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EUROPE AND THE FARMERS.

An investigation of world markets for American farm products was ordered by the late congress. Secretary of Commerce Hoover has named a notable list of delegates comprising farm leaders, bankers and business experts as a committee to study economic conditions abroad and the effect on agricultural prices. With the erratic conditions in Europe it is impossible to predict the future, but it is essential to secure an accurate understanding of present conditions and what the result of various possible changes might be.

Those who have always favored American entry into the League of Nations now advance the argument that low prices of farm products are due to the upset condition of Europe. The market for farm products would be much larger, these claim, if the United States would pitch into the international situation and clean it un

These advocates of the league never advance any figures to prove their case. In fact, they have no statistics at all. All the real evidence points to the contrary. Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, who has made a study of the question, inclines to the opinion that as Europe recovers it will become more nearly self-sustaining, and will buy less food

"It ought to be perfectly clear that the low prices for farm products were not caused by lack of export demand," Secretary Wallace recently declared. He added figures showing that farm exports during the last three years have been greater than before the war, and greater even than during

The latest report on exports shows that the total value of all meats exported in the eleven months ended May 31 was \$132,935,744, a gain over the same eleven months a year previous of \$13,500,000. The poundage of beef exported was smaller than a year ago, but there were tremendous gains in the exports of all hog meats. The various gains were: Fresh pork, 16,600,000 pounds; hams and shoulders, 48,000,000 pounds; bacon, 53,000,000; pickled pork, 7.000,000; lard, 141,000,000 pounds. This showing should dispose of the claim that lack of a foreign market has caused the low price of hogs.

It is easy enough to adopt a theory and explain everything on its basis. The theory that joining the League of Nations would help the American farmer, or that the key to prosperity lies overseas is attractive to those who already are biased in favor of internationalism, but neither can be demonstrated by any real evidence.

Much good may be done by the committee investigating the foreign market outlook. If they find that there is prospect of a diminishing European demand, then the farmers must prepare themselves. And if they should discover a way in which to increase sales or hold them at their present high figure, that also will be of help to the producers, the facts before another year's crop is planted.

OKLAHOMA MOBS.

The sovereign state of Oklahoma is just now before the world in a light that none will envy, yet which few will fully understand. Several populous communities, and one or two entire counties are under martial law, by command of the governor, who finds that the local authorities have not been able to enforce the laws of the state and maintain order.

Part of this may be ascribed to the activities of groups who have taken the law into their own hands. Encouraged by the existence of an organization that does its business behind masks, individuals have made free to wreak vengeance, either private or public, on persons whose behavior did not meet approval. The governor has the report of 2,500 "whipping parties" held in the state in a single year. In addition to this many other forms of lawlessness and disorder have been noted. One of the scandals of a few months ago was a bout at fisticuffs between the then governor and the prosecuting attorney of one of the populous counties, originating over charges made in connection with an insolvent bank.

We do not feel like reading the people of Oklahoma moral lecture, for they are capable of running their own affairs in their own way, and will have to bear the effects of their own doings. What may be pointed out is that the situation down there just now is a good illustration of what happens when selfrestraint gives way before self interest, and men begin to choose which of the laws they will observe and which they will ignore. Oklahoma will quiet down and become as orderly and as decently behaved as any of the sisterhood, but just now the proceedings down there present a strange light on democracy.

BLOWING THE HORN OF PLENTY.

"You'd better beat it, bo. Somebody went for a cop!" This warning was whispered to a man at the entrance to the subway trains in New York one day last week. What misdoing was he guilty of? The most heinous known to the calendar in Gotham. He was trying to give himself a good time by helping

Standing by the gate, he was pouring nickels out of his hat into the cash register as fast as passengers hurried through the turnstile. "I like it," he said, but his excuse was not enough. He was immediately voted crazy, and was hustled away from his stand

New York is not alone in this attitude toward minor philanthropy. If a man make a donation to a charity, found a hospital, endow a college, or anything of that sort, he gets great public acclaim. Let him start to paying fares of passengers on a street car, settling the checks at a cheap restaurant, or anything like that, and at once he becomes an object of suspicion. A few years ago out at Seattle a Siwash Indian came into possession of several thousand dollars, and procured a sack of silver coins, which he carried up into an unfinished skyscraper. There the police found him, enjoying himself to the limit, casting quarters and halves down for the white men to scramble for on the sidewalk. He realized it would not be long until the whites had his money anyhow, and so thought he would have a little fun with it

while it lasted. The police stopped him. The moral to this is, if any, when you want to give your money away do it quietly, if it be a small

TO A VANQUISHED FOE.

All honor to those wounded American veterans who stood at Minneapolis and drank a toast to the dead son of Ernestine Schumann-Heink. He served in the German navy, and went down to an unknown, unmarked grave with a U-boat, Wrong? Yes, from our point of view, but right from his own. He fought for his fatherland, for the glory of the empire, and he died as millions of others died in the struggle between two ideas.

Death hallows all whom it touches, and Americans have no quarrel with the foes who have fallen, forgiving them even as we forgive the living, once the test of battle has decided the issue. Four of Schumann-Heink's sons marched under Old Glory; two of them served under the German flag, and her mother heart could not divide between them. Of her fealty to the land of her adoption there is no question. She was loyal and is loyal to the United States, but she loved that boy who sleeps his last, long, unbroken slumber at the bottom of the sea.

Without approving his judgment, there is no question of his motive. He fought as honest men have always fought, for that which he believed to be right. Vanquished foemen, living or dead, are entitled to respect for their valor, and the true soldier does not grudge to accord to the men he met in battle the meed of praise due them for their steadfast courage and endurance. Our boys who met the Germans know if they were fighting men, and none will testify to this more readily than the disabled veterans

who drank that toast to the dead German "gob." Only in such a spirit can the world be made a safe place for humanity, as well as for democracy, and we may confidently trust the men who did the fighting to carry on now and in the days to come the great work of building that temple of brotherhood in which all the world will some day be united, saying with Bayard Taylor, to those who fell:

"Sleep, soldier, still in honored rest, Thy truth and valor wearing. The bravest are the tenderest. The loving are the daring.

PERIL OF BEING A BABY.

Americans may be jolted a little to hear from the secretary of labor, Hon. James J. Davis, that in nine other countries babies have a better chance of growing up than in the United States. As a people we are devoted to our families, to our homes, and to our children above all things. Committed to such belief, we must pause when told that not less than 250,000 babies under the age of 1 year die annually in the United States:

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surely there should be a remedy. It is not because we are obtuse or hardened. Whoever stood beside a little casket, where the loved one of a fond father and mother lay pale and quiet in the unending sleep, and did not feel a clutch at the heart that no philosophy could lessen? It is not enough to say the little one has escaped the trials and vicissitudes of life. It also has missed the joys and pleasures of life. Before the cradle stands the big world, holding out to that little one the chance for life, with all its possibilities of service, its triumphs as well as its failures, its rewards as important as its trials, and from that cradle flows the strength of mind and heart that is to carry the world along to greater

Our babies deserve something better than is now given them. More pains should be taken to see that when a little mite of humanity comes into the world, borne on the love of its parents and all those who are near to them, that it does not have to face such a struggle for existence as makes possible the terrible figures presented by the mortality records. A quarter of a million babies is too high a toll for neglecting some duty.

Senator Wheeler, democrat, of Montana is backing Magnus Johnson, farmer-labor candidate in Minnesota. Not to help the democratic party, he explains, but to beat a republican if possible. That is he was of German blood and symtrue democratic strategy always.

A Nebraska woman has proved herself worthy a high place in the postal service by driving through a flooded district with delayed mail. It takes more than a little mud and water to hold back a Nebraska

A democratic senator says neither the world court nor prohibition will be an issue next year. Well, there's always the tariff to fall back on when other issues fail.

"May the best man win," is the customary sentiment, but little wailing will be heard if Gibbons should happen to knock Dempsey cold.

Hailstones 14 inches in circumference are reported from Falls City. If Nebraska has anything it must be the largest.

and everything growing out of doors shows the effects of it.

The equalization board is through for the year. It will be missed but not mourned by many.

Mr. Harding invaded Montana quite a distance. yet managed to give Shelby a wide berth.

British labor declines to do away with royalty.

They must have their show pieces.

Safe and sane on the Fourth means sound and

President Harding picked a good place to spend Sunday.

Nebraska's far-famed climate is doing itself

proud. Omaha's streets still lack drinking fountains.

Homespun Verse -By Omaha's Own Poet-

Robert Worthington Davie

MEMOIRS OF ADAIR.

There's a modest little cottage in the valley of Adair, There's an apple tree betwixt it and the sun, And an ivy vine is clinging to the porch; an empty

Seems to murmur that its useful days are done. There's a melancholy curtain like a shadow folded

O'er the visions of a dreamer far away The old lane is left to lovers who meander from the

Seeking quiet at the close of busy day.

There's a grove beside a pasture, and a stream is winding through Clover fields that fill with essences the air.

Snug within a fenced enclosure stands a hay stack sweet and new.

And a mile across the valley lies Adair,

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Fourth of July at Shelby

Some Sharp Remarks by Editors Regarding the Championship Bout.

say, editorially the newspapers are taking a fling at the spectacle of the championship fight. The amount of due. It is obvious that the "gate" attention of publications devoted to business topics. Richard Spillane, the noted financial writer, deals thus with the event:

sists upon it, nevertheless. Most people will think that \$210,000 is entirely too much to pay a champion boxer, let alone \$310,000. They will consider

Honorable Dempsey was willing, provided he got \$300,000, of which \$100,-000 was to be paid upon signing articles, \$100,000 on June 15 and \$100,-\$100,000 when he signed, but despite stories of wonderful sales of tickets east and west, north and south, it developed that the promoters were shy cash to meet the second payment. Patriotic citizens came nobly to the front, raised enough to meet the second installment of the Dempsey hon-crarium and Montana was saved from he everlasting disgrace of having de ceived the Honorable Dempsey and he sport loving American people. "The rise of the Honorable Demp

sey has been remarkably rapid. Ten ears ago he was what you might having no money, he beat his way around the country. Some persons hibitions. In so doing, however, it called him a burn and a loafer. Dempsey's personal biographer dwells at length on Dempsey's hobo days.

"Having great strength and an inclination to "scrap," what more national country in the Dempsey should earn the

was the heroes."
"The proof is before you every day. Do the people concern themselves to little better advantage in being able to mining experiments until we know about the thousands or tens of thousands of young men who "went young the reach of Shelby." ross," lost leg or arm, were gassed, shell shocked or driven insane? or shell shocked or driven insane? Who gives a thought to this pitiful army of heart broken, spirit broken, disillusioned young men-boys a few years ago-now in hospitals, sanitar ums, asylums, objects of charity and, if reports be true, scant and slipshod

Think of it! The Honorable Dempsey n the garb of a laborer! Unfortunatehowever, the Honorable Dempsey rying on the government.

"Despite the Honorable Dempsey's minence some crotchety persons

enough to declare that, as a slacker, he was worse than the notorious Bergdoll for whom it could be urged that "There always are killjoys like that.

The Honorable Dempsey holds them in supreme contempt. "Them guys," he says truly, "don't know the war is

'He is right. They don't. "Why, that is just what we Americans want to do. We are "fed up" war stuff and we resent anything in the way, shape or form of a re-minder. We want the home run hitters, the slap stick comedians and the "champeens" like the Honorable Dempsey. They are the idols of better world to live in."
"If you don't believe it look at the

gate receipts. Therein is the proof." A western point of view is expressed by the editor of the Kemmerer (Wyo.) Republican. This is the way the ditor expresses his disgust:

"Isn't the American public about "fed up" on Shelby (Mont.) publicity? We believe if the fight was a month later, with the silly publicity continu-June hung up a nice little percipitation record, ing and given opportunity to sink in the crowd attending would be about the size of a corporal's guard. Every morning for the past two months The Republican mail has contained a let-Gibbons, even to what they ate for today, concerning Dempsey getting a crack over the eye from his sparring partner, and his demand for his second instalment of \$100,000. Think of this great patriot, who fights on the anniversary of the nation's birth, get-ting over \$300,000 for this battle! Dempsey is entitled to pity over his too zealous sparring partner dousing his scarred glim, and it was right that was ostracized from the camp. Something really desperate must be done to protect our boxing champions from the rude proletariat.

The St. Paul Dispatch sees a blow been paid to him, the avaricious man-ager of Jack Dempsey refuses to permit the contest at Shelby, he may find himself justified by the terms of his contract, and utterly condemned public opinion at the same time. It may have more tar-reaching ef. Lord. Amen fects upon the future of professional WILLIA

The Spice of Life

Blinks, after inviting his friend Jinks to inner, was telling him about the remark-ble memory of his little son, Bobby, And do you think he will remember me?" sked Jinks.

"Remember you? Why, certainly he in hour later they entered the house, I, after Jinks had greeted Mrs. Blinks, called Bobby over to him. And do you remember me, my little

An American, gazing at the stupendous and lacelike masses of the Spanish cathedral of Toledo, said to his guide: "How long did it take to run up this affair?" "Five hundred years senor," the guide answered. The American gave a contemptuous laugh. "Five hundred years? Why, over in God's own country we could build a structure like that and have it fall to pieces on our hands, all inside of two or three years."—The Christian-Evangelist (St. Louis).

Whatever the sporting pages may boxing than Mr. Kearns can conceive. money involved has even attracted the will not justify this. Mr. Kearns in

"It looked for a day or two as if the Fourth of July were going to be a total loss this year. Some ardent persons out in Montana had planned to celebrate Independence day with a prize fight between the Honorable Dempsey, champion of the world, and Tom Gibbons of St. Paul Minn. The Mew York World raises the doubt, after all the money grabbing, if many will attend the fight saving.

many will attend the fight, saying: "If Shelby had known how much trouble a prize fight could be even bewould have ordered the Dempsey-Gibbons combat. There is not a leading citizen who hasn't lost time, sleep and weight, and sunk more money than he could afford in the project. after day some new worry assails every promoter and investor.

"Nothing remains but to gather crowd. It is this last essential which What if nobody should come? What if the United States doesn't care for fights since the war-or doesn't think development of our this one worth traveling so far to see? There is a proposition to offer a bonus Shelby could almost be sorry the thing to the owners of any coal mine or ever got started.

The New York Sun and Globe seemspecified thickness. Then there is a term a traveling gentleman. He ingly resents the ambitions of Mon-proposition to appropriate wasn't particularly fond of work, so. York is the proper place for such ex- geological survey of the state, with a dividuals who dominate them.

gullibility of the public in such places.

Perhaps Shelby may bring home the as unreliable, so far as its measure roads, with spurs running into each not careful. I'm afraid. We read of heroes of the world war are those Perhaps Shelby may bring home the as unreliable, so far as its measure home fires burning. "Yes sir-ee—them little western town has tried to buy it is claimed to have passed is conwas the heroes."

its gold brick and may not be able to cerned. Mr. Wardell thinks it use-

Wasting Public Money

From the Kansas City Star. Is the resignation of an assistant secretary of agriculture of so much will hore a hole from two and one-half if reports be true, scant and slipshod charity?

"Why bother about these human wrecks while we have the Honorable Dempsey with us? Didn't he do war work too? Certainly he did. There's a picture to prove it. He went to Hog island one day and was photographed in overalls just like a common laborer.

Secretary of agriculture of so much importance that the department is justified in mailing to every newspaper in the country a copy of the letter of resignation, a copy of the letter of acceptance, and a third sheet announcing the incident? Such nonessential work as this is one reason why all the departments at Washington require. departments at Washington require many more employes than are necessary for their essential labors in car.

months at the outset, which was a conditional months

The same envelope which contained these enclosures carried a five page these enclosures carried a five page his personal services. Whenever it is personal services. shoes when he donned the overalls.

"Some persons advised against using that photograph widely. Possibly they feared patent leather shoes might become a fad as silk shirts did later the secretary of agriculture is going to Alaska, and some commonplace information about the territory, taken largely from the territory, taken largely from the to find capitalists willing to engage

It is not fair to the secretary of agriculture to assume that he personally prepares such unnecessary communications that lead we see would probably not a second s munications that load up the mails, \$30,000.

The Department of Agriculture probably is no worse than some of the other departments in this method of squanding the public funds. These multitudinous nonessentials account for millions of dollars of the taxpay ers' money wasted by the government They keep the list of government em ployes larger than it should be and they load the postal department with nonrevenue producing mall, not to mention the burden on newspapers and other business institutions who must open innumerable envelopes containing news not worth information not worth reading, else throw the entire mass of such Dempsey. They are the lads woung if not middle aged America. They are the heroes who "Make this offices. They are the heroes who "Make this offices.

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Daily Prayer

mails.

O God, our hope is in Thee. We lift our eyes to the hills whence our help. We are in the valley where there is darkness; but looking up we can see the light of Thy glory on the ter from the publicity manager at can see the light of Thy glory on the Shelby, covering every act of the hill tops above us, and the vision dismighty Dempsey and the Gibbering pels our fears and fills us with hope and covering the covering pels our fears and fills us with a second covering to the covering terms of the covering and courage. Fill our hearts with a breakfast. On top of this we have longing for Thee, greater than the the sensations that break from day morning, and grant us that knowledge of Thyself, through Jesus Christ our Lord, that Thy presence may be constantly real to us

may we do all of our work as in Thy sight, and for Thy glory. Make the way of duty and service very plain to us. Quicken us in faith and hope and leve, and strengthen us in all our worthy purposes and desires, and

Keep us from all mistakes or blun ders in word or act that might brins reproach upon Thy Name and Thy cause. Make us quick to see every boxing as a sport, saying: opportunity for service, and faithful to improve it. Cleanse us from all the beauty of God. All of which mercies and blessings we ask in the Name and for the sake of Jesus Christ, our

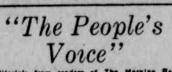
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Republic, Kah .- To the Editor The Omaha Bee: Before we can sug-gest a remedy we must face the facts as to the railroad situation. Statistics recently published show that the retail prices of certain meats

has risen in 10 years from 12 to 73 per cent, while the price paid to cat tle raisers has declined 17 per cent Part of this retail price of these cattle entered into the shipment of them by Part of the high maintenance cost of the railroads is due no doubt to

the high prices paid during the war which the railroads are endeavoring to get back. The high rates are also due to the mismanagement of some of them, watered stock and high cost of Therefore, in order to show profit, the railroads are obliged to in It is being proposed that all the railroads be consolidated into a small

number of systems. The whole to be goes t' court an' wins his ring back. under a rigorous government super. A reg'lar wife is one that don't look vision. That some of the weaker fer her husband 'till she sees him roads be consolidated with the stronger. Here is the rub. Who shall Copyright, 1923. be the judge as to which roads shall be consolidated and who are the men from time to time, the public would that can reconcile all these conflicting not have any fear of extravagance or interests involved in such an enormous mismanagement of its ratiroads.

HOW TO DEVELOPE OUR COAL.

should be undertaken to obtain the

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Would the stockholders of these various railroads, who also have their system by having two grand juries in weloping a vein or veins of coal of a it to a partisan administration? Surely attention to investigating the man-

proposition to appropriate several The trouble with some of these an accurate roads is that the are controlled by in- The trouble today is we do not know

ural than that Dempsey should earn emphasized some interesting aspects from a mere surface survey of this poration's gross earnings," similar to omaha Bee: "No matter where you state, and nothing very thorough a traveling salesman's remuneration.

This involves federal owner such in Holy Writ. Beware of such a ship, and without a check on their hypocrite. Other and larger towns show less to offer any special inducements be a farce. Even with a railroad com mission it would not be the best policy quantities exists in Nebraska and But, how deep we shall have to dig down for it. At any rate he deems it of the duties would be to only investigate left to a small group to determine highest importance for the state that the affairs of each railroad in their what the proper place is.—Albany a series of accurate experimental bor-jurisdiction and publish its findings Journal.

Abe Martin

Our idee of an item that hain't o' general interest is when some dude

then that and extend the grand jury They how the money collected from various

sources is applied for the running of

MARTIN BERNHARDT.

The Hypocrite.

a few dollars occasionally by swapping punches with some one else for
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now! For one hour's work or less

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> positively whether coal is paying to run it that way without a check, when he said that the United States if each federal judicial district will take its proper place in the guid-

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