORGE HARVEY SAYS COUNTRY ALL RIGHT.

## THE WRITER SEES NO CLOUD

Striking Article in North American Review That is Attracting Wide Attention.

The attention of business and professional men in all portions of the country has been attracted to a strikingly strong article by Col. George Harvey in the September issue of the North American Review in which the writer takes a view of the greatest hopefulness for the future of America and Americans. The article is entitled "A Plea for the Conservation of Common Sense," and it is meeting with the cordial approval of business men of all shades of political opinion throughout the entire country. In part, Colonel Harvey says:

"Unquestionably a spirit of unrest dominates the land. But, if it be true that fundamentally the condition of the country is sound, must we necessarily succumb to despondency, abandon effort looking to retrieval and cringe like cravens before clouds that only threaten? Rather ought we not to analyze conditions, search for causes, find the root of the distress, which even now exists only in men's minds, and then, after the American fashion, apply such remedies as seem most likely to produce beneficial results?"

Capital and Labor Not Antagonistic. The Link that connects labor with capital is not broken but we may not deny that it is less cohesive than it should be or than conditions warrant.

Financially, the country is stronger than ever before in its history. Recovery from a panic so severe as that of three years ago was never before so prompt and comparatively complete. The masses are practically free from debt. Money is held by the banks in abundance and rates are low.

"Why, then, does capital pause upon the threshold of investment? The answer, we believe, to be plain. It awaits adjustment of the relations of government to business. . . . The sole problem consists of determining how government can maintain an even balance between aggregations of interests, on the one hand, and the whole people, on the other, protecting the latter against extortion and saving the former from mad assaults."

"The solution is not easy to find for the simple reason that the situation is without precedent. But is not progress being made along sane and cautious lines? . . ."

Conserve Common Sense. "Is not the present, as we have seen, exceptionally secure? What, then, of preparations for the future? Patriotism is the basis of our institutions. And patriotism in the minds of our youth is no longer linked solely with fireworks and deeds of daring. It is taught in our schools. A new course has been added—a course in loyalty. Methodically, our children learn how to vote, how to conduct primaries, conventions and elections, how to discriminate between qualifications of candidates and, finally, how to govern as well as serve. They are taught to despise bribery and all forms of corruption and fraud as treason. Their creed, which they are made to know by heart, is not complex. It is simple, but comprehensive, no less beautiful in diction than lofty in aspiration. These are the pledges which are graven upon their memories."

"As it is cowardly for a soldier to run away from battle, so it is cowardly for any citizen not to contribute his share to the well-being of his country. America is my own dear land; she nourishes me, and I will love her and do my duty to her, whose child, servant and civil soldier I am."

"As the health and happiness of my body depend upon each muscle and nerve and drop of blood doing its work in its place, so the health and happiness of my country depend upon each citizen doing his work in his place."

"These young citizens are our hostages to fortune. Can we not safely assume that the principles animating their lives augur well for the permanency of the Republic? When before have the foundation stones of continuance been laid with such care and promise of durability?"

"The future, then, is bright. And the present? But one thing is needful. No present movement is more laudable than that which looks to conservation of natural resources. But let us never forget that the greatest inherent resource of the American people is Common Sense. Let that be conserved and applied with out cessation, and soon it will be found that all the ills of which we complain but know not of are only such as attend upon the growing pains of a great and blessed country."

He Knows the Game. According to the Metropolitan Magazine, Fire Chief John Conway of Jersey City, has solved the baseball excuse question by the posting of the following printed notice on his desk at fire headquarters:

"All requests for leave of absence owing to grandmothers' funerals, lame back, house cleaning, moving, sore throat, headache, brainstorm, cousins' wedding, general indisposition, etc., must be handed to the chief not later than ten o'clock on the morning of the game."

# THE BELLE'S STRATAGEM



New Note—A St. Louis Florist Has Advertised for a Homely Girl to Fill the Position of Cashier. During the Past Year Five Cashiers Have Resigned to Marry.

## PRIMARIES IN ILLINOIS RACES FOR THE PENNANTS

SPEAKER CANNON RENOMINATED AND BOUTELL BEATEN.

Clean-Up Campaign Falls—Lee O'Neill Brown Again Chosen in His District.

Chicago, Ill.—The renomination of Joseph G. Cannon for congress by a generous margin over his Republican opponent, Dr. Downs, the overwhelming defeat of Representative Henry S. Boutell, standpatter in the Ninth district, by F. H. Gansberger, insurgent, the probable defeat of



Speaker Joseph G. Cannon.

Representative George R. Foss in the Tenth district and the renomination of nearly all the men involved in the legislative bribery scandal are the striking features of the Illinois statewide primary election.

Representative James R. Mann, against whom a strong fight was made by two insurgents, Joseph R. Burrs and Louis J. Behan, in the Second district, has won.

Representative Boutell, who has been a member of congress 13 years and was one of the strong supporters of Speaker Cannon and the tariff bill, lost the nomination by over 1,900 votes. He had made his campaign on a platform of sturdy support of the administration and of all the legislation enacted by congress last year and this.

State interest centered largely in the campaign that was made by the Legislative Voters' league and other reform organizations to "clean out" the general assembly. This was meant to get rid of the members who were suspected of corruption in connection with the election of Senator Lorimer and of sharing in the spoils of the last session.

Lee O'Neill Browne, who was acquitted last week on the charge of bribing legislators to vote for William Lorimer for senator, is renominated in his district.

The net result of the primary, as it relates to legislative corruption, seems to warrant the conclusion that the electorate of the state was not so shocked as the reform element hoped it might be, in view of the senatorial disclosure made in the last four months.

Countess Robbed of Jewels. Winnipeg, Manitoba.—The Countess of Antrim was robbed of jewels valued at several thousand dollars here.

New Record Made by Mauretania. New York.—The giant Cunarder Mauretania made a new trans-Atlantic record over the short course from Daunt's Rock to Ambrose Channel lightship, covering the distance in 4 days, 10 hours and 48 minutes.

Road Would Escape Injunction. Guthrie, Okla.—The Missouri, Oklahoma & Gulf Railway company applied to the corporation commission for exemption from the commission's schedule of freight rates which was enjoined by the federal courts.

Mother Kills Baby and Herself. Seattle, Wash.—Mrs. Nina Bennett, wife of J. O. Bennett, a tailor, killed her three-months-old son and herself with strychnine. She left a note to her husband saying that she was going insane.

National League. Club—Wins—Losses—Percentage. Philadelphia 41 41 .500. New York 38 44 .463. Pittsburgh 38 44 .463. Cincinnati 42 40 .513. St. Louis 42 40 .513. Brooklyn 37 41 .475. Boston 37 41 .475.

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## READY FOR THE BATTLE

REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS ADOPT THEIR PLATFORMS.

Tariff is Called Fine by One and Menstrous by Other—Folk is Again Boosted for President.

Jefferson City, Mo.—The Democratic and Republican platforms were announced simultaneously, having been approved by their respective conventions. The Democratic document, which is not so lengthy as the Republican platform, was completed first, but was withheld until the Republicans were ready to announce, so that their own guns might not be turned back on them by premature disclosures.

In addition to an indorsement of Joseph W. Folk for president written into the platform, which was just as strong as Lon Sanders, Folk's manager, could make it, the Democratic platform condemns everything Republican, including the tariff and Joseph G. Cannon, in range of it. It also congratulates all Democratic officials on their records and censures Republicans for failing to give St. Louis home rule.

The Republican platform, which was said to have progressive leanings, in accordance with Gov. Hadley's wish, comes very near to being a stand-pat document.

It praises the tariff, the tariff board, gives Taft a first-class indorsement and congratulates Roosevelt in connection with his work in conservation. Hadley's administration is indorsed specifically, and Missouri is congratulated for its rapid advancement and the wide publicity it has received under Republican administration.

## RICH SLAYER HANGS SELF

James Humphreys, Convicted of the Hatcher Murder, Commits Suicide by Hanging in Cell.

Trenton, Mo.—James Humphreys, the wealthy young farmer who had been convicted of the murder of James Hatcher, committed suicide in the county jail in Trenton. He hanged himself with a piece of his bed clothing tied to the top of his cell.

Humphreys' body was discovered by Mrs. Dillon, wife of the sheriff. The coroner will hold no inquest.

Humphreys was under sentence of 20 years for second-degree murder. His attorneys had filed a motion for a new trial, which was to have been heard at the regular September term of court, beginning the 26th. It was believed that, pending appeal, he could go free on bond.

Indiana Candidate Shot. Terre Haute, Ind.—Returning in a buggy to this city from a campaigning tour, L. Frank Tilley, Republican candidate for congress in the Fourth district of Indiana, was shot in the arm by highwaymen.

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# 1 DEAD, 18 HURT IN MISSOURI WRECK

ROCK ISLAND AND BURLINGTON PASSENGERS COLLIDE HEAD-ON NEAR HOLT.

## MEET ON HIGH TRESTLE

Local Rebounds Into Ditch Demolishing the Smoker—Operator Makes a Futile Attempt to Avert the Disaster.

Holt, Mo.—One man was killed and 18 persons injured when two passenger trains met in a head-on collision on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad one mile north of Holt.

A misunderstanding of orders is said to have been the cause, and there is to be a joint investigation to find who is to blame in misinterpreting or overlooking orders.

H. L. Howard, Brookfield, Mo., brakeman on No. 6, was killed.

The trains which collided were the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy No. 6 and the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific No. 201. The latter train headed in on the Burlington tracks at Center on junction on its way to Kansas City.

Burlington Had Right of Way. It is said the original orders were for the Burlington local to meet the Rock Island at Holt, but it is supposed later the orders were changed so as to give the Burlington local right of way into Lathrop. The Rock Island conductor had the original orders to meet the Burlington at Holt.

The train was 30 minutes late and the engineer was trying to make up time when the two trains met. Where the wreck occurred there is a sharp curve and an embankment on both sides of the track 25 feet deep.

The trains crashed together on a high trestle over a small creek and the impact was so great the Burlington train, much smaller than the Rock Island train, was driven off the bridge and back probably 100 yards before the smoker went into the ditch with its car full of passengers. The baggage car and smoker were entirely demolished.

Not one person on the heavy Rock Island train was injured, though the engine was badly damaged.

When Luther E. Wilbert, the agent, realized a wreck might take place he called farmer along the line by telephone and pleaded with them to stop the train, but it was too late.

American Bankers Easy. Hop Merchant, Accused of Obtaining \$50,000 by Fraud, Derides Financiers—Big Banks Easiest.

New York City.—Search was begun for the whole or part of \$20,000 which Adolph Rothbarth, the German hop merchant, is believed to have obtained from New York banks upon worthless collateral. The district attorney's office also continued its investigation of Rothbarth's transactions in the expectation that further revelations will greatly swell the total obtained by the ambitious financier.

Rothbarth was still without bail, but he was cheerful in his cell in the Tombs prison and pleasantly remarked that, of all the countries he had ever been in America led them all for the easy marks among the bankers.

"They make you take money here whether you want to or not," said the prisoner. "It is the easiest thing in the world to borrow money in the United States, and the bigger the bank the less bother you have in getting it. There is no trouble about security. Just fix up some, cock and bull story and the bankers will swallow it and come back for more."

## ZEPPELIN AIRSHIP BURNS

Great Gasbag is Completely Destroyed After Explosion Near Baden, Baden, Germany.

Berlin, Germany.—The Zeppelin VI, one of the most successful of the 8 giant airships constructed by Count Zeppelin, was destroyed by fire at Baden Baden.

Within five minutes of the explosion nothing was left of the giant balloon but a hopeless twisted frame work, clogged with molten metal. The balloon shed also caught fire, but was saved.

The passengers had disembarked 10 minutes before the explosion occurred.

Dallas Doubles in Decade. Washington, D. C.—The population of Dallas, Tex., is 92,104. This is an increase of 49,466, or 116 per cent as compared with 42,638 in 1900.

Infantile Paralysis Spreads. Providence, R. I.—An epidemic of poliomyelitis, commonly known as infantile paralysis, has spread to an alarming extent throughout the state. Since June 1, 122 cases have been reported, three fatally.

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# WRECK NEAR CAIRO KILLS 4, INJURES 2

TESTIMONY BEFORE CORONER IS THAT OPERATOR AT BEECH RIDGE (ILL.) WAS DRUNK.

## TRAINS MEET HEAD ON

Dead and Hurt Trainmen of Mobile & Ohio Crushed Under Coal—Operator Crushed Is Placed in Jail Pending Investigation.

Cairo, Ill.—Four men were killed in a head-on collision between M. & O. and Iron Mountain freight trains near Beech Ridge, Ill., about seven miles north of Cairo. Charles E. Clark, the operator who was on duty at Beech Ridge at the time of the wreck, has been arrested and placed in jail. Testimony before the coroner's jury was that Clark was drunk.

The dead: Crosson, John, fireman. Rollins, Claude, engineer. Stephenson, W. E., brakeman. Negro, unidentified.

The white men lived at Jackson, Tenn., where they have families. F. A. Burdick, engineer of the Iron Mountain, whose home is in St. Louis, was injured and was taken to the hospital at Cairo. E. C. Buckmaster, conductor of the Iron Mountain, was bruised about his head, but not seriously.

Both engines were demolished, the M. & O. engine running half way through the Iron Mountain engine, and 12 cars of coal and lumber were destroyed, a number of cars being stacked up in the air. The trains were both going at about 30 miles an hour.

Operator Clark was not very clear when before the jury. He stated that he had only been on duty an hour, and that he had received no orders and had not given any to anyone.

## AFTER THE SUGAR TRUST

Authorities in New York and Washington Confer as to Continuance of Prosecution.

New York.—Plans for a new action to be brought by the United States government to dissolve the American Sugar Refining company, as a combination in restraint of trade, were the subject of a conference between Attorney General Wickersham and United States District Attorney Henry A. Wise here.

A complaint has been in the course of preparation by Mr. Wise for more than a year and an amended draft of it will be filed in a few days.

## PACKERS' TRIAL NOV. 14

Chicago Grand Jury to Return Three More Indictments for Conspiracy at Once.

Chicago.—The ten Chicago packers indicted in connection with the forming of the alleged beef trust will be tried November 14, according to an announcement from United States District Attorney Sims' office. Twenty-five subpoenas have been issued for witnesses, returnable that day, although it was further announced that the docketing of the cases was only tentative.

## MARRIAGE IS HIS MANIA

Indiana Carpenter Has Been United in Matrimony Three Times in Seven Months.

Elwood, Ind.—When Arthur Wiggerty, a carpenter, was married here, it developed that he then possessed the third wife within a period of seven months.

He was divorced from his first wife January 31 and married another the next day. A few weeks later he obtained his second divorce.

## TO BUILD CHINESE SHIPS

San Francisco Paper Says That Charles M. Schwab is to Confer With Prince.

San Francisco, Cal.—The Call states that Charles M. Schwab, former president of the United States Steel corporation, is to meet Prince Tsai Tsun, uncle of the emperor of China, in this city to "close a deal" for the building of a fleet of war vessels.

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