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JUSTICE BETWEEN NATIONS.

A message of hope to Europe and America alike is that brief, convincing state paper in which President Harding requests authority from the senate to join the permanent court of international justice at The Hague.

Each day it has become more apparent that the unhappy world condition cannot be cured without the aid of America. Equally evident has been the fact that if America ever is to approach European problems again this is not to be as the partisan of any single nation or any group of nations. It is natural, then, that the way chosen finally should be through a court of justice rather than any political alliance such as France sought, or through the League of

If the disputes which bedevil Europe are to be adjusted they must be settled, not from the standpoint of national advantage or by the umpire of force, but according to the true interest of humanity as a whole. What America has been seeking is a practical way of getting nations on a common level, so that each would respect the rights of the other, seek to avoid quarrels, drop imperialism, cease to exploit backward peoples and uplift them instead. In short, America's vision from the day it entered the war has been of a world united in friendly understanding, peaceful, prosperous and progressive. The selfish conduct of the old world since the peace, the errors of its statesmen, the blindness of its people, have been discouraging to American interest and good will.

President Harding revives the hope for an ordered world in his decision to accept the time as suitable to go into the international court. He announced during his campaign his intention to enter into an association with the other nations, and he took the first step last year in the Washington disarmament conference. It is not enough to limit armament-if wars are to be arrested, justice must rule the acts of the nations.

If Europe desires to abide by the principles of justice, America is ready to help. That is what the move of the president means. In that position he has spoken with the voice of the people.

TRYING TO START A FEUD.

Democrats joined republicans in the lower house to pass the bill designed to fortify the state bank guarantee of deposits act. In vain did Dr. P. L. Hall attempt to crack the party whip for Governor Bryan as he did in the past for Morehead. Only four votes were east against the measure which Bryan attempted to veto in advance. Dr. Hall is a national banker, not a state banker, and it difficult to understand why he should endeavor to influence legisla-

tion affecting only national banks. Efforts to make party issues out of one bill before another have failed this session. Governor Bryan has been most persistent in his efforts to prevent the members of his party co-operating with the republicans, but to no avail. The democratic press likewise has striven to turn the orderly process of sian conflicts, the governments did not hesitate to government into the appearance of a Kentucky seek the advice of Miss Nightingale in equipping mountain feud.

As an instance may be cited the stories circulated over the state which asked citizens to believe that Clyde Barnard, the secretary of the senate, attempted to make away with the 44 bills in which the governor had incorporated his proposals for changing the state government. If these reports were to be believed, only the watchfulness of the governor's secretary prevented the loss of these measures. On such flimsy pretext is the effort being made to bolster up partisan animosity and suspicion. The plain fact is that when the senate withdrew from the joint session, the custodian of the records naturally carried all his documents with him to the other chamber. There they would have been preserved until they were brought up for presentation or discussion. Had they, by any accident or design, been lost or destroyed, they might easily have been replaced by carbon copies.

Those do poor service to the people of Nebraska who seek to set its legislators to quarreling among themselves or attempt to surround the state house with an atmosphere of suspicion. Thus far the legislators have worked together without undue regard for party lines. The vote on the banking bill shows that, as do the votes on such debated issues as the language and the public utilities bills. Thus far the only hidebound partisan in the whole state government seems to be the governor. He neglects no possible opportunity for stirring up party prejudice and strive always to make personal capital out of each issue as it comes up.

WOMAN'S SOUL HER OWN.

When Tom Hood sang, "Oh, to be a slave, along with the barbarous Turk, where woman has never a soul to save," he was voicing or rather perpetuating a misunderstanding. Woman does have a soul to save, even with the barbarous Turk, but she accomplishes its salvation better through the grace of her husband. Generally among eastern peoples the status of a woman in the hereafter depends on her relations to her lord and master in this life.

Brahmanism, that curious religion of India, which has resisted Buddha, Christ and Mohammed in turn, has produced the rigid caste system and enslaved hundreds of millions in its hopeless outlook, condemns the widow in this world to seclusion and neglect and in the next to a dismal stay and a sure return on a lower plane. Only through her husband can she hope to gain such favor from the gods as will advance her in a rebirth.

This explains the suttee, a case of which is just reported from an Indian village. Widowed and hopeless, the wife voluntarily mounts the pyre that consumes her husband's corpse, and so seeks for her soul to be united with his in the shadow world,

while awaiting reincarnation. If western civilization has any superior claims, it is because of the fact that under it woman has her own soul. Hood's outburst was a protest gainst an industrial condition, not including the entire scale of human existence. Reunion beyond the veil is anticipated, but the wife need not expect heaven only through her husband's virtue.

"WHILE THE WORLD WONDERED."

Tucked away in a corner of the newspaper the other day, between the want ads and the market reports, you may have found a little dispatch from London, Ontario, telling of the last illness of an old soldier. He was not an important figure in the world; his great and glorious day of heroic action befell sixty-eight years before. His passing might have been chronicled in a single sentence which would have given all the facts.

It is to the credit of journalism that he was not thus to be mustered out from the ranks of the living. By a sweep of the imagination some reporter dramatized once more the stirring events of the Crimean war in such a way as to make every reader see and feel them. His story began thus:

"Thomas W. Shaw, who claims to be the last survivor of the famous Light Brigade, tonight was riding for the second time 'into the jaws of

"But the venerable cavalryman-91 years oldhad not between his knees the charger which dashed upon the Russian battery at Balaklava in 1854. Under him was a white-sheeted hospital cot from which, the doctors say, he would never rise.

Though this harks back to an event recorded in history, yet it is not to the sober account of the historians that the mind turns. Who as a boy has not thrilled as he read the lines of Tennyson on the "Charge of the Light Brigade"-

Forward, the Light Brigade! Was there a man dismayed? Not the' the soldier knew Some one had blunder'd. Theirs not to make reply. Theirs not to reason why. Theirs but to do and die. Into the valley of death Rode the six hundred.

The old man, saved from the disaster, "while horse and hero fell," going now peacefully to his end-how plainly we see through the words of the dispatch. The event itself and the noble poem of the British laureate rise up again in memory.

"Cannon to right of them. Cannon to left of them. Cannon in front of them Volleyed and thunder'd-Stormed at with shot and shell, Boldly they rode and well. Into the jaws of Hell Rode the six hundred.

The advance on the Russian battery was, as Tennyson suggests, a mistake, but the glory of those troopers was none the less because the reputation of one of their officers was tarnished by this blunder. It is the courage with which the attack was delivered that gives eternal power to the lines of the poet. If this old man on the hospital cot is actually as he thought, the last one of that famous brigade, yet he will not take with him all by which the world remembers that scene. And what an obituary this reporter has given him!

Nothing is forgotten in this news story, and there is even evoked the memory of the first woman to organize what now is known as Red Cross serv-

ice. The dispatch says: "After his charge with the glorious 600, Shaw felt upon his brow the soothing hand of Florence Nightingale-a memory that was his most cherished possession. And tonight, upon his solitary ride into 'the valley of death,' the soft fingers of the mighty band of daughters Nightingale gave the world were touching his brow, but the old soldier did not feel them.

"His breath came in agonizing gasps. The end

Florence Nightingale, the lady of the lamp, who by her untiring energy and ability alleviated the suffering of the sick and wounded in that almost causeless war-this veteran is a link with her, too. She had not been welcomed by the military authorities at first, for it had not been customary to value much the lives of wounded men. There seemed to that prejudiced view something over-soft in nursthat prejudiced view something over-soft in nursthat prejudiced view something over-soft in nursing and they were shocked at the presence of a woman amid the scenes of carnage. But by the time of America's Civil war and the Franco-Prustheir military hospitals. When she returned to England from the Crimea, Miss Nightingale endowed a hospital for training women nurses, and today she is the patron saint of all those splendid women who take the oath of service drawn up by her and into whose hands the care of the sick is

From Balaklava to the Argonne men have gone forward, undismayed, "into the jaws of death, into the mouth of hell," "Theirs not to reason why, theirs but to do and die," but the progress of the world, the advance of civilization and the improvement of conditions under which men live is proof that this has not been in vain. The charge of the Light Brigade and the presence of Florence Nightingale alike are beacons showing the way man has come, and if war is ever to be abolished and peace proclaimed, this will be because of the high-hearted courage of such as these.

"When can their glory fade? Oh, the wild charge they made. All the world wondered. Honor the Light Brigade, Noble six hundred.

And while the legislature is impatiently waiting for Governor Bryan's executive commission bill, a lot of hungry democrats are more impatiently waiting for a division of the loaves and fishes.

America is so rich that it's indecent, a speaker declares. Many will volunteer for the job of clean-

Homespun Verse

By Robert Worthington Davie

WHEN MARY STEPPED OUT.

It was Friday night and Mary-oldest daughter-had

To a party of her school friends in a home across the glen.

Father told her to remember to meander home about Nine o'clock and not to linger for a minute after ten. Mary's father was the kindliest of men. Nine o'clock! The fun just started. Mary said, "It's

Father told me to come early-dear old dad!" 'Stay!' the others answered firmly, "Fathers always

spout, you know-They are awful kind and thoughtful, but they sometimes make you mad, Mary looked so sort of wistful, for she longed to stay

Fen o'clock came speeding onward, fun was at its greatest height, For conclusion there was not the slightest sign. 'Ma, it's after ten," said the father as he glared into

the night. 'And I'm doomed to go and get that daughter mine. And hereafter she'll come home, b'gosh, at nine.'

Father, angry, and not thinking of his happy days Came at length to meet his daughter-and the fun.

'Oh, come in!" they said together, "we have got some cake and pie, Wait round until the merrymaking's done." Mary and her dad got home at one,

Prohibition Out in the State

Nebraska Editors Express Various Opinions Concerning Success of Dry Laws in Their Communities.

Imperial Republican.

W. J. Reynols: Prohibition is commonly a success in this community. Violators of the law are punished everely by our court, but the prac-ce continues. The 18th amendment has general approval in Chase county and we are fortunate in having of ficers who enforce the law.

McCook Tribune.

F. M. Kimmell: While prohibition McCook is far from being what its advocates had hoped, because of dif-ficulty in its enforcement, it has aleady accomplished beneficial results that are far-reaching. Men who formerly spent the greater portion of their income for liquor are new supporting their families and paying their obligations. The unfortunate attitude of a few responsible citizens encouraged lawlessness among a cerain element, but on the whole the effects are conceded by many advocates of the liquor traffic to be beneficial. A vote on the question would result in an overwhelming ratification of prohibition

Norfolk Press.

grade and whose fear of death stops the purchase of the white mule. It relative to the success or followed as succ cannot be called a success in Nor-folk except for those whose wills are strong enough to refuse to barter with the illicit dealer, who is numeract were punished with even minimum fines. Norfolk could quickly pay off its bonded indebtedness with that revenue. The fact that the prohibition laws are so generally violated in every community is full proof that prohibition does not have either genforcement. Undoubtedly the greater majority of Norfolk people favor prohibition. We find business men once opposed to it now high in their praise who will make the coming generation, as elsewhere, but that 90 per cent of continue to regard thee bottle of alco- the people favor light wines and beer hol as something desirable just so in preference to our present law.

long will honest people admit that prohibition is not a success. Those of us who favored did not expect the habitual drinker to swear off with the passage of the law, but neither did we expect to see women and children make it a social necessity.

York New Teller.

It has been 50 years since York had a saloon, and at least 25 since lections from occasional bootleggers and the sale of confiscated cars, but

Hildredth Telescope.

C. E. Lanz: Prohibition has been successful in lowering both the quan-tity and quality of booze consumed in this community. It has the hearty approval of the dry and the tearful disapproval of the wets.

Orleane Chronicle.

H. H. McCoy: Prohibition and its enforcement in this community, which we feel safe in saying is not its for the following classes: Those whose respect for the law keeps them within it, and those whose finances keep them from buying the better grade and whose fear of death store. hibitics here as elsewhere has added nothing to the morals of the community or decreased drunkenness to ous and not always of the lower class.

If every violation of the Volstead be about the same as under the old any great extent. Sentiment for and against prohibition here we judge to

Palmer Journal.

Perry Gage: While it is not as yet strictly enforced, prohibition is certainly a success in this neighborhood and conditions are improving. If the proposition were to be voted on again eral approval or honest effort at en-forcement. Undoubtedly the greater this section would go dry by a larger

Wilber Republican.
I am of the opinion that the pro-

"THE PEOPLE'S VOICE"

Editorial from readers of The Morning Bee. Readers of The Morning Bee are invited to use this column freely for expression on matters of public interest.

Right Back at Mr. Woodruff.

ched off such a flame in Mr. Woodruff, it certainly was worth while, The creature of his first paragraph any kind.

endows only with the "instinct" He argues only to the

"beyond the pale of reason. They as an evidence of wrath and for the present, and the "refining fre go are mere creatures of instinct. To mental effect on the "weaker sex." through our hearts, illuminating our

has ever read a work on psyhology or not. I think we have a right to conclude from his seeming k of knowledge on the action of he human mind in its two-fold dertment, that he has not.

Mr. Woodruff says: "Hypnotism is of a very weak organism." I have not space here to define hypnotism as pronounced by psychologists, but it is a foregone fact that neither a weak mind nor a drunken person is on the lighway passing the last. off gave himself the suggestion that he would not smoke cigars, or abuse his wife, or some other definite thing. Perhaps he carried it out. Was he ited, hypnotized? W. M. WARD. La

Opposed to Old Age Pensions. Randolph, Neb.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee; I notice that a couple of senators are working to get an old ge pension for the poor and needy Nebraskans, I certainly was sur-prised when I read that. I felt someow if that bill passed it would give give half the wages that are given in this country? I consider the laws for the benefit of the poor in this state are well planned. Apart from what the government does the wealthy Americans are the most generous in the world, donating food, clothing and good and should be on the cards in coal with an open hand. In fact I street cars. This is the one showing consider any tampering with the present laws might work much harm instead of good. Allowing a man to own ONLY A CHILD. stead of good. Allowing a man to own a \$3,000 house and a dollar a day pension would relieve his children or other relatives of all responsibility, whereas if he had to go to the poo nouse or poor farm that wouldn't be quite so respectable and they would applications for pensions would greatincrease and soon the economical hard-working taxpayer wouldn't have the comforts of the pauper.
MAIN STREET,

Undue Fear of Contagion.

Kearney, Neb.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: Several months ago do not recall the exact date) there ppeared a shert article in The Omaha Bee in reference to an enterpris-ing man who had been buying up old mattresses about the city, renovating and covering the same and, of course, selling them at a greatly reduced cost as compared with the price of a new mattress. This was a commendable and saving act to the poor and middle class on the part of this shrewd mer hant and, as far as I can see, there was nothing wrong in this act fron sanitary standpoint. Yet I noted ha public health officer that "some hidden germ might be lurking in these old mattresses," and the prac-tice was stopped unless thorough fumigation and sterilization was per-formed. Of course, this latter per-

formance is a waste of expense and work and study.

Work and study.

You cannot get anything worth while without effort and hard applications. Hartington, Neb .- To the Editor of useless, as far as the spread of con-The Omaha Bee: I surely had a tagious diseases is concerned, because no contagious disease, as far as I am good laugh over reading "The Peo- no contagious disease, as far as I am ple's Voice" today. If my little match aware, is spread by an old mattress. renovated and covered, or not, or by any clothing or wearing apparel of Persons, not things, carry, harbon

This creature "is the slave of I make this statement because in iesires." He argues only to the your editorial of February 15, "As a 'purpose" of these desires and in Matter of Health," you take up this question in connection with the re-In his second paragraph he clothes turn of goods to the stores and, after his personage with "reason," whose conclusions are reached solely by (which rightly it is), you go on to say 'facts," who has no "purpose" to that in many cases "the public health upport, no "wheels" to watch go may be imperiled" and that a good ound; no notion but to establish many of the articles returned to the ruth. And, as his evidence is com-slete, his methods logical, only dead again. Permit me to assure you that sure facts considered, and there are only absolute conquisions possible. Of the "dear people" or mould public Now, I suppose, with the creature opinion as to the use and abuse of the return privilege. The breaking of the er any "theory" If I had any "purence to sputum-borne and any kind
of a communicable disease. The act
of fumigating, burning and destroying
ongues of cultists; and, of course,
ome good will come out of it
I can't say whether Mr. Wood
I can't say less than a delusion and adds nothing to the sense of security. It is impractical, wasteful and borders the spectacular, like the late fumiga-HENRY FARRELL, M. D.

weak mind nor a drunken person is cathe Game Reserve signs on either pable of hypnotism. Maybe Mr. Woodside of the road read, ""U. S. National Bird Refuge. For the protecthe use of firearms strictly prohib

Large, plain print, so that one could read the sign at a glance. Then what was my surprise to see in the game pasture on two occasions. February 11 and 17, a man and boy, not only carrying firearms, but using them as frequent puffs of smoke testified. What are we to expect when the large and more isolated pasture now under course of construction is finished? An outsider would naturally expect the this splendid state a black eye.

Why copy after some of the European nations that give old age pensions, the reason being they don't to set a good example to others. to set a good example to others.
H. A. FOWLER.

Through the Eyes of a Child.

Omaha .- To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: The cartoon in The Sunday Omaha Bee, February 18, is very

Thanks From the American Legion. Omaha,-To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: On behalf of the officers executive committeemen and mem mits so respectable and they would bers of Douglas county post of the make some arrangement to keep their American Legion, I want to express parents, or poor relatives amongst them. Also if this bill should pass applications for pensions would great our recent membership campaign. HARRY C. HOUGH, Adjutant.

A Skilled Workman.

The Germans have dubbed General Ludendorff "Germany's grave digger." It is an appelation which fits him to a T and one which the former military dictator has fairly earned.—Portland Press-Herald,

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3d day of February, 1923. W. H. QUIVEY,

Songs of Courage John G. Neihardt Nebraskas Poet Laureate

WHEN I HAVE GONE WEIRD WAYS.

When I have finished with this episode, Left the hard up-hill road, And gone weird ways to seek another load, O, friend, regret me not, nor weep for Child of Infinity.

Nor dig a grave, nor rear for me a tomb, To say, with lying writ: "Here in the there has been one in the county.

Just now a vigilant corps of officers He who loved bigness takes a narrow

we are making hay while the sun shines because we don't expect such luck to last forever.

But give my body to the funeral pyre, and bid the laughing fire.

Eager and strong and swift as my desire, feather my subtle casence into Space—

Free me of Time and Place.

Sweep up the bitter ashes from the hearth, Fling back the dust I borrowed from the Earth Unto the chemic broil of Death and Birth, The vast Alembic of the cryptic Scheme, Warm with the Master-Dream.

And thus, O little House that sheltered Dissolve again in wind and rain, to be Part of the cosmic weird Economy: and oh, how oft with new life shalt thou

Out of the atom-drift.

These lines mean something more than the dead panthelism of a generation ago, though they do not assert personal persistence after death. How glorious the thrill of the thought that, no matter how often the form changes, the life shall always be "part of the cosmic weird economy." This poem is a great favorite with readers of Neihardt, and has been many times reprinted.

Common Sense

The Biggest Plans Are on the Highest Branches.

You may or one of the thousands who have had the flu. While convalescing you had time to think over a great many things. Perhaps you have gone over your affairs of the past year, and looking squarely at the facts, you realize that you have let opportunities for prog-

ress slip by. Undoubtedly you have seen where, of its benefits, but as long as girls and boys, young men and women hibition law is observed here as well with a little thought and effort, you might have brought within your grasp opportunities which would have been most beneficial to you

It is not unlikely you resolved that as soon as you recovered you would follow a different course; in fact, you may have laid out a definite plan for

he coming year. But all this planning will be of no use if you do not make the resolution to sacrifice and do the necessary

The biggest plums are on the high-at branches and are the hardest to

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Daily Prayer

Dear Lord, let us do our work each day, and if the darkened hours despair overcome us, may we not forget the strength that comforted us in the desolation of other times. In these times of backsliding, when so "beyond the pale of instinct. To are mere creatures of instinct. To discuss a question with them is a but, from the sanitary standpoint, it souls." May Thy blessed Word be a but, from the sanitary standpoint, it souls." May Thy blessed Word be a mere waste of time." And yet, he chandise. Not even those with "a our path. Lift our eyes from the chandise. Not even those with "a our path. Lift our eyes from the little foot " (Pediculus) will survive earth; forbid that we should judge has wasted time for a man volume.

I am not "Beelzebub," nor a "fortune teller." Not even a psychotune teller.

REV. A. SHELDRICK. East Northfield, Mass.

A Pertient Inquiry. What we'd like to know before getting much excited about Senator we taxpayers are expected to put up \$9,000,000 a year for enforcement and publicity agents and then have a lot of bootleg wars going on all the time.

FOR A THRILL



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A Book of Today

Robert Elson in his new book 'Maxa." from the press of Small, Maynard & Co., quite frankly at the outset introduces his heroine as an illegitimate child whose father is said to be a duke. Her complete name is Maxa Dolores Calota Zerlon, born at Rheims, 25, a vaudeville enter-tainer, who is lively, intelligent and interested in the world beyond the theater. She is pretty, a good dancer and sings her songs with verve. She had an affair with Gerald Helston. only child of a widow. Gerald takes his life after arranging for an insur ance policy, naming Maxa as the benificiary, to settle a debt which he With Gerald out of the way, his friend, a Mr. Youatt, sec-

retary of an embassy in Petrograd, romps into the story. It is a story

to those who like that kind of a story The author is rather clever in describ ng delicate situations in such a way as to absorb the shock.

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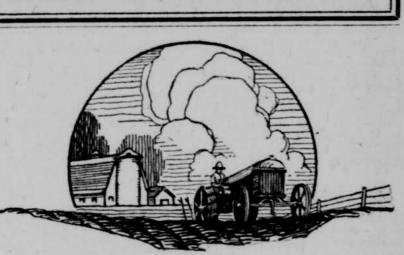
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