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## Man's Great Capacities

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The wealth of life-releasing top soil that lies in your garden, awaiting your planting, did not come there in a moment; rather, so geology tells us, millions of years were required in the process of grinding from the original law of the earth the soil that makes the growing of your food, and more than one estaon's crop in necessary to exhaust the life-releasing the intelligence give proton of soil. So it is with kinds relation of himself to himself and to the universe in which he lives.

Many years, reyealed through many generations of men and women, have slipped along through the hour glass of Time, to bring man up to his present level of thinking and living; especially with regard to the comforts and conveniences of his physical conditions has mankind been concerned through the centuries—perhaps paying too little attention to the cultivation of his moral and spiritual potentialities. The life of an individual of ordinary intelligence (and extra-ordinary, too) is analagous to the earth layers of geological time and to the generations of people who have preceded; we live largely in moments, moments of time with their moments of good or bad activity, and from the level of one day we find it difficult, even impossible, to view the given problem that can be solved only from a higher level. Days lengthen into years, ignorance grows into knowledge and knowledge, tinged with wisdom, mel-laws the later days of life into happiness and content-ment.

earth.

There are moments with mankind when man seems to be tottering, as some plague, famine, pestilence, or war breaks out as the natural result of man's activity, it seems to us; yet, as with the soil that cannot be stripped of its life-releasing qualities in one eason or by one crop, so will God's children be strengthend and sustained and a portion of mankind always retained upon His footstool.

It would seem, then, that the goal coaneth when mankind runs less with the strength of physical sense, and more with the strength of immortal soul.

THE DETROIT CITY COUNCIL last week passed ordinance that seeks to prohibit the sale of all food offs on Sunday, perhaps including ice cream and anuts. An interested citizen at the council metric saked if the ordinance would deal with the city and pigs, and was told "No, we have a beverage finance covering that." Personally, we feel the long as poor liquor is sold in Detroit on Sunday the youncil should balance the situation by allow-good food to be sold; the human stomach ought be given some consideration.

No need have I sweet utiliables to croon.

I had a borrowed baby for a while

Just yesterday, a roguish little boy

Of three, with such a winning baby smile.

And big dark eyes and soft brown curly locks.

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blocks,

And brought me happy dreams of outlived joy.

BEATRICE MCDONALD.

## History Repeats Itself

You who are interested in the automobile game (and who in this area in;1) will chuckle when you tead the following paragraph, taken from the Holly Heralds "22 Vears Ago" columns:

"The Automobile fad seems to be dying out in Holly, and from present indications there will be but one of the machines in town this year." C. P. Bissell sold his last fall, and F. J. Barrett expects to dispose of his in a few days, so that the one owned by Dr. Bartholomew will be the only one left in town."

That history repeats itself is seen even today in the attitude of many people toward the airphaes: some of their declarations are kindred to the Holly Heralds mistaken prophecy of 21 years ago. And please remember that the dictor of the Holly Herald, Joe Hass, was not the only person who made a mistaken on this subject: a great many Wall Street bankers did the same.

### Pedestals For Women

United States Senator Cole Blease, the gallant and chivalrous gray-haired South Carolinian, told his fellow-Senators the other day that "I am in favor of putting woman back on the pedestal where she belongs as the greatest creation of God." To which we merely add that, admitting woman is a great creation, why should she be removed from creation to a masculine manufactured pedestal that may be shattered or broken whenever it pleases the mood of the manufacturer? In spite of the popular shift with relation to main regard for women, whereby woman has been stripped of many of her gossamer trappings, some women yet remain upon the pedestal of some men's hearts and minds—for such pedestals are made by man and woman together. (Often, too, little children cluster about the base of the pedestal, helping to keep it upright and strong.)

It all DEPENDS UPON: the use to which you put a building, believes Federal Judge Charles C. Simons of Detroit, who allowed the remoyal of a padlock from the door of what used to be 1 "speakesay" that has since become a church. Evidently Judge Simons believes, that man's spiritual affairs can better 8: administered to by the Word of God than from the neck of a bottle or the edge of a stein.

COLONEL AND MRS. Charles A. Lindbergh have been spending their honeymoon among the reefs and rocks of the New England coast line, coming through with safety after a voyage of several weeks. Here's hoping that, after years of smooth matrimonial sailing in later life, this fine young couple will be able to guide their craft over all the courses that are charted upon Life's Sea.

THE BASEBALL WORLD regrets the illness of Babe Ruth, "than whom there is no (w) homer, and hopes that soon he'll be back knocking covers off Ameri-can League baseballs.

can League basebaits.

Each person is but the personification of a form of good or bad life vigor—each on earth but to become emancipated from the baser things of life to be loftier things of an earthly heaven and a heavenly earth.

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Now THAT IOWA STATE University's football team is threatened with expulsion from the Big Ten, on the basis that it pays its star athletes, it is to be der hoped that the other nine teams will remain as pure last the driven snow, for certainly college football should be kept clean for the public good.

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## A Borrowed Baby

I haven't any babies of my own.

My babies grew to childhood all too soon,

And now I have to spend, the hours alone

When school bells call my boy and girl away

Or when they scamper off to romp and play.

E'en when they're weary at the close of day

No need have I sweet lullabies to croon.

## **MILLIONAIRE'S ROW**



## WHO'S WHO AND TIMELY VIEWS

UNITED STATES DECLARED WILLING TO CUT REPARTIONS

By HENRY L. STIMSON

(Henry Levis Stimson was born at New York City, Sept.)

21, 1807. He is a graduate of Yale university and Harvard Law school, being admitted to the bar in 1831. He joined h New York law firm in 1833. From 1906 to 1909 he upits York. He was the Republican caudidate for governor in 1910 and served as secretary of war in the cabnet of President Taft from 1911 to 1913. In 1927 he was the special représentative of the president in Niceragina and later that year was manned governor general of the Philippines. He was appointed states is willing to seal down its proportion of German payments for army costs on reduced.

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vears to translate that vision into the terms of modern art." he states. "How much longer will it take to embody it in international law?" Or. Wirt then makes the prophecy that this will be done in the pres-

# Remarkable For Its Simplicity

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Central Press Staff Writer
Washington. — Senator Peter
Norbeck's analysis of the causes
responsible for recent stock market slumps is beautiful because of
its simplicity.
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ate committee on banking and curmodestly of his attainments as an
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Friendly Thoughts
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Yet there are plenty of men atill living—and not old enough to have failen into second childhood—who can remember when "dollar wheat" was the American farther's idea of almost plutoration," but we have a since then? "The beare," agrees the senator, "but when has happened ince then? "The wan who get a since then?"

"Labor," went on the South Da-kolan, "with organization and Ja-migration restrictions as its wimp-ons, has doubled its wages.
"Everything has doubled—ex-cept the farmer's pre-war invest-ment and present-day returns for ment and present-day returns for still—which means that they have been cut in two.
"Dollar wheat' is 50-cent wheat.

wheat. "That's the farm problem in a nutshell."

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