

Today

No Religious Hate.
Unnecessary Effort.
Japan's New Boat.
Those "Ordinary People."
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Franklin D. Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the navy, under Woodrow Wilson, and cousin of the late Theodore Roosevelt, will manage Al Smith's presidential campaign. The progress of Governor Smith's boat up to date shows a tie of religious prejudice so hateful in a republic of prominent men that have endorsed Governor Smith's candidacy. A majority are Protestants.

Governor Smith's state and city of New York certainly displays no animosity to the Catholic religion. The return of Cardinal Hayes from Rome with his honors lately bestowed was made the occasion of a striking demonstration as has been seen in New York City for years. Traffic was shut out from Fifth avenue as the cardinal proceeded to the cathedral attired in his robes, magnificent, wearing the red hat of his rank as a prince of the church. On his arrival, Governor Al Smith, chief official of New York state, greeted him, respectfully kissing the herald ring worn upon his finger.

It is safe to say that so far as his own state is concerned at least, Al Smith as a presidential candidate will be judged by his own record, not by his religion. It will be remembered that he carried New York state less than two years ago by the biggest majority ever recorded for any governor.

"Conservative" democrats, which means democrats who think that party power should work for their corporations, would like to nominate John W. Davis, now general counsel for J. Pierpont Morgan, formerly ambassador to England. The fact that Mr. Davis has just succeeded in getting a 10 per cent increase in telephone rates for the big company in New York, will make him a better conservative candidate than ever. But it will not make his election any more probable.

Frank Urbain of Cresson, Pa., tired of life, did these unnecessary things:
He burned up all his money, \$2,000. Drank a pint of furniture polish, ate a can of wall cleaner, and soon was dead.
That was all wasted effort. Time would have ended his life, his heirs would have burned his money.

Japan has bought from Germany the plans for a giant submersible cruiser. It's a great battleship that can sink below water, carrying its great guns and reappearing at the right spot to wreck any city or hold it to ransom.
The Japanese are not building that undersea battle ship for the mikado to study deep sea fish. Such a submersible ship could rise to the surface, inside the harbor of Seattle, San Francisco or New York, announce a declaration of war, and start it immediately.

This country is not provided with adequate submarines or flying machines. That fact should interest Mr. Coolidge more than anything happening in Europe.

Henry W. Taft, able lawyer and good citizen, worries about newspaper headlines. The fact that newspapers print all the news they can get, without consulting any lawyer about it worries him, also he thinks it has a bad effect on the public mind, creates false impressions and false standards.

"Ask Mr. Taft 'do those headlines and that news affect your mind?' he will answer 'dear me, no, not my mind. I was referring to the ordinary mind.'"

That's a common attitude in America. Time will correct it, and teach even eminent lawyers that there is something real in democracy, and that the ordinary mind is not so very ordinary.

A sociological congress at Rome says Latin must be revived as an international, world language, because the world will not agree on any living language. The international language will gradually establish itself. Languages grow, like trees and men, they can't be manufactured. Latin would not do. It is weak, compared with several living languages, and men are unable to agree on a satisfactory pronunciation of it.

The world will not be ready for a universal language for several thousand years, perhaps 100,000 years. By that time a language will be spoken which no one now living could understand. The radio will make universal language necessary. For when a really great man appears all the world will want to hear him.

Russia is shocked because certain individuals, posing as religious teachers, rob the poor peasants through their superstitions. One told a young couple about to be married that if they didn't give him money the demons would injure them. They refused, and on their way to the wedding, their horse slid at a large pig and they were thrown.

When the pig barred the road, grunting terribly, the girl decided that demons inhabited the pig and wanted to placate the demon with money, but the intelligent young man killed the pig. An intelligent way of settling the trouble. The pig belonged to the sorcerer, who wants damages. There is a great scandal, but there's no cause for it. Human beings get the religion they want, one suited to their intelligence. They should be willing to pay for the kind they want.

Some dear young sisters of the Y. W. C. A. seem to lack humor. They reply with loud cries of "no, no," to the suggestion that all Americans be admitted to the Y. W. C. A., regardless of their religious belief, and they eagerly protest against shutting Japanese out of the United States. They may exclude, it seems, but Uncle Sam may not.
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Adele Garrison "My Husband's Love"

The Hurry-Up Call Leila Gave Katherine and Madge.
I had not been mistaken. Katherine was worried about something connected with her nursing of Mrs. Durkee.
I had felt it psychically when I first saw her, although nothing in her calm face or her unruffled demeanor had betrayed any uneasiness of spirit. So intensely relieved was I to find her concern was not caused by any dread of the return of Mrs. Durkee's malady that I answered her lightly.
"Nothing else matters, so long as that possibility is discounted."
"Oh, doesn't it?" Katherine sank down on the bed, clasped her hands over her crossed knees and began to rock slightly backward and forward, sure sign of a controversial mood with her. "You ought to know by this time that you can be stung to death by ants or mosquitoes just as surely as by cobras, if you stay long enough where they can get at you."
I turned a startled face toward her. "What do you mean?" I asked.
"I don't know what to do," she

returned slowly. "As far as actual nursing goes, Mrs. Durkee won't need me after this week. Leila can help her dress and undress, and there is nothing else she will require. She ought to go up and down stairs to her meals, and take light exercise. And I don't need to tell you that all this has meant horrible expense to Alfred."
"Of course, Alfred has a fine salary," she went on, "but that lets him out, and I've seen little things which make me think he's rather up against it. It's a crime for me to stay longer than the week, but I don't dare leave under the present circumstances. I'd offer to stay for nothing, only I know what Alfred—"
"Of course," I assented hastily as she paused, and then with a sudden remembrance of Leila's confidence, I added: "I suppose it's the question of the maid."
"Did Leila Tell You?"
"Oh, did Leila tell you?"
"She said that you had kept Mrs. Durkee from contact with the sulen goddess of the kitchen, and that if Her Pluffiness would consent to keep away from the housework, the maid could be dismissed and Leila could take the helm."
"That's the situation exactly," Katherine returned. "Housework is

just the thing for Leila—now—" she gave me a significant glance. "But—worry— isn't it. If her mother-in-law would keep out of it, Leila could have a wonderful time—there are plenty of charwomen to be had for the heavy work. But—you know Her Pluffiness well enough to know what will happen the minute the maid leaves."
"I know what will happen if she stays," I returned gloomily. "Mrs. Durkee will never stand her impertinence."
"I know," Katherine returned. "That's why I'm staying on, to keep off the climax as long as I can. If only Leila were well, the problem would solve itself. She could stand the strain of keeping her mother-in-law from the work. But she isn't—she's extremely likely to have another nervous breakdown if she isn't watched. If only there were some other relative, strong minded and strong armed to step in."
The Issue Joined!
"Mrs. Durkee hasn't even an 'in-law' that I know of," I said.
"And you know how long an 'in-law' would last running Mrs. Durkee's house, don't you? Leila could manage if she were well, for her mother-in-law is extremely fond of her, but just because of that devo-

tion she is anxious about Leila, now and she would visualize herself as leaving things for Leila to do, and then she would begin running around in circles. No there's nothing for me to do but stick on until my patient is stronger. I could help with the housework if the maid leaves, something I expect at one minute—and she was the last one out of captivity, so the agencies assured us."
"I can see one thing clearly," I said, smiling. "This is not time for unexpected guests to stay to luncheon."
"No, it isn't," Katherine admitted frankly. "But you know Mrs. Durkee will insist upon it, so you mustn't thwart her."
"I'm sorry we came," I said regretfully.
"You needn't be," she assured me. "Mrs. Durkee has been asking for you, and she's simply wild to talk over the children getting away, as we all are—Alfred told us about the close-ups of the scenario—and as far as the maid goes, it might as well be one issue as another. She's impossible in her sulkiness."
"But I wish we weren't the issue," I began, but my sentence was cut short by a knock at the door, and in response to Katherine's "come in," Leila's pretty flushed face ap-

peared in the doorway.
"I wish you'd come, both of you,"

she said. "Mother Durkee, of course, wants a special luncheon served and

she's insisting upon seeing Lucy herself and giving the orders for it."

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