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BREAK THEM UP

Reform Organizations Working for Profit Are Far Too Numerous in Chicago for the City's Good

Backed by Scaly Lawyers They Skin the Unfortunate and Torture Victims of Divorce and Other Courts

Chicago is filled with legal blackmailers. Most of them operate under the name of "reform." Save the mark! Reform! The originators of most of these Chicago reform organizations are crooks long since past redemption. When they are not attacking public men they are attacking private individuals. The divorce courts are searched by them to discover some new avenue to blackmail people on account of the misfortunes of some of them. These are the people, male and female, who are giving Chicago a bad name before the world. Most of them should be in jail. Many of them should be in jail. In official quarters too many indigent lawyers are so busy searching for means to feather their own nests at the expense of human misery that nothing need be hoped for in that line. Greed, Graft and Get There are the mottoes of our blackmailing reformers. Read the list of "uplifting" organizations in the directory and you will have a faint idea of what a hive the crooked reformers form in Chicago. No wonder the Chicago Herald and Examiner in the course of a ringing editorial on April 3, 1919, said: This town doesn't need any "redeeming." Chicago is a glorious, progressive, industrious city. It is not the rat-hole, the stench pot, the crime-infested lair of license and sedition that some people who live here try to paint it. It is not Sodom, nor yet Gomorrah. It is a city with credit in the markets of the world; a city of churches; a city of spirit and pride; a city of honor and gallantry; a city of blood and iron, of energy and limitless courage and sacrifice when it is necessary to make war or pay for making war. Our town has no red light district. It is free of open gambling. Its streets know not the heel-tap of the unfortunate woman who lives a life of expediency—unless, perchance, an amateur wanders in from outside the walls. Badly as we need a zoning law and improved housing conditions, we have nothing to compare with the cartoonist's and professional sociologist's traditional idea of the "slum." The one thing the matter with this town is that it is infested with paid knockers. Some of these traducers are paid by budybodies whose systems are so full of theories about how other people should behave that they would explode if they could not work them off. And the only way they can work them off is by harassing their fellow man. Others are paid by persons well intentioned, but totally ignorant of life as it is lived by the real, red-blooded human beings. This class is, perhaps the most dangerous, because it is sincere, and in its narrow way intelligent. Still others are maintained in elab-

orate offices by interests representing great wealth, whose principals could not "get to first base" if they came out into the open daylight and tried to put over their selfish scheme upon the public. Under the cloak of "reform" they work through their hired tools—mere clerks, always men of personal respectability, but not always knowing what use is being made behind the scenes of the bacon they bring home. Now, just a word concerning the eminent citizens whose names often appear on the letterheads of these knocking so-called organizations, which are doing more to injure Chicago in the eyes of the outside world than any other agencies. This newspaper believes that most of those gentlemen carelessly lend their names to such "movements" without knowing just what their activities consist of, nor what is their effect. They believe they are doing something for the city. They are busy men. They write a check once a year, and hope it is doing some good. Had they the time to investigate they would withdraw their patronage, kick the long-haired paid promoters out of their offices and decide henceforth to do a little thinking on their own account as to what is best for the city in which their lives and their money are invested. Things have come to a pass in Chicago where if one family or one man gets a personal grudge against a public official or an institution he will engage in an incessant campaign of calumny, libel and mud-slinging against the town—against the whole 3,000,000 of us—if he believes in that way he can satisfy his personal animosities. It is time to call a halt. It is time for the people of Chicago themselves to take hold of their own city and drive into the lake the little handful of nasty calculators. It is time we jerked out a few of these slanderous tongues that are everlastingly wagging to the detriment of our city and our people. It is time we forced back into the gullets of some of the traitors in our midst a portion of the poisonous printer's ink they have been vomiting for years upon the best community of its size that God ever permitted to grow upon this earth. It is time we stifled the brazen bells of hell by which a handful of Judases among us have heralded to the world a shame that does not exist. We of Chicago are not rotten-hearted. Our town is not rotten. And we are perfectly able to work out our own destiny without the aid of a few little gangs of secretive, sneaking, kept "reformers." But it is typical of the meanness which animates the little cliques of self-appointed guardians of the 3,000,000 people who live in this city. The "reformers" never have come out to be counted, but a liberal estimate is that there are about 300 of them—one-hundredth of 1 per cent of the population. Frank Johnston, Jr., the popular Circuit judge, is respected by all classes irrespective of party. Colonel August W. Miller, clerk of the Circuit court, is popular with all classes of the people. Judge Thomas F. Scully is making a grand record in the County courts. The Oliver typewriter is growing in popularity. It is the best on the market. Judge Kiekham Scanlan, the able jurist and popular orator, is often spoken of for high political honors. Judge Harry T. Dolan has made a grand record as Municipal Judge.

WHAT THE WORLD WAR COST

Ability to Meet It Consists in Country's Productive Power Exercised to the Limit. The ultimate factor in war finance is not the dollar, but what the dollar can buy—at the moment when it is necessary to use it. The economic burden of a war is not borne by capital, that is, the stored-up savings invested in railroads, factories and banks, but by the productive power of the country, engaged in unproductive consumption. For war is waste, observes the April La Revista del Mundo. When estimating the financial ability of a nation to make war a consideration of her wealth does not tell the story, just as a consideration of population, which would give Russia the first place, would be altogether false. It is the ability a nation has to master and mobilize her dollars and send them into the trenches and make them fight, that reveals her financial power as a military nation. Germany, with her long preparation, her autocratic government machinery, was able to conscript all production for war purposes, and muss her economic strength almost as speedily as she massed her fighting men. Great Britain and the United States, not being versed in the science of war did not understand this factor. The economic resources of these countries were not mobilized and massed all at once but over more and more of the machinery of production as war needs became increasingly great. These two countries, with bulldozing, but mistaken, determination, clung to the slogan, "Business as usual," as long as it was possible to do so. The business men of those countries believed that so long as there was plenty of money in circulation every one would be able to turn to buy government bonds and thus assist in the business of war. But this fallacy is akin to the common one of mistaking dollars for wealth. The cost of the war, as nearly as it can be estimated in money, shows the national debt which each belligerent now carries ranges from 4.6 per cent of the national wealth (in Japan) to 80 per cent of the national wealth (in Hungary). How these staggering liabilities are to be met is the problem for the future; but the United States, with a debt amounting to 6 per cent of her national wealth of \$250,000,000,000 is in the favored position undoubtedly, facing unprecedented possibilities in credit expansion. Threw but Seven. The quartermaster's department in London is anything but a place of joy. It is where the effects of many thousands of doughboys, who "went West" are sent for distribution. Each outfit package or bundle or box is locked up and sent to the nearest relative. Occasionally, however, the oddity of the situation is relieved by the laughter of some returned hero who comes to the depot to announce that he is not dead and to claim his precious belongings. The other day a darkly negro appeared, wearing check gold chevrons and a wound stripe, laughing heartily at the thought of him being reported dead. As if any old "nigger" could kill him! He told a tale of terrible fighting and suffering, all the time snuffing cheerfully, and at last as how he hoped his personal effects would be located. A small package, with his name on it, was at last found and opened for final checking. It contained a wad of money and the tools which had helped to enrich the dark man—a pair of dice. There was much laughter, hearty handshakes and back slapping, when the soldier was handed the money and the African girl outfit which only threw seven.—New York Sun. Bedouin Bards. The descriptive power and fidelity of Arabic poetry in setting forth both the life of the people and the scenery of the time are remarkable. It conjures up visions of tawny brows, flowing beards, soft eyes, picturesque turbans, pawing chargers, and patient dromedaries. We seem to be there. It is the land of the date tree and the fountain, the ostrich and the giraffe, the tent and the caravan. It is the home of the slumoon and the mirage. It is the world of the desert and the stars. Hospitality waves her torch through the night to win the wanderer to be a guest. The very climate, embodiment, breath, blaze of all this is in the lyrics of the Bedouin bards. The richness of their language, and something of the character of the people who use it, are shown in the fact that it has 80 names for honey, 500 for the lion, and a thousand for the sword!—William Russell Alger. Take No Chances. The following interesting bit of information is from Safety Engineering: "Not every one understands how inflammable and explosive chlorate of potash is. One man learned in a peculiar manner. He was carrying chlorate of potash tablets in a small bottle in his coat pocket; the cork presumably became loosened and fell out. Entering a street car, he knocked the ashes from his pipe, as he supposed, and put it in his pocket. In a few moments there were spurts of blue flame, and the tablets 'went off.' For a time the man was in danger of being mistaken for an enemy alien, carrying bombs. The mystery of the explosion was solved by finding small particles of glass wedged in the clothing around where the bottle had been. Other than the shock to his own nerves and those of the passengers, the only damage was to his clothes, which were burned badly." Golden Eggs. The value of the eggs and poultry produced every year in the United States is now \$750,000,000, or more than that of all the gold, silver and diamonds produced in a year in the whole world. There are about three hens to a person, and each hen lays on an average 80 eggs a year. The best layers produce as many as 240 a year. 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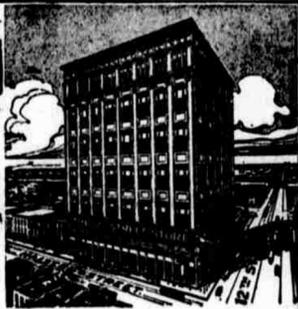
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