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STILL A VACILLATING REPUBLIC

One can not possibly tell yet whether the United States, during the Harding administration, is going to do its duty and measure up to the fine obligations of world leadership imposed upon it by events of late years or not.

Over in this country, the President is using high-sounding phrases and expressing the loftiest type of sentiment in regard to the matter and one who did not understand him would instantly come to the conclusion that he shares identically the same convictions as to our world-duties as did his predecessor.

But over in England, there stands in the Court of St. James, as the representative of the President and as the spokesman of the Administration, George Harvey who has lately given voice to the most contemptible bit of bigotry ever asserted, perhaps, in that influential post.

Either President Harding or George Harvey is not telling the truth about what the United States ought to do or what it proposes to do. One of them is expressing idealistic emotions; the other is expressing narrow-minded, nationalistic sentiment, and there is reason to believe that the latter is more representative of the Administration than is the former.

The present administration was certainly enthroned upon its appeal to the nationalism of the American people. Mr. Wilson's attempt to write a greater ideal than that of a single mindedness into the convictions of his fellow-countrymen was magnified as being an attempt to introduce an internationalism that would swallow up every nation subscribing to it.

President Harding subscribed to that doctrine. He was opposed to the convention of the league of nations as an instrument voicing our sympathy for internationalism. As a Senator he voted against it except with reservations that really cut the heart out of it and during the campaign, he repeatedly said that if he were elected President, he would see to it that the United States kept out of that entanglement.

George Harvey, as the next ranking apostle of the present administration, did not hesitate to say in this country that the American people would never consent to entering the league, and when he stepped into the ambassadorship in London, he repeated the same conviction with a bluntness and brusqueness that was appalling.

He virtually told the European people that they may as well dismiss forever the idea of America entering with them into such a wicked combine as that involved by the league of nations.

Hence, the supposition is allowable that it is the studied purpose of the Administration to keep the idea of nationalism aloft in this country and to spurn the suggestion that we have other duties to perform in relation to the remainder of the world.

Times must be getting a great deal better. A group of bankers offer to lend the State ten million dollars and the State refuses to become a customer.

BRITAIN AND AMERICA

War is impossible between Great Britain and the United States, declares Sir Auckland Geddes in his address at the commencement exercises at the University of Virginia.

Well, it certainly ought to be rated as one of those contingencies which must not be allowed to come about. Still, it may not be as impossible as we might want to believe.

There are agencies at work in this country that are trying their very best to disturb the amicable relations existing between the two countries. They have always been active. They were relentless during the war.

They asserted that the war was nothing more than a commercial attempt on the part of England to rule the industry of the world, that it was a pre-conceived plot of her rulers to get some little nations to start it so that, in the long run, England would come out of it with her hands full of rich possessions.

And since then the gossipers have been trying to create resentment against England because of the Irish question. They have been telling us also that England is at the bottom of the peace treaty which is paralyzing Germany and which is making France stand to the rack in demanding the full execution of the terms of the treaty.

The carions would have us at war before breakfast with England if they could have their way. They are not loyal Americans. For the most part, they are so notably pro-Irish that they have lost the balance of their judgment or they may be German-Americans or some other sort of hyphenates in whose blood runs an ancestral hatred for England.

It is unthinkable that the real Americans of America could ever entertain an idea of war with England. They are kindred nations, the best blood of the two being combined to give to the world at this moment what it possesses in the way of civilization and Christianity.

There are innumerable points of identity between them, of actual blood kinship, a fraternity in heritage not only but in ideals. They ought to regard one another as brethren, carrying like the weight of the world upon their shoulders, and if nothing else was involved, the measure of such a responsibility ought to be sufficient to make war between them impossible.

ON A PRACTICAL MISSION

The masses of the people will applaud their President as he steps into the gilded offices of the Interstate Commerce Commission to inquire of that body what it is doing to give the people relief from the present burdensome freight rates.

High freight rates are contributing unnecessarily to the continued high cost of living. For instance, we often hear nowadays of carloads of commodities reaching a point with a high freight charge upon them then the commodities themselves cast at the starting point. Obviously, so long as such conditions prevail, the people are going to be crushed with oppressive prices.

The President will enhance popular estimate of his practical-mindedness if he can manage to stir up the powers-that-be in the way of giving some sort of speedy relief in this line.

THE CHALLENGE OF DISASTER

Brave-spirited men have always accepted disaster as a challenge. They have not sat supinely and let the tides overwhelm them. They, rather, have stood straight up and with tense muscle and courageous soul, faced the oncoming distress with a determination to rise superior to it and to come out a conqueror over it.

There are times upon the country now that call for such heroism. The tides of adversity are sweeping high and relentlessly. They are bearing men and business and trade and industry and fortunes down before their resistless sweep.

What the situation would seem to demand is a stoic determination among men to be the masters and not the servants of transient moods in trade and business, to accept the adverse conditions under which we are now living as a challenge to show the stuff out of which they are made, as an opportunity to let the heroic in them come to the fore.

OUTLOOK FOR COTTON

"Cotton is poor in condition and in prospects."

That is the rather cryptic way the Crop Report Service of the department of agriculture at Raleigh has of expressing the status of the present cotton crop. It has received 567 reports from over the State and it gleams from all of them the facts suggested by that phrase.

That looks as if a marked curtailment in production is in sight. Unless weather conditions are extremely favorable, the condition of the crop will not materially increase for the reason that this estimate of its present status is based largely on the poor stand prevailing and this defect is beyond remedy.

There is another reason that the production is going to be limited which is not related to the stand, the healthfulness of the plant, the conditions of weather or any of these other external influences. It is in the spirit of the producers. They are pessimistic and out of heart. They don't seem to care much what becomes of their cotton crop.

And this is an element that will be influential in determining the outcome of the present crop. Production depends in large measure upon agricultural interest, upon the investment of enthusiasm in the culture of crops by the men who make them. If they are unconcerned, out of sorts and careless, they will not be so keen to get the grass out or to plow the crop as frequently as will be needed and otherwise to tend it so that a normal production will result.

IMPORTING HAY

We see by one of the exchanges that come into this office that a neighboring county has developed the habit of importing annually \$50,000 worth of hay to keep its livestock and cattle going.

We don't have the figures for Mecklenburg county, but chances are they would show two, three or four times as much hay bought outside of the county.

Why it is not entirely possible for Mecklenburg and every other county in the State to make its own hay? It certainly is a crop that requires no elaborate soil conditions. If given a decent chance, hay will make itself and often it has a habit of making against the efforts of the producers of other crops.

Mr. Bryan's plan for revamping the democratic party ought to be put in the same place his heart was right after the San Francisco convention, but it ought to be put there a little more securely.

Sporting writers have a job which should win them great names when they sit down to tell the mob about our baseball games. It seems the local vanity has drifted to profanity and fans are near insanity.

The sporting writers will win fame when history is made. The way they write up every game puts artists in the shade. They beat around the bush with skill and use the term "A bitter pill" and other words to fill the bill. They don't want to upbraid. They write their stories up with care about the home town team. They haven't got the nerve to dare to say, "Put on more steam."

Every day they get more bold. If this keeps on this way the writers will lose control and care not in a rage and saturate the way they write with bad words of the sporting age. The team must learn to play.

GOVERNOR IS ASKED COMMUTE HARRIS

Asheville, June 4.—Attorneys for T. J. Harris, Ridgecrest merchant under sentence of death for the murder of F. W. Monish, Alabama churchman, announced Friday that petitions for executive clemency are in the hands of the governor.

Cherries, fruit and foliage embellish most effectively some of the prettiest "dresy" hats. The foliage encircles the crown, while the bunches of fruit hang as low as possible on each side.

MISS REX TELLS OF ONE GEORGES

Manhasset is the Proudest of All Long Island Places.

Written by Margery Rex for The International News Service. New York, June 3.—They of Manhasset are the proudest of all who dwell on that Long Island. For, is it not so that Georges, the Gorgeous, has chosen that spot as a nice quiet one in which to nurse the grudge which of a certainty, will be settled July 2?

On that date Georges and Jacques, otherwise Carpenter and Dempsey, will publicly pick a quarrel and cause a scene which will be witnessed by anxious thousands.

Not a sign of human inhabitants was visible as we approached the chateau of M. Georges Carpenter. A heavy drizzle rain brought out a flock of challenger angleworms which were promptly demolished by champion robins.

But M. Georges was taking a nap. Sleep he would until 3:30. Would we wait? But yes, absolutely! Carpenter's life is now as well regulated and coddled as though he were a prizefighter.

"Well looking" pug. "Tail and swell looking," he was described to me just before he had to be changed. Carpenter is no ordinary pugilist. He has none of the thick-featured battered appearance that is commonly associated with the fighting profession—at least in the minds of persons like us who imagine we could pick out boxers in a crowd.

After that, though, this indifference to surroundings ended. He became erect, alert, a lithe, springy figure, as he stood there in his high-necked, long-sleeved white jersey and navy blue trunks.

Georges seemed to be doing a queer sort of dance. He skipped and shuffled about on his toes, slid across the ring; shifted his position back quickly, and struck out clever and unexpected blows at the enemy that we could almost see there, so fired with fury did M. Carpenter seem.

Now he had stopped and walked over to Wilson, his trainer, who rubbed a sponge laden with cold water over Georges' face. Then the boxer opened his mouth and stuck out his tongue. What could that be for? Wilson answered our unspoken question by taking another sponge with more cold water and sponging out Carpenter's mouth. Chewing on half a lemon completed Georges' refreshment.

Georges with towels in the Gallic heavy-weight flung himself down upon the floor and did some remarkable exercise stunts that any acrobat might be proud to know. Someone nearby remarked that the Frenchman was once an acrobat in a circus owned by Descamps, who later taught his present charge the art of boxing.

Georges is a pale fellow who never gets red when he fights. But the Frenchman later on when he punched

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Meantime—yet once again—Warned—IS YOUR INSURANCE O. K.? ALEXANDER'S

the sandbag had an expression that might well frighten off anybody. His eyes naturally have a droop at the outer corner and the lid is slightly lowered so that, when he smiles it gives a languorous touch to his face.

Thud-thud-thud, the leather punching bag slammed against its wooden supports. Carpenter flung off the long-sleeved jersey. The sleeveless jersey underneath showed his punches.

Georges will go into the ring at 117, and would like to put on a little weight, I heard. He is a brainy boxer and may outpoint his opponent, who is twenty-five years old to his twenty-seven.

WHAT MADE THE CHANGE? This Woman says Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Made Her a New Woman

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