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All the bluffs are not along the river.

Fine Christmas stationery at the Journal office.

It would be better to scrap our navy than to scrap.

It is the silent man that is usually worth listening to.

Success acts like moral peroxide—it turns many a head.

Confessionally speaking, the devil finds work for idle arms.

A true friend is one who never throws things up to you.

It isn't what a man stands for as much as what he falls for.

Might may make right, but it doesn't always make good.

Shooting stars is what some movie fans would like to be doing.

Christmas cards a specialty at the Journal stationery department.

Bankers predict seven years of prosperity. Seven come eleven.

Foch will double our French debt by taking some cob pipes home.

Now that Germany admits she lost the war, let the thing stay lost.

These other nations are not a bit backward about coming forward.

Now is the time for all good ships to sink for the aid of their country.

Dressed turkeys are selling for thirty-five cents in Ardmore, Okla.

Two things are sure to make a girl laugh—dimples and good teeth.

Germany must say she is against the Hughes plan because she favors it.

It is an interest in fattened calves that makes the modern son a prodigal.

They must call it the almighty dollar because it is almighty hard to get.

It once was used for good shampoos, but now it's used as bad shampoo.

When writing was carved on blocks of stone it was hard to break the news.

The cranberry crop is about 422,000 barrels and now all we need is the turkeys.

It begins to look as if the world intends to beat its sword into plowshares and its jingoes into insensibility.

They claim a day on the moon is 24 hours long; it is probably the one before pay day.

Florida has a honey week, but in Nebraska we "honey" the girls every week in the year.

Comfortable, two-passenger sofas have made many a match, while onions have spoiled many.

Our flaws are checked by a number of laws, and our laws are checked by a number of flaws.

The popular doctor's advice on "How to Keep Well" is "placed in cellar and don't tell friends."

Broadway chorus girls have started making their own tights. It seems they were almost out of them.

A great many men would attend church if they were given opportunity to talk back to the preacher.

War may be a luxury, but at least six small nations are now indulging in it to their heart's content.

The learned man who discovered the race is growing taller may have been watching his small daughter.

Dr. Stephen Smith says to live long one must work hard but some wouldn't want to live long then.

Wouldn't it be nice if the children could learn to spell and do the multiplication table by going to the movies.

Visit the Journal stationery department and you will always find something suitable for Christmas presents.

A visit to the Journal stationery department will convince you that we are right up-to-date on Christmas goods.

Moon keeps only one side turned to the earth, and there is much speculation as to what is on the other side.

After all, a fruit jar is an appropriate container for hooch. Most of it will give you a jar that loosens all your back teeth.

It is said that the ex-Kaiser's hair has turned snow white. The frost is on the pumpkin, as James Whitcomb Riley would say.

There's one good thing about having one of these dust coats now don't have to take all the advice given you by friends.

Dish washing, it is said, is a prolific source of insanity in England. Stick 'em in the pan, dearie, and let's go to the movies.

Don't forget, young man, that the broad highway of success runs right through the school house, and there are no short cuts or devious paths.

A New York architect has refused to accept \$20,000 due him from the state. Other great heroes in the World War are Sergeant Woodfill and Alvin York.

Illinois is now suing five of its former state treasurers. Sometimes it seems as though Illinois might have done better if it had checked up on its treasurers at a time as they came along.

German marks are now selling at three for a cent. But who wants to spend a penny that way when you can poke it into a slot machine and get a slab of juicy chewing gum?

Constance Talmadge, movie actress announces that she must have a divorce from her husband. All right, Connie. We don't know your husband, haven't the slightest idea about what he has been guilty of, but it would be unfair to discriminate against you in a trivial thing like a divorce when all other movie actresses are getting them.

Taking Nebraska as a whole, the \$19,000,000 of state taxes to be collected under this year's levy of 3.3 mills will mean an average tax of \$9 for every man, woman and child in the state, or \$45 for every family of five persons, that goes to support the state government. As there are some who pay no taxes, the per capita rate for those who do will be still larger—not less than \$10 a head or \$50 for an average-sized family.

Sing a term of six months for a bottle full of rye.

No matter how she hides her age it always tells on her.

Every woman thinks she has the right to make a fool of some man.

It keeps a hypocrite busy trying to convince himself that he is honest.

It is hard to raise money. One man got 10 years for raising a five to fifty.

When wind blows and hostility shows, it means the blow go to the nose.

Rabbits are plentiful, so not many cats will be killed to make sealskin coats.

The average man is always inclined to look on his candid friends as enemies.

Fortunately, the world isn't able to see a society matron as her maid sees her.

"The gun that wasn't loaded" doesn't kill as many as "the dice that were loaded."

Here is cheerful news for the small boy. Twelve schools burned in this country each week.

Wonder if after the hand shaking fest of Foch in America, he wasn't the first to disarm?

"Eskimos only bathe once a year," says an explorer. Lo, the poor Eskimo—and his friends.

Backward, turn backward, O time in your flight and teach all the nations why not to fight.

It has been 1947 years since Cleopatra killed herself and the police have done nothing yet.

A man around the house during the day is useless. Every home should be without one.

Congressman Herrick, of Okla., may be sued for a breach of promise; but then, all congressmen may be sued for that.

If it is true that a window glass combine has been formed as charged by a grand jury in New York, it ought to be broken.

A tooth, said to be 150,000 years old, has been found near Buffalo. A large argument over what tooth-past he never is expected.

We'll never believe art, as pictured on Japanese fans, again. None of the Jap delegates at the disarmament conference look at all like the picture on the fans.

It is said that bathing suits will be even scantier next year. Cheer up, girls! Another glorious summer is coming in 1922, and the lakes will be brimful of water.

Grand opera stars don't get all the loose change. A Spanish bullfighter has just signed a contract for ten exhibitions in Mexico for which he will receive \$100,000.

Egypt seems to be much more interested just now in politics than pyramids. Even the sphinx is threatening to say something concerning the fuss with England.

Statistics show that 10,000 murders are committed in this country each year. But we are so busy worrying over humanity's smaller vices that we haven't time to stop them.

The Washington Post says that there are 800 unoccupied houses in Washington when the disarmament conference delegates arrived. Does that include the House of Representatives?

Judging from the number of articles being sent out by Washington correspondents concerning the disarmament conference, we gravely fear they are overlooking some other good stories.

After all, what are we going to do with the money we save by scrapping our navy and dismissing our army? It is the plan of the government to let the prohibition enforcement officers have all of it?

Senator Borah has discovered that the proposed association of nations is nothing but the League of Nations under another name. Well, but Senator Borah must see that no association would want to try the plan out unless it could have another name.

Marshal Foch has received the honorary degree of LL. D. from seven American institutions of learning. His name should now be written, Dr. Ferdinand Foch, Princeton, Brown, Yale, Harvard, New York, Pittsburg, Columbia. However, he would probably answer if you didn't address him with the exact number of letters.

AMONG THE PROPHETS

A very interesting utterance was made on the eve of the adjournment of congress by Representative Wood of the Tenth Indiana district. It has a peculiar significance in coming from the lips of a member of the majority party. As quoted in the Indianapolis News, Representative Wood said: "I am only speaking the truth when I say that the people of this country employed in every vocation and in every character of business are giving this congress hell. They are doing it because we have done nothing to stimulate business. They are doing it because we have done nothing to give employment to the unemployed. They are doing it because we have done nothing to benefit the farmer and stimulate the price of farm products."

Commenting on this statement, the Indianapolis News declares that "the indictment of this republican congress by a man of the straightest party orthodox cannot be impeached, for it is true."

But what about the unprecedented program of farmer aid bills which were designed to help the farmer? Was not the emergency tariff bill going to rectify falling prices of farm products? Has there not been a conference to discuss the unemployed situation? And will not the new taxation scheme stimulate business? And the senate committee has been working hard on a permanent tariff, and the railroad difficulties are being thrashed out.

What shall we say, therefore? Legislation and words that do not better conditions are "like chaff which the wind driveth away." Representative Wood tells of a breeze that is likely to spring into a hurricane.

A FALLACY EXPLODED

It has come to be rather a popular notion that if the railroads did not pay their officers so much more than they earn they could pay their employes as much as they earn. Possibly to win a larger clientele of this idea, it has been expanded in to the suspicion there would even be something left over for a larger distribution in the form of a rate reduction if the salaries of the officers were shrunk to the exact measure of their deserving.

Even the most modest of these ideas appears to be somewhat exaggerative of the fact. The Wall Street Journal has been consulting the records and calculating on the basis of its findings. And it concludes, for one thing, that if the Pennsylvania railroad would run itself without officers without officers above the grade denoted by a \$3,000 salary, the sum thus saved would enable it to add nearly 10c a month to the wages of its unionized employes. Another calculation taking account of all Class 1 railroads in the country shows that if executive offices paying \$3,000 and more a year were abolished it would enable them to add 10c a day to the compensation of their wage earning employes. But since not even the economists who grab the Plumb plan propaganda in its motley have as yet proposed that the railroads altogether dispense with their executive officers, but merely that their salaries be reduced, it is evident that the fund of relief which labor could accumulate in that way is much less opulent than even that calculation indicates. If for executives salaries of \$3,000 and above were cut to the exact teeth that wages have been, probably not more than a penny a day would be the profit which labor would derive.

BACTERIA EATERS

Discovery of a super microbe, which attacks and kills deadly disease germs in the human blood, is claimed by Dr. F. d'Herelle, of the Pasteur Institute of Paris. He names it the "bactriophage," or bacteria eater.

The pet prey of the bacteriophage are the germs of typhoid fever, bubonic plague, dysentery and hemorrhagic septicaemia. The bacteria eater goes after them like a cat after a mouse. It aids the blood's white corpuscles, natural attacker of germs. Greatest value of this discovery says Dr. d'Herelle, is that it can be used to stop epidemics. So far, his work is experimental. Time must pass before the bacteria eater can be bought at the drug store. But it, along with serums now in use, indicate that man's battle with the germs will be a successful one. Nature provides an antidote for everything. The big job of the scientists is finding them.

THE TROUBLE AHEAD

One question that seems to have been wholly overlooked in the disarmament conference at Washington is the authority of the delegates to pledge their respective nations to scrapping of several billion dollars worth of battleships. Certain it is, the American dele-

gates have no such power. As a matter of fact, they have neither constitutional or statutory existence, and if the program proposed by Secretary Hughes is to be carried out, it can be done only with the consent of congress.

President Harding is seemingly laboring under the impression that this sweeping destruction of the fleet, with the involved destruction and waste of millions upon millions of the dollars of the American people, can be carried out by a mere wave of his hand, without any legal authorization beyond his mere wish or whim.

If the agreement for partial disarmament is made, the president is going to find out that he is mistaken. He is without power, despite the fact that he is commander-in-chief of the army and navy of the United States, to scrap one solitary battleship. Congress has appropriated the money for the construction of these vessels, and congress alone can order their destruction.

Power to partially abolish the navy implies power to abolish the entire navy, and likewise our army. That is a bit further than the American people are willing to allow any president to go.

YOUR PHILOSOPHY

You, at sometime or other in your life, have sat late at night before a fireplace with a group of friends. Conversation drifted into an exchange of philosophical views—why are we here on earth, why so many fail, and what constitutes success.

Out of such discussions, like a mocking jinni, rises a glaring truth—that every individual develops a personal philosophy of life to fit his degree of success or failure.

Aesop's fox who could not leap high enough to pluck the grapes, comforted himself with "the grapes are sour."

The man who has accumulated so much money that it makes him uneasy for his alibi: "It doesn't matter how much wealth a man has, as long as he doesn't misuse."

Mrs. Wiggs of the cabbage patch, in dire poverty, hypnotized herself into a philosophy that she was happier without riches.

Socrates and his soap box orators, not having much material wealth, philosophized that nothing matters except pure intellect.

The prize in this goes to the celebrated Athenian philosopher-lecturer who, when a king heard of his wisdom and promised him any gift he wanted, answered, "Then step to one side. You are obstructing my sunlight."

One of the finest temperance lectures of all time was delivered in Kansas by a speaker so drunk he almost had to be propped up.

Actually, he did not believe in temperance, otherwise he wouldn't have kept the distilleries working overtime.

But, realizing that he was not for normal temperance he orated his "don't drink" philosophy as an alibi for his failure, and hypnotized himself into believing that he really believed it.

Similarly, you are apt to hear a great speech on honesty, by a man who wouldn't hesitate at robbing an orphan asylum.

This development of elastic philosophies, to fit personal failure, is a dangerous form of alibi.

Unless a man constantly guards himself, he is apt to fall into a state of auto-hypnosis in which he shoulders the blame, for his shortcomings, to something other than the real cause, which is—himself.

Hence we have in America, an alarming growth of fatalism.

It's a good idea, occasionally to pick your philosophy up by the nape of the neck, and submit it to the acid test of Emerson's Law of Compensation—that all conditions are the logical results of definite causes.

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MEMBER OF HOWE BANK ROBBER GANG

Bandit Killed in Wichita Battle Recently Said to be Man Who Made His Escape.

Eddie Adams, regarded as the west's most notorious outlaw, and who is believed to have been the third bandit missing after the Howe bank robbery in May, 1919, and a member of the infamous Majors gang of outlaws is dead. He was killed in battle with Wichita, Kansas, detectives a few days ago, at which time the Press carried a telegraphic report of the battle.

The slain gunman was positively identified as Eddie Adams through a comparison of finger prints.

Eddie Adams was believed to have been the missing bandit in the Howe bank robbery case, for which two of his pals, Harry Kelly and Ed Ingraham are now doing time in the Nebraska state penitentiary. The robbery took place May 21, 1919, and was followed by a hot chase by Nebraska authorities and a fierce battle at Bean Lake, Mo., where two of the bandits were captured. The third bandit, however, escaped with \$2,000 worth of loot. Thirty-eight thousand dollars of the loot was recovered after the capture of the two bandits, Mrs. Harry Kelly, wife of the bandit Kelly, said that Eddie Adams was the third bandit.

Adams made a spectacular escape from the Lansing penitentiary six or eight months ago, where he was serving time for a bank robbery at Platte, Kansas. He is alleged to have been connected with the killing of Charles Jones, sheriff, at Murray, Iowa, in a gun fight in which several of the posse were wounded. Bertillon records from Omaha enabled wounded men of the posse to identify Adams as one of the men. Four men were discovered by some farmers near Murray in the planning of a bank and store robbery. The pursuit of authorities and gun fight followed.

The dead bandit is said to have been the leading spirit in a number of recent Nebraska bank robberies. The Nebraska banker's association had offered a reward of \$5,000 for his arrest and conviction. He was recognized as one of the bandits in the car that sped through Palmyra following the recent bank robbery at Wabash, Nebraska.—Neb. City Press.

LEGION MAY ACT AS INTERVENOR

Supreme Court Pays Little Attention to Protest—Intimidating Court is Charged.

Without asking for arguments and in purely perfunctory style Chief Justice Morrissey granted the request of the American Legion, made thru its state commander, William Ritchie, Jr., to intervene in the test of the new language law made by the German Lutheran synod of Nebraska.

A protest has been filed by I. L. Albert, representing the synod, in which he indicates his belief that the Legion was attempting to subject the court in its decision to popular clamor. He insisted that the Legion, which had been active in securing the amendments to the Siman law, was counting on the weight of its influence rather than upon any legitimate assistance it might render the court in arriving at a proper determination of the question involved.

Mr. Albert had further declared that suspicion will follow the litigation in the public mind and would discredit any judgment of the court upholding the law. He declared that "this move on their part bears a sinister aspect and if granted is calculated to impair the force of the final decision of the court in this case and ugly possibilities."

Apparently the court had considered the matter in private, and merely announced its decision to permit the intervention when the hour arrived for open hearing. Mr. Ritchie was present, and filed a motion asking that the various portions of its regular order Judge Buttorf in district court said that the law would be unconstitutional if it were to be construed to prevent the instruction of children in religion in the tongue of their parents, and held it did not. The upholders of the law assert that it prohibits the teaching of children below the eighth grade in any foreign language save in Sunday schools.

For Sale

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