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This is a poor time of the year to get heated up over frozen assets. Depression or no, figures certainly are improving with the return to curves.

New York police report a sharp decline in pocket-picking. Mebbe it's because pockets are no longer worth picking.

The Kentucky hen that lays oversized eggs has no economic sense at all. Pat James ought to go and see about her.

It's a very nice world and living in it is more fun every day, but about all you can hope to make out of it is expenses.

"Drink a bunch of grapes," urges an advertisement. Fine in the evening, but we think a doubtnut is a better morning beverage.

Apropos of those girls with coats of tan, isn't it odd that the human race, after looking at the sun for several million years, has suddenly decided it is healthy?

What happens in a family circle is nobody's business outside. The Arabians have a proverb for it: "My brother and I quarrel, but it is we two against the world."

Snake venom is used in South Africa in the treatment of epilepsy, hysteria, and shell shock, maybe on the theory that the remedy being worse than the disease, the disease will be speedily forgotten.

A dispatch the other day told of a farmer in Dakota who turned his turkeys loose on the grasshoppers and the hoppers ate the feathers off the turkeys. That makes Winsted, Conn., where the nine-legged calves come from, look pretty cheap.

Out in California a movie actor is faced with a divorce suit, a bigamy charge, and an action for breach of promise. That's just about enough feminine trouble for one man.

Gangsters are said to be using a drug called marijuana, which kills all fear and pity in them. Why would it not be a good idea to use a little of it on some of the jurors who try them?

We fear the New York police department isn't up on its James Barrie. Sir James pointed out in one of his early works that in affairs of cups, the Scotchman's knees were far weaker than his head, while in Englishmen the reverse was true.

The poor, despised nickle, once so poor that none would pay it reverence, has come back into its own. With a nickle you can now buy a sandwich, a glass of milk, or a fairly good cigar. It will not be surprising if the nickle finally regains its prestige in the Sunday collection plate.

One of the bright and imaginative propagandists of the world's wealthiest man splashes a story across a whole page of one of the current magazines and conveys us the thrilling information that Henry Ford used to carry his noonday lunch to the factory in a tin bucket. Henry must have used that same darned tin bucket to fashion the front fender of a Ford that sideswiped us the other night and then fled away in the darkness.

WHY RACKETS STAY
Attorney-General Mitchell is entirely right in saying that the Federal government cannot be expected to do all the work of breaking up gangs in cities like New York and Chicago.

Commenting on the Capone indictments and allied cases, Mr. Mitchell recently said:

"Every time we make a move like that people think we're taking over the entire job of extinguishing rackets. That is not our job. Of course we are glad to help, but there will be rackets as long as the public in the municipalities allows them to stay."

That is the sort of thing that needs to be said very often. Big city gangs exist because the public tolerates them. Any city could get rid of its gangs in a fortnight if its inhabitants really wished to.

A pair of gloves said to have been worn by Shakespeare have been acquired by a Philadelphia museum. What we would like to see is a pair of Bill's galluses. How that boy kept his pants up while pacing furiously up and down the floor dictating words of wisdom to a stenographer has always been to us a profound mystery.

I remark to myself as I look at the crowd, "Oh, why should the spirit of mortal be proud?" And the chances are good that some whom I see have a similar thought while they're looking at me.

FRANCE IS REASSURED
Failure of the extremist attack on the Prussian Government has had a deep and important effect in removing much of the distrust of Germany which permeated public opinion in France. There has been a complete change of tone, and many voices now are heard of Finance Pierre Etienne Flandin to facilitate credits to Germany. This result alone is decidedly worth while.

France will still move with caution. But it will move. Its caution was freezing into immobility. Now negotiations already are proceeding with a view to the continuance of French credits in Germany, and it is understood that the French demand for guarantees is of a nature that can be met by Germany.

Ten days ago the projected visit of Premier Laval to the German capital was still in doubt. While British, Italian, American and German Ministers were exchanging visits, the inclination of the French was to hold aloof. Now this reluctance has largely vanished. It was considered impossible for M. Laval to go to Berlin while the Prussian plebiscite was pending, and had the popular decision gone against the Government of Premier Otto Braun, it is virtually certain that M. Laval would have been obliged by public opinion to remain at home. But with partial restoration of confidence in Germany, plans are proceeding, for the first sojourn of a French Premier in the German capital since the war.

Such news is gratifying. Whatever may be the practical outcome of the French visit, it will denote unquestionably that the tension which existed between the two countries is relieved. That in itself will be good for Germany, for France and for the world.

There can be no doubt that a warm reception will be given to M. Laval in Berlin. Of almost equal importance is the proposed visit of Premier Mussolini to Germany. Between Italy and Germany relations are excellent. They have common interests and aims. Both advocate revision of the peace treaties. Both desire the success of the Disarmament Conference. Doubtless they have special motives, but diplomatically their collaboration would have great significance.

The prospective presence of Premier Laval and Premier Mussolini at Berlin, completing a round of European calls, indicates that more than ever Europe is awarde of the necessity of realizing international solidarity in fact as well as in theory.

VITAL RATE PRINCIPLES

The wisdom of a reasonable adjustment of freight rates to serve the urgent needs of the railroads, rather than the 15 per cent flat increase, becomes increasingly apparent. Such an adjustment of the interstate commerce commission ought to be able to work out when all the information bearing upon the situation is in hand. Spokesmen of half a dozen midwestern states an of the National Grange have urged two particularly vital considerations at the hearings in Washington. They include the obvious fact that the farmers are in no position to stand any sort of increase in transportation costs, and that such an advance as has been requested would be of exceedingly doubtful value to the carriers themselves.

The latter question is reported to have been given serious attention, especially by the western roads, before any agreement was reached to ask for the horizontal increase. That agreement seems finally to have come with the assumption that what was believed an emergency situation demanded emergency action. But the commission wisely refused to follow a hasty course in the matter. It proceeded to hear both sides of the controversy; and, of course, will render its decision in the light of the evidence produced.

The railroads have suffered heavy losses, both from depression and competition of other carriers. But other forms of industry have suffered; some of them, notably agriculture, to an even greater extent, if not from identical causes. Lower prices, generally, have been a result. It is noted that the railroads repeatedly have resorted to rate reductions to meet competition. It is a serious question as to whether the reverse of this procedure, increasing rates, would not drive still more business from the roads.

Certainly, with such leading farm commodities as wheat and cotton selling at ruinous prices for the producers, an increase in transportation costs would be disastrous. There must be fairness to both the carriers and to distressed industries. It ought to be possible to make rate adjustments on that basis. Only through such a procedure could the interests of the railroads themselves be preserved.

ALFALFA BILL AND OIL
Governor Murray's attempt to hold down Oklahoma oil production by use of the national guard in order to insure a healthy price for the product in the state is easy to sympathize with, and represents an effort to get by direct governmental action what private negotiation has never, heretofore, been able to accomplish.

Nevertheless, the Governor is probably due for disillusionment. An example of the obstacles in his way came early in his campaign. As soon as he stopped Oklahoma production, Texas producers offered to deliver oil in Oklahoma at a price, including freight charges, of around fifty cents a barrel—while Governor Murray has been fighting for a price of one dollar.

Probably no state will ever be able to regulate action and thorough agreement among the oil men themselves to accomplish what Governor Murray is trying to do.

Legal and commercial printing of all kinds at the Journal office.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The State of Nebraska, Cass county, ss.
In the County Court, of the estate of Emma C. Miller, 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 11th day of September, A. D. 1931, and on the 12th day of December, A. D. 1931, at ten o'clock in the forenoon 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 11th day of September, A. D. 1931, and the time limited for payment of debts is one year from said 11th day of September, 1931.

Witness my hand and the seal of said County Court this 14th day of August, 1931. A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge.

NOTICE OF HEARING

In the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska.

In the matter of the guardianship of John Wurga, mentally incompetent. To all persons interested in the guardianship of John Wurga, mentally incompetent:

You are hereby notified that an application has been filed in this Court by James E. Wurga, Guardian of said John Wurga, mentally incompetent, for an order of Court authorizing him to lease the land consisting of approximately 165 acres which is now leased to Albert Wurga and James E. Wurga for a cash rent of \$850.00 under an order of this Court dated November 14, 1927, and to reduce said annual cash rent to \$650.00 for the reason that said applicant alleges that approximately fifteen acres of said farm land has been washed away and the balance of said land is now subject to overflow.

You are further notified that hearing will be had in the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska, at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, upon said application on the 29th day of August, A. D. 1931, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. and that you are required to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of said application should not be granted, otherwise the prayer of the said petitioner may be allowed and authorized.

By the Court. A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge.

NOTICE OF REFEREE'S SALE

In the District Court of the County of Cass, Nebraska
William Mangold, a et d
vs.
Lola Mangold; Ruby Mangold, single; Ella Loeck and husband, Jacob Loeck; Edward Mangold and wife, Lottie Mangold; Alice Hughes and husband, Perry Hughes; Oscar Mangold and wife, Hazel Mangold; Walter Mangold and wife, Mary Mangold and Winnie Dudley, widow.
Plaintiffs,
vs.
Paul Mangold, a minor, and Louis Schiessl, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of a decree of the District Court of Cass County, Nebraska, entered in the above entitled cause on the 29th day of July, 1931, and an order of sale issued by said court on the 29th day of July, 1931, the undersigned, sole referee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the south front door of the Court House in the City of Plattsmouth, Cass County, Nebraska, on the 1st day of September, 1931, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following described real estate, to-wit:

The northwest quarter (NW 1/4) of section twenty-three (23), Township twelve (12), north, Range twelve (12), east of the 6th p. m., in Cass County, Nebraska.
Said sale will be held open for one hour. Abstract of title will be furnished to purchaser; terms of sale 10% of the amount of the bid at time of sale and balance on confirmation; possession to be given March 1, 1932. Dated this 29th day of July, 1931.

WILLIAM G. KIECK, Referee.
V. A. ROBERTSON, Attorney for Plaintiffs.
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ORDER OF HEARING and Notice on Petition for Settlement of Account

In the County Court of Cass County, Nebraska, State of Nebraska, Cass County, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of Mary Burian, deceased: On reading the petition of Andrew Rabb, praying a final settlement and allowance of his account filed in this Court on the 28th day of July, 1931, and for assignment of the residue of said estate and for his discharge as administrator of 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 28th day of August, A. D. 1931, at ten 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 heretofore set my hand and the seal of said Court this 28th day of July, A. D. 1931. A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge.

ORDER OF HEARING and Notice on Petition for Settlement of Account

In the County Court of Cass County, Nebraska, State of Nebraska, Cass County, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of Margaret Martens, deceased: On reading the petition of Henry J. Martens, executor, praying a final settlement and allowance of his account filed in this Court on the 29th day of July, 1931, and for an order of assignment and distribution of the residue of said estate and for his discharge;

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 August, A. D. 1931, at ten 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 heretofore set my hand and the seal of said Court this 29th day of July, A. D. 1931. A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge.

ORDER OF HEARING and Notice on Petition for Settlement of Account

In the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska, State of Nebraska, Cass county, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of William D. Wheeler, deceased: On reading the petition of W. A. Wheeler, praying a final settlement and allowance of his account filed in this Court on the 8th day of August, 1931 and for assignment of the assets of said estate and his discharge as 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 4th day of September, A. D. 1931 at ten 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 heretofore set my hand and the seal of said Court this 8th day of August, A. D. 1931. A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge.

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL

In the County Court of Cass County, Nebraska, State of Nebraska, County of Cass, ss.

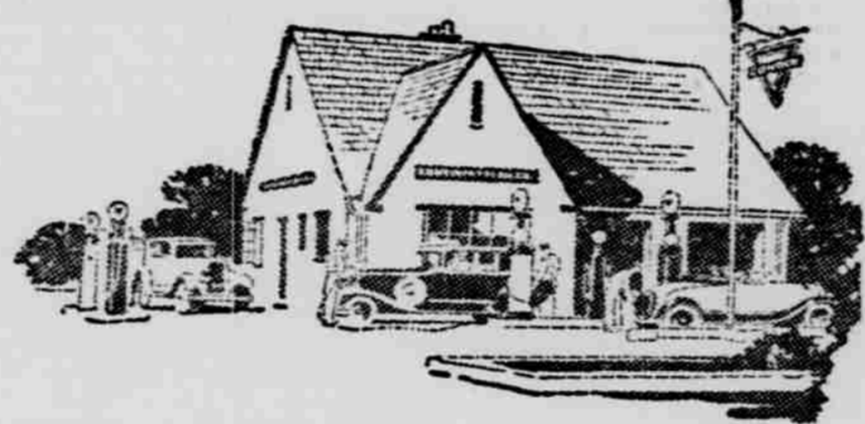
To all persons interested in the estate of Byron Atkinson, deceased. On reading the petition of Minnie E. Marolf and Harry F. Marolf, praying that the instrument filed in this court on the first day of August, 1931, and purporting to be the last will and testament of the said deceased, may be proved and allowed and recorded as the last will and testament of Byron Atkinson, deceased; that said instrument be admitted to probate and the administration of said estate be granted to Minnie E. Marolf and Harry F. Marolf;

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 August, A. D. 1931, at 10 o'clock a. m. to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioners should not be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and that 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.

Witness my hand, and the seal of said court, this 1st day of August, A. D. 1931. A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge.



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