

BEE READERS' OPINIONS

Fix the Danger Spot.

Omaha, July 25.—To the Editor of the Omaha Bee: Your editorial, "Look After This Danger Spot," is a timely one. Living in that vicinity and often driving past this intersection I realize the danger which threatens even the most careful drivers.

war, which was following the precedent established by our great statesmen, Lincoln. If it were possible, surely Lincoln would rise from his grave and kick J. H. Allison for slandering him, by associating his name with that of Debs, which surely amounts to sacrilege. It is not likely that the "soul of Lincoln" will ever march with the "soul of Debs" anywhere.

OPINION

What Editors Elsewhere Are Saying

Merits of the Small College.

From the New York World. President Harding's praise of the smaller colleges as developing character through more intimate contact is uttered at an opportune time. Speaking at Muskingum college and recalling his own student days at Ohio Centre college, now merged with Muskingum, where "every student knew every other student, and every member of the faculty, the president said:

Slaves to Cars.

From the Cleveland News. Some women wear fur things around their necks on summer's hot days, no matter how idiotic the practice looks to persons not addicted to it. Some girls wear the coats of their suits from morning to night, though free to take them off. Hundreds of sweat young things wear woolen sweaters through the heat of metropolitan middays.

EXPENSE OF CITY GOVERNMENT.

The budget and proposed tax levy for the city of Omaha, which includes taxes laid for the city, school board and municipal utilities, is evidence of the growing cost of running the city. Naturally, a considerable part of the increase is chargeable to the expanding needs of the city. For example, the item for running the schools shows \$100,000 above the figure for last year, which is less than the estimated cost of taking care of the natural increase in demand on school facilities.

CAMPAIGN IN NEBRASKA.

Until the official count of the vote cast at the primary has been made and totals announced, it will be safe to assume that Charles H. Randall of Randolph has been nominated for governor. His closest opponent, Adam McMullen of Beatrice, is but 526 votes behind, and therefore it is unsafe to go on record 100 per cent on the outcome, for this margin is too precarious to build on until its consolidation has been made secure by the final canvass.

RECLAMATION MEASURE REVIVED.

The announced intention of Senator McNary of Oregon to offer his reclamation measure as an amendment to the Fordney-McCumber tariff bill renews interest in the project. Along with the announcement came the information that Senator McNary and Representative Mondell of Wyoming had buried the hatchet, which may assure the reclamation measure its chance for passage.

RENTING FARMS.

The problem of tenancy has many angles, but the one of most immediate importance is drawing up the sort of lease that gives the fairest opportunity to the tenant without injuring the rights of the landlord. A good lease is one that will encourage the tenant to maintain the fertility of the soil and to enter the life of the rural community on a basis as near permanence as possible.

On Second Thought

Laughing men are the ones who stir the world with new desires and make life worth living. The average paid daily circulation of The Omaha Bee for June, 1922, was 71,731, a gain of 12,997 over June of 1921. The average paid Sunday circulation of The Omaha Bee for June, 1922, was 77,024, a gain of 21,129 over June of 1921. This is a larger gain than that made by any other daily or Sunday paper.

Not a Legal Question.

From the New York Sun. The more or less vital questions of women's right to motor and to wear knickers in public have at last come up for judicial review. Judge McLaughlin of the county court in Broome county has ruled that neither type of conduct constitutes "vagrancy."

Immigration, a Live Problem.

From the Iron Trade Review. American industry is confronted with one of the most serious problems of the reconstruction period in the reports of which are multiplying. As mines, factories and steel works attain a higher degree of operational efficiency, the man power promises to loom up as a restrictive influence upon production.

Farmer's Courage Tried in Battle With Nature.

From the Newark News. Dull and prosaic seems the farmer's life to those of the city who know nothing of it save what they have seen in motor trips through the countryside or read in books whose picture are not so accurate. Yet it requires no great gift for imagining to see the farmers of northern New Jersey trying to harvest their July wheat in the face of every newed onslaught of rain, as an army with banners, fighting against something relentless, something menacing, that threatens to smother them from a very real possession almost within their grasp.

Tragedy of the Forest Fire.

The great fires that have been blazing for weeks in the timber of the northwest are becoming ever more menacing. Here is a genuine calamity, for, with the shortening supply of lumber, more trees are being destroyed by the flames than would have been cut in many years by the lumbermen. No matter how the fires started, the deplorable fact is that the utmost effort of fire fighters have so far been unavailing, and daily the damage is spread.

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End the Coal Strike.

Omaha, July 21.—To the Editor of The Bee: In view of the impending coal shortage and the possibility that the health and lives of millions will thereby be jeopardized during the coming winter, it strikes me that it is high time for the voice of the people to be heard through their chosen representatives in Washington demanding that the president of the United States act fearlessly and without partiality in effecting an immediate settlement of all strikes to the best interest of the majority of the workers concerned and the public in general.

Lincoln, Not Debs.

North Platte, Neb., July 23.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: The Bee this morning prints a letter, signed J. H. Allison, which refers to Debs as the "Abe Lincoln of the 20th century." Debs' name may go down in history with that of the great statesman, and his valiant march together with Vol-

Center Shots.

Maybe a golf-vidow should wear green.—Detroit News. In some neighborhoods any family that stays up after 10 p. m. is talked about in undertones.—Toledo Blade. By 1950 all a man will have to do to disguise himself as a woman will be to get a shave.—Nashville Tennessean. A man is old when he can quit a moonlight porch and retire to a hot bed without a sigh of regret.—Atlanta Constitution. Now the shimmy is said to have originated with Russian peasants wearing scratch shirts. But Russian peasants have stood for worse things than that.—Portsmouth Journal. During the freckle season Eva doubtless examined herself at intervals and wondered if she was related to the leopard.—Akron Beacon Journal.

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