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Personally we prefer the locust audible to the locust edible.

About the only place a king still ranks high is in the deck.

Except for 30 or 40 little wars the world is at peace again.

The fellow who complains the most generally does the least good.

Generally a steeplejack lives in suspense or he doesn't live at all.

At this rate airmen will soon be flying around the world in 12 hops.

Before the war, propaganda was just one of the words in the dictionary.

And the worst of it is that none of those army worms wears a red chevron.

Frightfulness seems to have transferred itself to certain bathing costumes.

The way they are hopping across the ocean nowadays makes the big pond a little one.

The noise made by the silkworm bears a strong resemblance to that of the goldbug.

The heavy sale of corkscrews is no indication of an oversupply of catsup in the homes.

The girl who doesn't get anything at college but a husband doesn't always get much.

As far as known there is only one thing in the world can't be run down—that's a rumor.

Girls are delicate vessels, which require a small fortune every season to keep them in sails.

Yes, the world advances. Literary critics no longer describe the new novels as "gripping."

Walking would be a cheap and beneficial exercise but for the increasing price of shoes.

Soon there will be enough French brides in this country to keep them from getting lonesome.

Recklessly driven automobiles continue to prove their right to be classified as deadly weapons.

What the very young man doesn't know he thinks he knows, and it answers the same purpose.

True to his low-down nature, the army worm kept in hiding until he could tackle $2.26 wheat.

The "parlor bolshevists" are just another class of persons who should be doing something useful.

American girls can get husbands without waiting for a war to bring foreign soldiers to their homes.

Don't fail to keep an eye upon the friend who offers you suggestions at the expense of another friend.

Luxury taxes are collected on things whose quality prevents them from being strictly classified as luxuries.

If you would establish a record as a prophet, you might begin "predicting" rises in the prices of various things.

You can't tell the make of an auto by its muffler, but you can tell the stripe of the driver by the way he uses it.

In the case of weather, one can be reasonably certain, always, that it is good for a lot of things and equally bad for a lot of other things.

It is said that contentment is better than riches—but most people are willing to take chances with the riches.

Uncle Sam is willing to lend Europe money to put it on its feet, which is better than having Europe on his hands.

Not having been all shot to pieces, America continues to be more attractive to tourists this summer than is Europe.

If it will make you feel any cooler these hot nights, the coal men announce that coal will be $20 a ton next winter. Well, if it doesn't now, it will later.

A news item says that it's the proper thing for women to wear fall and winter hats right now. If father had known that he might have saved some money last spring.

The Omsk government is as easy to pronounce as any Russian name, and it's much easier to remember the spelling.

A small part of the energy that goes into evading the liquor laws would settle many labor problems if otherwise directed.

One of the major noises that now afflict this country is the wild screams of theoretical bolshevists at being threatened with deportation to the land of applied bolshevism.

State Happenings

Oakland City.—With an official score of 92.5 per cent Miss Olive Rhodes of Otwell won the loving cup in the annual meet of the Pocket Plowing association, held here under the auspices of the Cronbach Industrial school of Oakland City college. Miss Rhodes drove a tractor and Mrs. Joseph Richardson of Oakland City, who also drove a tractor, was second with a score of 91.7 per cent. The score of Miss Rhodes was the best ever made here. Both women won in a contest with men. College officials estimated the attendance at 5,000.

Goshen.—Lake Wawasee cottagers met at Vawter Park hotel, Lake Wawasee, and arranged to raise $2,500 to pay the cost of a proposed dam to be built east of the Huntington street bridge in Syracuse and designed to raise and lower the level of Wawasee and Syracuse lakes. The action is being taken under the Indiana conservation act. It is planned to lower the lake's level in spring and raise it in midsummer.

Franklin.—Telephone patrons of Whiteland, Bargersville, Trafalgar and Needham exchanges in Johnson county have organized to notify managers that unless service is improved and rates reduced within a week they will remove their telephones. This decision was reached at mass meetings in Bargersville and Whiteland. Meetings have been arranged in the other towns.

Fort Wayne.—W. C. Barton of Fort Wayne was killed and Charles White of Indianapolis, salesman for the Cole Motor company, and Fred Miles of Fort Wayne, were seriously injured when the car driven by Barton stalled three miles east of the city and the car, in which White and Miles were riding, crashed into it. Both machines were demolished.

Evansville.—Evansville is without bakery-made pies and cakes, but there is no bread shortage, despite a strike of union bakers. Master bakers donned white caps and aprons and made their own bread. Delivery men walked out in sympathy with the bakers. Grocers used their own wagons to get bread.

Indianapolis.—Action to have the United States government place an embargo on exporting sugar for the next 30 days, as well as on accepting foreign orders, in order to relieve the national sugar shortage, was taken by Indianapolis sugar jobbers.

Evansville.—The Posey county commissioners at Mt. Vernon announced the appointment of Oscar Hungate as county road superintendent, to succeed Leo Cowen, who died in an Evansville hospital last Saturday following an operation for the removal of gall stones.

Greencastle.—Through a change in the attitude of the administration of DePauw university, here toward young women students rooming in homes of this city, the enrollment is expected to be the largest this year in the history of the school.

New Albany.—Curtis Rollins, aged sixteen, son of Luther Rollins of this city, was drowned in the Ohio river. He and several boys dived off a barge and it is believed Rollins' head struck an obstruction, as he did not come to the surface.

Newcastle.—Theft of a plate of fried chicken led to the capture in a thicket in the northern part of Henry county of George, alias William Anderson, negro, confessed slayer of a Muncie druggist, who escaped from the Delaware county jail.

Vincennes.—Fred Eanis and John Bower were under arrest here in connection with the death of Homer McDaniels, a miner, whose body was found floating in the Wabash river.

Washington, D. C.—Among Distinguished Service Cross wards by General Pershing, announced by the war department, is one to Lieut. Mike O'Neal of Jeffersonville, Ind.

Vincennes.—Mussel diggers in Wabash river here found the badly decomposed, fully dressed body of a man of about twenty-eight years. The body has not been identified.

Lafayette.—Harold Waters, aged nineteen, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Waters of Lafayette, was killed by the accidental discharge of a shotgun while hunting rabbits.

Madison.—Hampton Pullem, twenty-one, was drowned while bathing in the Ohio river, two miles east of here. A brother, George Pullem, aged ten, saw him go down.

Scottsburg.—Chester Gleason, fourteen of Cincinnati, O., was drowned in a pond here in 25 feet of water. He was swimming with a companion.

Washington.—James Doyle, twenty-four, returned soldier, drowned when he was swept from a sandbar in White river. He could not swim.

Petersburg.—Seized with cramps while bathing with other young men in a pond, Aubrey Gowens, twenty-one, of Union, was drowned.

Warsaw.—Cities and towns, if they hope to extend their trade in the rural district, must get the community spirit, declared C. W. Coons, secretary of the Montgomery county chamber of commerce at Crawfordsville, in discussing retail trade extension before the annual meeting of the Indiana Commercial Secretaries' association, in session at Winona Lake.

Gary.—Four persons are dead, another may die and two others are suffering injuries as a result of an automobile accident in which the machine was struck by a passenger train at Merrillville.

Muncie.—L. E. Hartman, age forty, for fourteen years an employee of the Lake Erie & Western railroad here, committed suicide in the Grand hotel by drinking acid. Hartman had been divorced from his wife for several years. No reason is known for his act. For a week he had been working for his brother-in-law, proprietor of a restaurant in Bluffton, but came to Muncie four days ago and rented a room in the Grand hotel. Mrs. Nancy Hartman, his mother, lives in Indianapolis. Two sisters live in Bluffton.

Lafayette.—Dr. Thomas F. Moran, head of the history and economics department of Purdue university, and Prof. James A. Woodburn of Indiana university, are the authors of a new text book on American history, which has just been published. The purpose of the volume, which contains 517 pages, is explained in the preface.

Anderson. — Local ice manufacturers notified their patrons that they would probably not be able to provide a full daily quota of ice after Monday. Two hundred tons a day now are being used for domestic consumption. It was thought that ice may be rationed by Monday. There are three companies here.

Shoals.—Button factories at Shoals have raised the price of mussel shells from $40 to $60 a ton and are buying all they can get. This is the highest price that has ever been paid for shells and scores of persons are digging for mussels who have never done it before. Diggers can earn $8 to $10 a day.

Shoals.—Rosa Bell Powell, age twenty, daughter of George Powell, a farmer living seven miles southeast of here, killed herself. She used a shotgun and the load entered her heart. The motive is not known. She had been working at French Lick and came home to visit her parents.

Rushville.—Frank Mattingley, age eighteen, of Glenwood, east of here, is dead of injuries suffered when he was run over by a handcar on the Cincinnati, Indianapolis & Western railroad a few days ago. His feet were mashed and blood poisoning developed.

Brazil.—Perry Zenor, better known as "Dad," a veteran of the Civil way and a sportsman, died suddenly of apoplexy at his home here. For many years he was assessor of Brazil township and served as deputy during the recent assessment of property.

Sullivan. — The annual meeting of the Union Baptist association will be held at the First Baptist church in Vincennes September 1, 2 and 3. The association is composed of the Baptist churches of the counties of Sullivan, Knox and Daviess.

Frankfort.—Accompanied by continuous lightning, Frankfort and Clinton county were swept by a heavy storm. Many buildings and crops were destroyed by lightning. The damage was estimated at more than $15,000.

Petersburg.—Taylor Dearing, age seventy-two, of Marion township, Pike county, who formerly was a prominent Democratic politician, was kicked by a horse at his home, near Velpen. His skull was crushed and he died.

Anderson.—Twenty-one states were represented at the Chesterfield camp of the Indiana Association of Spiritualists. Among more than 3,000 persons present were many soldiers, some in uniform, who recently returned from overseas.

Muncie.—Presumably despondent because a sprained ankle prevented him doing farm work, Henry Sweaney, age seventy-seven, Civil war veteran, living five miles northwest of Gaston, hanged himself in a wagon shed on his farm.

Evansville.—Flour mills of this city announced that they have given an increase of from 10 to 15 per cent, in wages to their employees. The increase makes the pay of the mill workers average from 35 to 50 cents an hour.

Logansport.—Frank Benson, age forty-three, a farmer, was instantly killed when a Pennsylvania passenger train, near here, struck a wagon in which he was riding. Both horses were killed and the wagon demolished.

Anderson.—Consolidation of the Indiana Silo company of Anderson and the Star Traction company of Findlay, O., as arranged recently, was completed here at a meeting of the stockholders of both concerns.

Evansville. — Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the home of Mrs. Mollie Bickwell at Howell, a suburb. The loss is about $6,000, with part insurance. All the household effects were destroyed.

Anderson.—Most of the city employees, whose salaries were raised $10 a month recently, have reported their house rent has now been increased $10 a month.

Anderson.—Alleging that the nagging disposition of her husband has ruined her health, Mrs. Annabelle Albrecht has filed suit asking a divorce.

Anderson.—William A. Lewis of Elwood took charge of the office of the sheriff in Madison county.

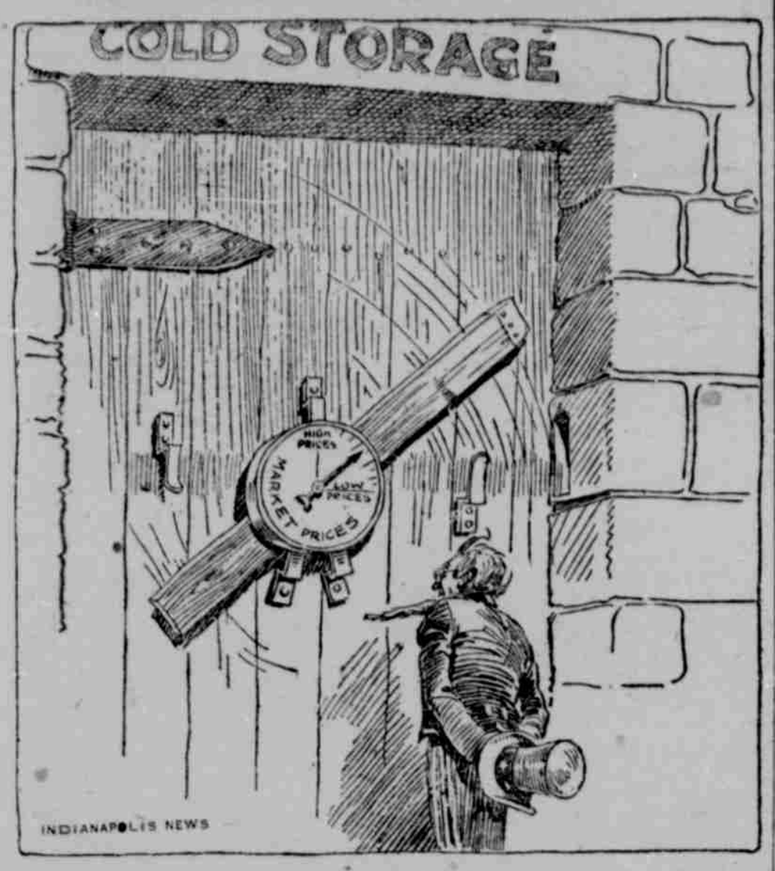
South Bend.—Hugh P. Dunahoo, attorney, has been selected temporary postmaster here.

Vincennes.—When ammonia pipes burst and threatened a shut down of the O'Donnell cold storage plant here, Charles O'Donnell, Jr., returned soldier, donned the gas mask he wore in the Argonne, entered the fume-filled chamber and made repairs in a few minutes.

Anderson.—Robbers entered three places of business here and escaped with more than $400 worth of merchandise. All of the places robbed were within one block of the police station.

Sullivan.—Charles Bullen, age twenty-six, was killed by a cavein of dirt while working on a new coal shaft on the Thomas Shields farm near Dugger.

THE TROUBLE'S WITH THE TIME LOCK



SENATE GETS TREATY

PACT WITH FRANCE HANDED IN BY PRESIDENT.

Almost Identical With One Signed Between Great Britain and France.

Washington, July 31.—President Wilson transmitted to the senate the special treaty with France by which the United States pledges itself to come immediately to the aid of that republic in the event of an unprovoked attack by Germany, and asked for its early ratification "along with the treaty with Germany."

Submission of the treaty came after sharp criticism by senate Republicans, who for several days had openly charged on the senate floor that in failing to present the draft of the pact along with the treaty of Versailles, the president had violated one of the articles of the document. The president did not follow the usual custom of presenting the treaty in person.

The Franco-American treaty is almost identical with one signed between Great Britain and France. One difference between the texts, as made public by the French foreign office, to which attention has been called, is that the United States pledges itself to go "immediately" to the assistance of France, while Great Britain "consents" to assist that country.

The president told the senate the purpose of the treaty was to provide assistance for France in case of unprovoked aggression by Germany without waiting for the advice of the council of the League of Nations that such action should be taken, and explained that it was to be an arrangement, "not independent of the League of Nations, but under it."

7-CENT CAR FARE FOR ALTON

Public Utilities Body at Springfield Raises the Tariff in Many Illinois Cities.

Springfield, Ill., July 31.—Orders entered by the public utilities commission will continue until October 31, 1919, the effective period of rates in the following cases:

Seven-cent cash street car fare for the Alton, Granite City and St. Louis Traction company, affecting Alton, Brooklyn and Venice.

Six-cent cash fare for street railway service in Rockford.

Six-cent cash street car fare in East St. Louis.

Temporary rates authorized for interurban express between Sterling and Dixon by the Sterling, Dixon & Eastern Electric Railway company.

STRIKE THROWS 100,000 OUT

Situation at Scranton, Pa., Is Serious—Whole Lackawanna Valley Without Electricity.

Scranton, Pa., July 31.—The industrial situation in the Lackawanna valley has assumed a critical phase. The strike has practically shut off the operations of the Scranton Electric company. Industry after industry has been forced to quit, and it is estimated that more than 100,000 workers are idle.

Germans Vote Extra Wealth Tax.

Weimar, July 31.—The proposed extraordinary tax on wealth was voted upon favorably by the council of state.

Close Six Army Hospitals.

Washington, Aug. 2.—Six army general hospitals, located at Ontario, N. Y.; Biltmore, N. C.; New Haven, Conn.; Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.; Fort Douglas, Utah, and Fort Snelling, Minn., will be closed September 30.

$25,000,000 for Cola Firm.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 2.—Sale of the Coca Cola company of Atlanta to New York interests for $25,000,000 became known here, the final transaction being dependent upon reports of auditors for the New York capitalists.

SLAUGHTER 19 JAPS

MIKADO'S SOLDIERS ARE SLAIN BY CHINESE.

Chinese Government Expresses Regret Over Incident—Chinese Losses Not Given.

Washington, Aug. 2.—Sixteen Japanese officers and men and three Japanese policemen were killed, and 17 Japanese soldiers more or less seriously wounded in a clash with Chinese troops at Kuanchenghu July 19, according to an official report received by the Japanese embassy here. The losses of the Chinese were not given.

The clash was said to have followed an assault on an employee of the South Manchuria Railway company by about 20 Chinese soldiers.

The report said the Chinese government expressed regret over the incident, and dismissed from office the Chinese commanders and reprimanded Gen. Meng Un Yuan, governor general of Kirin province, in which Kuanchenghu is situated.

CHICAGO TRAVELS ON FOOT

Employees of the Surface and Elevated Lines Walk Out After Week's Conference.

Chicago, July 30.—Chicago is walking. After a week of fruitless conference between heads of the trolley men's unions and company officials the order was given for a walkout and the surface and elevated cars were run into the barns. The men demand 85 cents an hour, an eight-hour day, 60 per cent of the runs to be straight time and time and one-half for overtime.

BIG FIRE PLOT IS BARED

Mayor of Chicago Says That Information Caused Him to Yield to Troop Call.

Chicago, Aug. 2.—In a statement supplementing an announcement he made, Mayor Thompson said that it was information that Wednesday night had been chosen for a widespread plot to start fires in the riot district, which induced him to call out the state troops. He was guided in that action, too, by knowledge that the police were worn out by continuous duty.

NEWS FROM FAR AND NEAR

London, Aug. 1.—Two hundred and eighty-three Hungarian communities in Hungary have decided to declare their independence of the soviet government at Budapest, the Copenhagen correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph reported today. The soviet troops at Budapest refused to quell the demonstrations of striking metal workers.

Washington, Aug. 1.—The senate commerce committee reported favorably on the nominations of John Barton Payne of Chicago to be chairman and of Henry M. Robinson of Los Angeles and Thomas Scott of New London, Conn., to be members of the United States shipping board.

Washington, Aug. 1.—Senator Chamberlain of Oregon introduced a bill in the senate providing for universal military training.

100 U. S. Ships Sold.

Washington, Aug. 4.—One hundred steamships built on the Great Lakes during the war have been sold by the shipping board to the Anderson Overseas corporation of New York for approximately $80,000,000.

Mrs. John Barton Payne Dead.

Chicago, Aug. 4.—Mrs. John Barton Payne, wife of the new chairman of the United States shipping board, is dead at her country home at Elmhurst, near here. She had been ill two weeks.

RIOTING DIES IN FACE OF GUNS

Illinois Militiamen Prove Their Worth as Soldiers; Act Like Veterans.

SEE PLENTY OF EXCITEMENT

Opposed by Angry Mobs Which Outnumbered Them Many Times—Rescue St. Louis Negro Hanged to Telegraph Pole—Negroes Go to Work.

Chicago, Aug. 2.—The militiamen of Illinois have proved their worth as soldiers. Their advent into the inflamed districts of the South side has curbed the rioters, but the race feud that has killed 32 men and beaten, killed, stoned, stabbed, and shot more than 300 others, still smolders. Last night one man, colored, was killed; six were hurt.

In the district controlled by the soldiers there is little lawlessness. Outside it there were several outrages committed by white mobs.

One such mob tried to set afire the house at 5432 South LaSalle street, where a negro family resided. Three times the night before it had been fired. The men of the Tenth National Guard found the incendiaries just in time, and chased them. The colored residents ran from the house and took refuge in a hollow square, the edges of which were bristling with bayonets.

The mob, numbering several thousands, hooted and jeered, but they didn't dare to pass that wall of steel. With the coming of reserves the mob was scattered, and orders were issued that no one should be allowed to leave or enter that block—between LaSalle and Wentworth, and Fifty-fifth and Fifty-fourth streets.

The troops were doing excellent work. Adjutant General Dickson said he was proud of them. Their commanders said they acted like veterans. They saved many lives, protected property, and were cool and steady facing angry mobs that outnumbered them many times.

They saw plenty of excitement. They rescued Richard Duide, a negro from St. Louis, who was about to be hanged on a telegraph pole by a white gang at Sixty-third street and Campbell avenue.

The negroes, feeling safe now that the troops had come, went to their work in the stock yards. They were pursued by whites, beaten, knocked down, kicked. Then came the militiamen with bayonets fixed. The rioters drew back, snarling and cursing, but the bayonets didn't waver.

$1,000,000 FRAUD CHARGED

Charles A. Strang, a Shipbuilder, Is Arrested in East on a Federal Indictment.

New York, Aug. 2.—Charles A. Strang, a shipbuilder, was arrested in West Brighton on a federal indictment charging him with conspiracy to defraud the government by means of a fraudulent pay roll. The complaint was made by the Emergency Fleet corporation, which operates the Duval Shipbuilding company in Florida, where Strang was employed.

Federal officers declared that when Strang's alleged co-conspirators are rounded up it will be found the government was robbed of $1,000,000.

AURORA AND ELGIN MEN OUT

Interurban Employees Vote to Strike at Two O'Clock Wednesday Morning—Many Towns Affected.

Chicago, July 31.—Employees of the Aurora, Elgin & Chicago interurban road voted yesterday to go on strike at two o'clock this morning. This will mean a complete tie-up of all transportation on the "third-rail" line. Elgin, West Chicago, Wheaton, Glen Ellyn, Villa Park and Lombard will be without light and many large industrial plants in those vicinities will be without power, as they are supplied with electricity from the interurban dynamos.

SALES OF WHEAT INCREASE

33,793,000 Bushels Received From Farms During Week Ended July 18—17,493,000 Previous Week.

Washington, July 31.—A total of 33,793,000 bushels of wheat was received in markets from farms in the week ending July 18, according to figures issued by the United States Grain corporation, covering the wheat and flour movement throughout the country.

This compared with 17,493,000 bushels for the previous week and 32,516,000 for the same week in 1918.

Lansing Replies to Senate.

Washington, Aug. 4.—Two hundred and seventeen Americans have been killed in Mexico since the close of the regime of Porfirio Diax May 25, 1911, the senate was informed by Secretary Lansing in response to an inquiry.

Deity Still With Kaiser.

Berlin, Aug. 4.—The former German empress in the course of a letter to the vicar of Christ church at Wilhelmshohe says: "The kaiser is bearing his burden, but the Lord will lead him out of the dark valley."