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NO MIRACLE FOR GERMANY.

The Dawes commission was made up of hard-headed men, and the advance summary of its report is in accordance with what might have been looked for. No miracle is wrought for Germany, no easy way out is promised.

One of the regrettable conclusions reached by the commission is that by no means can the repatriation of German gold be enforced. In round numbers, \$1,600,000,000 in gold, owned by German citizens, is in hiding in other countries.

France will be asked to evacuate the Ruhr, turning back to their owners the mines and plants seized, and to the German people the control of the territory now occupied. How this will fit in with the French program may be judged from the presence of Poincare at the head of the ministry.

The stalemate reached in the reparations matter is comparable with that which existed before America became an active participant in the war. France holds the Ruhr, but is paying for that all she receives in return.

Leaving the exact amount of debts to be determined by France and Germany in conference, the commission has struck closely to its object, that of providing methods by which the industrial and commercial life of the German nation can be preserved.

A new German gold bank, with a capital of \$30,000,000, affords the means for stabilizing the currency of the country. One-fourth of the capital stock to be taken by the reichsbank, and three-fourths by the public, leaves ample room for the conclusion that most of the gold will come from outside the realm.

In the end, though, any success that may come from the efforts of the Dawes commission rest with the Germans themselves. Two things they have no right to expect. One is that the world will accept their view of reparations, the other is that the world will continue to support them in the course that has brought the country to what is virtual collapse.

Whether the report finally squares with the forecast is not so very important. The provisions outlined can be greatly modified in any report. How they will be received is another matter.

HOW DOES PREUS GET THAT WAY?

Having felt some of the impress of the farmer-labor steam roller, Governor Preus is apprehensive of the third party. Only on such grounds can one understand his telling the president that La Follette will carry all the northwestern states on a third party ticket.

Nebraskans never have shown a disposition to go very far in the wake of a third party movement. In 1892, when populism was at its very highest point in this state, and James B. Weaver was its prophet, a fair test was made of the sentiment of the people.

James E. Boyd, on behalf of the democratic national committee, advised democrats to vote for Weaver, for the reason that such a vote would be half a vote for Cleveland. The scheme proved a boomerang, for the voters turned to Harrison, and gave him the state by more than 30,000.

Our people have always been "regulars," that is they have wanted either republicans or democrats in office, and have voted accordingly. There is little reason to think they will discontinue this course now. While Nebraska has swung back and forth, first with one, then the other, of the old parties, only on purely local issues has a third party been able to make any headway.

Regardless of the assertions made by the third party supporters, nothing so far disclosed indicates a trend toward such an organization in Nebraska. Unless all signs fall when November comes around the electoral vote of this state will be given to one or the other of the old party nominees.

DOLOROUS DEMOCRATS SING OLD SONG.

A "green and yellow melancholy" seems to have settled on the democratic mind, but its exponents are not letting concealment hamper them. On the other hand, they are persistently peddling, with whatever enthusiasm they can muster, their old time nostrum. Free trade is what the nation needs.

They tell us the farmer needs access to the markets of the world, and point to the exports of 300,000,000 bushels of wheat some years ago as proof of what may happen again. Under similar circumstances, yes. When the farmers of the United States sent 300,000,000 bushels of wheat abroad, it was because the only available supply of wheat in the world was in this country.

Has any one forgotten the sacrifices made in this country, in order that Europeans might eat wheat while we ate substitutes? Suppose the tariff is taken off wheat, will the Canadians turn to Europe for a market, with the United States so close at hand?

When other comforts fail and helpers flee," the democrat turns to free trade as naturally as water runs down hill. But farmers know that their salvation does not lie in the direction of pulling down other industries. The farmer's status must be brought up, and the effort now being made by the president to bring it up is along right lines.

FIRST AID IN THE SCHOOLS.

Modern life may or may not be more strenuous than that of the past, but it pays more attention to some things. Among them is the prevention of accidents. Casual readers might not think so, as they daily scan the list of those who are overtaken by mishaps of various kinds. Yet it is undoubtedly true that more accidents would happen were it not that people are well trained to be on the alert continually to avoid getting hurt or hurting others.

The proposal to add a course of first aid to the Central High list of studies is a good one. It might be extended to other grades. No youngster can know too much about such work. Knowledge of what to do in emergency is valuable to anyone, and if imparted early will stick with the individual through life. None may ever be called upon to use it, and yet any may be required to exercise such ability.

While the army is curing the colds in the head of congress through poison gas, it might be in place to remind the world that the average member is immune to one certain kind of gas.

On the surface it would seem that Governor Pinchot had about enough to occupy his time in Pennsylvania.

One of the late Edward Rosewater's maxims was, "When the polls are closed is time to stop lying."

The roorback crop has been uncommonly light this year.

Well, pick your winners today.

Homespun Verse
—By Omaha's Own Post—
Robert Worthington Davie

THE OLD FASHIONED RADIO PROGRAM.

Last night the oldtime melodies came drifting in as mysteries, As fascination prevalent, In the bewitching instrument. Within the humble cot of mine I heard the time worn notes divine— Divine because the sole of them Elucidates the whole of them.

Letters From Our Readers

All letters must be signed, but name will be withheld upon request. Communications of 200 words and less will be given preference.

Wants Water Board Changed. Omaha—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: As a woman to whom the vote is still new, I should like space in your column to express the idea of a small housewife upon the "water board" election.

Why He Wants Sloan. Lexington, Neb.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: I find that the sentiments expressed in your editorial a few days since, relative to Mr. Norris, exist quite generally in this vicinity. In the 12 years that Mr. Norris has represented us in the senate he has been unable to do any constructive work on account of him being neither a republican nor a democrat and being unable to work with either party.

Try It Out on Wheat. Albion, Neb.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: I have just read the interview with N. E. Lipkin in The Omaha Bee as to the McNary-Haugen bill. I am very pleased to know that you are in favor of legislation of this kind.

A Republican's Reactions. Omaha—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: I send you a copy of a letter that I sent to Congressman William Francis Stevenson in reply to his demand that young Theodore Roosevelt resign as assistant secretary of the navy under a republican administration.

Modernist Preachers. Omaha—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: While the reprobate, confidence-betraying politicians over the land, high up in spheres of trust, have done much the last years to the faith of the masses in their government, the so-called "modernist preachers" have done far more to blight the hopes, to deaden the faith, to foster unbelief and despair.

Boost for Judge Stauffer. Omaha—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: I take this method of saying a few words to many friends in behalf of Carroll O. Stauffer, judge of the district court, who stands for reelection. He is a man of keen perception, listens to lawyers who have authorities to present and has plenty of courage to do what he believes to be right.

Senate is Out of Plumb. Omaha—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: Even though I am a lawyer I commend the statement of one candidate for senator, that more plain active business men are needed in our legislative body. I believe the state senate like the national senate, is "out of plumb."

No Oil in It. Aladdin had a wonderful lamp which afforded him estatic happiness. But, it will be remembered, there was no oil in it.—New York Tribune-Herald.

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V. A. BRIDGE, Cir. Mgr. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of April, 1924. W. H. QUIVERY, Notary Public

Penalties of Politics

From the Nebraska State Journal.

Secretary Mellon was a very big business man of whom most of us had never heard. He was almost as rich as Rockefeller, but a beneficent obscurity had saved him from the penalties visited upon the builder of the oil trust. He was a monarch in his field without the risks which go with monarchial notoriety.

Meanwhile every move he makes as head of the finance department of the government is watched and criticized in congress and out. A hater of controversy, he finds himself inordinarily a center of controversy. His motives are impugned. His integrity is questioned.

Puzzling. A Swede, on entering a small town railroad station in Minnesota, was attracted by the notice written in chalk on the bare wall: "You Can't Smoke in Here. He immediately started a careful search over the whole room."

Political Advertisement. POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT. POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT.

Why We're for Allan Tukey. We are for Allan Tukey, Republican candidate for director of the Metropolitan Utilities District (Water Board) because he firmly stands for the operation of the water board in the interest of the small home owners and those who are building their homes.

He has no political ambitions or political tie-ups. He lives in Omaha twelve months every year. He is not rich. He is making his own way in the business world. He has the qualifications of experience and ability.

He represents that great portion of stockholders of the Utilities District which consists of the rank and file of the people.

Allan Tukey has the courage of his convictions, and he has pledged himself to fight for the interests of all the people.

Five years ago, at the time of the courthouse riot, the whole city looked to Allan Tukey as leader of the big body of volunteers who established peace in a few hours, without even a suggestion of violence.

These are only a few of the Reasons why Allan Tukey is gaining strength every hour. These are only a few of the reasons why he should be the Republican nominee.

BE SURE AND VOTE THE SEPARATE SHORT BALLOT!

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SUNNY SIDE UP

Take Comfort, nor forget That Sunrise never failed us yet!
L. A. Thayer

LAZY LIKE. Floating on the bosom of the lake, And waiting for the bobber to go under, Waiting for the fish the bait to take, While Nature fills my very soul with wonder, Leave to loaf around and snatch a wink Of sleep, or just a thinking and a wishing, But mostly I don't take time to think, Just loaf around and do a bit of fishing. Nothing can be finer than to float.

Nebraska Limerick. At predicting red wreck and disaster No man could talk longer or faster, Till his folks in disgust Tore him loose from his trust, 'Cause his state concluded he'd gassed her.

Those of you who are of a sympathetic nature should prepare now to commiserate with the Kiwanis clubs at North Platte and Lexington. At North Platte on April 15 and at Lexington on April 17, we shall inflict a few remarks upon the Kiwanians, after first partaking heartily of toothsome viands. We expect to enjoy both occasions, but particularly the one at Lexington, where we will have ample opportunity to face a lumberman named Nott and tell him just what we think of some very unkind and uncalled-for things he said in a recent letter.

We have gathered during a little journey across the state that the Nebraska primary law is something that practically everybody is for and practically nobody wants.

Every time our work calls us away from the desk we are overcome by a curiosity to know where all the small change comes from. The conductor of the dining car always manages to rake up a few dimes and a nickel when making change, and the restaurant waiters always manage to do the same thing when they return from the cashier's desk. No wonder the mint is not making coins of large denomination; it is too busy coining dimes and nickels for use in eating places.

At some time in the future we are going to run for office with the sole purpose of passing a law that will assess fine and imprisonment on the citizen who fails, neglects or refuses to cast a ballot on election day. The only bar to prosecution will be a physician's certificate that the voter was too sick to get to the polls.

Col. John G. Mather of Lincoln used to live at Chadron, and he was one of the practical jokers who exhibited that caustic man and exhibited him all over the country. There isn't anything particularly interesting about all that right now, but somehow or other it was recalled to mind by Colonel Mather's cordial support of Hiram Johnson. WILL M. MAUPIN.

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