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SUFFER IN A GOOD CAUSE

It is better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing.—1 Peter 14:17.

We surely enjoyed a white Christmas.

Coolidge ignores La Follette men in filing appointments.

A Texas bank cashier and \$35,000 are missing, so maybe he just went out Christmas shopping.

A steamboat load of autos sank in Lake Erie. All the crew and maybe a few pedestrians were saved.

Loeb and Leopold, it seems now, got the greatest punishment. They are being compelled to teach school.

A wife with a Good Samaritan complex is all right except that she is forever yearning to give you medicine.

The French don't want to pay us anything for 10 years. The French, it seems, think Uncle Sam is Santa Claus.

Postoffice lost almost forty millions in 1923, mostly on second and third class. Being below first class never pays.

In spite of all the doctors say, a lot of old fashioned men still insist that alcohol is necessary in cold weather to keep the human radiators from freezing.

We shouldn't wonder if the real reason why Lot's wife turned around that time when specifically advised not to, was to show her independence in a man-made world.

The cross-word puzzle has just reached England. American fans will envy the British their extra chances with words like, "wagon," "tyre," "kerb," and "honour."

A German philologist says that French is merely a dialect of the German language. About in the same way, we fancy, as English is merely a dialect of Roumanian.

Americans spent \$100,000,000 more on cosmetics than on religion last year, says the Rev. Dr. Covert, putting a new meaning, it seems to us, into the phrase "a whited sepulchre."

The University of California abolishes Memorial day, Armistice day and Washington's birthday celebrations. We don't know yet how they feel about Christmas and the Fourth of July.

A Chicago deaf mute girl had hearing and speech restored by taking an airplane ride with a stunt flyer. Others have lost these faculties, and all the rest, by the same method.

A diet specialist is again declaiming against the breakfast habit, but she will get few converts in a country where wheat cakes and sausage are held to be well worth a little indigestion.

A Massachusetts corporation has reduced wages and cut down its volume of manufactures. Now, if Mr. Coolidge wishes to do the right thing, he will come across with a couple of those campaign promises.

The Omaha Bee did a wise thing when it placed Will Maupin in its reportorial staff. We have known Will for the past twenty-five years and have always considered him as one of the best writers and newspaper men in Nebraska.

Uncle Sam's rum slushes made 58,161 arrests during the last fiscal year. This constitutes a very small fraction of the bootleggers and drinkers. Real prohibition is a matter of education as to alcohol's health and economic effects, rather than of law enforcement. The main problem is that no liquor supply.

Artificial crops of oysters will be next, it is predicted. Oysters already are a cultivated national crop, and have been for a thousand years. What science has in mind is to breed oysters on a big scale, just as farmers regulate the number of young chickens hatched. The purpose is to change oyster culture from a gamble to a fairly sure thing.

The New Year of 1925 will soon be here.

Did you have a happy time yesterday? We hope so.

What about that New Year resolution? Will you do it?

President Coolidge has vetoed the inaugural ball, all right.

Firecrackers have evidently gone out of use for Christmas.

The president shows a vindictive spirit towards the insurgents. Go slow, Cal.

Enough candlesticks are given every Christmas to crack all the nuts in the world twice.

The man who spends his life looking for a needle in the haystack will find it after it is rusty.

Fifty cents a pound for turkey was too rich for our blood. A poor man is foolish to pay the price.

Do you use sheets in your home? They are dangerous. In Seattle, a burglar tied a man with one.

Building up a checkbook career would not be half as bad if you didn't always find it your move.

Never slap your wife or make faces at her. Almost \$20,000,000 alimony is paid yearly in this country.

The carol, "Silent Night, Holy Night," is 100 years old this Christmas, which should have been celebrated.

It's funny how some respected citizens regard "Please Remit" on an overdue bill as nothing short of blackmail.

The New York telephone directory of this year is issued in two volumes. One volume, we presume, for the Smiths.

Throwing electrified sand at the clouds will dispel them. But throwing just common sand is enough to stop most anybody.

Conan Doyle's assertion that everyone works in the next world will probably come as a great shock to many of our best golf players.

The merit of the silver dollar is that it is practically indestructible, says the treasury department. And if you have your trousers lined with tin, they'll be indestructible, too.

Just 80 years ago is the first we ever knew anything about Christmas and Santa Claus and we were 8 years old before we knew any better. But in those days children were not as smart as the children of this day and age.

Wholesale prices are moving up. In November, according to Dunn's organization there was an advance of more than two cents on the dollar. A higher cost of living is the price of a full wallet. For most people, the value of the dollar—its buying power—shrinks as fast as their income gains.

We were surprised to see in Dr. Alderman's memorial address on Woodrow Wilson reference to "Washington's blazing profanity at Monmouth." We have heard a good many choice stories about George—stories that the professional patriots refuse to believe—but we never had heard that the Father of His Country was the political forerunner of Charlie Dawes. We thought he spoke much after the manner of William Jennings Bryan.

CROSSING DEATHS

The safety campaign appears to be reducing fatal accidents at railroad grade crossings. Deaths are fewer than a year ago, and the safety campaigners claim credit. Less pleasing is the report that injuries resulting from crossing smashes show a slight increase in the latest reports.

However, the number of autos in use has increased by about a fifth since a year ago. So crossing crashes for every 1,000 cars average materially fewer.

Paste it on your windshield: More than 8,500 Americans were killed crossing railroad tracks in 1924.

PEOPLE TALK TOO MUCH

When he was ambassador to the Court of St. James the late Walter Hines Page, in a letter to Col House, tells the story of two colored citizens, one of whom was doing his utmost to pick a quarrel with the other without apparent progress. The active member in the attempted altercation stormed and swore and went the limit of his lung power and vocabulary without getting a rise out of his unresponsive listener. When he had reached the breaking point of his endurance he blurted out, "Look here, you kinky-headed, flat-nose, slab-footed man, I warn you, 'fore God, don't keep giving me none of your d—d silence."

There are few things more disconcerting, more confusing, more difficult to meet or understand than silence. It is the one thing, perhaps, that gives death its chief terror, for excepting a few inane and incoherent sentences a few mysterious and meaningless physical manifestations not very convincingly attested by nervous, overwrought witnesses nothing has ever come from the great beyond but silence—a silence that sometimes leaves us awestruck and uncertain.

You can't quarrel with a man who says nothing; you can't sell him anything. He disarms you and leaves you following a blind trail. He has a strength that cannot be overcome. Nothing can cover up ignorance so successfully as silence, accompanied by a look of intelligence, when silence is possible. Nothing is more impressive than silence, nothing so weak as talking so much.

A physician we used to know acquired a considerable reputation for his knowledge and skill. He had a fine figure and no little art in putting his clothes on. There was a look of wisdom on his face when he entered a sickroom. He exercised more than usual care and deliberation in questioning and examining his patients, but other than this he seldom said anything, made no predictions, no specific statements as to what ailed the patient or how soon he would be relieved. He never had anything therefore, to take back and he got credit for being tremendously wise. In point of fact he was probably below the average. He simply had judgment to keep his mouth shut and his silence brought him the reputation of having wisdom.

Most folks talk too much.

CHURCH CRITICS

A common complaint of those who stay away from church is that the average sermon is uninteresting and not worth one's time. A religious leader asks whether sermons are less interesting or more tiresome than other addresses to which people listen, than the general run of conversation or the type of reading in which the ordinary individual indulges. He thinks all preaching could be improved if there were better support of the church and better attendance at its services.

The churches, like all other human institutions, are just what the people make them. The average sermon is not likely to rise above the level of intelligence of the congregation of which it is directed or to fall below that level. Nor is the average church likely to be of more service in the community than the community demands it shall be. Those who think the churches fail to measure up to the standard that ought to be reached have an excellent opportunity to show how the deficiency can be met.

BABIES

More boy babies than girls are born to American mothers, the census bureau reports. For every 1,000 female babies, 1,062 males are born. However, the mortality rate is higher among boys. In maturity, there are more women than men. A baffling riddle is why souls come into this world at all if destined to remain only a few days, months or years. Their mission may be for effect on the parents.

For every 225 births in America, there are 119 deaths. This is the latest estimate, based on the year 1922.

Medical science has greatly reduced the death rate among babies and in early childhood. That's

chiefly how the average span of life has been lengthened. Already, there are almost twice as many births as deaths. This doubles the population so fast that any overproduction of food cannot be more than temporary. The number of mouths is multiplying steadily.

About two million babies are born in our country this year. That means two million happy homes, four million fathers and mothers inspired to work harder and live better lives so that they may be examples for their children. A baby is the only thing in life on which nobody disagrees.

They bring us closer to the spiritual than anything else this side of the grave. Emerson summed it up when he wrote that all life is a preface until we have children.

NAME NEW ELECTORS FOR HALL OF FAME

Public is Invited to Submit Lists to Senate of New York University by March 15th.

New York, Dec. 25.—Twenty-nine men and women have been chosen by the senate of the New York University to act as electors in the 1925 selection of names to be added to the roster of the university's hall of fame, it was announced today by the director, Dr. Robert Underwood Johnson.

The public is invited to submit names of persons to be voted on. Such lists should be in Dr. Johnson's hands not later than March 15. These names will then be placed before the senate of the university and when approved will be put on the list of nominations.

The list of new electors includes former Ambassadors John W. Davis, David Jayne Hill and Brand Whitlock, Dr. James Rowland Angell, president of Yale university; Dr. Marion Leroy Burton, president of the University of Michigan; Dr. Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard; Professor Lyon Phelps, of Yale; Dr. K. C. M. Miller, president of Bowdoin; Dr. Henry K. Warren of Yankton university; Dr. Kendrick C. Babcock, dean of the University of Illinois; Professor Grant Showerman of the University of Wisconsin; Professor Lewis Perry of Exeter, N. H., and Professor Frederick Tupper of the University of Vermont.

The feminine group of electors includes Miss Alice H. Robertson of Oklahoma, Miss Ellen Glasgow of Virginia, and Miss Agnes Repplier of Philadelphia. Art circles are represented by Royal Cortissoz, New York art critic, and Cass Gilbert, sculptor. Others who have consented to serve as electors are Theodore Marbourg, former minister to Belgium; Dr. John C. Merriam of the Carnegie Institution of Washington; Senators Reed Smoot and Oscar W. Underwood, William Allen White of Kansas, Abbot L. Mills of Portland, Oregon, Hamilton Holt of Connecticut, Dr. Talbot Williams, Harrison S. Morris of Philadelphia, Stuart P. Sherman of New York and Bishop John P. Carroll of Montana.

PROSPERITY IN 1925 IS PROSPECT FOR U.S.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 25.—This Christmas day found America fairly prosperous, with ahead there, the prospect of a year of expanding business and greater profits in 1925.

Figures compiled by the department of commerce, it was learned today show.

The commodity price index, based on two hundred commodities in general use, is the same as it was one year ago today. That the cost of living figures are the same as they were a year ago.

That prices being received by the farmer for his products are far better. That the prices the farmer pays for the things he must have been reduced materially, and his financial status placed almost on a level with the man in industry.

EYEGASSES, ELECTRIC MADE

More accurate lenses at smaller cost are promised to all wearers of an automatic electric lens-grinding machine.

Heretofore lenses have been ground by hand, with imperfections and inaccuracies in manual precision work. Hand-grinding is slow and expensive, and approximately half of the finished lenses proved defective. By the new method, less than three per cent of the finished lenses show defects, in addition to which they are produced at much greater speed. A block of glass is first heated in an electric furnace to a temperature of twenty-one hundred degrees, after which the lens blanks are stamped out like cookies. The blanks are then set in convex iron plates in lots of one thousand and are put in the electric grinding apparatus. Each bit of glass ground in the desired curve to an accuracy of one ten-thousandth of an inch. From the grinding machine the lenses go to the polishers, also electrically driven, and are then ready for inspection, almost the only part of the new process requiring human ground in the desired curve to an accuracy of one ten-thousandth of an inch.

Business terms of all kinds printed at the Journal office

HOBART DEAD IDENTIFIED; TOTAL IS 33

Twenty Injured Still Confined to Hospitals; Funerals Services For 16 Held Today.

Hobart, Okla., Dec. 25.—With the identification of the last victim established, the death list in the Christmas eve fire at the Babb Smith rural school stood at 33 tonight. Twenty injured persons still were confined in two hospitals. One is expected to die, and two others are in a critical condition. Funeral services for 16 of the dead will be held tomorrow.

Late this evening fire broke out in a jewelry store directly across the street from a hospital where a number of those injured in the school fire are being treated. The store is situated between two moving picture theatres and the audience, their clothes on edges were thrown into a mild panic. No one was seriously injured, although William Neff, owner of the store, was slightly burned.

Single Grave Abandoned Since all of the dead have been identified, plans for burial in a single grave have been abandoned. Joint funeral services will be held for the 16 to be buried tomorrow, but they will be placed in separate graves. Funeral services for the remaining 17 dead will be arranged later.

The work of identifying the dead was long and laborious task. Throughout the day hundreds of persons viewed the bodies in a local morgue before identification in all cases was established. Bits of jewelry, shreds of clothing and dental work had to be relied on to supply the means of identification in many cases, so badly were the bodies burned.

The last body identified tonight was that of little Lilia Reville. "It must be Lilia," sobbed her father, when all other bodies had been identified and his little girl was still missing. Survivors tell a heart rending story of how the family, standing in the center of the blazing school room, every means of escape cut off, threw their arms about one another and fell together into the inferno as blazing rafters loomed from the struck them down. Amid the awful confusion of the scene, survivors say they were struck by the placidity with which the Coffey family met death.

Teacher Dies Saving Children There, too, in a place apart, is the body of Mrs. Florence Hill, teacher at the school who might have escaped had she not tarried in a futile effort to find some avenue of escape for her little charges. A woman from Fort Worth, formerly Juanette Clemens of the Babb's Switch district; her daughter, Mary, 3, and Vesta Jackson complete the list of the identified dead early tonight. Duet entered the Christmas celebration suddenly, cutting off at its height the program rendered by the children of the neighborhood. The last little girl had spoken her "piece" and a jolly Santa in a red suit and furs had distributed to each chubby child of eager hands a little sack of candy, while parents and friends who packed the small one-room structure to capacity, looked on.

Panic Sweeps Crowd Santa reached for one of the few remaining candy sacks. His arm struck a candle on the Christmas tree. The tiny blaze fell from its perch and in an instant a ball of cotton from the tree burst into flames, a rush to put out the fire and the tree fell over, scattering blazing twigs. In an instant the room was in panic. Men and women sprang for the single exit at the rear and to the windows, beating out the panes, only to find the openings covered by a heavy wire netting. The windows shattered, a brisk wind blew thru the room, fanning the flames and the flimsy structure caught like tinder.

NOTICE Whereas, Virgil Delzine, convicted in Cass county, on the 7th day of July, 1924, of the crime of possession of intoxicating liquor, has made application to the Board of Pardons for a parole, and the Board of Pardons, pursuant to law have set the 13th day of 10 a. m. on the 13th day of January, 1925, for hearing on said application, all persons interested are hereby notified that they may appear at the State penitentiary, at Lincoln, Nebraska, on said day and hour and show cause, if any there be, why said application should, or should not be granted.

CHARLES W. POOL, Sec'y Board of Pardons. N. T. HARMON, Chief St. Prob. Officer.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The State of Nebraska, Cass county, ss. In the County Court. In the matter of the estate of William Nickles, 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 24th day of January, 1925, and on the 25th day of April, 1925, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. on each of said days, 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 24th day of January, A. D. 1925, and the time limited for payment of debts is one year from said 24th day of January, 1925. Witness my hand and the seal of said County Court, this 20th day of December, 1924. ALLEN J. BEESON, County Judge. (Seal) d22-4w

NOTICE OF REFEREE'S SALE In the District Court of Cass county, Nebraska. John Bajcek et al, Plaintiffs, vs. Mary Hys et al, Defendants. App. Book 2, page 157.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an Order entered on the 6th day of December, 1924, in the foregoing entitled cause by the Judge of the District Court of said Cass county, I, the undersigned, J. M. Leyda, sole referee in said cause, appointed by the Order of said Court, will on the 12th day of January, 1925, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., at the south front door of the court house in Plattsmouth, Nebraska, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Commencing at a point 3.125 chains south of the center of Section thirteen (13), Township twelve (12) North, Range thirteen (13) East; thence south 9.375 chains; thence west twenty chains to the one-eighth section line; thence north on said one-eighth section line 9.375 chains; thence east to the place of beginning, all in the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section thirteen, in Township twelve N., in Range thirteen, East, in Cass county, Nebraska, except the right-of-way of the Missouri Pacific Railroad running through said real estate.

Said offer for sale will remain open one hour for bids. Date: December 6, 1924. J. M. LEYDA, Referee. CHAS. E. MARTIN, Attorney.

NOTICE OF HEARING on Petition for Determination of Heirship.

Estate No. — of William A. Gullion, deceased, in the County Court of Cass county, Nebraska. To all persons interested in said estate, creditors and heirs, take notice, that Martha A. Gullion, who is one of the heirs of said deceased, and interested in such, has filed her petition alleging that William A. Gullion died intestate in La Junta, Colorado, on or about June 12, 1919, being a resident and inhabitant of Colorado, and the owner of the following described real estate, to-wit:

An undivided one-fifth interest in and to the west ninety (90) acres of the northeast quarter (NE 1/4) of Section thirty-four (34), Township twelve (12) North, Range nine (9) East of the 6th P. M., in Cass county, Nebraska, subject to a dower interest therein in Sarah A. Gullion—leaving as his sole and only heirs at law the following named persons to-wit:

Martha A. Gullion, widow; Myrtle A. Wade, a daughter; Robert Gullion, a son; Jay Gullion, a son; Minnie Melvin, a daughter; John Gullion, a son; Eugene Gullion, a son; and Lilly Gullion, a daughter; that said decedent died intestate; that no application for administration has been made and the estate of said decedent has not been administered in the State of Nebraska, and that the court determine who are the heirs of said deceased, their degree of kinship and the right of descent in the real property of which the deceased died seized, which has been set for hearing on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1925, at ten o'clock a. m.

Allen J. Beeson, County Judge. (Seal) d15-3w.

PUBLIC AUCTION!

The undersigned will sell at Public Auction at his home six miles west of Mynard and two miles south of the German Evangelical church, commencing at 10 o'clock sharp on

Tuesday, January 6

the following described property—Horses, Cattle, Hogs. One gray gelding, 13 years old; one sorrel gelding, 12 years old; one bay gelding, 12 years old; one bay gelding, 11 years old; one bay mare, 8 years old; one bay mare, 5 years old; one bay gelding, 4 years old; one bay mare, bred, with smooth mouth; one bay mare, smooth mouth; one bay mare, 2 years old.

Four head of milk cows; three head of heifers; one bull; 9 months old; one calf, 4 years old. Twenty-four head of shoats.

Farm Machinery, Etc. Three 3 1/2-inch farm wagons; one truck wagon and rack; one John Deere manure spreader; Twentieth Century cultivator; two walking cultivators; one gang plow; one walking plow; one Monitor press drill; one stalk cutter; one stalk rake; one hay rake; one Deering mower; one disk; one corn elevator with power; two harrows; one bob sled; one carriage; one top buggy; one moveable hog chute; one grind stone; one pair horse clippers; three sets 1 1/2-inch work harness; one set of buggy harness; one single harness; one new Anker-Holt cream separator; one heating stove; one 8-barrel tank; one tank heater; one meat barrel; one butchering kettle; about 15 bushels seed corn; about 13 tons of baled hay; some household goods and other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms of Sale All sums under \$10, cash. On sums over \$10 a credit of six months will be given, purchaser giving bankable note bearing eight per cent interest from date. Property must be settled for before being taken from the premises.

P. A. Horn, Owner REX YOUNG, Auctioneer. FIRST NAT. BANK, Clerk. (Seal) d22-4w

ORDER OF HEARING on Petition for Appointment of Administrator.

The State of Nebraska, Cass county, ss. In the County Court. In the matter of the estate of William S. Schwab, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of Elizabeth Schwab and Ephraim Schwab praying that administration of said estate may be granted to William J. Streight, as Administrator: Ordered, that January 12th, A. D. 1924, at 10 o'clock a. m., is assigned for hearing said petition, when all persons interested in said matter may appear at a County Court to be held in and for said county, and show cause why the prayer of 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. Dated December 15th, 1924.

ALLEN J. BEESON, County Judge. (Seal) d22-3w.

PUBLIC AUCTION!

The undersigned will sell at Public Auction on the farm known as the Col. Jenkins place, six miles west and three and a half miles south of Plattsmouth, or a quarter mile south of Eight Mile Grove church and school, three miles west and two and a quarter miles north of Murray, on—

Friday, January 2d

beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., with lunch served at noon, the following described property: Six Horses. One brown horse, 4 years old, wt. 1,000 lbs.; one span bay gelding, 5 and 6 years old, wt. 2,600 lbs.; one black gelding, 4 years old, wt. 1,400 lbs.; one sorrel team mares, 10 years old, wt. 2,600 lbs.

Cattle. One Holstein bull, 3 years old; one Durham bull, 2 years old; one heifer, 2 years old; one milk cow and several other head of cattle will be offered at this sale.

Farm Machinery, Etc.

One P and O cultivator; one P and O lister; one Deering corn binder; one power feed grinder; one McCormick mower; one John Deere lister; one John Deere 1-row machine; one stalk wheat drill, new; one John Deere corn planter; one good 14-inch stirring plow; one J. I. Case 2-row machine, nearly new; one 7-foot John Deere binder, good as new; one garden plow; one platform scale, new, will weigh up to 1,000 lbs.; two wagons; one bob sled, nearly new; one good carriage; one good buggy; one set single harness; two sets of 1 1/2-inch harness; one good saddle and bridle; one 2 h. p. gas engine; one swinging buzz saw, mounted on trucks; one good endless threshing machine belt, 120-ft. length; one hog rack, 12 feet long; good heating stove, nearly new; one brooder stove; one new spool barb wire; 60 rods net wire, 4 feet high; four ton baled oats straw; 400 good split oak posts, 7 and 8-foot lengths; 15 loads good burr oak wood, sawed; one double tub Dexter power washer; one new well pump; one pump jack; one 30-gallon butchering kettle; one 1-man saw; some blacksmith's tools; two sausage grinders; many other articles too numerous to mention.

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Glen Vallery, Owner

REX YOUNG, Auctioneer. W. G. BOEDEKER, Clerk.

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