

Today Poor, Gentle Maniacs. What Do You Read? Unions in Capitalism. The Cheapest Costs Most. By ARTHUR BRISBANE

The maniacs of Ward's Island have tried six times within a few weeks to set their asylum on fire. "Poor, crazy things," says, everybody, "can't they realize that they would be victims of the flames?" Yes, and what about the other maniacs, called statesmen, in Europe, that constantly set their places on fire with war?

"We must join the league of nations," or "we must become part of a world court," say the gentle, sentimental maniacs of this country.

Why "must"? Is there anything in particular about the matter with you now? You are not safe, in your asylum, with an ocean on either side? You are not in the league or the world court now. Is anything dreadful happening to you on that account? Be grateful for comfort and safety, prosperity and freedom from war complications. Don't insist on setting fire to your nice asylum, you poor things.

"Tell me what you read and I'll tell you what you are." Nothing much in that saying. Darwin read fairy stories in the evening to rest his mind from the study of earth worms, or the problem "how the eye first started." Fairy stories did not tell what he was.

You cannot judge Americans by the fact that 99 per cent of them will read with interest news appearing under headlines such as these:

Jack Johnson, the negro fighter is asked to fight in Havana, and fined \$2 for speeding.

The young girls of Vassar college are forbidden to go shopping on roller skates. They used to skate two miles to the store, then toddle around the shop on skates. "Undignified," the faculty says. "Very cunning," the average man will say.

De Valera will soon be caught. He is hiding in a cave. Free State soldiers are trying to get him out with smoke bombs. Barring a new Irish party, the Free State will soon have peace, and only Ulster to worry about.

An Italian peasant shoots a priest for refusing him absolution.

Five Russian officers executed for spying.

A high court decides that a city cannot sue a newspaper for libel, no matter what the newspaper says about the city.

And finally, a witness testifies that a drug dealer combined much "petting and intimate affection" with healing processes. The "healer" replies with "God is love," and what can you say to that?

It is a good sign when labor unions enter "capitalistic" fields of effort. Recently unions have started banks and trust companies. Locomotive engineers build great office buildings and start several banks.

Now the stationary engineers offer to buy three government vessels, to start a union owned steamship line. Their idea is to have eventually 110 vessels operating all over the world.

Competing with capitalism will do the unions good, make them understand capital's troubles, and enlighten them, from another angle, on various labor problems.

"No big salaries for anybody," the engineers say. That sounds well.

But the engineers will discover that the cheapest thing they can get is the right man with the biggest salary, and the most costly thing is the wrong man, with the small salary. The diamond that cuts your glass is cheaper, even by weight, than any other substance. The man that cuts through your problems is cheap whatever his price. Union wages were invented to protect muscle, not to limit brains, and that unions will know, after they have played capital's game for awhile.

President Harding has selected six cities for his speaking tour. Big crowds will hear him gladly. But in addition to speaking in six places, the president, a first-class writer ought to write regularly, for the newspapers. Reputation is reputation and this next campaign will be one of repetition.

Henry Ford has 15,000 agents, all made rich by him, and all subject to his "recall." They will be talking in 15,000 places, from now on, to people they know well, and talking steadily and that's reputation for you.

A curious thing about "a national election" is this: We talk, argue and talk, and at last vote. Somebody is elected and no matter who it is, things go along about as usual and all the excitement dies out until the next election.

Once elected, every victorious candidate is taken for granted; a nation like this is a huge machine, pushed along by its inward forces and it matters little who is chosen to wear the enalists.

Motor Bike Officer Slain. Dallas, Tex., April 19.—J. C. Gibson, 22, motorcycle policeman, was shot and killed today by a burglar in the act of robbing a drug store.

Three Bills Are Advanced; Two Passed by House School Tax Limit and Blue Sky Measures Are Passed—Favor Submission of Amendment.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Lincoln, April 19.—The lower house advanced senate file 24 to third reading today. This bill calls for submission of a constitutional amendment doing away with the \$200 exemption of household goods from taxation.

The house also passed a bill to third reading appropriating \$25,000 for the Nebraska library commission. This appropriation was not in the governor's recommendations. Hence, it took 60 votes to advance it.

Democrats joined republicans in putting the bill up to third reading. The Gumb compulsory egg candling bill likewise was advanced to third reading. A bill passed in the senate, giving county clerks authority to print sample ballots up to 50 per cent of the number of voters, was killed.

House roll \$72 making the limit 18 mills for upkeep of schools in towns with more than 1,000 population up to those classified as metropolitan cities was passed on third reading and now goes to the senate. Despite the fact that an amendment was attached yesterday which nearly everyone believed would kill the bill, the bill was passed on third reading today and it is up to the senate to dispose of it.

Congregational Churches Hold Meeting at Bertrand

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Bertrand, Neb., April 19.—The Frontiers Association of Congregational churches closed its 32d annual meeting at Bertrand. There were representatives from practically all the churches including Ogalala, Brule, Grant, Stockville, Curtis, Farnam, Bertrand, Loomis and Urbana. Rev. Mr. Hanford, Dr. Tyler, Rev. C. G. Murphy, state workers, also Rev. Mr. Bennett of Doane college spoke. The next meeting will be held at Brule. Officers elected were Walter C. Nye, moderator; Mrs. Peck, secretary and treasurer; Rev. V. D. Gearhardt, delegate to national conference.

Heavy Tourist Traffic Expected by Burlington

Heavy tourist traffic this season was predicted yesterday by A. Costworth, general passenger agent of the Burlington railroad, who has just returned from Colorado. Mr. Costworth pointed out that agreements with trainmen and other employees extend to October, thus preventing any unsettled transportation conditions which disturbed the tourist season last year.

U. P. Employee Is Held for \$350 Thefts From Cars

Tom Russell, 4033 Seward street, employed by the Union Pacific railway company, was arrested Wednesday by special officers of the Union Pacific and the central squad under Sergeant Trapp following the discovery of \$350 worth of china and silver alleged to have been stolen from dining cars and Pullmans.

Pastor Accepts Call

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Scottsbluff, Neb., April 19.—Rev. Minor Stevens, pastor of the Baptist church for the past six months, has accepted a call from the church at North Platte.

Road Conditions

Furnished by the Omaha Auto Club: Lincoln Highway, East—Roads good to Marshalltown, fair to DeWitt. Lincoln Highway, West—Roads good; detour between Valley and Fremont. S. L. D.—Roads good. Meridian Highway—Roads good. Cornhusker Highway—Roads good. Highroad Canyon—Roads good. S. L. A.—Roads good. Black Hills Trail—Roads good to Norfolk. Washington Highway—Roads good. This is the best road to Sioux City at present. Omaha-Tulsa Highway—Roads good to Topeka. Omaha-Tupelo Highway—Roads good to state line. King of Trails, North—Roads good. King of Trails, South—Roads good. River to River Highway—Roads good. White-Way Highway—Roads fair to good; rough in stretches. I. O. A. Short Line—Roads fair to good. Primary No. 8—Roads good.

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Truck Farmer Grins, Sentenced to Jail

Matt Kaiser, truck farmer living near Benson, grinned, when a patrolman stopped him on a charge of driving his automobile 40 miles an hour. Yesterday, when he appeared before Municipal Judge Wappich, he grinned again and was sentenced to one day in jail.

Norfolk Surgeon Is Expert Rifleman; Organizes Club

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Norfolk, Neb., April 19.—Dr. C. E. Hughes, 149 West Broadway, Council Bluffs, charged with speeding, was fined \$5 as was Frank Rutton, 240 South Twenty-fourth street. F. G. Dinko, 524 South Twenty-fifth street, who car killed Bobby Johnson, 4, 1915 Martha street, was given a continuance until April 30.

Scottsbluff Hotel Is Badly Damaged by Fire

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Scottsbluff, Neb., April 19.—When the hotel belonging to Fred Temple in the "Russia town" district of this city burned early today, guests who were roused from their rooms fled in night clothes. Mrs. Temple was overcome by smoke. The first floor of the three-story frame building was gutted by the fire.

Beatrice Band Controls Pay for Playing for Races

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Beatrice, Neb., April 19.—Th case of W. H. Caman against J. L. Schick, suit to recover \$225 due the Beatrice Military band for service at a race meeting here a few years ago, was decided by a jury in the district court, when it found for the plaintiff with about \$60 additional as interest. The case has been in the courts for years.

Norfolk Clubs Will Plant 1,000 Elm Trees on Streets

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Norfolk, Neb., April 19.—One thousand elm trees will be planted in Norfolk on Arbor day, the result of cooperation of schools and business houses. Along with this plan, the Kiwanis club is planting shrubbery for several miles along a number of the city's streets.

Sugar Company Seeks Help to Work in Nebraska Fields

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Scottsbluff, Neb., April 19.—To secure Mexican field labor for the sugar beet work this season, Nell Vandewater of the local office of the Grand Western Sugar company is on the Rio Grande. A shortage is feared, unless the new labor can be secured.

School Teacher Injured While Playing Baseball

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Broken Bow, Neb., April 19.—Miss Mildred Mowery, a 20-year-old school teacher from Halsey, sustained a broken nose, a fractured cheek bone and a badly disfigured face, while pitching in a ball game with some of her pupils.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE WOAW

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD, OMAHA (360-meter wave length). 9 TO 10:30 NIGHTLY. FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 20. Program Under Auspices of J. Brandeis & Sons To Be Broadcast from Brandeis Tea Rooms. Music by Arnold Johnson and His Symphonic Orchestra, of 12 Artists of the Brandeis Restaurants. "Way Down East in Maine" Donaldson "O Sole Mio" Di Canna "Underneath the Mellow Moon" Hall "Honey Dat's All" Herbert Selection "Paciencia" Concepcion Saxophone Solo Harold Sturr "My Heart at Thy Sweet Disposal" Saint Sarns "Arabian" from "Hilffloer" Youmans Intermezzo "Avalonia Rustic" Masagnoli

Sister of U. S. Congressman Shot by Woman

Mrs. Elizabeth Britten Wounded in Head by Friend Following Quarrel Over Debt—Will Recover. San Francisco, April 19.—Mrs. Elizabeth Britten, who told the police she was a sister of Congressman Frederick Albert Britten of Chicago, was shot in the head today twice. Mrs. Mae Davis, a friend who shared an apartment with Mrs. Britten, surrendered to the police later and said she shot Mrs. Britten after they had quarreled over a debt, according to the police. The debt was to Mrs. Britten's mother, Mrs. Charles Peach, Mrs. Britten will recover.

Bill Increasing County Attorney Deputies Passes

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Lincoln, April 19.—The lower house of the state legislature today passed the bill giving County Attorney Henry Beal of Douglas county three additional deputies at salaries of \$2,000 each. The bill already has passed the senate. It now goes to the governor for his signature.

Error in Bill; Naming of Bank Commission Held Up

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Lincoln, April 19.—Discovery today that an important provision in the original banking bill, providing for appointment of a guaranty commission by the governor, had been left out, halted appointment of members of the commission by Governor Bryan today. The bill, as originally drawn by the senate banking committee, provided that no bank which the guaranty commission takes over shall be sold if the owners of the majority of the capital stock are of guilty of any criminal act and believe that the bank may become solvent within a year.

James Larkin Arrested on Deportation Warrant

New York, April 19.—James Larkin, recently pardoned by Governor Smith from Sing Sing prison where he was serving a term for criminal anarchy, was arrested today and taken to Ellis Island on a warrant of deportation.

5,281,823 Miles Covered by Air Mail Service

Washington, April 19.—Up to the close of last year, aviators of the air mail service had flown a total of 5,281,823 miles since the inauguration of the service in May, 1918, according to a report on the accomplishments of the service made public today by the postoffice department. It was estimated that the service is now operating on a schedule of 2,000,000 miles a year. Figures in the operating efficiency of the service, gave the percentage performance for the entire five-year period as 90.38 per cent, which the report rated as a "relatively high figure." The total cost of the service since the inauguration was figured at \$4,295,967.69, much of the expenditure having been made for permanent improvements, such as repair shops and development of landing fields. A total of 160,437,800 letters had been delivered by air, the total for last year increasing to \$9,900,000.

Feature Transactions of Livestock Exchange

C. G. Peterson of Petersburg brought in 20 head of choice steers to the Omaha yards averaging 1,186 pounds, for which he received the top price of \$9.35 a hundred. He also had a load of fat hogs that sold for \$7.75 a hundred. According to Mr. Peterson, there are a great many fat cattle to be shipped from his neighborhood. He said there was no scarcity of corn, but that the price was going up, the elevators paying 72 cents a bushel.

Pig Crop Short.

A load of fine Shorthorn cows and steers was brought to the Omaha market by S. J. Langenschulte of Randolph. The steers were sold for \$9 a hundred, while the cows brought \$6.35 a hundred. He said the pig crop around Randolph would be only about 75 per cent of normal on account of many sows losing their entire litters during the bad weather. He said the oat crop was all planted and plowing under way for corn.

Good Gain for Cattle.

Included in the cattle marketed at the Omaha yards was a load of choice Whiteface steers brought in by Otto Hrader of Clarkson. The cattle were some he had gathered in his neighborhood for feeding, when they averaged 670 pounds and after six months' feeding they average at the yards 1,050 pounds and sold for \$9.10 a hundred.

Rattle Moving Rapidly.

"The rattle in the price of corn is causing farmers to send their livestock to market rapidly," said Lou Smithberger of Stanton, who brought in 90 head of cattle that averaged 1,235 pounds, for which he received \$9.25 a hundred.

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Headquarters for Phoenix Hose

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Man Kills Former Wife at Dance in Honor of Baby Son

El Paso, Tex., April 19.—Luis Quintana, 23, and his divorced wife, Ramona Quintana, 19, were found dead in an alley back today by guests at a dance given in honor of the couple's three months old son. Luis and Ramona lived together two years. Then the woman charged him with being cruel and they separated. But when the baby was christened, Luis left his work in a railroad shop in Pennsylvania to come down to the dance celebrating the christening of their infant son. Couples danced all night and for a while it looked as if Ramona and Luis would make up, according to the story learned from the dancers by the coroner. Ramona and Luis went for a walk while the dance went on. Luis pleaded in vain for Ramona to stay with him. After they had been away from the dance an hour, the dancers became uneasy, organized a searching party and came across both bodies with pistol bullets in their heads. "Bury my body with my wife's," said a note found on Luis' person. "The person who made us separate is to blame. I could not live without her."

1,000 Acres in Wyoming to Be Given War Veterans

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Washington, April 19.—Land consisting of almost 1,000 acres in Carson county, Wyoming, will be opened to ex-service men of the world war for homestead and desert land entry, according to an announcement made by the Interior department. The date for filing on this land has been set for May 14, and war veterans may make filings during the 29 days prior to that date. Any conflicting claims that may develop, it is stated by the land office of the Interior department, will be settled by lot. The land offered for entry is located in the Cheyenne land district.

Former Kearney Councilman Drops Dead of Apoplexy

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Kearney, Neb., April 19.—R. D. (Bob) McIntyre, blacksmith, dropped dead in his shop shortly after opening his place of business. Apoplexy was given as the cause of death. Mr. McIntyre was a pioneer resident of Kearney. He served as councilman under the administration of Mayor W. H. Knaggs. He is survived by his widow, two sons and one daughter.

Seats at Royal Wedding \$25

Bleachers for 1,500 Erected for Spectators at Marriage of Duke of York. London, April 19.—Reserved seats from which to watch the duke of York and his bride as they go back to Buckingham palace from the altar of Westminster Abbey next Thursday are about as expensive as places at a world's championship boxing match. Bleachers to accommodate 1,500 spectators have been put up across the street from the abbey, and each sitting rents for five guineas. A guinea, these days, is the equivalent of about \$5. Occupants of buildings along the route the bridal pair will travel, are already leasing window space for the wedding day. It is necessary to go back more than 650 years in the records of Westminster Abbey to find a parallel to the ceremony which will take place at the marriage. The last time a son of a reigning king married a commoner in the abbey was in 1259, when Edmund Crouchback was wedded to Aveline of Lancaster, daughter of the Duke of Alhamerle. A census is taken in Germany every five years.

Feminine and Frivolous

—with tiny ruffles and tucks are these long silk gloves in 16-button length. And here's a tip—light colored gloves make for youthful looking hands—so choose camel color! \$3.75 per pair

Masquerading

—as a blouse, comes a clever sweater with long roll collar and side fastening in a practical dark shade of camel. \$5.00

Infinitely Superior

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Or if You Make Your Own

—then choose the genuine camel's hair found in the Dress Goods Section in plaids or the plain natural color. 56 inches wide. \$4.95 a yard

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Thompson, Belden & Co. CAMEL COLOR. A fashion census of color has revealed camel color—this season's version of tan—an easy winner in the Easter parade on Fifth Avenue. Camel's Hair Coat From "Stroock". A Perfect Match. Camel in Footwear. To Veil One's Charms. Egyptian Embroideries.

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