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WHAT LAFOLLETTE WOULD RESTORE? Senator LaFollette announces that he is a candidate for the presidency on a platform demanding that the "political and economic rights of the people be restored to them."

Just what does LaFollette mean when he talks about "restoring political rights to the people?" Just what economic rights now vouchsafed to the people would LaFollette wipe out in order to restore to them the economic rights he says have been taken from them?

Will the intelligent electorate of America allow their hearts to be stolen as Absalom stole the hearts of the men of Israel? WELL SOON KNOW WHO IS BOSS. Dan Butler has done the expected finally. For the first time in his variegated political career he has acted as everybody who knows him thought he would.

Mr. Ford will discharge any of his Detroit workmen whose breath smells of liquor. Now if we could only apply the same rule to men who drive so many of Henry's flivvers.

News from Oklahoma always is of interest. The people down that way are as unique in their political habits as possibly could be. About a year ago they went through all the various motions of uprisings, special elections, recalls and referendums, court proceedings, mandamus, injunctions, military displays and Klan meetings, to get rid of their more or less picturesque governor.

applied state funds. He had played favorites and solicited bribes. Otherwise he had gone far enough to shock folks as politically unconventional as even the Oklahomans.

What does he do but stage a perfectly good comeback? At the primary election on Tuesday of this week the free and intelligent voters of Oklahoma nominated Hon. John Walton to be the candidate for United States senator on the democratic ticket.

WHAT ENGLAND GETS FROM RUSSIA. Now that the treaty of commerce and amity has been concluded between England and the soviet republics of Russia, we will probably hear much about the American attitude. It is well to look closely then at the bargain that has just been struck at London.

Principally, it has to do with the carrying on of trade between the two countries. All details and provisions are not as yet available, but it contains the customary safeguards. These include the agreement by each of the contracting parties to protect the lawful interests of the nationals of the others.

On Thursday last it was announced that the conference had broken down on the subject of debts and property rights. Russia objected to assuming any responsibility for pre-soviet debts or for property of any British subject seized by the soviet.

At London the first two of the conditions have been more than met, and perhaps the last, in part. But the third has not been met, nor will it be until the citizens of the United States have by their votes made it plain to the world that they are not going to follow Russia or even England along the road described by Karl Marx.

PROFESSOR, BE YOURSELF. Taking advantage of the disturbances incident on many and varied causes, Prof. Charles Gray Shaw, who ladies old philosophy at the New York University, tells a distracted world that it soon will be unable to laugh. Mankind is becoming so sophisticated, so well acquainted with the springs on which life moves, that the sense of humor is becoming atrophied.

Perhaps the doctor is right, but at this distance it seems as if he had overlooked one or two bets. His own life may be a drear and solemn waste of demonstrated or demonstrable facts, utterly devoid of emotion, moving placidly along a predetermined course without the light of a smile or the joy of a chuckle.

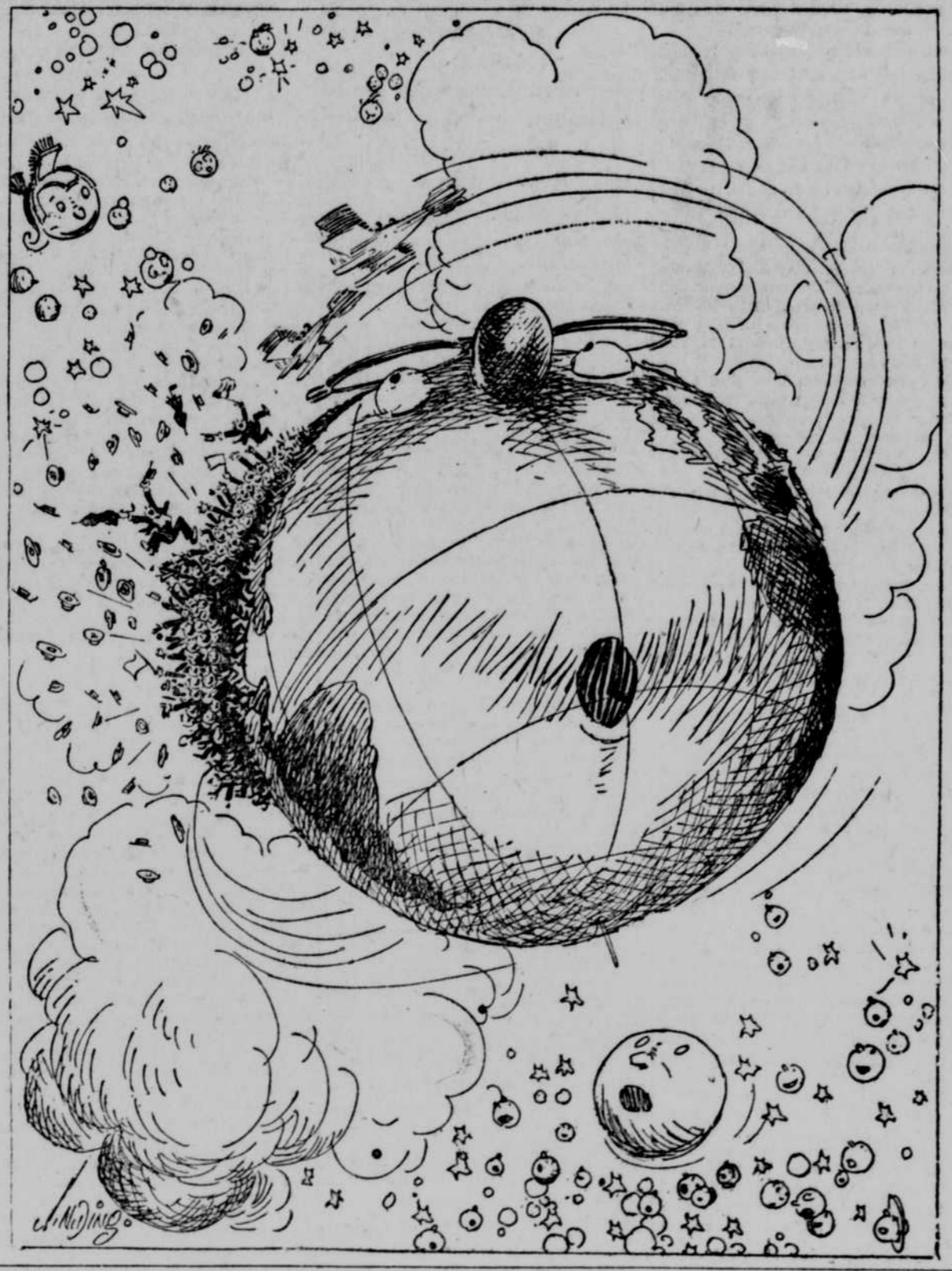
So long as certain politicians "play such fantastic tricks before high heaven as make the angels weep;" so long as college professors indulge in such lugubrious prophecies; so long as the world goes round there will be plenty of occasion for laughter.

The president of France dined 500 American ad men and the newspapers devoted considerable space to telling that after the banquet 47 gold spoons were missing. Our association with ad men convinces us that the new feature of the story lay in the fact that only 47 gold spoons were missing.

John Zahnd, national independent nominee for president, has withdrawn in favor of La Follette. His withdrawal is about as noticeable as the hole left after you pull your finger out of the millpond.

Homespun Verse -By Omaha's Own Poet- Robert Worthington Davies STAY BY THE FARMSTEAD, SONNY. Stay by the farmstead, sonny; it is the place for you. Things may not go To your liking, you know; Things may not seem In accord with your dream; Skies cannot always be blue- But the farm is the place for you.

Who Said There Was Never Anything New Under the Sun?



Letters From Our Readers

Jerry Knows. Omaha-To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: In today's issue reference is made to Governor Bryan preparing his speech of acceptance so that it will "Reach Common People."

Only Wants to See the Hole. Royal Neb.-To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: I wish to call your attention to an article on page 2 of your paper under date of August 6, this year.

The Auto Club. Omaha-To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: Scores of people visit the Omaha Auto club headquarters daily to get information about the roads they wish to travel.

The Real Result. Blinks-Do you believe this scientist is right and that bobbing the hair will result in the women growing long hair?

All Right, Brother, If You Get It So Easily, Why Worry? Omaha-To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: I wish some of the good folks who believe in prohibition would give their reasons for so doing.

Abel Martin. We are sixth in rank in per capita wealth, but near the last in rank in the construction and maintenance of good roads.

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SUNNY SIDE UP

Take Comfort, nor forget That sunrise never failed us yet. Caha Theater

On the Wing-One of the great joys of being a veteran Nebraska newspaper worker is the reward of an occasional assignment to fare forth into the interior and chronicle things seen and heard.

Red-faced man in smoking compartment of observation car calls for another bottle of ginger ale and grumbles because it is five wagon loaded with wheat stop at crossing while train rushes by.

Man asks about the big buildings and tanks seen from train. Explain Sinclair pipe line to him. Expresses surprise that he should be piped thousands of miles from his home.

Pass freight train that consists of 162 cars and caboose. Fully 10 mile long. Remember when they made a full train. Engine on long train a monster.

Just the other side of Lexington-Plum Creek when we first knew it-pass scene of historic attack of Indians on Union Pacific train. Lexington is where County Clerk Jack McCall chained Union Pacific engine to track to enforce collection of taxes owed by railroad.

North Platte. Largest railroad icing plant in the world. Rapidly growing city. Outgrowing reputation, builded solely on fact it was the home of Bill Cody.

Peculiar card game in progress in restaurant up ahead. Players using discs of various colors. Our expense account being limited, we soon lose interest and wander on.

As it pretends to be, does not demand for the presidency in Cleveland a fortnight ago. Senator La Follette looks on the proposal as a superfluous campaign incident.

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