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**Dangerous Place To Live**

The United States seems to be a dangerous place to live in; and it is apparently getting worse each day.

There is no greater evidence of the unsafe state of society, liberty and freedom than that presented by the Hauptmann case, wherein a man goes to the extreme of stealing and killing a child and then demanding money for its return to its parents. Even that is not the whole history of the case. We find swindlers, thieves and liars rushing in and trying to secure graft out of the innocent and unsuspecting connection with the case. Much money has been collected from those who were promised information, Mrs. Evalyn Walsh MacLean paying \$100,000 to Gaston B. Means on one such promise. There certainly were no less than a million lies offered as testimony in behalf of Hauptmann.

Perhaps the most astounding thing in the entire proceeding was the act of the New Jersey governor, when he, or some other person apparently within his knowledge, tried to hatch up an alibi for Hauptmann. He actually tried to try the case himself—after judgment had already been passed by the courts—and so anxious was he that some of his friends kidnapped a man and forced him to sign a confession that he was the kidnapper of the Lindbergh baby.

The Hauptmann case proves that when money is at stake, life, virtue and liberty have very little show.

It took several trials to get Christ 'to the Cross, but He would not last 15 minutes in New York or Chicago today if there 30 pieces of silver offered for His conviction. All because our love for money has increased, while our sense of honor and self-respect has decreased.

**Living by the Golden Rule**

Clarence Darow, the noted Chicago lawyer, and a Mr. J. T. White, of Norlina, both claim that there is no hereafter; that such an idea is silly, and to believe such a thing shows the ignorance of those who hold that belief. Mr. White goes on to say that if everyone would live by the Golden Rule and forget all this stuff about religion that has been taught by some of our great leaders for a hundred years, we would get somewhere.

Now, just how can Mr. White say we would get somewhere when he also says there is nowhere to go? And why should he rely on the Golden Rule without telling us who gave us the Golden Rule?

The Golden Rule was not given us by man, but by the Great Power that both Darow and White try in their own feeble way to discount. It is indeed fortunate that their disbelief is not thought much of by the many millions who know quite as much about the subject as they do.

One thing that all people will have to say about Mr. Darow and Mr. White is that each of them probably knows just as much about God and His plans and of the Resurrection as did the buffaloes on the western plains or the jackasses of the old world, but no more.

The man who believes in God and serves Him will have nothing to regret. On the other hand, if Mr. Darow and Mr. White are right, they have gained nothing but may have lost much.

**Political Criticism**

Political criticism is a fine thing when actuated by the love for truth and the good of a country, but when used for the purpose of misleading the public mind, it is dangerous. For that reason it is necessary to be cautious in our thinking and acting on important questions. It is easy to start a fire, but hard to put it out; and just so with a falsehood which so often causes untold damage.

**How About a Secretary of Peace?**

We have a Secretary of War and a Secretary of the Navy in our national cabinet, while our greatest need is a Secretary of Peace.

It is the business of our War and Navy Secretaries to prepare for war, when our chief need is peace. Yet we have no agency or individuals working for peace except volunteers.

Let us have a department that will teach peace rather than war.

**Plenty of Money**

The National Banks of the country show more money on hand at this time than at any period in several years. This state of affairs was not brought about because of the efforts of that famous league, but rather in spite of them.

When the policies favored by the Liberty League were ruling the country, we had our period of greatest distress. Now that they have lost out, we have more money and better times. And not only more money, but more peace, more to eat, more to wear, and more hope in life.

Mr. Roosevelt and his policies of government are now in force. The banks are full of money. Mr. Hoover was in power when the banks were all breaking three years because they had no money.

**Reply in Negative**

*Greensboro Daily News*

"Are," asks Sandy Graham, "the fundamentals of reading, writing and arithmetic soundly taught so that all who leave the schools know how to spell correctly, read intelligently and calculate with accuracy?"

They are not, Lieutenant Governor Graham. Nor have they ever been. Thousands of our and your generations, and hundreds before us, left the schools without being able to spell correctly, read intelligently or to calculate with accuracy. Some have left and are now leaving college in that condition, and myriads who come after them will do the same. We even suspect that there are teachers holding A certificates in public school systems of North Carolina who cannot spell their way correctly far beyond baker in the old Blue Back, lots of them, we know, cannot read intelligently the constitution of North Carolina or the public laws of 1935, and there are members of the faculty of the Greater University of North Carolina who are never able to make their check stubs agree absolutely with those of the banks in which they deposit their pay checks.

In other words, what part of Candidate Graham's question is not metaphorical is largely oratorical. There are in every family of North Carolinians numbering as many as five one or more members who would hardly be taught to spell correctly by verbal inspiration. Another would likely put the cart before the horse, and there will always be one who can't add a laundry list.

We have never been certain that we knew all about what this business of popular education is about; but we have long been confident that it is not and cannot be the matter of requiring any given group of pupils to do the same thing in exactly the same fashion. There should be discipline, and we'd like to see everybody spelling, reading and ciphering with ease and exactitude; but we hope for no better than that intelligent and honest men and women who have acquired such training as is afforded by the state will painstakingly try to impart such information as they have gained to students who will, even as Sandy Graham and we did, take it or leave it according to how they feel at the time.

**Miracle?**

*Baltimore Evening Sun.*

The National Economy League, one of the organizations which, according to the Black committee, has been receiving money in rather large gobs from many of the same people who support the Liberty League, comes out today with a proposal for the reorganization of relief expenditures. The league would have the states or other local bodies take over the whole burden of administration of relief, with the federal government merely helping to pay the bills by grants-in-aid.

It's not a new idea, of course. The Liberty League has already toyed with it, and there has been at least one good word said for it in these columns. But what interests us is the argument put forward today in its favor.

We quote the exact words of the statement: "Such a program will save the federal government nearly \$2,500,000,000 a year and will not add to the financial burden for relief which states and localities are now carrying."

This sounds almost miraculous. In effect, it says we shall continue to feed and clothe our unemployed, but the federal government will save two and a half billions and the states won't spend any more than they are spending now!

Our argument for decentralizing the relief business was, we thought, a rather slick one. It held that by turning the money over to the states the President could still hold his reputation as a humane man but divest himself of the responsibility for the ensuing scandals and smells. But that argument is nothing compared to this new one whereby it is proposed to support the unemployed at the expense of nobody.

**Course on Marriage**

*Goldsboro Transcript and Messenger.*

Many people may laugh about the endeavor, but Syracuse University is going to follow others with a course of lectures on marriage. Students demanded it.

There will be studies of health, factors in marriage, the art of homemaking, the religious side of matrimony, and the emotional aspect of wedded life.

The aim is to lay some groundwork for what the college considers, after all, "the most important career for both men and women."

For no "profession" today claims more millions with less preparation than does marriage. It has taken the world a long time to learn that perhaps there is a bit of science in matrimony as in other endeavors. And a few pointers in advance may clear up many a difficulty.

Incidentally, perhaps the Syracuse course ought to be offered by mail as well. Even the married couples could freshen their outlook a bit.

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Martha Gurganus' line to post, thence an east course along the said Martha Gurganus' line to black gum, a corner, thence a north course to the beginning, containing thirty-five (35) acres, more or less. This the 1st day of April, 1936. JOHN LEGGETT, Trustee. Elbert S. Peel, attorney.

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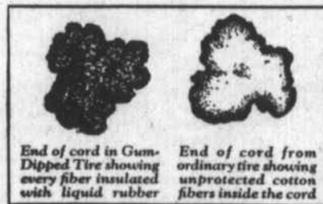
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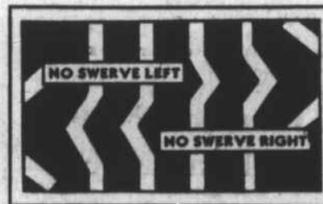
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