The Week

Simond's View of Europe

Frank H. Simonds, known throughsaved from bolshevism only by re to 1914.

war to eliminate the German junkers vaks, etc., need apply." again, and then another war against

prophecy, but he always made the army of sleuths and the dear public. prejudices of the ruling classes appear plausible and consequently got Beef Shortage in Prospect press popularity.

drive out special privilege and thus 000 head. feed and make its people prosperous | Since the raising of a good beef in for a very hard time.

Wall Street Pleased With Rail Outlook

turning the railroads to the private cattle raisers. owners on March 1 leaves little hope

into which it would divide the rai!- about lazy workmen.

March 1. Rates must go up and we poly. must make vast loans to the corporations, for Wilson and every one else Hoover's Report on Europe who has studied the matter know that private ownership is more expensive for the nation than public ownership. Business arguments were not considered in the choice.

Irish Use Proportional Representa-

Irish elections on January 15. Those propoganda. who follow the Irish question are gooccupation with martial law, has been independence.

resentatives are elected from one disone third choice vote, etc. When propinterests according to voting strength turing. Until recently only real reformers have agitated for it, but now the conservatives everywhere, including the siich house of lords, are urging it.

dicals. Here, too, wa ly have reason for general apto Irish local electionsold plan of majority-take-

their of a dearth of antihow them-

too little interest in public affairs to want to risk this questioning because of any principle connected therewith. have practically a free hand.

Credit for the inauguration of the out the world as the most popular sport really belongs to Judge Gary, writer on the great war, is now out although it looks now as if the two with a theory that Europe can be old parties were going to make a campaign issue out of the question as to establishing German militarism. This which did the more to start this new militarism would then stand between form of ocean travel. But the fact is western Europe and Russia. A tri- that Judge Gary, when pressed by the umphant German junker state, how- senate committee for the reason why ever, would absorb Russian trade steel trust employes were striking, and constitute a new menace to declared that his American employes Europe like that said to exist prior were contented and that only wicked foreign agitators caused the trouble. Surely this is not a very hopeful Naturally the trust employed a lot of prospect of salvation-a major war foreigners (raio of about 3 to 1,) bewit the Balsheviki through the Ger- cause its employment ads used to man junkers and then another world read: "Only Poles, Lithuanians, Slo-

The senate didn't take the trouble the bolshevism produced by the sec- to inquire any further because those ond world war, and so on ad infini- statesmer, in their wisdom new that tum, with the war to end war, which they had struck the pay dirt. The we thought was the last war, still far time for action had arrived. Palmer turned loose an army of sleuths great-Simonds' view of the future is that er than the total membership which held by the special-privilege classes anarchist communist and communistand the superficial people in general labor parties ever had in this country, of the allied countries. He was always and the warriors of the pen supply superficial and generally wrong in the atrocities needed to hearten this

A beef shortage for the next seven Thus with Europe as it is today years is predicted for the United bolshevism is indeed a menace to it. States. In the past year the number In two months the Soviets have of cattle slaughtered ofor interstate emerged triumphant over all outside shipment declined by 290,000 and M. force. But Europe doe'nt hav to re- F. Korine, statistician for the Chicamain as it is today. Within three go stockyards, declares that the presmonths every country in Europe can ent shortage is not less than 1,000,-

instead of beggars. Special privilege, steer is a matter of years, an immehowever, prefers war without end to diate return of conditions favorable demorcatization of trade and indus-for livestock raising will not give us try and so Europe is, as Simonds says, relef for a long time. The shortage must become much worse before it becomes better. Thousands of the old cattle raisers have taken their losses and quit the business. They will be President Wilson's proclamation re replaced only by a new generation of

Such is the price the nation will for advocates of public ownership. pay for maintaining the packing trust. Congress might conceivably do some- The farmers have already paid a thing, but it is improbable that that large part of their shares. They have body would make a fight for con- frequently, in the past summer and fall, gotten less for fat cattle than Wall street now expects the Esch they paid for lean stock to fatten bill in the house and the Cummins earlier. Such is the way the trust bill in the senate to pass. "Wall stabilizes the market. The heavier street," says a financial writer, "fav- part of the consumers' bill is in the ors the Cummins bill partly because future. Our working people will be it has the anti-strike clause and part- less and less able to eat meat, and ly because it provides for rates that with poorer food the quantity and will assure a return of 51-2 per cent quality of their work must fall off. on the aggregate values of all the rail- So it will touch the manufacturers, roads in each of the 20 to 35 groups too, and we shall hear a great deal

And let it be remembered that At-The present guarantees will be torney General Palmer agreed to let kept up for four to six months after the packers keep their meat mono-

Hoover's statement that European needs are not so bad as they ard generally painted has probably caused a good deal of surprise. Nor is there any apparent reason why Hoover should want to check any possible aid to the distressed parts of Europe unless it could be that our Proportional representation is go- government has gone as far as it can ing to have a widespread trial in local and wants to offset the "help Europe"

Outside of Armenia the former ing to watch the election closely, too food administrator sees real want for evidences of growth or decline of only in the large cities. Country dis-Sinn Fein strength. Hostile military tricts and rural towns of France and central Europe have always been selfa pretty severe test for this party of feeding, but the big cities lived largely on foreign foods exchanged for By this plan of voting several rep- manufactured products. In time of war these city people lived by wartrict and each voter has one first time manufacture, but when peace choice vote, one second choice vote) came this disappeared and the failure of the allied statesmen to bring back erly applied it gives representation in peace-time conditions at once has prethe legislature of different parties or vented the old peace-time manufac-

Perhaps Hoover has seen, too, the effects of food profiteering in Europe. As here, nearly all the governments, with the exception of Sweden and And the reason for this is evident.

coming complete overturn at coming less extent have thought more of the series elections, the conservatives secred rights of the profiteer than of at to make sure of the minority feeding their people. People have something they have starved while warehouses builded with tried to deny independent re- supplies. Everywhere the man of means can fatten himself. Perhaps it would be "socialistic" to give all s fair chance at food supplies without profiteering. Whatever people may na Fela party would probab- choose to charge against Soviet Russia, it should be admitted to its credit that it is the only European country to feed the children first. Re obtid suffering in Vienna, Galicia, Pos toward tand and Berlin are almost too ter-

> In a short time reporters from east rn papers will not dure to come west of Chicago to learn the most untrustworthy truth about the organized farmers, so terrible have the wild West atroc'ties become. But if Norm inck, Rome G. Brown or Governor surnquist so East occasinally it will act be necessary for the press boys to be expose themselves.

Gang politicians of Michigan ad-So these gods and their high priests mit that \$178,000 was spent to elect Newberry to the United States senate. The grand jury which indicted 134 of were implicitly obedient to the comthese men, including Senator New- mand of Townley. It has even chargtraitors, anarchists and destroyers of farmers' newspapers. free government have been let out on Of late all these kept papers have Eng., in the recent by-election. His the consideration of Congress. \$1,000 bail each. At the some time been reprinting from the farmers' majority was given as 12,525; Cheswere arrested, although they had cause some of the farmers' papers stituency. The question of nationali- State. Pinned to the lapel of his coat called off the coal miners' strike in have different ideas from others on zation of mines was practically the was a card on which was written: obedience to Judge Anderson's in- certain problems, it is gleefully as- sole issue. junction. Their offenses had been sumed by the kept press that the that the miners had refused to obey League is near a break-up. them. For this alleged offense their The kept press logic is dreadfully times as much as the bail fixed to hold inates the League, why should there pictures of some of the men taken in ballot, destroy the franchise of the League editors? Is Townley fighting gether with some of the detectives day that for the first time in 20 years people and overthrow popular gov- himself? ernment .- Burleigh County (N. D.) And if, on the contrary, the League

the plutocrat says he isn't.

Getting Tangled Up

It has been the constant assertion of the kept press that all the farmerowned newspapers of North Dakota

bail has been fixed at \$10,000, or 10 mussed. If Townley absolutely dom- In the Chicago papers there are feature in the Cummins bill." politicians who tried to corrupt the be these differences of opinion among the red raid on New Year's day, to-

of the kept press have to make of this phenomenon.-Fargo Courier- News.

Labor Party Wins

John Lawson, Labor party candidate, running on a platform favoring the leaders of the coal miners' union papers instances of disagreement. Be- ter-Le-Street is a typical mining con- lynched in the southern part of my

Wise Firesight

who made the raid.

. just what explanation the brethren look like criminals.-Exchange.

"Bad in Some Respects; Much Worse in Others."

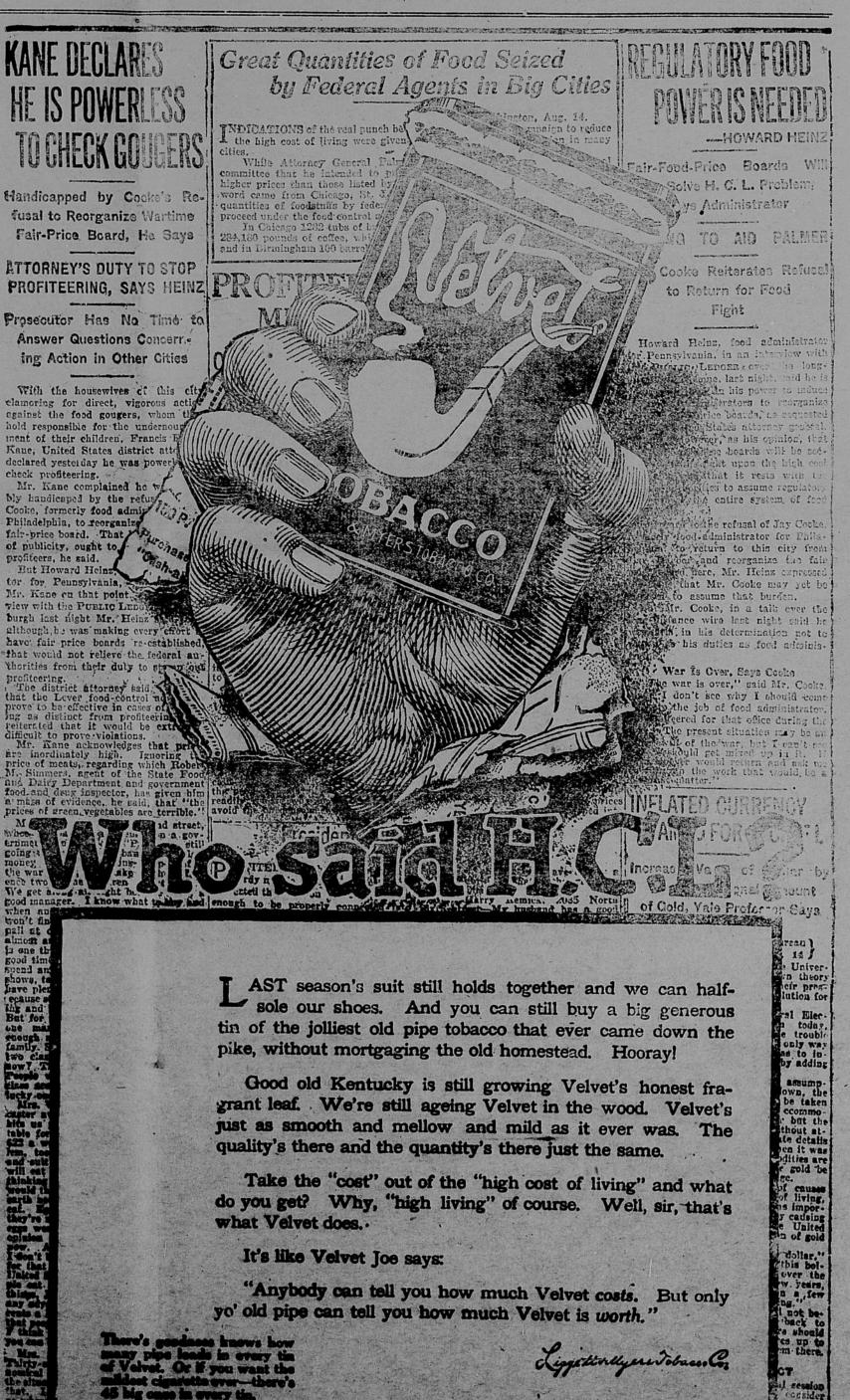
Senator Ashurst of Arizona, is entitled to first prize for the best story in connection with the notorious Cummins bill

"The truth is," said Senator Asberry, charges that \$500,000 to \$1-, ed that Townley nast approve all nationalization of industry, has been hurst in a recent review, "the Cum-000,000 was spent. These alleged editorials appearing in any of the elected to parliament from the Ches- mins bill is the most atroclous piece ter-Le-Street division of Durham, of railway legislation ever offered for

"It reminds me of a man who was 'The deceased was a very bad citizen in some respects, and a damned sight worse in others.'

"There is not a single redeeming

One woman complained the other she had been compelled, for the lack The footnotes carefully explain of a maid, to cook the family breaknewspapers are the expression of the which are the prisoners and which that fast. This cearful martyrdom will men who run them, and of the farm- detectives. This was a wise move, for, doubtless cause a vast wave of pity The plutocrat is always loyal be- ers who own them, what becomes of otherwise, unprejudiced readers to surge through the breasts of the cause the plutocrat says he is, but the the kept press charge of Townley would have made a terrible mistake, workers' wives who have been doing organized farmer is not loyal because absolutism? We are curious to know The detectives are the only ones who that for 20 years .- Devil's Lake (N.



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