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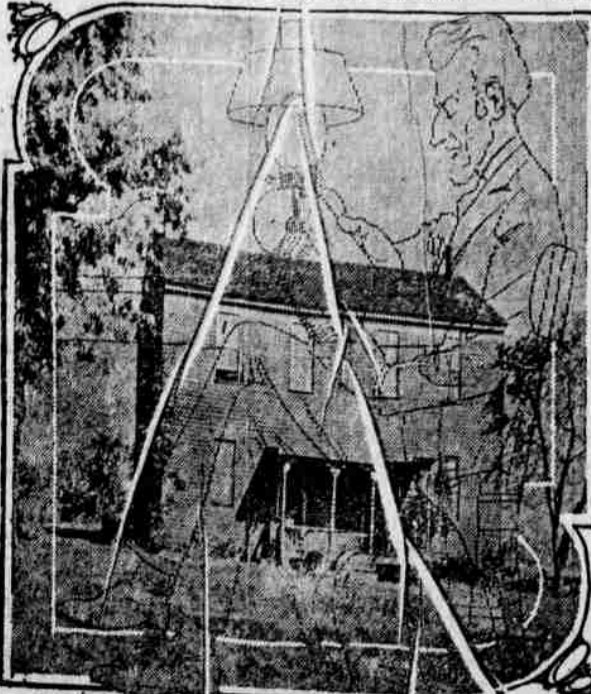
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The original old courthouse where the great emancipator, Abraham Lincoln, practiced law in Logan-co., Lincoln, Ill., still stands, an object of reverence for the residents who are doing all they can to preserve the structure as an historic relic.



OLD homely face that never knew
The steam bath's efficacious might;
Who left his features as they grew
And slumbered in them every night;
Content in conscious rectitude
The massage systems to escape,
And aids with which the modern dude
Keeps his progressive mug in shape.
Old, homely mind, by peasants trained
To know one path to honesty;
While statesmen, since his time, have gained
That goal by travelling two or three.
Old, homely soul, all unaware
That Golden Aims are up-to-date,
Only as they the duets share;
Or to the dollar mark relate.



Monmouth Meditations

Justice is not prejudiced, but the advocacy of a good lawyer helps the most just of causes.

We hear much advice in the way of buying Oregon made projects. The power company is about to go to the people with an appeal to finance home institutions. Interest paid to Oregon stockholders will remain here to the financial advantage of all.

Hoover is playing at politics with all the skill of a veteran in the game.

The prospect now is that Monmouth will not only put in the Teal Creek system under the original appropriation of \$60,000, but will have enough left to put in one or two drinking fountains on the streets of the city.

The man who accepts and follows all the advice offered in this season of flu scares is apt to succumb to the remedial rather than the ailment.

Congressman, "Pat" McArthur of Portland does not intend to be intimidated by union labor. McArthur delivered a speech in the house in January on "Anti-Strike Legislation and the Public Welfare" and now the unions are after him and have included his name in a blacklist which they have established. McArthur accepts the challenge and says he hopes the primaries in May will hinge on the question of whether this is a government by the people or by the labor unions. The unions can help him and other proscribed men out considerably by ordering a railroad strike in the near future.

The German ex-crown prince now comes forward and heroically offers himself to be tried in the place of the 900 which the allies have proscribed. Echo answers, "Why not?" We have been repeatedly told that the inhumanities practiced by the German soldiers were not so much their individual fault as the fault of the system that had been fitted upon them. We are told it is a matter of education; that the German child is given tin soldiers and a sword as toys, that their training is that of implicit obedience to the state and that the bent twig becomes a tree misshapen in its mental and moral texture. Since it is a system that is charged with a crime, why not try it in the person of the crown prince? At least, why not call his bluff.

The attention of Chairman Hays was forcibly called last week to the fact that the Republicans have on their platform committee one of New York's "wettest" and among the Democrats the attention that is being given to the new governor of New Jersey is alike significant of the fact that whatever part the league of nations will have in the coming campaign, the enforcement

of prohibition will be prominent. Both the anti-saloon league and the liquor men are on the ground and the politician who will be non-committal with them will need be adroit and dexterous. As a straw, we observe that Calvin Stewart who has been defeated for Congress about as often as anybody in the United States, now sees a glimmer of hope to spur his ambition for another trial in the first Wisconsin district. We append the following from a recent statement by him which while not exactly a literary gem will make up in ginger what it lacks in elegance of rhetoric. It is indeed an alarming prospect which his eyes are at present engaged in beholding.

"However, the danger is not so much in prohibition; people can get accustomed to that if they will. The constitution has been assaulted with a dangerous weapon, and if our congress continues to amend the constitution to satisfy every passing fancy, to convert what should be a police regulation into a constitutional amendment, just to please some certain class of individuals, then there is no reason why that some future congress may not likewise amend it by eliminating the privileges therein given to us all, to hold and to be secure in our property rights, thereby upsetting the work of our ancestors at Philadelphia, destroying our republican form of government, changing democracy to mobocracy. Therein lies the danger, for what man is able to say now what will be the outcome of a measure so drastic and radical?"

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