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By Hamilton B. Williams

The right of Jesus to be called the Son of God is established by His exquisite humanity. If he had failed to show an incredible courtesy to folk He would not be divine tho 20,000 angels sang a gloria.

Jesus showed the place of children in the social body when He took a child and placed him "in the midst" of His friends.

There the child is the center of all life, the foremost consideration of all philosophy, culture and religion.

"I believe in the rights of children." This is the modern apostles' creed. The child has a right to a happy childhood is the thought of Jesus who "blessed" them, wishing them happiness.

The human advance is a recognition of rights. By your recognition of human rights we validate our civilization.

On that basis let us consider our right to live. It is an acid test.

If the tyranny of business keep us from right relations to folk, let business be dethroned. Our job is to get acquainted with folk.

Better have a heart-full of folks than a heap of dollars.

Silas Marner, miser and hermit, found more joy in the little girl of sunny hair than ever his shining gold gave him. That was an investment in life which brought the usury of joy and peace and goodness. He found his life in her.

The family is the figure for religion. God the kind Father, men brothers, love the law of life, joy the outcome of all labors. We shall find ourselves only in company. Wherever a person is pass not by. He may be the angel of our paradise in whose hands is the keeping of the keys.

And whatever we do living or loving let a blazing heart be back of words and deeds.

A Christmas Song

Now God give strength you gentlemen,
For tasks your miles along.
Rough come the roads, irksome the loads,—
Lift up a song!
A merry heart's good medicine;
Gloom goes when mirth comes in.
Better than gold a gift of cheer
For all hearths everywhere,
Lord Jesus Christ was born to-day,
To take all griefs away.

Now God give grace you ladies all
To make yours' pleasant homes
With open door and joy in store.
Welcome who comes,
Better a crust and love withal,
Than feast with strife and thrall . . .
What lack that love cannot supply?
God's caravans pass by . .
Lord Jesus Christ was born to be
God's kindliest courtesy.

In David's Town of Bethlehem
To earth Lord Jesus came,
To lift the yoke from all world-folk
(Praise to His Name!)
So ladies fair and gentlemen,
Pray when He comes again,
He'll find us doing courteous deeds
Where'er a neighbor needs.
Lord Jesus Christ is born anew
When we His Spirit shew.

WASTED HOT WATER IS SO MUCH COAL THROWN OUTDOORS

Almost without exception domestic water is provided in the cities of the east by pumping plants which burn coal.

Therefore, any of the hundred ways in which we habitually and commonly waste water is a direct waste of coal.

So far as cold water is concerned, this is a very small waste indeed, but it is a much more serious matter where hot water is concerned, the United States Fuel Administration points out.

A leaky tap on a hot water pipe will waste several gallons of water—and several pounds of coal—in an hour.

SEE THAT ALL YOUR WATER PIPES AND FAUCETS ARE WITHOUT LEAKS.

A little careful supervision in the kitchen will often cut in half the quantity of hot water used, with an obvious saving in coal.

Likewise, many of us are spendthrifts when we get into a bathtub and use two or three times as much water as necessary for a perfectly good bath.

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A glass window, while it effectively keeps out the wind, allows considerable radiation of the heat from a room through the single thickness of the pane. In very cold countries double windows are the rule.

No matter how thin the window shade, if it is pulled down and held snugly against the casement, it forms an air pocket which insulates the warm room from the cold outside the same way as does the air space of the double window.

For that reason, in cold weather, pull your window shades down at night. If the curtains or hangings do not hold the shades close to the casement, pin the shades. It is not necessary to seal the shades tight against the casement, but merely to have them hang close enough so that the air will not circulate freely.

COAL PRODUCTION CUT.

The influenza epidemic cut anthracite coal production 1,000,000 tons, according to the estimates of the United States Fuel Administration. Another half million of tons was sliced from expected production when the miners joined with the rest of the country in celebrating the signing of the armistice.

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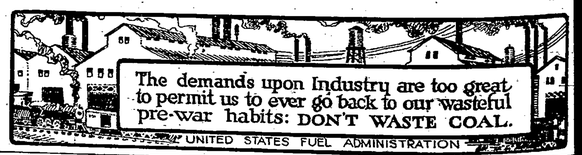

ASHES SIFTED MEANS COAL SAVED

No one would grudge wasted coal if it fell later into the hands of users, as coal on the ash jumps of New York is gleaned by the children of the East Side.

The trouble is that the five buckets full of coal which the average householder wastes each week by not sifting his ashes do no one any good.

Sift your ashes, save coal, save money, and help stretch the scant supply of anthracite this winter.

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OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From the Seat of Government by the News Special Correspondent, J. E. Jones.

WANTED — A POLICY

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21 — Congress spends considerable time debating as to whether the war is over, but that is about as far as the law-making body appears to get. The ship of state is floundering in choppy seas, and with the pilot in Europe there appears to be no way of steadying the wobbly craft.

It is doubtful if there has ever been a time when there have been so many inconsistencies in Government as now. The food and fuel administrations, which were deemed so essential, are crumbling. The War Labor Board is practically on the shelf, notwithstanding the fact that contracts for war work have been canceled, throwing vast armies of workmen out of employment and threatening the credit of many concerns that have dropped everything in order to serve their country. Government control of prices has almost passed. The total cost of the war for America up to November, was $20,500,000,000, and the capacity of Congress seems to be taxed to its utmost in finding a way for the future. The steel men and the War Industries Board have been in conference, and the result is that competitive conditions within this great industry are to be restored after January 1.

Summing up the industrial situation one finds that the whole industrial machinery of the country is being set adrift. The war industries have accepted this condition, and at the Atlantic City gathering their problems were analyzed, and remedial methods were provided as far as possible. The Government which was so all-wise in going to war offers no solution about how to get back to peace. The country is asked to accept as an excuse for holding the boys in idleness in the camps the explanation that it is done to relieve what Mr. McAdoo describes in another instance as "uncertainty and ferment."

Don't Ask Washington, If You Want to Know

A lot of good it will do to ask Washington what is to be done about things. If the President had only suggested something in his address to Congress it would have started opposition, at least. But as matters stand Washington is on the border edge between coma and cynicism. Its contrary-minded groups are prepared to oppose the ratification of the peace treaty, no matter what it may stand for. Reconstruction is principally a myth. The Capital talks about the British plan headed by a Ministry of Reconstruction, and supported by a large number of commissions. The Capital also talks about committees of the Senate and House. It talks of using existing Government agencies and Departments to some extent. But tho matters are extremely pressing, Washington hasn't shown enough initiative since the signing of the Armistice to entitle it to a paragraph on the pages of the history of Democracy. Now these statements are not politics—they are truths, and this ought to be the day of truth-telling. It is not a question of what the Democrats have done, or what the Republicans have done.

The record shows that the whole bunch of them have done practically nothing.

Wires, Rails and Wobbly Statesmen

Apparently the whole industrial establishment must shift for itself. Labor and Capital will have plenty of opportunity to solve their own troubles before the responsible heads of the Nation decide that there are any other questions affecting the human family, other than telegraphs, telephones, and railroads. The President, before he left, passed this particular buck to Congress. Mr. McAdoo has taken up the railroad problem, and he declares that he believes "that a five-year test" will give the American people the right answer regarding Government control or ownership. Mr. Burleson argues for Government ownership of the wire lines, and tells how many Postmaster Generals advocated the same thing up to 1892, but he shows how little and unfair he is by omitting in his supposedly historical statement the name of his immediate predecessor, Frank H. Hitchcock, who was bitten by the Socialistic bug, and left it in his office to get hold of Burleson when the latter stepped in. There was a spat of fuel between these two men. Hitchcock declared that he had achieved a surplus in the operation of the Postoffice Department for a calendar year. Burleson denied it, and he is now claiming similar surplus years. Nevertheless there is good reason to believe that the Department, if subjected to systems of accounting such as are imposed by the Interstate Commerce Commission, would show a steady loss.

The Railroad Administration and the Postmaster General are certainly very wobby with reference to their new responsibilities brought on by the war. Their whole plea for continued control of the great properties directed by them, is justified by the claim that they should be experimented upon, dissected, and improved in the public interests. And so Mr. McAdoo and Mr. Burleson want to continue to turn the politicians loose as a prey upon these industrials and utilities, assuming that inexperienced men of this class, most of whom have socialistic tendencies, are better equipped to lay out a course for these arteries of the Nation, than the men who have been trained to the job, and who have brought the properties along the pathway from swaddling clothes and pioneer days to increased strength and modern times.

In this problem one finds the principal responsibilities which other statesmen and politicians assume towards the multifarious affairs of the country. Many big problems seem to be overlooked entirely, and official Government appears to have lost its morale. An oculist would define statesmanship as near-sighted, since at present it seems nothing but rails, steam engines and wires. And statesmanship has no ears, apparently, for any sounds except those of the "helo girl" dots and dashes and, the whistle of locomotives. Even Democracy's stentorian voice seems choked with the flu, and the indications are that "nobody works but father"—and he's gone to Europe—bless his mission.

How Can you Reconstruct Destruction?

With the shutters pulled down in the American shooting gallery the period of taking inventories is upon us, and the balance sheet displayed at the Reconstruction Congress convened at Atlantic City tells some startling tales. When many industries have profited immensely from the war, there is also a trail of destruction, and the industrial casualty list reveals the fact that a large part of the public utilities of the United States went into the war without bullets for their guns. While Mr. McAdoo was saying the railroad situation by shooting up the charges for service thirty or forty per cent., the street railroads, lighting and power plants were struggling along under conditions that have been carrying them toward the same fate that overtook the classic one hoss shay. The sixty-three per cent. of the electric railway lines of the United States has suffered a falling off in income of eighty-two per cent for the first six months of 1918 as compared with the corresponding period of 1917. Material and labor costs have brought the utilities almost to the verge of destruction, and these important features of civic and industrial life have turned to the communities that they serve, for relief from onorous conditions. While the world talks "reconstruction," and local application of the principle seems difficult to apply, and the politicians pop up promiscously in every locality to tell the utility men that, "well, you made a bargain, now stick to it." Reconstruction to their minds is intended for Europe, Asia and Africa, or any other old place except home. The American Electric Railway Association has set on foot a movement to make an analysis of the reconstruction problems relating to local franchise, with a view of bringing about a radical revision of the existing arrangements. The stern fact that confronts the public with respect to public utilities call for a remodeling of the existing arrangements between the operators and the owners of the properties and the communities they serve, if destruction of this great national activity is to be avoided.

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Prayer Meeting Thursday evening, 7:30.

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Sabbath School following the church service.

Prayer Meeting Friday evening, 7:30 o'clock, leader, Mrs. Ida Williams.

Federated service in the Presbyterian Church.

PRESBYTERIAN

Hamilton B. Williams, Minister.

Sunday, Dec. 29, 10:30—
A sermon for the End of the Trail.

Sunday Evening, 7:30—
A sermon for the Beginning of the Road. Federated meeting.

Sunday School; Men's Brotherhood, 11:45—

Midweek Meeting, Jan. 2nd.
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Sunday School and Brotherhood at 11:45.

Epworth League at 6:30.

Evening federated service in the Presbyterian Church, at 7:30. Twice a Sunday is not too often for any one to go to church.

There will be a watch night service in this church on Tuesday evening, Dec. 31st. Program as follows:—

10:00 to 10:45 music and "Big Sing."

10:45 to 11:30 refreshments and sociability.

11:30 to 12:00 devotions.

All are cordially invited. Come and let us hail the dawn of the New Year together.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to an order of Honorable Elba Reynolds, the Surrogate of the County of Allegany, in Surogate's Court, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against Sherman G. Crandall, late of the Town of Andover, County of Allegany, deceased, are hereby required to exhibit the same, with proper vouchers, to the undersigned, the administrator of the goods, chattles and credits of said deceased, at his residence in the Town of Andover, County of Allegany, on or before the 15th day of January, 1919.

C. MILFORD CRANDALL,
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Andover, New York.

When you want to sell it put an advt. in The News.

Corning is clamoring for an investigation of conditions under which guardsmen worked along the Ashokan reservoir.

Corning purposes to erect a Liberty building to serve as a community center and as a memorial for the 1,100 men from the city who took part in the war.

Appropriations aggregating $96,858,064 will be required of the 1919 legislature, according to the tabulations completed by the legislative budget committee. This is an increase of more than $15,000,000 over the amount appropriated by the legislature of 1918.

A great demand for cattle during the reconstruction period was predicted by Charles S. Wilson, state commissioner of agriculture, in an address before the New York State Dairymen's Association. He urged the dairymen to put forth every effort to free their herds from disease.

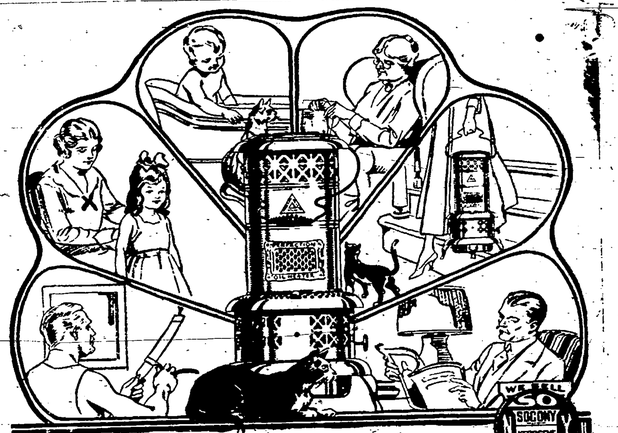
Remarkable success with war gardens this year in Rochester and suburbs was shown in a report to the food and markets sub-committee of the Monroe county defense committee. The value of the food raised by amateur gardners was placed at $558,750 against $279,188 last year.

That expectation of marked increase in delinquency due to the entrance of the United States into the war were not realized, was the fact made prominent in the annual report of the committee on delinquency of the State Probation Officers' association at a joint meeting of the association with the State Conference of Charities and Corrections at Rochester.

Lieutenant L. G. Lockwood of Company F, New York guard, of Sonyea, has been appointed military instructor for the district, which includes Mt. Morris, Avon, Geneseo, Leicester, Nunda, Dansville and Wayland. Lieutenant Lockwood will visit each of these places once during every week and all young men 16, 17 and 18 years of age will be instructed according to law.

The Anti-Saloon League of New York announced that to "protect" returning troops, it would cause to be introduced at the next session of the state legislature an "emergency" prohibition bill. The league contended that a state prohibition law is needed until July 1, when the "demobilization period" federal statute becomes operative.

The state health department has organized the bureau for the control and treatment of "social diseases," which was organized by the last legislature. Joseph S. Lawrence, M. D., has been made chief, with Dr. E. H. Marsh as consultant, and Dr. W. S. Goodale of Buffalo as organizer and inspector of hospitals and dispensaries. Two lecturers and a social service nurse complete the staff.



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