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Fate of Section 15-A.

Robert Marion LaFollette may be relied upon to explode a bomb at any time he thinks the country needs a shock.

Section 15-A of the Esch-Cummins act, against which Senator LaFollette is directing his fire, will partially expire by limitation in March.

Just now the government is assisting the farmers to tide over a time of serious depression. Many of them are being saved from actually losing all their possessions by the intervention of the War Finance Corporation.

"Priming the pump," as the present process of loaning government funds to sustain crippled industries is called, can not go on indefinitely.

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Corn-Tassel Currency Abroad.

Once before we heard in discussions of the monetary question about mink being crucified. Then upon a cross of gold, now, according to Francis W. Hirst, noted English economist, mankind is being crucified upon a cross of paper.

While the statesmen of the world met in Washington to discuss the limitation of armaments, the printing presses of the new countries and the old kingdoms of Europe were turning out billions of dollars of paper money, worthless except for the fiat of the government which issued them.

The governments of a Balkanized Europe which can pay neither the interest on their debts nor any part of their principal seem to invite disaster by their policy of wildcat financing.

Colonel House is now descending on the mistakes the Washington conference is making. He is well posted on the topic, his Paris experience qualifying him to speak with authority.

which will face the economic conferences which are being planned. As long as the governments have the free use of printing presses for creating their support, they are going to be put to it to muddle through.

Judicial Reform Once More.

Some words of sage advice from the chief justice of the supreme court of the United States deserves attention. Mr. Taft has noted, as any observer might, the tendency to resort to the federal courts more and more for the settlement of matters that are subject for litigation.

A more dangerous trend indicated by the condition the chief justice refers to is the steadily increasing substitution of federal for state authority in matters that are subject to regulation by statute.

Out of it all proceeds a gradual weakening of state and enhancement of federal prestige. Power and authority is being centralized, the states parting with their birthright for a mess of pottage disguised as federal aid for local enterprises.

Security for Small Savers.

The saver of small sums is perpetually perplexed as to the disposition of his accumulations, seeking always for the highest possible return consistent with absolute safety.

A Gold Star of Peace.

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A hero of peace has died in Mexico, yet no one can conceive of making a public ceremony over his bones. He was Dr. Howard B. Cross, a scientist who had gone into the Mexican jungle to study the yellow fever, and died of it.

Human nature is naturally pugnacious. The struggle of nation against nation and army against army as an outlet for these instincts can be and must be supplanted by new forms of contest.

It is to be wished that more public interest might be turned to such splendid sacrifices as this of Dr. Cross; that young men and women would have impressed upon their minds the splendor of a life of service, and to accent the great truth that the struggle for existence is not now that of man against man, but of man against unfavorable conditions of nature.

A speaker on business efficiency claims that 55 per cent of possible sales are lost through the inefficiency of clerks.

Columbia is reported to have ratified the treaty with the United States, by which it gets \$25,000,000 in its shadowy claims on Panama.

Give 'em trousers and suspenders and anything else that will satisfy the national woman's party. Might we call the state of all demands for we'll have to do it sooner or later.

Reasons for the Submarine

Its Service as a Weapon of Defense Justifies Existence.

(From the Boston Transcript)

Americans will be the first to appreciate the force of the plea for the abolition of the submarine which Lord Lee of Fareham has just presented to the Washington conference.

Without question, Lord Lee has made out a strong case against the use of under-sea craft in future warfare. From the British point of view, it is unanswerable.

Such considerations apply with especial strength to the United States, and it is these considerations which have impelled the members of the American delegation—Secretary Hughes, Senator Lodge, Senator Underwood and Mr. Root—to oppose the British in their request for the elimination of under-sea craft.

When War Is Not Sin

It is a fact that the churches do not dare to teach that all and every war is sin, but the reason why they do not dare is simply because it is not true.

Must Protect Ears.

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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 proper limitation, where stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee.

ON FEEDING BABIES.

A lady once wrote me, and not so long ago that she would throw her baby in the river before she would feed it a more liberal diet, as recommended by me.

Indeed, I not only hope that she decided to keep it, but that she also decided to feed it more babies, and that one of them is old enough to profit by the results of a clinical trial of the question that has been carried out for a period of seven years in a Stockholm baby hospital.

The theory of the experiment was that just as breast milk is necessary for babies of the first year of life, so breads, cereals, vegetables and fruits are necessary in the last quarter of the year.

With some of the babies under experiment the mixed feeding began at 6 months of age. With others it was begun until later, but in all it was begun under way at 3 months.

The babies were fed five times in the day. The solid milk they received was from 10 to 18 ounces a day, and that was cooked in with the other foods. No milk was given as a beverage, to be taken from a bottle or cup.

The diet of these 9 to 12 months old babies was selected from the following: Grains, rice, oatmeal, porridge, graham, beef tea, fruit juice, soups, cocoa, scrambled eggs, minced meats, minced fish, rusks, vegetables, potato purées, stewed fruits and potatoes, carrots, cauliflower and spinach.

Some of the formulas were: Porridge, 1/2 cup; water, 1/2 cup; milk, 3/4 cup; 10 per cent cream, 1/4 cup; 10 per cent cream, 1/4 cup; 10 per cent cream, 1/4 cup.

Grain—Water, 350; milk, 650; sugar, 15; powdered milk, 50.

Beef Tea—Beef tea with mashed vegetables, 1,000; sugar, 10; grains, 50.

Fruit Juice Soups—Fruit soup, 1,000; sugar, 40; potato flour, 10; grains, 50.

Cocoa—Water, 70; milk, 250; sugar, 40; cocoa, 20.

Pulp of stewed apple with 1 to 3 per cent sugar.

Pulp of plums with 5 to 8 per cent sugar.

Our friends of Scandinavian descent will know about these foods. Others will want to substitute kindred better known ones more readily available in this country.

The observations made by Dr. I. Jungk, and the rate of growth, general health and freedom from infections of these babies under trial compared with babies fed on more restricted diet.

He concludes that some babies thrive much better when fed this way. As to whether it is a better routine diet for any and all babies, he presses no opinion.

That it is a safe diet, he is certain.

Grease Those Cold Feet. Mrs. J. M. C. writes: "Will you kindly tell me how to prevent chilblains. As I have to be out in the bad weather a great deal, my feet freeze immediately."

REPLY: Wear loose, warm stockings and loose, warm waterproof shoes. Grease your feet well and frequently.

When the soldiers in the trenches in Flanders could do no better, they pulled open the shoe top and poured fish oil down the inside of the shoe.

Maybe It Is Gout. A Reader writes: "I. Why do the finger joints enlarge and at the same time have little bumps on them, the joints being quite painful at times?"

REPLY: 1. This may be due to gout. However, the probability is that it is a variety of arthritis which most people who are large and the joints are due to a very mild, very slowly progressive and comparatively harmless infection.

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The Bee's Letter Box

(The Bee offers its columns freely to its readers who care to discuss any public question. It requests that letters be reasonably brief, not over 300 words. It also asks that the name of the writer accompany all letters. Letters for publication, but that the editor may know with whom he is dealing. The Bee does not print the contents of correspondence or opinions expressed by correspondents in the Letter Box.)

What Really Is Wrong. York, Neb., Dec. 22.—To the Editor of The Bee: What must we do to be saved? There is so much wrong everywhere and so many doctors each with a different dose and their only cure for what ails us.

Many of the ills that some say all us are not there, and some that do all us are not the result of the causes given, but the remedies offered would be worse than the disease.

Some say the only remedy is an international banking system, with the United States furnishing the capital and credit for the rest of the world to do business with; others, that we should cancel the allied war debts so the others could buy of us, and "the great pacific" says the only way to insure peace is to cancel those war debts.

So they can prepare for the next war with a notion that they can stay another one, with us furnishing the money and part of the boys, then let them annex territory and people to help that of the United States and we get nothing but a vote of thanks after we forgive them another war debt.

Partly to blame, but what caused the taxes to be so high; the war created nearly all the increase, and a great deal of that cost could and would have been saved could we have been allowed an auditing board during the war, instead of the cost plus plan and many other things that lacked proper control.

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A Russian-Plotted Crime

(From the Washington Star.)

Ever since September 18, 1920, when a bomb was exploded in Wall street causing many deaths and much destruction of property, search has been prosecuted for those guilty of this atrocious crime.

The man arrested at Warsaw, it is said, has confessed to having been a member of a group acting under the office of J. P. Morgan to observe the dispatch station at the international at Moscow, which had promised \$30,000 to be divided among four or five persons.

It is of course, to be hoped that all of those connected with the outrage will be caught. If this man is telling the truth it should be possible to round up his associates, unless perhaps they are now in Russia, where they cannot be reached at present.

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