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OUR FAITHFUL BURDEN BEARERS.

In all the rush and bustle and worry of the Christmas shopping season, did you pause for a moment to give thought to the men who have been so patiently struggling to deliver the enormous mass of Christmas mail?

Practically every day in the year he makes his rounds, but never is he more welcome than during the Christmas season, when he comes with mail bag stuffed to the limit and his arms piled high with the tokens from distant loved ones.

Most of us are prone to take the mail carrier's work as a mere matter of course. We are very apt to overlook the hard labor entailed as he brings us our daily messages of joy or sorrow, love or sadness, smiles or tears.

Why not take a few minutes off to show some visible appreciation of his faithful services through storm and sunshine during the last year?

Of course he will get his pay check in due time, but that isn't enough. You know how it is yourself—a word now and then of appreciation makes the day brighter and the work easier.

WILLIAM D. M'UGH.

William D. McHugh missed being a judge of the federal district court for life because a republican senator from Nebraska favored another democrat.

Judge McHugh had other attributes than those of a successful lawyer. He took his place as a general, companionable man in society, and had a deep interest in all that went on around him.

LOSERS WEEPERS; FINDERS KEEPERS.

Let us hope that final judgment of the world does not rest upon a test recently made in London. A New Zealander and a London reporter conceived the big idea of trying the people of the metropolis by a practical test of their honesty.

On the surface this may appear correct, for the supposition is that in each instance the finder was supposed to know the loser. Submit the test to a little closer examination. Naturally, one is surprised at the sudden appearance of a fat-looking pocketbook on the sidewalk.

Then, there is a more or less reasonable expectation that the one who loses a considerable sum of money is willing to pay a reward to have it returned.

Such a test as that made in London is not a fair one. It merely discloses that people act much the same when confronted by such a state of facts, no matter in what part of the world they are located.

Now we are getting "Mussolini's Message to America." Takes a lot of check for any of the European leaders to address advice to this country.

A convict at Sing Sing has been pardoned because he is a good actor. Most of them get in because they are bad actors.

VENGEANCE AGAINST THE DEAD. Long before King Tut was carefully packed and filed away for future reference, the Egyptians had very well developed notions with regard to the service of burial.

It was not a fancy with these people, for they held that the soul that had done evil only in the world, and had offended the gods by its misconduct, did not deserve to find a body waiting when it had completed its journey to the west, but should be left to wander forever in the darkness and suffer accordingly.

Down in Maine, a man, presumably insane, for only a maniac could have committed his terrible deeds, was refused burial in the cemetery, and was laid to rest in a shallow grave scooped out in one corner of the farm he owned.

How can any justice, human or divine, be measured by an indignity visited on a corpse? Whatever this man was or was not, he had gone to face the bar of eternal justice, and the miserable lump of clay that had been the tenement of his immortal part was insensible to praise or blame.

TERROR OF A WILD FLIGHT. Readers of Victor Hugo never forget his description of the havoc wrought by the great cannon which broke loose from its moorings during a storm at sea.

The great airship, with 52 men on board, is floating helpless in the upper air, and has been for several days. What ultimately will happen to it can be conjectured; gas may be liberated by the rupture of one or more of the inflated bags; an explosion may cause the wreck of the big balloon; its crew may be powerless to aid themselves; airplanes may be sent in pursuit, and relief be furnished in spectacular fashion; or one of a number of things may occur, but the fascination will cling to the great misadventure.

The men on board are enduring privation as well as danger, for the food supply they took with them was limited, and normally would be exhausted within four days.

A French air officer is quoted as saying the ship and crew are lost, also that none may guess the suffering the men on board are sustaining.

The gesture of the prosecuting attorney of the District of Columbia is as magnificent as if made by a Napoleon, but one wonders if it is a crime that one's name appears on a written list? You know a bootlegger has a right to copy anything he fancies.

Dandelions, crickets and other signs of spring may fool some folks, but the robins have not yet returned, and until they and the ducks trek to the north it will be as well to keep the home fires burning.

"French money was very weak yesterday," burles Mr. Brisbane in a recent column. Must be pretty weak around these parts, very little being able to creep into pockets within our ken.

Ruthenburg, executive secretary of the Worker's party, says that Secretary Hughes forged the Zinoviev letter. That ought to end the argument.

Governor Bryan should give Jerry Howard plenary power, that the absence of the executive from the state may not stop the wheels of progress.

Ford-President club will carry on, it is announced. Its promoters have nothing else to do, and are averse to idleness.

Another marketing plan to help the farmer is about to be devised. How is he ever going to keep track of them all?

One thing in favor of the Mellon plan is that it will take less figuring to arrive at the amount of tax due.

The early bird at the filing office gets first publicity, but he will not be lonesome on primary day.

Cider is not a soft drink, says the United States court. No, not when it's hard.

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"From State and Nation" Editorials from Other Newspapers

Our Forestry Problem. From the Minneapolis Tribune. The American people are coming slowly but surely to a realization that forest preservation and reforestation constitute a very important economic factor in the life and welfare of the nation.

Center Shots. The school boy's idea of the worst luck in the world is when the teacher assigns his heart's desire a lot of extra work and she doesn't have time to answer his note the same day.

Chicago court decides that a woman who complained that she had washed dishes for 20 years is entitled to a vacation. If she takes one, we'll bet her husband'll take the dishes stack up in the sink till she gets back.

Nobody is much surprised by the news that the Krupp officials have been released by the French government. The paralyzing of individual Germans is no part of the great game of Poincare, though this is distinctively a freeze-out game.

It is reported that the minister of finance in Saxony recently granted a pardon in exchange for a bushel of potatoes. At least the official's policy exhibited a much intelligence as some pardoning governors in this country have shown.

In Chicago a man who killed another was acquitted because nobody could prove that the defendant had been a comedian. The law ought to film some of its comedies.

Life sometimes proves a series of disappointments, but few are worse than finding that the spare tire has no air in it.

The White House is in an unsafe condition, has not caused the withdrawal of a single presidential aspirant.

The Spice of Life. "Kind sir, I have no horse." "Some times I envy men like you. My home has two mortgages on it."

"I hope," said Uncle Eben, "dat a way will be discovered yet for one part of de human race to reform another part without all startin' some kind of a fight."

"Do you have to see a doctor before you get booze in this town?" "No, afterwards."

"Why is the little fellow crying?" "Because he can't have a holiday." "Because he can't have a holiday?" "Because he doesn't go to school yet!"

"What's the matter with Smith? Got lumbago or spinal curvature or something?" "No, he has to walk that way to fit some shirts his wife made for him."

Daily Prayer. They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but shall be established forever.

Where Debt Paying Is Overdone. From the St. Paul Dispatch. Chinese in this country, as well as in their native land, are preparing to celebrate New Year's day by paying debts and starting the new year with a clean financial slate.

NET AVERAGE CIRCULATION for November, 1923, of THE OMAHA BEE

"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.

Demanding Fair Play. Red Cloud, Neb.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: What condition in our public life has called into existence the "Farm Bloc" and what is the bloc endeavoring to accomplish?

No particular locality or class of producers is favored, and the object in view is to safeguard industrial life against the insidious assaults of organized speculation, gambling, etc.

The idea of a legislative bloc is not new to the political life of this country, for the original bloc is commonly known as the money bloc.

There is no doubt about certain localities and corporations having heretofore conspired more than a fair share of consideration at the hands of congress, and the farm bloc members of that body have taken a position in opposition to such measures and demanded attention such as was never thought would be received.

It is not a trifling matter to witness the congressional representatives from the following states lay aside party fealty until certain laws have been enacted, and these have virtually done so: Idaho, North and South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and also a number of the southern states.

The "old guard" wants it distinctly understood that they are in the saddle and control Washington and congress in everything that is done.

It is also interesting to note that the congressional representatives from the following states lay aside party fealty until certain laws have been enacted, and these have virtually done so: Idaho, North and South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and also a number of the southern states.

Of the 28 persons lynched in 1922, 26 were negroes and 2 were whites; one of the former was woman, 7 or one-fourth of those put to death were charged with rape or attempted rape; one of the victims was burned to death; one was put to death and then the body was burned; the charge against the one burned to death was murder.

The offenses charged against the whites were: Participation in strike depredations, 1; being taken as a Negro, 1. The offenses charged against the negroes were: Murder, 3; murder

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THE SHAMEFUL RECORD OF LYNCHINGS. Tuskegee Institute, Ala.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: I send you the following concerning lynchings of the past year as compiled by Tuskegee Institute in the Department of Records and Research, Monroe, N. Work in charge. I find that there were 28 persons lynched in 1922. This is 29 less than the number 57 for the year 1921. Thirteen of the persons lynched were taken from the hands of the law, 7 from jails and 6 from officers of the law outside of jails.

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It must occur to most anybody that 'th' real 'n' principal trouble 'th' government is havin' in enforcement 'n' prohibition may be attributed directly 't' th' fact that nobuddy seems 't' want it enforced.

ous assault, 2; rape, 6; attempted rape, 1; killing officer of the law, 2; wounding officer of the law, 2; no charge reported, 3; assisting man charged with rape to escape, 1; resisting police searching for man charged with rape, 1; cattle stealing, 1; trying to act like white man and not knowing his place, 1; insulting woman, 1; peeping in window, 1; striking man in altercation, 1.

The nine states in which lynchings occurred and the number in each state are as follows: Arkansas, 1; Florida, 8; Georgia, 4; Louisiana, 1; Mississippi, 8; Missouri, 4; Oklahoma, 1; Texas, 2; Virginia, 1.

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