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OPTIMISM
It's wiser being good than bad.
It's safer being meek than fierce;
It's better being sane than mad.
My own hope is, a sun will pierce
The thickest cloud earth ever stretch-
ed:
That after last returns the first,
Through a wide compass round be
fetched;
That what began best can't end worst,
Nor what God blessed once prove
accurst.
—Robert Browning

The Merest Hint
He—"A penny for your thoughts."
She (cooly)—"Oh, I really can't tell
you. This is not leap year."—Boston
Transcript.

Newspaper or Hemp
We haven't heard much of the
Kaiser lately. It is time he had a
head-line all to himself.
—London Opinion.

Terrible
"Mac: 'I'm smoking a terrible lot
of cigars lately!'"
Jack: "You certainly are, if that's
one of them."—London Opinion.

Their Use.
If there were fewer fools about,
the world would be a much more
pleasant place to live in. Only it
would be harder to make a living.—
London Blighly.

Explained
The Judge: "You were found under
a bed with a bag of tools. An ex-
planation?"
The Prisoner: "Force of habit, yer
washup! I've been a motorist."—
London Opinion.

The True Mean
"Does success mean getting what
you want?" asked the young man.
"No," replied the old man. "Suc-
cess isn't so much getting what you
want as what other people want."—
Cincinnati Enquirer.

Unnecessary
"Pay your debts, boy."
"Ugh?"
"And keep your credit good."
"Aw, what's the use of credit if I
gotta pay up all the time?"—Louis-
ville Courier-Journal.

Old As Things Go
"When you spoke of your maid as
an old family retainer I expected to
see an older person. Oh, how long has
she been in your family?"
Mrs. Rooral: "Ever since last Wed-
nesday."—London Opinion.

Extravagant
Two English mothers were talking
about the jam ration. "Wot's four
ounces of jam a week to my bobby,"
said one of them. "Why, I used to
wash an ounce off his face after tea
every day."—Boston Transcript.

A Return Wallp.
She—"I appreciate the compliment,
but I'm afraid I could never make you
happy."
He—"Oh, yes, you could. You don't
know how easily pleased I am."
—Boston Transcript.

What's In a name?
Diner—"Here, what d'you call this?
Beef or mutton?"
Waitress—"Can't yer tell the differ-
ence?"
Diner—"No."
Waitress—"Then why worry about
it?"—Sydney Bulletin.

Companions In Crime
Customer: "Do you make any reduc-
tion for those in the same line of busi-
ness?"
Waiter: "Yes; are you a restaurant
keeper?"
Customer: "No; I'm a robber."
—Le Rive, Paris.

Appreciation
Husband (handing his wife some
money): "There, Amelia, is five
pounds, and it has bothered me a little
to get it for you. I think I deserve
a little applause."
Wife—"Applause? Why, my dear,
you deserve an encore."—London
Blighly.

The Difference to Him
Friendly Constable: "Come, come,
sir, pull yourself together; your wife's
calling you."
Convivial Gent: "Wha's she call-
ing me; Billy or William?"
Constable: "William, sir."
Convivial Gent: "Then I'm not go-
ing home."—London Blighly.

STRONGEST IN THE WORLD

AMERICA WAS LEADER BUT PEOPLE DISSATISFIED

U. S. in Wrong State of Mind; The Time It Has The Most Right To Be Generous It is the Most Selfish

When the armistice was signed the United States was the greatest military power in the world. Never before had such moral, financial and physical energy been developed in war. Victory had been achieved and a peace based upon American conceptions of justice was foreshadowed. Yet national discontent began the very hour of triumph.

The United States had the respect of all nations for its leadership as well as for its might. It was in a position to dominate the earth unselfishly, to impress its liberal and progressive principles upon mankind and to guide long-misgoverned peoples out of the abyss of intrigue and strife into a new and finer relationship. Yet even the professing millenniumites and other perfectionist impracticables voiced their discontent as loudly as any of the Bourbons who had been overthrown.

Never before had any nation had the wealth possessed to-day by the United States. In spite of some glaring inequalities, there never was a time in all the past when riches, luxuries and pleasures were so well distributed. Labor, fully employed, receives the highest wages ever known. The rewards of capital are unexampled. Agriculture is blessed with rich harvests and finds eager markets at high prices. Notwithstanding popular extravagance without precedent, savings banks are glutted and life insurance is making figures beyond the dreams of its founders. Yet labor, capital, manufacturing, merchandising, agriculture and even the speculator who trades upon uncertainty are alike discontented and full of direful forebodings.

Having mastered the earth intellectu- ally and materially, the United States is not now looking for other worlds to conquer. It is quarrelling over the spoils, finding fault with everything that has been done, complain- ing, bickering, ready to believe the worst of the Government under which these miracles were wrought, suspicious of every new idea, doubtful of the value of the victory gained at such cost, inclined to reproach the army and navy, and forgetful of the tens of thousands of brave men who died with unflinching faith in an ideal. Is it all wonderful that demagogues and agitators, some of them inspired abroad, should take advantage of such a situation? Are we to marvel that reactionary politicians find in this state of affairs an opportunity to sub- ordinate and to sacrifice honor and peace in order to obtain the Presi- dency?

In their present frame of mind the American people are not quite capable of passing intelligently upon the League of Nations or any other proposal for human betterment requiring farsighted courage and unselfishness for its adoption. They are sitting by the flesh-pots. They are wallowing out a distress which is spectacular and unreal. They are deluding themselves with dangers that do not exist and they are fighting small but disquiet- ing battles that are a reproach to them and a mystery to their neighbors. To be true Americans again they must put aside all the meannesses which have enthralled them of late. If they cannot in this emergency revive the spirit that never has failed to make them invincible, the moral decline of the Republic will begin with that fateful failure.

Our discontents heretofore have been those of ambition and progress. The discontent of this day is of greed, ingratitude, indulgence and perfidy.—
New York World.

Delightful Barbecue

Several of the Warrenton young men gave an enjoyable barbecue at the home of Mr. Roy Daniel Wednes- day afternoon at seven o'clock. Two pigs were cooked and season fit for a king by Beverley Watkins and a number of young people enjoyed the feast.

WILL HE GET AWAY WITH IT?



NEGROES DISTURB PUBLIC WORSHIP

Burwell Harris, son of Jack Harris, and a man named Lynch, negroes of the Grovehill section, tanked up on moonshine liquor and proceeded over into Halifax to Oak Grove church where preaching was in progress. With pistols they proceeded to break up the worship.

Deputy Sheriff Dickens, of Halifax, was called in to arrest Lynch and Harris. Harris resisted arrest and it is stated that he had to be knocked down by Dickens before he could be arrested and disarmed. Lynch escape; Harris was carried to Halifax Jail charged with resisting arrest, carrying pistol, disturbing public worship and public drunkenness.

From the above charges it appears that Harris is in for a long stay on the Halifax chain gang.

Population of North Carolina Over Twenty-one Years of Age

White women, 358,583. Colored women, 169,286. Therefore, there are 189,347 more white women in North Carolina than colored.

White women, 358,583. Colored men and women, 305,988. Therefore, there are over 50,000 more white women in North Carolina than colored men and women together.

Population of Tennessee Over Twenty-one Years of Age

White women, 419,846. Colored women, 122,707. Therefore, there are 296,939 more white women in Tennessee than colored, or more than three times as many white as colored women.

White women, 419,846. Colored men and women, 241,849. Therefore, there are 177,997 more white women in Tennessee than colored men and women together.

Mrs. Geo. Dill is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Rodwell.

MICKIE SAYS:

"TH' BIRD I HAFTE LAUGH AT IS TH' UNREASONABLE POOR FISH WHAT GIT'S MAD AN' COMES IN AN' STOPS HIS PAPER AND THEN CASTS A MEAN LOOK ALL 'ROUND TH' OFFIS AT TH' REST OF US, 'S MUCH AS TO SAY, 'NOW STARVE I!'"



THE LIBERIA ROAD TO BE IMPROVED

The Warrenton road board at their monthly meeting Monday decided to overhaul the Liberia road. It was the decision of the board to procure cinders from the Peck Manufacturing Co., and it is said that a thousand loads can be secured. There is abundant gravel at the Liberia end of the road and the road will be built of cinders and gravel.

This road has been a hard road to keep up on account of that the fact that the proper gravel has never been put on the road. As this is one of the most important roads leading into Warrenton it should be one of the best.

At Liberia this road will connect with the new road that is to be built in Fork Township under government supervision. When the government finishes this road in Fork it is hoped that the Liberia road will be in good shape so that it can share in government appropriation for the upkeep of roads.

What Will Tennessee and North Carolina Do?

The action of the Legislatures of North Carolina and Tennessee on the Federal Suffrage Amendment will win or lose party votes in crucial states where women vote for President. These states are: Wyoming, Colorado, Idaho, Utah, Washington, California, Arizona, Kansas, Oregon, Montana, Nevada, New York, Oklahoma, Michigan, South Dakota, Illinois, North Dakota, Nebraska, Rhode Island, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Minnesota, Missouri, Wisconsin, Ohio, Arkansas and Texas.

The change of a few votes in any one election district in one of these states may mean the gain or loss of all the electoral votes from that state, and the gain or loss of the Presidential election for your party.

In President Wilson's Opinion.
"It would be a real service to the party and to the nation if it is possible for you, under the peculiar provisions of your state constitution, having in mind the recent decision of the Supreme Court in the Ohio case, to call a special session of the Legislature of Tennessee to consider the suffrage amendment. Allow me to urge this very earnestly."—Telegram sent to Governor Roberts of Tennessee, by the President.
"I am sure I need not point out to you the critical importance of the action of your great state in the matter of suffrage amendment."—President's telegram to Governor Bickett of North Carolina.
From the Governor of Tennessee.
"I will call the session in ample time for the women to vote in the 1920 elections."—Governor Roberts.
From the Governor of North Carolina.
"I will recommend ratification."—Governor Bickett.

Explained.
"I wonder," said Mrs. Cossosuck, "I wonder why Lot's wife looked back."
"That," said Cossosuck, sagely, "was the beginning of the famous Postscript. She wanted to see what was at the bottom of it all."—Times-Dispatch.

LADY ASTOR AP- PEALS TO SOUTH

Through Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, President of the Nation American Woman Suffrage Association, now directing the ratification campaign in Tennessee, Lady Nancy Astor, born Nancy Langhorne, of Virginia, and now Great Britain's first woman M. P., has sent the following message to the men of the South:

"I want to send a message to the men of the South, because I come from the South, and feel that I know and understand it, as one only can understand the place of one's birth and childhood. I know the strong sense of justice and honor that lives in the hearts of the people. I know their chivalry, too, and it is just because I appreciate that chivalry that I, as a woman, am anxious that it should be representative of the present and not only of the past—that it should be a progressive chivalry, equal to the needs and aspirations of the women of today, not content to give merely what was demanded of it in the old days.

"I am writing to you from the country of my adoption—a country which has taken the great step and given political responsibility to its women. As it happens, I am one of the women to whom the new opportunity for service has come most directly, and it is partly on that account that I am appealing to you of the South.

"I am at present entrusted by the people of the Sutton Division of Plymouth to represent them, men and women alike, in Parliament. There are something like 17,000 women voters in my constituency, and over 23,000 men, who include a large number of men in the Royal Navy. It would indeed be hard to feel that one could not have the same trust from the men of my home-land which has been given to me so generously in the land of my adoption. But the responsibility they have laid on me is only the outcome of the responsibility which they have already placed on all women, by giving them the vote. Trusting a woman in Parliament cannot be done till you have trusted women at the ballot box. A democracy which only trusts its men cannot help being a top-sided democracy. I know the South too well to believe that they will interpret their own constitution of popular government less democratically than this country, from which I write, has interpreted its constitution of limited monarchy.

"The cause of women's political freedom has been won in America—America, where one of the first shots in the campaign was fired. But the forces working against justice and progress are still strong enough to raise technical objections and to delay the full realization of the Victory.

"On August 6th the Governor of Tennessee will call that Legislature into special session, to consider the ratification of the Federal Amendment for Women's Suffrage. Thirty-five states have given their hand and seal, but one is lacking—Will not the South give that one? So strong is my faith in the South that I feel it almost an impertinence to ask them such a question. Remember we are making a new world of women—mothers—long to have a share in the sort of world in which their children must live. We have moral courage and spiritual vision. Give us the chance to help you. We don't want to be little men, but we do want to be Big Mothers."
(Signed) NANCY ASTOR.

A Good Extractor

Willie had swallowed a penny, and his mother was in a state of alarm.
"Helen," she called to her sister in the next room, "send for a doctor; Willie has swallowed a penny!"
The terrified and frightened boy looked up imploringly.
"No, mama," he interposed, "send for the minister."
"The minister?" asked his mother, incredulously. "Why the minister?"
"Because papa says he can get money out of anybody."—London Titbits.

Business

"Gimmy crickets, Blimps, I ran right into my tailor on the street today—"
"And he dunned you for the \$50 you owe him? Shucks, that's—"
"Naw, you got it wrong. He gave me a cigar and sold me a suit for \$80 cash! That guy's some nifty collector!"—Times-Dispatch.

COVER CROPS FOR FARMS

URGE FARMERS TO PLANT RYE AND OTHER CROPS

U. S. Department of Agriculture Advises Farmers To Grow Cover Crops, To Help Their Land and Furnish Feed.

Before the great war progress had been made toward getting some kind of cover crops sown each fall on Southern farms. County agents and other extension workers stressed their importance and each year thousands of demonstrations gave ocular proof of their value. Following the outbreak of the war, however, there was a great decrease in the acreage sown to such crops. This was due to labor shortage, high-priced seed, unsettled conditions, and particularly to the stress of food production.

We should now endeavor to regain the lost ground and again stress suitable cover crops as a part of the farm system for the South. Let us try to make the early slogan of the Farmer's Co-operative Demonstration Work "Cover Crops on Every Farm," a reality in every county in the South this year.

Winter cover crops have a special value on Southern Farms. They protect the land from washing, prevent loss of plant food by leaching, furnish grazing for livestock during the winter months, and in the spring may be plowed under to the great benefit of the soil, or left for harvest for hay, grain or seeds.

CROPS TO CONSIDER.

The small grains and the clovers are the most satisfactory crops for this purpose. They are all adapted to Southern conditions and soils. In most of the Southern states oats is the most important small grain. Not over 75 per cent of the amount needed for home consumption is now grown. The acreage in fall oats should be greatly increased. They can be produced cheaply, mature early, and can be followed in most of the States by corn and cowpeas, cowpeas for hay, sweet potatoes, or other fall crops. Rye is better than fall sown oats in the northern tier of States of the southern group.

Oats, Rye, Wheat, Bur Clover, Crimson Clover and the Vetches, sown with oats, are all valuable as cover crops. The choice will depend on your soil and location, and the County Agent or the Agricultural College will advise you.

Local Items From The Afton Section

A series of meetings are in progress at Providence church. Rev. Draper is assisted by Rev. L. Bridges of West Va.

Miss Rosa Frazier, of Raleigh, is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Frazier.

Mr. Lawrence W. Overby, of Macon, spent Saturday night with Mr. Boyd Reams.

Mr. Sinclair Newman, of Atlanta, Ga., is spending some time with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Hull, of Newport News, Va., is visiting Mrs. Gull's parents Mr. and Mrs. Frazier.

Mr. Henry Fuller made a flying trip to Norlina Saturday.

Mr. Henry Montgomery was a business visitor to Warrenton Saturday.

Mrs. J. W. Limer was shopping in Warrenton Saturday.

Mrs. W. A. J. Pinnell and son Robert were visiting friends in Warrenton Saturday.

Mr. J. H. Pinnell and Mrs. F. P. Bowden visited Mrs. D. G. Curing near Oxford Sunday.

Mr. Jim Williams, of Warrenton, is visiting in the home of Mr. W. A. J. Pinnell.

Mr. Frank Frazier and family were visitors in the home of his brother Mr. A. H. Frazier Sunday.

Health and disposition are the two most important things in life: good health enables you to live with yourself, a good disposition to live successfully with others.—Type Metal Magazine.