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The roads are drying quite rapidly, just now.

Courage, Governor Weaver. Courage to do your duty.

When a man speaks with a golden tongue, all others are silenced.

There are 90,000 members of the American Medical Association.

The shortest railroad distance from New York to San Francisco is 3,180 miles.

Continuous vaudeville had its original home at the Old Bijou Theatre in Philadelphia.

The expression fit to a "T" refers to the 5 square or rule used by carpenters when exactitude is required.

It is a worth while motto Mr. Hoover has figuratively hung upon the wall—fewer and better speeches.

Marshal Foch who led allies to victory in World War dies at 77 following long illness. A grand old man.

The Bachelor Button, domestic flower, is a native of India. It was introduced into England as early as 1714.

The savage desert tribes of Africa pay no taxes, we read. It is difficult, therefore, to know what makes them savage.

Business men of the Philippines recently held their first national conference at Manila, nearly 500 delegates attending.

The height at which large hailstones begin to form, says a European scientist, is between 15,000 and 40,000 feet above the earth.

Happily, the public school system of America, and likewise the prevalence of institutions of higher learning, place a comprehensive education within the reach of virtually all young Americans.

When a person begins to tell white lies it isn't long before he becomes color blind.

Anyhow, prohibition has immortalized two names. We shall remember Volstead and never forget Brother Jones.

The area of Alaska is nearly equal to that of Texas, California, Montana, Maryland, and Delaware combined.

Italy is ready for war, says Mussolini, though none is in sight just now. Waiting for the outside chance.

Is it to be destiny of the multitudinous dollar, one wonders, to write the last chapter in the history of capitalism?

Every newly born female baby has an expectancy of life four years longer than a male baby, says a European statistician.

The Jones law, which designs to destroy the distinction between St. Louis, Mo., and Jonesburgh, Ark., has taken the bar out of Tony Massa's wife.

According to the W. C. T. U., the average age for forming the cigarette habit has fallen from 20 years to 11. There are 1700 new smokers every day.

Here is something congress might very well look into. Our national forests are a tremendous asset. An economy that endangers them is poor policy.

The average number of hours worked a week for all unionized trades has decreased 10 per cent during the past 20 years. Wages have increased 275 per cent.

An ordinance prohibiting dancing has been enacted by the city council at Galena and an Ozark editor wants to know why spooning, cuddling and necking were not also included.

Yes, the life of two "baby" stars of the Chicago Civic Opera company. Just married, ought to be one grand sweet song.

If citizens obeyed laws in general as well as they obey automobile traffic lights, nobody would have to worry much about democracy.

Golf manufacturers exhibited a "shockless" club at a recent show in Chicago. But we know some golfers who could at least mildly surprise it.

New power projects in Central Europe, many of which were financed by American capital, are causing great gains in the electrical industry of Germany.

Our idea of the depth of oblivion the last few weeks is that achieved by the family that lives in the other half of the Coolidge duplex at Northampton, Mass.

President Hoover contemplates a special session for April 15 on farm relief and tariff. That looks like his copying the fraternities' hell-week idea with the legislators catching it.

The Legislature is not bound to any particular bill, but we believe it is in duty bound to adopt sound measures of reorganization and a budget. It will certainly go far astray if it takes the advice of any man or men who hold that the chief end of government is to supply perquisites for heads of departments and the means of living for party workers.

### FRANCE DIGGING IN AGAIN

It will be a long time before military men get through studying the lessons taught by the World War.

When, in 1914, the Germans swept across the Belgian and French borders and pounded the great chains of fortification to pieces with big guns, it was taken for granted that the day of frontiers, in the old sense, was ended. Forts were held nothing better than traps for their garrisons.

Now, however, France is spending huge sums on frontier fortifications. Careful study of the war's development, it is said, has convinced the French army men that the forts were more valuable than was supposed. Alterations have been made in design, to be sure; but since any new war between France and Germany would doubtless be another trench war, the French are determined to have the nucleus of a great trench system ready for use if the occasion arises.

### THE PROHIBITION SURVEY

Mr. Hoover is said to be seeking cautiously the men who are to survey prohibition for him. That is, he does not want partisans upon either side.

If that is true, it puts the President in a much fairer position than is usually attributed to him. A partisan survey of prohibition would only add fuel to the flame. Upon the other hand, a scientific survey would command the respect of both sides in this great controversy. After all, it is unfair to say of either side that its motive is bad. Mr. Hoover has perfectly illustrated the point at issue by appealing to those who cannot respect prohibition to respect the law. The people to whom he has addressed this appeal respond that they can respect the law only when it is respectable. That is, they conceive it to be their patriotic duty to oppose a law which they believe injurious to the country exactly as the other side feels bound to respect the law because it postulates a reform in which they believe.

There is between these two points of view an abyss which can be bridged by nothing but the fact. The country has already gone through everything preliminary to ascertainment of the fact. In the case of slavery, that institution had upon its side all the law and all the authority which prohibition enjoys today. The people who resisted did so because they thought it wrong. They did not believe that slavery, though it had the sanction of law, could be made practicable, or that as an institution it could be made tolerable to the people. They therefore flouted the law, and time bore them out. Slavery was impracticable. It has by this time disappeared from all but seven limited areas, all far removed from the strongholds of civilization.

What is the fact about prohibition? Is it any more practicable than slavery was? Certainly the incidence of law and authority upon its side carries no such assurance. Like slavery, too, it is not something as to which we are sui generis. The world has by this time had a vast experience with it. The survey which Mr. Hoover contemplates can do but one thing, that is to determine what the fact is. It can lift prohibition out of the heated cockpit into which it has fallen and give it the benefit of dispassionate scientific analysis.

The country very much needs to have this done, and it is something that only the right man can do. The report that Mr. Hoover is seeking them cautiously does him credit. If it is true, it bears out the claims made during the presidential campaign that in Mr. Hoover, for the first time in our history, science proffers her political services.

### PRUNING THE BIBLE

A "New Commentary" on the Holy Scriptures has been published by some of the most learned and devout scholars of the Church of England. The stories of Jonah and the whale, of Noah's ark, of Belsazzar's feast, and of the Tower of Babel are missed as myths, without historical foundation and impossible to believe. Moses did not write the Pentateuch and Methuselah was not as old as he claimed.

On the other hand, this biblical story of the real raising of Lazarus is "accepted with all its implications as the climax of all the miracles of healing." And Lazarus was supposed to be dead. So you see, those learned and devout scholars did not shatter all the pillars of modern religion.

No comment is made, in this new publication, upon this passage in St. Matthew: "Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel."

Here, however, is real fact. Prof. Garstang, the famous archaeologist, who has been excavating in Northern Palestine under the auspices of the Liverpool Institute of Archaeology, returned to Jerusalem, recently, and reported that he had "dug up" the ancient site of Hazer which Joshua conquered.

The old Testament states that Solomon repaired Hazer. Prof. Garstang found the walls of Solomon's period resting on top of the former Sananite ramparts.

Needless to say he found no evidence that Joshua had made the sun stand still.

Without the support of the United States, no rebellion in Mexico has much chance of success; this is borne out by the success of Madero, by the failure of Huerta, by the rise of Carranza, Obregon and Calles; in forbidding shipment of arms to enemies of the Mexican Government, the United States is but supporting a regime which it was largely instrumental in establishing.

### THAT EIGHT YEAR LEASE

"I choose to run for President in 1932." Mr. Hoover has, in effect, said just that.

One of his secretaries, Laurence Richey, has acquired trout pools in Virginia and Maryland, not far from Washington, whither the President can hie himself on dull days of weekends for his favorite sport. In the Maryland transaction, as reported, Mr. Richey, in addition to outright purchase, obtained an EIGHT-YEAR LEASE on several miles of stream.

No Rostertucian is needed to read that starchy coup. Obviously, Mr. Hoover is looking forward confidently to two terms. Obviously, in his own mind he has already given those gluttons for punishment, the Democrats, a second trouncing.

That's rather ruthless. It seems to us the Democrats are entitled, during the present administration to indulge in a few illusions; to experience now and then, when the Republicans get into a jam, "the hope that springs eternal." No such day-dreams even are to be permitted the chronic runner-up in our political tournament. The luckless soldier who inherits the happy warrior's mantle is already a mangled victim in the Hoover calculation, counting his trout before they hatched.

### WIPING OUT SPEED LIMIT

Now it is the Ohio legislature which is considering a plan to abolish auto speed limits on country roads and make a blanket statute about reckless driving cover everything. Certain other states have already adopted such a law and more are investigating the matter.

We don't know what the actual statistics on the thing would show if they were compiled; but the law strikes us as reasonable enough. After all, there is no hard and fast standard for driving. A speed of 40 miles an hour, on some roads, may be perfectly safe, while 25 miles an hour, on other roads, may be too fast. Drivers, also vary; some are able to travel safely at high speed limits, incidentally, deals a blow to speed traps. And that, by itself, is a good argument for such a law.

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State of Nebraska } ss. County of Cass }

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of March, 1929. (Seal) ROBERT M. WALLING, Notary Public. My commission expires March 12, 1931.



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### TAFT IS ESTEEMED

It is to be hoped that the rumors that Chief Justice William Howard Taft will retire in the near future are incorrect.

The chief justice has revealed a good deal of ability and a vast fund of level-headedness and devotion to duty during his time on the bench. Judges of his caliber are not too easily found.

It is true he has never been numbered among the court's "liberals" with Brandies and Holmes. But few liberals, for all that, would be pleased if he were to step down. The country needs him where he is, and his retirement would be met with almost universal regret.

### NOTICE

To Rosie Brown, non-resident defendant:

You are hereby notified that on the 1st day of December, 1928, Virgil Brown filed a petition against you in the District Court of Cass county, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which are to obtain a divorce from you on the ground that you have willfully abandoned the plaintiff without good cause, for the term of two years last past. You are required to answer said petition on or before Monday, the 6th day of May, 1929.

By— VIRGIL BROWN, Plaintiff. W. G. KIECK, His Attorney.

### SHERIFF'S SALE

State of Nebraska, County of Cass, ss.

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued by Golda Noble Beal, Clerk of the District Court within and for Cass county, Nebraska, and to me directed, I will on the 20th day of April, A. D. 1929, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at the south front door of the court house in the City of Plattsmouth, in said county, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following real estate, to-wit:

Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, in Block 33, and Lots 5 and 6, in Block 63, in the City of Plattsmouth, and Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, in Block 6, in Dukes Addition to the City of Plattsmouth, Cass county, Nebraska—

The same being levied upon and taken as the property of Mrs. Sampson, first and real name unknown, et al, defendants, in the judgment of said Court recovered by Louis Ackerman, plaintiff against said defendants.

Plattsmouth, Nebraska, March 15, A. D. 1929.

BERT REED Sheriff Cass County, Nebraska

### ORDER OF HEARING and Notice on Petition for Settlement of Account

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

To all persons interested in the estate of Philip H. Meisinger, deceased:

On reading the petition of Ed H. Tritsch praying a final settlement and allowance of his account filed in this Court on the 23rd day of March, 1929, and for assignment of estate and discharge of Executor:

It is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter may, and do, appear at the County Court to be held in and for said county on the 5th day of April, A. D. 1929, at ten o'clock a. m., to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the 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 one week prior to said day of hearing.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Court this 23rd day of March, A. D. 1929.

A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge. (Seal) m25-1w

### Here's a Big Bargain in RANGES

I have on hand two \$135 Riverside Ranges which are beautiful, at special sale price of \$120

One Peninsular Circulator

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\$99

One Ideal Vecto Circulator

\$110 value, for only

\$55

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\$70

One Globe Electric Washer

\$85 value—a bargain at

\$65

If you have need for any of the above it will certainly pay you to see us.

### W. H. Puls

Dealer in Hardware and Supplies

Phone 33—Plattsmouth, Neb.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The State of Nebraska, Cass county, ss.

In the County Court.

In the matter of the estate of David G. Babbington, 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 19th day of April, 1929, and the 20th day of July, 1929, at 10 o'clock a. m. of 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 19th day of April, A. D. 1929 and the time limited for payment of debts is one year from said 19th day of April, 1929.

Witness my hand and the seal of said County Court this 13th day of March, 1929.

A. H. DUXBURY, County Judge. (Seal) m18-4w



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