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WHO'S WHO IN THE NEWS

As a member of the national committee of the party and a leader in political and social activities for many years, Mrs. Edward P. Costigan is expected to play an important part in the campaign Senator La Follette will wage as the head of the third party in the coming elections.

As chairman of the industrial committee of the Colorado Federation of Women's Clubs and president of the Denver Woman's Club, she organized the campaign to amend the Colorado child labor law to protect children working in industry.

She was appointed chairman of the food supply and demand committee of the League of Women Voters in the summer of 1920, and served as a delegate to the farm conference called in 1920 by President Harding.

TALKS BY THOSE WHO THINK

MOST of the industrial progress of this century will be in bettering the working conditions and human relationships between employer and employe, instead of in perfecting machinery, according to Dr. Gordon S. Watkins of the department of economics

"There is an increasing number of employers who are convinced that the conservation of human forces in production is a primary burden of modern industry, the assumption of which is being demanded more and more by society," Dr. Watkins declares.

"The management of American industry is more and more falling into the hands of men who have the deepest appreciation of human values and this nobler objective of the human race. The old industry, with its selfish and autocratic policies of administration, is yielding slowly but surely to the new, with its spirit of mutuality.

REAR ADMIRAL BRADLEY A. FISKE, retired, in a letter to Secretary of the Navy Wilbur, made public recently, called attention to the present comparative strength of the American and Japanese fleets for operations in Far Eastern waters, which he said was gravely misunderstood by the public.

"Of course, I do not mean to suggest that war is even possible, but nevertheless it may be pointed out that the Japanese and the Americans have taken attitudes that are irreconcilable, and that the Japanese have virtually broken off diplomatic relations by giving their ambassador a 'vacation.'"

Admiral Fiske recalled that, as a member of the general board of the navy in 1910 and 1911 and as aide for operations from 1913 to 1915, the problems that would be presented by a war with Japan were his "principal preoccupation."

Though the American people imagine, he said, that as a result of the navy treaty the United States fleet is superior to the Japanese in the ratio of five to three, "this is the reverse of the truth."

navy were superior in capital ships, he asserted, it is far from being superior in that ratio in active personnel, and it is "far inferior" in reserves.

"If Japan should go to the extreme of taking the Philippine Islands and thus force us into war," the letter added, "we should find ourselves in a deplorable condition because of the lack of trained men as well as of other requisites."

Referring to his service on the general board of the navy, Admiral Fiske said: "We believed that Japan would take the Philippine Islands if ever the resentment of the people against us should reach a height sufficient to assure the government of their support. That Japan could take the Philippine Islands we all agreed at that time; but that we could retake them no officer then was willing to declare."

Far From Our Bases

The admiral then discussed the prospect of the American fleet operating in Asiatic waters, more than 5000 miles from "our inadequate bases on the west coast," and more than 3000 miles from the drydock in the Hawaiian Islands. It would have to engage the Japanese fleet close to the latter's own bases, harassed by submarines and aircraft, he said, adding: "Our fleet could not get near the coast of Japan because of mine fields, and in case of the injuries to ships that would be inevitable it would have no drydock to go to that was less than 3000 miles away."

Gleanings From Life's Book

By CLARK KINNARD

SOME LINES ON LOVE

Of all peoples, the French write most interestingly on love.

The works of Remy de Gourmont are rich in such sparkling observations as these:

Women still remember the first kiss after men have forgotten the last.

It is men who make love such a bore.

In love, nothing is childish.

For the rest, I really believe that love gives us what we have already, and that it can give us only that.

The little girl expects no declaration of tenderness from her doll. She loves it, and that is all. That is the way to love.

Man begins by loving love and ends by loving a woman.

Woman begins by loving a man and ends by loving love.

There is only one way to understand women, De Gourmont thought, and that is to love them.

"Women are complex—not more so than men, to be sure, but of a complexity that men cannot understand.

"Women do not understand themselves, and for the rest, don't give themselves much concern about it.

"They feel, and that is quite enough to guide them through life, and even extricate them from imbroglios where men would appear quite helpless.

"One should deal with them, then, in their own manner.

"It is through feelings alone that one may join them."

A summary of his view of love:

"We are animals; we live upon animals and animals live upon us.

"We are the victims of parasites and are parasites ourselves.

"We are depredators and are in turn the living prey of depredators.

"And when we make love, it is quite, according to the theological expression, more bestiarum (in the manner of beasts).

Love is profoundly animal; therein lies its beauty."

HAPPINESS AND THE FUTURE

A woman who wrote under the mannish nom de plume of George Sand observed: "We cannot tear a single page out of our life, but we can throw the whole book upon the fire."

She believed that happiness lies in the consciousness we have of it, and by no means in the way the future keeps its promises.

"The more I think of it," she wrote, "the more I see it is too late to dare to be unhappy.

"We can no longer look at life seriously—at least the life which is before us; for the life we left behind us, we have believed in, it has existed.

"Have you recapitulated to yourself the anxious, painful journey which conducts us from the cradle to the grave? I know the journey differs according to the man, and there are no two human existences absolutely similar, any more than there are two leaves precisely alike in the forest. But one general view may be drawn from all which will embrace the thousand details of which the diversity may be composed.

"If we only regard the organic system of man, we may say he is always the same, for as to his physical development, he has always one head, two arms, etc., and his intellectual system is always composed of the same passions—pride, anger, licentiousness, the desire for good and evil in divers proportions—and still always dividing and disputing the domination of man, entering into him and making his mortal life, like the nervous and arterial system composing his material life.

"Thus I think I may sum up the history of all by summing up my own.

"At the beginning, strength, ardor, ignorance.

"Midway, use of strength, realization of desire, science of life, disgust of action, fatigue, doubt, apathy.

"Then comes the tomb, which offers itself as a couch to receive the pilgrim wearied of his day's work. Oh, Providence!"

"When man is overwhelmed by suffering he knows not how to look forward to fresh misfortune, though imminent and inevitable; he has no longer the strength to add by imagination future evil to present ill.

"When the evil happens he is crushed as by an unexpected catastrophe. Death itself, that fatal, that unavoidable denouement of existence, takes nearly all men by surprise as an injustice of heaven, as a caprice of destiny."

SCOTCH REASON

A Scots boy in an English school, when his class was asked where Shakespeare was born, replied "In Scotland, sir."

"What makes you say Shakespeare was born in Scotland?" said the schoolmaster.

"Because of his abeility, sir," was the answer.

Veterans May Apply for Their Compensation at Legion Booth During Torrance Fiesta Week

Veterans of the World War who are entitled to adjusted compensation insurance under the bill passed by Congress will have an opportunity to make application for their insurance at the Legion booth during the Fiesta and Exposition which opens Tuesday and continues through Saturday.

Members of the post have secured a large number of application blanks and there will be attendants at the booth at all times who thoroughly understand the filling in of the blanks.

Veterans who plan to take advantage of this service offered by the Legion should be prepared with data concerning their service. They should be able to give definite facts on the following items: service number or serial number; present address; date and place of birth; rank or grade at time of entering service; where enlisted or inducted; date of discharge; did you have overseas service?; state service in organizations (out-fits), stations or vessels in their order from date of entering service until discharged; character given on discharge; designate beneficiary of your policy, with address; rank in organization at date of discharge; any service as commissioned officer?—if so, give dates and grades or ranks; any farm or industrial furlough?—if so, give dates.

Ex-marines should be able to state dates on which they embarked for overseas service from what port, and the date and name of vessel from which and date on which they disembarked in the United States, together with the name of the port.

Veterans should bring their discharge papers with them.

All applicants must secure signatures of two witnesses to their statements. Witnesses must know the applicant.

It is desirable that questions be answered correctly, but lack of exact data need not deter the veteran from making application and giving approximate information and dates.

Applications for adjusted compensation may also be made by those dependent upon a veteran at the time of his death. In such cases preference will be given in

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