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A THEORY THAT DIDN'T WORK.

Whatever else may happen in Russia, and anything is possible save the return of the Romanoffs one thing is certain—the theory that the best thing for Russia was unlimited license for all classes, literates, to voice their extreme opinions as to how the country was to be run has failed to work. In other words, the well-meant indulgence of a new Government that itself was at sea resulted months ago in such confusion worse confounded, such a babble of violent tongues, that one does not even have to invent the bugaboo of German intrigue to explain the desperate state of things that is the outcome of such folly.

For one thing, the revolution could not perform miracles. The large mass of illiterates and the incredibly ignorant and superstitious were just the same after the downthrow of Czarism as before, save that, through the universal license given, fanatical leaders were enabled to sway them this way and that without rhyme or reason. Then the Government, terrified by blatancy of the Council of Soldiers' and Workmen's delegates, for which there was no exact parallel in the French Revolution, was unable to get its point of view and its better sense before the people in a convincing manner. Not even "The Mountain" (as the rabble under the French Terror, which occupied the highest seats in the assembly favoring Marat, Danton and Robespierre, was called) ever dreamed of going as far as has the extreme radical group in Russia, now seemingly in control of the commune of Petrograd, whose anti-social cry is against all the more responsible elements of the country and the community. The thrifty the frugal, the business men and the manufacturers, all men of property, are alike anathema to them, Veritable sans culottes unchecked, their arrogance seems to be growing, and it is symptomatic of the original failure of the Kerensky Government to rally to it the moderates, who are just as patriotic as the dictator, who sooner or later will have to be consulted in working out the destinies of a united Russia. Too tolerant of the day dreamers and the advocates of violence, when Kerensky, even before the outbreak of Korniloff, tried repressive measures, the mischief had been done; the army was demoralized and civil life undermined through the propaganda of a kind of freedom that resembles that of Bedlam. Yet the fat-witted leaders of the Peoples' Council over here have urged America to imitate "wonderful free Russia," wonderful to them because unlimited speech has brought Russia to the anarchy they seem to desire everywhere in order that they may promote their "made in Germany" kind of peace.

"Letting off Steam" is not a social panacea. And self-control for nations with respect for order and the rights of others is as necessary a condition to civilization as self-control in the individual is necessary to his own progress. Until somebody in Russia learns this, things there will

be from bed to worse to the glee of the imperial marplot at Riga who watches' broth of anarchy boiling to his taste.

Everybody is getting rich these days, except those who are not getting rich.

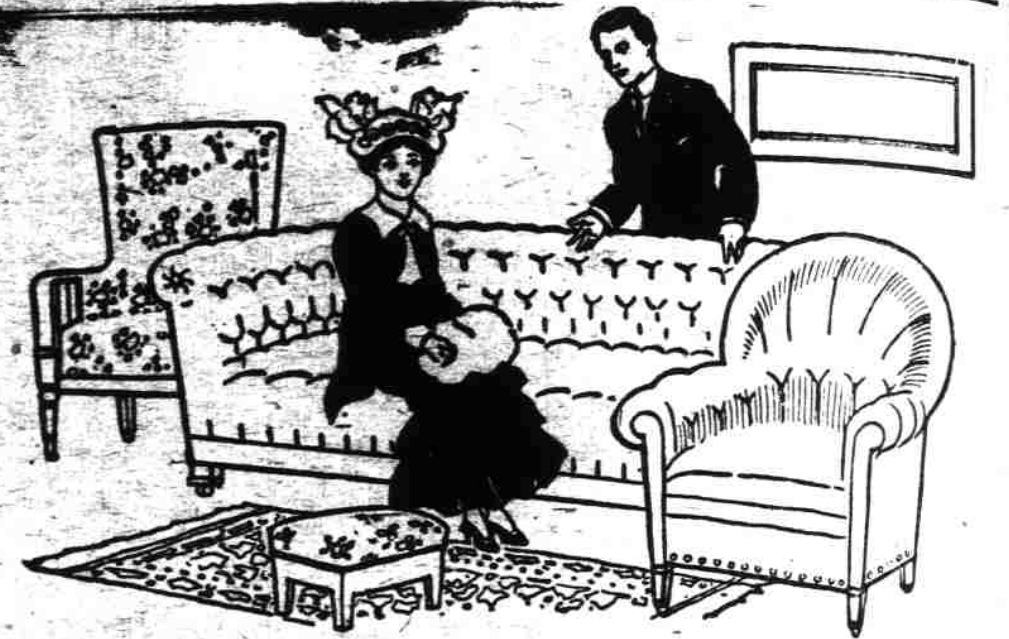


Scene from "MUTT & JEFF DIVORCED" at White's Friday Night, 21st.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF ELECTRIC LIGHTS AND SURFACE DRAINAGE SEWER SYSTEMS, FUNDING BONDS AND BONDS FOR ENLARGING AND MAINTAINING SAID SYSTEMS.

North Carolina—Pitt County
Town of Grifton.
Be it, and it is hereby obtained and resolved by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Grifton, in regular session, pursuant to an adjournment to this date, being the 18 day of September, 1917, as follows:

The Bonds of the Town of Grifton shall be issued for the purpose of funding indebtedness incurred and outstanding prior to March 5, 1917, as follows: For amounts due for Electric Lights System as a necessary expense \$5000; For amounts due for Surface Drainage Sewer System as a necessary expense \$2000.00 and also for the purpose of enlarging and improving said Electric Lights and Surface Drainage Sewer System being necessary expenses, \$3000.00. The maximum principal amount of the bonds is Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00). The Maximum rate of interest the bonds shall bear is six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually. The maximum period within which they shall mature is twenty years from the 1st day of July, 1917, which period is hereby determined to be



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the average period for the purposes for which these bonds were issued, taking into consideration the amount of the bonds applicable to each purpose under the terms of the Municipal Finance Act of 1917, which period is hereby determined to be the average probable unexpired period of usefulness of the improvements, and the shortest term in which the Bonds can be finally paid without making them unduly burdensome upon the taxpayers. A tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of said bonds shall be annually levied and collected. A statement of the debt of the Town of Grifton has been filed with the Clerk pursuant to the Municipal Finance Act (Chapter 138 Public Laws, 1917), and is open to public inspection. The average assessed valuation of property subject to taxation by the Town for the three fiscal years in which taxes were last levied as shown by said statement is \$180,315.00. The amount of the net debt of the Town outstanding, authorized, or to be authorized, as shown by said statement, is Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00). This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and shall not be submitted to the voters. North Carolina—Pitt County
Town of Grifton.
I, John H. Barwick, Town Clerk of Grifton, N. C., do hereby certify that the foregoing and attached ordinance is a true and perfect copy of the ordinance passed by the Board of Commissioners at its regular meeting on the 8 day of September, 1917.
Witness my hand and official seal this the 8 day of September, 1917.
JNO. H. BARWICK,
Clerk of the Town of Grifton, N. C.
The foregoing Ordinance was passed on the 8 day of September, 1917, was first published on the 17 day of September, 1917.
Any action or proceeding questioning the validity of said Ordinance must be commenced within thirty days after its last publication.
JNO. H. BARWICK,
Clerk.
L. A. Randolph sells the Haynes and Saxon Automobiles. Read their ad.

GENTRY & GORMAN

Gorman's sold this week 661,158 pounds averaging \$27.40 for the entire week and while we had some fine tobaccos we sold lots of scrap, scalded tips and damaged, all of which is included in our average. We sold to date 1,926,830 pounds for \$532,450.71 averaging \$27.59. This is by far the largest number of pounds ever sold in a warehouse in Greenville for the same length of time and the largest average for so much tobacco. Our Tuesdays sale of 219,740 pounds is by far the largest single sale ever sold here.

Our Customers were well pleased the past week and a number who had strayed with their first load came back and told us they had come to stay; that they found they had lost money by selling elsewhere.

We believe with lighter sales that all prices will be higher and this applies to all markets; for all steam plants are over-run now. This also applies to the small markets as their purchases has to be resold or handled by the larger markets. We believe also that the frost in the west and "old belt" the past week will have a tendency to stiffen prices when marketed no faster than the steam plants can handle it. When your tobacco is ready drive to Gorman's and you will go home satisfied.

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