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Used cars can be purchased very cheaply these days. There's a chance for you to drive a bargain.

It's going to take some mighty big platforms next year to list everything the parties stand for.

The nickel now buys a fairly good cigar and it also is accepted in contribution baskets at its face value.

A newspaper wants to know how to reduce the number of reckless motorists. Why not establish more railroad crossings?

Opportunity is ever worth expecting; let your hook be ever hanging ready. The fish will be in the pool where you least imagine it to be.

Judging from the number of women you see going to work these days, things are getting back to the way they were before Columbus discovered America.

We don't set it down as an iron-clad rule, but generally speaking, if while reading an account of a scene in the British parliament you encounter the name of Lady Astor, the dispatch doesn't contain any news of world importance.

Finance is easy when you understand why England makes herself poor by borrowing from France the money France borrowed from her.

"Politics" is defined by Webster as "the art or science of government." What a blessing it would be if we could use it in that sense and be understood.

One of the good things about this depression is that it has taught the American people a finer knowledge of arithmetic and the importance of close figuring.

In making bets on the Athletics to win the world series, be sure to make it clear to the stakeholder whether you are betting on this year's series or next year's. The experts have already conceded them the 1932 pennant.

The sheriff of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, has been charged, within one short week, with misfeasance and nonfeasance in official duty, and there appears to be a temporary pause now while the prosecuting forces look around to see if there are any other feasancess on the statute books which have been overlooked.

Sensible men are always deaf to unjust criticism.

Love is a game that is never called on account of darkness.

Don't cry over spilled milk. Just get up before daylight and swipe your neighbor's milk bottle.

Look for better times! Everybody has about caught up with spending fortunes they did not possess.

Speaking of deflation, the town of Nitro, West Virginia, on which Uncle Sam spent \$70,000,000, has just been sold for \$250,000.

An inventor says he has almost perfected a device with which to see through fog. President Hoover is no doubt especially interested.

Don't worry if your boy appears dull and almost half-witted. He may grow up to be a man who devises plans to save farmers from wreck on a ruin.

It must be more or less galling to Mr. Shaw to observe the British government going on with its troubles and not even listing him even as a minor problem.

Now comes a proposal for a moratorium on mortgage installment payments on homes. It is even reported that bootleggers are considering requesting a moratorium on prohibition raids.

It now appears that the suspension of Hack Wilson and Pat Malone from the Chicago Cub payroll came about because they beat up two newspaper sports writers. Nobody regards their showing in this event very high class. They're both big fellows, and should have been able to beat up a lot more than two sports writers.

NEED REAL EDUCATION

The Carnegie Foundation, complaining that the college senior often approaches graduation with a stock of knowledge that is only a little larger than that of the average freshman, touches on a point that has occurred to many people in the last few years.

The complaint, in fact, has been voiced before. Supposedly educated young men and women have turned out to be pitifully ignorant, not only about the arts and sciences but about such elementary subjects as grammar, spelling, geography, and history. Never, indeed have the attainments of American colleges and universities been called into question as often as in the past decade.

It is, of course, as the Carnegie Foundation remarks, distressing to find college graduates who do not know the meaning of such words as "inert," "lax," and "immerse," and who think that "deceit" and "climate" mean the same thing; but while we must agree that such a person is hardly educable, it would be a mistake to think that education consists simply, or even chiefly, of the amassing of a great store of facts.

Primarily, an educated man is a man who can think things out for himself—indeed, who not only can, but does. Education is first of all the process of teaching him how to use his brains properly. It is not supposed to make of him a storehouse of information. An educated man is not necessarily a walking encyclopedia.

The one serious criticism that has been made of higher education in America is that it too often fails in just this respect—it stuffs students with facts and does not show them the importance of developing their own mental powers.

Intellectual independence and

fearlessness, a habit of mind that doubts and examines things—these are the traits a college graduate should have above everything else. In a summer that has seen one of our largest universities summarily fire a valued professor because some of the trustees vaguely felt that he was "too radical," the strictures of the Carnegie report do not seem very important.

PORTRAITS ON STAMPS

Next year the post office department will celebrate the bicentennial of the birth of the first President by issuing a dozen new stamps of considerable historical and artistic interest. They will all be portrait stamps of George Washington, carefully copied from famous paintings, miniatures, and statues. It has taken two months to prepare the dies, which are cut by hand on steel with the aid of diamond-pointed gravers and magnifying glasses.

Collectors of stamps, of course, will eagerly await the new issue, though they sometimes complain that the United States publishes more than its share of commemorative stamps. But the public will also find it interesting to study these tiny portraits each representing the work of a skilled artist, and all of them copied from pictures done in the eighteenth century. From their combined testimony it should be possible to gather an accurate likeness of Washington, which may modify somewhat the impression gained from the familiar two-cent stamp or the equally popular portrait of Stuart.

Well, as the tourist season draws to a close, we are happy to report that the elderly gentlemen who think they were younger they certainly would stay in Russia and see the experiment through are all safely home.

INVENTIONS & UNEMPLOYMENT

Many persons have an uneasy suspicion that machinery, time and labor-saving innovations, and inventions that reduce factory operations and cut down the cost of production, have much to do with unemployment. It is true that a new invention applied to industrial operations will often decrease the demand for labor in that particular field. But it is equally true that applied inventions may also result in an increased demand for human labor as they become more widely used.

The discovery that steam might be used for power temporarily displaced a large volume of human labor in factories, yet it was the steam engine that established the steel industry as one of the five greatest industries in the modern world. Thus we see that the practical and legitimate use of an invention ultimately increases and extends the field of employment. The great problem lies in what happens to the laborer during the transition, which may take either months or decades.

Mahatma Gandhi's dream of a nation of hand-weavers of cloth, if ever attempted, could never begin to furnish opportunity for as much human labor as does the power loom, for this, among other reasons: ...at power looms have made possible the production of cloth in such volume and at such a low cost that everyone who needs cloth can purchase it. The home spinning wheel may be both poetic and picturesque, but it is neither practical nor profitable as a means of mass production.

This is true not only of inventions but of all the means of production and exchange. It is by the use and right adjustment of these, that continuous employment can be assured, and unemployment kept to a minimum and eventually eliminated. National, international, and private organization can do something toward stabilizing and adjusting economic conditions, but the underlying solution lies in the individual discovery that the use of what we possess, whether it be property, knowledge, or skill, is productive and natural. Perhaps one of the great lessons the world needs to learn today is that taught in the Parable of the Talents. Ten dollars in circulation is of immeasurably more value than is an equal amount in the bank. In circulation it provides work for somebody; in the bank, comparatively speaking, it lies fallow. Thrift is a virtue, but thrift may become unwitting theft—the theft of someone else's opportunity to work. It is significant that at a time when there is such widespread unemployment there is a tremendous volume of unused money in banks.

But it must be rightly used. Money used to finance a sweepstake, or for speculation which provides nothing more tangible than unearned increment through the artificial manipulation of stocks and securities, never will solve the economic problem. And it is the individual who primarily is responsible for the right use of money, time, knowledge, skill, and opportunity. What the world needs is not less invention but more putting to work of the inventions which are constantly coming forward.

GANDHI'S GIRL DISCIPLINE

Nila Cram Cook, the 21-year-old American girl, who has joined Mahatma Gandhi's movement in India, is putting the trend of modern womanhood in reverse. The average American girl, rejoicing in her freedom, has no desire to tie herself up with anything that might affect her independence. She wants freedom and action. And the girls of other nations have been catching her spirit.

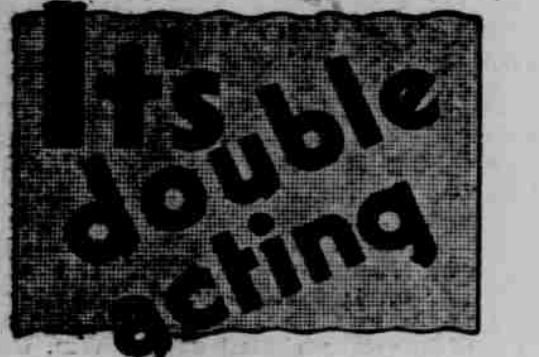
But Miss Coko has sacrificed lipstick, powders, Empress Eugenie bonnets, jazz, chiffon hose—all the other accoutrements of the modern girl. Undoubtedly she is sincere in her action. Otherwise the spectacular side of her act would not compensate for the hardships that attend it. Whether she is making an unnecessary gesture or not is a matter of opinion. But she deserves credit for her courage.

CONSTANT BLOOD TIES

The desire to find his family somewhere is present in every man, no matter how he may have roamed around the world, or how long it has been since he has seen those who are bound to him by blood ties.

David Lynn, who has had 50 years' experience in Africa, left his family in a little town between Latvia and Lithuania a long time ago. He was just a boy then and he wanted adventure.

About four years ago correspondence was started which has succeeded in reuniting him with some of his family. He is just as glad to see the people who belong to him as he would have been if their lives had



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Journal Want Ads get results.

NOTICE TO TAKE DEPOSITION

In the District Court of Cass county, Nebraska.
Josie Brown, Plaintiff, vs. Fred Brown, Defendant.
To Fred Brown, Defendant: The above named defendant will take notice that on Thursday, the 20th day of October, 1931, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, the plaintiff will take the deposition of Josie Brown and Cecil Walte, to be used as evidence on the trial of the above entitled cause at Scottsbluff, Nebraska, before Lois Bohnert, a Notary Public in the Murphy building.
Dated this 28th day of August, A. D. 1931.
JOSIE BROWN, Plaintiff.
By W. G. Kieck, Her Attorney.

NOTICE OF SUIT TO QUIET TITLE

In the District Court of the County of Cass, Nebraska.
Ada Ferris, Plaintiff, vs. Fayette W. Miner, et al, Defendants.

To the Defendants: Fayette W. Miner, Annie Miner, Rufus Bane, Mrs. Rufus Bane, real name unknown, the heirs, devisees, legatees, personal representatives and all other persons interested in the estates of Fayette W. Miner, Annie Miner, Rufus Bane, Mrs. Rufus Bane, each deceased, real names unknown, and all persons having or claiming any interest in and to the northeast quarter of Section ten (10), Township eleven (11), north, Range thirteen (13), east of the 6th p. m. in Cass County, Nebraska, except a tract containing 15 acres off of the west side thereof, described as follows: Commencing at the northwest corner of said northeast quarter of Section 10, Township 11, north, Range 13, east, thence east 17 rods, thence in a southwesterly direction to a point in the south line of said quarter section, 13 rods east of the southwest corner thereof, thence west 13 rods to the southwest corner of said quarter section; thence north 160 rods to the place of beginning, real names unknown, defendants.

You and each of you are hereby notified that Ada Ferris, as plaintiff, filed a petition and commenced an action in the District Court of the County of Cass, Nebraska, on the 28th day of August, 1931, against you and each of you. The object, purpose and prayer of which is to obtain a decree of court quieting the title to the northeast quarter of Section 10, Township 11, north, Range 13, east of the 6th p. m., in Cass County, Nebraska, except a tract containing 15 acres off of the west side thereof, described as follows: Commencing at the northwest corner of said northeast quarter of Section 10, Township 11, north, Range 13, east, thence east 17 rods, thence in a southwesterly direction to a point in the south line of said quarter section, 13 rods east of the southwest corner thereof, thence west 13 rods to the southwest corner of said quarter section; thence north 160 rods to the place of beginning, in plaintiff, as against you and each of you, and for such other relief as may be just and equitable in the premises.

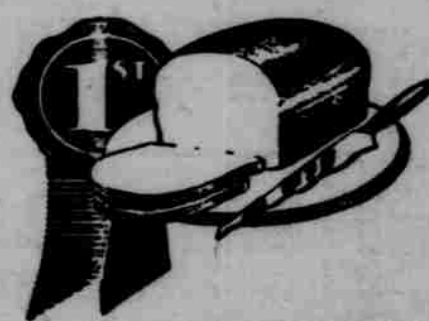
You and each of you are further notified that you are required to answer said petition on or before Monday, the 12th day of October, 1931, or the allegations therein contained will be taken as true and a decree will be rendered in favor of the plaintiff against you and each of you according to the prayer of said petition.

ADA FERRIS, Plaintiff.
JOHN M. LEYDA, Her Attorney. a31-4w

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