

Today

Labor Takes the Helm. Enough Wealth for All. One Thing Important. 100,000 Years Old. By ARTHUR BRISBANE

The British liberal party, led by Asquith, will put in a labor government. "British fair play demands that labor shall have its chance," they say. They really mean, "Caution makes it necessary to keep labor good natured."

England's "big business" is having a little inside mental panic with labor coming into power.

With great solemnity it expresses fear that labor may govern the empire in the interests of "one side," the side of labor. That would be too bad. Big business, of course, never governs in the interest of its own side when it has the chance.

I. C. Herman, manufacturer of handkerchiefs, gives his business to employees, saying, "I am rich enough," and that surprises us.

We should all be rich enough, 10 times too rich, as regards what we really need if the earth were properly developed and competition were replaced by emulation.

This earth would produce more than enough for everything for all the people on it, and 10 times as many people, if it were intelligently developed, as it will be some day.

At the present, however, grasping selfishness is a necessary tool in the hands of wise Providence.

Next Sunday, Dr. Russell, who teaches astronomy at Princeton university, will preach in St. George church, New York, on immortality. There will be a small crowd listening, and a small notice in the newspapers. Yet the subject is the only one that has any real importance for human beings.

If immortality is a foolish dream and this short life with its struggles and disappointments is the end of us, what does life amount to?

For more than 100 centuries each man has asked himself, "What becomes of me when I die?" Apart from fate, we know nothing.

Professor Russell will be compelled to admit that he looks many millions of miles through his telescope without finding anything that looks like a heaven with gold paved streets. But there is this grain of comfort:

"Attractions are proportioned to destinies," as a purist said. In a human being long for immortality. It is difficult to believe that the power ruling us would make us all crave a thing if we were not destined to have it.

Another shock for Mr. Bryan and others that take their botany and zoology literally from the Old Testament. In the petrified forests of South Dakota's Black Hills, Mr. Davies, director of the Marshall Field Museum of Natural History, finds flowers that are at least 100,000,000 years old.

When they were blooming, Triceratops with his horns, and the long-necked Brontosaurus, were roaming about. All these animals and flowers had turned to stone long before Noah made his zoological collection—at least that's what science says.

The committee on Paris, with General Dawes representing the United States, will spend three months trying to find out how much gold Germany can pay to France and Belgium. It appears also that the committee will not be allowed to go on to Berlin, but will depend on facts that it gets in Paris.

What do you think will be the value of the findings of that committee?

Boys and girls at school will be interested in Venizelos, who now rules in Greece. He moved over to Athens from the island of Crete.

Thousands of years ago, Minoan, gloomy king of Crete, compelled the Greeks to send yearly young youths and maidens to be sacrificed to the Minotaur. Now Crete sends to Greece an old man to tell the Greeks how to govern themselves.

New York is quite a city. The 1924 telephone book contains more than 750,000 listings. That one city has more telephones than all of England, Scotland and Wales put together. Only awhile ago when men now in the fifties were starting out in life you could have bought the original telephone stock at your own price.

It was called, "An interesting toy." (Copyright, 1924.)

Bellboy "Ponzi" Jailed; Is Unable to Give Bond. Sioux City, Ia., Jan. 20.—Frank R. Beddow, Sioux City's bellboy "Ponzi" wanted in South Dakota to answer charges in connection with the wrecking of the Citizens State bank at Parker, occupied a cell in the Woodbury county jail unable to furnish bond of \$15,000.

The accused man, who has been at liberty under bonds, was taken into custody this afternoon by deputy sheriffs on three bench warrants issued as the result of three indictments being returned against him by the grand jury charging cheating by false pretenses.

Pioneer Drops Dead. Special Dispatch to the Omaha Bee. Nebraska City, Neb., Jan. 20.—L. A. Cook, a representative of a nursery, dropped dead while in the Pioneer hardware store here. He is a pioneer of this community and for many years resided near Peru, where his father, Lawson Cook, was a large landowner. Apoplexy was said to have been the cause of death. He is survived by a brother, William Cook of Hebron, and a sister, who resides at Peru.

Peaches Reported Killed. Falls City, Neb., Jan. 19.—Richardson county this year as the result of the present cold wave, according to Henry E. Wyatt, government weather observer.

Credit on Way to Bolster Up Weak Banks

Prompt Relief for Northwestern Financial Situation Undertaken by Federal Officials.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Four federal officials, designated by President Coolidge, left today for Chicago, where tomorrow they expect to complete the administration's program for affording relief to the northwestern banks from the stringent credit situation in that territory. The officials are George J. James and J. H. Cunningham of the federal reserve board, Henry M. Dawes, comptroller of the currency, and Eugene Meyer, jr., managing director of the War Finance corporation.

The situation has been under close study by President Coolidge and the three agencies which are represented in the delegation that is to carry out the administration plan. Members of congressional delegations from states in which the credit condition has become serious also have conferred on the problem with Secretary Mellon and with the president.

It was deemed likely here that some, if not all, of the officials who went to Chicago will visit other large money centers in the middle west to obtain information on availability of funds after a series of conferences with the bankers tomorrow.

The feeling prevails here that important steps toward general relief from the situation may be had by use of a few million dollars in the "bad spots" of the stringent credit area.

Powell Players on Program at Empress

Hilton Powell players were accorded hearty applause at their opening performance at the Empress theater Sunday afternoon. Musical comedy fans were given a good treat.

The opening play, which is scheduled for six days, is entitled, "Step Lively." It is a novel comedy, with good singing and dancing, having the support of a jazzy chorus.

Earl Young seemed to be the star. He possesses a good voice and was given several encores. Among the personnel of the new company are Billy Wyse and Frank West, Patsy Gleason, who knows every letter in the alphabet; Elsie Edmond, prima donna; Rita Lawrence, soprano; Eugene Brossard, Norman Hanley, Paul Johnston, Jean Norwood, W. C. Nelson.

The screen feature is James Kirkwood in "You and the Girl." The 11th issue of the "Fighting Blood" stories is also shown this week. "High Jinks" will be at the Empress next week.

Gurley Doctor May Lose His License

Lincoln, Jan. 20.—A campaign to investigate the practice of medicine in Nebraska may be instituted as the result of a demand to be filed with Governor Bryan by Leo Basye, assistant attorney general, asking for the revocation of the license of Dr. A. A. Larsen of Gurley, convicted of adultery.

Basye announced he was securing certified copy of the judgment of conviction of Larsen and would present it with his demand.

Under the statute the welfare department is authorized to revoke a medical license for fraud in obtaining the license, for conviction of crime involving moral turpitude, for habitual intemperance or habitual use of narcotics, unprofessional or dishonorable conduct.

Dakota Bank Act Aims to Indemnify Depositors

Pierre, S. D., Jan. 20.—That the main purpose of the South Dakota State bank guarantee act is to indemnify depositors not otherwise secured against loss brought about by insolvency and that depositors are entitled to their property in the assets of such bank is declared to be the unmistakable provision of the act, according to an opinion of the attorney general.

The opinion was given in answer to a query from T. B. Thorson, state's attorney, of Kimball. It declared that to the extent of the assets of an insolvent bank is possible under the law.

Around Nebraska's State House

By R. H. PETERS, Staff Correspondent to the Omaha Bee. Lincoln, Jan. 20.—The impression created by the news that Governor Bryan will shortly announce his candidacy, not for the United States senate, but for reelection, and members of the democratic party who have ambitions toward the higher offices are on the alert, ready to jump as soon as the governor makes his final decision.

Out of fairness to other members of his party the governor must decide within a few weeks. To date the only democrat to file for either governor or senator is Tremore Cose, whose hearing is notoriously bad when the Bryan whip cracks. That Cose's candidacy is distasteful to Bryan and his supporters is well known, and one of the chief topics for discussion when democrats gather here is, "Who is our strongest candidate for the senate, providing Bryan runs for reelection?"

Despite his reiterated assurance that he has cast aside his political longings, the name of J. N. Norton is frequently mentioned as a strong candidate for either office. A Norton is as enigmatic as a sphinx when the subject is mentioned, but the rumors of his candidacy, after Bryan has taken the plunge, will not be denied.

Republicans in the Third congressional district are beginning to up the machine with which to run down Edgar Howard of Columbus, one of Nebraska's two democratic congressmen. A number of influential members of the party met here last week and decided that Senator E. C. Houston of Tekamah was the man to

Sleeps and Dines With Bicycle



In order to win a wager, Tony Hizzo must make an all-American bicycle jaunt and visit governors of 48 states chained and handcuffed to bicycle. His handcuffs were locked and sealed at Denver, Col., Oct. 1, 1921. Photo shows him on arrival at Miami, Fla.

Beavers and Rats Dry Definitions Funmaker Heads Bill at Orpheum

Wheeler Speaks Pointedly on Meeting of Anti-Prohibition Association.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Friends of the 18th amendment, the Volstead act, are beavers, and the enemies are rats, according to Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel for the Anti-Saloon league.

Mr. Wheeler declared himself today in commenting on the meeting this week of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment.

"The beavers met last week," said Mr. Wheeler, referring to the convention of the Anti-Saloon league. "The rats meet this week."

"One group, like the beaver, is trying to build health, wealth and happiness in America through law observance. The wet group is like the rats, preying on civilization, spreading disorder, disease and death to the constitution."

"The wets, like the rat, are gnawing in the darkness at the foundations of orderly government. They have neither the inclination nor the power to build. For the satisfaction of appetite, they are blindly attempting to destroy the achievements of constructive society."

Among the members of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment are listed George Ade, Vincent Astor, Senator Bayard of Delaware, Senator Bruce of Maryland, Marshall Field, President John P. Holland of the New York State Federation of Labor, Maj. Gen. Hunter Liggett and Charles Scribner.

The association conference opens here tomorrow.

Richard L. Metcalfe Resigns at Brandeis

Richard L. Metcalfe, advertising director of the Brandeis stores, has tendered his resignation, to be effective February 2. Mr. Metcalfe stated that he intends to remain in Omaha and reserved for a later date an announcement of his plans. He was engaged in newspaper work before joining the Brandeis organization three years ago.

Requisitions for Bayard and Bloomington Men

Lincoln, Jan. 20.—Two requisitions for the return to Nebraska of men charged with crimes were issued today. H. O. Gardner, said to be at Chicago and in custody, is sought for alleged defrauding of Angle Millward of Bloomington, Neb.

John Koras, reported in jail at Greeley, Colo., is accused of disposing of mortgaged property with intent to defraud the Bank of Bayard, Morrill county.

Neff to Run Again.

Bloomfield, Neb., Jan. 20.—P. B. Neff, Knox county's state representative, to date he is the only republican candidate from the district to file.

Charles E. Graff of Bancroft, democrat and retiring president of the state board of agriculture, provided the sensation of the week when he excoriated Bryan and his administrative measures at a meeting of the board. As Graff proceeded the Bryan supporters who were present became more and more restive, but when he concluded he was heartily applauded by the majority of those present.

Democratic politicians here who were going about the day following declaring that Graff's speech left a bad taste in the mouth of everyone present apparently failed to hear the numerous half suppressed chuckles of amusement and approval that ran through the room for some time after Graff had retired.

Seven more weeks in which candidates can file for office.

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New Testament Read in 17 Hours in Bluffs Church

Members of Broadway Methodist Start at 6 in Morning and Operate in 15-Minute Relays.

Sixty-four members of the Broadway Methodist church in Council Bluffs, reading in 15-minute relays, from 6 yesterday morning until 11:15 last night, completed the New Testament in one day.

Rev. R. Burton Sheppard, pastor, made a short prayer and began reading the Bible at 6 yesterday morning. At the expiration of his allotted 15-minute period he was relieved by J. A. Williams, an attorney.

Uncle Henry DeLong, Council Bluffs pioneer pastor, who says he can remember when the old Ocean Wave saloon stood on the site of the present church edifice, was the oldest person to read during the day. The youngest was Frances Louise Sheppard, 8, daughter of the pastor.

The members who joined in reading the New Testament yesterday include:

J. A. Williams, Fred Pressler, Fern Hettlinger, Marjorie Bristow, G. T. Karges, J. W. Taylor, J. E. Berard, J. A. Killins, Beulah Pilchard, Mrs. J. F. Rink, Mrs. Marie Copeland, Alice Lenz, Mamie Hollister, Mrs. C. W. Pundt, Cora Pruitt, Mrs. R. B. Shepard, Mrs. L. E. Renard, Mrs. A. H. Spare, Mrs. Harry Wheeler, Fern Dalley, Mrs. Clifford Burstrom, Vera Bilderback, Mrs. Burgess, Mrs. O. D. Wheeler, Mrs. O. E. Osborne, Mrs. George Gillaspay, Mrs. L. M. Shubert, Mrs. Norton, Mrs. M. E. Magruder, Mrs. F. H. Orcutt, Mrs. M. B. Sanford, Mrs. A. L. Mickel, W. A. Allenworth, Mrs. E. E. Berard, Mrs. B. K. Windham, Henry DeLong, Mrs. A. C. Bullock, Mrs. Crampton, E. L. Stowe, H. B. Eller, Thelma Seeley, Mrs. W. A. Allenworth, Mrs. H. B. Eller, Mrs. Harry Florke, Miss Williams, P. H. Orcutt, Mrs. Aker, Mrs. Kay, Mrs. C. M. Miller, Miss Aten, Lemmon, Lena Miller, C. S. Spaulding, Mrs. Baxter, Mrs. L. A. Grubb, F. E. Munger, Mrs. J. A. Killins, F. E. Merrill, Mrs. N. C. Creager, C. Burstrom, A. L. Mickel and Dr. George W. Isham.

Humane Executions Sought by Iowans

Des Moines, Jan. 20.—Reports of the mishap at the Maupin execution at the Port Madison penitentiary Friday morning, when the rope broke as the trap was sprung, have caused considerable comment among members of the Iowa legislature, who are disposed to take a more humane method of execution than hanging.

To several of them who have inquired whether the question of the method of capital punishment might be opened at the code revision session, the code commission has answered that there is no bill on the subject and that to take action would require suspension of the rules in both houses and passage of a joint resolution instructing the code commission to prepare a bill relating to the method of capital punishment.

Efforts to do away altogether with capital punishment in Iowa have failed several times in the legislature.

Ex-Crown Prince Is Urged for President

Berlin, Jan. 20.—The German national liberals have set up a cry for former Crown Prince Friedrich Wilhelm as the next president of the republic.

The national liberal committee, which met at Winterfeld, adopted as their program the "rebirth of Germany," with the crown prince as the leader, who will bring it about.

Friedrich Wilhelm would be more than willing to undertake the fight, it is understood, but his candidacy would be bitterly opposed by the socialists and communists.

Eagles to Hold Open House.

South Omaha Eagles will hold open house for families and friends of members Tuesday evening.

A special program and novelty stunts has been arranged, with dancing and cards.

Year's Expense of Knox County Reached \$229,000

Bloomfield, Neb., Jan. 20.—The Knox county board of supervisors named the Niobrara Tribune and the Wausa Gazette as the official county newspapers and the proceedings of the board will be published in those papers. The Bloomfield Monitor and Verdigris Citizen will print the delinquent tax list and the Creighton News and Crofton Journal will publish the semi-annual reports of the county treasurer. The total estimate of expense for the county for 1924 was placed at \$229,950.

New Rabbi at Lincoln.

Lincoln, Jan. 20.—Rabbi S. E. Starrels of New Orleans, La., is to be the pastor of the new temple of the B'Nai B'Shemurim congregation in Lincoln. He was here recently and preached for the congregation, resulting in a call being extended and a message from him today said he had accepted. He will begin his pastorate March 15.

Greer Out on Bail.

Los Angeles, Jan. 19.—Horace A. Greer, chauffeur for Mabel Normand, film actress, accused of an attempt to kill Courland S. Dines, Denver oil man, New Year's night, was today released from the county jail when J. B. McDonald, taxicab owner and Greer's former employer, appeared with \$2,000 cash bail.

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Many Inquiries Being Received on Victor Hugo Novel Contest

\$100 in Gold to Be Awarded Winners of Contest in The Omaha Bee.

Did you enter "The Omaha Bee Hunchback of Notre Dame" contest? There were many telephone calls for information and evidently there are going to be a goodly number of contestants for the prizes.

One hundred dollars in gold is being divided up in the following list of prizes:

First.....\$50
Second.....\$25
Third.....\$10
Fourth.....\$5
Fifth.....\$5
Sixth.....\$5

Then, as prizes for others whose stories should receive commendation, Carl Laemmle, president of the Universal Pictures corporation, which is presenting the picture at the Brandeis theater for two weeks starting January 27, has offered four more prizes, as follows:

Seventh—Four box seats to "The Hunchback of Notre Dame."
Eighth—Four orchestra seats to "The Hunchback of Notre Dame."
Ninth—Two box seats to "The Hunchback of Notre Dame."
Tenth—Two orchestra seats to "The Hunchback of Notre Dame."

The prize winning story will be just a simple little article telling of how the student was impressed by the story, "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," which Victor Hugo wrote long ago and which has become one of the classics of all times. Don't make the article too deep nor too technical—just tell how the picture or the story impressed you.

Members of the families of employees of The Omaha Bee, the Universal Pictures corporation and the Brandeis theater will not be permitted to compete for these prizes.

You can send in your story at any time—the sooner the better.

This contest is open to all students of all schools and colleges in Omaha, state of Nebraska, and vicinity.

In sending in your letter state in what school you are registered as a student.

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Russian Opera Opens at World

"Sarafan," Week's Headliner, Unique Attraction in Vaudeville.

"Sarafan" headline attraction at the new World show, is a little opera that is unique in vaudeville. Real Russians in the glittering and bizarre costumes of that vast country, weird songs of the steppes and wild dances provide spice for the jaded vaudeville appetite. And the ponderous Cossack who appears between acts to explain what is going on next is a rare comedian of splintered English.

Jeanette Shields can kick back wards and over her head and touch her nose with her heel. She and Harry are certainly some terpsichoreans. Howard Taylor and Them is something out of the ordinary, including the charm of the feminine form and an exhibit of some South American dingeramus and other strange beasts. Harris and Holly, a couple of colored boys, are entertaining comedians and dancers of a high order.

Margaret and Gaddie are two charming young women who play the grand piano and the violin in a manner that pleased the big audiences of yesterday. The Trella Trio does some spectacular things with the bicycle.

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Teacher's Tale Ends in Closing of Bank at Grand Island

Grand Island, Neb., Jan. 20.—Closing of the Grand Island National bank was caused by a "unfortunate statement of a school teacher before her class," A. B. Newell, vice president of the bank, said.

"The statement by the teacher was to the effect that one of the odd national banks in Grand Island failed to pay a dividend," Mr. Newell continued. "The children went out and broadcast this statement and their parents became alarmed. As soon as I got the statement I called the board together, but at that time there seemed to be nothing serious impending."

"The rumors kept spreading, however," Newell said, "and finally I called the clearing house and put the proposition up to them. They thought probably the matter would subside—but it didn't. Yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock a heavy withdrawal of deposits began and continued until we were stripped of currency. We obtained enough currency from other banks, however, to meet withdrawals up to our regular closing time, 3:30."

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Conscience Fund of \$300 Received by Omaha Woman

Mysterious Letters Acknowledged by Want Ad Bring Sum From Anonymous Sender.

Mrs. Ida Richards, Loyal hotel, widow of Sam Richards, received an anonymous letter several months ago which said:

"Please place a personal in the want ad columns of The Evening Bee, stating name of your father so I can identify you."

She paid no attention to the request. Just a month later came another letter, identical with the first. Mrs. Richards took no action. Another month elapsed and then arrived a third letter with the familiar and unsigned formula.

Now somewhat concerned, Mrs. Richards began to fear. She conjured up visions of blackmailing schemes.

Should she insert the advertisement and put it to the test? Or should she not? That was the question. She hesitated.

The fatal letter day of the next month arrived. The mail contained the well-known envelope and again she read that command which by the time seemed to carry a sinister threat and which carried the warning that this letter would be the last.

The suspense was becoming unbearable. She put in the ad as follows:

"X. Y. Z. My father's name was Louis London."

She waited then, assailed by dread of the uncertain.