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IS OLD BILL WHITE GETTING CHILDISH?

Old Bill White of "Empory" must be getting childish. We can find no other excuse for his recent activity. He actually wants the Kansas legislature to prohibit intercollegiate sports at state colleges and all interscholastic games at public schools. Old Bill asserts in his best "I'm telling you it's true" way that such contests "arouse combative, contentious, partisan instincts so deeply that other instincts and interests take second place."

We don't believe it, and we don't believe Old Bill White believes it. That is, we don't believe it as Old Bill would have us believe it. We do believe it arouses the combative spirit and would feel pretty bad about it if it did not. If there is anything the rising generation needs it is more of the combative spirit, whether it be in school, on the playground or upon entering business. Being somewhat old-fashioned, we believe that the greatest need of the rising generation is a transfusion of red blood. We do not hold with some that the old Alphonse and Gaston stuff is the ne plus ultra, the acme, the ultima thule, of things that should be pumped into our children. Of course they should be taught to be polite and courteous, and all that sort of thing, but that doesn't mean that our boys should submit to oppression or that some school bully should be allowed to run things. We have long held, and shall continue to hold, with Tom Brown that every boy should be taught to box, to row and to swim, and, above all things, to play the game square.

It is barely possible that we have gone to extremes in this matter of collegiate and interscholastic contests. Indeed, we sometimes feel prone to believe that we have. But to prohibit them-never! Not while we take huge delight in watching a football or basket ball game, or can get our exercise by proxy watching the track teams in competition. Besides which, we are ferninst any more legislation for

Men who have crossed the meridian of life and are compelled to take note of increasing avoirdupois and decreasing desire to leave the easy chair, are prone to look askance upon the activities of youth. Fortunately for most men, this is not true of all who have to look eastward to see their shadows. Having a high regard for Old Bill, and wishing him well, we trust that he will come out of it. The world can illy afford to have him succumb to the grouchiness of advancing years.

IS THERE COLLUSION?

Treasury officials down Washington way are strenuously endeavoring to get several hundred tons of silver dollars into circulation. They advance various reasons for their efforts, but we are inclined to believe that they have not advanced the real one.

A man wearing a belt and carrying ten or fifteen silver dollars in his pants pockets is courting danger. Only the man who wears galluses attached to buttons firmly sewed on is safe in such circumstances. Therefore it is probable that the treasury officials have hooked up with the gallus-makers with intent to boost the gallus business.

Not that we should enter objections to such a combination, but we do object to camouflaging it. We are inclined to favor the increased circulation of selver dollars, if for no other reason than boosting the gallus business. We are not in whole-hearted sympathy with the belt fashion, being not only mentally inclined towards safety, but physically constructed in the same direction. And, too, we are tremendously in favor of an increased circulation of honest-to-goodness money. Never have we felt burdened by the number of silver dollars we were able to accumulate at one time. We have, on the contrary, been embarrassed by the lack thereof.

We are endorsing the activity of the treasury officials in this particular direction. Nor are we criticizing their motives.

SHAKING DOWN NEW YORK.

A little old earthquake has accomplished what divers and sundry politicians have been unable to do. It has made New York tremble. A temblor actually made Wall Street shake a bit. Time and again have certain political leaders started out to not only make Wall Street tremble, but to actually wipe Wall Street off the face of the earth. Knotting their whips of cords these leaders have started out blithely to chase the Money Devil into the tall and uncut timber. But the Money Devil refused to be chased, and one by one the leaders have abandoned their whips. Now comes along a little earthquake and puts shivers up the spine of Wall Street, and of course the Money

Doubtless there may be found here and there a political leader who will rejoice that something came along to put fear into the aforesaid Money Devil. But we doubt if any considerable number will be found commending anything quite so extreme. Why, If the Money Devil should be routed and chased into hiding, even by an earthquake, what would some alleged or self-constituted leaders do for an issue? The Money Devil is just as necessary to the well being of some politicians as it is to the financial welfare of the nation. Without a Money Devil to attack these leaders would be as a ship without a rudder, an automobile without gas, or a fish without a fin. They absolutely depend upon the Money Devil for an issue. Wall Street may be just a bit frightened by the

shaking experiences of an earthquake shock, but not so you could notice it from the attacks of certain political prophets and sages. But there is no telling what might happen to Wall Street and the Money Devil if the Devil chasers ever manage to hook up with an earthquake and make a combined assault.

A WISE SUGGESTION.

A recent issue of municipal bonds in Nebraska City was quickly and quietly taken over by local financial concerns. The Nebraska City Press points with pride to the fact, saying it is an evidence of solidity. Then the Press makes a suggestion. It is that hereafter municipalities that find it necessary to issue bonds should do so in small denominations instead of large ones. In other words, make the bonds of small denomination for the purpose of interesting the small investors, the men and women who are working and saving and really building the municipalities. It would encourage saving, but far better than that, it would arouse a greater interest

The citizen who owns even a small bond issued by his municipality is sure to take more interest in the election of good officials. He is sure to keep his eyes more firmly fixed on municipal expenditures, because he realizes as never before that it is his money that is being spent.

Recently an eastern corporation prepared to float a large bond issue. It issued some in small demnominations and urged its employes to subscribe. To the astonishment of the corporation managers the employes oversubscribed the entire issue.

Such a plan would keep local money at home, cultivate civic pride, stimulate interest in municipal affairs and enforce rigid economy in administration. The suggestion of the Nebraska City Press is worthy of commendation.

O'BRIEN, REDIVIVUS.

William J. O'Brien will again assume the management of the state fish hatcheries at Gretna. Very few Nebraskans know William J. O'Brien, but every Nebraska who has ever baited a hook or cast a fly knows "Bill" O'Brien. Well, it's "Bill" who resumes charge where he left off about two years ago when he wouldn't admit that Brother Charley knew more about fish than he did. That, of course, was sufficient reason for "Bill's" discharge by Governor Bryan. It would never do in the world for an underling to know more than his chief about anything, even hatching fish. So "Bill" was shelved, but only temporarily. The other party to the little controversy has since been shelved, permanently.

Lovers of rod and reel will rejoice that "Bill" O'Brien is back on the job at which he worked so faithfully and so well for more than thirty years. He does not have to remain in Nebraska in order to work at fish hatching and fish planting. Other states have been after him for years. But "Bill's" home is in Nebraska. He loves every creek and river and lake and drainage ditch, and he knows them all. He would rather hatch fish in Nebraska and plant them in Nebraska waters than to live a life of ease elsewhere. And Nebraska fishermen are glad of it. "Bill" O'Brien is a democrat. Not a rantankerous democrat, to be sure, but a liberal, level-headed democrat, of which species there are none too many

for it from any section of the country. On the conbe less legislation, less political maneuvering, less might induce the said city commis dickering with laws. There is plenty of work for representatives and senators to do apart from walking over to the capitol building daily and talking and quarreling about everything in general and nothing in particular. The country would be benefitted it will be seen that the powers that be have had five years in which to be have had five years in which to be have had five years in which to act.

Note—Steps will be taken at once if our representatives in house and senate would get Mr. Smith calls attention. away from Washington for about eight months and put in their time getting acquainted with what the people want, familiarizing themselves with really great questions and preparing themselves for a busi-

has had quite enough of legislative shilly-shallying ity the Christian religion was the down Washington way. It will not hail an extra ses- principal subject of discussion. sion with loud cheers. On the contrary, it would heave a huge sigh of relief at the news that congress is not to assemble again until next December.

A Cleveland man has been awarded \$400 damages because a prohibition enforcement officer beat him up. Evidently the Cleveland courts do not con-consider the Fourth amendment an entirely dead

The fact that the inauguration services are to be awfully simple will please everybody but a few political malcontents, who will look upon any kind of a Coolidge inauguration as simply awful.

A night watchman in New Jersey hoasts of drink-ing 24 cups of coffee every night. If the price keeps soaring the rest of us will have to drink that many to get the average amount of coffee.

From now on it will cost you 2 cents to make your back home friends feel badly by sending them one of those "wish you were here" picture cards.

Mrs. Abby Rockefeller Milton, jr., is hunting for a modest apartment. Doubtless she will be able

to furnish her landlord with a good reference. Midnight of March 3 brings not only farm relief, but a huge relief to many other industries. Con-

Homespun Verse By Omaha's Own Poet-

Robert Worthington Davie

CONTENTMENT.

have no grouch to hand the world; I'm happy and

To every quip, and seems agleam in all that toiling brings.

There's not the least discrepancy; there are no hates and Each fleeting moment promises more joy in future years. can not quite believe the days as long as they

Because I'm mighty glad to say the world is good to me. When we depart from darknesses that gather in the

leave the trifling frets and cares within the haze

much salary a feller ought t' be pullin' down before his wife kin spring a lorgnette? Cute, little engraved silver funnels are th' latest novelties fer milady. (Copyright, 1928.)

Lafe Bud wants t' know how

How the Gods Must Laugh



Letters From Our Readers

Improvement Clubs.

AN EXTRA SESSION.

Senator Borah insists upon one, but to date he has not given any satisfactory reasons therefor, except to say that congress should not remain idle until next December.

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Omaha.-To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: The above statement is often spoken, to glorify the life of a s session.

The country is surfeited with law-making. It

good man who strove to make the world a better place in which to live. After the establishment of Christian-

> profoundly darkened, especially in the matter of material progress, and peo-ple were then in the "dark ages." The idea of discouraging material progress is not not now urged in religious doctrine or in philosophical theories. We believe in material and physical progress, but they should not be urged to the extent of excluding spiritual hinking. Man has a dual nature, the bjective and subjective senses. looks out on the world about him through the former, but if he will use the reasoning faculties he will then know more about man's real destiny. The people should first get reliable in formation on the practical affairs of life. They should mould public opin-

Make the World a Better Place to Live Writings on such subjects were up-permost. The idea of material progress was not encouraged.

Some centuries later the world was

whose mistaken opinions puts him is the class of those who are wholly in fluenced by racial, social or industrial prejudices. We should push the

Abe Martin

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forth the need of a more immaterial nature to qualify the citizens of the

kingdom for residence therein. The Lord's Prayer says, "Thy kingdom material existence is no longer in con-

Omaha—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: Some time ago you commented editorially on the value of improvement clubs to the city. Now I wish to call your attention to a condition which I am unable to figure out.

On April 15, 1920 there was deeded without cost or obligation 29 city lots.

That Sunrise never failed us yet

We are going to eat some more Nebraska apples, thanks to P. D. Corell of Plainview. When he read our plaint about not being able to buy a Nebraska apple he sauntered out of his office and picked up some dandies, raised up Planview way and sold alongside imported apples at a less price. And we'll bet that for real flavor they've got the imported apples backed off the boards. Some of these days we're going up to Plainview and look the country over. It must be mightly good to raise and look the country over. It must be mighty good to raise such apples as those sent in by Mr. Corell.

Our good friend, B. W. J., writes in to tell us that he does not believe the Chicago Tribune's assertion that 39 per cent of red-headed girls are bowlegged. As B. W. J. married a redheaded girl we are willing to accept him as authority.

We are in receipt of an invitation to occupy the pulpit of the First Methodist church of Arlington, Rev. Frank Williams, pastor, at an early date. We shall accept, even though fearful that the roof may fall in on the devoted congregation. Our acceptance is based upon the fact that the good pastor promises to have the congregation of the fact that the good pastor promises to have the congregation sing our favorite old songs, and also upon the fact that the invitation is couched in such flattering

is our good fortune to now and then be assigned to a task that takes us out into interior and western Nebraska. We never fall to return without renewed enthusiasm about the commonwealth and a better knowledge of her wonderful resources and possibilities. Also it gives us opportunity to renew old acquaintances and make new ones, both of which are highly pleasing. No matter how many times we cross the state, east or west, north or south, we see something new, something worthy of mention. Right now things are looking good. There is plenty of moisture in the ground, an increasing number of cattle and hogs, a lot of corn and wheat yet in the bins, lots of money in the banks and a general feeling of good cheer.

We hope every father in Omaha is being pestered this week by young hopefuls anxious to write school essays telling why they like to live in Omaha. We've been having a bit more than our share of it, but it is really a delightful task. If we were to undertake the task of telling here why we like to live in Omaha we'd have to commandeer a lot of extra space. When the school children get to asking questions about Omaha a lot of parents are going to realize more than ever what a good

Much to our regret we are compelled to decline an invitation to occupy a seat on the reviewing stand at the inaugura-tion of President Coolidge. Much as we would like to be there, a number of things combine to prevent. The first is lack of finances, and, after naming that, it is really not worth while to enumerate the others. Aside from seeing President Coolidge naugurated we wouldn't care a whoop about seeing the rest of it, the parade, the bands and all the pageantry. But there are several restful and exhilarating spots in Washington we would like to visit. At least there were such the last time we were down Washington way, which was since a recent memorable

A brief note from Adam Breede informs us that he expects to sail for Africa about March 20, leaving from the port of We trust that Adam will not meet any tigers in New York, where we understand they roam pretty freely and are exceedingly voracious. Adam has promised us an elephant's tusk for a watch charm, hence we hope he gets back home safely after a pleasant and eventful trip in the African jungle.
WILL M. MAUPIN.

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