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THE BOWLES DISARMAMENT

(Detroit News)

What an old foggy that Rear Admiral Francis T. Bowles must be and how out of touch with the spirit of the military and naval establishment. Why, when the conference for limitation of armaments was under way and the representatives of nine nations had assembled in Washington and had brot with them whole gangs of experts with boxes and bales of documents, this Admiral Bowles wrote a letter which was printed in the Congressional Record in which he claimed that the whole business of disarmament was no trick at all. The way to do it is simply to do away with the battleships. The bluff old Admiral said "Sink them," but that may be just a figure of speech. He probably wouldn't object to making them into flippers or other useful things.

Such an idea isn't likely to take much with the conference, for conferences like to figure out percentages and balances of power and make a big fuss over their job. But the solid sense of all the tax-paying, boy-furnishing men and women of this country will think Admiral Bowles is a pretty sensible sort. He shows the same kind of sense used in civil life everywhere. If three or four fellows with guns stood glaring at each other in an alley the folks who lived in that community would see to it that those fellows were disarmed and if the guns were taken away the danger of a fight would be cut to the minimum at once.

And come to think of it Admiral Bowles takes a pretty sensible position even from the point of view of professional fighting men. Men in all ages have been induced to be soldiers and ship fighters for glory. They liked to wear brightly colored uniforms and lots of gold lace and shiny brass buttons. The soldier nowadays has to be dressed so he can't be seen. The talk is now that "in the next war" soldiers will come above ground, and they will have to wear almost all the time gas masks stinking of

chemicals and be smeared over all their bodies with some heavy grease to protect them from corrosive gas and to wear stiff impervious clothing so that the gas can't eat them alive. There would be more glory in being a groundhog. Even the ships must be gas masked and the poor sailors and gunners won't get a breath of fresh air all the time they are within reach of an enemies long range guns.

With the game so spoiled, it is no wonder that good, old-fashioned fighting men like Admiral Bowles should want the whole business sunk. And if the conferees are sincere they ought to be able to see the logic of what he advises. Small ships of the cruiser and destroyer type are ample for a country's defense. If the big ships are abolished. And the nation that is not willing to put its armaments on the basis of defense avows itself a bully and an outlaw among the other nations. It is doubtful if the public opinion of any country will back its representatives in taking such a position.

YOUTH AT THE BAR.

(Denver News)

A federal grand jury returned many indictments this week at Pueblo. A revolution has been noted in the work of the federal courts in recent years, they having become in great measure federal police courts due to the extension of the federal arm over what was once considered purely local or state's affairs, a matter of no mean importance to the well-being of the republic. However, more of that later.

The presiding judge wondered at the youth of those indicted. The jury wondered too. A new problem has arisen. A few years ago, as the court stated, the persons who were before that court were in years mature, as a rule often professional criminals whose status was not hard to define and whose punishment required no pondering. Today it is different.

Colorado is no exception unless it be that the sociological revolution is not so marked in a nonindustrial as in an industrial state. The same story is told everywhere. The youth of today comes of age before his time. He is catapulted into the wide world months ahead of his fathers. He is not as well prepared. His temptations are greater.

Juvenile courts, police courts and federal courts all have problems to deal with.

Is parental authority to blame? Are the churches to blame? Are the schools to blame? All of them have been blamed in turn and wholesale. Not one is wholly to

blame; altogether they are not to blame for it all.

A new world has come upon us almost without knowing it. It is a greatly accelerated world. We are eternally looping the loop. The brake is worn and no longer holds.

An economic scientific revolution has brought with us, naturally, a revolution in morals, in society generally. The machine age has been to the material advantage of youth. It may have taken its revenge in another direction. Youth is at the wheel, at the lever, at the key, at the drop forge. He is joined to serve with the exception of a few trades; he becomes a man for the purpose in view in a few weeks; he is making big wages. His working hours are not long. He too, is a machine; his work is automatic to an outstanding degree, thanks to modern inventions and the economic urge. He can return more to his employer than his father did.

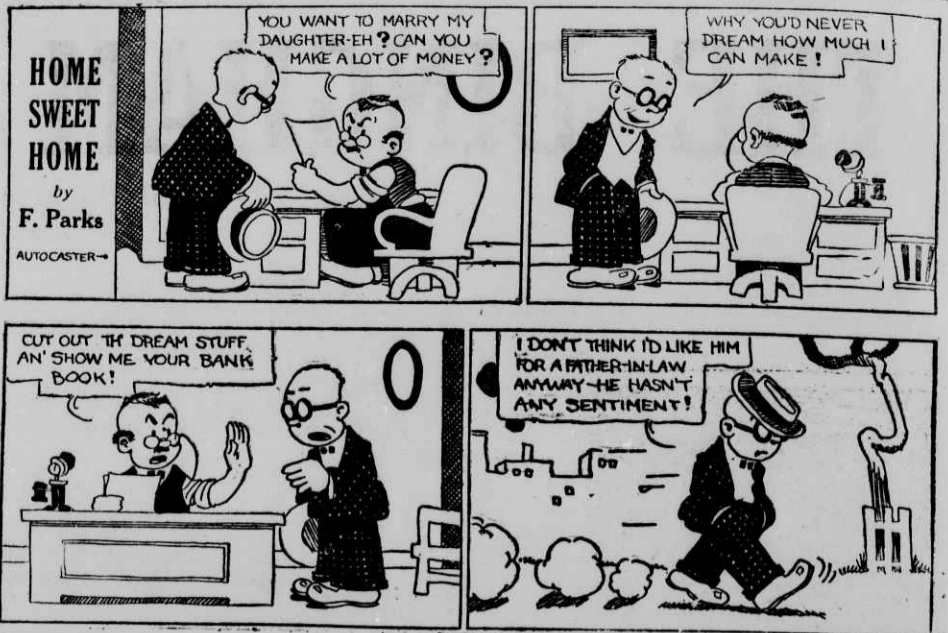
The modern youth has plenty of entertainment for his spare hours. It is built on the accelerated plan, too, like his work. The coming of the automobile and the moving picture has revolutionized pleasure as well as work.

Self supporting, self sufficient youth naturally, has little patience with his elders or with authority, generally. He is not inclined to finish his education; he is in great hurry to be in the swim. He is a disrespecter of certain laws. Prohibition is scorned.

Educational authorities must take note of the dual revolution which has come upon the world. The public must do as well. The nation at large is in need of a spiritual awakening. It is overdue. For a brief time it fluttered over us during the war and then disappeared.

Five state banks in Idaho which have closed their doors in the past year and have arranged their affairs so that their depositors will get 85 per cent of what the banks held for them, according to the state commissioner of finance.

Government to Get Rum Runners Philadelphia, Pa.—Arrests and action by the United States attorney in connection with the alleged \$25,000,000 rum plot uncovered here, may be expected shortly. Prohibition Director Rutter indicated Friday. A transcript of evidence implicating the head of an export firm here, a former high official in the local United States secret service and others in the alleged plot will be furnished Federal Attorney Coles, Rutter said.



MODERN MENACE IN CHINA

Living in House Equipped With Gas Ranges and Faithful Servants, Has Its Good Points.

Our two-story house consisted of two big rooms downstairs and sleeping apartments and a tiny roof garden upstairs. In this roof garden I spent most of my time, and there my son Wilfred and his amah passed many afternoons. It was a pleasant, sunny place, furnished with painted steamer chairs, rugs and blooming plants in pottery jars, writes M. T. F. in Asia Magazine. At the back, rather removed from the main part of the house, were the kitchen, servants' quarters and an open-air laundry. We were really very practical and modern and comfortable. Our kitchen provided for an admirable compromise between old and new methods. It had an English gas range and a Chinese one. But the proper Chinese atmosphere was preserved by three well-trained servants, who called themselves Ah Ching, Ah Ling and Ah Poh. Most Shanghai servants are called simply "Boy" or "Amah" or "Coolie," but ours chose those names as distinctive for servants there as James and Bridget are with us. Ah Ching did most of the housework and the running of errands; Ah Ling did the marketing and cooking, giving us a pleasantly varied succession of Chinese and foreign dishes; Ah Poh, the amah, looked after Wilfred and attended to my personal wants.

From the first I was fond of Ah Poh, with her finely formed, intelligent features, her soft voice and gentle, unhurried manner. She had served an American mistress before coming to me, but showed a surprising willingness to adopt my particular way of doing things, whether in making beds, in keeping my clothes in order, or in entertaining Wilfred. On the other hand, Ah Ching, elderly, grave and full of responsibility, was very partial to his accustomed way of arranging furniture and of washing win-

dows and floors. If left to himself he would dust odd nooks and corners faithfully, but if I made any formal inspection of his labors he would invariably slight them—to intimate that I should not be suspicious, as a friend explained—a form of logic that I found highly amusing. Ah Ling, aside from his culinary ability, was chiefly interesting because his eyes were really oblique—as Chinese eyes are supposed to be, and usually are not, and because his hair really curled—as Chinese hair is supposed never to do, and does occasionally.

Advice to Idiots.

Bishop Hughes was talking about agnosticism at a luncheon in Portland. "An agnostic asked me once," he said, "if I didn't come across a good many things in the Bible I couldn't understand."

"Of course I do," said I.

"Well," said the agnostic, "what do you do about it?"

"My dear friend," I answered, "I do just as I would while eating a nice bit of planked shad. When I come to a bone I calmly lay it on one side and go on enjoying the delicious meat, letting any idiot who insists on choking himself on the bones do so."

MRS. HARDING VISITS SOLDIERS



Photograph shows the president's wife visiting the disabled soldiers at the Walter Reed hospital in Washington. She is buying some trinkets made by Lieutenant H. E. Trammell.

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