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BRYAN-HITCHECOCK BARGAIN

In a statement to be published in the current issue of The Commoner, and given to the press at the democratic state convention held in Omaha last week, W. J. Bryan gives blanket endorsement to the candidacy of Senator Hitchcock.

In his statement Mr. Bryan says that "Senator Hitchcock and the dries are in entire accord. The division over the liquor question, regrettable as it was, could not be avoided."

The prohibition question now under the guise of a campaign for light wines and beer is today a more live issue than at any time since the adoption of national prohibition.

Two short years ago W. J. Bryan in his campaign for selection as delegate to the democratic national convention at San Francisco loudly proclaimed that the prohibition problem was an all-important issue, and by no means dead.

In response to Bryan's vitriolic attacks Hitchcock emphatically and vociferously declared the prohibition question to be a dead issue, time having brought the issue to its day of harvest and the people having settled it.

Two years ago Bryan would have nothing of what he declared to be Hitchcock's treachery to prohibition. Today "Brother Charlie" is seeking high office. And W. J. in the interest of "Brother Charlie," a candidate, now says Hitchcock is right when he says the liquor question is a dead issue.

ONE OF LIFE'S TRAGEDIES

The pages of the newspapers throbbing with life in all its many aspects. There are to be found in these columns articles that inform, amaze, instruct, shock and arouse emotions of various sort.

Taken to jail on a warrant charging him with writing a check with insufficient funds in bank to cover it, he tells a story brimming with tears. According to this account he requested the hospital to hold his check un cashed for a time until he and his wife were able to earn enough from the soil to meet it.

Here is tragedy—an old man struggling against hard fate, and with no one to help or advise. It is not clear why it was necessary for him to sign a check at all. The law laying a heavy penalty on giving a check without sufficient funds has not been long on the books.

The law is the law, of course, but there surely is room for some latitude in a case of this sort. In civil proceedings the courts of equity provide this latitude.

WATER AND THE TIME OF YEAR

Some of the lofty-domed arbiters of human fate assert that a few hundred millions of years ago, an amoeba crawled up out of the ooze, dried himself in the sun, and decided that for the future he would live in the open air, and not in the water.

Transcontinental travel has lost another of its thrills, since the striking engineers have resumed work.

Stealing "Tom" Dennison's automobile is getting to be a favorite trick, but it doesn't work every time.

summer water in plentiful supply is the greatest possible blessing. One of the peculiar properties of water is that it cools slower than any other of the liquids, and it also heats more slowly.

Omaha folks are happy in that they have a dependable supply of the most excellent water. Some trouble and expense are involved in getting rid of the mud, but the water, when it is separated, is worth the while.

NEBRASKA'S GROWING BANK ROLL

The increase of \$6,358,962 in deposits in the state banks of Nebraska, recorded for the second quarter of the year, is more gratifying because the report of the state banking secretary shows that the total deposits on June 30, 1922, of \$288,520,768 were owned by 600,000 individual depositors.

The increase noted during the quarter is at the rate of \$5 per capita on Nebraska's population, which is a tribute to thrift as well as a proof of prosperity. It is especially comforting, for it indicates that we have not run behind, as a whole, and that we have been enabled to accumulate something of a fund and get it put away out of reach of those who would separate us from it.

MAN'S CONQUEST OF THE AIR

Interest in aviation, greatly stimulated by the war, has led to a number of achievements that are startling in their nature. Exigencies of combat flying produced emergencies that forced the adoption of expedients that might not have been attempted under ordinary conditions.

A result is the competition among gliders now in progress. Here is but the application of the fundamental principles of artificial flight. Alexander Graham Bell tested them with his kite, Langley carried his investigations to a point where the Wright brothers took up the work and solved the problem in its main phase.

A German glider is reported to have remained in the air two hours at a considerable height, attained solely by aid of the wind, and sustained in the "cruise" by the same means.

CHOOSING THE SCHOOL

Just now many fond parents are anxiously debating the most serious question, that of which advanced school the son or daughter will attend. Many have laid plans long ago, building a future for the child before it had passed the portals of the high school.

One of the problems to be encountered by the parents is that of determining which of the colleges or universities offers the course of training that will most nearly meet the ideals established for their children. It is a choice that will profoundly affect the life not alone of the young men and women, but of the nation, since the perpetuity of our institutions depends on the intelligence of the citizens, and one generation hands on to the next the task of keeping on the work of progress and civilization.

Senator Johnson of California records one interesting fact in connection with the new tariff bill, when he states it is written around the needs and desires of the great west and not exclusively for the benefit of the east.

The fact that the 90-year-old man who has won a prize as the oldest active farmer comes from Buncombe county, Illinois, does not disprove his claim, but it contributes some skepticism.

Commander MacNider in this he voices the hope of a lot of ex-service men who have waited more or less patiently for the day to come.

As long as those aviators flying from the United States to Brazil had to come down, they used discretion in deciding on landing at Palm Beach.

That Illinois man who has been farming seventy-five years and still likes it ought to be the answer to something.

Why not mediate the differences between Judge Foster and Chief Deam?

What Other Editors Say

A Pious Heretic. From the Platte Valley News, Scottsbluff. Although it has become somewhat the fashion to laugh at politics and to sneer at the politician, the thoughtful man or woman knows that neither the abuses that have come to the American system of party government, nor the occasional dominance of bosses, nor the sometimes hopeless mistakes of the voters, are excuses for anything but the keenest interest in political affairs.

Europe. European propagandists are spreading their net to catch the people of this country with literature which is supposed to show the people of the United States why Uncle Sam should cancel all the debts due him from the allies.

Down With the Tyrant. From the Ohio State Journal. Women almost universally seem to deplore the retirement of the short skirt. "When we finally get a sensible, comfortable costume," they say with some show of indignation, "they won't let us keep it."

The Pioneering Instinct. From the Chicago Mailer. An easterner, invited to deliver the commencement day address in a boys' school in Indiana, came into revealing contact with the pioneer instinct. Introduced by a member of the graduating class to his father, the easterner found that the father was a wheat grower in Iowa.

Grilling Candidates. Paxton Times. We note from exchanges word that in the election of women voters are demanding of candidates that they publish their views on all important public questions, and we believe the fair sex has opened up something that the male voters never seemed able to accomplish.

The Vanishing Smoke. From the Boston Herald. What has become of the campaign slogan? For that matter, what has become of the slogan of courtesy which once circled about it? It was almost frazzled as a credential of introduction, a thank offering for small favors of a more or less substantial nature, and a means of social contact.

all sorts of pocket by the hand, and that other who always drove out a prim and compact case, displaying an orderly array like soldiers on parade. Most entertaining of all was the confidential, bushy-towed operator who eased his half dozen under your hand as if he were paying the first installment of a bribe.

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Do Doctors Need God? Physicians cannot be at their best unless they pray. A doctor can do his best work unless he asks God to do still better than he himself can.—Sunday School Times.

Readers' Opinions

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Nebraska Notions

Wayne Herald: Young man, don't write a letter to your best girl or any other girl. If you have something burning to be said, don't put it in writing. If you do, it is liable to rise and haunt you. If the divine afflatus thralls you and you feel like getting off some stilted and ineffectual phrases of great emotion, just go to her and say it. Don't commit it to writing. You will of course lose as you grow older and more seasoned. The burdens of later life are heavy enough without having the literary bubble of adolescence to come along and nag you.

General Public: Postmaster General Felt certainly has an appropriate name. He never loafs on the job; in fact, he seems to be a little ahead of time. When there was threat of mail delay through a railroad strike, Work made prompt and urgent preparations to have the mails transported by auto truck. Whether there shall ever be a need for such transportation or not, we have learned two things—that we have a postmaster general who has not only foresight but foreaction, and that if occasion requires we can carry the mails by truck.

Run Seized in the Bay. Announced by New York papers, was probably not bay rum—Philadelphia Record.

One explanation of the modern girl is that she learned how to handle a typewriter instead of a frying pan.—Birmingham News.

It might be wise to refrain temporarily from "heating" coils of fire" on your enemy's head. You may need them later on.—St. Joseph News-Press.



Habit may keep you shoveling coal and carrying out ashes but habit will never lighten the load—Nokol will

For years you had to shovel coal and carry out ashes all through the winter—or have it done by a janitor—because a coal heating plant was the only means to heat your home. You endured the habitual discomfort of uncertain, uneven heating just as you would endure bad weather—because it was just about as far beyond your control.

Trembling Europe

By VICENTE BLASCO IBANEZ
"ALL I HEAR in Europe" writes Ibanez "is talk of Peace; all I SEE is fear of War." The author of "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" has just returned from a new journey through Europe.

The Gioconda Smile

A STORY that proves the length to which a woman will go to win the man she loves. Read also "In the New York Manner," "Peggy" and "The Boy Who Read Dime Novels"—seven sparkling Short Stories.

Can You Trust YOUR Doctor?

HE has 45,000 different remedies he might prescribe for you; only about fifty are really necessary; only about a dozen are definite specific cures. The choice of an able doctor is therefore of the most vital importance. In "DOCTORS AND DRUG MONGERS" Dr. Paul R. de Kruif tells you how to choose your family physician. One of nine vital articles in the September

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