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#### How to End Unemployment.

Some practical suggestions came out of the unemployment conference, which adjourned without day on Thursday. Difference of opinion between the employer and the labor group as to how to approach a readjustment of production cost need surprise no one, All will agree, whether the disputants reach that point together or separately, that certain factors in the problem have not been brought to a proper relation with the others. Contention as to the causes for the persistence of these peaks and the presentation of counter-claims, mainly academic in their nature, will not materially assist in the arrival at the level on which industrial activity may freely

Fortunately, this unsettled debate is not the entire work of the conference. Many really worth while suggestions are returned with the endorsement of the conferees, and are being promulgated with the whole-hearted approval of Secretary Hoover. Chief among these is that one which relegates to the communities the task of giving first aid to the jobless. It should be under the direction of the mayor. How this may be carried out is outlined by various tentative proposals, all having to do with temporary or part time employment. To carry out these recommendations, the mayor must have the hearty co-operation of private employers, otherwise the proposed remedy fails.

Definite recommendations include one calling for a repeal of the Adamson law and the abolition of the railway labor board, presented by the majority or "employers" group, while the minority or "labor" members oppose this. Developments in railway management within the last decade have shown the necessity of some machinery for the adjustment of general employment questions, and it may be doubted if the government ever will entirely relinquish its control in this regard. That the Adamson law is defective in many regards, has long been clear, but its principple has been upheld by the supreme court of the United States. The labor board as constituted lacks something of being entirely serviceable and modification of the laws is unquestionably needed.

Another r .c amendation will fasten popular attention on a question long considered by economists, and particularly employment managers, It has to do with what is commonly defined as "seasonal employment." Some plan for rearranging the operations of industry to expand the employment period over a greater number of days, using fewer workmen but giving each a longer time on the pay roll each year, is the aim sought here.

Only those who expected too much or too little from the conference will be disappointed. No magic formula has come from it, but some sane and worth while methods for relieving the present condition are offered. On how they will be applied depends the benefit to come,

#### Re-Married?

From Lincoln comes an account, given the support of much circumstantial evidence, of efforts being made by Senator Hitchcock to bring about harmony in the democratic ranks in Nebraska. It is planned, the story goes, to run J. N. Norton for governor, this as a sop to the progressive-Bryan wing of the party, with the understanding that the Bryanites will accept this much as enough and will give the senator an undisputed renomination.

How times do change. In 1910, when Senator Hitchcock first won his present title, and when the Hitchcock-Shallenberger machine controlled the democratic convention at Grand Island, there was no concession to harmony. The Bryanites and all others who disagreed with the machine were right royally rolled. In 1916, when the senator was up for re-election and Mr. Bryan was seeking one of several places on the Nebraska delegation to the national convention, there was no offer of a split of the spoils. Mr. Hitchcock insisted and succeeded in annexing the whole ticket in the primary-senator, governor, national committeeman and national convention

delegates. But in 1921, preparing for 1922, the watchword is "harmony." And why this holding out of the olive branch? Can it be that the old steam roller is not as stordy as once it was? Can it be that the defeat of "King Arthur" Mullen in last year's race for national committeeman and the victory of an anti-Hitchcock delegation to the national convention-can these things have inspired a belief that discretion is the better part of valor?

"Harmony" in Nebraska democracy! What wonder will woman suffrage and prohibition next bring to pass!

#### More Interest in Books.

People in Omaha are reading more, reports from the library show. The increase in circulation of books for home reading this year has been 30,245 over last year. It is to be regretted that figures are not at hand on what was read, for quality here is more important than quantity.

The assortment of reading at the Omaha public library is large and representative. One could go among the stacks blindfolded and be in small danger of picking out a book that

would not be the better for reading. Of course trash creeps in, for some attention has to be paid to even the most ordinary taste. A library made DAILY (MORNING) - EVENING-SUNDAY up only of masterpieces would be a small one, indeed, although it could scarcely be assembled on a five-foot shelf. But after all, there are few books that do not contain some hint against which the reader's steel will strike a spark.

The evidence of wider use of the city library, and the moves toward the extension of branches are encouraging. Winter is an excellent time to get into the reading habit, and from now on until spring calls outdoors there should be a steady enlargement of the demand for good lit-

#### Interstate Commerce and Internationalism.

That devoted section of the democratic party which clings with fatuous fondness to the exploded Wilsonian ideal of internationalism sees only national disgrace in any effort of the republican party to protect the domestic affairs of the United States. They were willing to violate the Constitution of the United States that the Treaty of Versailles might be ratified at Woodrow Wilson's behest, and they are as willing to continue to violate the constitution in order that his plan for crippling interstate commerce may be perpetuated.

The Hay-Pauncefote treaty, which superseded the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, deals with the commerce carried on outside the boundaries of the United States. It can not, even remotely, affect commerce between states. This should be clear to anyone. England and all other nations knew when that treaty was ratified that the coastwise water-borne traffic of the United States was closed to all vessels foreign built or of foreign registry. A ship of that description could not begin a voyage at one port of the United States and end it at another without incurring a penalty. Some Nebraskans learned this when they made a voyage around the world in an English boat, leaving New York and undertaking eventually to land at San Francisco.

The Bee already has pointed out that goods carried by water from New York to San Francisco are as truly part of interstate commerce as goods carried by water from Norfolk to Philadelphia or Baltimore. The president and senate may negotiate treaties with respect to foreign commerce; it requires the action of congress, and this includes the house, to make laws regulating interstate commerce. Therefore, a treaty with England that interferes with trade between the states is ultra vires, without power and can not stand against our constitution. We may make laws by treaty, but the constitution can not be so amended. This ought to be plain to the group of mourners who are now so cast down by the senate's action in repealing the law levy tolls on coastwise traffic via the Panama canal.

#### Rediscount Rates a Local Question.

Unexpected support of Governor McKelvie's drive for lower rediscount rates from the federal reserve bank of this district comes from Francis H. Sisson, a widely known Wall Street banker. On his visit to Omaha Mr. Sisson did not conceal his mystification at the contrast of a rediscount rate of 5 per cent in the east and of 6 per cent here. The delegates at a farmers' meeting which met the day before looked at the situation in much the same way.

However, there is no need for a continuation of the long-distance controversy with the federal reserve officials in Washington. This great banking system, which is usually thought of as being purely a governmental affair is in reality no more so than the railroads would be if the nation should buy them and turn them over to the railroad workers to run. In other words, the federal reserve bank of each district is controlled by a local board of bankers. The central board in Washington acts in the capacity of adviser. The New York and Boston districts lowered their rates on their own initiative, and the same thing could be done here.

The most direct pressure for lower rates of rediscount can be exerted, not through Washington, but through the directorate of the Tenth Federal Reserve district. The financial system of this country should not be drawn unnecessarily into politics, and the matter in dispute ought to be capable of adjustment without going to Washington.

#### Changes Down on the Farm.

Greater changes may face agriculture than any other industry unless the parity between raw materials and manufactured products is soon restored. Instead of raising crops to sell and using the money to purchase the necessaries of life, including many things that he could produce but does not, the individual farmer may adopt a more nearly self-sustaining system. Almost any farm can produce more of the food and other articles for family use. In some parts of the country the wool clip, instead of being sold at an unfavorable price, is sent from the farm to the mill and woven into cloth and blankets which become the property of the farmer without the mediation of any broker or retail dealer. The practice of home slaughtering also is capable of extension.

Production for sale is being discouraged by the low prices of farm products-but production for home use is being encouraged. The case of agriculture is exactly what that of an automobile factory or other industrial establishment would be if the demand slackened and prices fell below the cost of production. Either the plants would close down or they would turn to making other articles from which a profit could be extracted. The prices of farm products should be higher. This is not only for the sake of the farmer but in the interest also of business and labor and of the stability of present commercial standards.

Senator Hitchcock's claim that lower grain prices are connected with the farm tariff is remarkable for its failure to take into consideration any other factor. That is the trouble with so many theories-they would work well in a vacuum, but where other matters enter in they go awry. Would the Nebraska statesman be willing to affirm the belief that free trade in grain and wool would result in higher prices to growers?

Dairy farmers who have organized with the expressed intention of lowering prices of their roducts probably are not unselfish, but realize that the cheaper prices will widen the demand.

When is a jail like a zoo? When it is filled with wildcats and blind tigers, of course,

The legal lights seem to find considerable difficulty in making the Masse shot.

#### THE HUSKING BEE -It's Your Day -Start It With a Laugh

CHILLY IN THE FLAT. We lay aside the B. V. D.'s, We can the old straw hat, We shiver in the autumn beeze And flutter like a bat; We wouldn't mind such things as these-Such triffing things as that, But at our ease we hate to freeze,

And, gee, it's chilly in the flat! At hustling our days are spent, The sun is warm at that, We fear the cold to small extent

Though we're not over-fat; But when the landlord boosts the rent We'd kick him in the slat, When to the rooms no heat is sent And, gee, it's chilly in the flat!

#### PHILO-SOPHY.

A knocker is usually pessimistic but there is a cheerful note to the knocking of a little steam in the radiators these mornings.

In looking over a volume of the Congressional Record we note that it contains a fund

We know this is so because after almost every paragraph, in brackets, is the word (laugh-ROOM TO THINK.

See where a hotel has added a thinking room.

Look at the skirts and consider that a few short years ago a man could hide behind one

#### UNIMPORTANT ITEM. More than \$40 worth of second-hand flivvers passed through Elmwood park in one afternoon this week.

One can usually tell a man's station in life

by the way he pronounces "depot." "Is prohibition a failure?" sadly wants to know a thoughtful writer. From a bootlegger's standpoint it isn't.

#### SMILES.

There are laws that need amendment, There are laws that make us sigh, There are laws whose obvious intendment

Is to make us permanently dry; There are laws whose legislative craftsmen Have been quite devoid of legal sense,

But the laws of which we are the draftsmen Make the rest look like thirty cents. (Sung at a bar association meet in Cleveland and piped by E. F.)

(Extracts from the Sermon on the Mount. Adapted to 1921, A. D.) If anyone smites thee on one cheek, turn to him the other also. Then will he take thee

for an easy mark and be off his guard, and thou mayest smite him sorely.

If any man compel thee to go with him a mile, go with him twain. Then thou wilt doubtless be in the suburbs where the police goeth not, and thou may handle him without

interference. If any man take away thy coat, give him thy cloak also. Then whilst he is burdened with thy clothes, and thou art unincumbered, thou mayest hand him an upper cut, so that he sleepeth, and thou canst recover thy garments in peace and go thy way.

This is without any idea of irreverence.—

#### Miniature sign on Judge Foster's desk in police court: "Don't Park Here." And most of those who come up before him wouldn't park more than 30 minutes if they could help it.

LOVE FROM PALM BEACH. "If the colored girl whose last name is Love, that came from Palm Beach, Fla., will answer this she will learn something to her interest .-

From our Wantads. AND GET AWAY WITH IT. It used to be, a girl who swore Was awful. And if she Would take a drink or show a limb

Or dare to show a knee She was considered very bad-They'd put her in the jug. But now she does all these. We'll bet She'll next be chewing plug.

-Brutus. And imagine this line of thrilling conversa-

tion: "Mabel, for heaven's sake why don't you quit chewing that nasty old Mail Pouch and try Climax plug. It's so much more juicy and

tender. "Well, Alice if you don't like my Mail Pouch, either chew snuff or buy your own plug. I simply won't have the stuff about. It is too hard to bite off."

GOING SOME.

Happening to be down by the Burlington station the other day, I saw a fat traveling man chase a train out of the yard. He didn't catch it but he sure made it puff.

After being taught as a child that it is rude, girl will continue to make up a face.

"Altitude Record Broken."-Headline. By an airplane, gentle reader, and not what you thought we were going to say.

It seems that the man who shot himself out of the house during a quarrel with his wife, was half shot before the quarrel started.

A man's better half isn't satisfied with that

fraction of his salary. A supreme court has ruled that a man is responsible when his wife operates a still in the

Not that this makes him master in his own house-merely brew-master, as it were.

#### HAD TO DO IT. Though this is fire prevention week, And while such things concern us, To kill the chill we had to build A fire in the furnace,

AFTER-THOUGHT. A shiftless man often REPLY. shifts his burdens onto others.-Philo.

#### What Mr. Meighen Uphoids.

"More than any other country, Canada needs a protective system. She is a young country, mostly undeveloped. She lies alongside a great big country tremendously developed. The United States has every advantage that Canada has and tremendous advantages besides. It surely follows, to the mind of every reasonable man, that to abandon the protective system in Canada would be simply to invite the absorption of Canadian industry in the far vaster industries of the United States. The principles of the protection of Canadian industry have been proclaimed by practically every statesman who has shouldered the responsibility of government in Canada. They are sound and they are right and the vast mass of the people of Canada know that they are sound and right."—Premier Meighen's Portage Speech.

#### Greatest "World's Series."

There will be a world's series this year between the Big Navy and the Disarmament teams.

#### How to Keep Well By DR. W A EVANS

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GOITER AMONG CHILDREN.

A great many childhen 12 years of age and over have goiter. If one will watch the lines of pupils in the upper grades of the gramwith big necks.

found that one boy out of each 200 had goiter and the condition was of coal can be settled without verging on the line of socialism or ing on the line of socialism or anarchy? girls. None was found in boys un-der 8 and another study showed

existence of these enlargements phy-sicians are at sea. One explanation of the great prevalence of the con-dition in adolescent children and giand for a lot of work. In order lower to do the great amount of extra then. Darb place for senators and auto speeders. work the gland enlarges. To meet the requirements of this theory the To meet

like the average size when the child gets a little older, and the rate of growth has slowed up.

This happens almost as a rule, but with many exceptions. Also if this theory is true the girls and boys with enlarged thyroids should not be a superscript of the new year.

Naturalization. boys with enlarged thyroids should not have projecting eyeballs, great nervousness, tremors and other si as of too much thyroid. As a rule this

requirement is met.
All in all thyroid enlargement among the school boys and girls is not a serious condition. It is the rule for enlargements of the thyroid, however, to exist for several years before prominence of the cyeballs,

make their appearance.

Dr. Plummer of Rochester has worked out the average interval between the appearance of the tumor and the development of other symptoms in the many thousand cases that have gone on to development of symptoms and have finally come for treatment at the Mayo clinic. Therefore, it is not wise to hold too lightly even the apparently harmless though somewhat deform-

To prevent the development of fore, give the school children water free from pollution. The same holds true of milk. Perhaps there is here an argument against bad ventilation. caused from polluted water. Therefoul dust, hot air in the school room.

lice. There is some proof that some Therefore if there are any indications of worms the children should ignorant natives of central Africa.

This may be a severe arraignment.

should be guarded against. The di-gestive organs must function prop-crly. One theory is that the gland needs more lodine than it gets from was studied in our schools as war ordinary food during this period of many before the world war rapid growth. Therefore some au-thorities give school children a little in a movement to cruse a study of thorities give school children a little lodine for two weeks during the year and others nermit a little todine to vaporize in the air of the school in the land.

Sun Treatment Best.

Lexington writes: "My baby is a boy of 17 months and weighs 31 pounds. He walked at the age of about 11 months. The results are that he is bowlogged and pigeontoed. Could you please tell me if he will outgrow it or must I have something done? I am a working woman and have not much time." REPLY.

Probably your baby is somewhat rickety. Keep him in the sunlight as much as possible. To burn him as brown as an Indian is about the best treatment. Feed him properly. There is a fair chance that his less will grow straight. If this does not happen and the deformity warrants it you can have him operated on a few years from now.

On Road to Asylum. Broken Hearted Wife writes: "What would you think of a man who has drunk whisky for the last 10 years at the rate of a quart a day, and for the last year about two quarts a day. He always lets up enough to work eight hours day. From Friday to Monday morning he never stays in the house, but in the saloon. He never takes a bit of food from Friday until Monday; then he gots hungry and eats twice as much as any time when he is sober. He starts talking and one could think the house was an asylum. He curses and swears at the rate of two to four hours at a stretch. I know the whisky now is not good. Is it that or the long drinking that is affecting him?" REPLY.

You will not have to put up with him much longer. The combination of poor quality whisky in large quantity and no food and alcoholic in-sanity will land him before long. The hot weather will help. Either the graveyard or the asylum will get him.

About Heat Troubles. J. A. L. writes: "1. Please ex-plain the physiology of sunstroke or

being overcome with the heat."
"2. What and where are the optic thalami?"

1. There are three varieties of

heat effects sunstroke, heat ex-haustion and heat cramps. In sunstroke there is supposed to be a paralysis of the heat center in the brain. This causes an excessive production of heat and at the same time a defective elimination of heat. In consequence the body fempera-ture becomes excessively high. The pulse is fast and bounding. There may be convulsions. The face is fushed. In heat exhaustion there is paralysis of the nerves which con-trol the size of the blood vessels and distribute the blood throughout the body. The skin may be cool. The face is not flushed. In heat

cramps there are cramps in the muscles, principally in the leg muscles. This develops among men who walk into the cooler air after working for hours in a hot place. 2. Two gray nerve centers, one located in each side of the case of the brain. They help to make up the floor of the lateral, ventricles and in them are important nerve

# The Bee's A

accompany each letter, not necessarily for publication, but that the editor may know with whom he is dealing. The Bedoes not pretend to indorse or accept tiews or opinions expressed by correspondents in the Letter Box.)

mar schools and the high schools a way how the unemployed can be he will be astonished to find so many helped, and I am going to ask a few wimple questions you can answer:
Why is it coal of all kinds remains In an investigation of 7,025 school children in Bath. England, it was found that one boy out of each 200 Is there no way that this matter

I am neither, but we are drifting in this unwelcome rut. I am no none in infants.

A similar study in Milwankee.

Cleveland, Detroit or Chicago would the condition more prevalent than that among the older school in this unwelcome rut. I am not personal in my crude communication, but simply want to ascertian the cold facts. Your paper circulate very largely among the work-instant among the older school in this unwelcome rut. I am not personal in my crude communication, but simply want to ascertian the cold facts. when it comes to explaining the comes to explaining the

GERE E. ELLIS, Answer: The price of coal has of the great prevalence of the con-dition in adolescent children and not gone down enaterially because children just below the adolescent wages at the mines and freight rates period is that the very rapid growth of the body calls on the thyroid recede coal can be delivered at a lower cost in Omaha, but not until then. The miners' union at its repostpone negotiations for a new wage scale until February. The rail-

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 13.-To the powers will be represented. And it ditor of The Bee: In looking over cannot fall to draw the dominions of Editor of The Bee: In looking over the lists of questions that are propounded to people of foreign birth I States closer, found questions that, in my opinion, All summer could not be answered by 75 per cent of the voters of the United States today. I do not believe 50 per cent of the questions could be answered correctly by the native-

born voters of America.

Then why should we require peo ple of foreign birth to know more about our own institutions than we know about them ourselves? If we require people from other lands to know so much about our own instiknow more of our own institutions come out of the eighth grade without knowing all about our national constitution. That should be one of the requirements before they are allowed to pass from the eighth ing goiters seen in school boys and grade in our schools. In passing, I will say that I do not think it is To prevent the development of good policy to give what are called goiters in school children, Mulligan says the hygiene and sanitation must eighth grade, for many of them be of the best. Perhaps it may be think they have really graduated, There is some proof that vermin that our national constitution is the in the hair may cause it. Therefore, greatest document ever gotten up by the hair should be kept free from the hand of man. Yet millions of greatest document ever gotten up by lice. There is some proof that saids the constitution of our country than the most tution of our country the most tution of our country than the most tution of our country tution of our cou have worm medicine.

It is quite certain that many cases follow in the wake of persistent sore throats, diseased tonsils and enlarged adenoids. All such conditions should be attended to. There is proof that many thyroid enlargements follow. many thyroid enlargements follow know of the institutions of our own infections of various kinds. These country, we as a nation would be

> our national constitution to be one of the requirements of every school In the list of questions submitted to people of foreign birth for answer I noticed at least one error n the reply. I should think those in charge of the naturalization bureau

would see that no errors are allowed to creep in-FRANK A. AGNEW.

Too Much of a Good Thing. What we need is a Society for the Suppression of Advice.—Brooklyn

## Japan in Siberia

On the eve of the conference on the limitation of armaments and the limitation of armaments are limitation of armaments ar where from 75,000 to 100,000 Jap-anese troops in eastern Siberia. Siberian industries are in the grip postal service and telegraph lines are in Tokio's hands. The white of Japan; the railroads, highways, are in Tokio's hands. The white population is disarmed. Vast amounts of property have been se questered during the Japanese military occupation.

If Japan has had in mind the rais-

ing of the issue of "racial cquality, she need go no further. She has raised that issue beyond the shadow of question by this Siberian maneuver. Tokio has brought it forth in the aggravated form of the dominaion of a white race by yellow men.
This will intensify the apprehenone great issue in Australian foreign policy is to keep the commonwealth a "white man's country" America. The way he dressed. Mary—"Oh. I don't know. I can tell a gentleman by his get-up in a crowded to "white man's country." America. sions of Australia, New Zealand and the western coasts of America. The

a "white man's country." Australia sees in the Japanese-Siberian move coming events in Australia casting their shadow over other men of the white race. For, has not Japan actually done in Siberia what Presented in Siberia white Presented in Siberia what Presented in Siberia wha actually done in Siberia what Premier Hughes fears that Tokio will do in the Antipodes of the future? This will stir our own west coast when it is understood. It cannot be kept out of the conference where four white powers and two yellow

the British Empire and the United All summer long the world has seen watching Japanese attempts to straighten out Japanese adventures in Asia before the conference meets. Tokio has failed with Pekin in the matter of Shantung and the 21 de-mands. On the surface of things On the surface of things she has falled in eastern Siberia. In the last days of the war Amer-

ica sent troops in Siberia. Our

troops came out long ago. The Jap-anese remain. Needed there or not,

they stay. Failure of the negotiations and (From the Philadelphia Ledger.)
The reported break in the parleys between the Japanese and the Chita government of castern Siberia suddenly and dramatically focuses world attention on the fact that 15.—

The reported break in the parleys the presence of Japaneses troops in Siberia raise this Russian issue to equal importance with the Chinesq sured the Chita officials the conference will respect Russian territorial integrity. Japan shows little indication of respecting it. It may be that world attention on the fact that 15,000,000 white men and women are
now under the military, political and
industrial control of the yellow men
from Tokio. Japan has cut the
white race off from the western
shores of the Pacific.

On the eye of the conference on
the limitation of armaments and the

Manchuria. Time will tell, and that time is not far away. In the meanwhile the racial issue has been raised Vast come undoubtedly a mighty factor in the parleys at Washington.

#### THE SPICE OF LIFE.

An honcet landlord advertises. "Med-erate apartment at modern rent."—Ar-kansas Gazette.

He was more rengious then educated and so not to be too greatly consured for this "testimony" at prayer meeting: "I thank the Lord that I have three wives in heaven."—The Epworth Herald,





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