

Prize Fight as Nation's Car-buncle.

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Ringside, Jersey City, July 2.—
What then are an old-fashioned
preacher's impressions of this affair?

As I sat in the arena—a great
saucer covering acres of ground and
filled to the very brim with 90,000
human beings—the impression that
came to me was that the Dempsey-
Carpentier meet was a moral car-
buncle.

It was more than a mere "boil"
on the body social. A boil has but
one head and one channel for the
discharge of corruption. But a car-
buncle has several. It is a complex.
It gathers corruption from all over
the human body, finds the weakest
spot in the system, breaks down the
remaining healthy tissues there, gener-
ates its awful corruption until it
heads up in a half dozen different
spots; and unless it is lanced and
drained and disinfected it will poison
the entire body and finally produce
death.

This prize fight was just that sort
of thing. It meant not simply the
presence of one class of our defectives
and moral degenerates, but it
gathered all the poison elements of
our modern society.

And Some Pastors.

The gamblers were there, the horse
racers, the touts, the "light houses,"
the pimps and the prostitutes; the
home neglecters, the baby killers, the
the pug-dog nursers; the buglars, the
pickpockets and the strong arm men;
the promoters and plutocrats and
profiteers; the liquorites, the Amale-
kites and the painted Amazons; the
double livers, the society divorcees
and the polygamous movie stars, the
vaudeville performers, the proprie-
tors of the degraded theatres and all
the other exploiters of women, and
above all, the Sabbath breakers, the
church scorners and the God defiers—
all of those elements whose influences
are making for the overthrow of our
American ideals and customs—were
on hand in full force.

The poison from all the land drain-
ed to that huge amphitheatre. This
moral carbuncle naturally came to a
head at the weakest spot in our body
politic—the state of New Jersey, with
its pro-liquor, its anti-constitution,
anti-Sabbath governor.

Oh, yes, I know that there were
some of the other classes of people
there, but this was pre-eminently the
day of tough elements.

And Thousands of Women.

The saddest feature of this whole
affair was the widely-heralded fact
that thousands of women attended.
World-famous society leaders were
there, giving their sanction and en-
dorsement to the whole thing.

The presence of Christian women
at this disgraceful exhibition is the
culmination of that spirit of world-
liness which started in card playing,
dancing, theatre-going and other
selfish indulgences.

Think of women, whose influence
is worldwide because of their wealth
and position—women who belong to
the church of Christ, who have put
Him on in baptism and renunciation
of the world, and who come to His
holy communion table—think of such
women, I say, sitting at a ringside
watching and applauding two practi-
cally naked men, pounding and
bruising each other and struggling
in heat and blood until one was beat-
en down by cruel cunning and sheer
weight of superior brute force.

The Rebuke.

I take this opportunity by reason
of my position as a minister of
Christ, to rebuke those church women
for their presence at this disgraceful
orgy of blood and bestiality.

In studying the psychology of the
crowd at the fight I watched atten-
tively how great waves of emotion
swept over that multitude when par-
ticularly vicious blows were being
struck. All round there were set faces
and clenched teeth, with such ex-
clamations as "Go after him Jack,"
"Finish him up," and "That gets
him," as a vicious uppercut was
landed. And finally there was an ex-
ultant war whoop when the brave
Franchiman, bloody, groggy and stag-
gering, was finally knocked senseless
by a tremendous blow—these things
I say, illustrate the deepening of the
blood lust. And we are only at the
beginning of it in this country.

If these things continue not only
will our men be debauched, but our
women also, as is clearly indicated
by the attendance of more than 5,000
upon the present fight.

Our society belles of the coming
day—the descendants of the smart
set of today—who attended the
Dempsey-Carpentier fight, shorn of
all woman delicacy and gentleness,
will gloat with their male consorts
in the fever of the blood lust, and
they will turn down their jeweled
thumbs as a sign that the defeated

gladiators in the arena before them
must die.

I have seen the big Dempsey-Car-
pentier mill. I went early to watch
even the preliminaries and to study
the psychology of that great crowd.

Why He Went.

I was invited by Universal Service
who invited me to attend the fight
and give my impressions of it from
the standpoint of a preacher and one
who is interested in conserving the
moral ideals of the nation. I was
told that my story would be read by
millions of people. I felt, therefore,
a supreme opportunity to reach the
American ear with a Christian protest
against the horror and the in-
famy of the whole thing.

I did not go to see the fight. What
I went to see, in order that I might
rebuke it, was a mob of 90,000 bet-
ting, sweating, scrambling, swearing,
screaming human beings who had
thrown every high ideal to the humili-
ation and hurt of a fellow man.

That Wicked War.

That war knocked the props from
beneath our moral idealism and like
a rocket, we have shown down the
greased ways toward hell. We are
not merely on the toboggan—we have
already landed; we have hit the bot-
tom with a thud.

Yes, I know there are still deeper
depths and we will reach them soon,
unless the evil influences which are
dragging us down are stayed and
social sanity and old-fashioned right-
eousness replace the madness and sin
of today.

Some Dairy Pointers.

Florida Experiment Station.

1. The individual cow is the founda-
tion of dairying.

2. The dairy is a factory, and like
all factories, the larger the produc-
tion of each machine (the individual
cow) the lower is the cost of pro-
duction.

3. Only by keeping records of produc-
tion can the value of individual
cows be known.

4. The feeding of scrub cows and
the "scrub" feeding of good cows
are two of the commonest mistakes
in dairying.

5. Save all heifer calves from the
best producing cows in the herd to
replace the unprofitable cows.

6. Use a good sire. Without a good
sire improvement in the herd is im-
possible.

7. Get rid of the unprofitable cows
in the dairy. The milk scales and
Babcock test will point them out.

8. Proof that kindness and regula-
rity in milking and feeding is ap-
preciated by the dairy cows will be
shown in the larger flow of milk.

9. Don't milk average cows. They
return no profit. Keep only the best.

10. Grow plenty of feed for the
dairy herd. Feeding from the sack
takes the biggest part of the profits.

11. Every dairyman should have a
silo.

12. Good milk cannot be produced
in unsanitary surroundings.

13. It is not a question of how
many cows you can support, but how
many cows it will take to support
you.

14. Profit by the experience of
others. Have the courage to change
faulty methods for better ones.

Discusses Surplus of Federal Reserve.

Washington, July 1.—Declaring
that he had been informed by the
treasury that the federal reserve sys-
tem had a surplus of about \$1,000,-
000,000 "in excess of all require-
ments," Senator Smith, Democrat,
South Carolina, declared today in the
senate that there should be an inves-
tigation of the rediscount rates main-
tained by the reserve board.

Senator Watson, Democrat, Geor-
gia, said he had read a letter by a
federal reserve board member to a
Georgia representative in which Sen-
ator Watson said the member "had
threatened to make war against that
Georgia congressman for having criti-
cised the board. The letter, Senator
Watson said was "insulting" to the
congressman.

Senator Smith said he was inform-
ed that the gold reserve of the feder-
al banking system was 61.4 per cent
when the legal requirements was 40
per cent. Rediscount rates, Senator
Smith said, should be lowered to 4
per cent. Excessive surpluses, he ad-
ded, were caused by the board's poli-
cy of "deflation and contraction."

In defense of the reserve board,
Senator Smoot, Republican, Utah,
said there were "two sides to this
question."

"This is a world condition," said
the Utah senator. "The trouble is that
foreign countries can not buy our
agricultural and other products."

There is danger in "piling up" of
gold in America, Senator Smoot said,
declaring there was too much gold
here.

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Peace Resolution Finally En-acted.

Washington, July 1.—Enactment
of the compromise resolution ending
the state of war with Germany and
Austria finally was completed today
by Congress and the measure will be
sent by special messenger to Presi-
dent Harding at Raritan, N. J., to-
morrow. He is expected to sign it
immediately.

At the White House where the
resolution was received tonight, it
was said that the messenger would
leave here at 9 o'clock tomorrow,
arriving about 2 o'clock at Raritan,
where President Harding is the guest
of Senator Freylinghuysen over the
holiday.

Final action on the measure was
passed by the senate which adopted
the conference report by a vote of
38 to 19, after a day of debate in
which the Democratic members made
a last assault on the resolution. The
house acted yesterday, the vote be-
ing 263 to 59.

Opposition by Democrats.

The signing of the measure by the
president will open the way for re-
sumption of diplomatic relations with
both Germany and Austria but ad-
ministration officers have indicated
that plans for this have not been
worked out. All opponents of the re-
solution were Democrats, but three
Democrats, Shields of Tennessee,
Walsh of Massachusetts and Watson
of Georgia voted with the Republi-
cans for adoption. Senator Reed,
Democrat, was paired in its favor.

Announcements were made that
all other senators paired or absent
favored or opposed the resolution
according to their party affiliations.
Senator Knox of Pennsylvania, au-
thor of the original resolution, was
absent, but was paired with Senator
Pomerene, Democrat, Ohio.

The resolution after the senate
vote was signed by Representative
Townner, Republican, Iowa, speaker
pro tem, in the house in the absence
of Speaker Gillett, who had gone to
New Jersey with President Harding.
It was then signed by Vice President
Coolidge during an executive session
of the senate and sent to the White
House.

Final debate today was principally
by Democratic opponents who de-
clared that the Republican plan was
futile and would necessitate a sepa-
rate treaty of peace later or ratifi-
cation of the treaty of Versailles.

Defense From Republicans.

For the Republicans Senator Bran-
degee of Connecticut made the prin-
cipal address, declaring there would
not be a treaty of "peace," but prob-
ably one or more of "commerce,"
which, he said, would deal with ques-
tions arising out of the war. Sen-
ator Lodge of Massachusetts, Republi-
can leader, entered the discussion
briefly, mainly to support Senator
Brandegee's contentions. Arguing
that a peace treaty was not neces-
sary to conclude wars, Mr. Lodge said
that the United States had negotiated
treaties of commerce with Great Brit-
ain in 1812 and 1815 and also with
Spain after the Spanish war.

In response to a query from Sen-
ator Harrison, Democrat, Mississippi,
Senator Lodge said he knew of no
plans by the administration to resub-
mit the treaty of Versailles to the
senate.

Withdrawal of American troops
now in Germany was discussed by
Senators Brandegee, McKellar, Dem-
ocrat, Tennessee and others. Dis-
claiming to speak for the president,
Senator Brandegee said he believed
the peace resolution would necessi-
tate retirement of American troops
from German territory.

Closing the debate, Senator La-
Follette, Republican, Wisconsin, ex-
pressed "dissent and denunciation"
of the provisions reserving American
rights to German property seized by
the alien property custodian. Such
action, he declared, was in violation
of the treaty of 1828 with Prussia
and also of international law. He
added that he would reserve freedom
of action in case future treaties deal-
ing with German property should be
presented.

THE LIFE THAT COUNTS.

The life that counts must toil and
fight;

Must hate the wrong and love the
right;

Must stand for truth by day and
night;

This is the life that counts.

The life that counts must aim to rise
Above the earth to sunlit skies;

Must fix its gaze on Paradise—
That is the life that counts.

The life that counts must helpful be;
In darkest night make melody;

Must wait the dawn on bended knee,
This is the life that counts.

The life that counts must helpful be,
The cares and needs of others see;

Must seek the slave of sin to free—
That is the life that counts.

—Christian Cynosure.

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