

YOUR SHARE IS \$109

THE other day Senator Borah asserted the European problem has become an American problem.

He showed that the American farmer alone, in the last three years, has lost \$8,500,000,000 because of a drop in prices due to the loss of the European market.

That's \$77.27 for each man, woman and child in the country. Europe owes the United States more than \$12,000,000,000, principal and interest, or more than \$109 for each and every single one of us.

A lot of folks insist Europe will never be able to pay you that \$109. They say you will just have to cancel the debt.

Herbert Hoover, Cabinet member, says, "No, providing—"

Providing what?

"Providing Europe can maintain peace," says he.

And how can she do that?

"There must be such political and economic readjustment between the states of Europe, as will bring about an atmosphere of peace in replacement of an atmosphere of war," says Hoover.

Every nation in Europe fears and distrusts its neighbors. They admit it. They clamor for help from the United States. They have confidence only in the United States.

An international conference, under the guidance of the United States, would bring about the happy condition Mr. Hoover speaks of, if anything in the round world can bring it about.

If Mr. Hoover is right, it means \$109 to you. If you are a married man with the average family, it means \$545 to you—your share of the European debt.

If Hoover is right, and the United States doesn't call an economic, world stabilization and disarmament conference, you not only stand to lose that \$545, but a whole lot more besides—your share of the cost of the next world war.

GOLD IS INDIAN RIDDLE

GOLD continues to flow into India at the rate of more than three million dollars a week. In the last fifty-seven years India has imported nearly three and a half billion dollars' worth of gold and silver.

What becomes of this precious metal is one of the great mysteries of world finance. Much of it is hidden—buried. If it were put to work, circulating from hand to hand in the form of credit, India would have less poverty. A lot of us have the same form of insanity—fighting to get gold for itself alone, rather than the good the gold might do. Just why people try to accumulate more wealth than they need is a psychological riddle.

STATES LAVISH SPENDERS

MORE long-term bonds were issued by American States and municipalities the first month of this year than in any previous January. The total for the one month was over \$9 million dollars, which was at the rate of more than a billion dollars a year.

Again we call your attention to the dangerous fact that the spending mania in our government is greater in the States and their subdivisions than at Uncle Sam's headquarters in Washington, D. C.

Very easy to mortgage the future. Very hard to pay off the mortgage.

LESSON IN BREAD PRICE WAR

HOUSEWIVES in Chicago, with great glee, are pinching themselves to see if they're awake. They can buy two loaves of bread for a nickel!

The low price is due to a war between two chain store organizations. One kind of war in which the average consumer does not believe in peace conferences.

What's going on in Chicago tells you more about the benefits of competition and the disadvantages of monopoly than a professor could get in a five-pound book.

IF AUTOS TRAVEL ON LEGS

A n auto that will travel on four legs instead of wheels! James William Bryan claims he has invented it. His description says the legs operate somewhat like human legs, going ahead without raising or lowering the body of the car. The speed? Bryan promises eighty-one miles an hour.

If there is anything more interesting in recent news, we failed to see it. Recalling the derision that rose when the invention of the first wheeled "horseless carriage" was announced, we play safe and leave the commenting to you. Since a horse can travel on four legs, why not a machine?

Aurora Borealis Is Result of Discharge of Electricity in Air

What is the Aurora Borealis? A luminous phenomenon seen during the night time, in the heavens, most frequently in Europe, to the north of the observer's zenith, but sometimes covering the whole sky. It is probably the result of a discharge of electricity through the atmosphere. The nature of the light is partially determined by means of the spectroscopic, which establishes the fact that it comes from luminous particles of the vapors of gases.

How is shot made? Until comparatively recently it was made by dropping molten lead, or an alloy, through sieves from a high tower into water. Now, by a recent process, shot are molded, the hot metal being run into a trough and dropped through little holes into molds, which discard the shot as soon as formed and drop them into a bed of graphite.

Two Ways of Seeing It

By BENJON BRALEY
WE live on earth a little space. And then we find out resting place. "Our life is but a little span. And death the destiny of man." We are but figures in a crowd. Each one of whom will find a shroud. "One thing is sure, one thing is clear. We'll lie at last upon a bier." "If we be sad or we be merry. Our paths lead to the cemetery." "No matter how we may behave. The one thing certain is the grave."

ALL right, all right! But why the gloom? It's true we end up in a tomb. Like all the folks who've gone before. For fifteen million years or more. Yet they got lots of labor done. And had, all told, a lot of fun. We can't remember whence we came. That's true enough, but just the same. We're here, a fact you must admit. And why not make the best of it? (Copyright, 1923, NEA Service)

When does a person attain full growth? There is no definite age. The time varies with individuals, race and sex. The average American woman attains full growth at 18 years of age; the average American male between 18 and 21 years.

When and where was Theodore Roosevelt shot? In Milwaukee, Wis., on Tuesday, Oct. 15, 1912, by John Schrank of 370 E. Tenth St., New York City. The bullet lodged in the President's right breast. Schrank was probably of unsound mind.

Who was the mother of Napoleon? Letizia Ramolino, a descendant of a good Florentine family.

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—The Editor.

Thousands of Chinese Girls Are Bartered and Sold Into Slavery in U. S.—'Victim' Tells Story

Fear of Tong Man's Gun or Dirk Seals Lips of Unfortunates Kidnaped From Homes in Orient by Highbinders.

By NEA Service

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 16.—Every horror of the slave trade in Chinese girls, which has resulted in several indictments here, is epitomized in the experiences of Lim Tsuie, a slave recently rescued.



Lim Tsuie

Of the thousands of girls who have been bought in China and brought to this country, Lim Tsuie is the first to tell her story for publication. Fear of the tong man's gun or dirk has sealed the lips of others.

Lim Tsuie's story was obtained for NEA Service by Fred V. Williams, whose exposure of the slave trade in his new novel, "Silver Flower," now being printed in the San Francisco Daily News, has created a furore on the Pacific coast.

By FRED V. WILLIAMS
Author of "Silver Flower"
THE story of Lim Tsuie is the story of 75 per cent of the Chinese slave girls in America. Every line that plows through the Golden Gate from the Orient brings its quota. They land here as "merchants' wives" and soon are swallowed in the Chinese underworld.

San Francisco is the chief slave market. Girl slaves are literally sold to the highest bidder. Their "masters" take them wherever they please.

In China their prices range from \$200 to \$2,000. Here they bring from \$2,000 to \$8,000. As a girl grows older or loses her health her value decreases. In the meantime she must earn back her price—am a profit.

At the immigration station on Angel Island there are today forty-five Chinese girls. Tomorrow a boat will leave as many more. Some of them are fated for shame and suffering. Where are they going? What will become of them?

These questions are answered by Lim Tsuie.

"I was kidnaped from my home in the Kwong Tung province in China by bandits. They sold me for \$25 to a woman in Canton who kept me as a servant until I was 15.

"Then I was sold for \$100 to a dealer in slave girls. I begged her not to send me into the resorts of Hongkong, to which shipments of girls were made from her house each week.

"This woman said she would find me a rich husband from America. I

was very happy. He came in the person of a 'Mr. Lee' from San Francisco. Mr. Lee paid \$200 and took me before the American consulate at Canton where we were married. My husband was American born and carried citizenship papers.

"I had no idea that anything but a happy home awaited me. My husband left me when the steamer docked in San Francisco and said he would call for me. I never saw him again.

"I learned afterward that he was a highbinder and that he had received \$700 to marry me and bring me to this country.

"I was at the immigration station two months when a white attorney called for me with landing papers. He said he would take me to my husband.

"He took me in a closed cab to Chinatown and left me in charge of an old woman. A friend of my husband she laughed at me and there was no husband."

"The old woman brought me a bundle of clothes and ordered me to put them on. Then she told me my doom.

"I have paid altogether \$3,600 for you, and I must get it back," she said. She promised I could buy my freedom by earning this amount. "Tonight," she added, "you must entertain my customers."

"That night I refused to work. The old woman beat me terribly and



Lim Tsuie

locked me up in a dark room with rats. By morning I was so terrified that I agreed to obey her in everything.

"My first owner sold me in six months. My second owner told me that he had paid \$4,000 for me and before I could go free I must earn that amount.

Threatened With Death

"Frequently I was told I would be killed by the highbinders if I ran away.

"My owners belonged to tongs.

These tongs employed gunmen. It was the duty of these gunmen to guard us. There have been many cases where slave girls have been murdered when they tried to flee.

"I became ill and began to lose my beauty. My owner, a member of the On Yick Tong, shipped me to Stockton. A highbinder of the Suey Sing Tong fancied me and one night, at the point of a gun, he kidnaped me and took me back to San Francisco.

"The On Yick Tong threatened with the Suey Sing Tong if the kidnaper did not return me or pay for me. A Buddhist priest in Chinatown helped raise the money and took a part ownership in me. Thereafter I worked for two owners.

"My earnings in six years as a slave girl have exceeded \$18,000—all of which my masters took. There are hundreds of girls like me, bought and sold, body and soul."

Medics Have Eyes Turned on Dr. Banting

THE world of medicine has its eyes turned today upon a young Toronto physician, Dr. F. C. Banting, discoverer of the most effective antidote for diabetes yet known.

Moderate to the point of understatement, Banting insists that "insulin," as his preparation has been called, "is not a cure." However, by its use, specialists agree that diabetes are brought back to almost a normal state in a surprisingly short time. Sufferers, even in the last always fatal condition of coma, have been restored as if by miracle.



BANTING

Wanted

By United Press
LONDON, Feb. 15.—Wanted—by Her Majesty Queen Mary—three reliable maids of honor; must be linguistic, musical, quiet in their dress, and models of discretion. Salary, \$2,000 a year. Attention having been called to the fact that the Queen has at present only one maid of honor, whereas Her Majesty is entitled to four, appointments to the three vacancies are expected without undue delay.

in the Dominion since its confederation.

In that time twenty-one women, not including the present two cases, have been found guilty of first degree murder. Executive clemency has brought about commutation of sentence for seventeen.

Garage is Entered

Investigating after seeing a colored boy run from her garage, Mrs. Mary Brennan, 2350 N. Talbot Ave., discovered two automobile tires and two lap robes valued at \$25 were missing.

Two Women Facing Noose for Murder

By NEA Service
EDMONTON, Alberta, Feb. 16.—This province within a few months may see two women stand to death by an official noose to atone for murders of which they have been convicted.

Only executive clemency now can stay the hand of the hangman reaching forth for the lives of Mrs. Florence Lassandra and Mrs. Irene May Christensen, both imprisoned in Ft. Saskatchewan jail under sentence of death.

Mrs. Lassandra, found guilty of participation in the slaying of a constable, is scheduled to mount the gallows Feb. 21.

April 4 has been set as the execution date of Mrs. Christensen, convicted of shooting her husband to death.

Will executive clemency intervene? That question is on all lips in northern Alberta. People are recalling that only four women have been hanged

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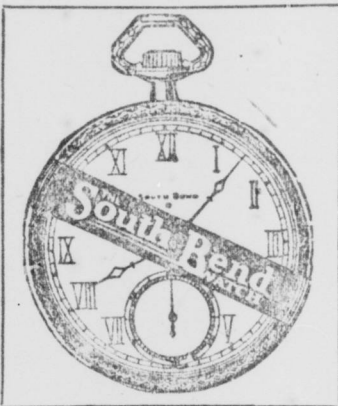
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The world gets faster. A man can get married in two minutes or drink himself to death in one.

First saxophone was made in 1846 and the evil hasn't been stopped yet.

Entirely too many people try to get the upper hand by dealing from the bottom.

"Stay at home with your cold," advises a doctor. It would be nicer if you could leave it there alone.

Home grown things usually seem the best, especially home grown girls.

Wearing old clothes is all right if you know you don't have to.



Tom Sims

H. E. JORDAN HEAD OF UTILITY MEN

State Association Selects New Officers.

Harry E. Jordan of the Indianapolis Water Company is the new president of the Indiana Sanitary and Water Supply Association, elected at the sixteenth annual meeting.

Jordan was last year's vice president. Expressing his opinion of public utilities, Jordan said the extent to which a public utility is successful is the extent to which the management takes the public into its confidence.

Other officers elected are: W. L. Younce, Newcastle, first vice president; William Luscombe, Gary, second vice president; L. A. Geunel, Indianapolis, third vice president; M. W. Miller, Lafayette, fourth vice president; H. T. Watts, Vincennes, fifth vice president; C. K. Culvert, Indianapolis, secretary and treasurer; C. J. Miller, Indianapolis, assistant secretary.

INVALID IS LEFT ALONE BY REAPER

Aged Man Mourns Sudden Death of Mate.

Life held little cheer for William A. Pierce, 66, of 330 N. Ogden St., today. His wife lay dead, while he suffered with two broken legs.

Pierce lay on his bed late Thursday and called to his wife. She did not answer. Wracked with pain he crawled from the bed to a rocking chair, then slowly worked the chair across the floor to the room where he found Mrs. Pierce dead in bed.

The old man's feeble calls for help were answered by C. E. Truitt, 317 E. Vermont St., who was passing. Mrs. Albert Snavely, 130 Spring St., a daughter is caring for Pierce.

ARKANSAS MAN FREED IN GAMBLING INCIDENT

Bail Exonerated of Blame in Fleeing of Chicagoan.

Police today exonerated Abel S. Ballew, 26, New Port, Ark., from all blame in an incident which resulted in J. D. Warren, 35, Chicago, being sentenced to sixty days on the Indiana State Farm and fined \$200 in city court.

Warren and Ballew were arrested after R. A. Hoffman, Bucyrus, Ohio, said he lost \$65 in a poker game with them in a downtown hotel. Ballew was discharged.

Ballew's grip was reported to have contained "certified checks, knock-out drops, whisky, ink eradiator and a stamp for making certified checks," but this was incorrect. The paraphernalia was found in Warren's grip, police said.

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