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The drought is broken, but that does not mean it is the end of "hot air."

Often a person who passes for an optimist is only a pessimist whistling in the dark.

He may be a dictator in New Orleans, but he's a sap in the washrooms of New York.

Why does a government job always cost even millions without a bit of change left over?

Scientists say there is the same food value in beer as milk. That may be so, but there is a difference of 10 cents a quart in milk's favor.

A new sort of blue light generated by igniton tubes causes rapidly moving objects to be seen at a standstill. Bullets fired through the air are easily seen and words written on the blade of an electric fan can be read. Maybe it would take the taxpayers feel better if more blue lights were turned on government expenditures.

The administration, of course, hopes for a Democratic victory in California, even though Governor Upton Sinclair would be only one more back-seat driver with a left-turn fixation.

The forty-four Russians saved after five years on Wrangel Island put in their leisure time playing cards. It is said their only consolation on being rescued was the opportunity to get some new packs of cards.

For our own part, nothing since the government's declaration of war on kidnapers has seemed to us so cheer-worthy as the American Bar Association's decision to move in on the criminally criminal lawyers.

Well and good, of course, that section 7A of the recovery act gives the right to labor to organize and bargain collectively, but we'll bet the labor men are glad down in their hearts that nothing was specified that they were required, by law, to get out and parade mile on mile while the rest of the family waited with the family car and picnic basket.

BEHIND the SCENES in HOLLYWOOD

HOLLYWOOD—Little Anne Shirley is thrilled. The 16-year-old actress, who plays her first leading role in "Anne of Green Gables," has received a letter from L. M. Montgomery, author of the book. Not only that, but a request for an autographed picture. Writing from her home in Norvel, Ontario, L. M. Montgomery—who is, in private life Mrs. Evan Mac Donald, tells Anne that she saw her play in "Finishing School" and is sure she can play the part. She sent an autographed picture of herself and requested one from Anne in return.



Anne Shirley

Ironically enough, Mrs. Mac Donald will not receive any compensation for the movie that R-K-O is making from her best seller novel. The book is now in public domain.

Max Baer took plenty of kidding from Eddie Cantor when the champ was banqueted here, but Eddie, in fine form, leveled one of his funniest shafts at "Slapsy" Maxie Rosenbloom, sitting nearby among the wellcomers. "They tell me that Maxie just had his ears lifted to go into pictures," said Cantor. "He should have had his arms lifted and stayed in the ring."

One of the year's biggest social events in Hollywood's younger set took place unrecorded by cameras. Little Shirley Temple, the screen's newest rave, went calling on Harold Lloyd's youngsters in the big house on the hill. Mildred Gloria, Harold, Jr., and Peggy Lloyd have seen every one of Shirley's pictures and are among her most loyal fans. They begged so hard to meet her that their mother finally invited Shirley to a party. It was ice cream instead of cocktails at this soiree and everything was served in state in Mildred Gloria's playhouse on the grounds of the Lloyd home. Cameron had given their eye teeth to get pictures of this party, but Mildred Lloyd said no—it was just to be fun for the kids.

Harold's youngest, however, has an eye for business. He said: "Mamma, you get her out here and we'll show her daddy's picture."

Knick-Knacks—
Poor Bill Wellman is ducking in and out side entrances of the hospital. Process servers, who have been chasing him for weeks, found out about the blessed event and are practically laying siege to it. The Ann Sothern-Roger Pryor marriage rumors have, at least, convinced Ann's grandmother. The old lady has sent them a wedding present—a bolt of handwoven cloth brought back from Lucerne six years ago. And there is not another design like it in the world. But still Ann says "no." . . . All that Ethel Merman wants from Samuel Goldwyn is a one-picture-a-year deal at \$10,000 per week. . . . Richard Boleslavsky is not considering giving up his directorial career or write books. He just received the advance royalties for the French translation of "Way of a Laner." The check was for \$14,83. . . . Harry Cohen is really putting on the dog for the San Francisco opening of the Grace Moore picture, "One Night of Love." He'll carry a special trainload of players, including Jack Holt, Walter Connolly, Harry Langdon, Ann Sothern, Nancy Carroll and Roger Pryor. And Miss Moore and her husband will fly up with Edmund Lowe.

What stage and screen comedian will be divorced any day now by his wife of 30 many years? And the reason, which won't be mentioned, is one of those sad stories.

Madcap Kate Hepburn has been at her favorite sport again—bedeviling Gregory La Cava. The whimsical star, accompanied by an unidentified girl friend, probably Laura Harding, drove up to the M. G. M. studio in Kate's Ford truck. They talked their way past the gateman and drove right down to the stage where La Cava is directing Helen Hayes in "What Every Woman Knows." Here the red head tease began to send in a series of messages, under different names, demanding to see La Cava. In the end, the aggravated director finally came out to see



Katharine Hepburn

Bryan to Help Candidates if Any Helped Him

Says That the Convention Must Endorse His Administration to Elect Anyone.

Governor Bryan, returned home from a vacation in Minnesota, following his defeat for the nomination for senator, branded by an Omaha newspaper as a bolter because of his cryptic answer to the question as to whether he would support his successful opponent, appeared cheerful at his office Tuesday, but still full of cryptic answers. He is not a delegate to the democratic state convention and said he had no plans concerning the convention, yet he gave his views on what the convention should do and what it ought to avoid. He opposes repeal or modification of the primary law.

Bryan does not see how the convention can expect to elect democrats to office in Nebraska without endorsing his own state administration and certain efforts of the national administration. He advises against bringing in the matter of endorsement of repeal of state prohibition, but if action is taken on the Norris one-house legislature, the Norris proposition should be endorsed. He still insists that the party circle on the ballot should stay removed, as it was by the last legislature.

"I have not been notified that anything was expected of me, or that I was to take any part in the democratic state convention program," said Bryan when asked if he intends to attend that meeting at Omaha Thursday.

Asked whether he will take part in the state campaign and do any speaking, Bryan said: "I expect to speak for any of the present candidates who at any time made any speeches on my behalf or on behalf of matters I favored."

"I have already spoken highly of Congressman Howard," Bryan added later, "He introduced me at a meeting a Columbus." Further than that Bryan did not indicate whether any democratic candidate had said a good word for him during the primary campaign elsewhere.

"The state convention," said Bryan, "should endorse the national administration's efforts to restore prosperity and its effort for the unemployed, also, the candidates on the state ticket will have to run on the record of the state administration. I assume they will approve of the administration in bringing the state to the highest financial credit and the lowest tax rate of any state in the union. If not it will be difficult to ascertain on what ground democratic candidates hope to be elected."

"I think the present primary law far superior to the old convention system, where lobbyists named candidates of both parties. It would be very inadvisable for the state convention to attempt to modify or repeal. Efforts of that nature in the past have been voted down."

"The only phase of the liquor question not settled is the repeal of state prohibition, and as that question is presented on the ballot in a non-partisan way I think it should be settled by the voters instead of making it a party issue, as would be the result if either convention takes action and action would result in injury to the candidates of the party acting."

"I doubt the advisability of the democratic platform making mention of Senator Norris' proposal for an amendment to the state constitution for a one-house legislature. If the delegates insist on considering it I hope they will endorse it."

"I favor development of all water power and irrigation projects which are seeking federal loans. I strongly favor them and hope the convention takes a decided position for development of national resources in all parts of the state."

"The party circle should be abolished. It was abolished by the last legislature and should stay abolished. The democratic state administration took an active part in having the legislature abolish it. It would be very inadvisable and poor party politics to revise it. The convention should endorse its abolition."

who it was. He was greeted by uproarious laughter.

When every other actor on the M. G. M. lot refused to take the late Lon Chaney's dressing room, Jean Herscholt pooh-poohed their fears and moved in. Now, after four years of proving that it held no jinx, he must seek other quarters. For the room will be torn down to enlarge the make-up department.

CANADA NATIONAL CODE

Toronto.—Ontario will invite all Canada's provinces to co-operate in formation of a national code for industry that will be enforceable by law, Attorney General Raebeck of Ontario told the gathering of trade unionists at the Canadian national exhibition. The code, he said, would be similar to the one the Ontario government hopes to obtain thru conferences of employers and employes.

Fifty Years of Residence in the City Observed

M. S. Briggs, Field Man of the Journal, Came Here from Iowa in 1884.

M. S. Briggs, field representative of the Journal, came to Plattsmouth on September 4, 1884, and Tuesday was observing his fiftieth year as a resident of Plattsmouth and Cass county.

At the time Mr. Briggs was engaged in barbering at Coin, Iowa, when he received a letter from his old friend, W. P. Cook, asking Mr. Briggs to come to this city and relieve Mr. Cook at his work in order that he might enjoy a visit east.

The Cook barber shop at the time was located in a building near where the steps of the south terrace of the court house is located. The streets were then unpaved and the sidewalks largely wooden with an occasional brick walk.

At that time the old court house was located just west of the present Rawls building. Calvin Russell was at that time the county judge of Cass county. Mr. Briggs states that just south of the court house was located the Shannon livery stables, then a most flourishing business in the community.

The Burlington in 1884 had some 600 men engaged here in shop and other work and the city was yet flourishing, altho the paving, lights, sewerage and electric street cars were yet to come.

The fifty years that he has spent in the county has given Mr. Briggs a keen appreciation of the fine farming country that is embraced in this section as well as the high class of its citizenship. Land in 1884 was selling as low as \$20 per acre, but a few miles out from Plattsmouth, which land has since sold at from \$300 to \$400 per acre in the flush times of the war.

During the seventy-five years of life Mr. Briggs does not recall a season that has been as severe as this summer or as dry and hot.

ENJOY VISIT HERE

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Swanson of Omaha and Mrs. William Owens of Council Bluffs, have been here enjoying a short visit with their cousin, Mrs. F. G. Morgan. They also had the pleasure of a short visit with Mr. Morgan who has just returned from the Century of Progress exposition at Chicago.

VISIT AT OMAHA

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Egenberger were at Omaha Monday where they visited at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carter. Mr. Carter has just returned home from the hospital where he had undergone an operation and is now recuperating very nicely.

VISITING IN THE CITY

Rev. G. A. Pahl, pastor of the St. Paul's Evangelical church in this city, has the pleasure of having a most delightful visit with his father, Rev. G. A. Pahl, Sr., of Chicago, who arrived a few days ago.

VISITING AT FALLS CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Rea F. Patterson departed Sunday for Falls City where they are spending the holiday there at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Falter, the latter a sister of Mrs. Patterson.

HERE FROM MINNEAPOLIS

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Woodward of Minneapolis are here to enjoy a visit at the home of Mrs. W. T. Cole and Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Goos. Mr. Woodward was formerly Miss Lillian Cole of this city.

VISITING FRIENDS HERE

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Pastlethwaite of Kansas City were visiting in the city the past week, guests of their aunt, Mrs. Frank Gutman, they enjoying the visit here very much.

EAGLE NEWS ITEMS

Miss Thelma Price visited friends near Greenwood last week.

Mrs. Sarah Keil and Dorothea spent Thursday at the R. C. Weusel home.

Miss Edith Nelson spent last week near Ceresco as the guest of her cousin, Miss Thelma Finnigan.

Mrs. Oscar Anderson of Lincoln, spent Sunday afternoon with her mother, Mrs. Emma Judkins.

Miss Irma Longman left last Saturday morning for Wood River where she will teach again this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Piersol and family and Donald Piersol spent Sunday at the L. W. Piersol home.

Miss Helen Chamberlain of Omaha, visited over Sunday with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Allen Chamberlain.

Melva Wall had a tonsil operation on Tuesday morning of this week. She is getting along nicely at this writing.

Kenneth Piersol of Lincoln visited last week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Piersol and other relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. Chamberlain and Miss Helen Chamberlain were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Palmer and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wetenkamp returned Thursday evening from Pelican Lake where they enjoyed several months spent at their summer cabin.

Doctor and Mrs. Soper and family of Albany, N. Y., were in town on Tuesday, visiting old friends. While here they also enjoyed visiting school.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Hursh of Lincoln and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Trumble and Lloyd were Sunday evening dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hursh.

Carl Price, who is the Maytag salesman for this district, won a prize of \$20 for selling the greatest number of Maytag machines during the month of August.

The Willing Workers Project club met at the home of Mrs. R. M. Kilde last Thursday afternoon. The lesson in form of a picture study was presented by Mrs. Elmer Frohlich.

Mrs. Orill Allen was called to Raymond last Wednesday evening due to the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Kenneth Weaver. La Verne accompanied her mother. They returned home Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Jones entertained the following last Sunday at their home: Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Miller of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kiletsch of Lincoln, Harley Kiletsch of Palmyra and Mrs. A. Kiletsch. Mr. and Mrs. Julius Morrison and family of Gandy and Mrs. Chris Christenson and daughter of Arnold came Saturday and will visit at the Harrison Scattergood home and with other relatives in this community.

The Junior House Maids entertained their mothers at a party at the home of Jean Marie Stewart last Wednesday evening. A program was given as a part of the entertainment. Lemon ice and cookies were served.

Family Reunion.

A family reunion was held at the home of Mrs. Sophia Gerhard and Jennie last Sunday. Those present to enjoy the occasion were Mrs. Gerhard and Jennie, Mrs. S. W. Moore of San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Gerhard, Cedelia and Glendon, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gerhard, Esther, Wilma and Valda, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gerhard, Ariene and Janice, Mr. and Mrs. Eldee McKay and Iva of Palmyra, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Gerhard and Shirley of Alvo, and Mr. and Mrs. Bivens.

Achievement Day Program.

The Snip and Stitch Sewing club held their Achievement day program at the Methodist church on Friday afternoon, August 31st.

The following program was presented for both the mothers of the club members and the leaders, who were the guests:

- Welcome—Jean Marie Stewart.
- Song—"A Merry Life."
- Reading—"Wanted—A Girl," Lois Jean Lytle.
- Piano Solo—Irma May Adams.
- "4-H Health Song"—Mary Norris and Betty Kendle.
- Piano Duet—"Little Patriot March," Irma May Adams and Lucille Norris.
- Playlet—"Pokey Huntus," club members. Reader, Madonna Adee.
- Reading—"Boys and Girls Clubs for Me," Violet Robertson.
- Piano Solo, "Fixies Good Night Song," Lucille Norris.
- Songs—"4-H Will Shine Tonight," "It Isn't Any Trouble Just to S-M-I-L-E."
- Song, "Follow the Gleam," club members and guests.

After the articles (aprons, laundry bags, towels and holders) on exhibit were examined, everyone enjoyed participating in some games for a short time. The church was decorated in

Stars on Honeymoon



Heather Angel, petite British actress, and Ralph Forbes, shown above, climaxed a whirlwind Hollywood romance by their marriage at Yuma, Ariz., the "Gretna Green" of movieland. Forbes, former husband of Ruth Chatterton, and his bride left on a honeymoon to Mexico.

streamers of green and white crepe paper and baskets of fall flowers.

At the close of the afternoon punch and wafers were served.

The club members are: Jean Marie Stewart, Madonna Adee, Violet Robertson, Mary Norris, Irma May Adams, Lucille Norris, Eva Belle Childster, Viola Root, La Verne Allen, Inez Althouse, Betty Rockenbach, Lois Jean Lytle, Virginia Trumble, Betty Kendle and Frances and Ruth Caddy. Leader, Dorothy Keil and assistant leader, Helen Nelson.

Birthday Picnic.

Celebrating the birthday anniversaries of Mrs. Harry West of Lincoln and Charles Scattergood, a large group gathered at the Fisheries at South Bend last Sunday and enjoyed a picnic together. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Scattergood, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Scattergood and children, Mrs. Lester Scattergood and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scattergood and Faye of Eagle, Mrs. Chris Christenson and daughter of Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Morrison of Gandy and Mr. and Mrs. Harry West of Lincoln.



A very encouraging and commendable movement has been going on in China for some time that could be well copied in America. This is a movement in which the Chinese people are taking great interest. They are learning things they should know about China, but of which they have never heard before—studying the causes and effects of national problems and, above all, learning to know China better.

Among them are large numbers who realize that they must know their country first before the fundamental problems facing the nation can be understood by the masses and before correct and practical methods can be found to remedy the evils and before real progress can be made.

They have found many cases which have worked smoothly in other countries but have not been applicable to their own country. And many times when such new schemes have been tried, they have been more harmful than beneficial.

All of which goes to show that a correct diagnosis must be made of an illness before one can find the real medicine to cure it.

On his next excursion into the stratosphere, Professor Piccard will be accompanied by his wife, who seems to have acquired the notion that the professor had a pretty good time on his previous visits up there.