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Thomas F. Foley

IT IS a loss to the Democratic party of New York State no less than to the New York City Democracy to chronicle that Thomas F. Foley has passed on.

No one acknowledges this influence more freely and more appreciatively than Governor Smith, and his little talk with the newspaper men after Mr. Foley's death showed how profoundly Mr. Foley must have been a part of his life.

An implacable enemy and a loyal friend, Mr. Foley carried these qualities into his political life. His counsel was always sound, his judgment mature and careful and his knowledge of people unerring.

Once upon a time there lived a popular girl who thought she was neither beautiful nor attractive.

The Failing Church

NOW and then someone says the churches are slipping. The self-appointed critic frequently broadcasts his views to the effect that the churches are losing the influence that they once had and that they will never become effective until they join under one banner and put an end to the rivalry for lost souls.

But are they slipping? Do they lack the influence that they once had in the community?

These are questions that everyone will answer in his or her own way. Those who feel the need of an alibi for not supporting the church will continue to publicly proclaim, at every opportunity that the church has every opportunity, that the church has failed, but they never make bold to criticize the Christian religion for which the church stands.

The church has many grave problems to face, but they will never be solved by the fellow on the streets who feels free to judge the church as an institution, but would resent the judgment he deserves being passed on him.

However, the church still has a wide appeal for many people, despite the handicap that it has. It is still the greatest agency in the world for good because it holds continually aloft the teachings of Him who by example, showed mankind the right way to live and proved there is life beyond the grave.

Your character depends largely upon what the public doesn't know about you.

A Live Issue

THE vice president of a large public utility says that taxation is a live issue. It seems a live issue for the big corporations, but it is no less so for the smallest taxpayer.

One-seventh of the income of the American people now goes to taxes. The people are paying three times as much per capita in taxes as they did in 1912—an increase of 300 per cent. in twelve years.

There are facts that should be remembered when the legislature convenes. Most legislation increases taxes. Few laws are enacted which do not impose added expense upon the taxpayer. Few laws carrying tax levies are ever repealed. Thus the tax burden mounts.

There seems to be little prospect of lowering taxes any appreciable amount except thru making taxable the \$32,000,000,000 invested in securities, the income from which is exempt from federal taxes.

But this is the least of the evil. It has been determined that five sixths of the tax-free securities are issued by cities, counties and other local governments. Thus capital that should be invested in taxable property does not bear its share of the expense of government.

The one big problem of all government, whether federal, state, county or municipal is to reduce expenditures and increase receipts.

Economy in government which means cutting down expenses, can be accomplished only by curtailing legislation and checking the increase of tax-exempt securities, which are responsible for the mounting public debt.

The federal government can not tax the incomes derived from state, municipal and other local securities without amending the constitution. It would require a long time to add such a provision to the constitution, but such action would make local securities less inviting, even if states did not make them taxable.

The two-legged hog who used to take all the seat in the interurban or train, now takes up all the road with his automobile.

Child Labor

ADVOCATES of the child labor amendment to the federal constitution will try to force every state legislature in session this year to submit the question to a vote of the people.

Such an effort will be made in New York, but the merits of the question are little understood by the average person.

Opponents of the proposed amendments say that it would give congress jurisdiction over labor of all persons under 18 years of age and would create a new department at Washington with an army of officials raveling all over the United States telling families of good American citizens how to bring up their children and issuing permits whether boys and girls up to 18 years of age shall be permitted to labor, and under what conditions.

Advocates of the measure assert that premature child work, night work, over-long hours and hazardous employment lessen the chances of those thus forced to labor, when they are entitled to equal right with their more fortunate brothers and sisters.

Those opposed to the amendment have made much of the fact that Massachusetts recently buried the amendment under an avalanche of negative votes, but the group in favor counters by calling attention to the fact that Massachusetts and the other two states that have voted against the proposal are textile mill states, the textile mills employing more children than any other manufacturing industry in the United States.

Thus the war of words waxes hot. How it will terminate cannot now be forecast, but the sentiment seems to prevail that the regulation of child labor is largely a matter for states to determine.

The Senate is trying to solve the problem of gun elevation—and so is the man who has just been held up and robbed.

Interdependence

THERE was a time, even within the memory of some people now living, when every family was a unit. Wild game and uncultivated grains and fruits provided the food. Homespun clothes and the fur and hide of animals provided protection from the weather. Rough hewn logs and slab board shingles were the material with which the family abode was built.

But that day has gone forever. There are few men who can kill the wild game, if it were to be found, much less convert the fur and hide into wearing apparel. Men who never farmed would starve trying to produce enough food for themselves and their families, if they were left to their own resources on a farm. The art of making clothing in the home has largely been lost.

The change has brought about an interdependence that makes every business and every avocation dependent on every other one in existence.

The demoralization of agriculture that followed the boom days of the immediate post-war period is a most striking example of the dependence we have, one with the other.

There was no avenue of trade that did not feel the effects of the slump into which agriculture dropped.

But the depression taught a lesson not soon to be forgotten—that though we do not have the remotest connection with farming, we are all sensitive to its condition.

Likewise the farmer is dependent upon industry and the retail business where he finds a market for his products. If any serious trouble befalls business, the farmer likewise suffers when the demand for what he has to sell decreases and the price consequently goes down.

May we all profit from what we have learned during the past few years and be quick to come to the rescue of those who suffer a business relapse.

May we appreciate the interdependence that exists as a community and never fail to do our part, in whatever measure we are able, to restore normal conditions, when the occasion demands such action.

The accelerator is one disease contributing to the high mortality rate that is not recognized by medical science.

The First Advertisement

THE first known English newspaper advertisement appeared in the "Moderate" in 1649, and ever since the wise have been profiting from the use of advertisements.

It did not portray the advantages of the newest breeches and silk stockings or describe in lavish terms the beauties of the popular hoop skirts, but entreated the reader to "inquire after a blackish and kind of piebald nag, very poor, his face, feet and flank white, and a little white tip on his tail. He was stolen from grass from John Rotheram of Barnet, in Hertfordshire. Whoever will inquire, find him out and bring or send tidings of him, shall have what content they will for their pains."

The modern predecessor of the first advertisement is a "lost ad" which is still performing a valuable service after almost 300 years of existence.

It matters not whether a "piebald nag" or some valuable possession is lost, a "lost ad" seldom fails to get results.

Sympathy for the under dog isn't so much good sportsmanship as the memory of hurts received from some upper dog.

A Sensible Decision

AN INDIANA man was sentenced to serve ninety-seven days for non-support of his aged parents and the conviction has been upheld by the state supreme court.

It was charged, and evidently proved, that he let his parents go to the poor farm, where his mother died because he was paying for an automobile on the installment plan.

Every man is normally bound to support his parents when they are in need, if he is at all able to do so, and such treatment of men who do not recognize their obligations will meet with universal approval.

It will be much more effective, if the courts take this position, than all of the old age pension laws that might be passed, which would burden the state with the expense of supporting the aged people whose irresponsible children have lost all sense of debt they owe their parents.

J. L. Taylor's Custom-Made Clothes

A Stupendous Sale of Men's Made-to-Measure Clothes!

Free Extra Trousers WITH EVERY SUIT!

This is the best bargain in Custom-Made Clothes you have seen in years and is worth looking over

SPRING 1925 FASHION MODELS MAY BE SELECTED All Weights All Styles Strictly Made-to-Measure

James P. Cannon Company

Store Open Monday, Wednesday and Saturday Evenings

WHAT WILL HAPPEN, IF—

By SATTERFIELD



OUR CHURCHES

SEVENTH-DAY BAPTIST

Rev. Walter L. Greene, Pastor. Sabbath Services at 2:30 o'clock; sermon by the pastor. Bible School following the church service. Devotional service Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

M. E. CHURCH

Rev. A. W. MacDongald, Pastor. Sunday morning service at 10:30. Message by the pastor. Sunday School at 12 o'clock. Epworth League at 6:30 o'clock. Evening union preaching service in this church at 7:30 o'clock. The message will be brought by Rev. Walter Green.

BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

Rev. C. C. Conrad, Pastor. Morning Worship at 10:30, sermon, "A Good Place to Live." Sunday School, 11:45. Christian Endeavor, 6:15 p. m. Evening Union service in the Methodist church. This Friday evening the World Wide Guild will meet at the home of Miss Reta Stearns. All girls of the church and congregation are invited. C. E. Officers

The Christian Endeavor Society has elected the following officers: President, Miss Onnolee Hammell. Vice Pres., Inez Youmans. Secretary, Miss Loletta Lehman. Assistant Secy., Miss Edna You-

mans. Treasurer, Miss Emily Blodgett. Organist, Miss Minnie Clair. Assistant Organist, Miss Eva Rennells. Corresponding Secy., Miss Reta Stearns.

When Children Cough Act Quickly

Watch your child closely when he gets a "cold" and begins to cough. Many a case of croup and serious illness has been turned aside with a few doses of that old medicine, Kemp's Balsam. Act promptly. Don't be discouraged because ordinary cough syrups fail to help—stick to Kemp's Balsam. Just a few doses bring the relief you are looking for. Only 10 cents at all stores. For that cough, KEMP'S BALSAM

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