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### IN DIS-UNION THERE ARE PROFITS

The big bread "trust," as the Ward Food Products Corporation was alleged to be, has filed a consent to a decree for its dissolution. Thus Attorney General Sargent and his staff have saved a long court fight with the anti-trust laws as a whip. There is something not much short of uncanny in a two billion dollar corporation laying down its charter without a struggle. It means one of two things: either it was guilty as charged and did not want to incur the expense of a losing battle, or it figured much like the Standard Oil and American Tobacco companies, namely, that more money can be made in the aggregate by a group of small concerns than by one big monopolistic corporation. Whether the profits actually trickle into the same ultimate coffer is not always within the power or province of the law to determine; but in some cases it is found that competition is the life of trade even when competing one's self.

### COMRADES ALL

There are few avenues of service that so bind men together as that of patriotism. The old and young are comrades and share honors in one another's achievements tho a generation separates their fields of action.

One of the objects of patriotic organizations is to preserve with unflinching zeal the high esteem and respect that are due our forefathers in the conflicts that have contributed ultimately to the nation's greatest strength.

Citizens who have never felt the brunt of burnished steel, nor choked in smoke of cannon, nor waded in trench of battlefield, however deserving of recognition for service in peace can not quite know the feeling of brotherhood among those who have survived the awful portents of "war's desolation."

### HOMESICKNESS EXPLAINED

Have you ever been away from Tryon and from good old Polk County, and wished you were back home? Of course you have. If, perchance, you haven't you have missed one of the real thrills of life; for the value of going away from home is in being able to come back home.

But what is this thing we call homesickness? We all know the cure: RETURN HOME AT ONCE. But no one has ever fully diagnosed the disease tho its symptoms lead unerringly to its diagnosis.

It is lack of community nourishment.

We starve for the food of fellowship among those we know and love.

The contrast of strange lands and still stranger faces induces the feverish temperament for the quiet avenues of the home town and the pleasant cordial greetings of friends and neighbors.

We miss the favorite store, where we know what we want, what it can be bought for, and that full measure will be given at a fair price.

We miss the home newspaper where news of friends has interested us, and the news of bargains and business opportunities has brought us profit and the guarantee of fair dealing.

More than all, we miss the home itself, and the institutions of the home town that we have helped to establish, or whose progress we have furnished by our small bit of patronage and good will.

The simple proposition is this: we miss all of these things IN PROPORTION TO THE PART WE HAD TO SHARE AND THE SUPPORT WE GIVE THESE FACTORS OF COMMUNITY AND HOME LIFE. THEY ARE A PART OF US, OF OUR TALENT, OUR WELL BEING, AND WE ARE LONESOME WITHOUT THEM.

THE BETTER CITIZEN YOU ARE, THE "HOMESICKER" YOU WILL BE WHEN THE DISEASE HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO INFECT YOU. THE RATIO IS POSITIVE AND EXACT; AND THIS IS THE "SPIRITUAL MATHEMATICS" ON WHICH ALL LOYALTY IS BASED. AND FORTUNATE IS THE MAN, WOMAN OR CHILD WHO HAS BEEN HOMESICK.

### PRACTISING WHAT THEY DON'T PREACH

Roitand murderous clashes between Moslem and Hind fanatics in calcutta remind one of the oft-repeated assertion that religious wars are the deadliest and most brutal of all. Not necessarily, but these kinds of fights impress the public mind more than other kinds, because participated in by a class of people from whom, naturally and in point of consistency, one least expects hostility toward fellowmen.

Those European quarrels are far from being lovers' quarrels.

If Prohibition is a joke the country is playing the joker wild.

If they would modify the liquor they wouldn't need to modify the law.

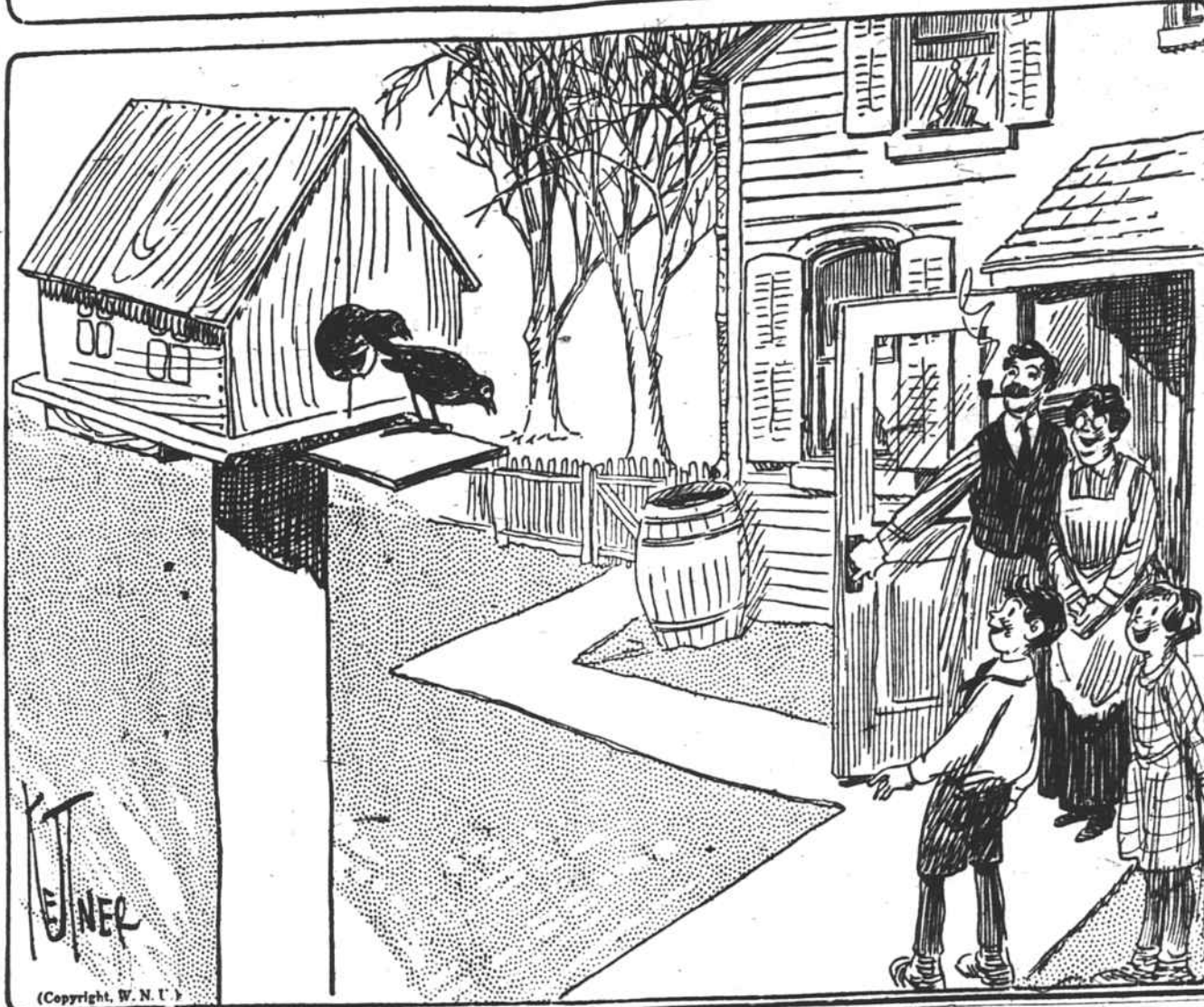
Having a family to support takes the props from under many a fellow.

The Bible says swear not at all. Of course this means not at all people.

The real proof of the pudding is whether it will be good warmed up for supper.

## THE POLK COUNTY NEWS WEEKLY CARTOON

### Welcome Home



### "I Maintain That the Correct and Comprehensive Reform of Senate Rules—"

By CHARLES G. DAWES, Vice President United States.

**I** MAINTAIN and shall maintain that the correct and comprehensive reform of the senate rules is that embodied in the Underwood resolution, which, while providing every senator with the right to be fully heard, upholds the constitutional right of the majority to legislate without being rendered powerless by individuals or minorities through abuse of the present rules.

But recent events in the senate make opportune the discussion of some immediate forward step, desperately needed in the public interest, which may possibly invoke less determined opposition at present than does the proposition of full majority closure. I believe recent occurrences in the senate have made clear to the public:

That where the two-thirds majority necessary to close debate under the present rules cannot be secured the majority of the senate is largely at the mercy of minorities and individuals who may desire to obstruct its business.

That while the closing of debate by a two-thirds vote under the present rules would sometimes protect the public interest against those who would obstruct purely business measures like tax and appropriation bills, it cannot operate when a majority less than two-thirds desires a vote in order to exercise its constitutional right to pass such bills. Under these circumstances tax and appropriation bills can be indefinitely postponed by minority obstructionists.

That if, in the case of tax and appropriation bills alone, which are purely business measures, a majority closure rule providing for ample opportunity for every senator to be heard can be adopted it will prevent the holding up of appropriation and revenue bills by individuals and minorities seeking to coerce the majority into legislative concessions.

That such a rule will destroy the power of individuals and minorities in the short session to force the President of the United States, as has often happened in the past, to call extra sessions of congress in order to secure the means to keep the machinery of the government in functioning activity.

### Flat Arch in Church of St. Domingo

One of the objects which attracts the visitor in Panama is the "flat arch" in the ruins of the church of San Domingo. The edifice itself was built by Dominican monks in the palmy days of Spain's power. According to tradition, when the supports were removed from one of the chief archways it tumbled to the ground. Another was built in its place, but it too fell. The experiment was repeated the third time with a similar result.

At last an old monk, who was not supposed to know anything about architecture or engineering, had a dream in which was presented to him a plan for constructing an arch which would stand, relates a writer in Pathfinder Magazine. A structure was built according to the plan thus evolved. The arch was almost flat and made of ordinary brick. Everybody in Panama—with one exception—expected to see this arch fall as the others had done. But the old monk who had conceived it had faith in his dream. When the supports were removed he stood under the arch with folded arms. It did not fall, and it never has fallen, for to this day it stands there amid the ruins of the church in a wonderful state of preservation.

### Old French Chateaux of Historic Interest

To say these French names over rapidly suggests college days and the struggle with declensions, but Guyon, Gallion and Gaillard are not in any grammar, they are three interesting Norman chateaux, whose ruins go back to the days of waving plumes, shining armor and prancing steeds.

If you can ignore for a moment the scratchings of tourists on the old walls and the waste paper of kodak cartons they have left behind them, it is not hard to people, in fancy, the Twelfth century life that went on here, when Richard the Lion Hearted invaded the land.

The view from the tower at Guyon should not be missed and reminds one of the panorama from the Eiffel tower. Gaillard, which in King Richard's day was "the key to all Normandy," will also give to those who scramble up the precipitous ruins, a wonderful outlook. At Gallion, the American will remember that it not only once housed Philippe-Auguste, Louis XII, the Medicis and Napoleon, but also Benjamin Franklin.

If prehistoric man could have foreseen what a hullabaloo archeologists would make in trying to find his resting place he might have marked it for them.

## Poem by UNCLE JOHN

When the skiff o' snow comes, sittin' through the dog-woods in the dells—and the chores is goin' a-beggin' on the farm—there's a world of inspiration in a pocketful of shells, with "Old Betsey" in the holler of my arm. . . . For, I know the hare-hop smoozes in the checker-berry glade, where the average mortal seldom interferes—but he'll change his fool opinion after my respects is paid, as I plug him jest an inch below the ears! . . . When it comes to healthy livin' as a question fer debate, or the pastime that affords the sweetest charm,—the solidest foundation fer a superannate, is the joy of shootin' hare-hops on the farm! There's nothin' else can beat it fer producin' appetite, and addin' prime digestion to the same. . . . If the left-hand bowel misses, you can stop 'em with yer right,—a motto

Utopia is a place where five-ton trucks are occasionally run down by pedestrians.

Never put off until tomorrow something that may be done without breaking the law today.

If the prince of Wales must ride horseback he ought to clothe himself in football armor.

Persia's new shah formerly was a stable boy. Pretty well equipped for taking up the reins.

Who remembers when a padlock was something attached to the woodshed door or a dog-collar?

Paris announces that to be fashionable now, women must be fat. Thin women are taking on terribly.

Florida's prosperity, says a Miami publicist, is entirely sound, this last being a word of many synonyms.

If she monopolizes a party line for three hours and eighteen minutes to describe a frock, that's a filibuster.

It would be just the consumer's luck to have that proposed thirteenth month come in the coal-burning season.

The Annapolis club doesn't have to get up any expedition to the Old World to add to its collection of monsters.

It is said by the fashion writers that high heels for women are coming back. Who has noticed that they ever went away?

It takes all kinds of people to make a world, but a person ought to have a better excuse than that for cluttering it up.

If the women of Turkey continue to advance, they'll soon be reading the men of the family out of house and home.

"Houdini," says a writer, "gets a lot of fun out of life." But not the glorious uncertainty of wondering how he does it.

China's president has decided to quit, showing that he knows how to keep his head when all about him are losing theirs.

A murderer in England was recently tried and convicted in four minutes, this being about the time it takes to swear in an alumnist.

Mutton-chop whiskers are coming back in London. The appearance of mutton-chop whiskers is helped wonderfully by a dense fog.

A woman dancing the Charleston broke her leg, but it is probable that nobody looking on noticed any difference in her dancing.

The old-timer who was proud of winning a spelling match now has a daughter who aspires to championship honors in a charleston contest.

Europe is apparently convinced that her present need is not so much of moral and political reformers as of resourceful and reliable financiers.

If the reformers want to tackle something worth while, let them try their hand at reforming the speed fiend who thinks the whole highway belongs to him.

"The important thing," remarked the young woman, as she wrapped up a 15-cent present to look like a million dollars, "is the thought that goes with the gift."

It perhaps is fortunate that the garden toad lives on such things as mosquitoes, lice and beetles. It would go pretty hard with it in a lot of gardens if it were a vegetarian.

The "blue whale" is described as 90 feet long and weighing 90 tons. Under full headway, it develops something like 650 horse power. Figure that out at 20.8 a gallon.

Sir Oliver Lodge says the brain, contrary to general belief, does not feel, see or hear, nor does it plan or hope or love. However, he cannot belittle its service as a hat hanger.

### Happy Mr. Depew in St. Aug.



Chauncey M. Depew, still hale and lived at the Leon hotel in St. Augustine, Fla., and is one of the candidates for the position of U. S. Senator in April.

### Mills Spring School Commencement Honors and Promotions

Perfect attendance for year. 160 days. Ruby Lynch, Charis Brown, Grace Waldrop, 169 days, Estee Lynch, Oveda Porteo.

Honors for the year based on attendance, Class grades, Conduct and Cooperation.

First Grade A—(1) Lionel Cock-Grade B—(1) Catharine Byars, (3) Vernie Sue Pritchard.

Second Grade A—(1) Lucile Waldrop, (2) Walden Newman.

Third Grade A—(1) Zaida Edwards (2) Lola Pack.

Fourth Grade A—(1) Ruby Lynch, (2) Elmer Shafer.

Fifth Grade A—(1) Adall Shehan, (2) Edna Jackson.

Sixth Grade A—(1) Pauline Walker, (2) Joe Horton, Woodrow McKee, (3) Charis Brown.

Seventh Grade A—(1) Edna Pack, (2) Nannie Huntsinger, (3) Jannie Jackson.

Eighth Grade A—(1) Maggie McKee, (2) Enla Jackson.

Ninth Grade A—(1) Leona Lynch, (2) Nellie Walker.

Tenth Grade A—(1) Virginia Brown, (2) Celeste Moore and Jannie Barber, (3) Fae Gibbs.

### Promotions First Grade A

Billy Bell, Margaret Brown, Lionel Cockran, Vera Edwards, Myrtle, Edwards, Estee Lynch, Beatrice Moore, Albert Moore, Catherine Walker, Cleo Coggins, Walden Davis, Hubert Edwards, Arthur Garret, Erwin Gibbs, Hubert Price, Hubert Russel, Clarence Russel, Bessie Shehan, Edith Thompson, Temple Thompson, Ruby Waldrop, Hiegh Waldrop, Douglass Walker, Amas Pritchard, Myrtle Pritchard.

### First Grade B.

Cathrine Byars, Della Greene, Dorothy Price, Verine Sue Pritchard, Cynthia Wilson, Clarence Blanton, George Blanton, Hubert Huntsinger, J. J. Phillips, Thomas Walker, Woodrow Walker.

### Conditioned

George Hall, Edna Blackwell, Ruth Edwards, Walden Edwards, Erit Smith, Lydia Edwards, Elizabeth Briscoe, Katherine Russell, Lola Pack, Horace Briscoe, Willie Geey Pritchard, Lawrence Thompson, Warren Newman, Richmond Thompson, Charlie Phillips, Otho Gosnell, John

### Conditioned

Earline Edwards, Nannie Ed-er, Jamie Jackson, Doris Edna Pack, Lucie Philip Shehan, Gillie Thompson, Edson, Mary Fowler, etc., conditioned.

### Conditioned

Joe Dalton conditioned, Eula Jackson, Donna Pritchard, etc., conditioned.

### Conditioned

Nellie Walker, Leona Edwards, etc., conditioned.

### Conditioned

Eston McKee, etc., conditioned.

Gordon Hyder, James Edwards, Grace Walker, Fae Gibbs, etc., conditioned.

Marjorie Walker, Oveda Pritchard, etc., conditioned.

Robert Hill, etc., conditioned.

Give Trees Protection. It is a known fact that the shrubbery enhance the beauty of most any ordinary sized building. It is surprising to see the lack of appreciation of this fact by a great many contractors.

When working on a job that absolutely no effort to preserving things from being killed, the result that there is not a tree left on the place when the job is done.

Trees are very easily killed by cutting rubbish about them or by cutting off the bark. If the contractor take care to see that these things are not done, he will leave the place in such a condition that the trees will continue to bloom.

Many London Bridges. London bridge has never been fallen down. Old London bridge was built in 1170, was completed in 1190, carried a row of other bridges, were frequently burned down, the main structure existed until the burning of the thirteenth century.

The old bridge was the center bookellers and other tradesmen. It stood the chapel of St. Dunstons, Canterbury, and a tower on which heads of traitors were exposed.

The present London bridge was built in 1824 and completed in 1831. It is borne on five granite arches, the tallest high, 65 feet wide and 100 feet above the river.

If college women have to be made to be made to sweep up their own ashes.

Supposing the next war is in the ground, the debris as usual will fall on the groundling.