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IS THIS WHY PRICES ARE GOING UP AGAIN?

Prof. Irving Fisher, of Yale, who is so versatile that he is an authority on economics, on longevity of humans and on prize fighters, is best known for his exhaustive and deep studies of gold as money.

It is Fisher who advocates stabilizing the American gold dollar by fixing its value as it grows plentiful or grows scarce.

He contends that when gold becomes plentiful, prices of commodities ascend. When it is scarce, prices go down.

Please note what is happening now. All prices were going down the first of the year like a lead sinker. But around about spring time floods of gold began to pour into the United States from the whole world. To date, in 1921, we have grudgingly accepted more than four hundred million of it.

And prices? They stopped falling! Bradstreet's shows that commodities at wholesale advanced over 3 per cent in July. The Department of Labor says retail prices were up from 3 to 6 per cent in nearly all the cities on August 1. Cotton is going up again. So are sugar, coffee, tea, hides, canned goods, textiles and silver.

Maybe Fisher's right.

IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

WHOSE INDIAN IS SCALPED

It makes quite a good deal of difference whose Indian is plugged full of bullet holes.

When our own savages got busy on our frontier and burned and tortured and killed right and left, American regulars, state militia men and all and sundry who owned rifles, took to the trails and didn't finish until most Indians in that general neighborhood were good Indians—good because dead.

But when the half-civilized Indians and wholly savage and fanatical Moslems of India become bloody-minded and go about assassinating, sniping, and torturing whites, the

"Friends of India" in New York, as well as all the radicals of both England and America began to talk of "self-determination of native peoples." And if England shoots up a few hundred of her murderous Indians, just as we used to shoot up the same sort in the West, these funny folks raise their voices in holy horror.

What a lot of bunk has been going the rounds the past few years in the name of sacred liberty!

SOURDOUGHS AND ALASKA FOOD

We are informed that sourdoughs from all parts of the world will gather at Dawson City shortly to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Klondike.

We never met a sourdough, but we understand they are the men who prospect for the riches of the earth, particularly gold. Anyway, at their celebration nothing but products of the Yukon will be served at their feasts. Bread from wheat grown in Alaska; vegetables, fruit, beef, pork—all raised on the soil far up towards the Arctic.

They DO grow fine wheat in Alaska, and they have NO TROUBLE raising all the fruit and vegetables they want.

Alaska is not the bleak country people think it is. Some day it will support a great population, but at present folks are not going there in any great number, mostly because the territory doesn't get enough publicity.

Brother Scott Bone, the new governor, is a newspaper man, and we have a notion that he will find a way to get the folks interested in Alaska before his term is over.

BREAD BAKING CONTEST AT HAY AND GRAIN SHOW

Because the bread baking contest for the Umatilla county girls between the ages of 9 and 18, is creating so much interest, the Home Demonstration Agent is sending out the following information for the benefit of the contestants:

The prizes are to be given for the best loaf of bread baked by the individual and exhibited the morning of September 22 at the High School in Pendleton. All of the bread that is sent in to be judged will be exhibited at the Northwest Grain and Hay Show tent from the 22nd of September to the 24th. The first prize is \$10, the second prize \$7.50, the third prize \$5.00 and the 4th prize \$2.50. The girls are not required to be club members in order to compete in this contest. In order to acquaint each girl with the method of making bread the Home Demonstration Agent, Edith G. Van Deusen, Pendleton, Ore. will send a bulletin upon request.

VIENNA TODAY

Queues of weary people lining up for hours on end for the sake of a can of cocoa, some soup, or a petticoat or skirt at one of the relief missions; school children on the streets carrying not toys nor satchels but cans or pails to hold their one daily meal to school; ex-soldiers waiting about on crutches with nothing but rags hanging upon them; tiny babies

walling all day long because of hunger, or wrapped in newspapers even in the hospitals because there are no clothes to put them into—this is Vienna today. Even the animals are better off than many of these human beings, for they at least have their fur to cover them.

I came into one house and asked why the children stayed indoors in good weather. "They have no clothes to put on," answered the weary mother.

Three university students came to our rooms and kept their coats resolutely closed, though we asked them to unbutton them in order to take their measurement. Why? They had no underclothes on underneath their coats. At a recent meeting of professors a census of shirts was taken. Not one in ten was found to have a shirt on!

All classes are suffering together. Baronesses sleep on straw; old women of seventy are dependent on foreign food for their very lives. Nine-tenths of the children are rickety or tubercular.

The other day there sat beside me in the street car a young man and woman sitting with arm locked in arm. They were white, trembling; they could hardly talk. They stared miserably into space. Obviously they had had nothing to eat for days. The young man's cheeks were hollow, his eyes sunken; his belt was tightened over his thin wasted frame. When the tram stopped he got up unsteadily, helped the girl to her feet, and, holding on to each other

WONDERS OF AMERICA

By T. T. MAXEY

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THE HOOKER OAK

A BEAUTIFUL 2,300-acre Bidwell park which, by the way, is one of the largest natural-wooded parks in the country, in the little city of Chico, California—some 180 miles northeast of San Francisco, there is a giant white-oak tree which is believed to be the largest of its kind in the world.

This ponderous monarch of the forest was named after Sir Joseph Hooker, the noted English naturalist, who, in 1877, after a close examination and considerable study, pronounced it to be larger than any of the wondrous oaks for which England was famed.

This great tree is more than 100 feet high and its circumference eight feet above the ground is 28 4-10th feet. Its longest branch extends away from the trunk for 105 feet. From north to south its branches spread an even 200 feet. The greatest circumference of its outside branches reaches the astonishing figure of almost 400 feet.

Students of freedom from near and far have come and tried every means known to science to coax this massive oak to whisper the secret of its tremendous size and unusual age, but it merely waves its branches in the gentle breeze and seems to laugh at them. So, the best they can do is to estimate its age. The consensus of opinion is that it has been on earth well nigh 1,000 years.

General William Tecumseh Sherman, of Civil war fame, gave it as his opinion that an army of 7,000 men could stand within its shade at high noon.

apparently for sheer physical support, they wormed their way to the door. On reaching it the boy took off his hat and wiped the sweat from his brow, which was dripping with the exertion.

One little tired out mother said to me: "Things are not so bad now as they were last year. I had six children then to feed and clothe, but now I have only three."

Practically no Viennese of the working or middle classes have been able to buy any clothes since 1913. What they have left now, that is not worn out or threadbare, has to go to the pawnbrokers where most of the furniture and bed linen has long since gone, in order to get food and perhaps a little fuel.

Garments received by Viennese mothers for their children today mean perhaps more joy and hopefulness than can be brought by one person to another by any other single deed. These people deserted by the world, dying in despair and loneliness. A little frock that you may send for a child means more than it seems to; it is a sign that there are people abroad who sympathize with their lot, that they are not entirely forgotten by man and God.

BULLETIN OF BOARDMAN COMMUNITY CHURCH SERVICE

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