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An apartment is no place like home.

Why is it bills never miscarry in the mails.

It's easy to chase any man you get on the run.

A woman's idea of economy is to have things charged.

The mule is very apt to be behind with his business affairs.

Black face comedians are among those born to blush unseen.

Every man is more or less a gossip but he refuses to admit it.

The great silence you hear is people discussing the Arbuckle trial.

Signs of spring: Patches of basement floor peeping through the coal pile.

It never rains on the unjust if he can get hold of the just man's umbrella.

From the fruit preservers we get our jams—and from the wet goods dealer our jim jams.

Advices from the south indicate that the first robin is advancing north slowly but surely.

Now that the pope is elected and the arms conference is over, more attention can be given to spring gardens and the weather.

It may be freely admitted that the Los Angeles reporters are energetic enough in the Taylor murder case whether the police are or not.

The suggestion to burn Hollywood up—or down—would be well enough, were it not for the suspicion gained from current dispatches that Hollywood is too "wet" to burn.

Governor Russell of Mississippi, seems to be in a bad box, and his ex-lady love simply waited till Fatty Arbuckle got off the front page to air the wily governor, and make him pay the price of his folly.

B. C. Forbes says conditions are improving, in spite of the dolefulness of many people. It is hard for him to reconcile the anxiety about European business when the British pound sterling is today higher than it has been at any time in two years.

A certain dentist has introduced the practice of pulling teeth to music. For an absolutely appropriate accompaniment he might revive that old favorite, "The Battle of Prague," which all young ladies of fashion used to perform. The cannon would muffle the yells, and the movement entitled "Groans of the Dying" come in as a fitting finale.

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Bullion is a bubble that is easily punctured.

London bridge has a rent roll of \$750,000 a year.

Some of the modern traveling kits are full grown cats.

The unwelcome guest is generally the last one to realize it.

Some bare-faced lies are old enough to wear full beards.

A philosopher is one who doesn't complain of other people's troubles.

About the only emergency a lot of fellows ever arise to is the alarm clock.

You can't be polite nowadays without somebody wondering what you want.

The best way to be sure of getting up in the world, is to get up in the morning.

As a rule people buy oil stock and then investigate. Even Plattsmouth is aware of that.

The trouble with sober second thought is that it frequently arrives too late to be useful.

When the honeymoon is on the wane, she begins to find him out—nearly every night.

Winter in the middle west is coming to be like some people's troubles—most of it never happens.

It is said that there are over 2,000,000 bachelors in the United States. Cupid must be losing his aim.

"Imprisonment gives me a chance to find myself," says Madeline Obenchain. She knows where she is at.

Why didn't the Russians think to print their rubles in bright colors? It would have been more cheering.

The girls did a lot of knitting during the war. But now the boys who fought our war are spinning yarns.

Mrs. Asquith says American women are inferior to the American men. Don't kid us Margot—tell that to W. L. George.

There are several millions unemployed in this country, but the woman with a family of small children is not among them.

We may as well begin already to listen to tales of how the killing frosts of spring have killed off all the peaches and kept up the prices.

The man who married his mother-in-law certainly took a round-about way of getting even. We would like to hear the outcome of that case.

We do a lot of fool things, we saw a man take off his overcoat, hang it over his arm and step on the penny scales to get weighed the other day.

Officials of the esteemed Police Gazette have been fined for printing some of the things you read while waiting your turn at the barber shop.

Considering the fact that the world is moving at the rate of 66,000 miles per hour, isn't it strange how easy it is for trouble to keep up with a man?

A man was arrested on the streets of Zion City the other day for smoking a cigar. There are some brands of cigars the smoking of which is a crime anywhere.

Why worry? The chance of being killed on a railroad train is only one in 5,673,000. You are in much greater danger of being sued by some woman for seduction.

The government has gradually reduced the number of federal officials and employees until there are now only half a million of them. Looks like a safe margin.

It has just about gotten so in this country when a woman gets old enough to quit worrying over her husband's absence she begins worrying over her daughter's.

Margot Asquith likes men better than women, because, she says, women are so undecided. And she is right. Some women change their husband's find every day.

One reason that Washington could hold the record for truthfulness is because he did not have to make any campaign speeches to be elected president and had no income tax returns to make out.

Henry Ford says the modern flapper is all right, and that should settle it. Mr. Ford knows so much about small cars and nitrate plants that it is inevitable he would know all about young women.

Possibly Mr. Newberry is not enjoying the senate as fully as if nothing had been said how he got in, but it beats going to the penitentiary and talking to a pardon attorney about how to get out.

According to the theory of our feegrabbing officials Nebraska can surround herself with a stone wall and live alone. We are destined to learn to our bitter sorrow, however, that it can't be done.

Charlie Chaplin had a \$100,000 credit balance with a New York brokerage house that went into bankruptcy the other day. If Charlie can find anything funny in this he is truly a great comedian.

Carter Glass emphatically and circumstantially denies that the federal reserve bank "deflated" the farmer. Then who did it? The farmer insists in a large continuous and un-failing voice that he was deflated.

Atlanta has banned the "shimmy" dance; Zion City has flattened out the world and the Kentucky legislature is going to abolish ancestors and the Darwin heresy. Who says the world isn't progressing? Or moving, anyway?

Senator Kellogg's statement that a mutton chop costs more in a Washington hotel than a sheep costs in Colorado may be accurate, and then you don't have to tip the Colorado ranchman for each sheep he secorts to the market.

Well, the Hollywood investigation wanders a little further away from the Taylor murder every day. Perhaps at the risk of a break in the continuity there should be a flashback to keep the audience from forgetting what the thing is all about.

For the broadening of Mary Miles Minter's newly discovered art it is a pity that this twinkling screen star was not in rushing distance of a mirror so that she could have discovered what the frozen expression on her face when she saw that Mable Normand beat her to it and fainted dead away right there in front of the whole show at the Taylor funeral.

One sartorial observer disputes that statement that President Harding is the "best dressed man in Washington." Indeed, says this critic, the president does not qualify as even well dressed, inasmuch as he wears his trousers too long, so that they bunch around his ankles. Well, we move to amend, making "best dressed" to read "best covered." Will this satisfy the raging critic?

At a convention of New England hair dressers one speaker said that a red headed person has about 90,000 hairs growing out of the scalp. Press dispatches from New Orleans say Miss Birkhead is red haired. We mention this merely for the information of Gov. Russell of Mississippi. A man who has no more sense than to stir up the enmity of a red headed woman deserves to lose his office.

One branch of the Kentucky legislature has passed a bill prohibiting the teaching of the Darwin theory of evolution in the schools and colleges of that state. There will now be a mad rush of Kentuckians to find out what the Darwin theory is about.

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## THE CASE OF MR. WILSON

The other day in Boston a telegram was delivered to Harold D. Wilson. The telegram was signed "Blair, Commissioner," and was dated at Washington. It merely said: "You are hereby removed from position head prohibition field force for Massachusetts at close of business Jan. 27. You are instructed to turn over office," etc. Mr. Wilson seems to have landed on the outside of his office with a loud noise and an interview for all the Boston papers. And the more interviews he hands out the more embarrassing it gets for republican Massachusetts.

Mr. Wilson says that before he was discharged he was offered a better job in the prohibition enforcement service elsewhere: "If I am so temperamentally unfit, why tender me a similar job anywhere in the United States other than Massachusetts? Do we require a different kind of law enforcement officials in this commonwealth than any other state in the Union?" Commissioner Blair admits that he offered to make Mr. Wilson a general prohibition agent in another state, but declares at a subsequent time, "It is evident from his statements that he temperamentally is unfit for the position which we tender him."

All this would sound like a squabble of small importance but for an added feature or two. One of these is revealed in the comment of Lieutenant Governor Fuller of Massachusetts: "Wilson may have talked too much, but it is my opinion that if he had not raided the Quincy House he would not have been fired." According to the Springfield Republican, Mr. Fuller said that if Wilson had "pursued the regular channels in raiding the Quincy House his prey would have been given advance information." Incidentally, Mr. Wilson's successor is alleged to have served time in the reformatory at Concord a quarter of a century ago, although he has lived an exemplary life since that time. The charge then was theft from the mails. Within more recent years the new prohibition officer has held positions in the office of the government Fuel Commission, in the United States Treasury department, and was prominently connected with several religious and church organizations. As for Mr. Wilson, he proposes to make all sorts of trouble at the elections this year.

We rather admire Senator Tom Watson, now, for his courage than anything else. He is making it hot for the republicans who voted for the admission of Newberry as a member of the senate, and was not a bit backward in his defence of right and against wrong. He is now after Secretary Mellon's scalp. He says the secretary of the treasury is holding this position illegally, and according to the constitution of the United States he should be called upon to resign. He is more than twenty times a millionaire, with so many irons in the fire that it makes him disqualified for the position. Go for them, Tom. Give it to them right and left, and the people will stand by you.

In 1921 \$800,000,000 worth of automobiles and accessories were stolen in the United States, \$30,000,000 worth in New York alone. One of the New York's army of assistant district attorneys in reporting the figures declares that automobile thievery is organized on a countrywide basis "and along Standard Oil methods of efficiency." He states that the high powered car more than anything else is responsible for the increase in these crimes. He suggests the creation of a state and national clearing house for the detection of automobile thieves. The advent of the automobile has facilitated crime as well as pleasure.

That Indian chief who died the other day at the age of 187 years doesn't impress Arthur Brisbane. The chief could remember the war of 1812 and was married eight times. But, says Brisbane, "In the whole 137 years he lived less than Keats lived in that one night when he read through 'Chapman's Homer'! In his 137 years of life he knew less of life than Napoleon knew in ten seconds as he took the crown in his own hands and put it on his head." And yet the Chippewa chief knew more happiness than either Keats or Napoleon.

President Harding says that the conference at Washington has "drawn the indictments of national dishonor." Burke, more wisely, declared, "I do not know the method of drawing up an indictment against a whole people." But we live and learn. Yet there must have been "some" evolutionary process from Burke to Harding.

**ALFALFA HAY FOR SALE**  
On farm two miles east of Murray.—T. H. Pollock, Plattsmouth, 21w.

## WHY HARD TIMES?

What started this business depression? Long haired economists advance different theories.

One theory is that prices and prosperity and hard times travel in cycles like the teeth of a saw, roughly 20 years up 30 years down. This theory is advanced by economists who have noted that panics come periodically.

Another theory is that people, during periods of prosperity, go on a spending jag. Then the thrift instinct, which makes squirrels hoard nuts for winters, asserts itself. People stop buying, production falls off, men are thrown out of work.

Psychologists step in at this point and talk about "social hysteria"—the emotional waves that periodically sweep a nation or the world and start wars, religious revivals, dancing epidemics and reform movements like prohibition.

Supporting this theory: The present world depression first showed itself, faintly in India, early in 1920. It broke out violently in the Japanese silk market in March, 1920, traveled round the world, reached us two months later.

None of these theories get to the bottom of the matter. The first symptom of business depression in America was the "overall parade." It was a red flag warning that people were about to stop buying.

Why did they stop? High prices were only partly to blame. People flush with money, will pay any price, as long as they get real value.

The overall parades started when people discovered that, in most cases they couldn't get certain articles of clothing of good quality at any price.

You recall those days. It seemed that nearly everything went to pieces almost as soon as it was put to use.

When all is said and done, the causes of hard times are spiritual.

Every action has an equal and counteracting reaction. There are rare exceptions, proving the rule, but the great underlying law of economics is what Emerson called the law of compensation—we get no more out of life than we give.

Honest value and hard work produce prosperity. After a while, prosperity makes many people reckless, greedy and dishonest. The reaction from this is hard times, sent by a wise providence to cleanse our economic morals.

You've noticed that you're getting better quality now. That means, we are on the road back to good times. There never will be a panic if every one always will give honest value.

## ARMY AND NAVY BROOMS

By way of emphasizing the ineptitude of most public service agencies Gen. "Hell-and-Marie" Dawes cited an instance of the navy's buying at considerable cost 18,000 specification brooms when it might have had for nothing 350,000 "just as good" army brooms. That is all very well for the entertainment of the laity, but it is calculated to arouse the somnolent tax payer and give a bad quarter of an hour to certain well developed interests that have Uncle Sam for a customer.

What does this man Dawes mean by butting in that way and spilling a lot of other people's beans? What does he know about brooms, anyway? Of course, the navy needs brooms and brooms of a certain sort. It should buy those brooms and not beg them. And maybe there is a difference between army and navy brooms that Dawes knows nothing about. Possibly the navy uses left handed brooms, while the army brooms are right handed. Had that occurred to Dawes? Yet, in his unformed way he goes and blabs to the navy that there are brooms to be had for the asking in the army stores!

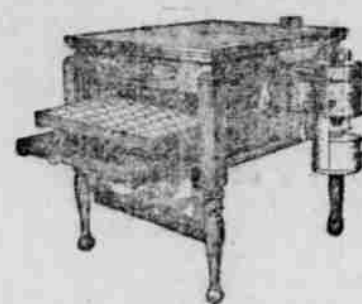
Not merely brooms but everything else—shoes and ships and sealing wax and so forth—that Uncle Sam buys liberally and must come under the scrutiny of the busybody budget board. The people behind the budget system actually insist upon economy in government buying! It is unheard of.

Sanitation, efficiency, economy—these are new words in the cosmogony of certain purveyors to the government. And they are calculated to play havoc with many old and established theories, such as that which holds the federal government to be a legitimate mark for any exploiter who can "put over a deal." This broom business is raising an awful dust.

A New Hampshire girl who advertised for a job mentioned among the other accomplishments, that she could make a good home brew. She received twenty-eight offers of a position and forty-six proposals of marriage, two of them by telegraph. Who says advertising doesn't pay?

Tablets, note books, pencils, etc., for the school children, may be had at the Journal office.

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## RED CROSS PREPARING A GREAT LIVING PICTURE

Will Show the Work of Humanitarian Societies from Ancient Days Down to the Present.

Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 20.—Nearly 3,000 persons, including the largest civic clubs, federated clubs, patriotic organizations and the most prominent state officials are forming the living pictures of the "Warrior's" Owen Wister, men, who have produced west of the Mississippi, the "Pageant of the Red Cross."

They are now rehearsing the whole story of the development of humanitarian work from the days of the Good Samaritan to the Red Cross of today, with which the delegates from states of the Northwest from Illinois to Montana will be entertained in the Des Moines Coliseum when they attend the Red Cross divisional conference to be held in this city March 7th and 8th.

For the realistic world war feature of the production, fifty maimed soldiers, some of them blind, crippled, gassed, shell shocked or otherwise badly disabled and seventy-five nurses, who were in the midst of the war overseas, have volunteered to play the part of the "Warrior's" Owen Wister, men, who have brought from the different U. S. Veterans' Bureau rehabilitation schools.

For the reproduction of a trench battle, and the Red Cross following up the action, army regulars will appear from Fort Des Moines and National Guard officers and leaders in the world war will lead members of the 16th Infantry and 31st Iowa Cavalry.

250 men and women in Red Cross uniform will revive our memories of the service rendered both at home and "over there" by Red Cross workers, sewers, knitter, canteen, motor corps and camp service workers.

Governor N. E. Kendall, of Iowa, and his official staff, will have prominent parts in the cast of the big spectacle. Mrs. Ella Wister Haines, sister of the author of the "Warrior's" Owen Wister, friend of Theodore Roosevelt, takes one of the leading parts, "The Red Cross as the Greatest Mother," and notable persons and actors have been selected for other star parts.

The chorus is said to be the largest ever assembled in Iowa.

From 50 to 200 people have been enlisted in each of the five scenes depicting the Nursing, Health, Soldier Service, Home Service and Junior Red Cross programs of the Red Cross now being carried on in several thousand local communities of the northwestern states alone.

Among other pageant groups now in process of training under the personal supervision of the author of the pageant, Mrs. Ruth Mouney Worrell, and management of H. B. Dickson, of the National Red Cross, both of Washington, D. C., are the Knights of King Arthur's court, monks and nuns of the 15th century, Knights Hospitaller, a Florence Nightingale group, a Spirit of '76 group, Civil war, 48 states, and a symbolic group of Red Cross.

Red Cross chapters from far and wide are announcing the appointment of delegates to take part in the program of discussions that have been arranged for the Division conference. Mr. W. Frank Parsons, vice chairman in charge of domestic operations of the Red Cross will be present from national headquarters, as will also Richard Bolt, director of the American Child Hygiene association, and other men of national prominence.

The Western Passenger association has granted rates of one and a half fares on the certificate plan, and an attendance of 20,000 is estimated for the five days of the pageant and two days of the conference.

**W. A. ROBERTSON**  
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The first open meeting since the organization of the Plattsmouth Woman's club was held last evening in the auditorium of the public library. A large audience was present to greet the newly elected officers all of whom were in attendance excepting the corresponding secretary, who was detained at home by illness.

After the reading of the minutes, the secretary was asked to read the constitution and by-laws for the benefit of new and prospective members. This was followed by a discussion as to fixing the date for future general meetings. It was decided to meet on the first Monday at 8 p. m. and on the third Friday at 2:45 p. m. This will enable the teachers and business girls to get the club work without giving up their gymnasium work at the High school and also make it more convenient for some of the other ladies to attend.

A recess was given for the enrollment of new members and at the close the secretary reported ninety-four names so it is confidently expected that one hundred can be sent in when application for the charter is made.

## E. C. LINDLEY RESIGNS AS GREAT NORTHERN V. P.

St. Paul, Feb. 20.—Erasmus C. Lindley, vice president and general counsel of the Great Northern railway, resigned today as a result, it was announced, of a conflict among heirs of Mrs. J. J. Hill over appointment of an administrator of her \$12,000,000 estate.

Louis W. Hill, chairman of the Great Northern railway, has petitioned for his appointment as administrator, but seven other heirs oppose his selection, including Mrs. Lindley, who was Clara Hill. The seven heirs ask appointment of the Northwestern Trust company, St. Paul.

It was announced by President Ralph Budd that Marcellus T. Courtney, general solicitor of the Great Northern, had been named general counsel to succeed Mr. Lindley, who will continue as a director and member of the executive committee.

Probate Judge Howard Wheeler now has under advisement the appointment of an administrator for Mrs. Hill's estate.

## SAYS VOLSTEAD LAW A MISTAKE

Chicago, Feb. 20.—Bishop Thomas F. Gailor, president of the national council of the Episcopal church, said in an address here last night that he believed "the eighteenth amendment was a mistake." He also said that he believed in the modification of the Volstead law.

"I am in favor of morality law," he said, "and I personally observe the Volstead law, but I am opposed to putting summary laws of so drastic a character in the constitution. It partakes of the old philosophy that matter is inherently evil. I am not speaking in the interests of the underworld but in the interests of intelligent, understanding men."

## FARM LOAN ADVANCES

Washington, Feb. 20.—Approval of 175 advances for agricultural and live stock purposes, aggregating \$4,570,000, distributed among twenty-five states, was announced today by the war finance corporation.

The advances include: Colorado, \$174,000; Idaho, \$181,000; Iowa, \$151,000; Montana, \$240,000; Nebraska, \$426,000; New Mexico, \$120,000; Oregon, \$20,000; South Dakota, \$387,000; Washington, \$63,000, and Wyoming, \$85,000.

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