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BETTER OFF DESPITE PRICES

Dun's Index, which shows a figure representing the composite price of a large number of essential commodities, indicates that the cost of living in this country has risen 90 percent in the last five years. A chart prepared by the New York Tribune indicates that the average yearly pay of employees of the United States Steel Corporation has increased a

little more than 110 per cent in the same time. If these figures are accurate, they mean that the incomes of the steel men have beaten the increased cost of living about 20 per cent—that is, the men are that much better off than they were before the war.

The steel strike is not primarily concerned with wages. It is primarily a matter of principle—of recognition of organized labor and collective bargaining. Still, this comparison sheds an instructive sidelight on the strike.

It would be more instructive to have similar charts showing the relations of increased income to increased expenses in other industries, and also in non-industrial occupations.

Such inquiries as have been made along this line seem to suggest that manual workers in general, whether unionized or not, have not suffered from the high cost of living, because their wages have at least kept pace with it. There should be accurate information on the subject.

And what of the farmers? Have they fared better or been hurt by high prices? As for the "professional classes", and salaried people in general, there is little doubt that they would be found worse off, in comparison with their pre-war status, than the wage-earners.

AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.

In Belgium.



Hunger, disease and exposure were not all that Belgian children were subjected to, for enemy shells constantly dropped into what little of their country the invaders did not hold. In this picture Red Cross nurses are seen taking some of the fifty babies from the American Red Cross nursery at La Panne into a bomb-proof structure as the Germans opened fire from the sea.

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Newspaper or magazine readers and contributors may be interested in a revelation of editorial psychology made by Holbrook Jackson, an English editor. After reminding prospective contributors of the usual rules about clear writing, writing on only one side of the paper, enclosing stamps and addressed envelope for return of manuscript, etc., he gives these useful tips:

Don't write a letter of explanation to the editor. But if you do write—

Don't tell him your stuff is good—he won't take your word.

Don't tell him it is bad—bad writing needs no bush.

Don't tell him that your friends like it—he doesn't care.

Don't say that another editor advised you to send it along—that would make him suspicious.

Don't say you want to earn money by writing—he is not out to help you, but to edit his paper and pay those who help him.

Don't flatter him—editors are cynics.

Don't tell him you know his old aunt—he may hate her.

Don't ask his opinion—he may not have one.

Don't ask why he rejects your offer—he may not know.

Some of these suggestions may sound funny, but an honest editor is bound to admit that there's more truth than humor in them. Any novice who wants to write anything for publication might do well to take them into account.

THE LAND WITHOUT STRIKES

In New Zealand there have not been any labor strikes of importance for many years. Strikes are forbidden by law. There are state tribunals established for deciding all labor controversies. If a labor union walks out without referring its case to the industrial tribunal, or while the case is pending, or if it refuses to abide by the award made, its members are subject to a heavy fine.

Neither are there any lockouts worth mentioning in New Zealand, and for a similar reason. They are forbidden. The law works both ways, enforcing justice equally on employee and employer. Either party may carry a dispute to the public tribunal; neither is permitted to take matters into its own hands and tie up an industry and inconvenience the public in its private quarrel.

It is simply an extension of the principle whereby disputes between individuals have long ceased, in every civilized country, to be fought out privately by the principals, but are decided automatically by public

courts. It is the same principle that the Paris conference has sought to extend to international affairs by means of a League of Nations.

New Zealand is known as a "radical" country. Its institutions in general are considered "socialistic" rather than "capitalistic." There is no indication that either labor or capital has suffered any hardship through this rational control of industry. The nation as a whole has profited greatly, because essential justice is done. There is an unusual degree of contentment, and there is no interference with the steady production upon which a nation's prosperity depends.

Some time we may come to it in this country.

If present storage tendencies continue, nobody will ever get fresh food any more. We'll always be putting this season's output in storage and eating last year's. Which may be all right, when you once get used to the stale flavor. And it certainly is fine for the food speculator.

During the war everybody said that the conflict was stimulating religion. Now the churches report that they're losing ground. Is there no necessary connection between religion and churches, or what's the answer?

In a Roosevelt letter just published the Colonel wrote: "I have never thought that public men who were shot, whether they were killed or not, were entitled to any especial sym-

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pathy." Because most public men deserve to be shot, or why?

One of these times there may be an editors' union, and then an editor can have as short a working day as a printer or plumber or carpenter.

Every day of the big steel strike boosts the cost of living another notch for everybody.

Sombody found \$42,500 buried in a Wisconsin farm. There's more than that in 'most any farm, if the farmer only knows how to get it out.

Another headline: "More School Buildings and Higher Salaries Urged." Aw, what chance has a boy got, anyhow?

S. C. WORRELL VISITS FAMILY

S. C. Worrell of the Portland police force is in the city this week visiting his family and taking a rest from the strenuous duties of a member of the police force of the metropolis of Oregon. Mr. Worrell is highly pleased to note the pep and progress indicated on every hand in his home city.

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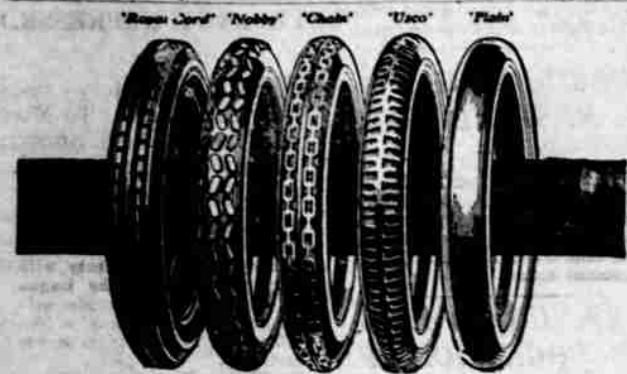
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