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### BLAMES U. S. POLICY IN SOUTH AMERICA

#### HISTORY PROF. TALKS

#### Says This Country Must Exercise Stewardship; Our Growing Responsibility Cannot Be Shirked

Dr. Isaac J. Cox, professor history at Northwestern university, and lately commissioner by the Carnegie foundation to study the history of Chile, a long-time student of South American countries, in an address recently before a select group of Cincinnati business men at the University of Cincinnati School of Engineering, explained the basis of anti-American feeling in the southern continent and, by inference, laid the blame at the door of the United States.

There have been lately too many varied policies of state, and also, following the World war, with the United States development into the most powerful of all nations, Dr. Cox pointed out, it is natural for our comparatively weak Latin-American neighbors to fear us and distrust us.

Most Exercise Stewardship

Yet, despite varying state policies, confusion in the Latin-American mind as to the Monroe Doctrine, and related misunderstandings, Dr. Cox said Yankee investments are now so heavy in Latin-America that, willy nilly, Uncle Sam and our people must exercise some sort of a stewardship.

"In the economic developments of the age, there are forces stronger than the inhibitions of public opinion or the declarations of state policy," he said. "These forces are measured today in an investment that approaches four billions and, more significant than the amount involved, is the fact that it has doubled within the past four years. This represents about seventy per cent of our world investment, aside from the war debt, and indicates that for good or evil we are financially as strongly entrenched in the western continent as we are politically. Our capitalists are the industrial lords of this hemisphere, he they have long been of our own country, and it is incumbent on us as a people to study this problem both in its effect upon our neighbors and upon ourselves."

Our Growing Responsibilities

Explaining the continuously growing responsibilities of the United States toward Latin America, Dr. Cox said: "A hundred years ago,

when political forces were supreme, the United States assumed a sort of hegemony on the continent, by virtue of priority in self-government and through the announcement of the Monroe Doctrine. This assumption did not meet with universal acceptance below the Rio Grande. The powers of Western Europe, however, were then strong enough to offer a political counterpoise of the United States, should that become necessary, and they continued to exercise unchecked their cultural and financial domination of Latin America. The outcome of the World war has brought the United States, with her favorable strategic position and her limitless resources in men and materials, to a position of economic supremacy for which there is no effective control except our own self-restraint. Latin America, therefore, considers its section of the continent helpless before the great 'Colossus of the North'."

### PRESBYTERIAN GUILD TO GIVE TWO PLAYS

#### "Everybody's Husband" and "Old Fashioned Album" to Be Given

The evening of Friday, March 11, promises to be one of great pleasure to those who attend the play to be given to the Presbyterian guild at the Lincoln school on that date, as the plans for a successful evening are developing rapidly. The play, "Everybody's Husband," and the "Old Fashioned Album," will be presented for the benefit of the Laird Community house in Chicago. The members of the cast are perfecting their roles, assisted by the able coaching of Mrs. Robert Grinnell. Mr. Joseph Lane has designed and is furnishing a beautiful stage-setting for the play and the Black Hawk orchestra will entertain with musical selections during the evening.

There will be home-made candy for sale and tickets will be available at the door for those who were not able to procure them from members of the guild. Next week's issue of the Press will contain a full account of the entire program.

Is it not rather humiliating that Mexican bandits rate the freedom of an American citizen as worth but \$165?—Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

Wholesale pardoning brings retribution in its wake. A pardoned Mexican has written a song to Me.—Dallas News.

One reason more young people don't stay at home nights is because they're afraid to be alone in the

### INSURANCE ADVICE IS GIVEN VETERANS

#### LOCAL LEGION POST AIDS

#### Information Regarding Reinstatement or Conversion of Policies; Other Interesting Matter

Word has been received by the local post of the American Legion of the new ruling on insurance from the Veterans Bureau. Section 304 of the World War Veterans act, 1924 as amended July 2, 1926, provides, that where the applicant for reinstatement of insurance is unable to comply with the requirements as to physical condition, either Term or Converted insurance may be reinstated; provided, that the applicant's disability is the result of an injury or disease, or of an aggravation thereof, suffered or contracted in the military or naval service during the World war; provided further, that the applicant during his life time submits proof satisfactory to the director showing that he is not totally and permanently disabled. In order to reinstate under this provision, it is necessary to pay all monthly premiums which would have become payable if the insurance had not lapsed together with interest at five per centum per annum, compounded annually on each premium from the date said premium was due.

If the veteran is unable to pay all or any part of the premiums in arrears with interest for the purpose of reinstating yearly renewable term insurance and will furnish proof satisfactory to the director of his inability to pay, the amount of such premiums with interest, or some part thereof, will be placed as an interest bearing indebtedness against the insurance, such indebtedness to bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, compounded annually, to be deducted in any settlement thereunder.

Dumaresq Spencer post is now ready to help any veteran with the work of arranging for reinstatement or conversion of his War Risk insurance and has the following forms for this work.

Form 2587b which is an application for treatment in a government hospital for a veteran of any war, military occupation or military expedition since 1897. This form when completed together with the report of physical examination made by a private physician should be mailed to the Chicago Regional Office in the case of any man who needs hospital treatment, and whose disabilities are not connected with his military service.

Form 545, certified copy of discharge certificate for hospital treatment of application for compensation.

Form 526, an application for compensation. It is not too late to file application for compensation.

Form WWC No. 1, application for adjusted compensation. To be filed before January 1, 1928.

Form 742, application for reinstatement of insurance. This must be made before July 2, 1927.

Form 739, application for conversion of insurance. This must be filed before July 2, 1927.

The above information means that all veterans can secure insurance no matter if disabled or not. Also those that have not applied for adjusted compensation may still do so.

Wonder what Mussolini would do if he had Tom Hefin in the Italian senate?

The president of Albania is to wed a rich American, according to press reports. That is one way, of course to retire the national debt.

Nowadays, due to the shortness of skirts, it's hard to tell a good looking school mistress from some of her pupils.

The men are urged to spend their evenings at home, and the creditors who are trying to get money out of them will say it would be a fine plan.

### AGED RESIDENT IS REMOVED BY DEATH

#### Gustave Nafe Passes Away at Home Friday; Death of Little Boy

Gustave Nafe, a resident of Highland Park for many years, died at his home on Bloom street on Friday, Feb. 25. He was aged 78 years, 11 months and 25 days and was unmarried. He lived with a sister, Miss Emily Nafe, and a brother also is living. The funeral was held at the home Monday and burial was in the County Line cemetery.

Clifford, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. George Reno, Deerfield road, died Sunday, Feb. 27, at their home. He was aged two and one-half years. The funeral was held Monday and burial was in the Mooney cemetery.

### LADY VIKINGS WILL HOLD DANCE MARCH 5

Saturday evening, March 5, a dance will be given at Santi hall, Highwood, under the direction of the Independent Order of Lady Vikings. Good music is promised and all who attend are assured a pleasant evening.



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### PROSPERITY BASED ON VAST RESOURCES

#### WHY AMERICA IS LEADING

#### No Nation Ever So Favored by Natural Conditions and God-given Privileges Says Writer

The prosperity of the American people is based upon vast resources, high efficiency, hard work and sound governmental policies, according to Robert H. Ellis, vice president of the southern division of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, in an interesting article in the National Republic on the business outlook in the United States.

"As to whether or not our prosperity continues, lies in our own hands, and will come as a result of our own performance, Mr. Ellis declares. "Over production of any one or several commodities whether manufactured or from the soil is something that we must avoid. Uniformity of production in relation to consumption, a balanced ration, so to speak, is the thing to strive for in order to insure continued and uniform prosperity. The law of supply and demand works now as it always has and always will, but greater production and the happy working of labor with good wages as result of that work make for continued prosperity because he consumes what his brother produces and vice versa.

What Will Happen

"I sometimes wonder what will happen when every division of every industry and every nation reaches what they are striving for—complete efficiency in production, and a complete and ideal adaptation of all the methods of breaking down sales resistance—I have concluded that what will happen is that it will never happen.

"The necessary thing for us to do is to more consistently worship at the shrine of common sense and common humanity, keep our feet on the ground and our heads level in the striving and competition for development. Let's hold on to idealism now and get away from irregular and unsound business practices. Stop irregularities of every kind, and each know right from wrong, and keep in the open, in the fresh air, let the sunlight of known sound practices be our guide, whereby we can look in the mirror and see the reflection of a man true and tried, and not a shadow of falsity in thoughts and performance.

Well Provided For

"No people—no nation were ever so favored and endowed with the God-given rights and privileges that are today freely resting in the hands of Americans, and the rest of the world is pretty well provided for, too, if they only know how to practice and to use the things that make men great wherever they are.

"In our strategic position in relation to other countries geographical and as to natural resources, and the intelligence to use them well, we are given the financial leadership of the world. Our man power creates—produces more, receives more, uses more and is happy. By using these forces and privileges as sane, honest people should use them, makes men confident of the future. Nineteen twenty-seven should be a year of rational prosperity, and everyone has a right to be conservatively optimistic, and we should all thank God that we have many things to be thankful for."

### AMERICANS WORTH DEFENDING ALWAYS

#### POLICY OF GOVERNMENT

#### Writer in National Republic Declares Sending Gunboats to Nicaragua and China Has Precedent

"Why send American gunboats to defend American missionaries in China," someone inquires. "Let them get out. They have no business there."

It has been the policy of this government to defend the lives and property of its citizens from the earliest days of the republic, says a writer in the National Republic. This is the policy of every civilized government. That protection extends to the American who is engaged in altruistic effort as well as to those who are boring for oil or selling machinery.

American missionary effort has resulted in the construction in China of hospitals and schools aggregating twenty million dollars in value. Through these institutions the Chinese have had their first introduction to modern methods of surgery and medical treatment and to organized athletic activities. These are as much worth defending as warehouses or mills.

Inspiration from America

French newspapers accuse the American Y. M. C. A. of putting into the heads of the Chinese the aspiration for nationalism. Young men educated in the schools of the Y. M. C. A. in China have indeed been prominent in the struggle for the establishment of national rights in China, and have opposed the injustices wreaked for years upon China by the European powers. The first president of the Chinese republic declared that he gained his inspiration to public service from a study of the life of George Washington.

European leadership perhaps cannot understand the conduct of a nation which has gone into China to help rather than to rob the Chinese. Among our most blatant accusers are the officials, agents and sympathizers of soviet Russia. But soviet Russia holds by military force a railway line running 1,100 miles over Chinese soil. It governs Manchuria, Chinese territory, as if it were a Russian province. Vladivostok stands on soil stolen from China. No one has noticed soviet Russia proposing to restore these stolen goods while it shouts "imperialism" at the United States—the government which prevented the partition of China after the Boxer rebellion, thwarted the Versailles plan to tear Shantung from China and initiated the Washington conference, which but for the delay of France in accepting the program laid down would probably have restored order in China long ago. Reproach from French newspapers therefore comes with ill grace.

One of the most competent surgeons in the United States, capable of earning \$50,000 a year in private practice, has just returned to China after a leave at home employed in recovering from a tropical disease, to complete the construction in China of a modern hospital, in the service of which he will give the rest of his life at a salary representing no more than his living expenses. Such a man and such an institution are as worthy of defense by the American government as any steel mill or bank. It is a sordid sort of Americanism, that could believe otherwise.

### BUSINESS IS NEVER ENEMY OF FARMER

#### May Not Always Agree on Best Way to Help, But Realizes Needs

It is a habit in some sections, a habit even of some chambers of commerce, to denounce "big business" as the enemy of the farmer; to say that banks and manufacturers and all those who make up the world of business chuckle with glee as the farmer's profits disappear.

A business man, whether he heads a bank on the wickedest corner of Wall street or sells apples and stick candy on Main street, would be not a knave but what is sometimes worse than a knave — a fool — if he did not know that farm prosperity spells prosperity for him, also.

How Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., of General Motors, who sells the farmer automobiles of all sizes, from a Chevrolet to a Cadillac, must hate to see a prosperous farmer! How Owen D. Young, of General Electric, must grieve at the sight of an electric-lighted farm house! How C. M. Woolley, of American Radiator, must shudder at the idea of a farmer having a central heating apparatus! And how firmly fixed is the idea of General J. G. Harbord, of the Radio Corporation of America, that the radio should be confined to our urban population!

Business, big or little, the enemy of agriculture! When the next farm agitator ascribes sinister motives to a business man who doesn't agree with his particular form of relief—oh, say to him, "stuff and nonsense."—Nation's Business Magazine.

### CLASSES AT Y. W. C. A. IN BETTER ENGLISH

#### Interested Invited; Business Girls' Club Give Dance and Bunco Party March 8

The Business Girls' club will have a dance and bunco party March 8, in the clubroom of the Y. W. C. A. All their friends are invited to attend and tickets may be had at the Y. W. C. A.

Did you know there is a very interesting class being held every Thursday evening at the Y. W. C. A. It is a drill in better English for English speaking girls or anyone that wishes to speak better English. Miss Breckmire, English teacher in the high school is conducting the class. Miss Breckmire has had special training in this line of work and you will spend a profitable as well as a pleasant time. A social hour follows each meeting. Come next Thursday evening to the Y. W. C. A. for the English class.

The fashionable version—in some quarters—of Decatur's famous sentiment is amended so as to read, "My country's always wrong; it may sometimes be right, but I shall claim it's wrong, anyhow."—Lowell Courier-Citizen.

The income tax plank comes along immediately after the first of the year, but tactlessly neglects to include a picture of holly wreaths and a few words of cheery greeting.—Washington Star.

A democratic manner is that easy nonchalance with which a fifty-trunk personage shakes the hand of the one-trunk citizen.—Seattle Times.

The south has too much cotton; Cuba has too much sugar, and up here in Wisconsin we have too much weather.—Milwaukee Journal.