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Control of Stockyards.

The decision of the supreme court in the stockyards case is another stone in the wall that sustains the power of congress over interstate commerce.

Slowly extending the fabric of the Sherman law to the government of great industries, the rulings of the court have the support of reason and, with a clear understanding of what is involved, should in the end prove beneficial to the interests most directly affected.

Nebraska will feel the effect of the law, for the Omaha stockyards have for many years been an issue, more or less acute, at our elections.

Five years ago the first Liberty bond drive was on, the offer being government bonds to bear 3 1/2 per cent interest, and the issue was oversubscribed by at least twice.

Has that faith diminished? The Bee thinks it has not. But, here is another proposition: The government a short time ago offered an unlimited amount of savings certificates, on which the interest rate would be 4 1/2 per cent, to be compounded semi-annually and run for five years.

What is the matter? No one seems to know. The apprehension of a panic, of bank failures and the like, was not warranted, and business conditions have progressed to a point where any danger of a panic has passed.

Do the people who have hoarded money believe it is safer in hiding than it would be in possession of the United States? Is any form of investment better than a United States bond bearing 4 1/2 per cent interest? Especially when the savings certificate so represented is redeemable at any time, and therefore a liquid asset equal to the cash itself?

Uncle Sam is willing to be your banker. If you do not trust him, then the old stocking, or the tin can, or wherever you hide your money, is the place for it. If idleness is better than effort, then your money is doing better in hiding.

That pre-eminent guardian of public morality, Alderman John J. Coughlin of Chicago, better known as "Bathhouse John," has come out tearfully against what he considers one of the greatest evils of the day. It is announced that he will introduce an ordinance providing for the arrest of any woman wearing knickerbockers in public.

Some may have fancied that long contact with the seamy side of life as proprietor of a hobo's saloon had weakened the moral fiber of the Hon. Bathhouse. No idea could be more mistaken; anything tending to prove that the ladies possess legs paints the honest countenance of this Cook county statesman with a blush of shame.

Owing, perhaps to the fact that this great moral reform was not put into force at that time, conditions have grown steadily worse. Feeling that an emergency is upon Chicago, the remedy that is to save the human race from total depravity is disinterred. If enough discussion can be aroused, perhaps the attention of the people can be distracted from certain quarters.

What is \$250,000,000 to a country where they are printing 100,000,000-rouble notes, in order that a citizen may carry car fare along?

or elsewhere, feel safe when the citizens are really thinking about vital matters. The game is to keep them stirred up and fighting among themselves on things that don't really count.

Shifting Industry West.

Omens of great changes that are coming in the middle west were pointed out by James R. Howard, president of the American Farm Bureau federation, at the recent conference of the Mississippi Valley association at Kansas City.

The vast distance that stretches between the factories of the east and the raw materials of the west lays a heavy toll on production. No other great industrial nation ever developed under such handicap, and Mr. Howard declares that we have been able to do so only by reason of the richness of our basic resources and the relative cheapness of our long rail haul.

Nature's way is always trustworthy. It seems almost a defiance of natural law for Americans not to build industries in the locality where raw material is immediately at hand. And what can be said of the neglect of the water routes to the sea?

Utilization of the Great Lakes for ocean carriers is the biggest issue before the American people, Mr. Howard asserts. His statement that the proceeds from hydro-electric power would pay the cost is backed up by engineering reports. That is the natural route to Europe.

It is fair to presume that no censorship is being applied to the press dispatches sent out from Genoa; at least, the divergent opinions expressed by the multitude of correspondents there assembled justifies the assumption that the telegraph wires are untrammelled.

Chosen for Lofty Service. Public announcement by the election commissioner of the judges, clerks and other officials of elections in Douglas county is a notable reminder that one of the most important functions of a democracy is the periodic selection of its office bearers.

Men and women are called to this high service without distinction other than their known probity and capacity for handling the work. Their business is to safeguard the election, to see that ballots are freely cast and fairly counted, so that the purity of the government may be protected at its fountain.

Federal Trade Commissioner Houston Thompson declares that he has never found an open price association that did not either fix prices or curtail production. Some may refer to this as human nature, but it is a distorted variety, for plentiful production is what consumers want, and every human being is a consumer.

The water power of the River Jordan is to be developed by a British syndicate. Irrigation, electric railroads, factories and street lights will make Palestine blossom like a rose, and though this probably is better than leaving the Holy Land in its present barren state, it does not have just the right sound.

Jack Dempsey is reported to have left Paris with regret, realizing as he must, that if it had not been for the ships he built the Yanks might not have reached France in time to save the city he so greatly admires.

A good thing to hold in mind is that neither the nation nor any of its subdivisions can be run successfully on the lines of a chauntauqua.

A man convicted of violating the prohibition law got this: Fined \$150; forbidden to touch, taste or handle the stuff; must report to the court house each month, telling where he has been, what he has done and what he has spent; enjoined from going outside the state. To make the fellow's pursuit of happiness a complete success, why didn't the judge turn him over to the juvenile court?—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

"Ultimate Art" Reaction of Philadelphia Critic Confronted by Modern Exhibit.

(William A. McGarry in Philadelphia Ledger.) A new title for all the modernists and a brand new school of the nation came to light the other day in Philadelphia as a result of the accompanying spirit shown by those responsible for passing on the shop window exhibits of "Artists' week." The name for all the so-called outrageous groups is "Ultimates." The new school is Futurism.

The information was obtained in an exclusive interview with a man recognized as a leading authority on advanced art. His name can not be used, for personal reasons. But proof may be adduced that he has inspiration as well as knowledge of paint matter, which, he contends, is the sole equipment of most critics.

When the expert was located he was standing in front of one of the Chestnut street shop windows in the back of which had been set up a large "futurist study." Various ordinary citizens and women voters were gazing at the painting as though entranced, and not a few were blowing over the effort to identify the large mauve object in the right-hand corner of the painting. One said it was a cabbage, the other thought it was a coal scuttle.

Both happened to be wrong. The object was a motif. Any artist worthy of his salt is familiar with motifs. Some artists have them as pets. The little creatures run hither and yon in the studies on sunny days, but on dark and foggy days they run to and fro. Anon they covet about in the corners, and every once in a while one falls into a bucket of paint and is drowned.

Cowed and humiliated, the spectators melted away and the expert was induced to walk to another window containing a life-size reproduction of the wife and family of an imbricated pugilist. Apparently the latter lost a six-round bout with another fighter and then attacked the wrath of John Barleycorn, losing again. Whereat, with a perseverance worthy of a better cause, he went home and started a third fight.

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WHEN YOU FEEL "ROTTEN." In a certain experiment conducted by Dr. Donaldson at Loma Linda, Cal., four men permitted themselves to go more than four days without a bowel movement in order to throw some light on the effects of acute constipation on the sense of comfort and well-being.

Within 48 hours each developed a heavily coated tongue and the breath became markedly foul; one developed cankers in the mouth; one complained that he had no appetite; two had indigestion and discomfort in the stomach. Each developed a toxic headache within 48 hours. Each expressed himself as feeling generally "rotten."

Relapse is Unlikely. J. H. writes: "My roommate on Christmas day, I got cold and two days after pneumonia, and to the hospital he went. We are both orphans. He is 18 and I am 21. He has passed the crisis and will come back to his room and start all over again. But what troubles me is this: 'People tell me he may get a relapse, telling me he should eat this and drink that, etc. He is not any too strong, and for a rooming life as we have—eating in restaurants—what or how shall he eat, etc. We did live on the ground floor, so as to improve that part for his health. I moved and am three stories high.'

Vegetables and Fruit, Too. A. P. writes: "Kindly send me directions as to how to use dried milk for a 9 months old baby. He is now getting four ounces of grade milk with two ounces of barley water." REPLY: By mixing one ounce of dried whole milk with eight ounces of water you get a solution equal to whole milk.

Nurse's Little Jest. M. A. writes: "A few days ago I was given a shot, or hyperdermic injection, to immunize me against colds. The doctor explained that my resistance was not great enough to overcome a cold when I got one. 'Then an old nurse said: 'No child of mine would ever be given a shot.' 'What do you think about it?' REPLY: Maybe the old nurse is childless. There are many jokers in the world. Vaccination against colds is harmless. Eventually vaccination against colds will be effective and will be in general use. At the present time the majority of physicians do not think it advisable.

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