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Add smiles: A comeback like that of J. Hamilton Lewis.

Mayor Thompson now knows how the owner of a gored ox feels.

Coleman Du Pont dies at home in Delaware; Headed noted family.

While the East and the North have liquified, the South seems once more to have solidified.

Another thing that worries the Democrats is what they are going to do with their victory.

"But only God can make a tree," is the last line in the poem entitled "Trees" by Joyce Kilmer.

Detailed statements of Gene Tunney's earnings show how profitable are the by-products of punch.

Senator J. Thomas Heflin, of Alabama, suffered his first defeat in 34 years, but it ought to be enough.

It must be melancholy for the football stars, thinking that in a couple of weeks they'll have to go back to school.

Now that a bumper grape crop has been produced, expect that grower to boast that things this year have been fine and dandy.

Chicago racketeers have taken over the beauty parlor business, evidently in the hope of creating a permanent crime wave.

With mingled feeling of fear and hope, we await news concerning the standard price for turkeys as Thanksgiving day approaches.

Naturally enough there is some other place for a parrot that has proved so incorrigibly profane that it cannot be kept in the zoo.

The firm which eliminates or radically curtails its advertising at this time in the interest of economy is pursuing a short-sighted policy.

"Who won the war?" will step aside for the present while we discuss the more important question of "Who'll rule the House and Senate?"

The French Academy has decided officially to name the grape fruit Pamplemousse. But will a grape fruit by any other name taste as sweet?

The ground-sweeping gowns, swirling around the wearer's toes, have definitely influenced the carriage of those women and girls who have succumbed to the dictates of the dress-designer.

Don't know how you feel about it, fellow citizens but it strikes us that all this stuff being printed about Dr. Einstein and his theories about relativity, curved space, indefinite universalism and other mysteries, is just darned nonsense, and we are growing rather tired of it.

Hoover has a committee on Flood Control, but what he needs now is one on Landslide.

It is difficult to persuade yourself that a man is a liar when he says nice things about you.

What Mussolini should do is take his saber to a garage and have the rattle taken out of it.

Vice President Curtis apparently thinks that liquor law enforcement, like charity, should begin at home.

It's a great pity that the law does not compel an accounting for pre-election promises as well as expenditures.

Those scientists who are said to have split the second into millions of parts seem not to care what they do with their time.

Now what earnest philanthropist will endow a John Thomas Scopes chair of anthropology at Bryan Memorial University?

If Gene Tunney loses that \$500,000 suit against him he will again have the opportunity of giving an opponent a long count.

The chief objection of the Geneva conference is to make limitation of armaments displace the nations' zeal for imitation of armaments.

"Crimes of violence are not only on the increase but they are almost invariably committed by young men, and these offenses must be stamped out."

News item says elephant stealing is on the increase in Ceylon. Over here straw votes indicate that getting the elephant's goat is also on the increase.

From the reports received it seems the country is reconciled to the defeat of Tom Heflin and is bearing up wonderfully well under the Senate's great loss.

It now develops that a vital question of social precedence has arisen through the recent coronation festivities of Emperor Haile Belassie of Abyssinia.

The moralist who pointed out that you can't do things in halves and succeed, failed to take into consideration, apparently the case of a good football team.

Political experts at Washington say you can expect J. Ham Lewis, the Senate's snappiest dresser, to get into a couple of spats when he first takes his seat next March.

The city government of Chicago was in possession of a new grounds of defense for its difficulties in fighting crime—the theory that its crime situation was caused by handicaps placed on its municipal activities by the limitations of Illinois law.

Airing your troubles will not mitigate them.

Henry Ford is reported saying: "I don't like to read books. They muss up my mind." And we always thought he was an advocate of volume production.

Anyway, a lot of women would rather have a good cry watching a sob picture in a movie than shed a lot of tears peeling onions in the kitchen.

They call the smartly dressed J. Hamilton Lewis, Senator-elect from Illinois, a "gay old balde." But he's not exactly an ad for a razor manufacturer.

In lifting the quarantine on parrots just before election, perhaps the government reckoned its action would draw the voters' attention to the polls.

Brazil Forgetting Revolt.—Headline. And the successful insurgents no doubt find it convenient to forget some of the opponents that were tossed into jail.

A certain count with an eyebrow mustache who has been taken up by a cafe society set is quickly becoming Americanized. Already they call him "Buck."

Some churchmen are questioning the act of the late French poet who preached his own eulogy from a phonograph record. There are, of course, two sides to the question.

The newly discovered Schwassman-Watchmann comet just missed hitting the earth by 5,000,000 miles. It would have been too bad for headline writers had the thing connected.

THE CART AND THE HORSE

In his address before the National Conference on Government at Cleveland Attorney-General Gilbert B. Wetmore declared that ballot scratching as an expression of the voter's independence is weakening party lines and bringing smaller men into government, as well as pruning the effectiveness of the party as a vehicle through which majority will can be registered on political issues.

The close relation existing between voters who will not stay put in a circle and the waning influence of parties as such is clear enough. It is possible, however, that Mr. Wetmore put the electorate's cart before the party horse. A tendency to wander away from straight ticket voting is less the cause of party instability than the effect of party refusal to run up a banner that voters can see and follow.

The American political party ceased long ago to be a real instrument of policy, preferring to tread softly, offend few, and keep or win position at all costs. Especially in recent years both Republican and Democratic leaders have been reluctant, or have refused entirely, to test majority will by taking positions on which that will might have been expressed. All that was left to the independent voter who felt strongly on the issues was to slash his party adherence and vote for the men whose personal views most closely coincided with his own.

It is easy to agree with Mr. Wetmore that the remedy is not to abolish the party, but to substitute better leadership in it. It might be added that the whole party philosophy of the line of least political resistance must be discarded if the independent voter is to return, with good conscience, to the rooster or the eagle. Even if by miraculous unanimity all the ballot scratchers returned to straight voting, they could not effect one particle of the reform for which the Attorney-General appeals.

That responsibility belongs solely to the parties, and today there are some scattering signs that one or both of them may accept it.

REAL CHRISTIANITY

In the state of Ohio there is a religious sect whose members call themselves Amish. They live on farms and shun the cities. They wear queer, old-fashioned clothing; the women, long black dresses, the men, long coats and square hats. They will not use buttons on their garments. They have no use for such things as radios, autos, movies, phonographs.

Queer? Yes, indeed. But the other day an Amish community heard that there were thousands of men in Cleveland who could not get work and who, in consequence, could not eat. And at once the Amish loaded their wagons with farm produce and trekked all the way to the city, to serve free meals to the jobless.

In the book that Amish, along with many other sects, revere as holy, there is the observation: "By ye fruits ye shall know them."

THE GOLD MYSTERY

One of the interesting theories of the depression is advanced upon this page today by E. M. H. Lloyd of the British Empire Marketing Board. It is, in brief, a contention that the purchasing power of the world has been impaired by the scarcity of gold in quarters which are accustomed to using it in the ordinary channels of trade.

That economists will agree that this is the primary cause of the depression is doubtful. There is, however, such a body of authoritative opinion behind the theory that it commands respect. The debate upon the subject serves to show that we are far from understanding why the world is in its present plight. We know that it resulted from the World War, but just how is a matter for such expert opinion that the voice of the professional economist is about the only voice that commands respect. The mystery as to gold is related in the following from Editorial Research Reports:

A report of the League of Nations' gold delegation, published last month, predicts that the world's production of gold will begin sharply to diminish by 1934. In the Rand district of South Africa the gold output is expected to decline 75 per cent in the next 20 years. Nor is the delegation hopeful that new sources of gold will be discovered. It points out that only certain desert areas of Australia, Central Asia and the Sudan, along with the tropical wildernesses in which the Amazon and the Orinoco rise, have not yet been thoroughly combined over in man's age-old quest for the yellow metal.

The panic of 1893, like the depression of 1930, was explained in many quarters by a decreasing supply of gold, and hence of money. Good business conditions returned to the United States at about the time that the world's stock of gold began materially to increase—whether or no this was cause and effect. The business revival which ushered in prosperity got under way in 1879. The annual average of the world's gold production from 1881 to 1890 was 5,200,000 fine ounces; in 1893 it went to 7,600,000; in 1895, to 9,600,000; in 1897, to 11,400,000, and in 1900, to 12,300,000.

This great increase in gold production was due, first, to new discoveries in South Africa and the Klondike; and, secondly, to more economical methods of recovering gold from the ore. Those who refuse today to become pessimistic about the supply of gold in the years ahead hope that new methods will be found whereby gold may be obtained as a by-product from other metals. When the value of gold increases in terms of goods, and the costs of labor and materials become lower, gold may be profitably obtained from mines that shut down to avoid operating at a loss while gold was comparatively cheap and costs were high. Those holding the gold theory believe a more efficient distribution of the world's supply of gold, possibly at the instigation of the Bank for International Settlements, would tend to remedy the present gold shortage in some countries. Also, since gold is used as a reserve against credit, improved banking technique may reduce the proportion of gold held against the nation's currencies without impairing public confidence in those currencies. Other considerations are that peace in India, China and the return of prosperity in the Occidental nations should restore to circulation much gold now being hoarded, while less and less gold coin is being required every year as currency throughout the world.

Those that do not accept the theory that prices necessarily vary with the supply of gold insist that this is too simple a theory to be applicable to so complicated a phenomenon as today's business world, with its many and varied forms of expanding or restricting credit. This school lays the present decline in prices rather to a decline in demand due to overproduction in the past and lack of purchasing power at present.

Our observation is that the theory advanced by Mr. Lloyd is gaining ground. There is no answer to it in the current New Republic by George Soule. Mr. Soule goes so far as to disagree entirely with the theory that a managed currency would prevent a repetition of the present catastrophe, and fears that it might even make matters worse. That is, his is the school which does not believe that production can do more than halt when it overreaches itself. He says of the counter theory:

We might learn that in order to maintain sufficient popular purchasing power we must, at a time when improved technique is increasing production and reducing costs almost everywhere, allow prices to fall. Perhaps the distribution of purchasing power

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is more at fault than its total amount.

It will occur to the world that the United States and France might settle this controversy by releasing some of their gold to England and Germany. If the gold theory is correct, the result would be to replenish the depleted gold stocks of Central Europe and those of Latin America, and to restore the purchasing powers of those parts of the world in which the depression is worst. However, as Mr. Lloyd points out, that would have to be a voluntary movement. There is no international law of finance, no authority which can remind either ourselves or France of an international obligation. Both countries would have to be moved by self-interest.

PEACE AND GOOD WILL

The President's words on Armistice Day were words of peace and good will. He spoke on the high note of a cosmic humanity. But he recognized that times and conditions are not such as to warrant a blind devotion to abstract principles. He sees the world as it is. To the extent that may be prudently possible he urges the continuance of all efforts toward peace.

No one wants war. No soldier who has experienced the exigencies and horrors of conflict desires to repeat such experience. Hence the great Captain of America's armies overseas, General John Pershing on Armistice Day added his voice to those who cry for peace; but with the knowledge won from experience and the lessons of all past history, he declared it to be the duty of living veterans, and of potential defenders of the Republic, to keep well in mind the right destinies of the Nation and for that Nation to be at all times prepared, should war come, to meet it in a state of material as well as spiritual preparation.

Over in London, England, the Prince of Wales speaking to former service men warned his countrymen against letting the youth of the land forget the horrors of war. He warned that the coming generation is in danger of knowing little or nothing of the recent great war, and declared it to be a high duty of the British Legion and the British people to see to it that memory of the war never shall fade and that the youth of the Empire never shall be left in ignorance and unpreparedness.

So, throughout the world, the best minds, the most distinguished representatives of the public good, made their voices heard, agreeing that rational peace is the world's noblest goal, but making it plain that this shining goal is not to be reached by a blind trust alone in the virtues and powers of an inept altruism.

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The culmination of General Bliss's military service came with the World War. He was for a time Chief of Staff, and then President Wilson's representative on the Supreme Allied War Council. At the close of the war he was a most important member of the American delegation at the Versailles Peace Conference.

It is peculiarly appropriate to note that General Bliss, although his profession was that of warrior, was throughout his life an active worker for peace. It is understandable that this versatile man, whose first duty and effort was the defense of his country, should see with unusual acumen the evils of war, and should make its prevention the chief of his secondary interests. Not only the Army mourns the loss of General Bliss. Active seekers of international peace and justice feel the loss, and many men in foreign countries regret the passing of a gifted and gracious friend.

It is better to be deeply shocked by religion than to be sleepily satisfied about it—absolutely confident that you are going to heaven and not caring a continental whether anybody else reaches that happy destination.

ORDER OF HEARING

and Notice on Petition for Settlement of Account

In the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska.

To all persons interested in the estate of Adam Wolf, deceased: On reading the petition of H. A. Schneider, Administrator, praying a final settlement and allowance of his account filed in this Court on the 27th day of October, 1930, 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 28th day of November, A. D. 1930, 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 27th day of October, A. D. 1930.

A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge.

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In the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska.

To all persons interested in the estate of John H. Wiles, deceased: On reading the petition of J. E. Wiles, Administrator, praying a final settlement and allowance of his account filed in this Court on the 14th day of November, 1930, and for final settlement of said estate and for his discharge as said Administrator of the said estate:

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 12th day of December, A. D. 1930, at nine 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.

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To all persons interested in the estate of Myrtle L. Gillispie, deceased: On reading the petition of William P. Gillispie, Administrator, praying a final settlement and allowance of his account filed in this Court on the 12th day of November, A. D. 1930, and for final settlement of said estate and for his discharge as said Administrator of the said estate:

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To all persons interested in the estate of Amanda V. Wiley Dills, deceased: To the creditors of said estate: You are hereby notified that I will sit at the County Court room in Plattsmouth, in said county, on the 12th day of December, A. D. 1930, and the 13th day of March, A. D. 1931, at nine o'clock a. m., of each day, to receive and examine all claims against said estate, with a view to their adjustment and allowance. The time limited for the presentation of claims against said estate is three months from the 12th day of December, A. D. 1930, and the time limited for payment of debts is one year from said 12th day of December, A. D. 1930.

NOTICE

to Stockholders, Directors, Depositors and Claimants of Bank of Cass County, Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

You and each of you are hereby notified that the receiver of the above named bank has filed his final report as receiver and has made application to be discharged as receiver; that you are further notified that a hearing on said application for discharge of said receiver will be had in the court house at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, on the 24th day of November, 1930, at 10 o'clock a. m., or as soon thereafter as said cause may be heard.

Objections to the discharge of said receiver must be filed with the Clerk of the District Court on or before the time of hearing above named.

E. J. DEMPSTER, Receiver, Bank of Cass County, Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

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NOTICE OF SUIT TO QUIET TITLE

In the District Court of the County of Cass, Nebraska

George K. Petring, Plaintiff

vs. The County of Cass, Nebraska et al, Defendants.

NOTICE

To the Defendants, Herman Neitzel, and all persons having or claiming any interest in and to Lots five (5) and six (6), in Block fifty-four (54), in the City of Plattsmouth, Cass county, Nebraska, excepting that part of Lot 6 lying within 40 feet of the center of Chicago Avenue in said city, real names unknown:

You and each of you are hereby notified that George K. Petring, as plaintiff, filed a petition and commenced an action in the District Court of Cass county, Nebraska, on the 1st day of November, 1930, against you and each of you and others; the object, purpose and prayer of which is to obtain a decree of the Court quieting title to Lots five (5) and six (6), in Block fifty-four (54), in the City of Plattsmouth, Cass county, Nebraska, excepting that part of Lot 6 lying within 40 feet of the center of Chicago Avenue in said city, in plaintiff as against you and each of you and all persons claiming by, through or under said defendants, to enjoin all of said defendants in said suit from having or claiming any interest in said real estate and for such other relief as may be just and equitable in said premises.

You and each of you are further notified that you are required to answer said petition on or before Monday, the 15th day of December, 1930, or the allegations therein contained will be taken as true and a decree rendered in favor of the plaintiff, George K. Petring, as against you and each of you according to the prayer of said petition.

GEORGE K. PETRING, Plaintiff.

W. A. ROBERTSON, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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