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FIRE FIGHTERS

FIRE FIGHTING is more a matter of spirit and temperament than it is of monetary compensation, it appears. At least, that is the case in small cities where the membership is small and careful attention is given to selection of those who desire to join.

In Virginia City, the volunteer fire department was the great social and civic organization, especially when the great camp was in its prime. In Carson City membership in the volunteer department is considered a mark of high distinction to this day.

So it is in Las Vegas. The fellows who started years ago to give their services to the community for the sake of the thrill of running to fires with the hose cart, now are proud of the traditions of the past 27 years of honorable service. From something of an adventure, membership in the department now is a badge of useful and honorable service.

The men have seen a high duty to perform and are actuated by an unselfish sense of service. That is why, we are told, they represent the proposal to establish a paid department. They are quite able to provide for themselves the social life of their club house and the pleasurable associations of their regular meetings and dinners.

DUTY OF THE PUBLIC

THE PUBLIC owes a duty to the volunteer fire department which cannot be paid by merely feeling grateful. The city has provided valuable equipment to the fire company, thereby saving hundreds of thousands of dollars in property loss.

Yet that equipment, so necessary to the safety of the city, is left exposed to the elements and, worse, to the depredations of any malfactor who might happen along.

How easy to puncture a tire or disable the engine or cut the hose or do any one of a dozen acts which would disable the machines and allow your property to burn down without the possibility of putting up a fight to save it.

Property so valuable and so essential to our safety should have every reasonable safeguard thrown about it. It is not economy to permit the present situation to continue indefinitely.

Just what the best method of remedying the situation is may be the subject of difference of opinion. It seems, however, that a real fire house with club rooms for the boys upstairs, and the lower floor providing a safe place for the equipment would fill the bill.

SPECIAL SESSION CALLED TO HELP OHIO'S JOBLESS

COLUMBUS, O., March 17 (U.P.)—A special session of the legislature to enact measures to provide unemployment relief was called to night by Governor George White.

A date for convoking the emergency session will be determined tomorrow.

A five-point program to raise in the neighborhood of \$20,000,000 will be urged upon the legislators, White said. This provides for an increase in utilities excise tax from \$1.35 to \$2.35 for a period of five years; allocation of this anticipated \$11,000,000 among political subdivisions, permitting them to issue bonds upon anticipating collection thereof; permission for local subdivisions to apply gasoline and motor license taxes for relief purposes; permission for school boards to provide clothes, food and medical attention for indigent pupils; and establishment of a state

NORTON LEAVES FOR BOARD MEET

John F. Norton is leaving this evening for Washington, D. C., to attend a meeting of the National legislative board of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen. Mr. Norton is state chairman of the Nevada State legislative board of the B. of L. F. and E.

relief commission to supervise expenditures of relief bond issues. The special utilities excise tax would not apply to railroads and other transportation companies, but would affect telephone, electric light and power, natural and artificial gas, waterworks and other companies. The special session was convoked after Governor White had been petitioned by numerous delegations, especially from the larger cities where relief funds have been virtually exhausted. The governor had said he would not issue the call except as a last resort.

A WASHINGTON BYSTANDER

By KIRK SIMPSON
WASHINGTON, March 17 (U.P.)—Democrats may have cause this year to follow the Shakespearean injunction to beware the ideas of March—and other dates in it as well.

Within that month will be fought out a series of primary battles, east, west and south, which may hold the key to who's who among Democratic aspirants for the 1932 presidential nomination.

ROOSEVELT IN ALL RACES
Governor Roosevelt of New York, now supposed leader for the honor among all those mentioned, will be in all of the races.
He will engage "Alfalfa Bill" Murray of Oklahoma in North Dakota on March 15, and Speaker John N. Garner, somewhat indirectly in Georgia, March 23.

In all three states the Roosevelt workers are first in the field, appear well organized, are supported by important state leaders, and seem very confident of victory.

GEORGIA MAJOR TEST
The number of electoral votes involved is inconsequential. The possible psychological effect of a sweeping Roosevelt victory is incalculable. It could start a Roosevelt tidal wave insuring a first-ballot nomination.

Should the New Yorker lose Georgia, the state that hails him by the voice of the Democratic organization as an adopted favorite son, the result could raise grave questions in the minds of Democrats in other non-favorite son territory as to his availability.

The fundamental consideration of the Democratic 1932 presidential campaign to date is the widespread feeling among party workers that a victory at the polls in November is not only possible, but probable.

HOUSE REFLECTS HARMONY
That feeling underlies the harmony program of the house, controlled by a margin of Democratic majority too close to be workable otherwise.

Speaker Garner, swept to new political heights, has become an enigma of the presidential nomination race itself by virtue of that situation.

Roosevelt, with Washington state's delegation already pledged to him, was the first candidate to gain definite support of a more than strictly favorite son sort.

The slogan of the Roosevelt workers has been "We can win with Roosevelt" and it is because of the natural strength credited in the popular eastern states to a man who could carry New York for the governorship by the unprecedented margin he piled up in 1930, that the slogan has been great in non-favorite son territory.

The odd thing about the Democratic nomination situation is that three major factors, Newton Baker of Cleveland, Al Smith of New York and Garner of Texas are personally just onlookers.

Besides Murray, Governor Ritchie of Maryland is Roosevelt's only open opponent, assuming that booms for men like Byrd of Virginia and Traynor of Illinois are in fact only of the favorite son type.

And what any of this trio of silent candidates will ultimately do about the work of their friends in their behalf may be foreshadowed in what happens in those three far-scattered Democratic primaries this month.

FEMINIST MOVE IS SEEN AMONG MOTHER DUCKS

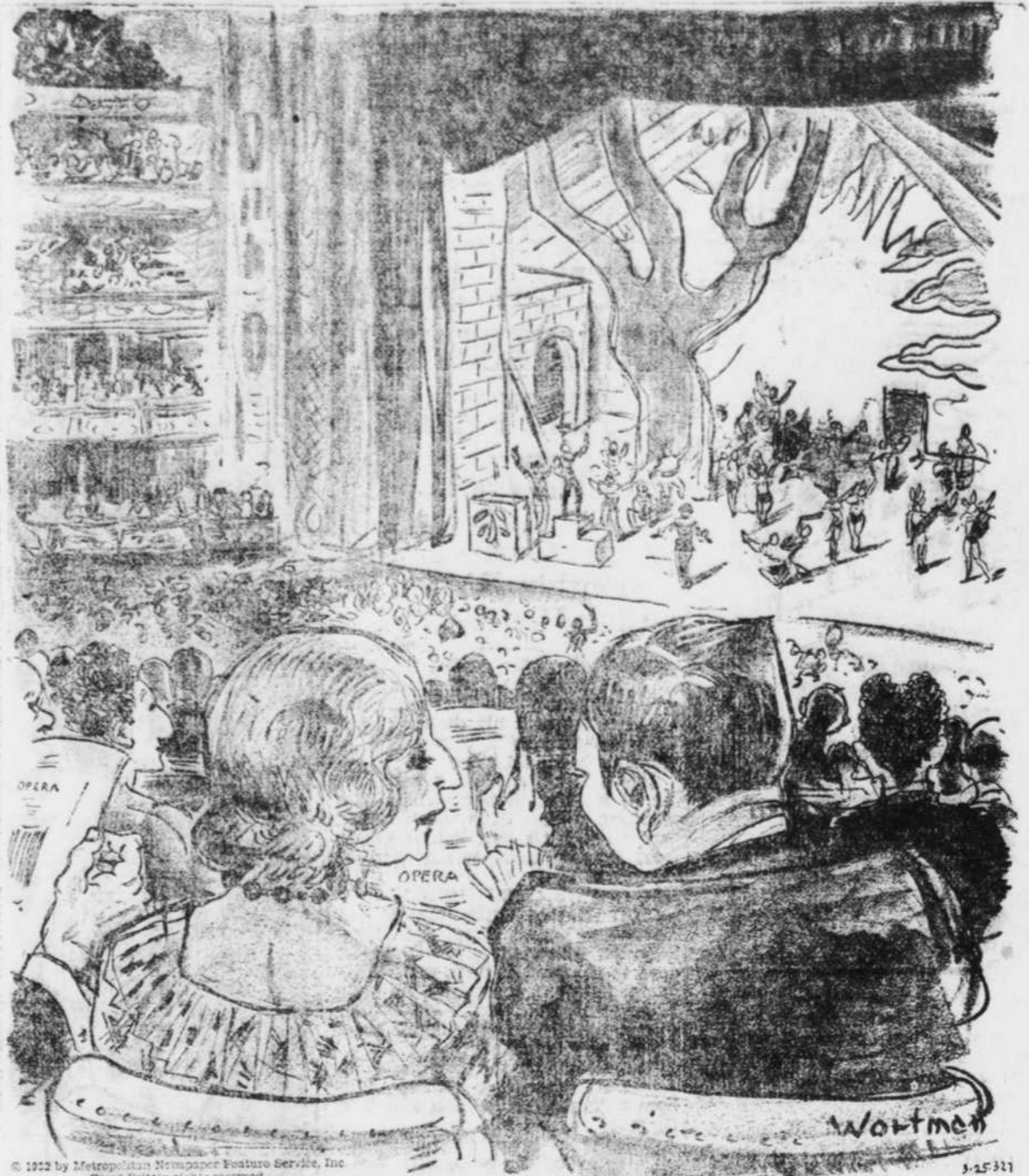
WASHINGTON, March 17 (U.P.)—Science has detected a "feminist movement" among ducks which is threatening to drive out mother-love and break up families.

Manifestations of this startling trend have reached Herbert Friedmann, curator of birds at the Smithsonian Institution, who has been receiving reports of strange phenomena from observers of the family life of ducks in many parts of the world. For example:

Two well-known American species, the redhead and canvassback, are building "dumping nests" in which the eggs are laid and at once abandoned.

Among tree ducks, the whole duty of incubation is being left to

EVERYDAY MOVIES



"I simply can't wait for the next act. Does she go back to her husband after he killed her lover?"

the male while the female goes about her own affairs.

The black-headed ducks of the Argentine are laying their eggs in the nests of such birds as swans and hawks, leaving the unsuspecting "hostess" mothers to hatch the brood.

Among the ruddy ducks of North America and Europe, one female will try to trick another of the same species into hatching her eggs by laying them in another nest. After the young are hatched, the mother pays little attention to them. The fathers have to take care of the ducklings. Sometimes they even give a mother's care to neglected families other than their own.

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MANHATTAN MIRRORS

By United Press
New York, March 17 (U.P.)—The air that hangs over New York City contains more than 1,780 tons of floating dust and dirt, according to Prof. H. H. Sheldon, head of the physics department of New York university, who has just completed a series of tests with the air conditioning system of the Roxy theater.

The greatest air pollution is at 8 o'clock in the morning, with a second peak at 7 in the evening, it has been estimated.
The particles found in the air include uncombusted carbon, soft coal, coal tar, and automobile oil.

The annual spring crop of gadgets is appearing in the Manhattan stores. Among them is a "Wupee electric worm charmer" for fishermen. A steel electrode is attached to an ordinary light socket and then laid on the ground. Pretty soon the worms start gathering. Another device is the hotbed heater, an electric plate which warms the earth and facilitates the growth of flowers and other plants.

Joseph Dunninger, the magician, took his bag of tricks down to police headquarters today and showed about 200 detectives how things are not always what they seem.

Several policewomen, who have been assigned to investigate charlatans, were present to see Dunninger perform by trickery some of the feats employed by spiritualistic mediums in their business.

Dunninger, incidentally, is a hypnotist and claims that he could cause a person to shoot another person dead without the killer knowing anything about it, and that he can "kill" a man and bring him back to life again.

A person hypnotized could be handed a gun and told to shoot another person. He would carry out the request, and, upon coming out of the trance, be totally ignorant of what he had done.
The magician said that he can hypnotize a person so that the heart stops beating for a moment—sufficiently long for a physician to determine that the action has ceased—and then return the subject to consciousness.

MODERN CURE OF ULCERS IS FOUND, ANCIENT METHOD

CHICAGO, March 17 (U.P.)—Ancient Egyptian physicians prescribed chopped ostrich stomachs for indigestion. Early Americans used ground chicken gizzards for stomach trouble.

Latest medical practice, it was revealed tonight, is using similar treatment for stomach and intestinal ulcers, with surprisingly successful results. A group of physicians cooperating with the Northwestern university medical school told of their "old-new" treatment at a joint meeting of the Central Society of Internal Medicine and the Chicago medical society. They said that more than 500 ulcer patients have responded satisfactorily.

The normal stomach is coated with mucus, they explained. When ulcers appear, the coating of mucus is broken and the acid in the

stomach attacks the ulcerated lining. The physicians thus have administered "mucin," similar to that found in the ostrich stomachs and the chicken gizzards, to their patients. Modern "mucin" is a powder made from the lining of hogs' stomachs. It is taken by mouth in a glass of water or milk.

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PANTAGES PLANS OWN FILM FARE

LOS ANGELES, March 17 (U.P.)—Alexander Pantages, once powerful theater magnate, is completing plans to enter the motion picture business on a large scale, producing and distributing his own films, he announced tonight. Rodney Pantages, his son, and John Considine jr., his son-in-law, will assist him.

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