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WISDOM IS PRINCIPAL THING

Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom; and with all thy getting get understanding.

Proverbs 4:7.

Some winter, thank you!

Miners, it seems, don't want peace.

If we can have civilized warfare, why not civilized peace?

Too many men salt away money in brime of other people's tears.

Treasure hunters are not extinct. The new name for them is realtors.

The worst of it is, that the court martial may put Colonel Mitchell into politics.

Four Montana banks closed their doors—and this a (imaginative) prosperous year too!

Supposing in 1917 we had said to Europe, "Sure, we'll come across—in about 62 years."

The state of Washington produces one-fourth of our apple crop, so it is no place for doctors.

There are approximately 115,000,000 people in the United States who are surprised at the weather.

Lots of men would make money if it were not for the trouble they might bump up against in trying to pass it.

A Michigan man carried a lucky penny until it wore a hole in his pocket through which he lost a \$10 gold piece.

Of the thousands of inventions reported at the patent office this year, no one has reported the invention of a new substitution for work.

Practically every modern girl has the right to choose her own husband and now what a lot of them seem to want is the right to choose someone else's.

"Boston Sees Three Suns and Five Rainbows," say a headline in the New York Times. The Christmas brand of liquor must have been even worse than usual.

Connecticut tobacco growers are searching for a substitute crop to cultivate for a few years while the ground is "resting." Why don't they try growing cigarette makings?

Chicago men dressed up as Santa Claus were arrested for selling liquor. It takes a mean skeptical detective who doesn't believe in Santa Claus to take all the spirit out of Christmas cheer.

Former Secretary of War John W. Weeks wrote President Coolidge that Colonel Billy Mitchell had an inordinate desire for publicity. Evidently, this member of the cabinet, knowing his chief so well, thought Cal was too economical with time to read the newspapers and magazines of the country.

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LOYALTY

"You know, a girl will go down to hell for a man if she loves him."

This is the final remark in an interview given by a New Orleans girl who, discovered that her sweetheart was emmeshed in a narcotic smuggling ring, went to the underworld and got evidence that sent the chief smuggler to prison. In return, federal agents did not prosecute her sweetheart.

But that young man thereupon left her and married another girl. Now the process isn't always as melodramatic or adventurous as it was in her case. More often it is wholly unexciting, colorless, as a matter of fact. There aren't any newspaper headlines about it. Usually the man himself hardly realizes what the girl he loves is doing for him. But the hell may be just as real, nevertheless.

Some years ago a girl went from her father's farm to a small city to study. She was young, fresh, joyous, full of life and half dazzled by her youthful dreams. Her music teacher had hinted that her voice some day might be heard—who could say?—in New York, perhaps, even abroad. All the poetry and lyric exaltation of youth were burning within her. The future was to be wonderful, dazzling. She knew she could do it.

And then she met a man—an earnest, struggling young teacher. And, unfortunate girl, she fell in love with him. She married him, and they removed to a small town in the back country where the young husband had taken charge of a little preparatory school.

Well, that ended the dreams. The little school didn't go very well. Money was worse than scarce. For vacations and little luxuries the girl had to depend on the charity of a sister who had married a rich man. The years went on and the man, a little older and more tired, continued to fight his unequal fight with the poverty-stricken school.

The girl lost her youth bearing him five children. She forgot about her lovely voice, except occasionally, on Sunday afternoons, when she sang in the parlor to the accompaniment of the piano given her by her sister. She was too busy with housework to read the poetry that used to delight her.

And then the husband died. And the woman who had been a joyous girl turned teacher herself, and worked for a country school man's wage to support herself and the children.

But never a word of complaint. And somehow, whenever anything in the daily round of duties arose to remind her anew of the man she married, her eyes softened and a wistful tender expression dawned about her lips. It was so to the very last.

Yes, it is true.

A girl will go down to hell for a man if she loves him.

And sometimes—perhaps most of the time—the mysterious alchemy of love works upon her so that she does not think of it as a hardship. For love, somehow, seems to be like that.

CRIME WAVE CAUSES

America's expansive crime wave is induced by:

The average man's aversion to jury duties, his indifference toward personal services and co-operation in matters of law enforcement, and his unwillingness to recognize his obligation to society as a whole.

The unwarranted delays in court procedure, the appalling popular sentimentality for the criminal rather than for the victim, and a facile penal code offering the criminal numerous avenues of escape from liability and punishment for his crime.

An unbalanced civilization that has grown too rapidly, without a dominating moral responsibility.

Reduction in criminality itself will be from:

The re-creation of a sense of the answerability to God.

A higher characterization that will insist upon a more idealistic philosophy and a more pronounced sympathy with laws and the ordered processes of society.

A stronger personal restraint against the violation of delegated authority.—Dr. Frederick L. Hoffman.

There is the peril of Kelloggism. A petty, silly, irritating arrogance may, unless stopped, develop into a tyranny that will destroy one of our fundamental rights. It is therefore high time that congress wipe out the last vestige of legal authority, valid or suppositions, by which the state department presumes to exercise a fallacious and dangerous power.

Senator Copeland has been telling the Restaurant Owners' Association in New York that in twenty-five years nobody will eat at home. That will depend a little, perhaps, on the price of restaurant dinners.

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CAPPER'S DIVORCE BILL

Senator Capper's federal divorce bill fits snugly into the philosophy of the Republican party. It is another attempt to increase the power of the federal government, another encroachment on the rights of the people of the several states. It would deny to the people of South Carolina the right to prohibit divorce altogether, and to the people of Nevada the right of granting divorce on slight grounds. It would lodge in the federal government the power of regulating an institution about which opinions differ in great degree. It would be one more step toward the highly centralized condition which is supposed to be the grand ideal of the Republican party.

Yet, one of the first voices raised against the Capper bill is that of the Chicago Tribune, whose republicanism is traditional.

"The proposal for a federal divorce law," says the Tribune, "is another call for the leveling steam roller. At present the people of the different states have varying ideas and their ideas find expression in their laws. Some prefer that marriage, even when a particular case presents great unhappiness or tragedy, shall be virtually insoluble. The solicited sense of other states is expressed in laws which enable men and women to obtain their freedom when the bond is not a true one. There are a great many ideas on the subject when the bond is not a true one. There are a great many ideas on the subject in the United States and by a continuance of state sovereignty in the question, a great many ideas can be carried out. It is not a proper subject for federal law. . . . The states are still competent to conduct these affairs. They are safer custodians of the interests of their people. The disposition to clamp the whole United States into one mold is contrary to the well-being of the people of the country."

By all of the canons of Republicanism this comment is rank heresy. In opposing a bill embodying orthodox Hamiltonianism, the Tribune speaks with purest Jeffersonian accent. Without blushes or apologies, one of the most truculent Republican spirits preaches a Monticello sermon. This is a significant footnote to recent governmental tendencies in this country. It is a recognition from an unexpected source of the wisdom of the principles of Democracy.

Jack Dempsey ought to be one of the strong champions of the World Court and the League of Nations. No man in the whole universe, perhaps, values peace quite as highly as he does. He just will not fight—that's all.

British officials deny with indignation that the government has manipulated the price of crude rubber. Still, the British have about all the rubber there is, the Americans want it, and so the price is a dollar a pound.

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A FINE EXAMPLE

A fact which impresses itself strongly upon one who reviews the life history of Frank A. Munsey, the widely known publisher who passed away last week after a full three score years and ten of active life, is the indomitable determination which marked his career. While he died a man of note and of wealth, he achieved his position and his success after a succession of discouragements that would have caused the average man to give up the goal, to have surrendered to the first easy and certain salary that came his way.

The young telegraph operator who declared that the office walls "were to me as the cage to a tiger yearning for the boundless freedom of the jungle," began his literary career with forty dollars and a few manuscripts. It was slowly and with many humiliating and financially disastrous backslidings that he climbed the ladder of success. Yet because he believed in himself and felt within himself the power for finally reaching his goal, he kept on.

There are really not many Frank A. Munseys in life. There are many who have the ability, but few who have such courage and persistence. There are some men of course who are led blindly on by a false conception of their ability; or they spend years chasing something that is as elusive as a rainbow. And in the meantime their families suffer as they forget everything except that to which they have directed their minds to the exclusion of everything else, until it has become an obsession. But Mr. Munsey had great ability for that toward which he directed his ability—becoming a great magazine publisher—and he had the perseverance to finally make his ability count for the utmost.

Too often, unless the thing to which we aspire comes easy, we let our dream fade, because the cost is too great. The lure of a weekly pay envelope not infrequently deters a young man from completing his college education. Well might we emulate the example of courageous determination and perseverance set by the noted publisher who has just passed away.

THE PRICE OF CORN

The recent slump in the price of corn to a figure, according to the department of agriculture, 15 cents below the cost of production has created what is probably the most serious agricultural situation since the wheat hit the toboggan five years ago. This there arises again just when it was beginning to appear that the demand for special farm legislation was at an end, agitation for government relief to the corn growers, Iowa is the focal point of this agitation, and the federal government has recently had its representatives in that state studying the situation to see what can be done.

It has been decided that funds of the intermediate credit system, created several years ago but little heard of since, shall be made available to corn growing farmers on the security of their crops, enabling them to secure funds now with which to meet current obligations and to hold their corn for a better price.

But the corn growing farmer demands more. According to Gov. Hammill of Iowa, the farmers' need is "a more equitable parity between farm commodities and manufactured commodities," and he seeks legislation which will do for his product what the high protective tariff has done for that of the manufacturer. A revival of legislation along the lines of the McNary-Haugen bill in congress appears inevitable. Senator Cummins is reported already as drafting a bill which will do for the Iowa corn grower what Brazil and England, respectively, do for their coffee and rubber producers.

Here and there a farm leader proposes that the "more equitable parity" be established by reducing the tariff and letting the price of manufactured articles down, rather than by legislation designed to lift the price of corn, but that is not yet accepted as sound economic philosophy in the hawkeye state.

Young Bob La Follette has been received into fellowship, communion and committee by the old guard senators. That's what we urged all the time. Give the boy a chance. Treat him tactfully and tenderly and he may grow up to be a credit to the G. O. P. Lock him out with the hardened offenders and what else could be expected than that he would become a wicked radical.

It cost the government \$1.44 to collect each \$100 in taxes during the past year. By which we see that if taxes were reduced by \$1,000,000, Uncle Sam would make a saving of \$14,400. Not to be sneezed at. Uncle!

GALLICIZED FASCISM

A young man named Taittinger, hitherto unknown to fame, has come to save France.

Do we not remember how the Japanese when they ceased to be a Rip Van Winkle nation, escorted a blinking mikado from the purple gloom of his gorgeous place and informed him that he was to rule Nippon? Yes, really to rule, to be seen of men in the very act of ruling, and to cease henceforth and forever to be a mere silk-robed dummy.

This is just what Pierre Taittinger, who young, proposes to do to the president of France. Too long, says Taittinger, has the president remained a bird in a gilded cage. Let the portals of the Elysee palace be flung wide open, and let the president emerge to be in solid fact what his title mendaciously proclaims him to be—the supreme executive and true pilot of the republic.

Parliamentary government, which is in France, government by groups and coalitions, has been tried long enough. It has proved a failure, says Taittinger. Instead of a premier responsible to parliament let us have a president responsible to the people, and let him have enough authority to show what kind of man he is. In days of old France never lacked for a leader. But look at what we have now. Premier after premier, shifting, too much shifting and too politically shifty, and the ship of state in a whirlpool of factions, and progressing nowhither. So say Taittinger's followers, who are numbered by thousands, and who, like chantarelles, seem to have sprung up overnight.

This is not Fascism, they say. It is something new, and altogether French; though if there is some remote model it is American rather than Italian.

Looking at France's muddle one cannot reproach Taittinger's men. Parliamentary government a la Francaise has been bad enough, surely a republic with a president in real power could not be worse.

Peat lands in Minnesota, long thought unfit for anything, are being reclaimed by the use of tractors.

PUBLIC AUCTION

The undersigned will sell at Public Auction at his farm one mile west and one-quarter mile north of Murray, Nebr., on—

Wednesday, Jan. 6
commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. sharp, with lunch served at noon by Ladies of the Christian church, the following described property:

Live Stock
One pair milch cows and jennet, coming 5 years old, weight 2580; pair of matched black mares, coming 10 years old, weight 2700; one gray horse, 10 years old, weight 1500; one sorrel horse, 9 years old, weight 1,400; one bay horse, 14 years old, weight 1400; one saddle horse, 14 years old, weight 1350; seven head of milk cows; five head of heifer calves.
One Spotted Poland China boar, pure bred; some Spotted Poland China sows.

Farm Implements, Etc.
One Deering 5-ft. mowing machine in good shape; one Johnson mower in running order; one 12-ft. Deering hay rake; one Dempster No. 2 hay stacker; one hay buck; one walking lister; one walking plow, 14-inch; one 5-shovel garden plow; one hand garden plow and other garden tools; one Deering binder, 7-ft. size, has cut but 100 acres; one Van Brunt 12-hole press drill; one 3 1/4-in. Bain wagon in good shape; one 3 1/4-in. Newton wagon in good shape; one iron wheel truck with hay rack; four set work harness, one set new; one heavy stock saddle; one 2-row stalk cutter; two New Departure cultivators; one Jenny Lind cultivator; one John Deere riding cultivator; one J. L. Case 2-row machine; one John Deere wide tread lister; one P. & O. lister, with drill; one John Deere 16x16 disc; one Case gang, 12-inch plows; one 26-foot corn elevator, complete; one 3-section harrow; one bob sled; one old wagon gear; some chicken coops; two chicken houses; some chicken wire; about 1,000 feet of lumber; some board panels, 16 feet long; 40 rods hog wire; two rolls cribbing; 20 rods of garden wire, 48-inch; two ladders; two 50-gal. barrels; one gas barrel; one work bench; one vise; one 22 repeating rifle; one 12 gauge shot gun, double barrel; one pump jack; one tank heater; one 15-bbl. galvanized water tank; one 60-gal. hog fountain; one 2-h. p. Rock Island gas engine; one iron butchering kettle with stand; some oak posts and poles; one Home Comfort range; one 4-burner oil stove; one dining table and chairs; one National vacuum washer, new; one Primrose separator, large size; one cupboard with glass front; one oak wardrobe with mirror and other articles too numerous to mention.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

In the District Court of Cass county, Nebraska.
In the Matter of the Application of A. O. Ault, Administrator of the Estate of Edward P. McBride, deceased, for License to Sell Real Estate to Pay Debts.

Now on this 31st day of December, A. D. 1925, comes A. O. Ault, Administrator of the estate of Edward P. McBride, deceased, and presents his petition for license to sell real estate of the deceased to pay debts outstanding against said estate; and it appearing from said petition that in the hands of said administrator to pay the claims presented and allowed by the County Court and the expenses of said administration and that it is necessary to sell the whole of said real estate of said deceased for the payment of claims and costs of administration;

It is therefore Ordered and Adjudged that all parties interested in the estate of Edward P. McBride, deceased, appear before me, James T. Begley, Judge of the District Court, in the office of the Clerk of the District Court in the court house, in the City of Plattsmouth, in Cass county, Nebraska, on the 20th day of February, 1926, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any there be, why license should not be granted to A. O. Ault, Administrator of said estate, to sell all of the real estate of said deceased as allowed with costs of administration.

It is further Ordered that notice be given to all persons interested by publication of this Order to Show Cause for four (4) successive weeks in the Plattsmouth Journal, a legal newspaper published and of general circulation in said County of Cass, Nebraska.

By the Court,
JAMES T. BEGLEY,
District Judge.

NOTICE

In the District Court of Cass county, Nebraska.
Ida P. Applegate; Jessie A. Potter; Julian E. Applegate; Palmer C. Applegate and Della A. Anderson, plaintiffs, vs. Herman M. Nye; Eliza Barnum; Thomas G. Barnum; J. F. Hartman, real name unknown; John Hull; Anna Maria Jennings; George Jennings; Ohio County National Bank of Nebraska City, Nebraska; John H. Bayley; Edward Goodenough; Charles E. Bayley; Jennie F. Bayley; William Horrigan; E. W. Barnum, real name unknown; Henry W. Moore; Milton Tootle; Stongell Stokes; George W. Hunt and Lee Applegate, and all persons having or claiming any interest in the west half of the northwest quarter (NW 1/4) of section twenty-seven (27), township (10) north of Range Thirteen (13), east of the Sixth Principal Meridian in Cass county, Nebraska, real names unknown, defendants.

To the above named defendants:— You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 21st day of December, 1925, Ida P. Applegate; Jessie A. Potter; Julian E. Applegate; Palmer C. Applegate and Della A. Anderson, plaintiffs herein filed their petition in this action in the District Court of Cass county, Nebraska, against the above defendants, the object and prayer of which petition is to quiet title to the following described real estate, to-wit:— The West Half of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of Section Twenty-seven (27), Township Ten (10), North Range Thirteen (13), East of the Sixth Principal Meridian in Cass county, Nebraska.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 8th day of February, 1926.

Dated this 21st day of December, 1925, at Lincoln, Nebraska.
IDA P. APPELATE, JESSIE A. POTTER, JULIAN E. APPELATE, PALMER C. APPELATE, DELIA A. ANDERSON, Plaintiffs.

By Frederick J. Patz, Their Attorney. 5w

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The State of Nebraska, Cass county, ss.
In the County Court.

In the matter of the estate of Thomas Walling, 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 January 11, 1926, and April 12, 1926, at 10 o'clock a. m., 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 11th day of January, A. D. 1926, and the time limited for payment of debts is one year from said 11th day of January, 1926.

Witness my hand and the seal of said County Court, this 7th day of December, 1925.
A. H. DUXBURY, (Seal) d14-4w
Clerk.