

O'NEILL FRONTIER

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"Opportunity for world leadership knocks a second time at America's door," said Joseph P. Tumulty, in New York recently when asked to discuss the armament conference. "A year ago America abandoned that leadership in exchange for what Woodrow Wilson characterized 'a barren isolation.' Now is the time for President Harding, representing America, to assume bold leadership. All Americans, irrespective of political affiliations, wish him the utmost success in the approaching conference. But he will succeed through audacity rather than caution."

Old Bill Lowney, whose life has been devoted to opening oysters, claims that when he split 100 of them in 2 1/2 minutes not long ago he established a world's record, says a dispatch from New York. He has challenged any and all oystermen to meet him in competition with a barrel of bivalves and a knife. Old Bill was born up Cape Cod way 63 years ago, and he knows the names and records of all the speedy oyster openers along the coast.

Dock operators in Superior and Duluth have been worried considerably of late because of severe fires in the large coal piles on the water. Fires this fall are numerous, due to the recent rush of stocking the northwest's winter supply before the threatened railroad strike materialized. Caused by spontaneous combustion, many of the fires are at the base of the coal piles, which make it extremely difficult to combat them.

A new species of "con man" has been discovered in Bay City, Mich. The city put a bounty of 10 cents on rats, and for obvious reasons, required only the tails of the dead rodents to be presented for "kashing in." This counting developed into rather perfunctory performance and then it developed that some of the ever present small boys were mixing in pieces of insulated wire, and even small pigs' tails with the rat appendages.

The greatest need for the country girl who comes to the city is religious training, stated conference of probation officers of New York state were told Monday by Miss Helen P. McCormick, deputy assistant district attorney of Kings county. Many country girls, she declared, are fed on the worst sort of movies, books and stories, and from other girls are under the obsession that wicked city people are going continually to tempt her and it is through these influences that they fall.

The plight of some of the landed proprietors of England was illustrated in London recently when the marquis of Northampton, in returning thanks for a wedding present from the tenantry on his estate, said that at the present time he was living on borrowed money. "We are passing through difficult times," said the marquis. "I try to excuse myself because I feel that people must hate me. I hope they do not. My grandfather had a great deal of money to play with. My father had some, too. I have none. I have to live on borrowed money. I have to be rather pinching."

Washington stationers, at first overjoyed because of the calling of the conference, are mourning. Armament delegates have cut the red tape of diplomacy in one regard at least. They will dispense with the "formal and official call," long a sacred institution. Somebody figured out that if all the diplomats and attaches and advisers here were to call on one another in formal fashion it would use up more than 40,000 calling cards.

The Washington Elm, under which George Washington assumed command of the continental armies, sheltered in Cambridge the other day another general whose name will rank with the greatest. Under its massive, time worn branches Ferdinand Foch was made an honorary member of a local post of the Grand Army of the Republic. A delegation of veterans of the Civil war pinned on his breast a bronze medal in token of his membership.

Co-operation, instead of competition, between nations was urged in resolutions adopted by the National Council of Women, in session at Philadelphia this week. Plans were launched to create a woman's "club" to throw the vote of associated organizations to candidates to minimize war preparations. World wide co-operation of women for reduction of armament was urged in a message from British women, and the league of nations union.

Speaking to his fellow countrymen who formed a large part of a great crowd that gathered in Memorial plaza to greet General Diaz of Italy, when he spoke in Baltimore, Saturday, the general reminded them they are part of the American institution. "Become American citizens," he said. "Be Americans at heart." He then placed on the forum of the plaza, tribute to the soldiers who died in the war.

The shot gun messenger, long a picturesque figure of the far west, has come back. Formerly the messenger rode atop the stage coach, weapon on his knees, and watched the Indians or road agents. Today 20 civilian guards, modern prototypes of the colorful former group, were put on duty on mail trains running between Spokane, St. Paul, Seattle and Portland, Ore.

Funds for national defense will be secured by a patriotic stamp tax if a bill approved by the Peruvian senate becomes a law, according to a dispatch from Lima. This tax creates a 10 per cent ad valorem tax on liquors, perfumes and candles and 1 or 2 per cent, tax, according to prices, on automobiles and carriages. In addition it creates a tax, to be paid once only, on all automobiles actually in use.

The first effort to organize farm women on a national scale, according to headquarters of the American Farm Bureau, will be made at its annual convention in Atlanta, November 21 to 23. Each state farm bureau federation has been asked for the first time to send at least one representative farm woman, and these will try to work out a plan of affiliating women in farm bureau work.

The National Tuberculosis Association reports that 5,000,000 school children in the United States are suffering from malnutrition. To correct this, the association soon will put into effect an unique plan for instructing these children in correct health habits. Each child will be required through his teacher and parents to submit a card indicating daily performance of 11 health chores.

The national champion horseshoe pitcher is Frank E. Jackson, of Kellerton, Ia. He has been ringing pegs for more than 40 years. He is as enthusiastic over his horseshoes as golfers are over their game on the green. He claims to play a scientific game, and declares he played the game wrong for 25 years.

Giant airplanes now carry mail of the Belgian Congo in place of the half naked black, the lumbering bullock, and slow moving river steamers. The new air mail service operates between Kitchassa and Stanleyville, a distance of 1,150 miles, with frequent stops en route, traversing the Congo river the entire distance.

PHONE COMPANIES APPEAL IN VAIN

State Rail Commission Says Higher Rates Now Not Consistent with Dropping Prices.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 22 (Special).—Unless telephone companies are choking to death, they will appeal in vain for a raise in rates to the state railway commission. In a decision handed down in the application of the Pawnee City Telephone Company, the commission said that the falling prices on supplies and materials ought to take care of most of the revenue troubles, and that it would do nothing for this company until after its report for the entire year was available. The company asked for a valuation of \$2,000, but the commission, while adding \$5,042 to a previous valuation, said it could find no more than \$61,000 of value. The present revenues will lack about \$400 of paying 8 per cent. return on this investment.

REVOKE LICENSES OF INSURANCE AGENTS

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 22 (Special).—The licenses to write insurance heretofore held by F. A. Stech, of Table Rock, and C. L. Purley, of Fremont, have been revoked by the state department of insurance. Stech has been running a Community bank in his town, and was forced out by the banking department because he had loaded up the bank with notes given by persons to whom he had sold insurance. He did not show up when notified to appear, and the state insurance commissioner has some unanswered questions with respect to the genuineness of notes he holds. The charge against Purley is that he has issued several checks that were returned marked "no funds." He also failed to obey the summons, and the license was revoked.

SERUM MAKERS WANT STATE TO CEASE MANUFACTURE

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 22 (Special).—A vigorous attack on the right of the board of state university regents to manufacture and sell hog cholera serum has been launched in supreme court briefs filed by representatives of the manufacturers. The legislature put the college of agriculture in the business originally because serum makers were manifestly in agreement on prices, and these were too high. Now the makers say that it is class legislation, and that while the police power can be properly invoked to protect against monopolistic business, it can only regulate and control prices where the business is not inherently a monopoly.

MUCH CORN REMAINS TO BE HUSKED

Bloomfield, Neb., Nov. 22 (Special).—The first real snow of the season is on the ground and farmers who still have quite a little corn in the fields are feeling "blue." Despite the fact that "unemployment" tales have filled the country, it has been impossible to secure enough corn pickers, otherwise all the corn would now be out. Much of the corn is lying on the ground, the dry weather and wind having broken the ears from the stalks. Many of the farmers and a number of townspeople are using more or less corn for fuel. Good soft coal is \$15.50 per ton and hard coal is \$21.

WOMAN CABINET MEMBER IN WEST CANADA QUILTS

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 21.—Announcement was made Sunday of the resignation of Mrs. Ralph Smith, member without portfolio, of the British Columbia cabinet. She was a member of the legislature. Mrs. Smith explained that she was quitting the cabinet because she had been "in the unfortunate position of having to assume the responsibility of acts of the government without being allowed to criticize or advise." She added that she had been "precluded from criticism."

ALEXANDER HAS NO NOTION OF QUITTING

Belgrade, Nov. 21.—All reports that King Alexander has any intention of abdicating may be put down as fiction, he declared yesterday. He has never given the slightest thought to the subject. The young Serbian ruler already has taken the oath to support the constitution and his coronation probably will occur soon after completion of the palace, next summer.

The king, in an interview with an Associated Press correspondent, declared stories forecasted his abdication were quite as absurd as others concerning him while in Paris. He said his health was excellent and that he was glad to get back to Yugoslavia. Alexander sought news of the Washington arms conference. He expressed the wish for its fullest success.

ASK WAGE CUTS.

Houston, Tex., Nov. 21.—The Southern Pacific lines in Texas and Louisiana today gave formal notice of its desire to reduce wages effective January 1 and asked for conferences with representatives of the different classes of men affected. No schedule of reductions was announced and it was stated that efforts would be to adjust rates of pay in such a manner as to remove differentials in favor of some classes as against others. Conferences were scheduled to begin within the next two weeks.

MILLERS ARE TO BE INVESTIGATED

Governor McKelvie of Nebraska, Said to Have Arranged for Probe into Present Flour Prices.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 21 (Special).—Now it is whispered about the state house that Governor McKelvie's profiteer hunt, scheduled to begin next Monday, is to include a number of millers. It has been pointed out that the price of flour has shown a queer reluctance about following the price of wheat down the rungs of the price ladder. Millers, who were satisfied to take care of most of the revenue troubles, and that it would do nothing for this company until after its report for the entire year was available. The company asked for a valuation of \$2,000, but the commission, while adding \$5,042 to a previous valuation, said it could find no more than \$61,000 of value. The present revenues will lack about \$400 of paying 8 per cent. return on this investment.

SHOWS WOUND WAS INFLICTED FROM REAR

McCook, Neb., Nov. 21.—Word from the bedside of Pearl Turner, of Alliance precinct, this county, indicates that a more serious charge may be lodged against George Harris, who shot Turner, his brother-in-law, through the shoulder and arm with a shotgun November 9. Turner suffered a severe wound and his condition is said to be quite serious. As Turner is said to have been shot from the rear, the question of self defense is being questioned by the prosecution in the case. If Turner is able to appear in court the preliminary will be held here November 23.

WILL ACT AS ADVISER TO YOUNG REPUBLICS



Henry M. Day, who recently sailed for Europe will act as commercial adviser to the three new European republics—Armenia, Georgia and Azerbaijan.

CATCH RUM RUNNERS FOR GIGANTIC PLOT

Plans to Withdraw \$2,000,000 in Booze Thwarted—Charge Bribe Offered.

United Press.
Chicago, Nov. 19.—Two alleged rum runners were under arrest here today on charges of attempting to withdraw more than \$2,000,000 worth of whiskey from Chicago warehouses for prominent men in New York and Chicago. The men were also accused of offering a bribe of \$50,000 to A. W. Earnshaw, government investigator, and Assistant United States District Attorney Harry Brin. They were trapped through installation of a dictograph in a hotel room where the bribe was alleged to have been offered. The men gave the names of William McCulley and Nathan Epstein.

BRITISH SEE SUCCESS.

Washington, Nov. 19.—The British mission believes the success of the arms conference "is almost assured." This was revealed semi-officially today by a British spokesman, who added his impression was that the home public reaction was similar.

FOUND AT LAST.

Joplin, Mo., Nov. 19.—R. W. Rahfing, 21, lost when infants were mixed at a children's home in St. Louis 20 years ago, has been reunited with his mother, Mrs. Lucy Simpson.

THREE LOSE LIVES IN TWISTER IN MISSOURI

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Nov. 19.—Three persons were killed early today when a cyclone struck their farm home five miles east of here.

Mrs. George Chaffin, 40, her son, Case, 18, and daughter, Molly, 13, were the victims.

TODAY IN CONGRESS.

United Press.
Senate.
Continues debate on Newberry election case.

House.
Resumes consideration of maternity bill.

Appropriation committee considers deficiency appropriations.

FORTUNE LOST BY COURT DECISION

Dodge County Woman Fails to Get Property of Man She Was About to Wed.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 18 (Special).—Mrs. Mary Mallett lost a comfortable fortune through a supreme court decision just handed down. A year or two ago her son-in-law, Lee Kleiman, who is a farmer living near Snyder, in Dodge county, was asked by a bachelor neighbor, Louis Kleinbaum, to find him a housekeeper. He proposed that Kleinbaum secure the services of Mrs. Mallett. On talking it over they decided that her presence alone on the farm would cause gossip, and Kleiman suggested a wedding. Louis was agreed, so was the mother-in-law, and a wedding day was set. The night before that date Kleinbaum fell ill and died within three days.

Mrs. Mallett brought suit to have vested in her the title to his 240 acres of farm land, on the ground that he had contracted that she should have all his property if she would care for him and his home the remainder of his life. He was then 46 years old. The court said, however, that the evidence established only by a contract of marriage, and as the law requires these to be attested in writing, and there being none, she has no claim on the estate.

SUPREME COURT WRITES NEW LAW IN DECISIONS

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 18 (Special).—Some new law was written into the statutes by two new decisions of the supreme court in estate cases. The claim of a great grandson of David R. Rowan to valuable land in Otoe county was upheld as against the claim of his uncle. The will said that the land should go to the issue of testator's body, and the uncle claimed this meant children only. The court said that it means lineal descendants and gave the grandson his father's share.

The other case was from Cass county where the other heirs of John H. Davis desired to shut out the widow of his son, Philip, from any share of the estate, because the will said that the estate should be divided among his heirs. A widow is an heir.

LYONS, NEB., EDITOR FOLLOWS WIFE TO GRAVE

Lyons, Neb., Nov. 18 (Special).—M. M. Warner, editor of the Lyons Mirror-Sun for the past 31 years, died at his home Thursday morning. Mr. Warner has been in failing health for the past six weeks but was on duty until one week ago when he was stricken with pneumonia. Mr. Warner's wife died last March. He leaves surviving him his daughter, Mary, 7 years old and two sisters who reside in South Dakota. Funeral services will be under the direction of the I. O. O. F. lodge of Lyons.

Refunding War Debts. From the Chicago News.

Reginald McKenna, former chancellor of the British exchequer, in advocating before the Commercial club of Chicago the cancellation of all national war debts, including presumably reparations debts, as the best solution of the present problem of trade depression and unemployment, uttered no thought not already entertained by many economists and financiers. The argument has become tolerably familiar: The debts can be paid in goods alone, and the country in the world is willing to take "a flood of goods" in payment.

Whatever may be thought of the validity of this argument, one thing is perfectly clear to the judicious American, and that is that public opinion at present does not approve and will not even consider immediate cancellation of war debts. Now the only course for congress is to enable the secretary of the treasury, or an appropriate commission headed by him, to refund the allied war debts on fair and satisfactory terms.

Mr. Harvey's Great Illusion.
From the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.
"Now it seems to have been my unhappy lot since I have been in England," said Ambassador Harvey, in his Liverpool speech, "to dispel illusions respecting the attitude of the United States."

If Ambassador Harvey would dispel his own great illusion that he is the public spokesman for the United States and the man designed by high destiny and superlative ability to define its policies, state its intentions and interpret its actions his lot would be less unhappy and the lot of President Harding and Secretary Hughes and other constitutional devisors and interpreters of our foreign and domestic policies would be far happier.

The president and Mr. Hughes have had a busy time trying to destroy the effect of Mr. Harvey's last attempt to destroy the "illusion" that the United States went into the war from any higher motive than fear and selfish interests and that it would have no relation whatsoever with the League of Nations or any other international league to keep peace.

LONDON.—Ted ("Kid") Lewis, the English middleweight champion, defeated "Boy" McCormick in the 14th round of a 20-round bout Thursday night. The referee stopped the fight in order to save McCormick from further punishment.

It is suggested that the Swiss navy be taken as the model for the reorganization of the other navies of the world.

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA.—Cedar Rapids probably will play Ames Thanksgiving day if both teams win Saturday's games. The winner of this contest may play Charles City early in September to definitely decide the state high school football championship.

FINANCING IS HALTED.

Washington, Nov. 18.—There will be no further government financing before December 15, it was said today at the treasury.

A Thanksgiving Grace

By Wilbur D. Nesbit

Show us the way to see the good
That comes into our lives each day,
The blessings, dimly understood,
That give us cheer along the way.
Give us content, with gold and gear—
Though much or little we possess—
Let us be glad for what is here
On this, our day of thankfulness.

But broaden, too, the soul and mind
So that our thanks will not be found
By custom's rule and rote confined
Within this one day's narrow bound.
Let us be glad for early rain
That bids the flowers wake and creep,
Let us be glad for snowy plain
That holds them in their winter sleep.

Give us the heart to understand
The graciousness of spreading trees;
The changing seasons, wisely planned,
The storm and sunshine—all of these.
For all the brightness of the dawn,
And cheerfulness of noon and night,
And all that joy is builded on
Give us the grace to see aright.

Let us remember each kind word
By weight of goodly feeling blessed—
Each gentle thing we've said or heard—
And blot from memory the rest.
Give us the grace to see and know
The benefits along the way—
The many things that help us so.
Let us be thankful every day.

TODAY IS THANKSGIVING!

Springfield Republican.

Today is Thanksgiving! With Christmas it marks one of the two great family festivals on the calendar. Turkey and cranberry sauce and pumpkin pie come into their own today. Perhaps Little Willie and Dorothy will be excused from the table while their grown up partake of the more impractical salad and such dishes, but they'll return to pass expert judgment on the pie and ice cream, a fitting climax to the noble turkey that has gone before.

The churches will hold a union service in the auditorium this morning. Lots of thankful folks will take this opportunity of showing gratitude. Just about 300 years ago the Pilgrims had the first Thanksgiving. Today holds nothing to impugn their judgment nor to belittle the custom they inaugurated. Bring on the turkey!

THANKSGIVING TURKEY CREOLE

If you want to eat turkey that fills you to overflowing with thanksgiving in spite of his price the Creole turkey, served with browned sweet potatoes, and a dish of flaky rice, is the bon bouche which best spells epicurean appreciation. Somehow Thanksgiving day is so closely allied to a full dinner pail in its association and so overshadowed with the wings of turkey that the sacred beginning of the day in churches redolent of the fragrance of autumnal fruits and bright with the glow of sheaves of grain would seem less joyful if there were not in the perspective a juicy bird to symbolize the fat of the land for which thanks are so earnestly returned.

The November turkey has sacrificed his life at a high price and some people claim that the price of 70 cents a pound will prevail, while prudent housekeepers declare that the late buyer gets the heaviest birds at the lowest figures. America no longer seeks the burnished wild turkey fattened on autumn grain and nuts and bending with his weight the limb of his forest roost. The search for turkey is not a thing to be thankful for, but the man who is able to go on such a quest has much to sing praises of gratitude for, and he may well smack his lips if the creole turkey rewards his efforts.

The piece de resistance of the creole turkey is the stuffing, which imparts a flavor to the bird besides furnishing a delicious tidbit in itself. To make it, procure from one to three dozen oysters, according to the size of the turkey and the plumpness of your purse. Strain the liquor into a bowl and break into the juice pieces of stale bread and let them soak. Place a large lump of lard or its equivalent into a deep skillet or pot and when it sizzles drop into it a finely chopped big onion or two or three small ones. Stir until the onion is golden brown and then drop into the pan the chopped giblets and liver of the turkey. Meantime the bread has absorbed the oyster juice and is mixed with chopped parsley, and if it is convenient, with a tiny sprig of thyme, bay leaves and a bit of sage. Stir the giblets in the sizzling lard till they are brown and then quickly throw in the bread.

While stirring this mass pour into the receptacle a soup plate full of chopped pecan nuts and stir. The nuts dissolve quickly, but that has nothing to do with the process of cooking and is not to be noticed. Only stir the mass an do not let any scrap of it scorch. The whole will assume a beautiful light brown color and a wonderful aroma. The bread does not need cooking, but only mixing in the hot ingredients, and last of all the oysters are emptied in and stirred. The mass is thick and must be handled quickly so as to prevent scorching. Empty it on a broad platter and let it cool enough to place in the turkey. This dressing will be somewhat soft, but will have enough consistency for stuffing purposes. Stuff the bird as full as it will hold, sew up the opening with coarse thread, rub lard all over the turkey, sift flour over the lard lightly and lay the turkey in a large roasting pan in which a thin layer of cold water has been placed.

Have a kettle or pan of water, at a boil on the stove, and when the turkey begins to cook, pour a little over it frequently with a large basting spoon, and baste it also with the juices which accumulate in the pan as the turkey cooks. Keep this up until the turkey is well done, by which time a delicate flavor of pecan nuts and oysters will have permeated the bird and the stuffing will be fit for a king. Incidentally, don't forget to sprinkle salt and pepper over the bird and the stuffing will be fit for a are delicious cooked in this way. The dressing, not forgetting that oysters are salt and so is the bread, and less cooking salt will be required. A bit of chopped red pepper is more detectable than the black variety with turkey, duck or chicken, all of which are delicious cooked in this way. The stuffing, eaten with rice, alone is much sought by epicures.

Her Idea of It.
From the Boston Transcript.
"My dear," said Mr. Plunger when he went home one evening, "I've something important to tell you—a receiver has been appointed to take charge of my affairs."
"How nice!" cooed Mrs. Plunger. "When will he hold his first reception?"

In Great Britain, a regular passenger motor service is in service from London to Glasgow and Edinburgh. The trip covering two days, costs \$5, which includes hotel bills.

THE NEXT BATTLEFIELD.

From the Milwaukee Journal.
A mechanically controlled flying torpedo is the latest success of the army and navy air service. Trials made over New York and other eastern straits show that it is capable of enormous destruction. Loaded with incendiary materials or with poison gases, it could be used, it is said, practically to annihilate whole cities without any loss of life to the army employing it. That is one of the things that will happen if another war comes. The world war has shown that the battle will be carried beyond the military forces, to cities and hamlets, regardless of whether noncombatants, women and children, are slain. And this is only one of the marvelous new devices for killing. They don't make war impossible because when we enter on the acts which produce war we are not thinking of them. The only way to make war impossible is to start a long way back of the immediate cause. We recommend to the consideration of the Washington conference this new and terrible engine of slaughter.