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Omaha Where the West is at its Best

WALSH AFTER WOMEN'S VOTES.

Senator Thomas J. Walsh of Montana is a corking good democrat. So it is not to be wondered at that he told the women he addressed at Buffalo that President Coolidge is doing nothing to aid in restoring peace in Europe.

"I do not plead for a reversal of the verdict through which the United States declined membership in the league," said Senator Walsh. "But I do plead for the active participation by our government in any effort which may be made through it or any other channel to bring about a restoration of normal industrial activity in Europe and to establish a state of actual peace among them, in every case in which it is reasonably safe to do so without entangling ourselves in their quarrels."

Note the saving clause of the senator's remark, and then ask how or in what manner the president may do more than he has done. The Dawes commission is the latest, and the most effective attempt so far made on our part, to show Europe the way to peace. Our government is represented officially or unofficially on every important board that is working under the League of Nations.

The record is entirely against Senator Walsh, but such a fact does not worry him. He will persist in dispensing his glittering generalities, covering his pious wish with the air-tight saving clause, and blaming the republican president for not doing what he would vote against doing if the matter were brought up in the senate to be voted on.

Herbert Hoover is quoted as saying that what this country needs is more fishermen in public life. Can it be possible that Herbert is making a strategic play for the presidency?

HAND-SHAKING AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

Senator Thomas Heflin, who hails from the state of Alabama, but whom, we trust does not always represent that state, indulged in a wonderful burst the other day, anent the shaking of hands. It had been announced that the president would discontinue the custom of grasping the good right hand of an average number of 250 visitors a day.

Just why should the president of the United States, or any one else be required to endure the pump-handle process of hand-shaking? A friendly grasp in greeting is all well enough, but where the visitors pass in a line a block or two in length, the process becomes somewhat of a burden to the man who has to receive them all.

America expects a great deal of the man they put into the highest office of the nation. Not only do they load him down with a job that is too big for any one man to carry comfortably, but they persist in the idea that he must be continually on parade for their benefit.

Every good loyal American citizen has an interest in the president, and that interest ought to take some thought for his comfort. We pray for his health; why not help to answer that prayer by helping him to keep his health, through the simple process of not intruding on him at unseemly times?

"THE HEAD OF THE HOUSE."

Mother's place in the machinery of the household is too often not realized until she finally succumbs to the everlasting strain and goes to bed, and then the whole machine is out of kilter. The cogs will not mesh, the belts will not hold, the cam stick and the spoiled product piles up on every hand.

When mother gives up and goes to bed, everything around the house quickly changes places. Nothing is where it ought to be, and nobody knows where anything is.

the head of things. Mother seldom undertakes to disabuse his mind, but within a half hour after she has broken under the daily strain Dad has found his place and realizes that he hasn't been playing even second fiddle in the orchestra of household affairs.

Every year we observe Mothers' Day, but why not extend the time a bit? Instead of wearing a flower one day in honor of mother, why not have a "Mothers' Week"? Why not a week during which mother shall be seated like the queen she is upon household throne, with Dad and all the children joyfully playing the parts of courtiers and court attendants, and paying to mother the homage she has so honestly earned and so well deserved?

PASSING OF THE PIONEERS.

A few days ago the word passed that Jonathan Higgins had died at the home of a daughter near North Platte on April 26. This bit of news, buried under the greater news from Washington and from Europe, did not mean anything to the younger generation. But to the older generation of Nebraskans it recalled stirring days when the pioneers were building the commonwealth, and when politics was a most serious business.

Jonathan Higgins was identified with the agricultural and political life of Nebraska. He came to the territory of Nebraska in 1854, locating first at Nebraska City. He piloted a freight wagon across the plains from Nebraska City to Denver for many years. He was one of the founders of a Methodist school at Peru, later sold to the state and made the beginning of the state normal school at that place.

The life span of this good man includes the history of the territory of Nebraska, the founding of a state, and the development of a great commonwealth. A generation ago the name of Jonathan Higgins was as familiar to Nebraskans as the name of Roosevelt, Wilson or Coolidge is to the present generation. He was one of the real leaders of the revolt against old political conditions, and his frequent contributions to the press upon the political subjects of that early day were eagerly read and had a forceful effect upon the thought of that day.

Only a few are left of those who saw Nebraska's transition from a territory to a state. But they, and all those who have gone before, played well their parts in life. They braved the dangers of a trackless wilderness, strong of heart and strong of soul, and builded therein the homes from out which flowed the spirit that has made Nebraska great.

LIKE A NEEDLE IN A HAYSTACK.

The radio fan murmurs to himself, when he picks up some distant station, "How small the world is!" Indeed, it so appears, when science sets to work and puts a girdle around the globe with such speed as makes Puck seem like a modern messenger boy.

Take the case of Major Frederick L. Martin, one of the four army flyers who set out to make a trip around the world. He is missing, somewhere in Bering sea. Look at the map, and see how small this sea is in comparison to the Pacific ocean. Hardly seems possible for a man to get lost in so small a space. He was only a couple of hundred miles behind his companions when he started on his last jump, but that 200 miles was over wild water, whose angry waves surge against a wilder shore.

Two girls and two boys in Minnesota staged a holdup party and got \$15. Then the judge staged another party, and the quartet drew ten years apiece. Now one of the girls says the "investment in crime" is bunk.

Speaking of taking care of the boys, our idea of useful service would be to build a fence around the ball park out of the knottiest lumber possible.

The actors' strike will probably be called off, but once the public takes a notion to strike for better dramas it will not be called off until won.

Omaha got a most impressive object lesson of what the public and parochial schools mean to the city.

Preparations for war will diminish if reparations for peace continue in fashion.

Ambassador Hanihara seems to have been badly hurt in the recoil.

Homespun Verse

—By Omaha's Own Poet—
Robert Worthington Davis

FAREWELL.

(A Eulogy.)
There flies within the hum-drum space
Where side by side the tollers bend
To duty, each in fitted place,
From morn until the work hours end.

We Aren't Going to Need Life Guards to Prevent Drowning



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.

Butler's Business Methods.
Omaha—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: Facts about the efficiency in management of the department of accounts and finance under Dan B. Butler.

of between \$30,000 and \$35,000, and on which, if in the hands of the city of Omaha, there was a loss of about \$2,000 per year. If Butler's office was efficient the surplus money would be withdrawn long ago and the taxpayers would be benefited by the use of the money recovered.

Bein' poor never holds stylish people back. Operations are so common these days that th' weather's hardly ever mentioned any more. (Copyright, 1924.)

Table with 2 columns: Year, Paid Circulation. Rows include 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924.

Everything All Right.
Bumping into a pedestrian, a tourist slightly dented a fender. Instantly stopping the car, the occupant climbed out and proceeded to examine the machine with deep concern.

All Made Clear.
Teacher—Johnny, what are two genders?
Johnny—Masculine and feminine. The masculine are divided into temperate and intemperate, and the feminine into, frigid and torrid.—American Legion Weekly.

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SUNNY SIDE UP

"Take comfort, nor forget that sunrise never failed us yet."
Celia Thayer

WHERE LANGUAGE FAILS.
I'm not vindictive as a rule, but hats is not for me! It pains me more than I can tell when something wrong I see. And I'm compelled to lift the lid and then relieve my mind. I hate the hypocrite and cheat, the chronic grouch despiser. I'd like to boil in oil the man who feels puffed up and proud. But the one I loathe the most of all beneath life's sunny skies is the landlord who puts up the sign: "No Children Are Allowed."

At this juncture we would like to submit a question to several of our good clerical friends, including Frank Smith, George Miller and Edwin Hart Jenks:
Is it profanity ever justifiable? If not, what recourse has the father of a family when he finds it impossible to rent a decent domicile because he happens to have children? If so, is there any limit set for the emphatic language, other than time and vocabulary?

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