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Some people can best make their presence felt by their absence.

"Nitroglycerol may be made to explode by hitting it with a hammer."

The telling of raw stories is being overdone by some of the moderns.

The last few years have revealed a returning taste for strong language in politics.

Even bees will be counted by Canadian census takers. What if the bees object?

The LaFollette progressives know on which side their political bread is buttered.

The general impression created by Professor Einstein during his visit here is that he's pretty deep.

A snowbound magistrate in Illinois assessed a \$3 fine via telephone. That's what you call cold justice.

Modern mechanical accounting methods may be installed in the Argentine National Bank at Buenos Aires.

The supreme optimist is a man in Peru who thinks when he is elected President he has annexed a permanent job.

The real news in the story of the raiding of the exclusive clubs in Philadelphia is that the city police did the raiding.

This ought to be a year full of fun for the Puzzlers League of America. We see that the Kickersham Commission is to issue 10 more reports.

The weather bureau says that summer rainfall east of the Rockies last year was 500,000,000,000,000 tons short of normal and anybody that doesn't believe it can count for himself.

To the masculine eye the chief difference seems to be that a dress costs \$9.95.

Six months in jail may be just that much real life insurance for Al Capone.

Probably Senators consider their body the "upper house" because seats come higher.

A general practitioner of medicine is one who can tell what's wrong with you, even if you haven't any teeth.

Recently a ski jumper in Switzerland jumped 270 feet. Some of us have often felt like doing that the morning after.

A financial item says dollars are going up. As you probably know, the reason is that the cost of living is coming down.

Since eggs got so cheap we know one housewife who has worn out three one-dollar aluminum pans making angel food cakes.

A free country is one in which laws made to safeguard honest men are distorted by crooked lawyers to keep criminals out of jail.

A lot of politicians wouldn't mind making prohibition the big issue of the next campaign if it didn't so much resemble a buzz saw.

The magic by which communists in the United States seek to solve their own and the nation's problems is to march on the city hall.

Those who wear the most disgusted look in March are the folks who thought it was safe to return from Florida by the last of February.

A Columbia University professor says that the brightest students are the poorest spellers, once more proving the perfect asinity of some professors.

The automobile kills more people in one year than alcohol does in twenty-five but they will never prohibit the automobile.

Gandhi asks the United States for sympathy. If he'll admit he's the underdog he may get it. We're strong for that sort of thing.

Scientists say the moon is getting farther away from the earth. It's also helping a lot of fellows to get away from this earth.

For the fourth time members of the New York Bar Association have refused to amend their constitution and make women lawyers eligible.

Up in Chicago churchgoers have revived the good old Puritan custom of carrying their guns to church on Sunday and prayer meeting nights.

Archaeologists have found three ancient skeletons with the jaws open to a width of four inches, so the club sandwich probably isn't new.

Charges were banded back and forth at the Democratic national committee's conference at Washington that the wets and drys were giving.

In one way the free air at the filling stations is like the old lunch—you are supposed to invest in a supply of liquids before you help yourself.

Congressmen say many more millions are needed for relief, and Uncle Andy Mellon would like to call their attention to the dire need of the United States Treasury, which is sadly in need of relief from being so constantly relieved of its cash.

A VICIOUS CIRCLE

The only way to "rehabilitate" the farmers is to rehabilitate the cities says John A. Simpson, president of the National Farmers' Union, in an interview.

That is no doubt true. But it is equally true that the farmers likewise must be rehabilitated before the cities can get on their feet.

Nearly half of our population lives on farms or in small towns supplying service to farms. They purchase the things that are made in the city factories. When their purchasing power is impaired, as it has been, the factories close. The workers in the factories then have little money to buy the things that farmers produce.

Prices paid to producers are low. Our warehouses are bursting with cotton, wool, and wheat, and there is a dearth of purchasers because to many persons lack the money with which to buy.

A MOMENTOUT DEBATE

Why do the women's associations and clubs of the United States overlook the controversial merits of the "Freeman Pin Money Trust" which is commanding the attention of learned lawyers of Philadelphia? They may be neglecting a great civic duty in allowing this issue to drag along to whatever fate feminine indifference concedes it to.

William McLain Freeman, who owned much real estate in the City of Brotherly Love, bequeathed in his will, probated in 1917, \$12,000 per year as pin money to "the first lady of the land" and ordered that it "shall continue in force so long as this government lasts." The trust, he specified, should be known as the "Henry G. Freeman Jr., Pin Money Fund."

One group of lawyers maintain that the rule of perpetuity nullifies the gift. Another holds that the fund already belongs by legal right to "the first lady"; that is, their opinion is that the fund is payable now.

It is unnecessary for us to call attention to the possibilities of debate contained in this bequest. Should the fund be paid over now to the wife of the president? Should she accept? Could she morally refuse it? Could she presume to act for subsequent "first ladies"? Would it not be wisest for her to allow the fund to be created in accordance with the will and let every mistress of the White House take or not take the \$12,000 per year?

The legal doubts mentioned are open to discussion. But the ladies can not well afford to ignore this chance to start a great debate as to what objects could be properly included in the category of pin money. What could the "first lady" buy with pin money? Would she have to spend all of the \$12,000 every year? If she did not spend all, could she deposit the balance to her own bank account? We trust that this great matter will be taken up by women's clubs.

THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT

Mr. Hoover's decision to take a vacation in Porto Rico and the Virgin Islands is a happy one. Except for one week in Florida, the Chief Executive has had no vacation since he entered the White House, more than two years ago. The choice of Porto Rico and the Virgin Islands is especially fortunate, since those island territories have been the subject of considerable discussion, and since important changes are being made in their administration.

Although the United States does not have a vast colonial empire, its outlying territories are extensive and valuable, and it is becoming clear that distinctly more attention should be given to their proper government and economic development. A whole-some step was taken a few weeks ago in transferring the Virgin Islands from the jurisdiction of the navy to a Civil Governor, and now the President will have a chance to confer on the ground with Paul M. Pearson, the new Governor, and help to formulate a sound policy for the future.

Because of the persistent economic depression following the ravages of hurricanes, Porto Rico has seen very trying times in late years. Governor Roosevelt has proved to be a sympathetic and able executive, but there are several grave problems yet unsolved, and Mr. Hoover's visit should help measurably to iron these out.

If Mr. Hoover finds an opportunity to visit Havana, there will be plenty for him to do there. Our relations with the Cuban Government are good—perhaps too good. But it is possible that we are doing to Cuban people a grave injustice in giving aid and comfort to the Machado Government. As the focal center of a persistent unrest that may eventually bring serious trouble, Havana is well worth including in the Presidential tour.

THE RELIEVED FARMER

Since the days of the hoop skirt, have eggs ever been cheaper than now? Have farm products in general ever been cheaper, the cost range of all commodities considered?

Yet a drouth has knocked farm production into a cocked hat in numbers of states. 21 to be exact.

Is the farmer, champion of misfortune, and particularly the southern farmer, champion of champions, to prove to be an exception to the fundamental rule of supply and demand?

The liquor business, which fell off \$600,000 in 1930 in British Columbia, is now in so unsatisfactory condition that its promoters are thinking seriously of resorting to prohibition to help it back to prosperity.

The old time bicyclists never were bothered with hitch hikers when they took their "century runs."

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PRISON RIOTS

The serious riots at Joliet call attention to prison conditions and prison management generally. Penology presents many problems and society has not solved too many of them. During the past few years riot and tragedy have darkened prison life in many parts of the country, particularly in Ohio, New York and now in Illinois.

It is essential that these desperate men be removed from society and punished for their crimes. It is right that their mob efforts to escape prison should be frustrated at any hazard. But their problems invite the closest scrutiny by officials and the public at large. They continue to be human beings notwithstanding the fact that they have become inmates of a penitentiary. Their incarceration should not deny them the enjoyment of proper food and modern sanitation, same relaxation and proper work.

There are more than hints that these humane conditions not always fall to the lot of imprisoned men and women. There are more than hints of cruel and excessive punishments, such as the just reported hanging of handcuffed women to pegs on the prison walls, as is admitted to have been a practice in a Southern prison. Such things can scarcely be justified by the explanations and excuses offered in their defense. The thought revolts our feelings of common humanity.

One major cause for convict unrest and revolutionary tendency lies in the reason assigned by the Warden of Joliet, that such riots are undoubtedly due "to the very seriously overcrowded condition of the prisons, which is beyond the help of prison administration, and the enforced throwing together of criminals of every degree of culpability." Parole systems generally are faulty, undermanned, or lacking proper authority.

This is a situation which society should correct. And why are these prisons so dangerously overcrowded? At the advent of prohibition we were promised tenantless jails, an effective minimization of all crime. The result has been that since that day prison population has rivaled and exceeded that of the most backward, cruel and benighted nations, with no surcease of crime. This factor bearing on crime and prison conditions and administration assuredly is entitled to the increasing grave attention it is receiving.

NOTICE OF SALE

On the 1st day of April, 1931, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, the undersigned will sell One Blue Jewett Touring Car, belonging to William Overell, Motor Number 249225 at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, at the North front door of the Murray Garage at Murray, Cass county, Nebraska, to satisfy a lien for labor, material and storage in the sum of \$67.85.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

In the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska.

In the matter of the estate of Dora McNurlin, deceased.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said Court alleging that said deceased died leaving no last will and testament and praying for administration upon her estate and for such other and further orders and proceedings in the premises as may be required by the statutes in such cases made and provided to the end that said estate and all things pertaining thereto may be finally settled and determined, and that a hearing will be had on said petition before said court, on the 17th day of April, A. D. 1931, at 10:00 o'clock a. m. to contest the said petition, the Court may grant the same and grant administration of said estate to Jennie Barrett or some other suitable person and proceed to a settlement thereof.

ORDER OF HEARING and Notice on Petition for Settlement of Account

In the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska.

State of Nebraska, Cass county, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Edward D. Slocum, deceased.

On reading the petition of Theodore L. Amick, Administrator, praying a final settlement and allowance of his account filed in this Court on the 2nd day of March, A. D. 1931, and for final settlement of said estate and for his discharge as said Administrator;

It is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter may, and do, appear at the County Court to be held in and for said county, on the 3rd day of April, A. D. 1931, at ten o'clock a. m. to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Plattsmouth Journal, a semi-weekly newspaper printed in said county, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Court, this 2nd day of March, A. D. 1931.

A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge.

ORDER OF HEARING and Notice on Petition for Settlement of Account

In the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska.

State of Nebraska, Cass county, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Mary E. Dull, deceased;

On reading the petition of O. A. Davis praying a final settlement and allowance of his account filed in this Court on the 23rd day of March, 1931, and for discharge of himself as Executor;

It is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter may, and do, appear at the County Court to be held in and for said county, on the 17th day of April, A. D. 1931 at 10 o'clock a. m. to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Plattsmouth Journal, a semi-weekly newspaper printed in said county, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said court, this 23rd day of March, A. D. 1931.

A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge.

NOTICE OF HEARING on Petition for Determination of Heirship

Estate of George F. McNurlin, deceased, in the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, To all persons interested in said estate, creditors and heirs take notice, that Jennie Barrett has filed her petition alleging that George F. McNurlin died intestate on or about February 9th, 1928, being a resident and inhabitant of Cass county, Nebraska, and died seized of the following described real estate, to-wit:

South half (S½) of southeast quarter (SE¼) of Section four (4), Township eleven (11), Range twelve (12), in Cass county, Nebraska—

leaving as his sole and only heirs at law the following named persons, to-wit: Dora McNurlin and Jennie Barrett, and praying for a determination of the time of the death of said George F. McNurlin and of his heirs, the degree of kinship and the right of descent of the real property belonging to the said deceased, in the State of Nebraska.

It is ordered that the same stand for hearing on the 17th day of April, A. D. 1931, before the court at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a. m. in the Court House in Plattsmouth, Cass county, Nebraska.

Dated at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, this 19th day of March, A. D. 1931.

A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge.

ORDER OF HEARING AND NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL

In the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska.

State of Nebraska, County of Cass, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of Alexander Jardine, deceased;

On reading the petition of Matilda Jardine praying that the instrument filed in this court on the 20th day of March, 1931, and purporting to be the last will and testament of the said deceased, may be proved and allowed, and recorded as the last will and testament of Alexander Jardine, deceased; that said instrument be admitted to probate, and the administration of said estate be granted to Matilda Jardine, as Executrix—

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

In the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska.

In the matter of the estate of W. D. Wheeler, deceased.

Notice of Administration. All persons interested in said estate are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said Court alleging that said deceased died leaving no last will and testament and praying for administration upon his estate and for such other and further orders and proceedings in the premises as may be required by the statutes in such cases made and provided to the end that said estate and all things pertaining thereto may be finally settled and determined, and that a hearing will be had on said petition before said Court on the third day of April, A. D. 1931, and that if they fail to appear at said Court on said third day of April, 1931, at ten o'clock a. m. to contest the said petition, the Court may grant the same and grant administration of said estate to W. A. Wheeler or some other suitable person and proceed to a settlement thereof.

A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge.

ORDER OF HEARING and Notice on Petition for Settlement of Account

In the County Court of Cass County, Nebraska.

State of Nebraska, Cass County, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Amanda V. Wiley Dills, deceased;

On reading the petition of Addie E. Park, Administratrix with Will annexed praying a final settlement and allowance of her account filed in this Court on the 14th day of March, A. D. 1931, and for final settlement of said estate and for her discharge as Administratrix with Will annexed—

It is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter may, and do, appear at the County Court to be held in and for said County, on the 10th day of April, A. D. 1931, at ten o'clock a. m., to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Plattsmouth Journal, a semi-weekly newspaper printed in said county, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and the Seal of said Court, this 14th day of March, A. D. 1931.

A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge.

ORDER OF HEARING and Notice on Petition for Settlement of Account

In the County Court of Cass County, Nebraska.

State of Nebraska, Cass County, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Minnie Kaffenberger, deceased;

On reading the petition of Michael Kaffenberger, Administrator with Will annexed praying for a final settlement and allowance of his account filed in this Court on the 14th day of March, A. D. 1931, and for final settlement of said estate and for his discharge as Administrator with Will annexed—

It is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter may, and do, appear at the County Court to be held in and for said County, on the 10th day of April, A. D. 1931, at ten o'clock a. m., to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the Plattsmouth Journal, a semi-weekly newspaper printed in said county, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and the Seal of said Court, this 14th day of March, A. D. 1931.

A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge.

LEGAL NOTICE

In the District Court of Cass County, Nebraska

Carl S. Foster, Receiver of the First National Bank of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, Plaintiff

vs. William C. West and Emily S. West, Defendants

To the Defendants, William C. West and Emily S. West: You, and each of you are hereby notified that on the 3rd day of March, 1931, the plaintiff filed his suit in the District Court of Cass county, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which was to recover on two promissory notes aggregating \$1,859.83 with interest at the rate of 8% from May 20, 1926 to August 1, 1928, and 10% interest thereafter, and costs of suit. That affidavits were filed for attachment and garnishment, and on the 4th day of March, 1931, service of attachment and garnishment was served upon Henry A. Schneider and the Plattsmouth State Bank, of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, to recover what he has in the possession of said Schneider and said bank belonging to you.

You are hereby required to answer said petition on or before Monday, the 20th day of April, 1931, and failing so to do, your default will be entered and judgment will be taken upon the plaintiff's petition. This notice is given pursuant to an order of this Court.

CARL S. FOSTER, Receiver of the First National Bank of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, Plaintiff.

By A. L. TIDD, His Attorney. m9-4w



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