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"Blessed are the little children," quoth a political speaker, "for they shall inherit the national debt."

Alfred E. Smith generates a mighty love for the Constitution after that part which was personally obnoxious to him had been pruned from the ancient document.

Senator Borah is definitely in the race for the Republican Presidential nomination, and his frequent reference to "independent" and "liberal" support which he particularly desires leaves the inference that the Idahoan is quite as much out of tune with the conservative Republican leadership as is Al Smith with the whiphand of Democracy as expressed in the New Deal.

David Lawrence, political prophet describes the new Wheeler-Rayburn bill as giving the Federal Trade Commission "more power than the NRA, than the securities act, than the Copeland food and drug bill, more power than any federal trade commission act or anti-trust law of the past, and more inquisitorial rights over the private affairs of the citizen than anything now on the statute books."

CUT OFF THE WATER

During the oft-mentioned frigidities, residents in untold numbers are reported as letting their water faucets run throughout the day and night so that there may be no burst water pipes, and the resulting situation is beginning to almost compel the use of meters in some cases.

Bruce Barton Says . . .

Liberals, pain in neck. All my life I have been hoping to meet some one who would give a satisfactory definition of a "liberal."

most questions except those which involve votes in his home state. On those questions—silver juggling, potato control, Townsend Plan, or whatever, you always know where to find him. Yet he is a "statesman" and a great "liberal."

I sometimes wonder if professional liberalism is so much a matter of thought as of torpid livers and unfortunate financial experience. People whose livers are active, and whose affairs progress, believe in the country and want to see it go ahead.

Pity often not wanted

A cultivated young woman who holds a responsible business position in New York is a member of one of the old families. Her two sisters are Social Registerites, in a conservative Eastern city, and spend much time shaking their heads and pitying their younger sister.

This land of ours is full of city people pitying country dwellers; country people pitying the benighted residents of the city; bachelors pitying the fathers of big families, and fathers wondering how bachelors can think that they get anything out of life at all.

A rich old manufacturer went to pay a last call on the night watchman of his factory. The two had started as boys on the bench together but while the one grew rich the other loved liquor and irresponsibility too well.

Pity that expresses itself in helpful action is a noble thing. But too much so-called pity is nothing but an emotional cocktail wherewith a somewhat complacent individual drinks a toast to what he fancies is his own superior judgment or taste!

The Family Doctor

By DR. JOHN JOSEPH GAINES

THE WAR ON GAS

They're trying to outlaw gas as a weapon of warfare. And, I've been fighting "gas" in my patients all my professional life. Yes, gas is always an enemy unless it comes through a meter for the range, and you run certain risks of being blown up there, if you don't watch your step.

I have learned a few things about the "pas-patient." The first, he has been overloading. That's the first question I ask myself, when I begin to show symptoms of inflation. I find the cause of discomfort right there, nine times out of ten,—just over-indulgence in eating. You, dear reader, may find the same thing in your own case. Attend to volume in diet.

Next, I learn that gases will accumulate if the sewer is clogged. To combat this, I use a simple, but effective laxative to relieve immediate distress. This MUST be done. Always with a MILD but CERTAIN laxative. Then shut off the excess of eating for a few days. This will cure the average patient with "just gas."

Third, there may be fermentation in the digestive tract. I find this in the fellow who is extremely nervous, or the worried, anxious patient. The bowels are not really constive, and there is belching, eructations, sour always. The mild, alkaline laxative again, with alkaline powders for a few days to neutralize excesses of acid. Mild diet, and rest the nerves.

Rarely do I prescribe an artificial digestive, unless my patient is confined to bed with disease of other organs than the stomach. I don't like to hurry a stomach that needs rest, nor do I encourage a lazy one by doing its work for it.

FLOWERS FOR THE LIVING

Mr. Editor: Please print the following verses: I would rather have one little rose from a garden of a friend; Than to have the choicest flowers, When my story on earth must end.

OPEN FORUM

Readers are invited to contribute to this department. Profit may be derived from these letters. Name of writer must accompany all manuscript and brevity is urged.

MORE CORN

Dear Mr. Editor: I read with much interest Mr. D. L. Welborn's yield of corn in last week's issue of the Democrat. It was a fine yield. Now may I humbly give a little account of my stewardship along agricultural lines last year.

WHERE FLOWERS BLOOM

Dear Editor: Your last issue of the Democrat holds a letter from a correspondent in Mississippi, in which she describes in praise the delightful climate of her resident state. That is quite alright from her point of view, of course.

(An enclosure)

Mrs. Beach encloses a newspaper clipping from one of the Seattle newspapers, giving more details as to the remarkable blooming of flowers in that usually cold climate. It follows:

"Blooming of many flowers in the home gardens of the city has been much in evidence in recent weeks, with a variety that is somewhat surprising. True, in many instances they are not as luxuriant as may be seen during the height of the summer flowering season, but they are none the less worthy of note especially when one considers the cold weather experienced here in October.

"At the home of James T. Fullerton may be seen while camellias, Darwinian barberry, primroses, violets, snowdrops, laurustinus, rosebuds, yellow jasmine and a number of others, all in bloom.

"Mrs. Charles G. Campbell has noted japonicas, primroses and crocuses which are showing their buds but are not yet in full bloom. Saxifrage, a luxuriant winter plant is also to be seen in several gardens of the city, as are marigolds, wall-flowers, anemone, daisies and others.

BAN LIQUOR

Ban liquor from our land, Take true and faithful stand For truth and right! Let Prohibition reign, Thus banish vital pain, And every drunken stain By noble fight!

The prohibition ways Were better than these days, As all may see! As liquor sales prevail, They raise a mournful wail On mountain, hill, and dale— A direful plea!

O God our Savior Great, What fates before us wait, These tragic days! We lift our hearts to Thee, With true and earnest plea, In deep sincerity, For better ways!

—J. M. DOWNUM, Boone-Lenoir, N. C.

Battle of the Giants by A. B. Chapin



FIRESIDE PHILOSOPHY

(By C. M. Dickson) Many people, like Nero, will actually fiddle while their country is going up in smoke. Hypocrisy—(one form, at least.) to shake hands with and congratulate him after he hits "below the belt."

OUR DEBT TO THE FARMER

(History Theme, Job Kistler) We, as a nation, or as citizens of any nation, owe a great debt to the farmer. We hardly realize the great debt that we really owe to the farmer because we all have to have food which the farmer raises and markets.

Daily Farm Broadcasts Attract Larger Audience

Extension officials at State College now believe that four months after its beginning, the daily Carolina Farm Features radio program is building up a larger audience each day. The service was started during the latter part of September, 1935 and has progressed steadily since that time.

ABOUT RESETTLEMENT

"Many persons have the wrong idea about the Resettlement Administration," says Homer H. B. Mask, Regional Director, Region IV. "It is not a back-to-the-land movement for city folk. It is not even a guarantee to move every distressed rural family onto a new farm."

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LOCAL CHURCH SERVICES

BAPTIST CHURCH 9:40 Sunday School 11 a. m. worship and sermon. Subject "The Youth of Today." 6 p. m., Baptist Training Union. 7 p. m., worship and sermon. Subject "Why Some Marriages Fail and Others Succeed."

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Dr. F. E. Warman, Pastor There will be no night services in the church until the weather is better. The Sunday morning services will be held as usual, 10 a. m., Sunday School, Prof. Hodges, Supt. 11 a. m., sermon, "The Church and the Community." All are welcome.

CALENDAR OF LUTHERAN SERVICES

St. Marks, Blowing Rock: Preaching service on the first Sunday of each month at 2:30 p. m. Sunday School every Sunday at 9:45 a. m. Miss Marie Bradshaw, Superintendent; Prayer meeting Wednesday night or each week at 7:30. Luther League every Sunday, 2:30 p. m.

METHODIST CHURCH

The Sunday School will meet at the Boone Methodist Church Sunday morning at 9:45. Dr. J. D. Rankin, the general superintendent, will be in charge. The morning preaching service will be at 11 o'clock. There will be special music by the choir led by Miss Virginia Wary. The pastor, Dr. Ernest C. Widenhouse, will speak on "The Power of Visions." The Epworth League will meet at 6 o'clock. The evening preaching service will be at 7 o'clock. The Yung People's choir will lead in the music for this service.