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Many of the blue laws should be set aside, and all of the "blue singers."

They've found wild wheat that can withstand a drought, but wild oats require as much moisture as ever.

Altho Mills is running the Treasury, it is perhaps too much to expect the Treasury to be running the mills.

The Detroit News thinks special care should be taken, when the kidnapping is solved, to see that the New Jersey police are notified.

We note that there is a movement among brides to have cook books printed in English. It's a long, hard campaign, though, as those can testify who tried the same reform for the football guide.

The editor believes this must be the height of something or other: He got a letter the other day with a 1-cent stamp on it. Of course, the postoffice department would not allow it to go out without the payment of another penny. The envelope contained a cancellation of subscription order.

A new flower, discovered in Central Africa, is to be called Niffidolliphantissianthum. We hope not to have to refer to this again.

If we were the Filipinos, what with all these goings-on in Shanghai, we think we would decide to stick to Uncle Sam a little longer.

Japan does not want an acre of Manchuria soil, a Jap statesman says. That's right, all it wants is what Manchuria grows and makes.

It has been proved that a herring traveled from New York to Liverpool. Goldfish, of course, think nothing of going right round the globe.

The American citizen has the privilege of changing his mind about Prohibition, but if booze comes back he'll probably have trouble minding his change.

The Russian Soviet leaders are trying to make their workers speed up production by giving them music along with their work. Patriotic and martial airs have been found to give results, but jazz foxtrots haven't been tried, because they are considered bourgeois. Well, so are high production records.

The annual report shows that the Philippines had a surplus in the treasury last year. That proves that they haven't yet been thoroughly Americanized.

Another thing that is pretty expensive to the taxpayers, is the long line of portraits of celebrities that clutter up the halls of our national and state buildings.

A young man was killed by a stray bullet as he stepped from the door after attending Sunday school. The moral to that story is that he should have stayed for church.

"Divorce fee, \$50 paid; will sell for \$25," says an ad. Now if a fellow could pick up a due bill on a small couple at a discount, he could go to housekeeping and feel pretty safe.

Another nice thing—we forget what the others are—about paying income tax on the Ides of March, is the sort of kinship you feel for Julius Caesar, who also met his Waterloo on that day.

All we know about Tammany jobholders who build up bank balances in the hundreds of thousands on ordinary salaries is that they probably don't keep joint checking accounts with their wives.

Jud Tunkins says if all you want with money is to keep it around and look at it, a few millions of those unsecured German paper marks is just as good currency for hoarding purposes as any.

American months, says a statistic, consumed 272 bushels of apples every second last year, and this being a campaign year, we fancy American ears will consume an even greater quantity of the sauce thereof.

A MEMORIAL TO WASHINGTON

The Washington bicentennial year should call the interested attention of Americans to a movement which has for its purpose the honoring of the first president by construction of a fitting memorial building in the national capital. This project was launched with an authorization by Congress in a Public Buildings Act of March 4, 1913, was held in abeyance during the World War and now has been revived with every expectation that it will be carried to achievement.

The George Washington Memorial Association, under the presidency of Mrs. Henry F. Dimock in Washington has designed a structure of classic architecture for erection on a site given by the Government near the Washington Monument and the foundations have been laid and paid for. The building is intended to contain an auditorium capable of seating from 7,000 to 11,000 persons, and other rooms including a Washington Museum, a Mary Washington room in memory of the general's mother, and a room for each state of the Union. The memorial would carry out a desire voiced by its namesake, who urged the last Congress under his Presidency to "promote an institution for the general diffusion of knowledge."

The association has raised more than \$1,000,000 of the \$10,000,000 necessary for the project and is endeavoring to complete the fund. Efforts toward raising the money are under way in Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, California and some mid-western states, and the movement will go forward on a national scale in a few weeks.

The appropriateness of such a memorial is bound to commend itself to all Americans who are moved by the bicentennial celebrations or other impulses to review the career of their national hero. It was well pointed out by Prof. Thomas J. Wertenbaker in a recent issue of Current History that the United States is exceptionally fortunate in having as the prime figure in its history a character so worthy to be held before the eyes of the nation's youth as a model of balanced virtues, integrity and courage. The halls of the Senate lately heard, too, the eulogium pronounced upon him by Lord Brougham, the British statesman. As read by Senator Borah, it includes the passage:

This is the consummate glory of Washington; a triumphant warrior where the most sanguine had a right to despair; a successful ruler in all the difficulties of a course wholly untried; but a warrior, whose sword only left its sheath when the first law of our nature commanded it to be drawn; and a ruler who, having tasted of supreme power, gently and unostentatiously desired that the cup might pass from him, nor would suffer more to wet his lips than the most solemn and sacred duty to his country and his God required!

In view of such worth it will be a pleasure to Americans to contribute to the proposed memorial. By doing so they may not only honor the edifice of great usefulness to posterity.

HOME-GROWN TRACTOR FUEL

There are seven and one-half million fewer horses in the United States now than ten years ago. With the passing of those horses disappeared a market for the products of thirty million acres of farm land. That the farmer himself has contributed to the shrinkage of his own market is shown by the fact that there are nearly four times as many tractors and more than six times as many trucks on American farms as ten years ago. The internal combustion engine undoubtedly has been a large contributor to the farm surplus problem.

As one northern Nebraska farmer aptly said to the writer last summer: "My tractor uses only shipped in fuel, while the feed I raise must be shipped out to be worth anything at all. It's back to horse power for me from now on."

An all over the west there is a hard times trend toward horses as a source of farm power. But while the horse will always fill a useful place on the farm, it is not likely that farmers, except under the spur of necessity, will willingly forgo the speed and convenience of mechanical power.

At the same time many farmers are wondering why they cannot grow their own tractor fuel. Just as they used to grow their own oats for horse feed. Ethyl alcohol, which can be made from many kinds of vegetation, is good for motor fuel. The proposal has been made that surplus grain be made into denatured alcohol and shipped back to the farmers for use in their tractors. A simpler plan would be for each farmer to have his own still and make his motor fuel out of this and that around the farm, but the individual farmer could not afford the expense of a revenue officer to do the denaturing.

There are other alcohols that are non-drinkable, however, and it is quite possible that chemical research might devise a simple means of supplying one of these alcohols that could be produced on a community basis if not on the individual farm.

What is even more likely is that an internal combustion motor may be developed which will use furtural, a product easily made from almost anything grown on the farm. The Diesel engine can be readily operated with furtural as fuel, and the rapid strides in perfecting light Diesel engines indicate that this type of motor may soon be adapted to the farm tractor. When that is done, he oats for which old Dobbin no longer furnishes a market may be used to make fuel to feed Dobbin's successor.

COMMENTING UPON A RECENT TRAGEDY

What is best and what is worst in the human race comes out at a kidnapping. The worst qualities of unimaginative brutality—when it is not simple insanity—are displayed by the men or women who can abstract a child from the security of his home and subject him to the terrors of existence among total strangers, and his parents to terrors of apprehension worse than anything that could actually befall their stolen baby.

But once the kidnapers have done their work, the generous industry that instantly springs into being warms the heart. That the latest unfortunate kidnaped child was already world famous makes only a little difference.

The police, the press, the telegraph, the wireless—every possible agency of detection—at once are pressed into a etion; every man in the street could fancy himself an amateur detective and would experience a consuming satisfaction in being the one to discover the lost child and restore him safely to his parents' protection.

The newspapers are yielding to sound journalistic instinct when they print pages of matter and of pictures telling the Lindbergh story. The Lindberghs, reportedly to their chagrin, are always good copy. Yet not their own established fame but the quick human sympathies of millions of newspaper readers make the story worth the spread heads that are being devoted to it.

A few weeks ago a mother and father, leaving a friend's house with their baby ill of bronchitis, picked up a bottle of poison instead of the cough medicine they meant to take. They were obscure people.

Yet when, an hour or so after they had left in their small sedan, the loss was discovered, just as many agencies of communication were put to work to find them and tell them of the mistake before it was too late as are in operation now for the Lindberghs.

Every sedan of that particular make on every possible road they might have taken was stopped by a police officer and examined for mother, father and baby.

Ten or 15 minutes before it was time for the next dose of cough medicine the trio was found—and possible disaster averted. Moreover, the story was front page news and there is no doubt that many a reader's heart was warmed by its fortunate ending.

When the Drifter rails over the alarming increase of communication in the world, when he suspects that we are betrayed rather than helped by the mechanical wonders of radio, gasoline engine and the swiftly spread printed word, he cheerfully makes exceptions of events like these.

There are times when we need to save time and space; and in those times it is fairly often in order to help persons in distress. The rising flood, the burning house, desperate disease, abduction, murder, fatal accident—all are matters that must be known about quickly so that the deep instinct for generous assistance to the unfortunate which is so powerful in the human race can have an opportunity of expressing itself.

We are a world of hundreds of millions, many thousands of miles apart, separated by languages as well as oceans, yet at certain times we seem very close together.—The Drifter in the Nation.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The state of Nebraska, Cass County, ss. In the County Court. In the matter of the estate of William G. Rauth, 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 1st day of April, A. D. 1932, and on the 2nd day of July, A. D. 1932, 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 1st day of April, A. D. 1932, and the time limited for payment of debts is one year from said 1st day of April, 1932.

SHERIFF'S SALE

State of Nebraska, County of Cass ss. By virtue of an Order of Sale issued by C. E. Ledgway, Clerk of the District Court within and for Cass County, Nebraska, and to me directed, I will on the 16th day of April, A. D. 1932, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day at the south front door of the court house in the City of Plattsmouth, in said county, Nebraska, offer for sale at public vendue the following described real estate, to-wit:

The west half of Lot 2 and all of Lot 3 in Block 16, in Latta's first addition to the Village of Murray, in Cass county, Nebraska.

ORDER OF HEARING AND NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL

In the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska, ss. State of Nebraska, Cass county, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Rudolph H. Ramsel, deceased. On reading the petition of Tillie Ramsel praying that the instrument filed in this court on the 7th day of March, 1932, 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 Rudolph H. Ramsel, deceased; that said instrument be admitted to probate and the administration of said estate be granted to Tillie Ramsel, as Executrix. 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 8th day of April, A. D. 1932, at ten o'clock a. m., to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should 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.

SHERIFF'S SALE

State of Nebraska, County of Cass, ss. By virtue of an Order of Sale issued by C. E. Ledgway, Clerk of the District Court, within and for Cass County, Nebraska, and to me directed, I will on the 9th day of April, A. D. 1932, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day at the South front door of court house in Plattsmouth, Nebraska, in said County, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following real estate to-wit:

West quarter (W 1/4) of the southwest quarter (SW 1/4) of Section twenty (20) in Township twelve (12) north; Range twelve (12) East of the sixth principal meridian in Cass County, Nebraska;

SHERIFF'S SALE

State of Nebraska, County of Cass, ss. By virtue of an Order of Sale, issued by C. E. Ledgway, Clerk of the District Court within and for Cass County, Nebraska, and to me directed, I will on the 2nd day of April, A. D. 1932, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day at the south front door of the Court House, in the City of Plattsmouth, in said County, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, to-wit:

The north eighty-seven (87) feet of Lots one (1), two (2), three (3) and four (4), Block four (4), in the Original Town of Plattsmouth, Cass County, Nebraska, as surveyed, platted and recorded, together with all the appurtenances thereto belonging, subject to the lien of Occidental Building and Loan Association;

The same being levied upon and taken as the property of Edith Martin, defendant, to satisfy a judgment of said court recovered by Becker Roofing Co., defendant and cross-petitioner, against said defendant.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF LAND

Notice is hereby given that under authority of an Order of Sale issued by the Clerk of the District Court of Cass county, Nebraska, in an action pending in said court in which Vincent W. Straub is plaintiff and Frank A. Cox and Louisa M. Cox are defendants, commanding me to sell the real estate hereinafter described in satisfaction of the amount adjudged by the decree of said Court entered June 13, 1931, to be due plaintiff in the sum of \$7,222.57, with interest and costs, as in said decree provided, I, the undersigned Sheriff of Cass county, Nebraska, will, on April 18, 1932, at 11:00 o'clock a. m., at the south front door of the court house in the City of Plattsmouth, in Cass county, Nebraska, offer for sale at public vendue the following described real estate, to-wit:

REFeree'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of judgment in partition entered on the 20th day of February, 1932, confirming shares in the case of Humphrey Murphy, plaintiff, vs. Joseph P. Murphy, Margaret Murphy, Edward W. Murphy, Agnes Murphy, Bradford J. Murphy, Margaret Murphy, Catherine Wonder, Charles J. Wonder, and Ershal Murphy, then pending in the District Court of Cass county, Nebraska, wherein the undersigned was appointed referee to partition the land involved in said action; upon report of the referee that physical partition of the land could not be made without great prejudice to the parties it was thereupon ordered and adjudged by the court that said land be sold and the proceeds thereof be divided into shares between the parties as theretofore determined. Pursuant to said judgment of the court, the undersigned referee will, on the 31st day of March, 1932, at ten o'clock a. m., of said day at the south front door of the court house in Plattsmouth, in said county, sell the said real estate, to-wit:

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