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REVOLUTION OR PLAIN FOOLISHNESS. A situation has developed within the last few days that perplexes. It is impossible to interpret the action of certain individuals and groups of individuals as intended to produce anything but disorder.

Eugene V. Debs, recently liberated from prison by exercise of executive clemency, calls on all strikers and union men generally "to strike together, vote together, and fight together." He concludes his call in these words:

The struggle is entering upon its critical stage, and whether the tolling hour shall emerge in triumph and establish industrial and social democracy in the world or go down in humiliating defeat for another historical period of economic bondage depends entirely upon the capacity of the workers to muster their forces and stand together, strike together, vote together and fight together all along the line.

President Harding is remaining calm and is proceeding with great care and deliberation. He realizes that governmental operation of the mines and railroads is exactly what the socialistic labor leaders hope for. Also, he knows to what extent the bolshevistic propaganda has penetrated in America, and whether the clamorous outbursts of superheated oratory actually reflects the sentiment of the mass of American workers.

The Bee is not convinced that a revolution impends; our government has successfully met and withstood more serious assaults than those now threatening. Debs sounded his call to arms thirty-eight years ago, and finished in Woodstock jail. His present proclamation may have the effect of determining the full weakness of the red element. It will not serve the cause of honest labor organizations, nor materially aid in setting aright any of the things now in disorder.

Vigorous procedure on part of the authorities in West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Ohio, all of which appear to be involved at Wellburg, will encourage public confidence. Meantime, the president has planned to make one more try to bring together the disputants on a compromise. A few hours or a few days will determine definitely whether the nation is facing a revolution, or merely being disturbed by feigning men.

THE MIDDLE WEST'S FINE SHOWING. Comparison of the present business situation with that of a year ago, or even with the conditions on first of this year is far from being odious. The monthly review of the Federal Reserve bank of Kansas City calls attention to the improvement in the general economic status, crediting good crop prospects, strengthened prices for live stock, farm and mining products and continued reduction of indebtedness.

The situation in the Tenth district, of which Omaha is a branch, is thus summarized in the report: All crops improved. June wheat forecast for the district approximately 250,000,000 bushels; decrease 20,524,000 bushels from last year. Volume of business in 29 cities measured by bank debits to individual accounts in four weeks, \$377,819,000; increase \$22,979,000, or 3.3 per cent over corresponding period in 1921.

Wholesale trade, dollar values, larger in volume than last year, except for goods and drugs; larger in quantities in all lines of goods distributed. Further improvement of retail trade. Business failures in May, 70 in number and liabilities \$1,294,560; lowest record of any of the federal reserve districts.

Industrial conditions improved. Employment as of June 15 in 411 establishments, 83.8 per cent of normal; increase 4 per cent in one month. Building permits in May, 20 cities, 3,619 in number and \$11,329,498 in estimated cost; increase \$4,614,239, or 63.3 per cent over May, 1921.

Wheat received in May, 4 markets, 9,536,000 bushels; increase 2,844,700 bushels over April, and decrease 2,378,900 bushels from May, 1921. Corn received 6,317,000 bushels; increase 2,378,000 bushels over April and 2,712,240 bushels over May, 1921.

proposal Edison makes is that the first did not specify that the warehouses should be constructed of concrete. Otherwise the conditions are the same, and the objections that were raised to the scheme thirty-two years ago hold good today.

HOW TO SAVE \$200,000. Among the propositions that are to be submitted to the voters on Tuesday is one to authorize the issuance of \$200,000 in bonds for alterations at the Municipal Auditorium.

Yet, with all its drawbacks and inconveniences, the Auditorium has fairly well served its purpose. It is not exactly the place to present grand opera, and yet grand opera has been presented there with considerable success. Band concerts have been given there, and the finest musical events in Omaha's history, the annual recitals of the Mendelssohn Choir, were presented there, and the great chorus of the Mississippi Valley Saengerverein aroused the echoes of its rafters.

Omaha has a great many needs more pressing than the Auditorium program. Even were it urgent, reasonable objection may be laid against the expenditure of \$200,000 on the plant at present. The city's funded debt is sufficiently formidable, and taxes are plenty high enough to suit all.

"WHAT DO DEMOCRATS THINK?" queries one of their several candidates for governor. If he propounds it as a conundrum, we give it up. What do the real democrats think? Assuming that they do think now and then, the assumption is easy that just now they are puzzled not a little as to what to think? They have seen some of the most remarkable maneuvering and jockeying ever practiced by political ringmasters, all in the name of the people, and actually intended to capture the offices.

THE KAISER REFUSES TO SMILE. A sense of humor might have softened the thud with which the kaiser fell. It is even possible that the war might have been prevented if he and some of the other statesmen had felt more of that sunny companionship with mortal affairs that is called humor. But even into his exile Wilhelm has carried his unsmiling dignity. A German humorist writes a book in which the former German emperor's favorite horse dictates its memoirs after the fashion of the famous "talking horse" that spells words by stamping. Straightway an attorney representing the fallen monarch files suit for libel.

READY FOR NIGHT AIR MAIL. Business of knocking on wood. For a year there has not been a single fatal accident in the air mail service. To boast of this record is a good deal like tempting fate, but still a good word must be said concerning this postal activity.

Quite a Little While. "In quite a little while," announces H. G. Wells with prophetic assurance, "the great peace of the world will begin."

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Whatever else you do today, do not forget to vote for the city charter.

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On Second Thought. It is better to die and be truly missed by one soul than to have the whole lodge turn out at your funeral and some member say "Who was this guy?"

OPINION

What Editors Elsewhere Are Saying

The Borrowing Habit. From the Ohio State Journal. Almost every one has had experience with people who have a borrowing habit. It seems to be one of those evil things that like death and disease, cannot be eradicated.

Our Odd Shoulder. From the Indianapolis News. The statement that their shoulders are not of the same height will come as a surprise to many people.

Warning to Candidates. A lot of persons who are going to run for congress this year will find that they are going to run behind someone else.—Boston Transcript.

Villa Sanctified. From the Cleveland Plain Dealer. The transfiguration of Pancho Villa is the topic of several recent rhapsodies prepared by men who have visited the former bandit chief.

Humanity's Laggards. From the Boston Traveler. Blood and thunder—wholesale killings by mobs, assassinations of prominent men, wars and threats of wars, suicides, crimes of all kinds—these disturbances shake the very foundations of civilization.

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THE BEE'S LETTER BOX

To Do Away With Criminals. Central City, Neb., July 15.—To The Editor of The Omaha Bee: I wish to commend that part of your editorial on "The Prevention of Crime" in Saturday's Bee which says "the basic need is for a character which can be moulded, not by fear or threats, but by better examples."

There are too many lives ruined by individuals trying to do something they are not fitted for. As stated, the normal person may be able to adjust himself so that he can make a living in an honorable way by following some line of work not suited to him, but the abnormal one will be unable to adjust himself to conditions, so he resorts to trickery or dishonest methods to compensate for his deficiency.

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those who want to marry, expectant mothers, babies, etc., and if anything is wrong, refer them to their family physician, who would make a very thorough examination and prescribe the treatment. This would not work any financial or other hardship upon the people, but would save them 100 per cent on their investment. T. H. LINE, M. D.

The Greatest Woman. Omaha, July 14.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: One of your correspondents recently referred to the quest for America's greatest woman. She is described in Proverbs xxii, beginning with the 10th verse.

Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust her, so that he shall have no need of spoil.

Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come. She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness.

Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain; but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised. In the twenty-ninth verse we are told that she "excellent them all"; therefore, in the estimation of the writer, she is the greatest. HER SON.

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Common Sense About Eczema and Eruptions! Here's Something About S. S. S. That You'll Be Glad to Hear. You might just as well know it right now—the cause of skin eruptions, pimples, blackheads, boils and so on, is right in the blood.

FREE TICKETS to KRUG PARK Gate, Dance Floor and Bathing Beach Welch's Annual Outing, Tuesday, July 18. Tickets given to each customer on Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, July 15, 16, 17 and 18. All Welch Restaurants.

Your Money's Worth. With gasolene as expensive as it is today, it pays to use as good a gasolene as you can get. Two GOOD Gasolenes: BLITZEN (Export Test) VULCAN (Dry Test). They are straight run, clean, full of power and their even and complete explosion is a pleasure and also a money saver for you.

The Best Low Priced Healthful Baking Powder Obtainable Contains no Alum Use it—and Save! Large Can, 12 Ounces, Only 25c SPECIAL! Some grocers may have a few cans left of Dr. Price's bearing the label with the special advertising offer recently announced. A big value at its regular price, Dr. Price's is an unparalleled bargain at this special sale price. Don't fail to see if your grocer has some left!

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SHERIFF AND JAIL COST JUMPS \$36,787 UNDER MIKE CLARK. Is This Efficiency? 87.9 Per Cent Increase In 5 Years. Following table shows cost of Sheriff's Office and Jail while Mike Clark has been Sheriff: 1917 \$41,851.98 1918 53,682.93 1919 55,137.55 1920 62,674.51 1921 78,639.95 Only \$10,588.72 of this big increase is for salaries. Riot Cost Over \$700,000. Many believe the costly riot could have been averted if Mike Clark had taken the prisoner away when trouble signs first appeared. A lynching was threatened in Omaha in 1906, but the prisoner was removed and no damage was done.