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FARMERS MAY BE FOOLED

A. C. Townley, president of the Non-Partisan league, predicts that the organization will carry coming elections for its collective ownership program in Minnesota and Wisconsin. While this seems doubtful the re-election of Victor Berger, Wisconsin socialist, after his expulsion from congress for disloyal utterances, is significant.

Victories for the league are also predicted in 13 other states where it is working and it is asserted that prospects are most favorable in Idaho, Nebraska and Texas.

The league stands for straight socialism and has been closely identified with the most radical elements of labor and politics for past two years. It appeals to the farmer on a class rule program which if carried to its logical end can only result in common ownership of land. So far North Dakota has been the only state in which the league could gain a foothold.

NATION WITHOUT A BREAD-LINE

"At this hour, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, there is not a bread line or public soup kitchen."

The foregoing quoted words were uttered by George M. Reynolds, president of the Continental and Commercial National Bank of Chicago, perhaps the second largest banking institution in the country.

Mr. Reynolds was talking to a staff correspondent of the Washington Star, who was visiting Chicago to ascertain the business situation and to gain the views of thoughtful men upon the treaty, politics and kindred subjects.

George M. Reynolds is a Republican and in recent years has been a heavy contributor to the Republican campaign fund. But his quoted words indicate that he is not so much a partisan that he will not admit an obvious truth, which is that America never was so prosperous.

It is not to be supposed that Mr. Reynolds' intended to deprive the Republican political leaders of their old-time campaign cry that Republican success means the full dinner pail. The fact is, however, he did that very thing and it is significant that within a few days after the appearance of the Reynolds' interview Republican chieftans announced the full dinner pail would not be numbered among the G. O. P. slogans in 1920.

"The great mass of the people are prosperous and contented," was another utterance the Washington Star correspondent credited to Mr. Reynolds. Proof of this fact was found on Christmas Day when organizations throughout the nation were unable to muster hardly a corporal's guard to partake of bounteous spreads provided for the poor.

Commenting upon the absence the bread-line, the New York World, in a Christmas editorial said:

"Not in many years, if ever, has the number of homeless and destitute persons been so small as this winter. It is an encouraging condition. Plenty of work and good pay is the general rule. With few exceptions, the cases of idleness are those who refuse opportunities to work or belong to the class of chronic lazy whom neither pride nor self-respect can urge to earn a decent living. Short of bad health or hard luck, the man out of a job and walking the streets can hope for little sympathy."

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By A.

A Day in The Shop

As soon as Mr. Hill turns off an ad, Mr. Lake, who is watching like the muchmentioned hawk, swoops upon it and carries it triumphantly away. He sets the metal on end beside the slug cutter. Disdainfully he shoves the crumpled copy, upon which Mr. Hill has dumped the ad, into his pistol pocket. He feeds the slugs with one hand, pumps the handle with the other, and clips the blank ends neatly from the type-slugs, sighing that Mr. Hill, like all typos, is so thoughtless as to set a 25 ad on a 26 1/2 slug when he could have changed liners, if he had hurried, in 30 minutes, thereby saving the floor man 4.7 minutes at least. But some day all these things will be, Mr. Lake thinks, and so he goes to the ad-alley, wiping away a tear for linotypers in general and, of course, none in particular.

So interested does he wax in the real bargains offered by Mr. Banks in Hamilton's ad that he forgets his beautiful daughters for the moment, but Mr. Lake is reminded of them forcibly when he comes across a cut of a resplendent young lady who bought her coat at Sternberg's, and he sighs for his fireside in Portland when he throws a border around the cut illustrating the Little Klean Kid in Koveralls.

He slugs out, leads out, hand-picks an occasional display line, justifies, throws on the border, ties up with string, inks, proves it up, and takes the proof to the autocrats in the front office, preferably Miss K., for she finds fewer bulls than the other proof-readers. You must know, tho, that if you spell "Theater," like that she will mark it like this: "Theater," and there are some other things you must know, likewise, one being that you must not josh her about Ernest Smith—that is, not too much; nor should you ask her, if she is 1.2 minutes late, if Peebler's Transfer has been running over her Ford again. (More later if we survive.)

Down With Autocracy

Miss K., the autocrat of the front office, lost her dignity today. A citizen came in, pulled out a fat wallet and said he wanted to "pay his prescription to the Democrat, by heck." It was then that Miss K. was seized with St. Vitus dance.

Natural History Notes

We heard via underground resources that Everett Earle Stanard had in mind the following stanza for his natural history series in his "Pep, Peperino and Allspice" column in Ye Herald. So we are beating him to it:

The beastie called ornithorychus, Is a queer little, rare little dinkus,
 He has feathers and hair
 And fins here and there,
 And a bill like a backyard duckinkus.

The musk commerce, an essential ingredient of almost all perfumes, is obtained from a sort of gland, or pouch, of the male musk deer and it is secreted only during certain seasons of the year. The musk deer is a small animal, seldom more than 22 inches in height. It is becoming more and more scarce every year, and at the present rate will eventually become extinct.



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It Was in Bennett—

A Portland pastor brands man as "nature's only fool." We guess the pastor is right, admits the Gazette-Times.

Normal Production of Sunshine—

The days are not only getting longer but are improving greatly in quality.—Register.

It Won't Go.—

Newspapers that blame President Wilson because a republican senate has failed to ratify the peace treaty are at least to be complimented on their nerve, comments the East Oregonian. But they have a hard job on their hands even with Jonathan Bourne at the publicity helm.

Let George Do It—

David Lloyd George evidently loves the Irish, since he is trying to make two Irelands grow where one feebly languished before, says the Guard.

Analyze His Chili—

One writer says he is trying through a study of the personality of Carranza to determine just what it is that Mexico needs. Approaching the matter from that angle, why not decide on a shave and a haircut, asks the Telegram.

Poor Poindexter—

"Talk tires Poindexter," a headline informs us. Now we know why he is so anxious to exchange his senatorial seat for the President's chair, exclaims the Oregonian.

Court Orders Girl Freed From School

SALEM — Holding that juvenile court officials could not commit a minor to an institution on a delinquency charge without consulting the parents and without showing a distinct violation of law, Circuit Judge George G. Bingham issued a decree Saturday by which the release of Constance Cheshire, 13, from the girls industrial school is ordered.

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