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Dealing With Soviet Russia.

In a happy phrase Secretary Hughes sums up the case for soviet Russia—that unfortunate land is being "progressively impoverished."

To enter formal relations with soviet Russia, even to the extent of setting trade on the basis that subsists between responsible governments...

The gold that Senator Hitchcock would have coined at the mints of the United States may be long to the soviet by right of possession...

The rights of private property are sacred in civilized countries; even the savages observe the rule of ownership, now sought to be abrogated by the soviet.

Going After Bergdoll.

Whether or not the United States government succeeds in obtaining pardon for the soldiers who are now in German prison, serving sentence for undertaking to capture Grover Cleveland Bergdoll...

More for Luxuries Than Schools.

The public school system is America's pride, and seldom is any complaint heard of the cost of education. It is pretty well recognized that compared to the amount paid into the school funds...

complete records, cost \$919,729.258. For cigars and cigarettes in one year \$300,000,000 more than this was spent.

In light of these comparisons, the public support of the schools appears niggardly. There is no greater service in a democracy than the training of the children.

In the Coming City Primary.

A list of sixty-three men and two women have submitted their names to the voters as seeking nomination for the office of city commissioner.

However, slates are being made up, interested groups arraying themselves in support of selected candidates. These have primarily the interest of one or maybe two men deeply at heart...

Thus the nominee is quite apt to be a minority selection, owing his success to the fortuitous activity of the group backing him.

Developments will undoubtedly give the voters opportunity to reach a choice as to the merits of the aspirants, "Sugaring-off" is an inevitable part of a political campaign...

Medical Isolation of the Farms.

A country mother, with a baby apparently on the verge of whooping cough, in order to get medical aid had to take her infant two miles to town in a motor car...

Even some of the small towns are being abandoned by the doctors. The chance to earn a living is more attractive in the cities, and the sense of family loyalty to the native soil that used to draw young men back to their birthplace after completing professional training has failed to operate.

Curious and Spiteful Wills.

The temptation to have the last word may be strong in writing a will, but more often than not the desire to be well thought of overcomes all other inclinations.

The Newspaper Humorist

Another "funny man" has passed away: Bert Leston Taylor, the original and realistic, sympathetic, scornful, give-and-take, delectable type of newspaper "columnist."

The Season of the Optimist.

An optimist is a man who expects to raise vegetables like those pictured in the seed catalogues.—New York Sun.

The Rating.

Your dog is the one friend who never looks up your rating with Dun & Bradstreet.—Cattoons Magazine.

Education in the United States More for Luxuries in Single Year Than for Education in Three Hundred Years.

(By P. P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education)

Despite the low salaries of teachers and the meager and inadequate equipment of schools, many people believe the support of the public schools, elementary, secondary and higher, to be very chief burden.

In 1918, the last year for which complete reports have been compiled, we spent in the United States for public education, elementary and secondary, \$762,259,154; for normal schools for the training of teachers, \$20,414,689; for higher education in colleges, universities and professional and technical schools, \$1,100,000,000.

For the years preceding 1870, \$2,000,000,000 for public elementary and secondary schools; \$3,000,000,000 for normal schools and \$150,000,000 for higher education would be very liberal estimate.

The total amount paid in salaries to teachers in the United States for the year 1918, was only \$402,298,516. Salaries of teachers in private elementary and secondary schools, colleges, normal schools, universities and technical schools amounted to approximately \$90,446,724, making a total of \$492,745,240.

Expenditures for luxuries in 1920 included Face powder, cosmetics, perfume, etc., \$750,000,000; Furs, \$200,000,000; Soft drinks, \$250,000,000; Toilet soaps, \$400,000,000; Cigarettes, \$800,000,000; Clearers, \$100,000,000; Tobacco and snuff, \$900,000,000; Jewelry, \$500,000,000; Luncheon service, \$300,000,000; Jew riles, pianos, etc., \$200,000,000; Races, \$2,000,000,000; Cheating gum, \$50,000,000; Tea cream, \$250,000,000.

It is equally interesting to compare the expenditures for education with other governmental receipts and disbursements. Receipts of the federal government from customs and internal revenues for 1920 were \$5,730,978,117. This is more than six times the amount expended for education in 1918, and more than one-third the estimated total expenditures for public education and higher education from the beginning of our history up to 1920.

If to the income of the federal government be added the taxes collected by states, counties and municipalities for other purposes than education, the total will be fully fifteen times as much as the total salaries of all public elementary and secondary schools, colleges, universities and technical and professional schools of all kinds.

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How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee, will be answered personally, subject to space limitations where a stamped address is enclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual cases. Address letters in care of The Bee.

OLD REMEDY IS UPHELD. In recent years chenopodium or worm-seed has almost supplanted thymol in the treatment of hookworm. The worm medicine of our fathers owed their efficacy to the preparations made from worm-seed, a widely distributed weed.

Following this plan it was found that in a long series of cases 97 per cent of the hookworms were eliminated. The belief is common that a purgative should be given before the worm medicine is given. This point was carefully observed and checked. The conclusion arrived at was that this preliminary purging did not increase the effectiveness of the treatment.

Depends on Each Case. J. H. L. writes: "What is advisable in a case of hernia? I am 55 years old. I have pyocystitis. I have been told that an operation is the only thing."

Probably No Danger. E. A. M. writes: "I have been looking books to a young man to read to him. He has syphilis. There is danger of contracting the disease from these books, and if so how can I make them safe for others to read?"

Describe Nose Ailments. L. writes: "Please tell me of an authoritative work on the pathology of the nose."

The Bee's Letter Box

Athletic Park Addition Omaha, March 24, 1921.—To the Editor of The Bee: Early in 1920, complying with the request of many of the South Side business men, the city council authorized the purchase of property for an addition to Athletic park.

Did he weed 'em out? I'll see he did, and not a petty larceny cop stayed on the force.

Jim and His Ticket. Omaha, March 24.—To the Editor of The Bee: So the sweet singer of "Where the River Shannon Flows" yielded to the summons of the Well and good. We have no quarrel with Jim Dahlman. Very likely we shall vote for him. He's a pretty good fellow and he seems to be a pretty good mayor. But, woe is us, the company he keeps.

Another Stranger Complains. Omaha, March 24.—To the Editor of The Bee: With reference to "A Traveler" I wish to say I fully agree with him when he says that for profiteering restaurants and cafeterias Omaha stands first in the country.

High School Frats. Omaha, March 27.—To the Editor of The Bee: The case of the two High school boys who were so brazenly branded with nitrate of silver has apparently been dropped. It is no law in Nebraska against national high school fraternities in Nebraska high schools? It seems to me there is such a law on our statute books.

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Dog Hill Paragrafs

By George Bingham Slim Pickens weighed again this morning. Since buying his new plow



Jefferson Potlocks reads where the center of population has moved about 10 miles in the past 10 years, and he has reset his boundary fence accordingly.

Frisky Hancock says Sidney Hocks is the only person he knows of that can sing in the choir with his book upside down and his mind out of the window.

WHY

Does A Barometer Foretell the Weather?

The instrument which we know as the "barometer" is really nothing more than a delicate bit of mechanism which registers changes in the pressure of the air which, normally at sea level, is about 14 or 15 pounds to the square inch or approximately a ton to the square foot, decreasing gradually in direct proportion to the altitude.

A falling barometer, therefore, usually indicates snow or rain, according to the season, while one that is normal or rising, shows that the weather will probably be fair until some further change is indicated.

Parents' Problems

How can children best be taught courtesy to older persons? This can be done best by a considerable amount of example, with a little precept added.

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