

Plan to Return Money to Liquor Dealers, Charge

Proposed Rulings of Treasury Department Would Cost Country Huge Sum, Senators Declare.

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Lease Wire. Washington, Feb. 17.—Under new rulings about to be promulgated by the Treasury department, amounts estimated from \$1,000,000,000 to \$4,000,000,000 are to be turned back to the liquor interests of the United States for losses they sustained under prohibition, according to statements made in the senate by Senator Smoot of Utah and Senator Frelinghuysen of New Jersey.

Senator Smoot's estimate was \$1,000,000,000. Senator Frelinghuysen considered this figure too moderate and said he was informed that the amount would be between \$3,000,000,000 and \$4,000,000,000.

The money which is to be returned to the brewers, distillers and liquor dealers, according to Senator Frelinghuysen, is for "obsolescence of property" of those whose business was terminated by prohibition.

A congressional investigation of the whole matter is threatened. Senator Smoot said he would ask the finance committee in a short time to call before it the officials who have the subject in hand.

Senator Smoot brought the question to the attention of the senate by referring to the fact that the senate, on January 18, passed a resolution proposed by himself calling on the secretary of the treasury for information regarding refund, abatement or credit against taxes for the years 1917, 1918 and 1919. This resolution, he said, had not been answered. It calls for the facts as to the number of claims for such refund.

Romance of War Strikes Rock When Hubby Imprisoned

New York, Feb. 17.—Mrs. Alfred P. King, daughter of Frank Heine of Six West Maple avenue, Flushing, L. I., left today for Iowa to get evidence to enable her to obtain an annulment of her marriage to a man, who as a soldier, was in the Rainbow division and was wounded in the St. Mihiel drive and whom she has not seen since the day of their wedding, November 10, 1917.

An order directing her to make the trip was signed last week by Justice Callaghan in the supreme court in Queens county on application of her attorney.

At Clifton, Pa., Mrs. King is to meet another Mrs. King, a young woman who was married to King four months previously and who also is the mother of a child by him. This wedding took place just before King entered the army.

Woman Mortally Wounded In Row Over Bulldog

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 17.—A police court row over a bulldog ended fatally here when Miss Frances Holland was shot and mortally wounded by Thomas Toyon, a merchant. Toyon then turned the weapon on himself and may not live.

Interned German Sailors On Way East for Deportation

Nogales, Ariz., Feb. 17.—Forty-five German sailors interned in Gulf of California and west coast of Mexico ports during the war, arrived at Nogales today en route to Ellis island on their way to Germany, and departed an hour later.

Striking Teachers Ignore Ultimatum of School Board

New Westminster, B. C., Feb. 17.—Seventy-six positions on the teaching staff of the city schools are vacant as the result of the failure of teachers who struck Monday after their demands for salary increase had been denied, to appear for duty in accordance with an ultimatum issued by the school board.

Opportunity is knocking—Read Bee Want Ads.

THE GUMPS---



More Truth Than Poetry



POOR LO!
The Indians of the West are now gathering chicken feathers for their war bonnets.

No more the helpless emigrants
In hopeless horror quail
To see the mounted troop advance
Along the mountain trail.
No more the scout, midst wild alarms
That terrorize his days,
Plucks arrows from his legs and arms
To build a signal blaze.
For Big Chief Killum-like-a-Shot,
Once terror of the Platte,
Is chasing chickens round the lot
To get his winter hat.



HE'D NEVER COLLECT
It's a good thing for Uncle Sam that he doesn't require a man to understand an income tax blank before he pays the tax.

NOW'S THEIR BIG CHANCE
If we were Jerry Travers or Francis Ouimet we'd apply for a place in the executive offices right away.

WE'D BETTER BE CAREFUL
If Uncle Sam lends any more money to Europe it will probably be invested in ocean fares to bring the population of that quarter of the world over here.

WHY—

Is a Necktie Sometimes Called a Cravat?
According to popular humor, the only difference between a "necktie" and a "cravat" is that which differentiates "trousers" from "pants" and a "vase" from a "waive"—the price. But, by turning back a few leaves of history, we find a very definite and logical reason for speaking of this article of attire by some name other than the strictly Anglo-Saxon combination of "neck" and "tie."

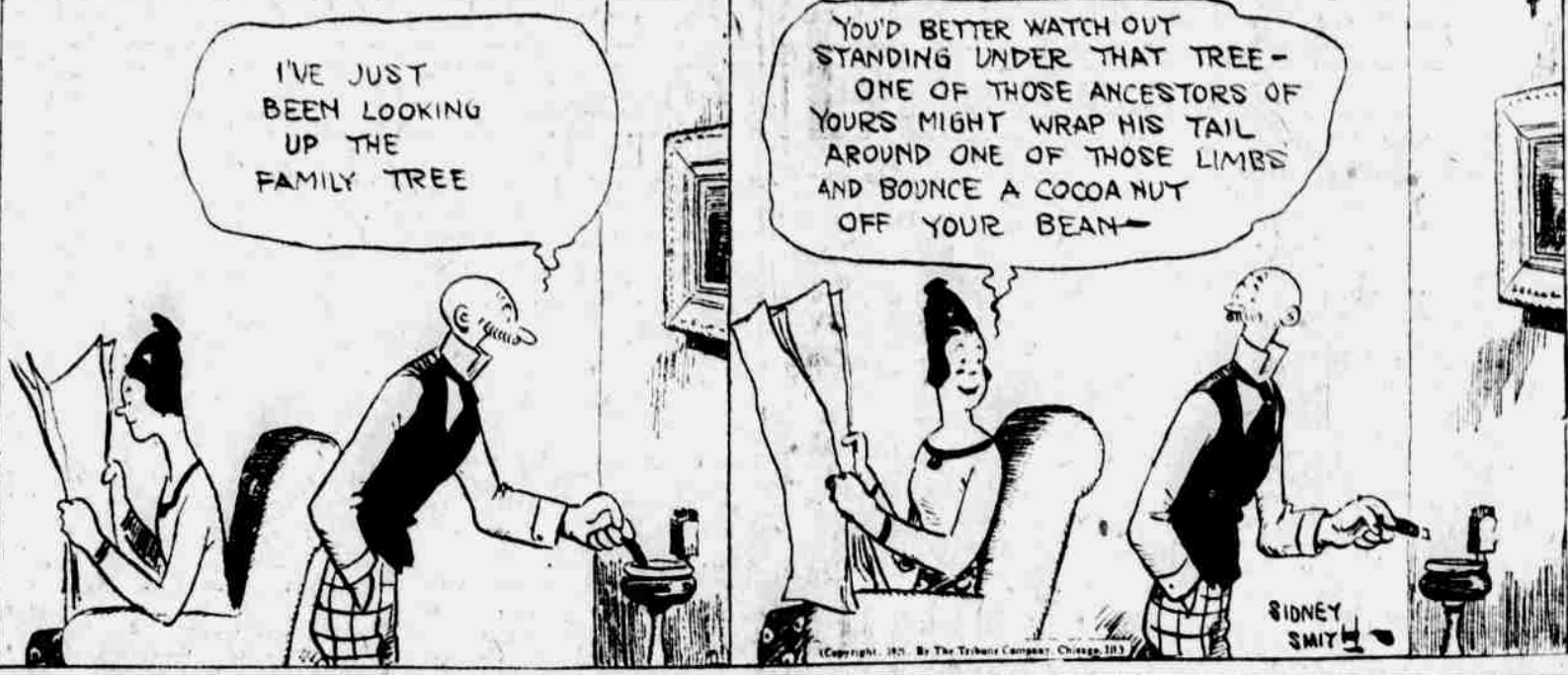
Do You Know the Bible?

1—Why is the first book of Moses called Genesis?
2—Why is the second book of Moses called Exodus?
3—Why is the fourth book of Moses called Numbers?
4—Why is the fifth book of Moses called Deuteronomy?
5—Why was the encampment of the Israelites at Marah so called?

Where It Started

Head-Dress.
Like many of our modern decorations, women's head-dress took its beginning in practical necessity. Something was necessary to keep the hair in place and the simplest way was to bind it with a fillet or band. This band, originally plain, later became the foundation for decorative additions. Most men's hats are lineal descendants of the wartime helmet.

THE SHADES OF HIS ANCESTORS



SLEEPY-TIME TALES

THE TALE OF GRANDFATHER MOLE

CHAPTER XXIII.
Seeing a Sample.
Grandfather Mole's remark made Billy Woodchuck smile.



I'M THE GUY
I'M THE GUY who thinks you can't play checkers and insists on showing you how.

DOG HILL PARAGRAPHS

A painter has painted a sign for the Bounding Billows dry goods store. It is a nice one, but the Town Marshal is complaining about it, as follows:

EMPRESS Rustic Garden

Strictly High Class DANCING CAFE
Everyday Dancing Luncheon 12 A. M. to 2 P. M.—50c
OMAHA DAILY NEWS DANCING PARTY TONIGHT
Also Usual Public Dancing.

CARPETS CARPETS

At Bowen's Greatly Reduced in Price
We have a splendid line of all the popular grades in Carpets by the yard, from the finest Wiltons to the cheaper Tapestries and Velvets, in varied shades, patterns and colors.

BEATTY'S

Co-Operative Cafeterias
Pay Dividends to Those Who Do the Work

Common Sense

By J. J. MUNDT.
Say It Quick.
"This" is my busy day—short stories, please. Every business man feels like saying this to long talking callers.

Romance in Origin Of Superstitions

By H. IRVING KING.
A Hair of the Dog.
"A hair of the dog that bit you," is in many parts of the country something more than a handy metaphor signifying that that which caused the evil will work the cure.

Jewel, Flower, Color Symbols for Today

By MILDRED MARSHALL.
Today's talismanic gem, the alexandrite, is most interesting. First found in Russia, in the emerald mines, it was named in honor of Alexander II, then heir to the throne.

Parents' Problems

How can stubbornness best be overcome in a child of 4?
Issue a few commands; be sure that these are reasonable and right; and always have them obeyed, no matter how long or how difficult the task.

Madame Homer and Miss Louise Homer

will be here in person Friday Night
February 18
HEAR THEM SING
Prices \$3.00, \$2.00, \$1.00
CITY AUDITORIUM

BRANDER'S THEATRE

TONIGHT AND SATURDAY NIGHT
Omaha Opera Association Presents
"THE MIKADO"
4 Days Starting Sunday, Feb. 20.

STORM

HELEN MACKELLAR
and the original New York-Chicago Company.
THE THRILLING FOREST FIRE PLAY
Even. 50c to \$2.00. Mat. 30c, 75c, \$1.

EMPRESS TWO SHOWS IN ONE

BILLY DOSS REVUE in "Selling Alone," WAITERS WANTED, Vaudeville Novelty, LADELLAS, "Bits of Variety," FRED ALLEN, Singing Comedian, Photoplay Attraction, "THE BLUE MOON," all star cast. Fatty Arbuckle, comedy.

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RIALTO

Now Until Saturday
NOT GUILTY
A First National Attraction
MATINEES ONLY

The SON of TARZAN

THE WORLD'S WONDER JUNGLE SERIAL
Third Episode
RIALTO SYMPHONY PLAYERS
Offering MIGNON
Harry Brader, Conductor
Julius K. Johnson at the Organ

MUSE

Today Tomorrow
William S. HART
in
"The Cradle of Courage"
Coming SUNDAY (One Day Only)
LOUISE GLAUM in "LOVE"

WARNER

IN
"DICE OF DESTINY"
If you liked "Alias Jimmy Valentine" you will like this picture
Now until Saturday Night at the
MOON

SUN

TODAY—TOMORROW
BETTY COMPSON
IN
PRISONERS OF LOVE
DISTRIBUTED BY GOLDWYN

Strand

TODAY AT 11, 3, 5, 7 and 9.
A wife to be loved or just a woman in her husband's house?
The answer comes not from man nor wife; but straight from the heart of a child.
THE WOMAN IN HIS HOUSE
William Faversham
in
"THE SIN THAT WAS HIS"
Coming Sunday
LOUISE GLAUM
in "LOVE."