

Towney Dwells Upon

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...s first administration. Its cost shot up suddenly to nearly \$92,000,000. The average annual cost for the eight year period from 1903 to 1910 was something over \$82,000,000.

Under Rooseveltism the navy's cost shows an even bigger and more pretentious increase. For the same eight year period it jumped from an average of \$27,500,000 to \$102,000,000.

Probably a remark Roosevelt once made to me in the White House, when he was urging enormous appropriations for new ships, will throw light on his methods and his motives. I have never repeated it before for publication, but it would just as well come out now as at any time.

Towney, the president said, when he was upon his withdrawing my opposition to one of his pet naval measures before I quit the presidency I want it said that I built the biggest warship the world had ever known up to that time.

He displayed the same extravagant notions about the army, especially fortifications. Why, he actually wanted to build an artificial island in the Pacific as a complement to the regular defenses at a cost of ten million dollars. And this artificial Gibraltar was to be built in water nine miles deep. When Roosevelt left the White House the total cost of our military establishment—the army and navy—was three million dollars greater than that of France, with a standing army of half a million men and a navy of a larger personnel than ours.

...the enlisted strength of our army at that time was less than seventy thousand, with about forty thousand men in the army. Roosevelt as president forced more retirements from the army and navy than probably occurred during the terms of all his predecessors combined. Thousands of course. These things cost the government much money, for every man officer draws pay until he dies.

...the Roosevelt extravagance was not confined to the military service. It extended with the same reckless disregard to the strictly civil branches of the government. Only those of us who have served on the two appropriate committees of congress know the full story of his extravagance.

Without the warrant of law he appointed commissions to do nearly everything that anybody suggested should be done by the Federal government. He urged the creation of new departments almost without number, taking men away from the work they selected to do in the departments at Washington or elsewhere and imposing upon the government enormous accounts that had not been provided for in the appropriation bills.

President Roosevelt's investigation of the child labor question is a case in point. Of course the Federal government has no power to interfere with this question in the states; but that made no difference to Roosevelt. He demanded an appropriation of \$2,000,000 with which to have the child labor question investigated under his supervision. We cut the amount down to \$500,000 however. In numerous similar instances we saved the government untold thousands from Roosevelt extravagance. In doing so we made ourselves unpopular with Roosevelt, and some of us became unpopular with the people, because they did not know what was going on.

Soon after Charles D. Norton, now President Taft's secretary, became assistant secretary of the treasury under Mr. MacVeagh, he and I conferred as to some practicable cuts in the most of the administration of the Treasury Department. ...big treasury department. It did not take us long to discover methods for saving \$400,000 a year in the administration of that department alone, and I understand that since then other economies have been effected.

These methods can be applied to all the departments in Washington and their branches throughout the country. President Taft is familiar now with conditions and is striving intelligently to correct them, but the task ahead of him is so stupendous that it will vitally impossible for him to make headway rapidly. I believe, though, that at the end of his term substantial reductions will be shown," declared Mr. Towney.

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Asa's Good Reign in Judah

Sunday School Lesson: 2 Chronicles XV. 1-15.

Golden Text. 2. Chronicles XV. 7. "Be ye strong, and let not your hands be slack; for your work shall be rewarded."

(1) And the spirit of God came upon Azariah the son of Obed; (2) and he went out to meet Asa, and said unto him, Asa, Hear ye me, and all Judah and Benjamin; the Lord is with you, while he be with him; and if ye seek him, he will be found of you; but if ye forsake him, he will forsake you. (3) Now for long seasons Israel hath been without the true God and without a teaching priest, and without law. (4) But when in their distress they turned unto pieces, nation against nation, and all Judah and Benjamin and them peace to him that went out, near to him that came in but great vexations were upon all the inhabitants of the land. (6) And they were broken in pieces, nation against nations, and city against city; for God did vex them with all adversity. (7) But be ye strong and let not your hands be slack; for your work shall be rewarded. (8) And when Asa heard these words, and the prophecy of Obed the prophet, he took courage, and put away abominations out of all the land of Judah and Benjamin, and out of the cities which he had taken from the hill country of Ephraim, and he renewed the altar of the Lord, that was before the porch of the Lord. (9) And he gathered all Judah and Benjamin and them that sojourned with them out of Ephraim and Manasseh, and out of Simeon, for they fell to him out of Israel in abundance, when they saw that the Lord his God was with him. (10) So, they gathered themselves together at Jerusalem in the third month, in the fifteenth year of the reign of Asa. (11) And they sacrificed unto the Lord in that day, of the spoil which they had brought seven hundred oxen and seven thousand sheep. (12) And they entered into the covenant to seek the Lord, the God of their fathers, with all their heart and with all their soul. (13) And that whosoever would not seek the Lord, the God of Israel, should be put to death, whether small or great, whether man or woman. (14) And they swore unto the Lord with a loud voice, and with shouting, and with trumpets and with cornets. (15) And all Judah rejoiced at the oath; for they had sworn with all their heart, and sought him with their whole desire; and he was found of them, and the Lord gave them rest around about.

THE GOLDEN TEXT. The golden text emphasizes the secret of Asa's success and thus constitutes an abiding message to those in authority. He found his strength in God and manifested his loyalty in devotion to the service of God, with the result that his work was rewarded by God. This is the true orator of all life, individual and national. No other source of strength is sufficient, no other expression of loyalty is satisfactory and no other success is lasting.

Nurse Detective's Damaging (Continued From Page One.) country after the deed, would have to "stay and stand pat."

"If you'll quit right away," she said, "it would make them all suspicious and nothing would please Albert Schenk better than that. My God, no—you must not go away."

Prosecutor Handlan at this point inquired on what part of the motor trip this conversation had taken place. The witness said it was on the way to the country. He asked if there was any interruption in the discussion of the poisoning plan, and Miss Kline replied:

"Only this, I said to Mrs. Schenk, 'Isn't it possible that your chauffeur up in front there may be hearing what we say? Hadn't we better be more careful?' She said: 'Oh, no, you see we're up hill and the engine is noisy. Going back down hill the engine wouldn't be running and I don't think they could hear anything we said.'"

As a matter of fact, according to the prosecution, Lundy Wilson, the driver, did hear the whole talk and will be laced upon the stand on Monday to corroborate it.

"We went on and discussed our plans," Miss Kline continued. "Mrs. Schenk said: 'I'll get the poison if you'll give it to him. I'll bring it to the hospital at 10:30 tomorrow morning and I'll give you your \$1,000.'"

"I said to her, 'I'm sort of afraid.' She said, 'you've got all the blame in the world. You can either give it to him in his medicine at night, or you can put it in the medicine, place the glass on the table beside his bed and then walk away and let him take it himself. And as soon as the breadth of life leaves him, get those keys.'"

"All this talk," the prosecutor asked, "was on the way out to the country, wasn't it. Did anything happen on the way back?"

"Yes," replied the detective. "I felt I was now in Mrs. Schenk's confidence and so I said to her: 'Mrs. Schenk, I'm going to ask you a very personal question, and you needn't answer it if you don't want to. My experience as a trained nurse indicates to me that your husband is suffering from arsenic poisoning. Now between woman and woman and good friends, did you ever put arsenic in his food or drink?'"

Mrs. Schenk's only reply to this, according to the witness, was to expel her breath with a contemptuous "pouff."

When they returned to Wheeling, the nurse said, she and Mrs. Schenk went to a restaurant and had some lunch, and agreed to meet in the hospital next morning and carry out the poison plot. Miss Kline left her with that understanding, then at noon reported the whole conversation to Dr. Hupp and Prosecutor Handlan.

"She did not appear at the appointment," the witness continued, "so I called her up and asked her why. She replied: 'Nothing doing—I couldn't get the—the article. But we'd better not talk over the telephone.'"

"Later I did see her. Then she said she was rather afraid of Albert Schenk and Dr. Haskins, who is Albert's brother-in-law. 'If John should die too suddenly,' she said, 'Albert would blame me at once and would have Dr. Haskins open John's stomach. I know they'd both suspect me. But I would like to give him a dose anyhow.'"

"If you really were suspected, Mrs. Schenk, how would you be able to stand it?"

"Oh, I guess I could carry out the game all right," she said. At this point the nurse's thrilling tale was put off by the adjournment hour, but it will be taken up again Monday morning.

The other witnesses of today were unimportant—Dr. J. T. Thornton with technical testimony about blood corpuscles; Harry Smith, a drug clerk who filled prescriptions for John Schenk and Henry Sonneborn, a clothing merchant, who said that Lundy Wilson, the chauffeur, had come to his store to buy a fur overcoat for some one else—Sonneborn didn't know who.

Raleigh

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 14.—Wednesday afternoon Edenton Street Methodist church was filled with admiring friends to witness the marriage of Miss Ray LaMont Brown and Mr. James Oliver Sadler, of Jackson, Ky.

Palms and ferns banked around the pulpit formed a simple and beautiful decoration. The maids of honor, Miss Alice Woolcott and Miss Bessie Brown, wore white lingerie dresses and black picture hats. They carried bridal wreaths of smilax with a shower of pink sheet pears, tied with pinkulle.

Miss Katherine Brown, as maid of honor, was gowned in a white lace robe with white beaver picture hat and carried a bridal wreath of smilax and sweet peas. Little Nell Gwyn Bernard, dressed in a dainty empire dress of white chiffon with pink ribbons and touches of pink in her lace bonnet, entered just in front of the bride, carrying the ring in the heart of a great white lily. The bride was dressed in a blue tailored cloth suit with blue hat. The groomsmen were: Mr. T. C. Denson, Mr. Rob Watt, Mr. Ivy Riddick, Mr. Tclair Horton and Mr. Sam Smith was best man. The bride and groom left for Charlotte on the 4:05 train to visit the groom's parents.

Mr. Sadler is a civil engineer and is on the employ of the Louisville and Nashville Railway. He graduated from the A. & M. College in 1909.

A social event of interest in Raleigh this week was the event of "The Lambs." This is a club of young society men of the city and their first appearance was at a theatre party to witness the "Merry Widow."

The officers of this newly formed club are: President, Dr. C. A. Shore, vice-president, Francis A. Cox; Charles E. Johnson, secretary and treasurer. The Kenntness Club held its holiday meeting with Mrs. W. W. Hobards.

This winter the study of the club embraces certain features of different countries of Europe. The club at this meeting were entertained by the musical members and a most delightful program was rendered. Those taking part were: Miss Fannie Hines Johnson, Mrs. Charles McKimmon, Miss Zuleta Wilson, of St. Mary's; Miss Sherwin, and Mr. Brawley.

Mrs. Clarence Johnson received Wednesday afternoon in honor of Miss Hattie Poe Johnson, who is to be married on the nineteenth to Dr. C. F. Gold, of Shelby; Mrs. Moring Barry, of Norfolk, and Mrs. W. A. Leslie, of Morganton.

Over the Tea Cups met with Mrs. Graham Andrews Friday afternoon. The club is studying North Carolina "this season and the program for this meeting was most interesting. A paper of "Indians of North Carolina" was read by Mrs. Russel Sherrell, and there was a reading on "Indian Reservations by the state." Bi Mrs. Gavin Dorch, Miss Margaret Boylan also read a paper, Miss Etta Perry, of New Bern, who is visiting Miss Annie Duncan, was guest of the club for this meeting. Club members present were: Miss Annie Duncan, Miss Margaret Boylan, Mrs. A. B. Andrews, Jr., Mrs. Gavin Dorch, Mrs. John Andrews, Mrs. Murry Allen, Miss Annie Root, Mrs. P. C. Gold, Mrs. Russel Sherrell, Miss Lacy and Mrs. Graham Andrews.

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with Mrs. E. B. Crow. "George Elliott" was the subject.

The historical portrayal of the time Romulus was subject of a paper by Mrs. H. T. Briggs. The plot and characters of the book were sketched by Mrs. W. W. Kitchin, and there was a reading from Romulus by Mrs. J. N. Holden.

Mrs. Charles McKimmon entertained in honor of Mrs. James McKimmon Wednesday afternoon from four to noon. Mrs. J. B. Kenny and Mrs. A. A. Thompson met the guests at the door while little Misses Anne Hiteford and Ethel Marshall received the cards. The guests were met in the hall by Mrs. R. B. Hall and Miss Mary Litchford. Receiving with Mrs. McKimmon were: Mrs. James McKimmon, the guest of

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Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 14.—Joe Rivers, a little Mexican boy, won his first "main event" this afternoon when he knocked out Danny Webster in the thirteenth round of their scheduled 15-round battle before the Pacific Athletic Club at Vernon. Four times in the finishing round was Webster beaten to the floor.

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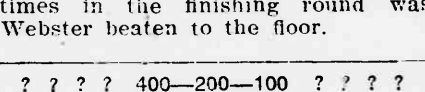
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