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MRS. PATTERSON CONSIDERS IT AN HONOR TO OPPOSE THE MAJOR.

Speaking of Major Stedman's War Record, She cites the Fact that She Also is a Veteran, Having Served in Serbia—Congressional Committee Talks About Campaign.

What Uncle Sam Owes. Here in brief is what the Government owes and when it must pay: The public debt is about \$23.5 billion dollars. Of this amount there falls due within the next 15 months a total of about \$15 billion dollars.

CAUGHT ON THE FLY.

"LAUGH AND THE WORLD LAUGHS WITH YOU." What Our Sneers and Pasts Pot Captured of a Humorous Vain From Our Exchange.

STAR-LING! Biggs—"Her teeth are like the stars." Jiggs—"Why?" Biggs—"They come out every night."—The Boys Magazine.

LET HER COME.

A Pennsylvania weather prophet says that the summer of 1922 will be the coldest since 1879. Beginning April 15th, and continuing until the last of August we will have cold winds, sleet, rain and snow. Let her come. We can stand all most anything. We have been oppressed with politicians, office seekers, tin Lizzies, a world-wide war, a carnival of crime, 8 years of a Democratic administration, abnormal tax valuations, high taxes and about everything else imaginable.

SEVERED FRIENDSHIPS.

Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad. And behold the work! Note Wilson's break with his friends; Harvey, Garrison, Bryan, Lansing, Lane, McCombs, Watterson, House, Reed and now Tumulty. Besides busting the Nation, Wilson has also busted the friendship of about all the real chums he ever had. Wonderful buster!

ANOTHER POOR LITTLE RICH GIRL?



Miss Isabelle Rockefeller. With the arrival in New York of little Violette Helene de Talleyrand, daughter of the former Anna Gould, and sometimes called the poor little rich girl, in charge of a maid, come renewed reports of domestic difference between the Duke and his American wife.

LITTLE STINGERS.

From the Columns of Don Laws Yellow Jacket. Our watch on the Rhine cost us \$240,000,000. "Communism is sound," says Levine. Sure, Mike. Nothing but sound.

N. C. DOG LAW.

Must Be Listed for Tax—Amount of Tax—Owner Liable for Damage By His Dog or Dogs. OUTLINE OF DOG LAW FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Amount of Tax. Any person owning or keeping about him any open female dog of the age of six months or older, shall pay annually a license or privilege of two dollars.

FEDERATION OF CHURCHES.

There have been many earnest efforts on the part of sincere Christians to bring about a unification of the churches, but the results up to date have not been encouraging. The present movement of the federation of churches, however, seems to be working more intelligently and more hopefully than any of its predecessors.—Philadelphia Record.

AS WE GO TO PRESS.

Earthquake kills several persons and does great damage in Tokio. Tobaccoists in Eastern Carolina are urging farmers to plant a short crop of the weed. China's president appeals to factions to avoid further civil war and foreign complications.

STRAIGHT FROM THE SHOULDER.

Are We Heading Towards Bankruptcy and Bolshevism?—Taxes Cannot Be Reduced Without First Reducing Expenses. Local Editor:—About the silliest twaddle a man ever listened to, in my estimation, is the Democratic manner of explaining to the people of the State, why taxes are so burdensome.

KU KLUXERS ATTEND A FUNERAL.

Charlotte, April 26.—The first time representatives of the Ku Klux Klan ever took part in a funeral in Charlotte was Tuesday, at the burial of Samuel J. Austin. An automobile came up and six hooded figures got out. One of them bore a huge cross of flowers and led the way to the grave, with the other hooded figures following. The figure carrying the cross of flowers laid the cross on the grave. All six of the figures knelt beside the grave, uttered, apparently, a prayer and quickly went back to the automobile in which they came, driving off rapidly.—News item.

THE GRANT SOUVENIR COINS.

April 27th marks the centenary of General Ulysses S. Grant's birth and preparations are under way throughout the country to establish memorials to him in the counties of his birth and early youth. One of the measures for raising funds was of adoption by Congress, which authorized issuance of gold and silver coins to be sold at a premium. The issue was limited to 10,000 gold dollars and 250,000 silver half dollars. The gold dollars have been selling at three dollars each, and the silver half dollars at one dollar. On one side of the coin is a bust of General Grant in military attire of the Civil War period, and on the reverse side a miniature representation of the cabin in which he was born. It is a good probability that the larger part of these souvenir coin issues were absorbed in the North, as the entire issue of dollar gold coins was sold some days ago. Nevertheless, a goodly number will have found their way into Southern keeping. The coins are and will always be good for their face value.—Charlotte Observer.

POEM BY UNCLE JOHN.

Friend, let me utter it, under my breath—ain't it a fright to be governed to death? Think of the pitiless riders we tote, spurring us deeper each time that we see! Taxation increases and Liberty squeezes—freedom bettered, deformed and diseased. Luxuries—things that we seldom may find, covered with "license" to fatten the grind. . . . Legislate constant, and legislate strong—plenty of fools that must boost it along. . . . I have grown weary with burden of tax, weary of blood-suckers leeching our backs! Prone to rebel, if rebellion could be in Dirty poolrooms with a surplus of greed, suck up our earnings and rob us of feed. . . . Hence I am muttering, under my breath, Lord, it's a shame, to be governed to death. Your Own, UNCLE JOHN.

DANISH KING CROCHETS SHAWLS.

The King of Denmark delights in crochet work. At an early age he developed a taste for this sort of work, but as it was considered by his parents to be effeminate he did it secretly. Queen Alexandra possesses a fine shawl made by his hands.

THE HIGHWAY DEATH TOLL.

The National Highway Protective Society reports that 111 persons met death by automobiles and motor trucks in the State of New York during March. The number increasing in March last year 108 persons were killed by motor-driven vehicles, and in the same month in 1920 but sixty-one were killed. Knowing the conditions, what is the remedy?

EXPERIENCED.

It is said to be easy to get a drink in Maine, but then the people there have had more than fifty years' experience with a prohibition law.

LOOK OUT!

A navigator passing near Patagonia recently saw what he described as the enormous creature known pre-historically as the Plesiosaurus looking hungrily at his vessel. If some promoters of big things for county, state and nation are not curbed, we will have a Tax Plesiosaurus, not looking hungrily at us (as he is just now), but getting a full meal out of the assets of our people.—Gaston Times.

50 PAINT EIFFEL TOWER.

To give the Eiffel Tower a coat of paint requires the services of fifty painters working three months.

REPUBLICANS AND THE PRIMARIES.

With the final date for filing notices of candidacy for the various judicial, senatorial and other contested districts, State and Congressional offices closed, the indications are that the Democrats will not have opposition in three of the Congressional districts, the first, second and ninth, no opponents for the Democratic nominees for judges in 10 districts and no opposition for the solicitorship in 10 districts. The Republicans will have things their own way in the seventeenth judicial district, where no Democratic candidate has filed for solicitor against the Republican.—Raleigh News Item.

REPUBLICANS AND THE PRIMARIES.

The primary is another of the useless Democratic expenses that could well be dispensed with and will be if the Republicans carry the State this Fall. Let the respective conventions nominate the candidates. It was done years ago satisfactorily and the Republicans must generally do so now and it can be done again. In fact there are free school books, abolishment of the State Revenue Commission, Oil inspectors, modify or wipe out the "untimely" revaluation act, and many other things that will be done if the Republicans carry the State. We can expect no relief from these things from the Democrats. About all their platform says is to praise the present State administration and present conditions.—Local Editor.

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