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AGE OF BARBARISM

Speaking on the subject of Boy Scout work before the Rotary Club recently, Prof. Edwards elaborated on an idea which most of us harbored in a more or less vague sort of way—that the boys of adolescent age are for the time being reversion to the age of barbarism.

The instincts of the barbarian for gang life drive in on the adolescent youth and rule him. He don't want to wash, bolts his food at meals and is off again to the gang life that was the chief solace and protection of his forefathers in prehistoric ages. He is, because of the strange forces of nature, again an instinctive barbarian at this critical time in his existence.

The great problem of Scout Masters is to deal with such instincts of the individual boys, to reconstruct or reposition their lives into the channels of civilization. This they endeavor to do through appeal to the hero worship instinct and the appeal of the scout code.

But, what we intended to say is, that reversion to barbarism at the age of adolescence has a plausible sound as we think back to our own boyhood and the impulses from unknown sources that ruled us. And it reminds us that when we deal with the peculiar young animal boy, we should use forbearance and consideration, remembering that with all the latent nobility of man in his makeup, he may be under the temporary rule of a barbarism bred in the race ages ago which he is powerless to control.

Our boys are sometimes a little bit annoying, but they are our men of tomorrow. Just because a boy does inexplicable things, is a little wild and unmanageable, is no reason to condemn him. Rather a reason to guide him kindly for a time until he has outgrown the overpowering instincts of the prehistoric life of the race.

A MUSEUM WANTED

LAS VEGAS needs a museum. We should provide it for ourselves by making a beginning with an organization and perhaps join with the city library in providing a building for both.

There is a whole world of the strange and unusual in and about Las Vegas which for lack of preservation is being lost forever. There are historic place and things, Indian baskets, implements and apparel unlike any others; remains of a prehistoric civilization and a vast array of interesting specimens of desert, mountain and forest; and metallic and non-metallic ores of vast variety which should be classified, labeled and preserved for future generations.

It would seem a noble field for some individual or group or organization to enter as leaders in the creation of a museum which will grow to greatness and be of inestimable value to future generations.

The women of the Mesquite Club have distinguished themselves and their organization during the past twenty years by creating and nurturing our little city library. That child now is about able to walk alone.

It is the logical time for somebody to make plans for a museum. Once started it would grow quickly through the gifts of much valuable material for which there is now no proper place.

DR. MAYO SAYS IT

IN ANOTHER COLUMN of this issue we reprint an interview given to the Los Angeles Examiner by the famous Rochester surgeon, Dr. Mayo. It is about prohibition and it is short. In a few words it tells more about the liquor situation than is said in all the columns on the subject in the daily papers.

And the best of it is that it is so obviously true that there is no room for argument. At least so it seems to us. Read it for yourself.

ZONING THE CITY

IN ANOTHER COLUMN of this issue we reprint an inter-comments on the city zoning question by an authority. He makes a point which most of us have not particularly thought about—that outside capital will not come to us for investment unless a zoning plan is established.

Just why there should be any hesitation about making a start is hard to understand. The advantages are so many and so obvious that they admit of little argument. Perhaps it is the fear that a plan once adopted is sure of criticism. Of course it will be criticized and out of the criticism will come the changes necessary to mold it into a good working plan for building the new city. It must be done, the sooner the better and the cheaper for us. Eventually, why not now?

FOR OUR HEALTH

THERE IS GRAVE DANGER that the services of a community health nurse will be lost to Clark county. The schools have appropriated enough for about half the expense for the coming year, but the county has not yet included the remainder of the sum in the budget.

The Age is of the opinion that nothing is deserving of more care than the health of our people, especially the children. During the past year we have without the slightest doubt been saved great expense and suffering and probably some lives through the active efforts of Miss Withers in stamping out the several incipient epidemics which threatened.

Just now we have a condition which calls for most decisive measures of control to keep the scarlet fever from spreading. It is a shortsighted policy we believe to attempt to save a few dollars by cutting off this most important work of health protection.

U. S. LEADERS

WATCH ADVANCE OF REPARATIONS

Bearing of European Negotiations on American Finance Told; Government Economists Keep in Close Touch.

By STANLEY W. PRENSOIL (Associated Press Financial Editor) NEW YORK, April 30. (AP)—Government economists in Washington and international bankers here are examining two aspects of the German reparations labyrinth which may lead directly to Uncle Sam's gold pantry.

The shrinkage in value of European exchanges, especially German marks, following the suspension of negotiations by experts assembled in Paris, forced Germany to export gold for the purpose of supporting her currency.

Germany cannot afford to lose much of her yellow metal. During the first fortnight in April the Reichsbank had to buy more than \$50,000,000 worth of marks in New York to keep them from wilting on the market.

New Triangle System It happens that this operation was carried out by the new "triangular" system—Berlin ships gold to Paris and Paris releases an equivalent amount of its surplus held in New York—but it represents a net loss of gold to Germany.

The prospects of further losses at this time to prevent serious weakness in exchange raises the question of Germany's ability to meet the Dawes plan schedule of payments if a large part of her gold supply is to be drained off in exchange operations.

Even more important, from the American standpoint, is the connection between the experts' efforts to put reparations payments on a permanent basis and France's attitude towards the Franco-American war debt agreement.

Sum Due U. S. This arrangement, the Mellon-Berenger contract, never has been ratified by the Paris chamber of deputies and in the background of all reparations negotiations has lurked the sentiment that it would not be ratified unless a satisfactory settlement was reached with Germany.

The sum of \$400,000,000 is due the United States from France in August under the terms of an old bill of sale whereby France took over a huge quantity of equipment belonging to the A.E.F.

The Mellon-Berenger agreement lumped this debt with the larger war debt but if the agreement is not ratified the bill for \$400,000,000 will fall due.

THREE FILE SUITS FOR DIVORCE HERE

Three individuals have filed for divorces thus far this week:

Evelyn L. Ziegler filed suit against Victor G. Ziegler through Attorney A. W. Ham. They were married in Los Angeles in 1921.

Mervin C. Conner sued Catherine M. Conner through Stevens, Henderson and Noland. They were married in Buffalo in 1913.

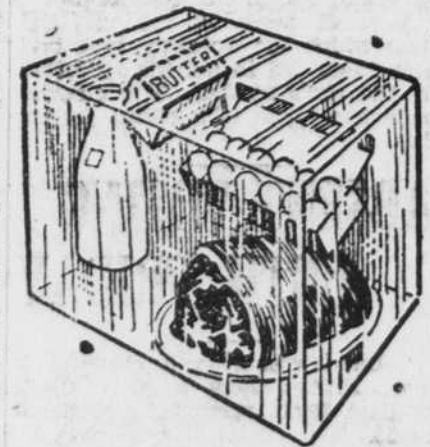
Jack Kinsey seeks divorce from Nora Foley Kinsey through Harman and Salter, attorneys. The complainant and Mrs. Kinsey were wed in 1919 in Chicago.

PERSONAL

Howard Pulsipher of Mesquite was in Las Vegas yesterday on business, and was expected to leave for home last night.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Goodwin of Bracken were in Las Vegas yesterday on business.

Mrs. Ashley Rice underwent a major operation at the Las Vegas Hospital yesterday morning. The operation was performed by Dr. Forest R. Mildren, and Mrs. Rice was reported last night to be doing nicely.



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WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON, April 30.—The general run of Republicans, who were feeling pretty well contented anyway, must have chuckled with satisfaction over the word from New York that the views of Democratic senators expressed in debate in the Senate floor would become the policies of the Democratic party.

There are several ways of causing the Democratic ticket to run behind the Communist ticket in 1932, but such a plan, if carried out literally, would probably be the most effective one.

Of course there is almost no chance at all that the Senate Democrats will be permitted to guide the party. The Democratic senators can no more be welded into a unit for such a function than anthracite can be rolled into window glass. The man who even partially succeeds with such a task will immediately become the party's next presidential candidate—and it may be worth observing that no Democratic senator has had better than an outside chance of nomination since before the Civil War.

Really a Big Obstacle The party's senatorial group, according to some opinions, even presents a stumbling block to any effort toward cohesion which might be made by a combination of other groups of prominent Democrats.

The underlying reason, perhaps so seldom mentioned because it's so obvious, is that the great majority of members of Congress are more interested in holding their jobs than in national victory. In that respect, Democratic senators are no worse than anyone else. In fact, they probably show more courage and independence than the general run of their Republican colleagues because the graceful alacrity with which Republicans can turn about face and fit themselves into line in a presidential year is one of the most remarkable of all political phenomena.

Some issue may arise which can align them altogether at one time, but it is not in sight. There is a publicity man at the headquarters of the national committee here and what do you suppose he is doing? Virtually nothing in the way of publicity, you may be sure, because he doesn't dare. He hasn't anyone to guide him. If he puts out a wad of propaganda pleasing to one Democratic faction and another Democratic faction is sure to land on his neck and demand his scalp. Now, if he is going to be told to spread the views of Democratic senators in debate as party policies just imagine his plight!

Senator Tom Heflin of Alabama arises to attack and defy the Catholics for a few hours. Senator Dave Walsh of Massachusetts follows with a hot counter-attack and says it would do America's soul a lot of good if a Catholic were elected president.

Or try some other likelihoods: Senators Wagner and Copeland of New York deliver long speeches against the Volstead act. Caraway of Arkansas and Barkley of Kentucky make equally long speeches insisting that any citizen who takes a drink is a traitor. Blease of South Carolina defends everybody's right to take a drink.

Wheeler of Montana and Dill of Washington demand recall of the marines from Nicaragua. Swanson of Virginia and Overman of North Carolina rebuke them.

SOCIETY

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Woodard entertained at dinner Sunday evening. Their guests included Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hesse, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Blanding, Dr. and Mrs. F. R. Mildren, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Cragin and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Pembroke.

Mrs. R. W. Martin is entertaining the Community Bridge Club at luncheon at the Oasis today. Later bridge will be enjoyed at the Martin home.

Mrs. Granville Hancock and her daughter, Miss Doris Hancock, and Mrs. W. C. Olive entertained with a bridge luncheon Saturday at the pretty new home of Mrs. Olive at Carson and Seventh streets. The small tables were exquisite in their appointments and the rooms were abloom with sweet peas and roses. At the close of the games, Mrs. James Cashman and Mrs. Dayton Smith held high scores, while Miss Withers received the consolation. Those enjoying the afternoon were Mesdames J. M. Ullom, W. S. Park, L. Ullom, C. C. Boyer, James Cashman, D. Smith, F. Gusewelle, C. P. Squires, M. Davis, Arthur Grant, R. Hampton, H. Hampton, J. Hemphill, A. Hensler, A. Henderson, L. Oakes, W. E. Ferron, and Misses Withers, Haines and Squires.

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