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A GOOD TIME TO KEEP COOL
Force fails, but the world is slow to learn the lesson. History is filled with the story of empires that crumbled and decayed because there was nothing more substantial than military power to back them up.

The downfall of the old German monarchy should be warning enough to any nation not to repeat its mistakes. Yet France is resorting to the same ruthless method of force now, disregarding both the moral opinion and the practical advice of the world.

From a neutral viewpoint it seems apparent that the question of reparations is not the deciding factor in the resolve of France to invade the German Rhineland. The movement of troops proceeds at once from a dream of aggrandizement and from a fear of internal weakness.

Across the eastern border lies the weak and defeated German nation. By the peace of Versailles, it is prohibited from maintaining any real military force, and rained of immense quantities of coal, iron and other materials in the form of reparations.

Such is the European situation in human terms. The strategy of the French diplomats has brought Italy and Belgium to their side. Doubtless the people of these three countries hope to be able to reduce their own taxes by a fresh levy on the German people.

There is the League of Nations in this hour of the world's peril? No word of warning or advice has come from its palace at Geneva. America has done far more than the league to seek to prevent this dangerous pass.

Recently The Omaha Bee editorially bemoaned the practical disappearance of the once familiar "smokehouse" and made a few disparaging remarks about the tendency of the American people to "live in cans and cartons."

All of which is very gratifying, showing as it did, that not all the farm wives were losing the old-fashioned knack of canning and preserving. But this good Iowa farm wife's case is not typical, by any means.

"Problems Confronting the Petroleum Industry" is the title of a handsome little brochure recently mailed to the newspaper men of the country. It may be some problem, at that, but nothing compared to the problems facing the consumers of petroleum and its by-products.

COMMUNISTS' "ASSAULT ON HEAVEN."
One of the fantastic accompaniments of the Russian observance of Christmas was the "assault on heaven," made by the young communists at Moscow.

Heaven has withstood assaults as serious and as determined as any the young bolsheviks may carry on. Unbelief has not been peculiar to any particular age or people, but its effect has been so slight that when not entirely negligible it has been merely annoying.

Having destroyed all other anchorage for human effort, and recklessly and ruthlessly scrapped all the products of human experience, these callow Russian youth set about to abolish heaven and all it stands for. When they succeed their triumph will be absolute.

The Law of Love, which is the antithesis of communism, rests in the end on the existence of divinity and the Fatherhood of God with the Brotherhood of Man. Any attempt to carry on one without the other is doomed in advance to fail.

THE PIONEER.
The period of strife and hardship that accompanies the development of a country is past in Nebraska, but so recently that we still have the pioneer with us.

This week these venerable pioneers will be gathered in Lincoln from all over the state, and those who are fortunate enough to be present will live again the simple life of the prairie. The privation and tragedies met by those who prepared the way will be recalled as well, but the suffering and frightfulness will have been lost in the intervening time that has transformed the event to a matter of history.

Just because the full tide of prosperity did not set in the day President Harding was inaugurated, the democratic press indulged in a chorus of denunciations and "We told so so's." Now that prosperity is returning with gratifying speed the democratic press is maintaining a muzziness that would make the proverbial oyster sound like a professional conversationalist.

You may note, in passing, that the bolshevik have not as yet taken any steps to evict Old Nick and close up his place of business.

It would seem high time that we adopted the policy of making a prison term a punishment instead of a reward.

Well, when the speakership did go west it came mighty near bumping up against the Wyoming line.

Russia's New Attitude Toward Japan
Current History Magazine.
The line of policy which the soviet diplomacy is now trying to follow with regard to Japan is based on the contention that soviet Russia and Japan have reason to be dissatisfied with western Europe and the United States.

"From State and Nation"
Editorials from Other Newspapers

All of One Mind.
Edgar Howard in the Columbus Telegram.
Managers of all the banking houses in Columbus are of one mind today regarding the general outlook for the ensuing year.

U. S. Dollar Is O. K.
From the Kansas City Star.
The trouble with our country is "too many wise men," which is to say, too many highbrow theorists with scientific formulas for everyday ills that formerly we considered commonplace and that usually worked out their own cures.

THE ROLLING STONE.
Now here I am, a rolling stone.
A human thing of blood and bone That seems to huddle with the rest Who fear to leave the moody nest.

Common Sense
Do you withhold your sympathy?
Do not judge a man harshly without knowing some things which have affected his life.

Daily Prayer
I will bless the Lord at all times.
O Lord, and Father of us all, we come with glad hearts to this hour of prayer.

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Work for Legislators.
Omaha.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: As to opinions about legislation, there are three classes of people.

One member presented a resolution that the law of indeterminate sentences be repealed, and the resolution was adopted within two minutes. This action seems to reflect the sentiment of a great majority of the people.

Should I remain to grovel round
Upon some barren patch of ground
Where, after years, my father's foot
Wrought only bitterness from the soil?

Let us watch the legislative proceedings this winter, and see if we have any legislators who have sufficient intelligence, force and courage to put through any needed legislation.

Until he got into the movies Wil Hays probably never realized what a clean, wholesome sport politics is.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Gee, a Whole Load of Coal



ple in relation to a law under which many criminals have been set free and have resumed their criminal practices. The people are tired of such monkey work. The legislators should consider this matter carefully and respond or amend the law.

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We Are "Broke"
Yet They Hound Us for Money
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