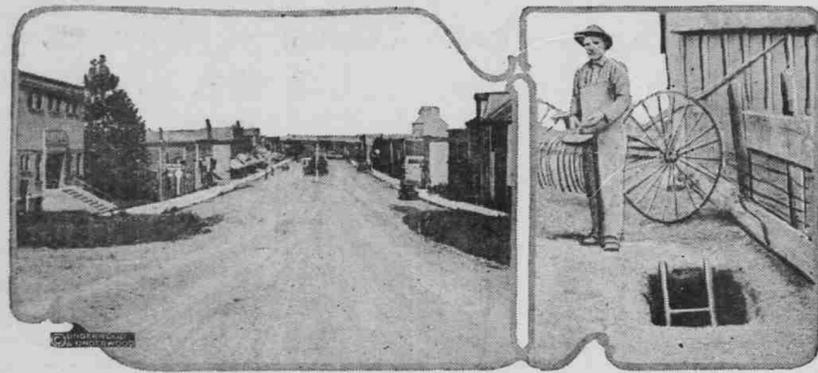


Iowa Town May Become Another Klondike



A few weeks ago Bernard Smith, a farmer living one mile southeast of Gracettling, Ia., was digging a hole to set a trap wire through a layer of from 6 to 8 inches of dark-colored gravel. He could see the glistering of mica and was positive the layer contained gold. He rushed some of the gravel to Des Moines and Chicago, and the assay report showed that the gravel will run \$26.02 per ton, \$21.50 being in gold. Since then there has been a great rush of gold hunters to Gracettling, and the place promises to become another Klondike. The illustration shows the main street of the town and, at the right, Mr. Smith at the hole where he found the gold.

Austria Specializes in Art of Begging and Insulting

People Have Lost Every Sense of Dignity and Their Whole Character, French Journalist Says—Country Has Come to Look Upon Help From Abroad as Matter of Course

New York.—An interesting picture of conditions in Austria is given in the following article written for the New York Herald by W. John Lenglet, a French journalist attached to the Japanese military mission in Vienna: After having been a year in Austria I have come to the conclusion that the country specializes in the art of begging and insulting. These two faults combined have been brought to such a height that the people have lost every sense of dignity and their whole character.

help pitying the naive of the people in England and other countries who send money for the children who are supposed to be dying in the streets. These advertisements are only a speculation on the good faith of the public; and the public who subscribe are robbed twice over; first of their confidence; secondly, of their money. I do not suggest that the committees who insert these advertisements are not acting in good faith, but that they are themselves victims to the exploitations of the Austrians and journalists in Austrian pay, who are determined to get as much sympathy for Austria and as much money as possible out of the foreigner.

This is specially clear to the foreigner who stays a good deal in Vienna. The foreigner who merely passes through brings nothing back but a remembrance of more or less gay evenings and of fantastic figures of worthless currency; but he who has to live there and take part in the everyday life of Vienna, especially if he takes the trouble to look deeply into the heart of things, is certainly convinced that side by side with a certain misery in the lower middle classes and privations among the upper classes, there exists among the new rich—"schleibers"—an indifference to the interests of Austria which is hardly believable.

At one time the Austrian was in need of material help. This help was given him so generously that he expects it to go on forever. Mutilated Drivers. What do some guilders, francs, dollars or pounds matter to the foreigner? "Na, ja, aber mit thren Valuten!" (Well, with the value of their money) . . . and as the value of outside money is better than Austrian currency, why should not the foreigner help Austria? At least that is how the Austrian reasons. He never asks himself who created this situation in his land.

The "schleiber" may be the middle man of business transactions, or even the business man quite simply. The "schleiber" is also the "bucket shop keeper," who speculates illegally in exchange, who tests the freshmeat (free commerce), and it is he who piles up bundles of bank notes, a single one of which he will not spend unless it brings him the equivalent in pleasures or goods. The interest of his country? He laughs at it as at a splendid joke—the starving children can be looked after by foreigners. He can eat white bread and he does so without scruple. He can drink champagne at 3,000 crowns a bottle. He provides his wife with magnificent furs and precious jewels. He knows no duty but that of spending the money, which he has gained by exploiting his countrymen in pleasures and luxuries. He is the unmoral being who has sprung from the Austrian soil since misery spread over the land.

In all classes you meet the same phenomenon. For instance, if you take a taxi, when you arrive at your door the driver asks you smilingly for twice the amount you ought to pay. If you protest, he says "But, sir, what does it matter with the value of your money?" So far he is very polite; but if you maintain your refusal, and you only pay the amount registered on the taximeter, with a certain tip—let us say 10 per cent—showers of abuse follow you into your house. At a restaurant the head waiter is very cringing when you give your orders. At the end of the meal, however, when you ask for your bill, he starts by making mistakes—to his own advantage, of course, which by chance, you may find out and have the bill changed. Then you give him 10 per cent as a tip. The head waiter goes away and sends you the service waiter. Another tip required. Thinking yourself very generous, you withdraw from the table when you suddenly hear the "buttons" exclaim: "Dammed Frenchie (or any other nationality, which this future head waiter considers you), not a single heller for a tip!"

When the little bourgeois or shopkeeper smells the foreigner, he immediately sizes up his "Valute." You are treated in accordance with the value of your national currency and the shopman tries to convince you that if he charges you three times as much as Austrians are charged he is still rendering you a great service: "Was macht das denn in Ihre Valute?" (What does it matter compared to the value of your money?) This becomes as familiar as the greeting you get when you go into a shop. If you are good natured you will simply accept; this as part of the business.

I must except the large restaurants, the staffs of which have been employed before the war in other countries. These are satisfied with 10 per cent on the bill. However, one cannot go continually to the big restaurants with the present high prices. You are treated in the same way by the shopkeeper and other people who have put themselves into public service. The method is only varied according to the education they possess. In short, the foreigner in Austria must allow himself to be bled from every vein if he wishes to live in peace.

Since the note of the French government, in the name of all the allied governments, threatening to withdraw all help from Austria in the event of her uniting with Germany, the hatred felt by the rescued for their rescuers rises to the surface. Every conversation between an Austrian and a foreigner is full of underlying bitterness. The conversations which the Austrians hold among themselves in public places, regardless of the strangers within their midst, are full of unimagined insults. Their hatred does not extend only to the allies, but there even exists resentment against their beneficiaries, the neutrals. The

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To Make the Education of the Public School Children More Practical

By MARY KING SHERMAN, General Federation of Women's Clubs



Applied Education, as a General Federation department title, is so new that a definition from our viewpoint is justified and is found in one of the purposes of the department. This purpose is, in brief, to make the education of public school children more practical.

In this 1921 civilization "practical" cannot be comprehensively defined. Nevertheless, "Applied Education" includes certain essentials. It must be real education, of practical value as contrasted with academic teaching by schedule. It must give the pupil facts and training that will be always useful. It must deal with the realities of the environment of the individual. It must make clear the homely truths of everyday life. It must concern itself with the nature and working of the physical world around us. It must give full value to the educational, economic and spiritual worth of nature's methods and processes. And it must be education that results in a tangible, vital force in the consciousness of the individual.

The department is working for open county conferences in every county of every state. The purpose is to bring together the women of each county, to show them their community needs and how they may co-operate through community groups and to point out the ways in which the General Federation of Women's Clubs may be of service. These conferences are devoted to the consideration of the work of the three divisions of the applied education department—education, home economics and conservation of natural resources.

The beneficial effects of these open county conferences, followed by community group co-operation, cannot be overestimated. This program makes the women see for themselves their own home and community needs and shows them how these may be met. It is based upon action instead of theory and actually functions in the lives of women. It stimulates initiative, inspires and develops leadership and increases the sense of individual responsibility to the community. It results in the development of better American citizens.

United States' Foreign Trade Policy Should Be Live and Let Live

By FRANK A. VANDERLIP, New York Financier

The very necessity of her situation will compel Germany to organize her industries on the most efficient possible basis, which means low production costs. It is up to us to meet German efficiency with equal or greater efficiency, not for the purpose of killing off German foreign trade, but simply to maintain our position.

Our foreign trade policy should be live and let live, recognizing that in the case of both England and Germany, their existence as great nations depends upon their ability to export great quantities of goods. Their export trade is vital to them. With us foreign trade is important but not vital.

There had been developed over a period of many years a machine of the greatest intricacy and delicacy for the exchange of goods among nations. The war smashed this machine into bits. It will require time, great intelligence and much patience to put it together again.

With No Revolvers, the Holdup Man's Victims Would Have a Chance

By JOHN R. THOMPSON, Chicago Restaurant Man

Citizen disarmament! Aside from world disarmament there is nothing so important to civilization.

This is my opinion and incidentally explains why I have inserted in several newspapers an advertisement reading thus:

"I will pay \$1,000 to anyone who will give one good reason why the revolver manufacturing industry should be allowed to exist in America and enjoy the facilities of the mails."

The revolver always has been and still is a menace to any community. It is merely a weapon for the thug, the holdup man and the murderer. It is impossible to turn to any useful purpose, as one uses the rifle or shotgun. Where would our holdup man, doing such a thriving business in Chicago today, be, if he could not get hold of a revolver? He couldn't very well go round packing a shotgun or rifle, and if he carried only a piece of lead pipe or club the victim would at least have a fighting chance.

I have long been convinced the revolver should go and the advertisement is the first of a series to arouse public sentiment against it as the initial step toward a bill in congress banning the making of small firearms.

Matrimonial Happiness Wrecked by Helpmeets Who Wouldn't Talk

By JUDGE JOSEPH SABATH, Chicago

Novelists have devoted carloads of paper and barrels of ink in making people believe the most unfortunate of husbands is the one who has a talkative wife. But they're all wrong. Fifty per cent of the men who come to my court seeking a divorce have had their chances for matrimonial happiness wrecked by wives who wouldn't talk. The most dangerous sort of a helpmeet is the woman who sulks. I believe the majority of unhappy husbands are tired of their wives because the latter sulk and refuse to talk when they are displeased with something the husband has or has not done.

When a man says, "Dear, did you have a good time at the movie, this afternoon?" and the wife answers by tilting her chin in the air and calmly ignoring the fact that her husband has addressed her, there's going to be trouble.

You see, a man is vain. He thinks every statement he makes should be carefully heeded. When his wife attempts to chastise him by refusing to talk, his pride is hurt. Frequently he tries the same plan. Then it is not very long until the home is as quiet as a tomb and the air is charged with divorce electricity.

Saburo Shimada, Japanese orator—The nations of the world are staggering under the pressure of the evergrowing burdens of naval and military expenditures, so that the limitation of armaments will meet with an enthusiastic reception from all peoples. A restriction of armaments can be realized if an understanding is arrived at between the United States, Great Britain and Japan.

Senator James E. Watson of Indiana—We should make definite arrangements with our debtors to pay a fixed amount each year, whatever the sum, so that we may have definite assurances of just how much we may expect from that quarter.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. Mothers Know That Genuine Castoria Always Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Hutchins In Use For Over Thirty Years CASTORIA

No Backbone. "Golf spine" is the latest occupational complaint announced by the medical profession. We'll never have it. Our golf has always been of the spineless variety.—Detroit Free Press. About the best way to induce a woman to keep a secret is to keep it to yourself. By All Means. Fond Mother—We are undecided now whether to let Doris take lessons in painting or in singing. Which would you advise? The Man Next Door—Painting, by all means. Man's best friend is woman—so women say.

Got Skin Disease? Purify Your Blood. A great part of the maddening and mortifying skin troubles that plague humanity are due solely to disorders of the blood. Relief from these can be had only by removing from your blood stream the impurities that cause the itching. For this you must take an internal blood remedy. S.S.S. FOR SKIN TROUBLES AT ALL DRUGGISTS

CALIFORNIA TO GROW DATES EASY TO DISTINGUISH TUNES. Possibility That That State May Become Center of Culture of Fruit in the World. Within a few years the Salton sea basin, near Indio, Cal., may become the center of the world's date culture, thanks to the efforts of the Department of Agriculture. Even One Unfamiliar With Music Could Tell the Difference by Listening Close. Two gentlemen from away back in the big sticks sat one night in a St. Louis cabaret and listened to the chortling of a first-class, A No. 1 jazz orchestra. One of the gentlemen displayed a lively interest in the music being produced; from time to time he even beat a lively accompaniment with his feet. His companion displayed no such interest; he actually appeared bored by the proceedings. He apparently could not understand the city's peculiar music. At last he said to his friend: "Bill, what tune is it them birds hev been playin' all evening?" "Tune!" snorted Bill. "You pore prune; they've played a million tunes. Can't you tell one tune from another?" "Gosh, no. They all sound alike to me. How do you tell 'em apart? You're so blame smart." "Huh! Why don't you listen close? Some of 'em are a heap longer than the others."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Buying what you do not need is an easy road to needing what you cannot buy. Many a man renounces single blessedness because he needs the money.

Will You Have A "Lift" If you have reason to believe, as many have, that a change from coffee or tea would be wise, try POSTUM CEREAL. You'll find what thousands of others have found—complete satisfaction to taste, and freedom from harm to nerves or digestion. When coffee or tea disturbs, it's easy to get up where you belong, with Postum. "There's a Reason" Sold by grocers everywhere. Made by Postum Cereal Co., Inc. Battle Creek, Mich.

UNCLE SAM GOES "SEALING" Expects to Get 30,000 Pribilof Pelts in Summer Drive This Year. Seattle, Wash.—Sealskin coats—as many as can be made from about 30,000 skins—will be the objective this summer in the government's drive on the Pribilof islands, which lie in the Bering sea, off Alaska.

Slaughter of the Pribilof seals began this year in June and will continue through the summer months. It was announced here recently. Last year 28,000 seals were taken and this year it is hoped to get 30,000. Recently the U. S. S. Saturn of the Navy department's transport service arrived here to load supplies for the annual summer campaign on the islands. The Saturn is taking to the Pribilofs eight expert furriers from a St. Louis firm which acts as the selling agent for the government.

Steals Baby's Bathtub. Chicago.—The "meanest thief" is being sought by the Marquette police. He invaded the rear porch of the home of Henry Rumph, 2049 Fluorony street, and stole a small metal bathtub used by Mrs. Rumph in bathing her daughter Florence, two years old. More than 25 per cent of the textile factories in Spain have closed down for an indefinite period. The balance are working on a three-day-a-week basis.