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Omaha Where the West is at its Best

HEADING AWAY FROM WAR. President Coolidge said in his message to congress last December: "America has been one of the foremost nations in advocating tribunals for the settlement of international disputes of a justiciable character."

Therein is stated most clearly and concisely the case of the World Court as it applies to the United States. Senator Borah, chairman of the senate committee on foreign relations, is opposed to the World Court, as he was to the League of Nations.

The people of Omaha are intensely interested in this question. A mass meeting has been called for Friday night, at which the subject will be discussed. The action of that meeting will express the sentiment of the community.

WHO TWISTED THE LAW? Senator Cummins, one of the authors of the present transportation act, says the law was deformed after it had left the senate.

It may not be worth while to pursue a search to locate responsibility for the changes made in the bill after it left the senate.

Alfred F. Thom brought the admission from Senator Cummins. Mr. Thom, general counsel for the Association of Railroad Executives, was pleading for a modification of the law to make selective grouping the plan instead of compulsory.

DEMOCRATS STAND UP. When Senator Robinson of Arkansas took it upon himself to rebuke Senator Norris of Nebraska for criticizing the president of the United States, a rather pretty issue was joined.

advocated development of water power by the federal government, and his bill dealing with Muscle Shoals is merely a part of a great superpower vision he entertains. One of the outstanding characteristics of Norris is his inability to compromise or co-operate.

WILL YOU DO YOUR PART? Sixty-two persons will be killed today in traffic accidents—assuming this to be an average day in American life. Thirty persons will be killed or injured in railroad grade crossing accidents.

Are Americans so calloused to the havoc that is wreaked through careless haste that they will continue the headlong rush at the cost in human suffering and misery now exacted? Answer this question for yourself, and you will be ready to join the Omaha Safety council in its efforts to reduce the mishaps that are daily recorded.

A STURDY PIONEER GONE. It is not the thecity of Columbus alone that suffers a distinct loss in the death of Karl Cramer. The state loses an exemplary citizen; loses a sturdy pioneer who wrought well in the beginning of the commonwealth, and never ceased during all the years of his busy and useful life.

GOVERNOR FOR A DAY. Hiram Bingham of Connecticut was governor for a day. After making his inaugural address he resigned to become a senator of the United States. There is one passage in his inaugural address that indicates that Connecticut lost a wise and far-seeing governor when Hiram Bingham resigned.

All of which is commended to the attention of those who would rush forward to enact a law every time they see something that fails to meet their approval. There will be fewer laws, and better, and therefore more respect for all laws, when those enacted square with the test applied by Governor Bingham.

A proposal to collect the electoral vote by mail was knocked out in congress. Why cut off the quadrennial joy-ride of the state messengers?

Premier Herriot's health will not permit him to hold office much longer, which makes the approach of Calliaux to leadership much easier.

Germany's greatest bother just now comes from having too many political parties. A few consolidations might simplify matters.

The "Lady from Sarpy" shows her cleverness by giving permission to the men to smoke. She may cash in on this later.

Bank clearings again soared by more than a million a day over the previous week, which is also a hopeful sign.

Homespun Verse -By Omaha's Own Poet— Robert Worthington Davis

APPRECIATION. When it gets down close to zero. And the cold wind shrieks and roars. And we sit around the fireplace. When the homeward walk is o'er.

When we view the frozen windows. And the barren, lifeless sheen. Reaching far beyond our vision. Where the grasses once were green.

We Can Find Plenty of Folks to Wear 'Em But Not Many That Can Fill Them as Well



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.

Government Ownership. Omaha.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: F. Philip Haffner appears in print a good deal, but his platitudes are more or less shelt. He, sage-like, attempts to criticize others who, it appears from existing facts, have the best of the argument.

The Church Yesterday and Today. Omaha.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: What revolutionary changes have been wrought in the churches during the last 20 years, and how many of our older people believe that in any sense these changes have been for the better?

About Street Car Fares. Omaha.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: I note in the "Street Car Topics" December 1 last, the company claims: Of their more than \$6,000,000 income from fares alone, they give to their employees, if this be true, there is incompetency in the administration of the road.

Sunshine Health Southland Slip away from January to Florida, Cuba, Texas or the Gulf Coast, where June temperatures invite you to outdoor play beneath the palms.

Abe Martin "A post office no sooner gets back on its feet after th' Christmas rush till along comes a flood of blamed straggle letters from Florida," complains Postmaster L. E. Smiley today. Who recalls when folks used to quit drinkin' New Year's instead of Christmas? (Copyright, 1924.)

SUNNY SIDE UP

Take comfort, nor forget, that sunrise never failed us yet. Celia Thaxter

We don't know about this new policy of "cracking 'em on the nose," reference being made to the manner of treating men charged with violation of the prohibitory laws. It seems to have sanction, in certain quarters, but somehow or other it appears contrary to our preconceived ideas of law enforcement and recognition of fundamental rights.

Our good friend, Edward Flynn, general manager of the Burlington, has so far recovered from the effects of wrestling with a broken steam pipe that he is able to attend to business in Chicago. We take it from this that the "72" is again in commission. However, we are willing to use the "85" on our contemplated southern trip, provided arrangements can be made for its use, and for several other things that must be taken care of before we can start.

Members of the We Knew Him When Club will kindly show along and make room on the bench for T. J. Pickett of Wahoo, Pioneer newspaper publisher of Nebraska, locating first at Nebraska City. Bought Ashland Gazette in 1850 and published it 15 years. Then went to Wahoo and founded the Wasp. Published Wasp until he took a notion to retire and turned it over to his son. Served in state senate, took leading part in republican politics, always worked to promote Nebraska and his home town.

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