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# READING ON WALL REVEALED

# RECALL PETITION IS BRINGING OUT TRUTH

Churches Appealed to With View to Hiding Rotten Conditions.

# CRIME RAMPANT IN CITY

City Officials Lay Aside All Official Business and Put Convicted Perverts in High Places; Churches of City Imposed on to Save Political Renegades.

WHAT Omaha Daniel has been reading to the Elmer Thomas-Dean Ringer clique the handwriting on the wall?

Several weeks ago followers of this faction, which is responsible for the unlimited number of ills the people of this city have been forced to suffer for the past year, including unchecked murder, rape, holdups and nearly everything else listed in the catalogue of crime, affected to attach little importance to the petition being circulated for the recall of Mayor Smith and Commissioners Ringer, Ure and Towl.

Today they are desperate. Heretofore they have been blind to public feeling. They have turned deaf ears to outraged justice and violated innocence. When the people demanded action on the part of the police department, pursuant to numerous murders and rapes, Ringer's only effort was to square himself with those he touches elbows with at divine worship on Sunday. He obtained the endorsement of a congregation and welcomed additional deluded members into the select circles of the Committee of 500. He let it go at that. Ringer devotes his week days to defending the criminal actions of men like Herdzina, Armstrong, Thestrup and others. Sunday he takes politics into the pulpit and his personal ambitions to the Lord in prayer. The Christian church is too great an institution to be thus imposed upon.

the handwriting on the wall. It spells the recall petition. Thomas is in on picked up and put to work on this Friday Ringer, together with Messendisaster. Mayor Smith and Commis- the arrangement. Mayor Smith and nefarious business. Long ago dis- ger Boy Eberstein, are helping direct sioner Ringer realize that something Commissoiner Ringer, realizing that carded by people supporting the law, must be done. They are losing ground, they are facing defeat, lend their en-They know they are slipping. Some dorsement. one has whispered in their deaf ears A man who has been working for that "God helps them who help them- one of the largest business houses in picked up by stealth and placed on from Washington. The internal rev-

Thomas and Paul Sutton have been his home. He protested his innocence, liberately got up these false petifor a common cause.

that cause is to save the scalps of petition. Mayor Smith and Commissioner Ringer, against whom a universal protest who is going to jail," Sutton is quoted has gone up. Arm in arm, this church- as saying. "You signed the recall. man, who every Sunday occupies a This is the price. I have got my in- any such crooked work and upset the high seat in the synagogue, and this structions to get all of you fellows and attempt to rob the people of Omaha disgraced policeman are working night you have got to go. That's all there and day in the interest of Smith and is to it." Ringer.

the churchman, than Paul Sutton, the years was arersted in his home by grafter and conspirator. No one is Sutton. The policeman was asked to closer to Paul Sutton, the grafter and explain. "You have lined up with the conspirator, than Elmer Thomas, the recall bunch and this is your medichurchman.

Sutton's work in the underworld will court. You know what that means. prove as a sounding brass and a Get yourself together and line up with tinkling cymbal. The scales have fal- the right crowd and things will be all len from the eyes of the public. The jake for you." handwriting on the wall is being read by thousands in Omaha as well as by the Smith-Ringer interpreter.

But a change has come over the explain Sutton's rough work to the

As a last desperate effort Elmer rested by Sutton several days ago in with his handwriting declare he de- the loss of revenue already.

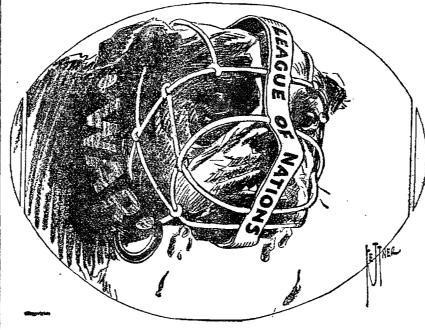
"You are not the only innocent man | mate petition.

Another man who has been em- the city commission. No one is closer to Elmer Thomas, ployed by a railroad company for cine," Sutton replied. "You are to be But Thomas' prayers in church and taken before Judge Foster in police

> Scores of women have been arrested by Sutton and sent to the Detention Home. They were told that if it had

Sutton is filling the Detention Home not been for the fact that their symwith scores of innocent women. pathy was with the recall movement Thomas is drawing \$300 a month to (Continued on Page 2.)

### He Has Had His Day



RECALL PETITIONS ARE IN HANDS OF CHECKERS

City Clerk Expected to Report on Sufficiency of Names Within Few Days.

City Clerk Hunter is still at work checking up the petitions recently handed in by a committee of recall developments, however, give evidence far on the republican ticket, however. that opponents of the recall have hired men to falsify petitions and "ring them in" with the regular peti- and Massachusetts, each of 43,000 tons tions that were filed with the city

Italian hand of the Elmer Thomas largest battleships afloat. crowd has been at work and several prosecutions in the courts may result. and in the interests of society this fellow was blackballed.

steps will at once be taken to meet which it probably will be. of the fruits of their legitimate ef- again, some of Mr. Ringer's grafting forts to make important changes in doctors will again have some easy

#### OBSERVATIONS

The Chicago Tribune has started a workers. During the week there has boom for William Jennings for presi-

With two new battleships, the Iowa displacement, in the building, it is evi-It has been found that the fine on disarmament. They will be the

This has been a merry old month in spirit of Ringer's dream. Some one church people. Sutton has threatened In at least three instances, it has police court. Assistant Police Comhas read to the Smith-Ringer bunch to frame on every voter who signed been found where a renegade was missioner Elmer Thomas and his boy

> President Wilson will raise the ban It has been found that he was on booze September 1, it is reported Omaha for the past five years was ar- the Thomas payroll. Those familiar enue department is beginning to feel

> > Following Clerk Hunter's report Judge Morning's decision is upheld, free printing.

With the Detention Home filling up

#### Publicity Department of Millionaire Writes President of N. P. A.

**SCORES STATE PAPERS** 

HENRY FORD AGENCY

SAYS FORD'S EXAMPLE GOOD

Intimates His Philanthropy Is Attacked Because He Has Been Success in Industrial World and Aided Humanity; Suggests Affair Be Made an Issue.

A ent between the Nebraska Press business.

been pointed out what appeared to be dential candidate. The Tribune does can Tribune for \$1,000,000 damages also to convey the impression that the glaring errors in these petitions. New not hint that Henry Ford would get for alleged libel. The jury gave Mr. bureau expected you and other publieve he was an anarchist.

> Mr. Ford employed the Mount Clem- first letter: dent Uncle Sam is taking no chances ens Bureau and other means to give as wide publicity as possible to his the hope of inducing you to publish case. Much matter was sent out in the report we issue on the Ford-Tribplate and otherwise to country news- une case. We bring them to your atpapers by this bureau, without charge tention because you are obviously igto the printers. Some of the matter norant of the long-established adverwas printed by The Meditor, from time tising policy of the Ford Motor com-

publication, free of charge, by mem- newspapers, and because we feel that bers of the Nebraska Press associa- such criticisms as yours should not tion, of which he is president. The be allowed to go unchallenged." Mount Clemens Bureau took Mr. Buck If you did not read our communito task for his activity and in a cation carefully, you should at least sharp reply Mr. Buck said, in spirit, know, if you followed the case, that if not in words, that Mr. Ford should in the real sense, Henry Ford was pay for his advertising and the news- not on trial. The entire proceedings called. They are working arm in arm Sutton explained to him that he was tions and that they have been inpaying the price for signing the recall serted in the regular list with a view tunity to vote on the amendment to biles, all at the regular price. In which the concentrated antagonism of on the legitic the national constitutional amendment cidentally, Buck also objected strong- great interests towards Mr. Ford's to send the country dry, after all, if ly to giving the Ford institution any polices was hurled in one supreme

> D. D. Martin, who edits the Mount | The profit-sharing plans of the Ford Clemens News Bureau, made reply, organizations were falsely representin the following caustic manner:

NICE how-do-you-do is on at pres-| MT. CLEMENS NEWS BUREAU Mt. Clemens, Mich., Aug. 18, 1919 .-association and the Mount Clemens Mr. O. O. Buck, secretary Nebraska News Bureau, which represents Henry | Press association, Harvard, Neb .-Ford, millionaire automobile man in Dear Sir: The Mount Clemens News publicity matters. Some time ago Bureau has received your reply to its President O. O. Buck of the Nebraska open letter in which it answered your Press association attempted in a criticism of its aims and efforts. The Reliable reports from our market lengthy letter to score the Mount bureau fears that you did not give its editor say that pork and beef are not Clemens bureau for what he consideretter a careful reading. You continue the only commodities increasing in ered an attempt by that institution to make the statement that the publiprice. His recent quotations on whisky to secure a considerable amount of cation of the news of the trial was show an important bulge in those free publicity for Mr. Ford and his personal advertising for Mr. Ford and to repeat that we erpected the news-The correspondence all followed the papers to assist, free of charge, in closing of the trial against the Chi- promoting his interests. And you seek Ford sir cents, which he accepted as lishers to do this because the Ford an earnest that the jury did not be- Motor company places a large contract yearly solely with newspapers, During the progress of the trial despite the fact that we stated in our

> "We do not mention these facts in pany, of the millions of dollars which Mr. Buck took occasion to resent it has spent, or directed spent, in the

attack.

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# Carnival of Crime Unprecedented Boomerang Agaist Demagogues

AS if working under license, a regiment of criminals have turned themselves loose in Omaha. They are plying their trade with the most reckless abandon, apparently with the feeling that they may continue unmolested. Their work is not confined to any particular line of action and includes everything from petty larceny to murder.

The killing of Merchant Shapiro by a trio of youngsters is the latest and one of the most serious of these crimes. While this Nebraska legislature, ratifying the na. Mr. Bryan, more than any other percarnival of crime goes on, a disorganized and shattered police tional prohibition amendment, is sub-son, was responsible for the referenforce appears helpless to put an end to it. Instead of reorganizing the fine body of men on the force eighteen months ago. Mr. Ringer has taken on a clan of incompetents and disrupted the well organized and finely working organization that fell to him when he was placed at the head of the police department.

And while this is all going on, men thrown from office in dis- tional feeling to the winds and secured who are already educated to a dry gust, after being convicted of crime, are being restored to the what they professed to believe was the state, ever see national prohibition. force and placed in responsible positions. Mr. Ringer has been heartily supported by a majority of the men placed in office at so in the belief that they were going sible that our people will oppose it if the last spring election. The odium, therefore, must be placed to turn the world upside down. The they are given an opportunity to vote not only upon Mr. Ringer himself, but upon the men who are sup-result was that a lot of state legisla-on the action of the last legislature. porting his policies.

The present police head has taken it upon himself to disrupt the police force by permitting rank outsiders to dictate how the force shall be operated. Absolutely without experience in such his remarks on the referendum are dum law, let us use it unreservedly matters, Mr. Ringer has taken it upon himself to execute every good reading, even for persons not in and not for some particular purpose. man on the police force who dared think for himself. He bungled accord with him. Two years ago the What is good for the goose it food for the job badly and admits that he is incapable to handle the work that has been assigned to him. Under the cloak of reform, he into force. A clique of politicians took that Nebraskans are not buncoed into continues to masquerade at the expense of all the best interests of the city, including the church itself.

It is time for action of a nature that will take the city back sulting them. Now has come the re- for anything it is good at this time, to normal and put our police force into a solvent condition before action. Judge Morning's decision that and this man Morning is one man who a higher court sends the Ringer system into the hands of government soldiers.

**Judge Morning's Decision Acts as** 

Invoking of Referendum in National Prohibition Action Gives Bryan Followers Something to Think About: People Should Vote on Ratification.

THE decision last week of Judge people who were responsible for mak-Morning that the action of the ing it part of our Nebraska law. ject to a popular vote of the people is dum in Nebraska. Now his followers, an important one. It opens up the way seeing how it will work against their for intelligent action by the courts of own political intrigues, are attemptine

When the politicians of the country the prohibition issue. got wild and flung all respect for na- It matters little whether or not we, popular wish of the people. in the way But it will look better if it is done in a of a nation-wide prohibition, they did business-like manner. It is very postures, without even consulting their At any rate they should have an opconstituents on the matter, voted to portunity to express themselves by adopt he proposed amendment.

it upon themselves to vote national something they do not want. become a boomerang against the very effect.

the land, no less than of our own state. to kep the people from invoking it in

popular vote.

The decision of Judge Morning and | If we are going to have a referenpeople of Nebraska voted to do away the gander. Judge Morning has doubtwith the saloon. Their edict was put less seen the light and wants to see

bone-dryness into the law without con- If this referendum business is good the people must, by referendum vote, apparently is willing to face for good approve of this legislative action has law, without regard to whom it may

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#### LET'S DO AWAY WITH CHILDREN

TT is time to put a stop to raising children. The country should known. put a limit on the number of children any happy married couple could raise, because they are a nuisance—so the apartment house Recall Petition Is landlord says. It would not worry the writer to have such a law passed because his two kiddies are now grown-ups.

This is really an important matter. It is a downright shame to force our tenement house landlords to worry over the presence of children in the community. And then, there is another feature to cutting off the supply of children. It would mean that the demand they were anxious to tell what they for homes would be much lighter and doubtless would result in a know about criminal members of the cut in rents.

There is just about as much sense to the above reasoning as there is to the arbitrary action now being taken by a crowd of real estate profiteers who are in the act of squeezing from the renter the last penny that he can earn to fill the pockets of these real estate gluttons. This business can be handled in a safe and sane manner and if our county attorney has a single care for the small renter he will take action. It is all right for him to pass the buck to somebody else, but if he has any backbone he can meet this condition and beat the thieving landlords, despite his declarations to tions of the police department to send the contrary.

This whole business is going to react on the very people who are attempting to squeeze the renter. It is a fine how-do-you-do when a bunch of such leeches can put a premium on the raising of children. Under conditions such as these landlords would impose it against criminal charges, without rebecomes a crime to bring children into the world, because many of them would have no place to live. We can conceive how the mother of a new-born babe might be sent to a county house with her child these crooked officers. because a heartless landlord would not have the babe in one of his apartments.

If our city and county authorities are going to sit idly by while this monumental crime increases it is time to look them over and choose somebody for these places who have some conception of the importance of homes being found for children and the meaning of God Almight's laws.

#### REDUCTION OF CURRENCY CIRCULATION

THERE is too much money in circulation, according to financial experts who have studied the situation. In many respects these arguments sound good, but the average man much prefers to see plenty of money, even though it is worth only 50 cents on the dollar when it comes to purchasing living commodities.

As a matter of truth, a bushel of wheat, worth about \$2.25, does not buy any more of some other staple of life than it did when the price was half that much. Under the arguments presented by some of our congressmen, the volume of currency is too great. Gold, the basic metal of our circulation, is practically out of existence. Although it is presumed that every dollar of our paper money is redeemable in gold, it would be pretty hard to go to any bank and and say this market is in good condisecure any great amount of gold in exchange for paper. The gold is all hidden away in vaults, with every financial institution hold-

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The Labor Agitation. The Preying Stock Gambler. The Evil of Strikes. The Misunderstanding of Labor

by capital. The Wrong View of Capital Held

by Labor.

ing on to all it has like a cat holds to a helpless mouse.

Fiat money has increased in amount until there is something like \$56 in circulation or in banks for every man, woman and child. Only a few years ago there was only \$36. With this fiat money so plentiful prices have become abnormal.

To overcome this condition well known students of economics tell us the reduction of the amount of money is the only solution. It will take a lot of education to make the average person believe it. They say, "Give us plenty of money and we will take our chances."

Truth is, however, a new balance must be struck in the near future lest we get into the endless chain business and run into a wreck that will be worse than the worst panic the world has ever

# Bringing Out Truth

(Continued from Page 1.) they would not have been arrested. A number of these women have declared police department, but as soon as they show a disposition to talk they are arrested and held prisoners in the Detention Home until they agree to keep quiet. They are threatened with further imprisonment if they do not keep their lips sealed.

Were it not for Dean Ringer's Detention Home there are a number of women in Omaha who would tell enough concerning the wicked operaat least a dozen of these outlaws to the state prison.

Ringer already has gone to bat before the very eyes of the public to defend three of his favorite detectives gard to the truth or the facts, which if brought under a fair and honest administration would spell prison for

In spite of the Detention Home. in spite of the intimidating influences which are being brought to bear by officials at the city hall and in spite of all the lawlessness which is being encouraged among the members of the police force, the day of reckoning is approaching. Indignant and publicspirited citizens will register their sentiments at the appointed time.

Elmer Thomas and Paul Sutton are writing the final chapter.

Ed Smith and Dean Ringer have sowed the seeds. They will reap the

OMAHA JOBBERS' STOCKS FULL FOR FALL MARKET WEEK

Merchants in Omaha's trade territory, who visit Omaha during Merchants' Fall Market Week, September 8 to 11, will find this market well stocked with merchandise. Jobbers report full stocks of seasonable goods tion for prompt delivery of merchan-The committee having in hand the program of entertainment is working unceasingly in its effort to complete all the new thrills and surprises planned for the visiting merchants and their wives. The four days will be chock full of business and pleasure

#### AK-SAR-BEN FESTIVITIES SEPTEMBER 24 TO OCTOBER 4

The board of governors of Ak-Sar-Ben announce September 24 to October 4 as the dates for the annual fall carnival and parades. The grand electrical parade will take place on the night of October 1; flower parade, afternoon of October 2, and the grand ball and coronation, the night of October 3. No expense is being spared in the preparation of floats for the electrical parade, and it is expected this parade will eclipse all previous ones.

TEACHERS TO GET REDUCED FARE FOR ANNUAL MEETING

President F. M. Gregg of the Ne braska State Teachers' association, which holds its annual meeting in Omaha, November 5-7, makes announcement that he has succeeded in securing a concession of one and onehalf fare for teachers attending the meeting. This reduction in railroad fare will mean a considerable saving to teachers, and will no doubt increase the attendance materially.

# SAYS DR. DAVIS

Former Red Cross Commissioner Tells of Recent Trip to Poland.

FOUND CHILDREN STARVING.

American Jews Raising \$35,000,000 to Save Survivors-Plan to Aid Christians as Well as Own People.

"The tragedy of the next few months in Eastern Europe bids fair to equal, if not to surpass, that of the actual war years themselves. Words are utterly inadequate to describe the suffering from poverty, starvation, disease and other allied causes that is met on every hand. Literally hundreds of thousands of the unfortunate victims of circumstances are looking to America as their only hope, but it is a question if America has not heard so much of suffering in recent months that she is numbed and perhaps cannot fully realize the terrible crisis that now confronts vast numbers of people abroad.

The above gives in brief the carefully considered opinion of no less an authority than Dr. Haim I. Davis, well known neurologist of Chicago, who returned a short time ago from Poland, where he served for some months as American Red Cross commissioner and made an intensive study of economic, social and political conditions with a special view to determining America's present and future responsibilities. At the request of Louis Marshall, Felix M. Warburg, Jacob H. Schiff of New York, Julius Rosenwald of Chicago and other prominent members of the American Jewish Relief Committee, Dr. Davis submitted a special summary of conditions in Poland. This report, together with additional information secured from other commissioners abroad, forms the basis for the appeal which the above committee is making for \$35,000,000 this year to save the lives of war's victims in those countries where the situation is most dire The headquarters are at 15 East 40th

Street, New York. "If America could be given but a glimpse of the childhood of Poland." says Dr. Davis, "the millions of dollars that are needed would be forthcoming instantly. The common lot of literally thousands of these youngsters, both Christian and Jewish, makes strong men weep and has actually been the cause of a number of investigators for various organizations leaving the coun-

try before their work was completed. "Walk down the streets in certain sections of Warsaw, Vilna, Kovno and other cities in Eastern Europe and you will see mother after mother, themselves emaciated, carrying children who are apparently infants of a few months, but in reality are five to eight years old. For years they had no milk, and all the other food procurable has been sufficient only to keep them alive. Undernourishment has been so long continued that the little bodies are stunted, rickets being a common affliction, and many of them can never be restored to normal health and strength.

"The lives of thousands can still be saved, however," the doctor told the Jewish Committee in his report. "if food is rushed over quickly.

"It is in the name of the pitiful children of Poland, the babies of Christian as well as Jewish parents, that I urge you to make your appeal to America for the funds that will restore their birthright to these little ones."

After a period of exhaustion there is likely to come a time of letting down. We must all be on our guard against a reaction from the ardent. high-souled patriotism of the last few years. Keep the flame burning brightly. Do not let yourself feel that now the war is over there is no particular call for patriotism.-Girl's Companion.

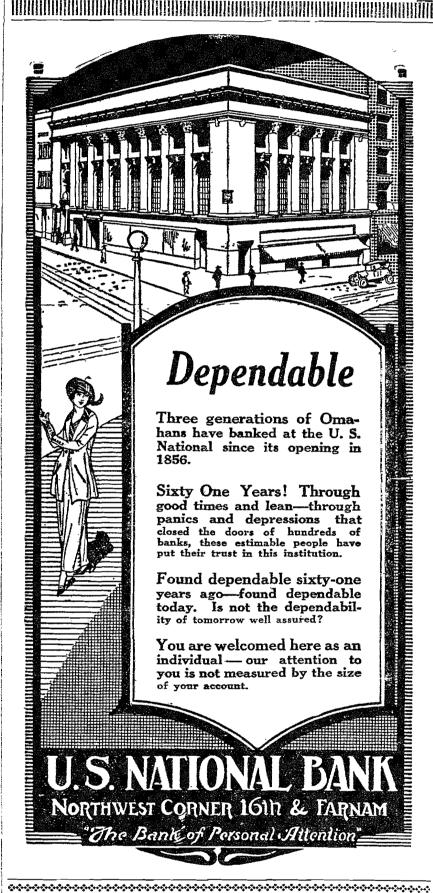
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MANY ARE CONFUSED BY PRESENT DEBATE

Danger That People Will Lose Sight of Basic Principles During Discussion of Complicated Details and Technicalities.

(By ex-President William H. Taft.)

The plan for a League of Nations is based on a few simple principles, which are not hard to understand when lifted out of the morass of technical discussion and freed from legal and diplomatic language. As the one authority best able to present these points without partisan bias, ex-President Taft has been asked to put the league idea into a few plain words for the benefit of millions of Americans who desire a better understanding of the plan but find themselves confused by the debate in the United States Senate. In response to this request he has written the following article.

Purpose of the League.

The chief purpose of the League of Nations is to keep the world in a state of peace. Another way of expressing it is to say that the league is designed to prevent wars.

We have just finished the greatest, which is to say the most horrible, of all conflicts between nations. have won a glorious victory. But that victory will be wasted unless this war has made the nations ready to out aside their differences and cooperate to end war forever.

It is not enough, however, to provide for the prevention of wars and the settlement of disputes after they have arisen. We must foresee causes of trouble and remove them before they have reached an acute stage. Hence there must be provision for frequent consultations of members of the league for exchange of information, for agreement on common policies and for the gradual formation of rules of international law which at present are uncertain and incomplete.

The representatives of the great free nations which won the war have met at Paris and, after long consultation, have drawn an agreement which they believe will accomplish these ends. At the very least it will set in motion great changes which will result in universal benefit to all man-This agreement is called the Covenant of the League of Nations and it is a part of the peace treaty.

There will be no league worth talking about, however, unless the United States is a member. The decision as nothing of the forty thousand English to whether the United States shall women who went to work back of the join rests with our Senate. The Sena- trenches in France. tors, chosen by the people, will in the end vote as the people desire. For this reason the people themselves will decide whether or not the United States will join the league. In this question every citizen should have a not hear of the thousands of women, voice. He or she can express opinion either by writing direct to Senators, by letters to the newspapers, by speeches in his lodge or local union or in conversation with friends.

Methods of Maintaining Peace. Since the prime object of the League of Nations is to preserve peace -and to reap the benefits of peacelet us see how the league will operate

to accomplish that purpose. In the first place it will seek to remove the main causes of war. By the of thousands upon thousands of woformation of an international court it men today in all these nations, who will create, a means for the peaceful settlement of disputes between nations. Then it will seek to compel the nations to make use of this court. This is nothing more nor less than an application of the rules and customs governing private individuals in civilized communities to the relations between nations.

Secondly, the League will seek to remove a great temptation to war by the general agreement to reduce the size of armies and navies. This will halt the race for military and naval supremacy which was largely responsible for the war just ended. The amount of armament any nation may maintain will be strictly defined. Thus it will be impossible for one country to overwhelm its neighbor by unexpected attack, in the way that Germany crushed Belgium and would have crushed France had not the other democratic nations gone to her aid. The idea is that each country may keen an army and navy large enough to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities as a member of the League, but no larger. The United States, for example, probably would be expected to keep a check on Mexico and the state of constant turmoil in that country would be taken into consideration in deciding how large an army we should need.

The third important safeguard which the League will set up is a system of penalties. This will make an outlaw of any nation or group of nations which goes to war in violation of the rules of the League. The out-

The council, the chief governing body of the League, cannot take its members and since the United States will have a representative in the Council our interest will be protected there. We hear it said that the League is formed for the benefit of Great Britain or Japan or some other one nation. This is not true. All the nations will gain by it, not only the great nations such as the United States, Great Britain, France, Japan: and Italy, but the little nations which in the past have been oppressed by their big neighbors. The international court will give an opportunity for the settlement of old grievances which have long troubled the peoples of the world.

It has been said that the League will interfere with the Monroe Doctrine, but the League Covenant expressly protects this Doctrine. In fact, through the Covenant the Monroe Doctrine receives recognition throughout the world and its principles become forever established.

#### **WOMEN** DEMAND WARS SHALL END

Peace League Means More to Them Than It Can Mean to Men.

DR. SHAW'S STIRRING PLEA.

(By the Late Dr. Anna Howard Shaw.) Seven million one hundred thousand men who had laid down their lives in the great war. Think of it! Seven million, one hundred thousand young men had died on the field of battle!

What does that mean to the women of the world? It means that seven million one hundred thousand women walked day by day with their faces toward an open grave that they might give life to a son. It means that seven million one hundred thousand little children lay in the arms of a mother whose love had made them face even the terrors of death that they might become the mothers of

It means that year after year these women had put up their lives into the lives of their sons until they had reared them to be men. For what? In the hope that these sons of theirs could give to the world the things for which women dream, the things for which women hope and pray and long. These were the things that the women had in their hearts when they gave birth to their sons.

But who can estimate the value of seven million one hundred thousand dead sons of the women of the world? Who can estimate the price which the women have paid for this war; what it has cost them, not only in the death of their sons, because that is a phase of our war to which we look.

The Courage of Women.

We hear our orators tell us of the courage of our men. How they went across the sea. Very few of them remember to tell us of the courage of our women, who also went across the sea; of the women who died nursing the sick and wounded: the women who died in the hospitals, where the terrible bombs came and drove them almost to madness. They tell us

sands upon thousands upon thousands international co-operation. It was Advertise in The Mediator of women who not only toiled and worked and slaved in order that the war might be successful, but we do not alone in Armenia, not alone in Montenegro, not alone in Serbia, but in Flanders, in Belgium, in Rumania. in Russia-the thousands of women who lie in graves today, murdered, so horribly murdered that men dare not speak of it.

And yet we women are asked what we know about the League of Nations; asked what we can understand about a League of Nations. Oh men! the horrible deaths; the horrible lives must live, and who must look in the faces of children unwelcomed, undesired—of little children—and know that these are the result of war.

And then ask women why they should be interested in a league of

Women Suffer Most From War,

If there is any body of citizens in the world who ought to be interested in a league to ultimately bring to the world peace it is the mothers of men, and the women who suffered as only women can suffer in the war and in devastated countries.

And we call upon them, we women of the world call upon the men who have been fighting all these battles of the years, the men who have led armies, and led armies close to their deaths.

We are now calling upon the men of the world to in some way or another find a passage out of the sea of death. We are asking them to form a league which will bring hope to the women of the future. If women are to bear sons only that they may die, worth while. It will be the same in a the deadly effect and how ensyiting the women may not have hope smaller degree with a Lengue of We will also sense in a the deadly effect and how ensyiting the worth while. It will be the same in a the deadly effect and how ensyiting the worth while worth while worth while will be the same in a the deadly effect and how ensyiting the worth while worth while worth while worth while worth while will be the same in a the deadly effect and how ensyiting the worth while w and aspirations for their children, Nations. When men form a business if women may not dream the dreams partnership each one has to make freed them that have in them the hope of the concessions to the views and opinions from the hab highest civilizations, the highest moral and spiritual life of the people-if we When we enter the League of and spiritual life of the people—if we men may not have these in their hearts as the mothers of men, then tain privileges, but the losses will be Toolee Redeemer will positively free me from the Toolee Habit. mothers of men. And why should they not? Why should they not?

lawed nation will be boycotted by all action without unanimous decision of the other members of the League and will find itself cut off from both business and social communication with the rest of the world.

How it Will Prevent Wars.

cordance with the rules of the League, so much time must elapse that in all probability their anger will cool and they will reach an amicable under-

What we have to fear is that some nation will go to war in defiance of the League, and every precaution has been taken to suppress such a nation by the immediate use of the united power of the other nations. If international boycott failed to bring her to terms she would have to face a combined international army and navy. The founders of the League believe that the mere possibility of such a situation will prevent any nation from violating its agreement. Does anyone think that Germany would have begun war five years ago if she 16th and Farnam to 10th and Banhad known that nearly all the other great powers would combine against

Doing the World's Work In addition to settling international disputes peaceably the League of Nations will provide means for doing much of the world's work more systematically and effectively than can be done now when each nation is working only for itself. The people you know best and like best are those who work with you on the same job. It will be the same way with the nations of the future. The more they work together, the sooner they will to understand and like each

For example, the League will establish an international organization for the bettering of labor conditions in different countries, for the protection of women and children and the native inhabitants of civilized and semi-civilized countries. One of Germany's greatest crimes has been her barbarous treatment of the helpless people in some of her colonies. One of the chief tasks of the League will be to look after peoples that are not strong enough to protect themselves.

The League will appoint commissions to take charge of various international undertakings so that they may be carried on, not for the benefit of any one nation, but for the benefit of the whole world. Provision will be made for promotion of fair and equal trade conditions.

These are only a few of the benefits the world will derive from the League. As time goes on we shall find more and more tasks at which the nations can work in common and a greater number of opportunities to remove causes which stir up jealousies and animosities between races and peoples.

Objections Answered.

Of course we cannot hope to make the great changes such as the League of Nations will bring about without opposition. Fortunately the war has taught us the great advantages of only by good team work that the free liberty loving nations were able to whip Germany.

The treaty which the United States Senate is debating obligates the members of the proposed League to protect one another against attack from enemies outside their own boundaries bent upon conquest. Although this agreement (Article X of the Covenant) is vital to any arrangement which seeks to prevent war, it has been attacked on the ground that it would draw the United States into wars in various parts of the world and force us to send our boys to fight in quarrels which did not concern us.

We should remember, however, that the main purpose of Article X is to frighten nations tempted to wars of conquest from yielding to the temptation, by the certainty that they will be crushed if they begin such a war by a universal boycott and a union of forces of the world against them. If a big war breaks out again, the United States will be forced to take part in States will be forced to take part in it whether we have a League of Nations or not. We tried hard enough to find that the habit has such a hold on you that you gave up trying.

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A little war contrary to the League rules could be handled by the powers close at hand. Certainly it would not be necessary to send American troops when prompt action by the armies of Italy or some other nearby powerful nation could suppress the fracas before American troops could even get started.

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It is not claimed that the League of Nations will do away with war altogether. Every possible provision that human intelligence can devise will be made to settle international disputes peaceably. But should all these measures fail and two nations go to war, this is what will happen:

If both parties to the dispute have observed the rules of the League, the other nations will stand back and let them fight it out. War under such circumstances is difficult to imagine, however, because before the angry nations will be allowed to fight in accordance with the rules of the League, the other nations will be allowed to fight in accordance with the rules of the League, the late of the late of late of late of the late of late of late of the late of late of the late of late of the late of lat

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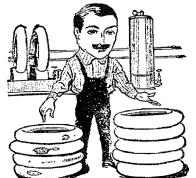
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There are also two new musical comedy burlettas with a farcical plot and euphoniously termed "La Belle Paree" and "Putting It Over," to exploit this aggregation of talent, and with a good array of novelty ball dances and song numbers. As a good measure the individual members contribute clever bits of their famous vaudeville turns throughout the piece at a suitable time for their display of talent. To those who recall Ray Read



RAY READ

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mere mention of his name revives memory of hearty laughter. He is with the small weeklies, might receive full the great "Star and Garter" show, better and funnier than ever, and honestly tried to render a truthful equally laughable in his boisterous way is Charles Burns. Added to this great pair of laugh-makers is Bill fact that it has received many letters Bovis, who has a style al his own, and from editors congratulating it on its others all contribute their share to the program.

In the selection of femininity the the producer, J. Ward Kett, who takes the credit for writing both books.

There are many scenes in this year's production which will bring it up to the biggest of the burlesque productions and the complications in the stories are one scream of a laugh after

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#### Henry Ford Agency Scores State Papers

(Continued From Page One.)

ed and powerful newspapers seized upon these charges in an attempt tice about women; for I cannot think to belittle the great step which the that God Almighty made them . Ford company took when it returned so glorious creatures . . . to the workingman a fair share of the wealth which he helps to create.

The educational department of the Ford organizations was sneered at and denounced as un-American, paternalistic supervision.

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It was not, primarily, Henry Ford who was the object of the attacks in this case. It was the social and industrial principles for which Henry Ford stands. Faced by the impossibility of belittling these principles, the interests which dread their adoption and which seek to stem the growing demand for them, obviously attempted to gain their end in another way—the discrediting of Mr. Ford-hoping thereby to discredit the things for which Mr. Ford is the nation's foremost exponent. In this they hopelessly failed, as the verdict of twelve of the best men obtainable in this country has conclusively shown.

Knowing that Mr. Ford was but an incident in this case, that he was merely the means to the end sought by men who are opposed to the ideals of the social and industrial era towards which he is swiftly blazing a path, the Mount Clemens News Bureau was established, so that the people in the uttermost corners of the country, the people served by the small dailies and and unbiased reports. The bureau account of the trial and that it has succeeded is fully evidenced by the work in reporting this case. These letters are now on file in this office.

Pemit us to say that this bureau manager has been unusually fortunate welcomes most hearitly your making this season. Heading the feminine con- it an issue in your district meetings, tingent is the beautiful Australian as you promise to do, and trusts you singing bird, Florence Darley, with will use all the correspondence. The Vivian Roth and Paulene Hall, not for- bureau, however, will not permit to getting Howard Paden, Bert Hall and go unchallenged your wholly incorrect charge that Mr. Ford subjected the Nebraska Press association to "ridicule and opposition." We do not, and have not in the past, criticised the association in any connection or degree. We suggest that you bear this in mind. You opened this controversy with a letter in which you charged this bureah with being "space grafters" and of seeking "cheap publicity" for Mr. Ford. Despite the fact that you assumed to speak for a large body of intelligent men, it would appear that you had not fully informed yourself of the facts. The bureau called this to your attention an in so doing seems to have injured your dignity. We regret, of course, having wounded your personal feelings, but we submit that this is not a sound basis for your official actions.

You are at liberty to print the full correspondence in your bulletin. As for your threat that the newspapers of your state will "handle the subject without gloves," we are very willing to rest our case in the hands of the publishers of your state. . We feel sure that they will see that you attacked this bureau in a manner wholly uncalled for by the facts and when answered took the reply as a personal

We are mailing copies of this letter and of your communication to which it is an aswer, to the editors of the papers in your state. Yours very truly

Mount Clemens News Bureau. D. D. Martin, Editor.

Rich Silver Coins.

In the republic of Honduras the silver currency was for years minted gold, which used not to be separated before it went to the mint; so the Honduras silver coins prior to 1911 generally contain a certain proportion of Mexican Child Stealers.

Mexico's "child stealers" engaged in a regular business of stealing children and making them beg coins for them. according to a writer in the National Humane Review. The headquarters or central place of business for the biggest thieves are located in Gomez Farias street. Guadalajara. Here a regular market is held for the disposal of stolen children, either by outright sale or rent.

After passing through the hands of this gang the innocent victim of this barbaric system is generally unrecognizable, and maimed or blinded is recognizable, and maimed or blinded in carried or hauled around with its poor little hand outstretched for coins to support its fiendish master," according to the writer. "Such children are seen any hour of the day or night in Mexico City, hovering around the theater doors, sitting around the streets and often among the beggars that line the church doors. The pleasure seeker, the passer-by or the communicant who puts pennies in the outstretched hands does not realize how well he is cooperating with the fiendish industry."

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