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CASH REGISTER-VII.

There is one additional phase of the cash register question. And it is well to note how Coolidge handles it. That is the matter of campaign con-

The president is as insistent upon economy in elections as upon economy in government. He believes that the problem of elections is the problem of the voter. In America the final powers of government are in the people. To conduct an election campaign as a ballyhoo-as a circus is opposed to the quiet, self-possessed, earnest characteristics of the President. He is going about his work, leaving the decision to the voters.

In his speech of acceptance there was no appeal to prejudices, no vehement oratory. Only a plain statement of the facts and a continuous reference to the cash register. His democratic opponents who charged him with keeping his eyes constantly on the cash register paid him the highest compliment. . . .

Mr. Davis may "lift up his eyes unto the hills" and thus never see the cash register, but Coolidge knows where the real problems are. His feet are on the ground. He has done his best-he will make to arm-threshing campaign. In closing his aceptance speech, he said:

"These, Mr. Chairman, are some of the beliefs which I hold, some of the principles which I propose to support. Because I am convinced that they are true, because I am satisfied that they are sound, I submit them with abiding faith to the judgment of the American people."

Mr. Coolidge sees government as it properly is as the institution designed to hold the balance even between men-that they may work out their own salvation. There are those who expect the government to "do something" for them. There are those who make their campaigns as though government was to furnish to each of us a milk bottle and a nipple. This is not the Coolidge concept. Real men and women despise the milk bottle politicianthe hill gazers. And there is no room for such in a virile nation.

Now about campaign funds and the sharp limitaion Coolidge has put upon them:

"Economy should be practiced scrupulously in the conduct of a national campaign. I know it is

difficult to distinguish between real service to the people and mere wastefulness. Costs have increased by doubling of the electorate, rendering close calculation impossible. "Nevertheless, I can perceive no reason why the

budget system should not be as beneficial in a campaign as it has proved to be in government. It is to be tested by our committee. "There should be no relaxing of resolute en-

deavors to keep our elections honest and free from taint of any kind. Only the closest scrutiny of both the sources of contributions and the character of expenditures can accomplish this laudable purpose. For the first time this has been provided for the coming campaign through the appointment of a competent senate committee, vested with ample authority. The republican national chairman has already volunteered to file sworn reports of both income and outgo in full detail, at such regular intervals as the committee may deem serviceable and practicable.

"The statutes provide for publication of the names of contributors and of amounts contributed. But a deficit at the end of a campaign in part defeats this. The budget will cure that defect. So far as the republican party is concerned, I have made an absolute requirement that our committee shall five within its means. I hope it will have a surplus on election day, but it must not have a deficit.

"I would make clearly and definitely one other requirement, that no individual, or group of individuals, may expect any governmental favors for party assistance. Whatever anyone gives must be given for the common good, or not at all. Contributions can be received on no other basis."

The net result of this lead in economy in elections is the absence of the "special train" in the republican campaign. Mr. Coolidge travels in a Pullman car. Mr. Dawes on his trips, travels in a Pullman car. Mr. Davis alone, uses a special train. However, Mr. Davis "lifts up his eyes unto the hills." He hasn't yet noticed the great change that has come over American politics because Mr. Coolidge has his eyes on the cash register. He will probably discover it-after his fall-as Woodrow Wilson discovered so many things-after his fall.

ONLY SIX YEARS AGO.

It may have been unkind in Congressman Wood o call attention to the delayed ignition of John W. Davis' conscience. The explosion of that sensitive monitor has only been held back a little over six years. Now that it has burst forth, however, Mr. Wood suggests that it give some attention to a few things that did not make a dent on it back in 1918, when the present democratic candidate for president was drawing a salary from the United States as its solicitor general.

One of the principal items in the propaganda put out on behalf of Mr. Davis is that he practiced law for six years with the United States as a client. During two of those six years billion on billion of public money was spent. It is believed that this expenditure was accompanied by gigantic graft. No record exists that at any time did John W. Davis in his capacity as a legal representative of the people

lift his voice in protest against the extravagance and dishonesty that was going on about him.

Congressman Wood refers to the "magic city" of Nitro, where \$75,000,000 was spent and everything but powder produced. It was the scene of one of Newton D. Baker's most inspired speeches, which was about the nearest to high explosive that ever came out of Nitro. A more flagrant instance is the airplane scandal. President Wilson named Charles Evans Hughes as head of an investigating commission. From this came a report in which a specific recommendation was contained. It was that Colonel Deeds be dismissed from the service, and prosecuted in the name of the government.

What did John W. Davis do? Portions of the Hughes report were suppressed, and that portion concerning Colonel Deeds was ignored. Where was the conscience of John W. Davis then? He was solicitor general of the United States. He might have done something to check the orgy of waste that was in progress. But he did nothing.

A billion and a half of public money was expended on airplanes, and not one reached France. Other billions were spent for powder, shells and cannon. Pershing's army, however, got its munitions from England and France. Americans have not forgotten this. They may be a little curious as to the peculiar workings of the conscience of the candidate which was somnolent then, but has flared into such violent activity just lately.

LA FOLLETTE AND THE REDS.

A curious reaction to the speech of General Dawes is assumed by the La Follette followers. This appears as resentment that even by inference should the "independent" candidate be classified as a red. We wonder, though, if the La Follette schemers think the people so dull of comprehension that they can not penetrate the thin disguise?

La Follette still regards himself as a "republican," although he qualifies that by the descriptive adjective of "progressive." He asks all "progressives" to rally behind him. The letter in which he announced his candidacy to the world was addressed to the "Conference for the Promotion of Progressive Political Action,' an organization that serves as a connecting link between the active reds of the back room and garret type and the pale pinks of the

Following the conclave of the "C. P. P. P. A." the powwow of the socialist party came to order. It was decided not to name Comrade Debs as a candidate for president, because that long time leader of radicals decided that "Fighting Bob" was good enough for the socialists. Victor L. Berger, of whose redness there is no doubt, also gave approval to La Follette. All over the land the radicals are shouting for the Wisconsin senator, who still pretends that he is a republican only slightly out of line with the policy of his party.

The entire socialist program without the omission of a syllable is attached to the La Follette declaration, and has not been disclaimed by the great champion of "progress." If he disapproves of the reds of their propaganda, why does he solicit their support by failing to deny their dogma. Is it likely that Victor L. Berger, William H. Johnson, Eugene V. Debs, Morris Hillquit, Sidney Hilman, Oswald Garrison Villard, or any of that group would be misled by the subterfuge that La Follette is not a red? If they thought he were not red enough for their purposes, they would be lined up behind a man of their own choice. They knew what they were doing when they accepted La Follette's offer, and La Follette knew that they understood.

Are the farmers ready to aid in putting into effect the socialist program, chief plank in which is the nationalization of all means of production and distribution? In the end this includes the farms as certainly as it does the railroads, the mines and the mills. La Follette accepts support from the reds. They must certainly know what to look for in return. He does not repudiate their program. He dare not. If he is not red, then he is double-crossing the largest block of voters yet rallied to his support. Figure it out for yourself.

Here's a hint to those who would outlaw war: The battle in China was postponed on account of Why not adopt a regular schedule for wars, after the fashion of organized baseball, and then arrange with the weather man for lots of rainy days? We can envision the possibility of postponed battles being fought as double-headers, but that is a mere

After reading what the wife of the chairman of the democratic national committee had to say about pacifism it is probable that Bro. Charley realized fully that the "female of the species is more deadly than the male."

If the immigration department is doubtful about deporting Firpo, let it call on Mr. Jack Dempsey, who will knock the Argentine importation for a sufficient number of nautical miles.

Baseball fans the country over are "pulling" for Washington in the American league. A pennant for the Senators would be a crowning glory for that splendid fellow, Walter Johnson.

If the Prince of Wales wants to make a real hit he will visit Nebraska and assist in shucking a bumper corn crop.

There are doubts expressed whether Governor Bryan reduced the price of gas, but it is unanimously agreed that he has materially increased the output.

"The rope will not cure!" declares Clarence Dar-Perhaps not; but the timely application of a bedslat may prove an effective preventive.

Douglas county paving bonds brought a very nice premium, showing how easy money is and how good the county's credit.

Let it not be forgotten thant it is not the hill viewers and star gazers who will harvest Nebraska's

In the present bout between "Kid" McCoy and the law, if the "Kid" goes down it will be for keeps.

Homespun Verse -By Omaha's Own Poet-Robert Worthington Davie

RELIEF.

So soon I begin To see autumn come in. And signs of barrenness nearing; And think of snow I complacently go.

My mem'ries of summer revering. And as I behold The foliage old And withered wherever I sally,-I can not restrain From hunting again

The lilles that grow in the valley. But long by the pool, Refreshing and cool. I stand while the red sun is setting; I smile for at last. Though summer is past

I am not incessantly sweating

Hardly What One Would Call a Whirlwind



Sutherland, Neb .- To the Editor of

A WESTERNER.

Love That Is Misunderstood.

Omaha.-To the Editor of The

Abe Martin

Folks what used t' drop in ever

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Letters From Our Readers All letters must be signed, but name will be withheld upon request. Communications of 200 words and less will be given preference.

Rev. Savidge Discovers the Sand Hills
Omaha.—To the Editor of The
Omaha Bee: I have recently returned from a preaching and lecturing tour of Thomas county, Nebraska,
"The Sand Hills," as they are genereatily called. I spoke in the Congregational clurch at Thefdord on Sunday
morning and evening and on Monday
evening to large and intelligent audenees. I was entertained by Mr.
Parker T. Lewellen, a gentleman was
has lived in that country for 40 years.
He has a beautiful home, handsomely,
furnished, situated on the edge of
the Village, and is really a farm of
180 acres. This gentleman has
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the Village, and is really a farm of
180 acres. This gentleman has
ranch of 1800 acres the Sand Hills,
Assuredly it is not the best way,
Assuredly it is no

he first settlers do not remain.

Here is a fact of which I was not rmerly acquainted with: That Thomas county there are vast possi-Thomas county there are found there of thousands of acres are found there Omaha Bee: I noticed in The Omaha Bee September 3 a letter signed rich in pasture possibilities. But by S. H. Leuk, claiming that 80 per there is no hay land in that county. cent of the voters of western Nethere is no hay land in that county. I was told that in one tract there were 42 sections of rich pasture land, with but one man occupying it, and he has to be paid to stay there. There is another locality in the county where there are 20 sections with but one man living there, and he is hired. Is it not possible, I ask, for large herds of cattle to be placed on these lands in the summer and then driven in the fall to adjacent lands where in the fall to adjacent lands where calculated and knowing his past record, especially during the war. The worst calculated and the properties of the voters of western Ne braska will vote for La Follette. I will say that Mr. Leuk is either misinformed or is drawing on his imagination. I will venture to say that four-fifths of the voters are for Coolidge strong in this part of the state.

For my part, I do not see how any red-blooded American could vote for La Follette, knowing what he stands for and knowing his past record, especially during the war. The worst calculated the properties of the voters are for Coolidge strong in this part of the state.

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As I behold these vast tracts of land and consider the condition of thousands of people in the siums of our cities, as well as the suffering and needy conditions of the people of the old world, I am filled with the thought that these vast tracts of unused lands should be read to work. I responsely

that these vast tracts of unused lands should be made to work. I prophesy that this will yet be done.

On the Dismal river, which runs through this county, there are thousands of small red cedar trees growing, the original product of red cedars, which red by the passing, relatively unimportant feelings of the adolescent period. Even in that event, they are entitled to respect. It is only a foolish, flippant disregard of the finer things of life that can find very much material for fun-making in the first ut off by the early settlers. These young trees, many of them are now 25 years old, but they ought to be 75 years old before they are ready to be profitably used. This country is well worth the study of thoughtful

On Monday morning, September 1. being Labor day, I was invited by my host and other friends to attend a picnic and to make an address at place which, I am ashamed to say, I never knew before existed. That was the Nebraska National Forest serve. I understand this was established in 1902 by congress. I learned that there are 205,000 acres in the two divisions of the reserve in Nebraska. In Thomas and Blaine counties are 20,000 acres, and in Cherry county 115,000 acres, all under the care of the office in Thomas county. Mr. Jay Higgins is the efficient forest supervisor. He is educated along the lines of his specialty in the univer-sity, and further prepared by practical experience since 1913. He has capable assistance, including a for est ranger, who rides on horseback continually through these vast grounds to see that no harm comes to the reserve.

I learned that the output of trees every year is 2,000,000. The nursery contnually keeps 6,000,000 in process of cultivation. No trees are set out intil they are 3 years old. Pine trees only so far are used; but the reserve gives out to men who have lands in that country 200 hard wood trees saloon they passed now only drink each year. This will result in a great when ther's somethin' goin' on. benefit to that country. There are now 10,000 acres in Thomas country ter. We're only gittin' used t' th' planted with trees. These trees are rough stuff. planted but not cultivated. Most of

that country. The Kinkaid act was passed in congress in 1904 and perpetured more than repaid from my tion if the joy of service be just mitted each man to take a section of land, 640 acres, but, as is often so.

State. REV. CHARLES W. SAVIDGE. frankly, I happen to be an ordinary mortal myself.

EDMUND R. BRUMBAUGH.

"Do you know that there is a lar guage of perfumery? Heliotrope, for example, means, 'I love you,' and rose, 'I am worthy of you." "Indeed! And I suppose the ab-sence of perfumery means 'I have nothing to say."
"No; it means 'I haven't a scent." -Boston Transcript

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SUNNY SIDE UP That sunrise never failed us yet colia Thatter

location of an old-fashioned grist mill—one that grinds with the old stone burrs. We have arranged for a supply of just the right kind of corn, provided we can find an old stone burr mill to grind it into genuine cornmeal. If full arrangements can be made we purpose inviting a number of fellow Missourians to a real feast, with Everett Buckingham as chief guest of

Lottie Clifford intrudes at this time with the remark that it is pretty tough to get back to the job of superintending the preparation of three meals a day for a lusty squad, after having been a guest on a private car for a week, with sumptuous meals provided and expert table service rendered. We greatly fear that we made a mistake in not taking that

And we can remember Labor day parades wherein we marched with members of our craft, uniformed in long linen dusters. The dusters were so handy in covering up defects in the habiliments of craftsmen who were much given to neglect of personal appearance. In these day the craftsmen pay more attention to investiture and less to exhiliration.

There is something mighty pleasant about increasing age when one's friends send kindly greeting as each natal day comes around. Kindly letters, birthday cards and telephone calls galore made our recent natal day about the most pleasant we can remember, and we remember a lot of them. To each one of the friendly greeters we send our heartfelt thanks. They have made the burden lighter, the days brighter and the path-

Advancing years has many compensations. It makes old friends dearer and old loves stronger. Old age is a matter of the mind, not of the heart. Though we live to five score; though we become feeble with advancing years, please God we'll keep young inside. Our ambitions have been many, and few have been satisfied. If ever we have attained an ideal it was because we set it too low. Now we have but one ideal, but one ambition-to grow old gracefully.

One of the youngest men we know has celebrated his 94th oirthday. He is young of heart, his face radiates good cheer, his life is one long song of thanksgiving. Gracefully has he grown old in years; smilingly he has remained young inside. Today, at 61, we send across the miles that separate our kindlest greetings to Father Woolfenden of Gering, with the hope that we, too, may grow old as gracefully as he.

If the Prince of Wales wants to have one really enjoyable day while in the United States, we can arrange it for him. We'll get Norris Brown of Omaha and Judge Hostettler of Kearney to join us, and we'll take his Royal Jiblets over to Wood river and have a bullhead catching contest. And bullheads or no bullheads, we'll guarantee his Titled Nobs the time of his life.

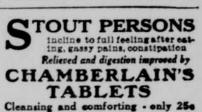
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