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IDEALISM—IT DON'T WORK.

Idealism is a wonderful thing and is the mainspring from which comes many of our greatest blessings. Idealists and dreamers have done for civilization what no practical person has ever been able to do. But in ever so many cases they do not work. No one wants war, every sane person abhors the very thought of it, however we have wars and will have more of them.

We read with some interest of the formation among college students of an organization that is going to do away with war. We do not believe that these youthful but well meaning people will ever be able to hit the bull's eye. Here at Nebraska State University are many students who believe they will be able to end war through some sort of mental process. This is true in many colleges throughout the country.

Their dreams are inspiring but somehow they won't come true. Just now Northwestern University seems to be the center of the student pacifist group. It is interesting to get their viewpoint even if it "Don't mean Nothin'". The Chicago Tribune in a recent issue says that:

The Northwestern university student pacifist group, which evidently has caused the university management some annoyance, is a part of a general intercollegiate organization. Miss Alice Hansen, a senior, is a leader of it. She says she is a strong pacifist. She declares her reasons for that are many. Briefly, she believes war to be caused by economics.

"Wars are caused by money lords, who quarrel over the world's market places. There is no reason, no excuse, no use for war."

Youth is idealistic, and it is more idealistic in the colleges. It learns that the past has not been much to the credit of the human race, and it does not concede any inevitability to the error in life. It is quite apparent to young people that things can be changed by the effort of intelligent will.

Students also will accept a dogma of formula. They do not test it. They take it. We might all be in a bad fix if life were not being constantly renewed in idealism from the source and if adolescence had the skepticism, doubts, and sense of futility which oppresses post-maturity. We are not sorry that most college students are idealistic, but we are sorry if they come into citizenship with their idealism based on unsound formula.

To our way thinking the popular undigested idea of the economic factor of war is about as bad as anything which could gain currency in the country. It pictures the deliberate machination of a quite impossible group of human beings to attempt the possible ruin of human society for their own gain. Put a drop of acid on that picture and it is gone.

Probably it would be agreed that the money kings of the United States are the Rockefellows, Henry Ford, Morgan, Andrew Mellon, Gary, and a few others. If any imaginations can conceive these men conspiring to make war for their country that imagination is diseased, or being able to do it if they wanted to. You may even add the Rothschilds, Stinnes, and the gentlemen of the French Comite des Forges, an international conspiracy.

The most ferocious fighting people ever on the soil of the United States had no money lords. The Iroquois came into the valley of the Fox and of the Illinois from the faraway Mohawk for the simple pleasure of killing Algonquins, who never had harmed them or could harm them, and they did not get oil, ore, harbors, coal, or wheat lands by doing so.

All life is a struggle, even vegetable life, which fights to gain or hold possession. As civilization grows more complex the effort to gain by direct application of force is diminished. Modern economics prevent more wars than they cause. Day in and day out it does not pay to seek profit by fighting. In other days it did. Hordes out of Asia or north Europe could gain more by sweeping down into Italy than they could gain by staying at home.

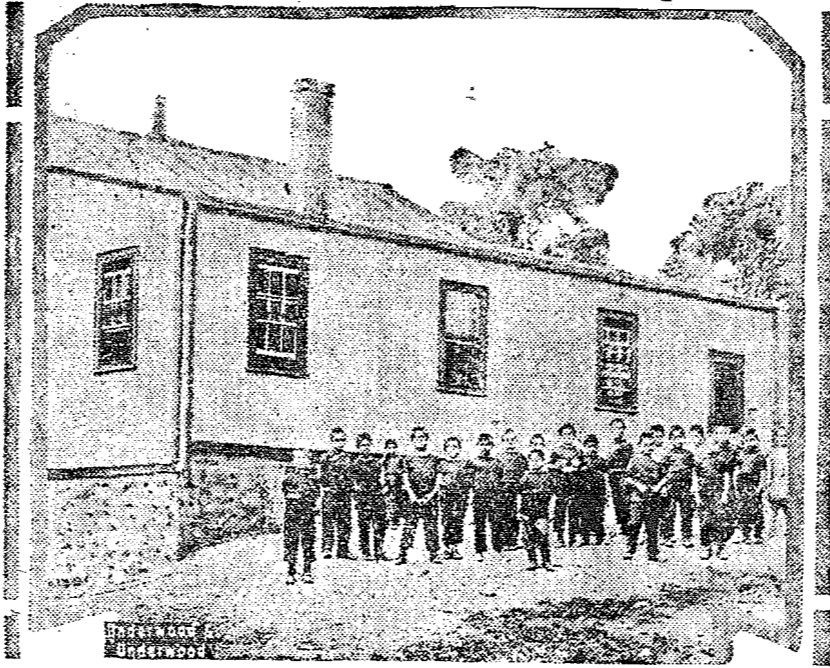
Henry Ford is better off if John Smith is at home buying an automobile than if he is in the trenches in Hawaii trying to keep off the Japanese. So is Mr. Rockefeller if John Smith is buying gasoline to run the car on Sunday.

All the John Smiths might be much better off if the United States suddenly turned rapacious and descended on Mexico like an unsentimental hardened exploiter to seize Mexican resources for American enjoyment. If the money lords want that done they certainly have made no progress, and this paper can hardly get any support for a mild, humane policy of giving direct aid to the best and most orderly government which Mexico can set up for itself.

All wars may have an economic factor, whether it is the desire of a shepherd people to get better fields, of a seafaring people to get better ports, of a trading people to open wider markets, or of a free people to destroy slave competition. But these causes are deep in the people themselves, and we have brought the instinct down from the trees in which the big ape took what the little ape could not defend.

We Americans have a stretch of country on the Pacific coast which the Japanese certainly would take in the time honored fashion of driving us out of it if we were not able to defend ourselves there. Pacifism with us is not a check on improper aggressions which the United States contemplates. It is a demand for exposure to evils which we know have been real in the past and which are possible in the future.

Canada Takes Armenian Orphans



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Only a few days passed when we learned that he had taken several subscriptions to the paper from people interested in the program. However none was turned in and nothing said about the matter until we called his (DeBow's) attention to the fact. At that time he said he was "short" but would soon turn in the money he had collected. That was a year or more ago, but he still has the money. We endeavored to find all those who had subscribed and send them the paper. No doubt the paper never came in contact with many who paid their money through the false pretenses of the solicitor or solicitors. This then is the man who charges a big broad minded Christian gentleman with attempting to make a wet and dry issue out of a civil suit. We believe the public will be well able to judge for themselves.

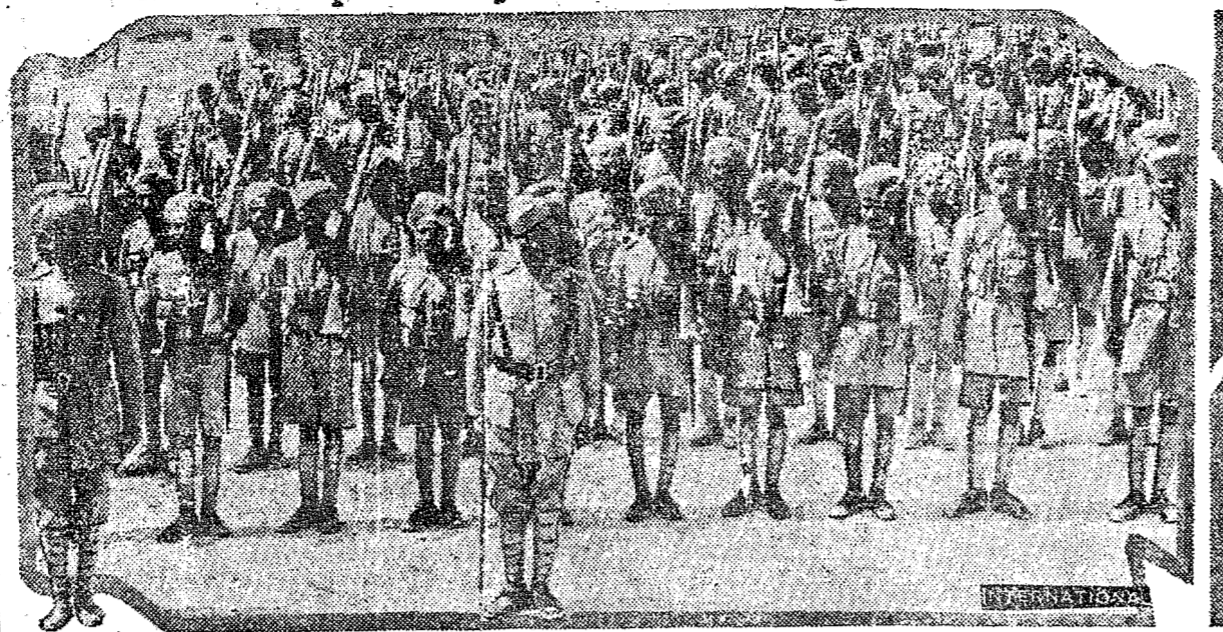
REGISTER IF YOU WOULD VOTE
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known attorneys the south side ever turned out. All three have an immense personal following, the one capturing the nomination having more than an even chance to cop the election and become our next representative.

Many well known men have filed for district judge, State senators, representatives, for municipal judge, for director of the Metropolitan Utilities district and the various county offices. We will give a line on these candidates to our readers during the next two weeks.

C. H. KUBAT, Attorney
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Sikh Troops Ready on the Indo-Afghan Border



Considerable forces of British troops are being held on the Indo-Afghan frontier ready to rush to the rescue of the European legations in Afghanistan if necessary. These are members of the Fifty-fourth Sikh regiment on the border.

BURLINGTON TO IMPROVE STATION

The Burlington Railroad expects to spend \$150,000 in the alteration of its station at 10th & Mason Sts. The best thing about this improvement is the fact that they are going to do away with the old antediluvian stairways, it will help some but what the city needs is a real Union Depot.

Champion Hoppe Misses Chance to Make Record

Willie Hoppe had a chance to break the world's record average for 1,500 points in a championship match when he played Weiker Cochran recently in the Chicago play-off, for the title. In the third block Hoppe had 407 points in the first five innings for a total of 1,407 points in 22 innings and a grand average of 63 21-22 points an inning. When the new record seemed certain Hoppe took 12 innings to gather the 97 points needed to complete the 1,500 string. His grand average for this match was 44 4-34. Hoppe, however, holds the grand average record, having maintained a pace of 55 15-27 points an inning in a tournament match with George Sutton February 24 and 25, 1914.

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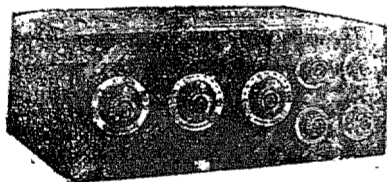
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Claims he Left \$60 in Cash, Watch and Chain with Clerk for Safe Keeping—Hotel Refuses to Return Valuables in the Morning It Is Said—Place Has Reputation of Being A Bad Joint.

On several different occasions we have heard none too complimentary stories concerning the Aetna Hotel. They have always been justified. This miserable joint is run by a Jew named White, whose reputation is unsavory to say the least. While he runs a bunk house catering to a very cheap element he has apparently grown rich as he is seen about the streets riding in a new model Packard.

Of the many dirty stories we have heard concerning this joint none is more revolting or criminal than the one called to our attention last week, concerning an alleged robbery at the place recently.

It is said that a man by the name of Miller, a typical "powder Monkey" employed by Mr. Kubat at the Meadow quarries, stopped at this place last week and registered while "Scottie" the night clerk was on duty. He claimed that he left \$60 in cash, a \$22.50 gold watch, an \$8 chain and a \$4 fob in the keeping of the hotel after which he went out for a little sight seeing. He came back, perhaps a little the worse for wear but knew exactly what he had left with the clerk. When he was ready to leave in the morning the man at the desk claimed that he knew nothing of the money or jewelry.

Miller is one of those peculiar kind of ducks who says to himself, "well I am gipped" and lets it go at that. He did not want any undue publicity so did not report the matter to the

police. However it is claimed he is not through with this bunch. He says the watch was an Illinois movement and that he knows the number of the movement. The date of the robbery, if such it was, was on or about March 7th or 8th. It is reported that the maid said that she knew the stuff was in the safe.

The story is very plausible and goes to show what kind of crookedness is to be expected in one of these low caste joints that are dignified with the name hotel. If the story is true and those who know the man that runs the dump do not put such things past him, it is high time action should be taken against this tumble down pile of brick.

But the Aetna house is not the only joint of its kind that needs the once over from local and state officials. There are several of them that are no good with the emphasis on the N. G. Some of them are plain bawdy houses catering to the most vicious element in the city, others would starve to death if it were not for the scarlet women who build and keep up the business.

The proprietors of all such places use as an "out" that they do not know the people who may be their guests, but that is an old story and plain bunk. All cities are confronted with similar conditions which is no excuse why such miserable sinks as the Aetna should remain open. More anon.

SOAP BUBBLES BLOWN FOR PICTURE COST \$116 APIECE

Joseph M. Schenck Pays \$1,400 For 12 Bubbles For Norma Talmadge's "The Song of Love"

It cost Producer Joseph M. Schenck exactly \$1,400 for the twelve bubbles which Norma Talmadge blew for a prologue scene of "The Song of Love," Norma's drama of the Algerian Sahara, which will be shown at the Strand Theatre for one week commencing Sunday, March 16.

The \$1,400 represented the services of a troupe of Bohemian glass blowers who came to Los Angeles on Mr. Schenck's telegraphic request. The glass blowers cancelled a vaudeville engagement while playing in Omaha in order to come to Hollywood.

Gaetano Gaudio, Mr. Schenck's cameraman, decided that the soap bubbles blown by Norma Talmadge in several scenes of "The Song of Love" would not do. The scene was an important one, and it was decided to get glass blowers to make the bubbles.

And just one glass blower wouldn't do. There had to be a dozen bubbles in the air before the camera at the

same time and that meant having four or more glass blowers doing their stunt simultaneously.

So telegrams began to fly back and forth between Hollywood and New York, and later between Omaha and Hollywood. At the end of three days of telegraphing the glass blowers came west.

The glass blowers all come from Prague, in Bohemia, where even the famous glassmakers of Venice have their masters. Norma's troupe of glass blowers bubbles of different colored glass.

Their contribution to "The Song of Love" is a particularly beautiful one, for their bubbles look a thousand times better than soap bubbles.

"The Song of Love" is a drama of the Algerian Sahara. It was directed by Chester Franklin for release by producer Joseph M. Schenck through First National. Norma has the role of an Ouled Nail dancing girl.

CREATOR OF "OLD BILL" TO APPEAR AT THE ORPHEUM

Another of the Orpheum Circuit's important European attractions is to be at the Orpheum theatre next week. Capt. Bruce Bairnsfather, who made the whole world smile through its tears during the war with his cartoons of "Old Bill", appears in his vaudeville offering, entitled "Old Bill and Me."

Captain Bairnsfather is the creator of the "Old Bill" cartoons. The cartoons were the basis of the comedy, "The Better 'Ole," which flourished as a sensation London success and later duplicated its hit in this country.

Besides his vaudeville act, Capt. Bairnsfather will conduct a cartoon contest for cash prizes while he is appearing here next week. He offers \$50 in prizes to the amateur cartoonists in Omaha who will produce the best drawing on some non-political subject. The drawings should be sent to the manager of the Orpheum Theatre.

Raymond Fagan presents his symphonic dance orchestra, which has specialized in speed.

Al K. Hall, assisted by Stanley Mack, and two pretty girls, Fay Tempest and Genevieve Blair, presents his 1924 edition of the "Sap". Mr. Hall plays the part of a would-be wild country shiek who is introduced to the wiles and ways of the cabarets with doleful but humorous results.

Other acts on next week's bill are Grette Ardine & Co., in a dancing revue; Tempest & Dickson, who style themselves "Broadway's Smart Couple"; Rockwell and Fox, and R. & W. Roberts, acrobats.

Forgotten Ordinance.

An ordinance limiting the distance women's hat pins may extend beyond their hats is still on the statute books of Chicago, though long since forgotten, and probably never enforced.

"HOLLYWOOD FOLLIES" AT THE GAYETY

Much in the way of novelty with a generous share of comedy and instrumental music promises to develop during the action of Joe Hurtig's "Hollywood Follies" next week's attraction at the popular Gayety theatre starting Saturday matinee. Marty Collins and Jack Pillard are the stars of the show and they will again offer their most unique and entertaining oddities which last season proved the decided hit of "Let's Go."

These two funny fellows work not only on the stage but from the audience and even to the front door of the theatre.

Juliette Belmont, the prima donna, besides singing does some very excellent violin soloist work; Al Belasco, the juvenile, performs on the saxophone, while Marie Ward and Miles Oliver are expert accordion players. In addition to these instrumentalists there are other very talented and versatile members of the cast.

Eighteen stunning chorus girls will enliven the various scenes with their youth and beauty and contribute much effective singing and dancing in the ensembles. They have been exquisitely gowned for this elaborate offering with a dozen or more costume changes of the latest Parisian styles as well as some very startling and bizarre stage raiment.

"Hollywood Follies" is in two acts and eight scenes, many of them colorful and attractive to the eye. It is also well filled with tuneful songs and effective dances. Comedy is one of the chief ingredients of the book and more comedy will develop in the work of the talented members of the assemblage. There will be a matinee at 2:15 daily all week. Sunday's matinee starts at 3:00.



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MOTHER'S FREAK WILL LEAVES HER SON TO THE GIRL HE LOVES

Parent Makes a Pretty Girl Her Heir and Stipulates She Marry Her Son and Make A Man of Him.

This is one of the unusual episodes in William de Mille's Paramount production, "Icebound," for which Clara Beranger wrote the scenario from the Pulitzer prize play by Owen Davis. Lois Wilson has the role of the girl. Richard Dix plays the youth and Mrs. Alice Chapin appears in the part of the mother.

The theme of "Icebound" is the rebellion of youth against the severe family life on a New England farm. The youth, back from the war in France, recalls the warmth and joyousness of the French people and refuses to work the farm as generations of his people have before him. His mother's pleas are in vain and upon her death she leaves her fortune to her step-niece, with the provision that a younger woman of

charm can win him back to the family tradition.

During a party in a neighbor's barn, the youth sets it afire and faces a prison term on a charge of arson, and the girl risks her fortune to keep him free, her only condition being that he obey her commands. First a rebellious slave, then a willing helper and finally an ardent lover—these three changes are brought about by the girl through her faith in the youth.

The cast, besides those mentioned, includes Vera Reynolds, Edna May Oliver, Ethel Wales and a company of star players.

"Icebound" opens a seven day's run next Sunday at the Rialto Theatre.

CONDITIONS AT POOR FARM NOT SO BAD AS REPORTED

Based on a statement given out by a representative of the American Legion—this paper denounced in no uncertain terms, conditions as reported at the county hospital. Personally we have not made a visit to the farm in more than three years but at that time it was in deplorable condition. However more recent investigation has proven that the story was premature. As a matter of fact, last year under the administration of County Commissioner Kubat the \$100,000 wing to the hospital was completed. This is modern in every respect and now houses all the hospital cases. We expect to make a visit to the farm shortly and report to our readers on present conditions not only in the hospital but throughout the building.

CHARLEY TRIMBLE OFF TO TIA JAUNA RACE TRACK

Charlie Trimble popular secretary of the Ak-Sar-Ben Racing Association left for Tia Jauna in his annual pilgrimage for a bunch of high class bangtails for Omaha's spring races. May 31st to June 24th inclusive. It is a cinch Charlie will bring back several carloads of big money ponies.

WILLIE HOPPE TO SHOW HIS STUFF IN OMAHA

See who will be in town Saturday, Willie Hoppe champion billiardist will give exhibitions at a local parlor. Wee Willie has been champion since his 16th birthday. It will be worth your while to see this brilliant player in action.

LUCKY OLD "13"

San Francisco,—Thirteen, shunned by the superstitious, is a number associated with the luckiest events in the life of Curtis D. Wilbur, who was "drafted" last night to be secretary of navy. "As evidence that the '13' jinx is the bunk," as he remarked last night, Judge Wilbur explained. He was married on the 13th. He took his bride to live at 1313 Winifred street, Los Angeles. He was admitted to the practice of law on the 13th. He was inducted into office as chief justice of the state supreme court on January 13th. He was appointed secretary of the navy on March 13th.

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14th and Farnam for Depot	2:00
Harney Street Line	
14th and Parker to 6th St.	12:50
14th and Parker to Depots	1:00
14th and Center for 32d and Parker	1:10
Park and North 24th Streets	
14th and Farnam, East Side	1:05
14th and Farnam, West Side	1:10
14th and Farnam for Florence	1:15
14th and Farnam for Kansas Ave.	1:20
14th and Farnam for 24th and Ames	2:00
South Omaha and 42d and Grand	
14th and Farnam for West Q.	1:20
14th and Farnam for 42d and Grand	1:25
Dodge Street Line	
6th and Dodge (West)	1:20
14th and Dodge (East)	1:25
14th and Spaulding for Depots	1:40
Leavenworth and Deaf Institute	
14th and Farnam (North)	1:20
14th and Farnam (South)	1:25
Benson and Albright	
14th and Farnam for Benson	1:20
14th and Farnam for Albright	1:25
14th and Farnam for 24th and N.	1:30
Fort Crook Line	
14th and N St., South Omaha	12:10
14th and N St., South Omaha	12:15
Owl Cars	
14th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	1:50
14th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	2:00
14th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	2:10
14th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	2:45
14th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	2:50
14th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	3:00
14th and Mason to 46th and Cumins	3:00
14th and Farnam to 46th and Cumins	3:05
14th and Cumins to 10th and Bancroft	4:00
14th and Farnam to 10th and Bancroft	4:05
24th Street Cross-Town	
14th and Lake to 24th and Vinton	1:40
14th and Lake to 42d and L.	1:45
14th and L. to 14th and Vinton	1:50
14th and Howard for R. I. Depot	1:55
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