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WITHDRAW YOURSELVES

Withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us.

—II Thess. 3:6.

Now for a Happy New Year.

Deceit is a poor consolation.

Reaction always come to those who do wrong.

Santa Claus has bid us goodbye for another year.

Genius produces the inventions, while talent applies them.

Christmas is over for this year. Did Santa bring you what you wanted?

Wonder if these women wearing fur coats ever wonder what the poor animals are wearing

Following in dad's footsteps would be all right if a young fellow could afford to lose so much sleep.

A man in Nashville, Tenn., was sentenced to 23 years, so he won't have to worry about the coal bills.

Some of us are naturally foolish and the others act that way because they haven't any better sense.

Prohibition and radio are both five years old. As to their comparative receptivity, you must make your own estimate.

Sometimes wisdom comes with age. Age may come alone, however. A woman, aged 60 was jailed for forgery in Harrisburg, Pa.

Three Frenchmen will try to fly to the North Pole. How foolish! Why not just go down to the ice house and sit on a cake of ice?

Now to make the story complete "Red" Grange ought to go back home next summer and buy out the ice company for which he worked.

It would seem that the Nobel prizes were omitted this year for two reasons: the candidates were not deserving, and the money was not on hands.

The quitting of Rabbi Wise stirs the Jews to resentment. Nathan S. Straus gives \$650,000 for Palestine in resentment of Rabbi Wise's utterances.

Determine how much of his money the promoter is putting into his scheme before you decide to risk your own. Don't take his word for it—make him prove it.

If Senator "Pat" Harrison of Miss. keeps pitching on Vice-President Dawes it is a question how long the "Hell and Maria" person will be able to "stand pat."

Unless the cabled reports are misleading, Premier Mussolini's psychology is faulty. No man can be dictator long without understanding people's minds and hearts.

It is getting to be hazardous to milk a warehouse or rob a bank, but it is still entirely safe to rob the federal government. If you doubt it, see Albert B. Fall, Ed Dohney or Harry Sinclair.

Another great illusion is shattered. The league of nations has discovered that the Turk is a bloody, murdering villain, unfit for the custody of Christians or oil wells. Some of us have suspected this for a long time.

Cable reports from Berlin say a big German syndicate has \$1,000,000 worth of beer on the way to American ports. Looks like France's last chance to make a friendly settlement of that troublesome debt is due to be dissipated.

Dr. John A. Griffin
Dentist

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The North wind doth blow, And we shall have snow, And what will the women Do then, poor things? The boreal breeze Will bite their bare knees The first time the weather Says when, poor things!

Ill gotten gains don't last.

Settling up time is nearing.

Old winter is here a good and plenty.

This Christmas the gayest for several years.

Grade crashes killed many on Christmas day.

Every free trial will mean a new booster for this appliance.

The proper time to buy coal ought to have been 10 years ago.

The youngster with the red sled is the happiest mortal now.

It remains to be seen whether the new congress will be "drier" than ever.

Here's some news from Hollywood. No it isn't news. It's just about another movie star divorce.

Only three more days and we will be "ringing in the New Year!" And bidding fair well to the Old Year.

Ex-kaiser's back at his wood-sawing again. Maybe he has learned it is best to say nothing and saw wood.

While Henry Ford started Melle Dunham, the Maine fiddler, on the road to riches, it wasn't in a flivver.

Even when the football season is over some of the students hang around the college until summer sets in.

A New York actress has her fourth divorce. She doesn't really marry, just takes the place until something better comes along.

A correspondent wants to know if women are as smart as men. We have an opinion on that, but we have not the courage to express it.

Rabbi Wise says the Jews are coming to accept many of the teachings of Jesus. Now if the Christians can be induced to practice them all will be well.

Prohibition enforcement is all right, but when an Alabama officer seized a Christmas fruit cake and ran it through a clothes wringer for evidence he carried the thing a bit too far.

A man dies in Wisconsin whose sole claim to fame is that Lincoln once kicked him out of bed. Many have been kicked upstairs to fame and fortune, but they usually have something on besides a nightie.

The luckiest man is the East St. Louis policeman who opened fire with a riot gun upon a yeggman who had a bottle of nitroglycerin, a stick of dynamite and two percussion caps in his pocket, and lived to tell of it.

The question of disarmament among nations is curiously similar to feminine fashions. Each nation is ready and willing to take 'off as much as her sister nations will take off provided some sister will do it first.

A scientist says tital-haired girls are not of the proper temperament to drive cars, and really should not be permitted to do so. Which is fortunate, as we get very few invitations to ride with tital-haired girls driving cars.

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The statement of this same group, which includes statesmen, educators, men and women, condemns also military training in the high schools. Personally, we have never been in favor of military training in the high schools because we have felt that was not the place for it. The majority of the high school boys are but children. Also, they have full programs. We believe it is better not to begin military training until they are of college age.

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The statement appears to us as melodramatic. We think there is no danger in this country ever becoming militaristic. Americans are simply not of the militaristic type. They are far too interested in other things.

The statement asserts that there should be a positive education for peace. We are peace loving. We believe in arbitration as far as such can be conducted with honor. We are not an aggressive people. We have no designs upon any nation's territory. We hope that never again will the clouds of war arise over our land.

But until the millennium comes, it would be unwise for us to overlook the possibility that war might occur. It would be utterly foolish for us to remain entirely unprepared.

Military training has a great peace-time value. It has many values, not at all connected with war. Teaching young men to hold themselves erect, to walk and drill properly, to carry their guns, is not inspiring them to make war. But should there come a time when their country actually needs them, their college military training would serve them well.

A YEAR OF PROSPERITY

The year just drawing to its close will probably show the greatest total profit for all forms of business of any peace time year in America's history, according to Colonel L. P. Ayres, Cleveland Trust company vice president and one of the country's foremost economists.

Further, he adds, 1926 will show a continuation of that prosperity, at least throughout its first part. Then something of a business slump will come, the exact nature of which cannot be fully foreseen now.

This has indeed been a prosperous year. The has been occasionally a wall from the agricultural districts, but on the whole the farmers seem to have done pretty well. The business man - the New York stock exchange's repeated surges of speculative buying orgies testify sufficiently to the generally healthy condition of stocks. All in all, we can look back with satisfaction.

And about this slump that's ahead of us; from all indications there is no great cause for alarm.

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OUR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Plattsmouth is a city of approximately 6,000 population and there ought to be fully 500 names on the Chamber of Commerce membership roll.

That number will be reached if each and every citizen recognizes the obligation he owes to the city in which he lives.

The man who does not recognize this obligation—the man who lives here, because of our present splendid prosperity and the bright outlook for the future and does not contribute to the support of the Chamber of Commerce—is not a good citizen. He is stealing a ride on a railroad train.

There is not, and there cannot be, a substitute for the Chamber of Commerce. It is the one effective agency for the promotion of our material welfare. Experience has shown that it is the most efficient and most economical organization for the upbuilding of our city, for every form of industrial, financial and commercial achievement.

Look at the directorate and list of officers and you will find that the affairs of the Chamber of Commerce are in the hands of a group of the foremost businessmen of Plattsmouth—men who have made outstanding success in the management of their own affairs, and are giving unselfishly of this time and effort to the public support of every good citizen.

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THE LAW MACHINE

No winter comes to Washington without an ambitious attempt by congress to overload itself as completely as possible with other people's business, especially other people in the executive departments. Glance at the titles of a few of the bills already introduced in a session two weeks old:

A bill for the promotion of certain officers of the United States army.

A bill to purchase an oil painting entitled "Our Glory—the Battleship Oregon."

A bill to increase the efficiency of army bands.

A bill to authorize the establishment of a better fog signal at Nantucket Island.

A bill to appoint Harry H. Holt, of Virginia, as a member of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Soldiers.

A bill to legalize a pier into the Atlantic ocean.

A bill to establish a department of economics at West Point.

A bill to provide for the appointment of a leader in the Army School of Music.

What is congress doing? Appointing leaders of the army school of music and filling places on boards of managers, and establishing departments of economics? Are these legislative matters or are they administrative matters? Congress, in its wisdom, regards them as legislative matters. And it is true that so grimly has congress held to its authority over all manner of petty administrative affairs that in certain of these cases nothing can be done without congressional authorization. In certain other cases congress simply butts in on its own accord. And in both cases we have the spectacle of the executive departments continually harassed by congressmen, hungry to interfere with something, and congress, itself incompetent, for one reason because it insists upon attempting personally to supervise a thousand and one details which belong properly to the business of administration.

The fight in the senate for American adherence to the world court opens with a faux pas. The question before the senate is not the League of Nations. Mr. Swanson whose resolution brings the court issue to the floor, should stick to the issue. The League of Nations question is for another time, if at all.

Behind the proposal for American to join the court stands the best judgment of the nation. Every poll of sentiment indicates that too clearly to need discussion. Senators opposed to it are the irreconcilables of previous days. The United States can keep out of foreign affairs in spite of the isolationists, men who believe the fact that she is already in them and has been for years. They are a minority in congress; they speak for a minority in the country at large.

Senators have enough to do without dragging the League of Nations into this discussion. No one is proposing that we join the league. Confusing the two issues merely makes words without progress.

Secretary Mellon is quoted as saying business signs look good for some time ahead. All but overhead signs; they look good ahead at no time.

Senator Borah has been on earth long enough to know that Russia is the worst country in the world to make a prediction about.

Three male pigs, full blooded Chester Whites, ready for service. 1 1/2 miles west of Murdock.

Live stock and grain, telephone 2904.

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NOTICE

Whereas, Lloyd Mashburn, convicted in Cass county, on the 10th day of June, 1920, of the crime of breaking and entering, has made application to the Board of Pardons for a parole, and the Board of Pardons, pursuant to law have set the hour of 10 a. m. on the 12th day of January, 1926, 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't., Board of Pardons, N. F. HARMON, Chief State Proba. Officer.

ORDER OF HEARING on Petition for Appointment of Administrator.

The State of Nebraska, Cass county, ss.

In the matter of the estate of Christina Barr, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition of Earl V. Barr, Mary Etta Long and George M. Barr praying that administration of said estate may be granted to John Long as Administrator.

Ordered, that Monday, January 11th, A. D. 1926, 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 petitioners should not be granted; and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereon 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.