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for the socialist program, but that he had become a good enough socialist to be acceptable to the most advanced of the cult. Berger stands squarely on the proposition of nationalization of all means of production and distribution. That is all Lenin sought. William H. Johnson is equally committed to the government ownership "and democratic management" of all forms of transportation. And La Follette accepts their support, counsels with them, and finds them eager to carry out his wishes.

If La Follette does not represent their views, he is treating them and those who are controlled by them, as the witches plattered with Macbeth. He keeps the word of promise to their ear, and breaks it to their hope. "Under this sign conquer," is the motto of this congeries of adventurers, but the sign they have adopted apparently is the double-cross.

DURN TOUGH LUCK.
The Farmer-Labor Herald describes itself as "a weekly newspaper supporting progressive political action." Earnestly and devoutly it espouses the cause of La Follette, and with equal ardor it strives to influence voters in favor of John N. Norton. Because these are the particular champions of the downtrodden and oppressed. They will save the land from the doom that impends, restore prosperity and confidence and relieve the distress that engulfs everybody under this capitalistic administration. And they are having very bad luck—in politics.

Oh, yes, the Farmer-Labor Herald is published at North Platte. It has been in existence a little less than a year, for the number just at hand is "43" of Volume I. Just as a visible proof of the hard times and widespread depression that prevails in its locality, the paper consists of 80 pages and a four-page cover, 84 pages in all. When Jimmy Ryan was an advertising solicitor for The Omaha Bee, some years ago before he became vice president of the Lord & Thomas agency at Chicago, he said the ideal newspaper page was seven columns of advertising and one of reading matter. Jimmy would rejoice to see the issue of the Farmer-Labor Herald. In behalf of the Omaha papers, all and several, we wish such depression would hit this town.

Seriously, we warmly congratulate the citizens of North Platte and Lincoln county, because their enterprise made possible the publication of what is undoubtedly the largest single issue of a country weekly newspaper ever printed in Nebraska. To provide the immense quantity of display advertising matter contained in this paper is proof of courage and deep faith of the citizens in their own community.

After November 4 Managers Eads and Evans can get much consolation out of this number. They can turn from contemplation of the election returns and look over the business record they have made. This will teach them that, whatever may have happened to the candidates they are now boosting, and that will be a plenty, they have put over a genuine triumph in the publishing line in Nebraska.

BORAH AND THE PARTY.
"What do you think of Borah?" asked a La Follette booster, seeking to justify the conduct of his leader by contrast with another. He was answered that the chief difference between Borah and La Follette is the Idaho statesman remains loyal to his party. His attitude in this regard is thus discussed by the Chicago Daily News:

"Senator Borah, a republican who is independent and progressive in his views, asserts that he has never had the slightest doubt that his duty was to stay within his party and there work and fight for clear, economical and efficient government. 'The question of a faithful public man should put to himself, Mr. Borah intimates, is where and how he can be of most service to the people. There are times, of course, when the highest interests of a nation require a political realignment, or the emergence of a new organization pledged and dedicated to a great moral principle. But the burden of proof is on the proponents of a new alignment or a new party. They must convince the people that the old instrumentalities have outlived their usefulness, or that the old parties have become morally bankrupt."

Not many intelligent republicans are prepared to admit that their party is spiritually dead. Not many democrats are ready to repudiate and desert their historic party. Both parties have many sins of omission and commission to answer for. Both have need of redemption to important principles. But that is very different from being effete and useless."

The comments of the News should be carefully considered by all who are of the opinion that the end of party government in the United States is at hand just because a few bolters are making a lot of noise.

An estimate is made that two years will be necessary to complete the trial of the Gould case now in court. As the estate in question is rated at \$82,000,000, it will probably last that long, maybe longer.

Brer Bryan (C. W.) gets a snub in Connecticut. The democrats left his name off an advertising banner. Never mind. Nebraskans are going to leave Davis' name off their ballots.

The man who used to write communiques for George Creel must be in the employ of the tuchun of Manchuria. Else where do those tales from Mulden arise?

With Sorenson battling Butler and Harrison battling Mutz, all at the same time, the gate receipts promise to be small in both instances.

Victor Berger is one of La Follette's chief supporters, which fact should show patriotic American voters how to vote.

Frank Mondell is making good on the stump in Nebraska. But he did that long ago.

The air mail is catching on.

Letters From Our Readers

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

Party and Party Circle.
Columbus, Neb.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: As usual, when an election is on there is talk of abolishing the party circle on the ballot. There may be reasons why it should not appear on the ballot, but there are several reasons why it should. In my opinion, the circle is a guide to the voter and an aid to efficient government. Taking away the party circle from the head of the ballot would result in total disruption of the political parties. It would give the people the representation they had in the last congress. In place of an organized business body, thoughtful of its obligation to the people, it would simply be a debating school; a parliament for agitators for reforms of all sorts. A body in which a majority, if once in a while one should assert itself, could hardly be considered a responsible majority.

By expressing their preference for candidates for office through the party circle, the people place the responsibility of governing them in the hands of a body, as is contemplated in representative government and necessary to make government by the people effective. Including the writer, 50 per cent of more of the voters do not know beans about the qualifications of the candidates for the office to which they aspire. And from their speeches one cannot gain any wisdom to make an intelligent choice. But suppose the voters could all make intelligent choice without the use of the party circle and voter representative were alike sincere in their effort to further good government, what, in such case, would represent the voters? A coalition majority to enact laws? Without party adhesion among them and each representative imbued with the righteous indignation and determination to push his particular issue, it would be difficult, if at all possible, to develop a servicable working majority in a makeshift. A mere bag and a pack, where each representative and faction or bloc is working for self-aggrandizement and the interest of the people is not thought of.

I am firm in the belief that the party circle should remain on the ballot where it is. If the voting circle were to be abolished, the voters would aid in annulling party responsibility and bringing about efficient government. The party circle is producing constructive legislation in the interest of the nation. It would result in better law enforcement and create a greater respect for the law. Jokers in the law which put laws in disrepute and disgrace the lawmakers, would disappear. And the character of the law would command respect for the law. Besides, it would reduce campaign expenses. If the party in place of the individual representative, were to be responsible, the wump could stay at home and do his braving there. If the voters cast their vote for every reformer that comes to the door and would not hide political parties who honestly strive to serve the people and conserve the nation to buy and lie itself into power, they would be the party responsible for its acts.

Whenever a voter ignores the voting circle and votes independent of party, he is determining an array of names of men he knows nothing about, such voter becomes individually responsible for the public acts of the representatives he so chooses. I am in favor of party solidarity and party responsibility. In place of the people cleaning political parties, the honest and efficient keep themselves clean. The party representative, from the highest to the lowest, who willfully and surreptitiously picks his choice from the public office he may hold in other than the public interest, is clearly a traitor to his country. I imagine, every one who has an imagination, if the average voter would subordinate his individual independence just a little to the party, the party favored by the union, might regard itself under greater responsibility to the people, resulting in corresponding improvement in its activities. Picking his choice from the voters do not make use of the party circle on the ballot, the success of a political party at the polls is more of an accident than the result of an intelligent choice by the people, and its activities usually measure up to the same standard.

I am convinced that on the 4th of November next, I can serve my country best by making a cross in the republican party circle at the head of the ballot. Being so, I vote for the candidate of that party on the ticket. Thus doing all a voter can do in support of the staunch national party. "The tried and true" and "the party of American institutions" the party that stands squarely and firmly on the American constitution, holding that party responsible and encouraging it in its efforts to save the United States from becoming a prey to European intrigues, into whose hands the democratic party is pledged to deliver, and if elected to power, will deliver the sovereign control over to the American people, and from the hands of La Folletteists, who are pledged, and if elected to power, will socialize public utility industries, the inevitable consequences of which will be political and industrial chaos and the loss to the American people of their constitution, which is the guardian of their independence, the result of which will be the enslavement of the laborer and co-operative monopoly of the farming industry, pauperizing the nation and preparing it for the rule of anarchy.

G. FOLKEN.

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What gits us is why so many folks don't use the good 'ol 'ol Europe 'an' have a good time instead o' payin' traffic fines all th' time. Th' funniest thing is Ger'many askin' fer a seat in th' league o' nations instead of a box.
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Sloan's Liniment

—kills pain!

is helping to murder the democratic party, which is already on its last legs.

JAMES WELCH.

Courts, Constitution and Congress.
Omaha.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: The spirit of antagonism that seems to be manifested more just now toward the courts and constitution and some of the statutes than at any former time, has not arisen suddenly. Intelligent observers have seen it growing for many years. And people of intelligence and character have neglected to counteract the destructive influence of the forces that seek to undermine some of the chief supports of good government.

Ignorant, careless and demagogical writers and speakers have been telling people that the Constitution of the United States does not give and never has given to the courts the authority to hold an act of congress unconstitutional, and that the courts usurped this function many years ago, and still exercise it, in defiance of the constitution. This is a gross falsification, and those who continue to repeat it should be marked as either ignoramus or liars. The Constitution always has contained, in section 3 of article 3, the provision that the judicial power shall extend to all cases, in law and equity arising under this Constitution, the laws of the United States, etc. What is "case" in a case that involves the interpretation or construing of some part or parts of the Constitution, and the application of constitutional law to the case. As the Constitution is "the supreme law," and no judicial power has been given to congress, the interpretation by the judicial authority must stand as valid law, and any act of congress that conflicts with it is null and void, even without any express declaration to that effect by the court. This is all perfectly plain. What shall we say of those persons who claim to be familiar with the Constitution and tell other people that there is no such provision in it?

BERRIAH F. COCHRAN.

Matter of Dress and Style.
Missouri Valley, Ia.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: I read your statement by some good brother objecting to the way women are dressing. It makes me think of that old riddle, "What's the difference between the ages of a man and a woman?" Answer: A woman is as old as she looks, and a man is old when he quits looking. Well, I don't feel too bad about the little flocks of gray spotting my temples when I think of the fun I get looking. Now, don't get excited. I agree with the brother that it is a comedy when you look at about as thick as a lead pencil goes on abbreviated dress parade, but can't you get the fun out of it? Vice versa, in a crowd of women, it is a comedy when you see a woman in a dress, before I start cringing the faults of my own get rid of it. I do not know why the men and women go to all the trouble, I'm sure, nor do I know all the reasons why the minister objects. I don't give a damn. I'd rather see a pretty, shapely woman dressed the way they do now, even if abbreviated, than all smoothed up with clothes as per some years ago. When women's clothes don't suit me I'm going to do it. Shucks, brother, the horses got used to automobiles. Can't we do as much for the women? The women dress to please the men, and if they dress crazy I guess we're to blame.

I. T. DUZZENMATTER.

Rebukes Calamity Howlers.
Central City, Neb.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: I am not a politician, but the speeches delivered on our street corners recently make my blood boil. They tell the people that we are having hard times; that the country is going to the bow-wows unless they are elected. Oh, it is a disgrace to the United States of America to hear this bunk, when you know and I know that we are living in the most prosperous country in the world today, and are wasting money every day than most of the countries are making. I wonder where the politicians have been living the past 40 or 50 years, when they make these radical statements. How would the pioneers of this great country feel if they heard these speeches now being delivered to our men, women and children of this great union? I say it is a disgrace to the intelligence of our people. It is true that the agricultural district of the middle

west has suffered, but the farmer has proven himself equal to the economic problem confronting him, and reverts the insinuation that he is bankrupt. M. A. LARSON, President Nebraska Association of Real Estate Boards.

The henroost was forbidden ground. He got an awful scare. For when he got inside he found a building roosting there. —Louisville Courier-Journal.

SUNNY SIDE UP

Take Comfort, nor forget, That Sunrise never failed us yet.

Celia Thayer

Signs of approaching winter. Three big rotary snow plows being overhauled and repainted within sight of car window. Biggest sandblasts in the world grow around here. Spines long enough to puncture Ford tire. Local store windows showing samples of big sugar beets. Saw one weighing 22 pounds and 9 ounces.

Looking back over week's trip remember that heard less politics than ever before in one week so close to election. Candidates making special efforts to have meetings in towns where special train is there. Surprising how big the crowds are to see the train and how small they are to listen to candidates. One of two things certain or we miss our guess. Either the people are woefully apathetic, or they are doing a lot of quiet thinking preparatory to a big surprise on election day.

Management of Burlington pure-bred sire special gives us opportunity to make three-minute speech at every stop, after the people have seen the livestock. Devote the time to urging voters to do their duty as citizens on election day. Indifference of voters greatest menace to free institutions.

A governor busily knocking Made statements most awfully shocking. A committee report. Showed him up a poor sport. And now all the people are mocking.

A friend of ours, whom we have since removed from our friendship list, insinuates that Dan Butler wants to be governor so he will not have to go so far as to enjoin his landlord from collecting rent.

Before we forget it, we want to tell you that it takes a mighty sober man to hit the keys of a Corona typewriter in a swaying passenger coach on a branch line railroad.

If Superior and Red Cloud could average up the distance from the depots of their respective business districts it would be a good thing for both of them.

Every day sees us more of a dairy expert. "Buck" Taylor, in charge of Miss Mystery's wonder cow of the pure-bred sire special, admits it. At Red Cloud, while offering the daily prize to the one guessing nearest to Miss Mystery's annual production of milk in pounds, "Buck" made the statement that it was "impossible to tell how much milk a cow would give in a day by looking at her." We bet the cigars we could. Our guess was that she wouldn't give a drop by looking at her; that she would have to be milked. "Buck" paid.

As the trip of the Pure-Bred Sire special nears its conclusion it is not out of place to say that it has proven a success beyond all expectations. It has been warmly welcomed at every stopping point, and the interest shown has been intense. It has not only "sold" the pure-bred sire idea, but it has removed a lot of misunderstanding heretofore existing between the railroad and the general public. The splendid crowds and close attention at every stopping point has kept the speakers and managers keyed up to concert pitch all the time.

WILL M. MAUPIN.

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