

RESITUTION

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1 An interesting document has just been filed with
2 ~~A paper was filed in the office of~~
3 the county clerk at Mineola, Long Island,
4 ~~today~~ It's called "a notice to the
5 world." It tells us that John G.
6 Jenkins has paid up -- yes, paid up to
7 the last penny. And what a story there
8 is behind that simple ~~fact~~ statement,

9 Twenty-four years ago, as the New
10 York Times tells ^{it} ~~the story~~, a chain of
11 banks operating throughout Brooklyn and
12 Long Island collapsed. ^{Many} ~~Most~~ of the
13 depositors were personal friends of the
14 banker and his family. Their losses
15 amounted to one million dollars. Then ^{the}
16 banker died soon after. ^{And} His son, John
17 G. Jenkins, who had been an official in
18 the bank, was put on trial. He was
19 acquitted. And right after the jury
20 turned in its verdict of "not guilty" he
21 got up and made his solemn promise that
22 he would pay back every nickel of the
23 money people had lost, every cent of the
24 million dollars. That was twenty-four
25 years ago. He had to start all over again.
He went right to work, earning and

1 ~~was~~ paying, earning and paying. He was
2 a success in business. He had to be, to
3 pay off a ^{coal} million ~~dollars~~. For twenty-
4 four years he kept ^{everlastingly} at it, satisfying the
5 innumerable claims, one after another.
6 And today the final claim was paid. And
7 it was one of the biggest, over 400,000
8 dollars. ^P The papers were filed in the
9 Nassau County Court, and with them that
10 notice to the world which states that
11 John G. Jenkins has paid up all of that
12 million dollars which was lost by the
13 collapse of his father's chain of banks.

14 The man just laughs about his
15 labor of 24 years. He says it wasn't so
16 much. He's only sorry that his father
17 isn't alive today to witness the clearing
18 of the family name and the settling of
19 the family debts.
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1 An interesting bit of news comes
2 from Newark, New Jersey today, and it's
3 about an interesting subject-^{the} THIRD DEGREE

4 There has been a good deal of talk
5 of late about the use of brutality by
6 the police to force confessions from
7 prisoners. The Wickersham Committee,
8 as you will recall, made a report which
9 charged that the Third Degree was still
10 being used *far and wide,*

11 The Police Department in Newark
12 adopted a new rule today. Whenever a
13 prisoner makes a confession a doctor *will*
14 examines him right after, and makes a
15 statement ^{regarding} ~~of~~ his physical condition.
16 This ^{plan} is to prevent the prisoner from
17 getting himself a few scars later on
18 and saying that they are signs that the
19 police beat him up.

20 The New York Evening Post quotes *the*
21 ~~New York~~ ^{Newark} police ~~officials~~ as saying
22 that the Wickersham Report, ^{that is the part announced recently} about the
23 Third Degree, has encouraged prisoners
24 to claim that they confessed merely
25 because the cops beat them up.

1 *Yes,* And they have found methods of getting
2 bruises on their bodies to make it look
3 like a case of police brutality.

4 One common method is for a
5 prisoner to take the mattress off his
6 ~~cot~~ cot and sleep on the springs. This
7 will produce welts and marks on his
8 back which make it look as if he had
9 been beaten. Then he has his back
10 photographed and ^{the picture} ~~that~~ is brought into
11 court as evidence of the Third Degree.

12 A story is told of a man who
13 confessed to a murder and took the
14 detectives to the place where he had
15 hidden the gun. Then he got an idea.
16 He beat his head against the bars of
17 his cell so badly that he had to be
18 taken to a hospital.

19 Later on, at his trial, the
20 hospital record was brought into court
21 to prove his contention that the police
22 had used a particularly savage Third
23 Degree in forcing a confession from
24 him.

25 Anyway, police in Newark say they
are going to have every prisoner examined
by a doctor right after he confesses.

1 It looks as though there might be a
2 ^{few} hard feelings ~~or two~~ ^{between} the Army
3 and the Navy.

4 A squadron of 9 Army bombing
5 planes took off from Langley Field today
6 to destroy a ship. The old shipping-
7 board steamer Mount Shasta has been
8 donated to the Army for the purpose of
9 target practice. The commander of the
10 air squadron that is assigned to destroy
11 the vessel is my old friend Major ^{Herbert A.} Dargue,
12 who commanded the good will flight of
13 Army airplanes ~~down to~~ ^{around} South America a
14 few years ago.

15 The Associated Press states that
16 this is the second attempt of the Army
17 planes to bomb the ship. Last Tuesday
18 the bombing squadron went out and
19 ~~■■■■~~ couldn't find the vessel. The
20 planes cruised around for 4 hours and
21 then came back. And that's where the
22 Navy stepped in. Assistant-Secretary-of-
23 the-Navy Ingalls wrote a letter to
24 Secretary-of-War Hurley and offered to
25 lend the Army a few Navy flyers to show

1 the Army ^{was} birds how to ^{find} ~~fly~~ a ship at
2 sea. The assistance, however, has been
3 declined. Colonel Kirkland, commandant
4 of Langley Field made a reply which the
5 Admirals may consider a trifle snippy.
6 He answered back and said the Army could
7 find the ship as well as the Navy. In
8 fact, it was the Army that taught the
9 Navy how to fly.

10 And so the Army squadron under
11 Major Dargue was ordered to make another
12 attempt to find and sink the ship.

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LINDBERGH

Well, the Lindberghs are on their way to Asia tonight. In fact along about now they may be landing in Kamchatka. At latest reports they were well on their way from Nome. They have crossed Bering Sea at any rate.

That Lindbergh flight looks bigger than ever today. The Colonel at a dinner party up at Nome announced that he and the Mrs. aren't going to stop with any mere flight across the top of the continent and then across the North Pacific to the Orient. They have decided to make it a round-the-world affair. The United Press explains that that the famous couple will have their Asiatic ^{vacation} ~~xxxxxx~~, all right. They won't try to break any speed records. They'll see the sights of the Far East at their leisure, but after that parts all over they expect to keep right on going westward all around the globe.

Their plan is to cross from Europe to America by making the Atlantic passage via the Azores.

1 *More* Severe fighting is reported in
2 Cuba. President Machado ^{has been} ~~is said to be~~ ^{still}
3 negotiating for peace with the leaders
4 of the revolution, but meanwhile the
5 trouble seems to be increasing.

6 The Associated Press reports a
7 whole series of clashes. Trouble is
8 said to have broken out even in the
9 Oriente Province, which until now had
10 been comparatively quiet.

11 The United Press cables the report
12 that President Machado's attempts to
13 negotiate a truce with the rebel leaders
14 ~~have not~~ haven't met with any success.

VICTORIA

Anyone who has travelled in the far-flung domains of the British Empire, on which the sun never sets, will have a lasting impression of the statues of Queen Victoria. They are famous for their ugliness. Yes, the British are the first to admit it. Her Gracious Majesty was a dignified, plump old lady, but with her balloon skirts, her bustle and her old-fashioned hairdress she isn't exactly an ideal for the art of sculpture. Some of the statues show her when she was young - and they are funny too.

These reflections have some bearing on the discussion that is going on over in Ireland just now.

The Dublin correspondent of the New York Evening Post cables the word that the signs and memorials of the long British occupation of the Emerald Isle are slowly disappearing. Just recently in the course of some repairs that were made, the Royal British Arms were removed from the front of the Law Courts of Dublin. And a little while ago the Royal Arms were chipped from the facade of the General Post Office.

And now there's a perisitent demand for the removal of the statue of Queen Victoria which stands in front of Leinster

House, where the Parliament of the Free State holds its sessions.

It is pointed out that the monument is particularly ugly. Everybody admits that. The Dublin statue of Queen Victoria is one of the least attractive in the British Empire, and I know that's saying a good deal because I have seen those statues all the way from Ottawa to Calcutta.

But there seems to be small reason for any patriotic Irish indignation about that Dublin monument. The Irish, with their sparkling wit and humor, explain the whole matter clearly. They say that the Dublin statue of Queen Victoria is so ugly that it is Ireland's revenge.

That is, Ireland got even with England by putting up the dreariest of all the dreary statues of Her Britannic Majesty.

1 Now comes another industry that
2 has been hit by the depression--and
3 it's an odd industry.

4 For eight years men have been
5 working off the east coast of England
6 raising warships from the bottom of the
7 sea. These are the giant fighting
8 craft of the former High Sea Fleet of
9 the Kaiser. We will all recall that
10 when the German Navy was surrendered to
11 England it was anchored off the English
12 coast.)

13 And then one day the German sailors
14 aboard the ships opened the valves and
15 scuttled the whole huge fleet that had
16 fought at Jutland and had been the pride
17 of Germany.

18 Well, ^a ~~the~~ salvaging firm has been
19 raising the ^x vessels from the bottom of
20 the North Sea. One after another those
21 fighting giants have been broken up and
22 sold as scrap iron. Pots, pans, buckets
23 and farm implements have been made of
24 the metal that once had fought the
25 British Fleet at Jutland.

1 And it has been a profitable
2 venture, until recently. The market for
3 ~~scrap~~ scrap metal is not ^{so} good nowadays.
4 The giant battle cruiser VonderTann
5 was raised a few months ago but nobody
6 has come forward to purchase the metal.
7 And just ~~these~~ ^{these} last few days the powerful
8 battleship Prinz Regent Luitpold has
9 been raised. ^{And} The salvaging company
10 is a trifle sad about it.

11 The New York Sun quotes the
12 officials as explaining that according
13 to their contract they have to break
14 those German warships up into scrap metal.
15 If it weren't for that they could make
16 a lot of money out of the Prinz Regent
17 Luitpold. She's in good shape and could
18 go to war any day, ^{in spite of the fact that she's been sitting on the} They say they could
19 get eleven million pounds or over fifty
20 million dollars for her, but they are
21 compelled to turn her into material for
22 pots and pans.

bottom all these years.

EXPLOSION

The strange old city of Macao, is a Portuguese Colony in China. It is a quaint, bizarre, back wash city on the China Coast, famous for its gambling dens. In recent years it's become a sleepy place, but today Macao was suddenly awakened from its slumber. A catastrophe occurred in which 26 people lost their lives. A powder magazine blew up.

The International News Service explains it as a case of spontaneous combustion. 10 tons of gunpowder went off with disastrous results in that old Portuguese city on the China Coast.

1 ~~Now~~ The Tall Story Club this
2 evening introduces a new member, an old-
3 time newspaper man. He is Bob Ament
4 who for years was the Sunday art director
5 on the old New York World.

6 Bob tells the story of his Uncle
7 Fritz, who lived in Upper New York State,
8 and was a caviar fisherman. Bob Ament
9 declares that in years past sturgeons'
10 eggs were a regular source of income
11 in those parts.

12 One year, for some reason or other,
13 the caviar fishermen were instructed to
14 catch sturgeons and put tags on their
15 tails. This for some scientific purpose
16 of studying the migration of fish. And
17 so one day Uncle Fritz caught a fine
18 sturgeon and sat in his boat fixing up
19 the tag. And just at that moment a few
20 reflections on marriage came into his
21 mind. With his pencil he scribbled a
22 priceless thought or two. And here's
23 what he wrote:-

24 "The man should be the boss. He
25 should make his wife obey. If I ever

1 get married and my wife tries to tell
 2 me what to do I'll put her over my knee
 3 and use a fence picket on her." And ^{then} he
 4 signed his name.

5 Yes, these were priceless thoughts.
 6 So priceless, in fact, that Uncle Fritz
 7 thought that he might as well pass them
 8 on to some unfortunate soul who might ^{catch the sturgeon}
 9 need the good advice. He put the
 10 message in ~~the~~ ^a water-proof container and
 11 tied it onto the tail of the sturgeon.
 12 Then he let the fish go.

13 In the course of time Uncle Fritz
 14 in spite of all his wisdom yielded to
 15 ~~the~~ common human frailty. A buxom widow
 16 got hold of him and the next thing was
 17 the familiar tinkle of wedding bells.

18 Uncle Fritz took his bride on a ^{scotch}
 19 honeymoon. ~~trip~~. That is, he took her
 20 out for a boat ride. He was rowing her
 21 on the lake when there was a sudden
 22 commotion. Something popped out of the
 23 water and landed in the boat. It was a
 24 fish, a sturgeon. That malicious sturgeon
 25 flopped over to the bride and wagged its

1 tail. She saw something tied to the *
2 tail. And the next thing you know she
3 was reading those wise words which
4 Uncle Fritz had written several years
5 before:

6 "The man should be the boss. He
7 should make his wife obey. If I ever
8 get married and my wife tries to tell
9 me what to do I'll put her over my knee
10 and use a fence picket on her."

11 "Is ^{Fat} ~~that~~ so?" exclaimed the bride,
12 ^{whereupon she smote} ~~as she hit~~ her newly-wed husband over
13 the head with an oar.

14 ^{marital} And that was the beginning of the
15 marital unhappiness of Bob Ament's
16 Uncle Fritz, which lasted for many a
17 year.

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~~I have a neat little anecdote here~~
Here's one
~~It's~~ about the Man of Iron who used to be
Germany's war leader and now is the
President of the Government of Berlin.

~~"Old Granite Face" he is called in this
week's issue of the Literary Digest.~~

~~The Digest tells us that the mighty
patriarch with the big mustaches is just
as solid and imperturbable as he looks.
And that's where the anecdote comes in.~~

~~Well,~~ Von Hindenburg and several friends
were talking about what people did when
they're nervous and flustered.

"When I'm nervous and flustered
I whistle," rumbled Von Hindenburg.

"But, Your Excellency," objected
one of his friends, with a puzzled look,
"I've never known you to whistle."

"No," responded Germany's Iron Man,
"I never do."

They say that Von Hindenburg
doesn't like displays or a big hurrah of
any sort, ~~But just the same he never~~
~~gets stage-fright. He doesn't even get~~
~~"mike" fright, although~~ *and* he doesn't enjoy

1 making a talk through the microphone. He
2 hates to go on the air.

3 That article in the Literary Digest
4 quotes ~~the~~ R. Ybarra, writing in
5 Colliers', and goes on to give us a radio
6 story about the former Commander-in-Chief
7 of the Teutonic War Machine.

8 Von Hindenburg was persuaded to go
9 on the air. ~~He didn't want to, but he~~
10 ~~thought it was his duty.~~ As he walked up
11 to the "mike" he looked like a man who
12 has a severe pain, ^{- in the neck,} He read his speech in
13 a stilted, unnatural voice. The thick
14 German gutturals went out into the ether
15 without any expression, something like a
16 parrot speaking a piece.

17 When it was over the chap who was
18 in charge of the broadcasting apparatus
19 was so overwhelmed to be near the great
20 Von Hindenburg that he forgot to switch
21 off the microphone.

22 And that was when millions of
23 Germans heard the voice of Von Hindenburg,
24 simple and natural -- and full of
25 expression.

Thinking that the microphone had been switched off, Old Granite Face let out these heart-felt words:

"Ach himmel -- thank Heaven that's over! Ja wohl."

Well, I myself do a bit of mumbling once in a while after I've had my turn on the air. But what I mumble to myself is something like this -- "Why can't they let a fellow have a little more time! I've got another story or two, but there's no chance, so ach himmel and,

SO LONG UNTIL TOMORROW.