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NO "LEGAL TANGLE."

The anti-"Mormon" mouthplece in this city has done everything in its power to confuse the minds of the citizens upon whom it has any influence. regarding the real issue in the case against Senator Smoot. It now follows up its devil-fish tactics by trying to make a "legal tangle" of the constitu tional arguments of Senators Knox. Hopkins, Foraker and Beveridge, "All or them." the sheet says. "carried the idea that a man legally and properly elected by the legislature of his state, and himself possessing the qualifications prescribed by the federal Constitation, could not be expelled from the Senate. And yet, all of them equally carried the idea that if Smoot had been a polygamist it would have been proper and necessary to exclude him from the This presentation of their Senate. arguments can be made for no other purpose than deceiving the dupes who take their cue from the most unreliable specimen of journalism in this country. into believing that the vote of the Senate on that case was influenced, or at least justified, by glaring sophisms. The fact is that the constitutional

argument adduced by the senators was unanswerable. There was no contradiction about it. It was consistent and logical. Senator Knox, for instance, maintained:

"The Constitution provides that the Senate shall be the judge of the qualifi-cations of its members: a majority of the Senate can determine whether or not a senator possesses them. The Con-stitution also provides that the Senate may, with the concurrence of two-thirds, expel a member."

There is no contradiction, no "legal tangle" in these two propositions. Senator Knox fully explained the position he defended. He said:

he defended. He said: "Anyone who takes the trouble to ex-mine the history of the clause of the constitution as to the qualification of senators must admit that it was the re-st of a compromise. The contention that the states should be the sole judges of the qualifications and character of acceded to with this limitation: A sen-stor must be 30 years of age: almes and an inhabitant of the state from hintations imposed by the Constitution, the states are left untrammeled in their ropit to choose their senators. This constitutional provision secures a meas-ure of maturity in counsel, and at welfare of the nation and the state."

So much for the duty of the Senate to judge of the qualifications of the senators. But their duty does not end there. Senator Knox continued:

"By another provision-namely, that relating to expulsion-the Constitution enables the Senate to protect itself against improper characters by expel-ling them by a two-thirds vote, if they are guilty of crime, offensive im-morality, disloyalty, or gross improprie-ty during their term of service."

constitutional rights of Utah, nor any one else, need to notice the impotent outbursts of anti-"Mormon" rage. will spend its fury against the rock of truth, as the storm-tossed waves against the Eddystone lighthouse. The onslaught may seem irresistible at times, but past experience teaches us to expect that, though wave after wave may break against the solid foundations they will swiftly descend on the other side, in the form of harmless

GROWTH AND EXPENSES.

Spray.

It is not so many years since the expression, "a billion dollar Congress" was used as a term of repreach of the hational legislature. Now we have a 'billion dollar" session, and close to a two billion dollar congress. It is thought that the appropriations during the present session will exceed the bil-Ion dollar mark with \$20,000,000. The appropriations of the first session of the Fifty-ninth congress aggregated \$\$79,589,185,16, making a total for the

congress of about \$2,000,000,000. Among the appropriations are \$25. 000,000 for work on the Panama canal. Increase in salaries of national reprisentatives and postal employes has been granted. For new battleships, \$20,000,000 has been granted, and the largest river and harbor hill since the establishment of the government, carrying approximately \$83,000,000, has had \$10,000,000 added in the Senate, Further, a coast artillery has been added

to the equipment of the army which will cost Uucle Sam several millions a year. In the diplomatic service several foreign ministers and representatives will have their salaries increased and \$15,000,000 has been added to the bill providing for the pensioning of veterans of the Civil war. Popular government is not, as has

been supposed by superficial observers. cheap government, but it is the best so far devised by man, and it is worth all it costs legitimately. That the country is in a position to meet such enormous obligations for government purposes, in addition to all state and local demands, is the best proof of the efficiency of government by the people. The country is growing and the expenses necessarily increase with the

PROSPECT OF PEACE.

attention

multiplying of interests that crave

The disputches from Paris say that both Moderates and Conservatives rejoice in the prospect of peace in France. The religious controversy has lasted long enough. The Prefect of the Seine seems to have consented to negotiate with the Archbishop of Paris on the subject of the contract for the lease of the churches, and this is regarded as sure to end in some satisfactory arrangement,

The churchmen ask that the parish priest be recognized as master in his own church. This has been proved necessary by the fact that radical municipalities have permitted the use of the churches for other than sacred purposes. In one locality it is proposed to hold open market in the cathedral. In another place the "maire" has undertaken to regulate matters of a purely ecclesiastical nature. The clergymen also ask that only priests in good standing, that is to say those who are commissioned by the regularly appointed bishops, he permitted to use the churches. This is made necessary by the fact that "heretics" are trying to obtain Catholic churches for the propagation of anti-Catholic doctrines.

It is earnestly to be hoped that a compromise can be effected by which the right of Catholics to worship according to the dictates of their consciences may be maintained. For that Dubois anti-polygamy amendment

for the establishment of harmony. That paper says in part: "The Statesman feels the result

"The Statesman feels the result of the case will be benchrist. The long hearing has served to call attention to the sentiment of the country, and there can be no doubt that, had Mr. Smoot been a polygamist the vore would have been far different. The hearing and the result will fend to final harmonious adjustment of all matters respecting which there have been complaints. Moreover, this re-sult draws a sharp distinction between an unlawful practice and membership in a church organization. Indirectly it serves to admonish us that the leck-lative power can be rightfully directed against practices only, not against any religious belief."

The Rigby, Idaho, Star, rather jocu-

larly aska:

"The vote in the Reed Smoot case Wednesday resulted in favor of the sen-ator retaining his seat, the same stand-ing 42 for to 25 against. Now will the short haired women and long haired menthy vociferating regarding some-thing they knew nothing of, kindly get out of the wave and his the measurement out of the way and let the procession pass?

'The Washington Herald of Feb. 1s. has an excellent synopsis of the address of Senator Knox. The closing paragraph of this article is as follows:

"Polygamy, Mr. Knox asserts, is dy-ing out in Utah. There are no more polygamous marriages. The long Smoot inquiry did not develop a single polyg-amous marriage entered into since the admission of Utah as a State. In a tew years polygamous families will be so scatce as to be objects of curiosity. It wy years polygamous families will be so scarce as to be objects of curlosity. 'As practical men,' Mr. Knox asks, 'should we not be content with that?' We think that they should, for the mat-ter cannot be bettered by thrusting out of the Schate on merely sentimental grounds a man who is responsible neith-er for the existence of polygamy nor for its temporary continuance, and who has taken an oath as senator, without any mental reservation, to uphold the any mental reservation, to uphold the Constitution and laws of the United States, including the prohibition of plural marriages contained in the com-pact with Utab under which that State

was admitted to the Union. This, we believe, is the view every well-informed, conservative citizen will take of the situation. Polygamy is an issue of the past in this State. It would not have been revived for campaign material by the conspirators, except for purposes of deception.

The Sacramento Bee says poignantly:

The Sacramento Bee says poignantly: "After fighting for three years to unseat Reed Smoot, the legally-chosen Senator from Utah, the bigots were routed yesterday when a decisive vote was taken in the United States Senate, and that body voted by 42 to 28 that Smoot was entitled to his seat. "Entitled to his seat, forsooth! There is not a single Senator there better en-titled to his seat. No scandal of any character ever attached to Reed Smoot or to his election. He is a Mormon, but not a polygamist. He has ever fought polygamy. He has Mormon, but not a polygamis. He has ever been a model husband and father, and a moral man. "And that is a heap more than can be truthfully said of a number of the Senators who bitterly fought him be-cause he dared to be a Mormon."

Charity and growling always begin at home.

It looks as though March were preparing to come in like a lion.

A Chicago man has just died from the glanders. That was a horse on him.

A man would rather loss a dollar than put a cent of extra postage on a letter.

No one ever lived who believed more in the right of petition than ex-Queen Liliuokalani.

That Madison Square Garden tower seems to have been as unclean inside as a tower of silence.

How often fond parents mistake the freshness of their children for overbrain development!

eral fuels, like the principle that "min-ble streams, should be treated as public utilities." The bill agreed on provides that "the president may from time to time cause to be leased and operated such portions of the embodying the pri-fuels, like the for cond lands of the United States public as he may deem necessary or expedient, in order to prevent the coal supply of the country from passing into the couortrol of monopolistic concerns and In der to protect the people against un-reasonable prices of fuel." The leases are to be for periods not longer than twenty-five years, and he period or company shall be permitted to operate more than 2,560 acres.

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THE RISING GOLD PRODUCTION.

Pueblo Chiertain The report from the Rand district of the Transvaal shows that the 1967 Jan-wary production of gold in this territory is considerably in excess of that for the same period of 1966. The output for the first month of this year was \$11.687,000. As the production is upward with a good deal of steadiness, month after month, the prospect is that the output is this region for the twelve months of 1907 will reach \$150.000,000, or may even exceed that figure. The Rand district is the most pro-ductive of the many world famous gold regions. During the calendar year of 1906 the mines of this district produced \$119,000,000 of the world's aggregate of Bittle more than \$400,000,000. The United States stood second with an output of The report from the Rand district of

little more than \$400,000,000. The United States stood second with an output of about \$90,000,000. (There is every indica-tion of a heavier production of the yel-low metal in the United States during the present year, so that it will not be surprising if the world's aggregate out-put for the twelve months reaches a grand total of \$425,000,000. This, however, will only be in keeping with the annual increase which has been main-tained since the end of the Boer war permitted the resumption of work in the Rand mines. During this period the average annual increment has been about \$25,000,000.

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EXCLUSION WANTED.

San Francisco Call.

San Francisco Call. What the Pacific coast wants is ex-clusion that will exclude. What the President offers is not exclusion at all, but merely a polite request to the Jap-anese to stay away. Under this ar-rangement Japanese laborers can come here if they want to come. There is no machinery provided for keeping them out. There does not appear to be any means to prevent their landing on our shores, and they can cross the border NO. shores, and they can cross the borde from Mexico or Canada without diffi ulty.

STAGE AND PUBLIC MORALS. Louisville Courier-Journal.

Louisville Courier-Journal. The public is neither so terribly vi-clous nor, as a whole, so easily led out of the paths of rectifude and into beg and morass, that two or three plays or operas will play the deuce with pub-lic morals, although they may play to crowded house until the conderna-tion of those who go to satisfy curiosi-ty and remain to be nauseated with putridity, turns the tide of popular fa-vor away from the door of her whose bouse is the way to death. Instead of prophesying evilly because the wicked seem to prevail for the moment in Stageland and the righteous are confounded, let us turn our thoughts to happior subjects and rejoice that light opera is being revived in London and will perhaps come to America ere long. ong.



N N W W **SPRING WEARABLES**

THE most interesting store news for the ladies refers to the new Spring Models and Styles that are now being displayed. Each day for the past month has brought us new, beautiful creations that add to the splendor of the displaymaking a showing of charming and exclusive Spring Wearables for Women that will please and satisfy even the most exacting

Ladies' Suits No woman will wisely

choose a spring coat or suit without first seeing the collection assembled here. The Eton suit will again be a great favorite, and the hip jacket and cut-away tailored coat -form fitting-will be exceedingly popular. We are showing a large variety of models in the staple colors-browns, navies and blacks, as well as the newest designs in dainty and exquisite novelties, stripes, checks, plaids and combination cloth and silk. Also a very beautiful variety of bretelles, semi dressy

New Coats For ladies and misses that are simply idealistic in style, make-up and effect. In novelty checks and stripes, also a large variety of Coverts-loose fitting, half tight fitting and form fitting, a splendid line, ranging in price from \$6.00 to \$25.00

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We are showing a very fine line of Ladies' separate Eton Jackets in Black Silk, and also a very handsome variety of black and colored Broadcloth Coats for ladies in tans, reds, browns and blacks.

Automobile Coats in Silk Rubber, light





This was the position of Senator Knox and the other Senators who argued the case from a constitutional point of view. 'The Senate, they said, decides by a majority vote as to the constitutional qualifications of a Senator; it can expel, by a two-thirds vote, but only when immoral, or improper conduct is proved. This is no "tangle." It is a proposition as plain as truth.

The conspirators endeavored to make a "tangle" out of the case. They asked the Senate to expel by a majority vote a member against whom no charge could be preferred except his religion. They asked the Senate to become a party to a scheme that involved the trailing of the Constitution in the dust, by bigotry. This the Senate refused, and the senators gave the reasons why they could not, without doing violence to the fundamental law of the country comply with the demands of the misguided crowd They understood clearly the danger involved in the proposition to bet the Constitution aside and invoke an of leged "unwritten law," as one of the anti-"Mormon" senators suggested. Senator Ruox said on this point:

Senator Knox said on this point: The perfection of human thery inder law will only be attained under the American Consultation when each of the dual sovereignites within its sphere exerts its powers to the attained under the states and the archicle locies they have created cease to deny and exists the rightful and full exercise of the national power over national affairs, when there are no attempts to en-croach upon the underlable peserved recoach upon the underlable peserved recoach upon the foundations of the regulit for political or personal purposes, when the foundations of the regulit for political or personal purposes, when the foundations of the regulitic for political or personal purposes when the same time attempts to en-the vexed by unnecessary legislation to be vexed by unnecessary legislation to a fue beginning, have a reasonal to a fue beast how, how reasonal to a fue to the country w

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detected and exposed. But neither the

senators who so ably defended the Senate decision will have an influence , itself. It how agrees with the president

is the real issue in France. By resolution is dead, dead as Julius Caethe agreement entered into in the year sar. Requiescat in pace. 1801, between Napoleon and Pope Plus VII, known as the Concordat, the The Texas senate has given Senator

church property confiscated during the Bailey a clean bill of health. The tears revolution, remained in the possession he shed were not idle tears. of whoever held the title, and Napoleon agreed to pay the salaries of the priests When it comes to imposing income out of the state treasury. This agreetaxes truly may it be said "they do ment was broken in 1905, when the these things better in France." French purliament passed the bill of

abolishment. By this law the control It would puzzle a Philadelphia lawof ecclesiastical buildings and property yer to trip Evelyn Nesbit Thaw. As a was given to local societies, "associawitness she is a past master at answertions cultuelles," and government paying questions.

> Sarah Bernhardt professor of dramatic art at the Conservatoire. Madame Currie professor at the Sarbonne France honors herself in honoring them.

"Judges in New York often sit on the

NATIONAL RESOURCES.

Chicago Record Herald.

Perhaps Mark Twain wears an eveof the measure, but when it involves the control of the consecrated edifices and ning suit of white broadcloth for the the worship performed therein, it is a same reason that Phineas Barnum measure of aggression against religious plowed with an elephant-to make peoliberty inspired, we have no doubt, by ple talk about him.

When it comes to high finance it is SOME COMMENTS. impossible for the layman to distinguish between investment and specula-The readers of the "News" will be tion. The lpse dixit of the high finan-

oterested in the comments of the press cler decides it in the last resort. upon the Smoot case. We append a few editorial utterances. The Ogden The Cubans want Governor Magoon to rescind General Wood's order prohibiting cock-fighting. Bad as it is, it is better than the lighting incidental to

ments were discontinued to all clergy-

men except such as were then upon the

The turning over of the church build-

ings to local societies may look inno-

ent enough on a casual consideration

anti-religious agitators.

the ordinary Cuban revolution bench without coats; counsel are bald headed and wear their ordinary office clothes." says the London Standard. As to this we cannot say but we do know that judges in New York sit in Judgment. his seat in the senate, a correspondent of the Phisburg Gazette-Times says "Senator Knox is right in his recently expressed views relative to Senator Smoot's seat. My views are: Should it be necessary to shape all things to suit the present day hypocritical religious bigotry then the proper way of proceeding would be to return a state to its former territorial condition and.

in the case of Utah, make its statehood rest on the complete obliteration affected, not the really good people. sentative is outrageous." As the direct result of President Roosevelt's special measure, sent to Congress last week, on the question of the proper treatment of the public coal

The Idaho Statesman believes the

and iron lands, the public lands com-mittee of the house has again reversed

spread on his bread, and in displeasure sight, "oleo!"

signs, "oleo?" In a cage near by a lion stops his restless movements and listens intently. Then, feeling assured that he has only dreamed that some one called him, he resumes his oscillations.-G. T. Evans in Woman's Home Companion.

Nowadays.

Teacher-"Wilfred, name some of the Vilfred-"Spelling or religious, ma'-Wilfred-"Spelling or religious, ma'-m?"-F. P. Pitzer in Woman's Home Companion.

Philadelphia Once More.

"Why do you think Philadelphia would be such a cheap place to live?" "Because we'd have no running ex-penses."—Henry Miller in Woman's Home Companion.

The Unquiet Stairs.

In a recent suit in a Cincinnati court a lawyer was cross-examining a Ger-man, the point under inquiry being the relative position of the doors, windows and so forth, in a house in which a certain transaction was alleged to have occurred.

"And now, my good man," the lawyer aid, "will you be good enough to tell he, court how the stairs run in your

nouse." The German looked dazed for a mo-ment, "How do they run?" he repeat-



Where it Belongs.

Yeast-"To what family does the prune belong? Crimsonbeak-"I don't think it belongs to any family. It is a boarding house product."-Yonkers Statesman.

