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Fair and somewhat cooler tonight, with heavy frost; Thursday fair with rising temperature.

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This Is Your Column
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Rise and Shine! We'll
Now Listen to Some
More Brothers.

Editor Times—

WHO is the greatest discoverer in the world—Lieutenant Erickson, the great American claimant; Thorfinn Karlsson, that of Maine; Cordova, the Yucatan; Balboa, the Pacific? None of these equals President Hoover and Senator Watson.

A great obstruction to American business blocked procedure. All discoverers, all doctors, all theologians were called in to diagnose the case, and the honor goes to President Hoover. He discovered that all the assets in America are frozen.

Jim Watson prescribed a higher tariff that would thaw this out in less than sixty days and produce prosperity, but the magic wand failed. Another pan of soap bubbles, in the form of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, also failed.

Other applications are applied, including the home bank bill, of which both Jim and the President claim to be the daddy. An application—high tariff, reconstruction, home loan bank and other programs—are failures. We still are frozen.

A. L. HUFF.

Editor Times—

In answer to the column on the front page of the News Sept. 28, entitled "Democrats are asked about tax increases," Judge Chamberlin could afford to cut his salary 25 percent for the last six months of his term to get votes this fall.

I don't blame Democratic judges for wanting the same salaries the Republicans have received for years. Maybe the Republicans don't remember when they were in power and if you were in with the gang they would make a good job for you.

SAMUEL J. LANG JR.

Editor Times—

THE Citizens Gas Company should be compelled either to surrender its charter or pay the city an annual rental charge of \$300,000 for use of streets and alleys. There then would be no cause for worry as to school teachers' salaries.

There is a budget item of \$6,000 for salaries of the so-called utility district, this being merely a political set-up to insure that Citizens gas dividends are paid on stock spread where it will do the most good for the company.

Any dividends now being paid should go into the city treasury as rental, for the gas company has no legal right to operate.

WILLIAM E. NELSON.

Editor Times—

I noticed a fellow referred to all ex-service men as "gold brickers." The appellation is right, but not in the sense he meant it. They were "bricks" which the whole German army can attest, and we all know they were of purest gold.

I notice that he, as in 1917 and 1918, still is reluctant to sign his name. Perhaps he thinks there might be another war and it is not best to make one's name too conspicuous.

He says he served his country as a civilian. No doubt, and at \$10 a day, picking up boards in some shipyard.

As for old "funny name" Powell, he will write just as convincing an article for the other side if the Scripps-Howard papers will pay him.

M. A. PRATT.

Editor Times—

REGARDING Senator Watson's speech at Peru, putting grease where the squeak is, that is good policy. Would be better to grease before the squeak began. Senator Watson did not say what or who was squeaking. Could it be Senator Watson, Mr. Shover or Indiana and her loved one?

Senator Watson has wakened up in the eleventh hour applying grease that was promised four years ago. But it has the wrong brand and directions. Labor is the source and foundation of all wealth, and we had labor when we had no banks, railroads or factories. Grease and take care of the foundation and the top or rich will take care of itself. Let grease come from the Constitution of the United States, not second hand through the moneyed power. It makes bad maters worse.

S. H. COLBERT.

Editor Times—

CAN you beat it? If it isn't Coo-Hoo, it's Rro-Hoo, until we all have taken the hoo-hoo.

Nevertheless, it's a remarkable fact that the coo has occupied a place in the President's name of every administration beginning with Woodrow in 1921, until now, twenty years in a stretch, to say nothing of Roosevelt, 1900-1908. President Harding's administration was not permitted to finish without the coo at the helm.

What can it all mean? Doomed, perhaps. At least for another four years, and with Coolidge and McAdoo in reserve we can exclaim, "Oh, Oh" from now on.

That forever should settle the question why Al Smith was not elected.

SWEDIE PETERSON.

(Other Letters on Editorial Page)

BANK CALL IS ISSUED

National and State Institutions Ordered to Make Reports.

By United Press WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—The comptroller of the currency today called on all national banks to report their condition as of the close of business on Sept. 30, 1932.

Luther F. Symons, Indiana banking commissioner, today issued a call for state banks to report their condition as of the close of business Sept. 30, 1932.

\$10,000 SUIT CHARGES LOAN FIRM ABUSE

Widow Declares Terror Tactics Used in Effort to Collect Debt.

THREATENED, SHE SAYS

Health Ruined and Business Lost, Woman Asserts in Complaint.

Charging terroristic tactics to agents of the Personal Finance Company, 34 South Pennsylvania street, in which she says they subjected her to a "back room" inquisition, "threatening and abusing her until she fainted." Mrs. Lottie McQuade, 1726 Ashland avenue, filed suit today in superior court three for \$10,000 damages from the loan company.

The suit was filed by her attorney, O. J. Boulden, 305 Holliday building. It charges that her health has been ruined and her business lost.

After 9 on the night of June 16, according to the complaint, two men drove to Mrs. McQuade's home in an automobile and "told her they had come to take her downtown."

It was rumored Insull was confined to his British citizenship would enable him to balk extradition proceedings.

'ABOLISH POVERTY, CRIME WILL DIE,' DARROW DECLARES

American Prison Association, Meeting Here, Is Told by Famed Lawyer That 'Good People' Are Real Roots of America's Evils.

"Abolish poverty and penal problems will be solved." This was the prescription offered by the American Prison Association convention at the Claypool today by Clarence Darrow, famed criminal lawyer, lecturer, author and philosopher.

He stressed the point, throughout a two-hour address, that anything short of preventing people from becoming poor is not an ultimate solution for penal and other social problems.

In opening his talk Darrow declared that the prisoner in America is the real "forgotten man." He praised the association for being one group of "good people" who devote time to them.

"Really it is the good people that worry me, not the so-called bad ones," Darrow declared.

"Nobody is so cruel as a good person."

"Our social problems come, not from bad persons, but from the smug, the respectable and the rich. They are the ones who are dangerous."

Darrow charged that it is the so-called "good people" who are to blame for retrogression in penal affairs by getting legislators to make laws calling for long minimum sentences.

"Losing Ground for Years" "We have been losing ground in human penal affairs during the last twenty-five years," he asserted.

"In the last ten years sentences have been doubled for crimes against property. This is brought about by the good people functioning through an ignorant and prejudiced legislature and urged on by an uninterested and vicious press."

"A wave of hatred is rampant. Jurors are terrified and judges are running for re-election. But the tide may change because we can even get too much vengeance."

Darrow argued that no person is to blame for his wife's acts, since persons are endowed with free will no more than "any other animal." They are purely products of heredity and environment, and the way to improvement lies through these factors, he said.

Arrest Is Demanded

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—Instructions to Toronto police to arrest and detain Martin J. Insull were telegraphed today by state's attorney John A. Swanson as one of his aids raced to the municipal airport to fly there with copies of the indictment returned against the former utilities executive.

Receivers for the Middle West utilities company, one unit of the Insull chain said today they will ask the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for a \$21,000,000 loan.

The loan will be sought, Receivers Edward N. Hurley and Charles A. McCulloch said, to liquidate \$36,300,000 in loans from five New York banks.

The grand jury charged Martin and Samuel Insull with larceny and embezzlement.

The charges involve only \$500,000—a sum which would have been pin money to the Insulls when they were undisputed business titans of the midwest.

The penalty, if they are found guilty, is from one to ten years in Joliet penitentiary.

State's Attorney Swanson accused the brothers of causing this short-sighted frenzy through attempts to regain their fortunes on the stock market.

Two of the indictments named Martin and Samuel. The other named Martin alone.

The \$300 loan was made with "all her household goods" and laundry equipment mortgaged as security, the complaint states, and the money used to meet purchase payments and current expenses.

SPRINGER PROMISES 'JOB FOR EVERY MAN'

More Dollars in Circulation Pictured as G. O. P. Success Result.

By United Press

BRASIL, Oct. 5.—"A job for every man and more dollars in circulation will result from Republican success at the polls in November," promised Raymond S. Springer, G. O. P. Governor nominee, at a rally here Monday night.

Springer did not explain how this would come about or what were his plans to fulfill the pledge.

He also pleaded for better law enforcement and urged that steps be taken to reduce taxation and pledged himself to support President Hoover in his constructive planning for the return of prosperity, he said.

When another payment was demanded in two weeks, "she gave the collector \$10 and he took her receipt book, promising to return it after checking it," but the book has not been returned to her, although she has made frequent demands for the return of it and (Turn to Page 25)

Middleton Man Is Killed

MIDDLETON, Ind., Oct. 5.—Injuries received in an automobile accident five miles southeast of Anderson were fatal to Oren Barnett, 21, Middleton. Coroner S. J. Stottlemyer is investigating.

ROOSEVELT, AL 'SHAKE'; PARTY AIDS WILD WITH JOY

By United Press

ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 5.—Alfred E. Smith, grinning, fighting and happy, shook hands with Franklin D. Roosevelt Tuesday night, urged his election as President and dramatically ended a personal feud that had nearly reunited party factions in New England and elsewhere.

It was a moment of high drama for delegates to the state Democratic convention.

The two men had been battling for two days in behalf of a mutual friend, Colonel Herman H. Lehman, the Lieutenant-Governor they wish to make Governor.

John F. Curley, boss of Tammany Hall, wanted to give the place to John Boyd Thacher, but failed to do so.

"Al, this is from the heart," Roosevelt yelled.

"Frank, that goes for me, too."

'CAN'T WE TALK IT OVER?' REFRAIN, TO TUNE OF BULLETS, SAVES WOMAN'S LIFE

By United Press

THE words of a popular song prevented the wife of a patrolman from facing a murder charge today.

For the tune of bullets, "Can't We Talk It Over," stalled the revolver hand of Mrs. Donald S. Milburn, 24, living in a downtown hotel, long enough to enable Mrs. Rose Campbell, 22, North Liberty street, to escape an alteration and the role of the bulletsexe for the gun.

Mrs. Milburn is free on bond today on a charge of shooting with

Milburn and the statement, "I'm going to shoot you."

CAN'T WE TALK IT OVER? stalled Mrs. Campbell.

"I said I was going to shoot you," angrily shouted Mrs. Milburn.

Mrs. Campbell retreated to the restaurant, "Let's talk it over," invited Mrs. Campbell.

The patrolman's wife followed,

gun in hand. Mrs. Campbell reached her own doorstep.

\$1.50 TAX TO BE ENFORCED, MAYOR TOLD

Three Members of County Board Insist Budgets Must Be Slashed.

COMPROMISE POSSIBLE

Sullivan Warns 'Absolute Collapse of Government' May Result.

Enforcement of the new \$1.50 tax limit law in Marion county appeared highly probable today as the county tax adjustment board ended its scrutiny of department budgets.

Darrow charged that it is the so-called "good people" who are to blame for retrogression in penal affairs by getting legislators to make laws calling for long minimum sentences.

Darrow argued that no person is to blame for his wife's acts, since persons are endowed with free will no more than "any other animal."

"Men in want will help themselves and they would not be worth raising if they didn't," Darrow declared.

Darrow cited his view that a house-breaker is better than a stock jobber, although the latter may be within the law.

"A man who takes his life in his hands going into a strange house at night is earning his money much more than a millionaire who rigs the stock market," he asserted.

"Persons don't break into strange houses if they have anything at home."

Officers will be elected at a business meeting at 3:45 this afternoon.

It is expected that Dr. Walter N. Thayer Jr., commissioner of correction for New York state, will be elected president, succeeding Oscar Lee, warden of the Wisconsin state prison.

Prison Labor Discussed

At the morning session, Judge Arthur D. Wood, chairman of the United States board of parolees, presided.

Prison labor from the warden's viewpoint was discussed at the Tuesday night session by Frank D. Whipple, warden of state penitentiary at Joliet, Ill.

Whipple stressed that jobs outside of prison should be considered first, and that his remarks "are not to be taken as criticism of organized labor or manufacturers."

The monotony of prison life makes it essential, however, that inmates have wholesome tasks to occupy their minds, he said.

Hospital Levy Cut

Sullivan told Darrow that as far as he, an individual member of the adjustment board, is concerned, the \$1.50 tax rate will be enforced in Marion county, Fesler declared.

Protests of the three members, Fesler declared, will prevent raising of the 1932 rate above \$1.50.

Caucuses were expected to be held by the board to arrive at a decision.

Only one, a 1/2-cent slash of the 2 1/2-cent tuberculosis hospital levy, was voted by the board.

Ohio cut only affects the county hospital at Sunnyside, where salaries of employees receiving more than \$2,000 were reduced 25 per cent. Salary of the superintendent was reduced 40 per cent.

Clear Legal Questions

Several legal questions were cleared for the