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The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.—Psalm 23: 1, 6.

EINSTEIN'S PLAN

Deserting his abstractions, his theoretical profundities, and his endless quest for knowledge of the infinite, Professor Einstein, from whom the people have expected little assistance in the solution of mundane problems, turns for the moment and gives his analysis of the present world-wide economic distress.

Such problems should be simple arithmetic to one who has solved some of the deepest riddles of the universe. He begins by rejecting most of the accepted theories. The causes, in his opinion, are not overproduction, national debts, dumping of exports on creditor nations, or the loss of foreign markets.

His theory is that machinery is the root of all the trouble. But he neither condemns nor forbids the use of machinery. He places the responsibility upon the shoulders of the industrial system, blaming industrialists for not forming a plan or program which would take these changing conditions into account.

The famous scientist recommends community control of supply and demand so the buying power of the masses will not sink below a certain minimum measured in merchandise value. He says the length of the working day and week must be flexible so as to fluctuate automatically as consumption rises or falls; and that the buying power of workers must at all times correspond with production.

He also insists that government control of industry must be limited to fixing fair prices on the products or services of enterprises which are monopolistic in character, and to the prevention of excessive concentration of capital and all artificial restriction of production and consumption.

INDISPENSABLE

Serious interruptions in telephone service occur so seldom that they serve as vivid reminders of the way in which this complicated modern civilization has come to depend upon its phone communication system.

Without thought, or question it is accepted as one of the necessities, and rightly so, for the lack of it would mean inestimable delay and discomfort, or even death in some instances.

During the severe storms of last week some lines were put temporarily out of commission; and in one sense it is a striking tribute to the excellence of phone service that people feel lost and bewildered when it is broken off.

Some people complain about the service and the rates when the phone is working, but when it is out of order they would gladly pay twice as much for service only half as good.

Americans who have visited Europe do not criticize the telephone service in this country any more. They have had such aggravating experiences with foreign telephone systems that they know how to appreciate our own.

The rest of us accept it almost as a gift of Nature, and find fault with it freely, the same as with the weather.

So it is only when something goes wrong with it that its multitudes of users stop to realize that this marvelous system of communication has been wrought into the very fiber and substance of modern life, and that it is the result of great inventive skill and the application of vast amounts of capital.

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On Mystery Trip To China

Vincent Schmidt, above, veteran war flyer, is on his way to China, where he will "tour the orient," according to the smiling story he gave ship reporters. There is considerable speculation as to the real reason for the trip. Schmidt flew an observation plane for the Second division during the World War.



In Washington

By Herbert Plummer WASHINGTON—The example set by the late Dwight Morrow of New Jersey when he entered the United States senate probably will be followed very little by the new "crop" of senators who are now making their debut on the hill.

Senator Steiwer and Representative Butler announced they intend to urge adoption at the present session of the resolution to open river improvement on the upper Columbia and on the Snake river to Pittsburgh Landing.

This resolution contemplates such improvement as will make barge navigation practicable and is estimated to cost less than \$1,000,000. This step should be taken, they said, pending what may be a long argument over the canalization plan.

Senator Frederick Steiwer of Oregon commented today that the setback suffered by the mammoth Columbia river development is expected to react favorably for the long-urged Umatilla rapids development plan.

The Oregon delegation was not available for a caucus Sunday but a meeting was expected today at which a program of work will be outlined.

Representative Butler of Oregon said "It seems to me the board has overlooked or minimized the importance of navigation on the Columbia."

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