

By Arthur Brisbane

PRESIDENT ALREADY IN. ARE WE AN OSTRICH? WATCH R. R. HOOKUPS. U. S. PAUPERISM DYING.

A Washington correspondent says "President Coolidge will keep out of the Mitchell fight," referring to Colonel Mitchell's charges as to general incompetency in the management of United States air forces and the suggestion that Colonel Mitchell, lowered in rank for telling the truth once, should now be arrested for telling the truth twice.

How could the President, who is head of the Army and Navy, keep out of the Mitchell matter? It is not conceivable that his subordinates, knowing of the President's readiness to hear both sides of any question, would undertake any action without his approval.

The people do not believe that the President will permit any action against Colonel Mitchell until the entire aviation question shall have been fully thrashed out, including the fiasco in the effort to fly to Hawaii, and the catastrophe of the Shenandoah.

It is to be hoped that the inquiry when it comes, will not be a whitewashing enterprise, but a real investigation.

The President will want to know why the protest of Commander Lansdowne, an experienced airman who had flown across the Atlantic in a dirigible, was ignored. The President will not want any whitewashing or any offhand suppression of Colonel Mitchell, who isn't easily suppressed, by the way. He will want the facts, and will see that he gets them.

The most disquieting thing in tion, the failure of the Hawaiian flight and the Shenandoah disaster, we have come to the conclusion that the Atlantic and the Pacific are still our best defenses. "We have nothing to fear from enemy aircraft that is not on this continent."

The experience in the Arctic, the failure of the Hawaiian flight, the dreadful Shenandoah disaster had nothing to do with capable air navigation, but a great deal to do with incompetent management of our air force.

We should have, indeed, nothing to fear from foreign aircraft if we could give to foreigners such management as our aircraft has. Mr. Wilbur's statement that our oceans are our best defense sounds like the statement of some ostrich saying, "I have nothing to fear, the sand is my best defense. I can stick my head into it."

It is suggested that railroads be forced to combine in great transportation units, and that they make their own selections "rather than have the Government do the choosing for them."

Why not have a selection of well-informed men, railroad men of course, acquainted with traffic conditions, make a survey of railroads, and let the Government know which combination should be made in the interest of economy and of efficiency?

President Coolidge will certainly not think it wise to leave these combinations to selfish interests based on opportunities for stock jobbing, combining broken down roads with good roads for the sake of immediate profit, rather than more efficiency. Perhaps for the sake of unloading unprofitable railroads on the stockholders that own profitable railroads.

Pauperism is dying out in the United States thanks to better wages, widows' pensions, more enlightened medical care, and especially campaigns of health advertising, carried on by the great life insurance companies.

Of 100,000 in our population, only 71.5 are in poorhouses now. And that is exactly 71.5 too many.

In 1914 there were 91.5 out of 100,000 in the poorhouses. Things have improved since the war forced up wages.

Things You Should Know



by John Joseph Gaines, M. D.

The Table Your Foe

Of the many sins against right living, overeating is perhaps the chief, especially in cases of individuals in whom age has laid its restricting hand on bodily activity. Many men have retired from business, only to inaugurate a system of dietary that is an infinitely worse burden. In such cases, a protein, or, proteins, become the invisible foe. "Baked beans" and "dressings" are heavy protein foods. Fresh meats are laden with protein. Highly-seasoned foods owe their evil effects to protein in excess. Enough for you to know, that protein is stimulant and if pushed, a dangerous intoxicant.

Age brings in many people, torpor of the eliminating channels of the body. Obstruction and oversupply of food become a deadly enemy. Stupor after meals, dizziness, hardened arteries, heightened blood-pressure, auto-intoxication, apoplexy, not a very enticing chapter. Many fatal cases of brain hemorrhage can be traced to overeating. People just won't stop and think! That neighbor of yours, that died suddenly of paralysis at sixty years of age; he should have lived to eighty—had he lived right!

Within the past year, I have known of a half-dozen men, found dead in bed after having eaten a heavy six-o'clock dinner, and retiring "in good health and spirits." Will we never take warning? Increased blood-pressure is a symptom of protein poisoning. Lessen the amount of protein, and it falls. Serious disease of the kidneys may be traced to the banquet-table. Over-work doesn't deserve half the blame it gets, while the innocent-looking sugar-bowl, the seductive mince-pie, and the rare beef-steak are working their havoc.

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WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Every appropriation made must be followed by taxes. Some people don't seem to realize the simple fact that the money you are going to spend must be raised somehow.

Winter wheat crop of 11,613,000 bushels, this year's prediction for Maryland.

Timonium—Maryland State Fair opened here, September 7th.

Finksburg—Numsen cannery starts season's run of corn.

College Park — National Soybean Growers' Association held its sixth field meeting at University of Maryland, September 3d.

Ellicott City—Arlington farm becomes site for new country club.

Laurel—Work progresses on new 10-room consolidated school.

Love Point—This place fast becoming one of Maryland's leading summer resorts.

Centreville—Alexander Hotel being renovated.

Templeville—Many improvements made at Templeville M. E. Church.

Centreville—Epstein's department store being remodled.

Middletown—Ground soon to be broken for new $55,000 building at Middletown high school.

Taneytown—Plans under way for constructing Littlestown road, as far as Maryland line.

Woodsboro—Woodsboro - Creagerstown pike to be repaired.

Montevue—Work started oiling and chipping section of Montevue pike, from point quarter-mile west of this place, to Montevue Hospital.

Yellow Springs—Yellow Springs pike to be resurfaced from Hagerstown and Frederick Railway crossing to corporate limits of Frederick.

Bridgeport—Work progressing on 3 arch bridge over Monocacy river at this place.

Chestertown—Fairlee Co-operative cannery opens for tomato season.

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When you have faults they are pronounced. You are impatient, impulsive, and, apt to form your opinions too quickly. You are egotistical, vain, proud, and place undue value upon the applause and approbation of the multitude. You cannot stand personal criticism, even when you know it is just.

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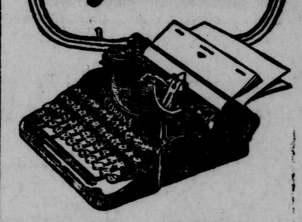
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