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PURCHASED FRIENDSHIP

President Wilson urged the ratification of the Colombian treaty on the ground of "this only too obvious consideration, that we need now and it is possible shall need very much in the immediate future all the friends we can attach to us in Central America."

If we are in any dire need of friends in Central America or elsewhere, the blame rests wholly with the administration. Four years ago we had friends in every quarter of the globe. We were looked upon with interest and admiration, our moral support was counted in every effort to enlarge human liberty everywhere. As the greatest of neutral states, free from even the remotest suspicion of territorial or commercial aggression, with a long and splendid record for courage in defence of our rights, which, in turn, were regarded as the rights of all mankind, the United States occupied, four years ago, a place of fine distinction in the family of nations. In South and Central America this was especially true. Our firm and just policy toward the Latin Republics, our constant helpfulness in the solution of their problems indeed, the dignified maintenance of our highly justifiable position in this very incident with Colombia which the President speaks of, contributed to our renown and added to our friends and admirers in that quarter of the world.

The President now confesses that we have lost them. Why? Because a policy of piffle succeeded to a policy of prudence in dealing with emotional and impressionable peoples; because we withdrew from our nationals the support which they were entitled to in the enterprises which they were carrying on in Latin America--for their own profit, to be sure, but much more for the benefit and development of those countries; because by our course we permitted it to be understood that the great Republic of the North spoke only for rhetorical effect and acted only for dramatic purposes. Our friendship was soon seen to be worthless because it could render nothing—and nations equally with individuals, withhold friendship from the weak and the inefficient.

Having lost so many friends, President Wilson would now have us purchase a single and futile friendship from the Colombians by apologizing to them for one of the proudest feats of American constructive energy the building of the Panama Canal, and by paying to them $15,000,000 as a further humiliating penalty for our own decisive action. Purchased friendship is not worth having. No blackmailer is ever content with the first extortion from his victim. No brave man every yields to such a situation. Our differences with Colombia are not of a character which requires the services of an Untermeyer to "fix things up". They are of a character which demands a sturdy maintenance of the rights and dignity of a self-respecting nation. The President may be afraid. The country is not. The President may be willing to pay hush-money. The country is not. The President may desire to purchase friendship. The country prefers to deserve it and to win it.

WATCH BURLESON

The Senate took no chances with Mr. Burleson. Providing money for the continuation of the pnuematic tube service in the big cities, the Senate writes into the postal bill the mandatory provision that the money must be used for the designated purpose and no other. The application of this statute will be watched; for it will afford an opportunity to demonstrate whether the administration is above the law--as many of its members have so often tried to make it appear that they are.

FORT STRENGTHENS COMMISSION

The appointment of ex-Gov. Fort of New Jersey as a Federal Trade Commissioner came to him as a Republican. Gov. Fort has been an active Progressive. He sat in the Republican and in the Progressive National Convention in 1912; and his adherence to the third party in that year was complete. He was one of the first, however, to recognize the futility of continuing the organization and he has done his full share in the work of redeeming New Jersey to Republicanism.

Jack Doyle, E. Green street, has accepted a contract to umpire the ball Games played by Mt. St. Marys College, Emmitsburg, this summer. Western Maryland College also has engaged Jack to umpire their games this season.

CLEANER MOVIES

A movement is gaining much force to clean up movie shows. It runs up against the feeling of many managers, that salacious shows pay better. Many theatre owners say frankly that whenever they announce a risque film, their attendance immediately begins to swell.

There are a few fundamental considerations, however which they ignore. They may gain an increase temporarily through having the normal audience of people who want clean shows, while attracting also the special class that looks for morbid sensation. But if the place keeps on, a great mass of people become disgusted and stay away. Finally the threatre will have to depend wholly on the dirt seekers who are not the best financial basis.

The substantial elements of a community must be conciliated in order to make an amusement business permanently profitable. A manager may be able to fill his place for a time with street loafers, and with temporarily through having the normorbid and sexually excited young people. These classes may fill the cheapest seats to overflowing, which does not help out so much on receipts.

The theatre managers have objected strenuously to measures for a state or government censorship of films. Considering the tendencies of public authorities to appoint mere politicians to such positions, such censorship might be handled in a way to encourage graft. But the picture producers will do well if they submit their films voluntarily to a non-political basis.

If they will co-operate with the women's clubs, the social settlements, and other betterment agencies, for an intelligent control of filmproduction, they will in the long run place their business on the most permanent foundation.

ASSESSMENTS DUE WHEN IMPROVEMENTS MADE

Only men who have a capacity for much work are placed on the Committee on the District of Columbia of the House. That Committee is flooded with bills relating to the details of municipal government, and their consideration often necessitates personal visits to remote parts of the city of Washington. One of that Committee's busiest members is Representative George H. Tinkham of Massachusetts. His years of experience as a member of the city government of Boston made his services particularly valuable in directing legislation for Washington. One of the reforms inaugurated by Mr. Tinkham is to prevent, in the case of street improvements, the assessment of benefits against abutting property until the improvement is an accomplished fact. Cases were discovered where such assessments had been made years before the contemplated work was commenced, resulting in great hardship to the owners of property in the vicinitity. Representative Tinkham's bill, which he introduced to remedy the matter, received the enthusiastic support of the grateful small property holders in Washington.

PUT HIM TO WORK

In these days when help is so scarce, everyone should go to work. When any strain in our population is non-productive, something is wrong. These remarks were suggested by reading an address by Gen. R. H. Pratt, for 25 years head of the Carlisle school for Indians. Gen Pratt condemns the United States' policy of holding the Indians on reservations and consequently pauperizing them.

This speaker presented figures showing earnings of 25,000 Indians as averaging less than $4.00 a month. Thousands of them were fiddling away on little crafts like basket and bead making. Meanwhile the farms are crying aloud for workers.

The Red Man has a reputation of indolence. Many employers would say they would not have a man with Indian blood around the place. Yet many thousands of them are doing well as stock raisers, which is not an idle and easy occupation.

One of the principal reasons for high cost foods is the scarcity of workers and the high cost of farm help. The Indian population is not large. But if all these semi-idle Indians of whom Gen. Pratt speaks could have been trained for real work, it would have helped labor shortage in several states.

The Indian was trained to endure sharp pain without flinching. A creature who can bear suffering ought to be able to work, and could if he were trained to it. Furthermore, the Indian race was never enslaved or reduced to servitude. That indicates a certain resolute and iron quality in the blood. It is no wonder the Indian would not work when so many times he was simply kept on a reservation and fed on government rations. The idleness was physically enfeebling, ann was one reason why the race has not held its own in population. The many Indians who already have learned to live normal working lives will no doubt show themselves able to increase and multiply and furnish their share of industrious labor.

Our people don't worry about lives being lost, but wait until some one finds out that he has lost a dollar by the way the war is going.

Congress will no doubt authorize the President to point the horse pistol at Germany anytime he gets good and ready.

LEISURE TIME

Leisure time is a compartively modern invention. The old timers never had any leisure. They worked longer hours than we do. Factories used to run 11 and 12 hours a day. Farmers would get up at four and work until dark.

Clerks, merchants, and professional men used to run their own back yard gardens. Many men receiving large incomes were not averse to raising potatoes and beans in the home lot. They had become accustomed to counting the pennies, and besides they thought the active work was good for their health.

Today working hours are gradually growing shorter. Many people get Saturday afternoon. The eight hour and the nine hour days are becoming common. There are a great many people who can have their evening meal promptly at six o'clock, leaving a good long evening free for other pursuits.

Hundreds of thousands of these people, whose fathers as aforesaid used to take up the shovel and the hoe at that hour, are now out spinning around in their automobiles. Many of the young people are simply promenading up and down the towns, thronging the refreshment stands and eyeing the other sex.

This great change in the habits of our people is not wholly a decadence. It does mark a decline of that old resolute spirit that founded fortunes and developed savings bank accounts. But leisure time is valuable if used well. The hours an indoor worker spends on out door sport are often the most valuable of the twenty four.

Only the time ought not be spent aimlessly. Simply drifting around the streets develops no muscles and lays no foundations for future success. If many people this summer would spend it in raising potatoes, they would stand a better chance of business success. But whether spent in labor or sport, some definite end of achievement or phyical advancement ought to be held in view.

FINDING HELP

From many employing centers the cry goes up for help. And this is the off time of year, before the demand from the farms and construction and highway jobs has set in. What will happen when the farmers begin to howl for harvest hands?

In the newspapers it is a normal thing for Situations Wanted ads to outnumber the Help Wanted. Probably the proportion would be the other way now. In one metropolitan newspaper the other day, it was noter that there were 3-1-2 colums of Help Wanted notices, and only one half a column of Situations Wanted.

Many a manufacturer feels at his wit's end, in a time like this to get the needed help, to turn out his orders. Of course the only thing to do is to advertise. There are invariably plenty of men who are looking for better jobs. When a man accepts a better opportunity in that way, his former employer of course becomes the goat, and there is nothing for him in his turn but to try advertising and attract some one from a still lower position. It is time when working people can advance rapidly, and when new openings are constantly showing themselves.

The newspaper is a great employment bureau. If it were not for the services of the Help Wanted column, industry would be prostrated in a time like this.

No able bodied man has any excuse for not working today. Also it is a great chance for women to break into a new line of industry. Many unskilled laborers are getting chances to try out work that would never be given them in less rushed time. Meanwhile let no employer be discouraged, and say that he can't deliver his goods because he can't get help. The newspaper is ready to tell his message far and wide.

THE HOME MERCHANT'S SERVICE

The home store is one of the conveniences and public services of the town. A place may have good streets, schools, and lights, yet if its stores are behind the game, the whole community suffers. The public is inconvenienced and put to serious expense to supply itself with necessaries.

There are some people who always patronize distant stores for all important purchases. But in an emergency, they run to the home store with some trifling order. Then they blame the merchant if he does not have as complete a stock as a metropolitan store would carry.

Such people are not doing their share to build up their home community. They are pursuing a policy which if adopted by everyone would affect valuation of all real estate and impair the facilities for good community living. The merchant can do his share toward making this an up to date town, only by the spirit of loyal support from his townspeople.

Had T. R. been president, the United Stateo wousld either have been ordering the whole world, around, or picking itself up ruefully out of the ditch.

You may see that tighter waist line in the clothes of the college boys and the bank clerks, but not in those of the manufacturers, merchants, and bank presidents.

Of course the food price investigators shouldn't be expected to evolve any brilliant new ideas unless their minds are stimulated by high priced cigars.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

A GEOGRAPHY STORY

Dear Boys of the Fifth Grade.

You said I should tell you, when I had heard something real new and spicy in Geography. Sunday night several of us listened to a most vivid tale and experience given by a lady and her husband, who have lately returned from Africa, where they have been teaching and preaching for six years, to the wild tribes of the Belgian Congo and other Provinces, and parts of Africa.

Africa, is geography you need to know of as much as our own U. S. This lady and her husband are on a business trip and visit to this Country and are stopping with Mr. Stoner of the Nursery. When they return, which will be before long, Mr. Stoner's niece will go back with them, to assist in their work among the African tribes: The lady showed us several things used by those tribes, one was a thin broom about eighteen inches long, all they have to clean out their huts with. The people, and their animals of all kinds sleep in the same hut, or room; no window, only a door. They have one dish, a half gourd, to drink from. The men and women wear no clothing only a hat and a loin scarf, and many necklaces, they thus form a tribe of Artist models. Perhaps, that is why the English speaking ladies are copying from them, in shortening their skirts at one end, and lowering them at the other, so the results will in time, be about the same. At this period of war in so many countries, and an outlook for further slaughter, among other Nations, you boys want to be on the rush with your geography, studing maps of home and foreign countries, on land and Ocean. Then you can tell just where the submarines and battleships are or, the trenches and lines of battlefields.

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To learn the pedagogic rule,
And buys each latest book and tool!—
And all for forty dollars.

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Receives the pleaders at her door,
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—Exchange.

HISTORY FROM THE NURSERY.

Miss Smith, the teacher, says Harper's Magazine, was hearing the history class. The pupils seemed unusually dull on that particular occasion, and in vain did the teacher try to get them to give correct answers. At last she looked at the child who was her star pupil.

"Now, Elsie," she said, "Mary followed Edward VI, didn't she?"

"Yes, ma'am," replied the little girl.

"And now, who followed Mary?" asked the teacher, hopefully.

All was silence for a moment, and then Elsie raised her hand.

"Yes, Elsie?" queried the teacher. "Who followed Mary?"

"Her little lamb, teacher," said Elsie Triumphantly.

COULD NOT AFFORD IT

This was the note Tommy brought from his mother: "Dere Teacher: You keep telin' my boy to brethe with his palate. Maybe rich children has got palate, but how about when their father only makes two dollars a day and has got six children. First it's one thing, then it's another, and now it's palates. That's the wurst yet."

NO MORE APPENDIX FOR HIM

"Having satisfied you, sir," went on the book agent, "that you are in constant need of our superb dictionary, permit me to show you also its greatly enlarged appendix which no family should be 'without.'" "Nothing doing!" gasped the prospective victim. "It's cost me $500 to have one of those things cut out."

A LITTLE PRAYER FOR PEACE

Dear God, please make all warfare cease;
Please teach the world the love of Peace.
Let love and kindness guide us when Hate slips into the hearts of men.
Spread Thou Thy goodness, near and far,
And spare the world from cruel war,
Oh, hear the children ask for Peace,
And make all bitter warfare cease.

John Martin's Book.

The teacher was telling her class a long, highly embellished story of Santa Claus, and the mirth of Willie Jones eventually got entirely beyond his control.

"Willie," said the teacher, sternly, "what did I whip you for yesterday?"

"Fer lyin'," promptly answered Willie; "an' I was just wonderin' who was goin' to whip you."

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1917

Desirable Little Home

IN BERRETT DISTRICT, CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

The undersigned Trustees named in a decree of the Circuit Court for Carroll County, passed in a cause pending in said Court wherein Wm. L. Powers is Complainant and Thos. E. Powers and others, are Defendants, will offer at Public Auction, on the premises, located on the Sam's Creek road in Berrett district, Carroll county, Maryland, about 1-4 of a mile from the store of Mr. James M. Pickett and about 3-1|4 miles north of Woodbine, on

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IN THE ORPHAN'S COURT OF CARROLL COUNTY.

February Term, 1917.

Estate of Elizabeth Kneller, deceased.

On application, it is ordered, this 27th day of February, 1917, that the sale of Leashold and Real Estate of Elizabeth Kneller, late of Carroll county, deceased, made by Charles C. Kneller, Executor of the last Will and Testament of said deceased, and this day reported to this Court by the said Executor, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause be shown to the contrary on or before the 1st Monday, 2nd day of April next; provided a copy of this order be inserted for three successive weeks in some newspaper printed and published in Carroll county, before the 4th Monday, 26th day of March, next. The report states the amount of sale to be $2044.00.

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BIRD COMEDIANS TO BE SHOWN BY LYMAN H. HOWE

The wonderful film to be shown by Lyman H. Howe at the Opera on March 21st, of Sir Douglas Mawson's Expedition into the depths of Antarctica furnishes more thrills and genuine laughs than any of the manufactured "thrillers' could possibly hope to imitate. Comedy in rich measure is provided by the birds and animals of which the penguins are the "head liners". As they drive from the rocks they are funny. Then when they try to feed their clamorous young or attempt to cover six eggs, placed unedr them by mischievous humanity, instead of the normal one, they are funnier. But when they form in cadet like lines to salute a ponderous sea lion they are funniest. The reproduction in its entirely has more real entertainment in it than a hundred photoplays. There phases of the film combined with breathless adventure and daring exploits make it appeal irresistibly to all ages beyond anything ever shown in motion photography. No conception or comprehension of the uncivilized or uninhabited section of the earth's surface is possible without seeing this film.

Another feature of Howe's itinerary takes spectators into the groves and sunlit corridors of giant Sequoias in Yosemite National Park, and among waterfalls of trancendent beauty, some of which hurl themselves from precipices more than 2000 feet in height. Thrills to satisfy the most exacting will be provided by still another film showing the recent automobile race over Giant's Despair at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., where fearless drivers race their cars at tremendous speed up steep inclines and around many sharp curves. Throughout the entire program, amoryement follows amusement in swift succession a wealth of rch hunor being contributed by an entirely new series of animated cartoons. —Advertisement.

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