

Today

Hiram Johnson Will Pray. Congress Meets. Whisky and Corpses. "Expect Great Things." By ARTHUR BRISBANE

Wise Washington correspondents tell you: "In President Coolidge's message, the talk on foreign relations will end with an endorsement of the world court idea—a feeble endorsement, but an endorsement."

In the evening, after he has read that paragraph in the message, Hiram Johnson will tack on a new paragraph to his now-I-lay-me, as follows: "And bless Calvin Coolidge, who has given me my issue, just as I hoped."

Your congress, 68th in the history of the United States, met Monday and discovered that politics this year is a tangled web, woven of many "bloes."

It will be hard even to organize the house for business. Standpat conservatism—pained by the farm bloc and other blocs, denounces them as unpatriotic. The only respectable bloc, according to the old guard, is the original financial bloc which once owned the senate. That bloc is quite respectable. It contains the best elements, men that run railroads, looking at a ticker—men that never went to war, but hate the idea of a bonus—men that don't know a shot from a shogun, but can tell farmers all about farming, and how foolish it is to imagine that high freight rates injure farmers.

Eighteen cases of whisky and two corpses are washed up on the New Jersey shore. Prohibition agents take charge of the whisky. Undertakers take charge of the bodies. In the pocket of one dead man was a watch still running. Many, before prohibition days, used to write of whisky's terrible crime record, and it was a record. How little they thought that prohibition would establish a bootlegging crime record that would make the record of "legitimate" whisky seem childish.

Judge Gary of the big steel company is not a seventh son, but he can tell your fortune, if you are in business. Next year will be much better than this, go ahead, "well within your resources." Buy what you need, you won't get it cheaper.

This is a growing country, and business grows much faster than the population. In 1920 the population was 76,000,000. It has grown to 110,000,000 in 23 years, about 45 per cent. Not bad. But consider steel. In 1920 this country produced 10,000,000 tons in a year. Now it produces 40,000,000 tons, an increase of 300 per cent.

If you sell this country "short" you'll lose. And don't listen to any talk about "a bad presidential year." Prepare for good times. In the words of the distinguished optimist, Mr. Uppercut, "expect great things."

Poor old Tutankhamen must undergo the last humiliation. Those that found his tomb will unwrap the bandages that cover his withered body, and a thousand feet of the most finely woven material. Then he will be wrapped up again, and put back to sleep where sightseers may see him and reflect on life's uncertainties.

If that Pharaoh could come back, he would understand nothing of modern life except the misery of the poorest Egyptians, that would seem natural and proper to him. Imagine your coffin opened and shroud removed 3,000 years hence on the planet Mars, that's about what is happening to poor old "Tut," his American name "for short."

The "three estates" of olden time, a trinity ruling all earth's affairs, were royalty, nobility, clergy. Journalism was recognized, in a descending way, as the "fourth estate."

John Galsworthy, writing for the London Times, about fair play in international thought, says that the three estates now ruling mankind are science, finance and the press.

Of the three, science is incomparably greatest. Newspapers come next, finance third. Newspapers can overrule all the power of finance, if the newspapers happen to be in the right. Newspapers and finance combined, can do nothing against science, except postpone its benefits.

Lloyd George says England will go for free trade by a million votes, and Lloyd George knows more nearly than anybody else what the English people will do. If they have protection in England, they have it carefully studied out for the bulk of the English people, not for the enriching of clever individuals able to pull legislative strings.

The English really have achieved a certain degree of government by the people, for the people. We shall do it here some day.

The village of Asouma, in Japan, has a fire company made up entirely of women. That is something new, but being organized to save life, rather than property, it does not surprise you.

A woman, you may be sure, was the first to enter a burning structure to carry out a child. A man very probably was the first to run that risk to save property.

The postal deficit is cut thirty millions. And if the postoffice charged the people one-quarter as much as a private corporation would charge postoffice profits would amount to hundreds of millions. Bear that in mind when you discuss public ownership.

Mrs. Catt Not Fond of New Woman's Bill

Proposed New Equal Rights Amendment Before Congress Doubtful of Passage, Leader Says.

"I don't think the equal rights amendment to be presented to the new congress will be passed," said Mrs. Catt's Chapman Catt, suffragist leader, who arrived in Omaha Tuesday morning to give a lecture. Mrs. Catt spoke on "War or Peace, What Are We Going to Do About It?" in the ballroom of Hotel Fontenelle Tuesday evening.

"Women are working up gradually in politics," said the political leader. "The League of Women Voters, of which I am a member, has found that it is more safe to work for political rights by states. The women are wiping out discrimination by state legislation right now."

Woman's Party Alone. "The woman's party, the party that is presenting the equal rights amendment to congress, stands alone in its views. Equality under the law might take away women's privileges. The men might take advantage of the women under that amendment."

"It seems only just to say women should have equal rights with the men, but the league has found that in the biggest trades, in the railroads, factories and shops, have secured industrial rights by strikes and by legislation."

"The women will have to get their rights by legislation in states." In her travels across the United States, Mrs. Catt has found that many cities and towns are educating their citizens in politics. In the end, the new citizen will be better educated than before, said Mrs. Catt. When all the states legislate on bills sanctioned by the women there will be more talk of equality for the women, is the belief of Mrs. Catt.

Naval Reserve Lease Upheld

Operator Says Huge Loss Would Have Resulted From Failure to Develop.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Failure to proceed with development of the national petroleum reserves would have cost the navy 225,000,000 barrels of oil through drains and otherwise, Edward L. Doheny, veteran oil operator, yesterday told the senate public lands committee.

To Drill on Reserve. The Pan-American Petroleum company, of which he is head, already has \$14,000,000 invested under its lease of Reserve No. 1 in California. Mr. Doheny declared, and was planning an immediate issue of \$10,500,000 in bonds to finance drilling there during the next year and expected to expend up to \$50,000,000 in a few years.

Under questioning by Chairman Smoot, the witness said he had contributed \$75,000 to the last democratic national campaign fund and \$25,000 to the 1920 fund of the republican party, although "a lifelong democrat."

He explained the latter contribution as having been impelled by his disapproval of a reference made by one of the candidates which seemed to reflect personally upon the other. The money was spent by his direction for the purchase of space in New York newspapers, in which was published a refutation of the allegation. Mr. Doheny said, the entire action being voluntary on his part.

Nebraska Lauds Act. "You did this simply to show your disgust at the unfair method of attack," asked Senator Norris, republican, Nebraska. "Yes, sir," responded Mr. Doheny. "Then I consider it a pity that there are not more like you in our public life," continued the Nebraska senator. Former Secretary Albert B. Fall of the Interior department, who conducted the leasing of the reserves, has never been in his employ. Mr. Doheny said in reply to question. He added that "there is as good a job for him as we gave the late Secretary Lane, if he will have it."

No Foreign Cardinals. Rome, Dec. 4.—A semi-official communication from the Vatican today states that no foreign cardinals will be created at the coming consistory.

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Women of Fascisti Honor War Dead in Rome



Fair fascist recruits at unknown soldier's tomb in Rome on the first anniversary of the formation of the fascist movement in Italy.

Best Hay in World Michigan Grown

Canadian Wins Wheat Sweepstakes at Chicago Livestock Show.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—A horse show arranged for tonight is to offer particular interest at the International Livestock Exposition being held here. Judges in the grain and hay show held in connection with the exhibition decided that the best hay in the world was grown this year by Arthur Jewett, jr., of Mason, Michigan. He took the grand championship prize with an exhibit of timothy. The reserve championship went to Charles H. Howitt of Randolph, Wis., with an exhibit of alfalfa.

H. G. L. King of Penn. Alberta, Canada, won the sweepstakes in the wheat exhibit with a showing of the Marquis variety. Clyde Norton of Columbus, Mont., took the reserve championship with the hard red winter variety. The soy bean sweepstakes was taken by Paul Butlin of Seymour, Ill. The University of California won the grand championship for wethers in the sheep judging contest, winning with a Southdown. The reserve grand championship went to the Iroquois farm of Cooperstown, N. Y.

The award for the best Shorthorn bull, 3 years old and over went to Maxwilton Monarch, owned by John Alexander and Sons of Aurora, Ill. The boy, owned by H. E. Olson of Altona, Ill., was declared the champion steer of the Aberdeen Angus class. Buster, nominated by James L. Lemmon, New London, Mo., was judged the champion fat Polled Shorthorn.

Dr. D. D. Van Vorhis and son of Beecher, Ill., carried off the award for grand champion Hereford steer at the show today with Dale Fisterber. The reserve championship went to W. Blayne of Denver, Colo., to Blayne's Hero.

Four class and reserve grand champions were awarded to Canada in the sheep division. H. W. Lee of Ontario was first with the fat Lincoln and took the reserve championship in the fat Cotswolds class. James Snell of Clinton, Ont., took the grand championship in the fat Leicesters and Robert McEwin of London, Ont., placed first in the fat Southdowns. Iowa State University won the fat Oxford prize and the fat Chester Whites, while the University of Minnesota won the fat Berkshire.

Bumper, the University of Wisconsin grade Hereford, won the ribbon in the junior yearling class of grade and cross bred steers. In the group of senior calves, the University of Nebraska took first and second. Carl Rosenfeld of Kelley, Ia., won first in the grand steers.

German Inquiry Plans Revised

By Associated Press. Paris, Dec. 4.—At a conference between Premier Poincare and Louis Barthou, president of the reparations commission, last night, a revised text defining the powers of the expert committee which is to investigate Germany's resources and financial assistance was agreed upon. This text is worded in such a way that reparations circles hope will overcome the objections raised by Secretary of State Hughes to the participation of the United States. Mr. Barthou planned to submit this text to the reparations commission this afternoon and no doubt was expressed that it would be approved.

In case the approval is voted the French government probably will forward an invitation to the United States to take part in the projected investigation. James A. Logan, the American representative with the commission, will report the proceedings for the information of the State department. Should the United States government still feel that it could not take an official part in the work of these committees steps will be taken here to provide for unofficial American representation on them.

100 Per Cent Dividend

Chicago, Dec. 4.—Directors of the Chicago Yellow Cab company voted a stock dividend of 100 per cent payable to stockholders of record December 11.

Cotton Breaks 100 Points

New York, Dec. 4.—An excited opening of the cotton market today, with a break of 77 to 100 points on first sales, followed a smash in the Liverpool market overnight, after heavy continental hedge selling. December declined to 35.25c and January to 34.90c, representing \$11 to \$12 bale loss from the recent high records.



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Train of Meat Off for Italy

Record Shipment Leaves Sioux City in One Load for Italian Government.

Sioux City, Dec. 4.—What is believed to be the largest shipment on a single order ever sent out by a Sioux City packing plant left today when a trainload of heavy dressed hogs to be sent direct to Genoa, Italy, left over the Illinois Central railroad. There were 23 cars in the special train.

The total meat tonnage of the shipment is 515,200 pounds. The meat was ordered by the Italian government.

J. A. Edinger Succumbs

West Point, Neb., Dec. 4.—Funeral services for J. A. Edinger, pioneer politician, who died Sunday, were held this afternoon. He is survived, besides his widow, by a daughter, Myrtle.

Madame Antoinette

Oh! So Dainty



are the organadies. One vestee with round collar attached has its ruffles stitched with palest pink. Skeleton waists of net may be white or ecru and they may boast real Irish.

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Ford to Renew Shoals Offer

Coolidge in Accord on Project—Manufacturer Agrees to Make Nitrates.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Henry Ford in conference with President Coolidge yesterday, reached an agreement to renew negotiations to purchase the Muscle Shoals power project.

He will guarantee to manufacture nitrates for fertilizer in peace and equip the plant so that it may immediately be transformed into a war industry to produce the same element for the manufacture of explosives.

It was indicated that the president and the manufacturer are so nearly in accord on the general proposal that the big plant may pass into the hands of Mr. Ford within a few months.

The one point remaining to be settled is that of a steam plant, to be operated two months in the year when the water power is insufficient. The plant originally intended for this, known as the Gorgas plant, was sold to the Alabama Power company over the protest of Mr. Ford.

Ford is said now to have agreed to accept a reduction in his bid for the amount paid for the Gorgas plant. The plant was located 90 miles from the water power project, at a point convenient for the shipment of coal.

Mr. Ford is to decide whether it will be an economy to duplicate the Gorgas plant or pay the freight on coal to the water power site.

After conferring with the president, the manufacturer went to the War department and conferred briefly with Secretary Weeks. He is understood to have placed a specific offer before him.

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Burgess Bedtime Stories

By THORNTON W. BURGESS. Honest pride is good to see. As honest folk will all agree. —Old Mother Nature.

Gopher is Proud of His Home. When Gopher the Tortoise told Danny and Nanny Meadow Mouse that that hole they had looked at going way, way down into the ground was his home, they were quite as much surprised as they had been when he had told them that he was not a Turtle, but a Tortoise.

"It looks like a very fine home," said Danny. "It is," replied Gopher. "Yes, suh, it is. Ah'm proud of that home. Ah've been proud of it ever since Ah dug it."

"Ever since what?" squeaked Danny. "Ever since Ah dug it," replied Gopher.

Danny looked at Nanny, and Nanny looked at Danny. In the eyes of both was unbelief. "Do you mean to say that you expect us to believe that you dug that hole?" demanded Danny.

"Yes, suh, Ah certainly do, suh. Ah'm not in the habit of telling things that are no so, suh." It was clear that Gopher was somewhat offended.

"But Turtles don't dig holes way down in the ground like that," protested Danny.

"Ah tol' you, suh, that Ah am not a Turtle, but a Tortoise, and that makes all the difference in the world," replied Gopher with a great deal of dignity. "Ah dug that home myself, suh, and Ah'm proud of it."

"Why, bless my eyes, if this isn't Danny and Nanny Meadow Mouse!" Danny and Nanny looked up to find Mocker the Mockingbird looking down at them with such surprise in his eyes that they just had to laugh. At the same time they were delighted.

Mocker had spent several summers up in the Old Orchard and Danny and Nanny had become very well acquainted with him.

"It certainly is Danny and Nanny Meadow Mouse, yet it can't be," said Mocker, talking to himself.

"Oh, yes, it can be," squeaked Danny.

"How do you like our beautiful Sunny South?" "We don't know yet," replied Danny. "You see, we haven't had a chance to get acquainted with it. Mr. Gopher, here, is the only one we have met, and I suspect he has been making fun of us." Danny looked at Gopher and then at Gopher's home.

"It is wonderful," confessed Mocker. "How do you like our beautiful Sunny South?"

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Mocker understood. His eyes twinkled. "Then you do my friend Gopher great wrong," said he. "He wouldn't make fun of anybody. He really did dig that home. He is a famous digger. Perhaps some day he will show you how he can dig."

Danny turned to Gopher. "I beg your pardon for not believing you," said he. "You have reason to be proud of that home. If I had dug it I should have been proud of it. I hope you will pardon us for doubting your word. You see, so many strange things have happened to us that we really don't know what to believe and what not to believe."

"It is quite all right, suh," replied Gopher politely. "Ah can understand your feelings. Ah hope yo' all will be right neighborly."

The next story: "Danny Meadow Mouse Puzzles Over a Name."

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