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#### Still time to pray for peace.

Why hire a hall when street corners are so handy?

The short ballot is the next big reform due in Nebraska.

And the rumblings of the Balkans are still painfully audible.

Remember the Christmas ship sails for Europe in a very few days.

The local democratic camp boasts of complete harmony. All it needs now is votes.

The Boers can be especially so to Mother England just now by proceeding with their revolt.

Some higher-ups in German military affairs seem to think General von. Kluck crows too much

Those Russian Cossacks have certainly enforced the gentle policy of watchful waiting in little Balgium.

But the peaceful, warless day will come when the nations get entirely rid of the dominant brute within them.

If those Germans have any other new-fangled instruments of way under cover, now is the time to bring them out before an admiring gase.

As former President Taft says, we do not a days about the recall of judicial decisions, since it has proved to be a poor bait for votes.

#### The Veiled Language of Diplomacy. George Bernard Shaw thinks where his gov-

ernment erred in its ante-bellum negotiations with the knimer was in not "offering Germany a way out" instead of driving it "to desperation, all because it was not safe to talk frankly to the labor party and the old liberals about foreign affairs." .War, he thinks, might have been averted had England simply said to the kaiser that it stood for the Germany of Goethe and Beethoven and against that of the Iron Chancellor, pledging England's guarantee against Russia "just as heartily as we now guarantee France against you" in consideration of Germany's adoption of the peace program. This, Shaw explains, would have furnished an alternative and possibly the way to world peace.

Whether it would or not, the cogency of the plea for plain talk instead of the velled language of diplomacy, seems by now securely established. Certainly, as the British critic says, outspokenness could have caused no worse calamity than what has happened. Nations do not "beat around the buch" in discussing domestic affairs and may learn from the awful cataclysm tearing at the foundations of society the value of direct and simple terms of intercourse in matters international.

#### The Big Lawyers Are for It.

If Elihu Root and William Howard Taft, two of America's greatest lawyers, together with the president of the United States and an associate justice of the supreme court-both of these also lawyers-can afford to plead for surer and swifter justice, the elimination of useless redtape and all those devious devices that retard the machinery of the courts, surely the rank and file of the profession can well fall into line for these reforms. The significance of these appeals ought not be lost on the lawyers on or off the bench, who wink at, or engage in, the discredited shady methods.

The matter of popularizing the law and exalting the courts in public confidence and respect was discussed by the four principal speakers before the American Bar association, and Senator Root, it seems to us, struck a meynote when he said, referring to the "layman's criticism of the lawyer," that "lawyers ought to apply the rules of evidence with more regard to common sense." If the judges would take it on themselves to see that the lawyers do this, it would not only tend to popularize the law, but remove the basis for much of the prevalent contempt "for" courts. So long as the layman has the thoroughly-aroused sympathy and support of the biggest men at the bar in his criticism, however, he need not succumb to discourage-

ment

Up for Re-Election.

Of the ten nominees on the republican county ticket seven are up for re-election, their official records having been endorsed in the primary by the voters of their own party. In other words, the republicans present seven county officers as entitled to the continued confidence or the publie by reason of faithful service already ren-

dered. These candidates are: For county clerk ...... Frank Dewey Henry S. McDonald

Each of these county officers has been, and is now, conducting the public's business devolvon them, re pectively, in a manner that invites popular approval. The only effective way this approval can be manifested is for the people at the coming election to vote them commissions to serve for another term.

### The War and America

From advance Sheets of the hook on 'The Was is Europe,' by Prof. Albert Bushnell Hart of Har-vard University. Millitary Point of View.

The war cannot fail to change the point of view, both of military men and of statesmen, with regard to the nature and a'se of our military force. In comparison with the figures given in earlier chapters for foreign armies our regular force is a bagatello. The Continental United States has a population of over 100,000,000, which is about that of Germany and Haly together, but these two powers keep up peace forces which together amount to about 1,000,000 mon, while the United States army has a strength of 96,000 rank and file besides 5.000 officers.

"Our army is less than one tenth of 1 per cent of the population; we had fewer soldiers ready for in July, 1914, than Belgium, with its 9,000,000 service. people. The United States is prodical in the amount it spends for this force. The military appropriations for the last complete year were \$10,000,000, which is as much as was spent by Austria-Hungary in the anme year.

#### United States Defenses.

"It is necessary for the United States to think about its defense, because a failure to provide for the future would be a terrible calamity for the cause of popular government. We have put all our money into the bank of free government; we have assumed that the voter is bound to look out for the interest of the whole community; that the taxpayer will cheerfully make sacrifices to maintain a government which he in part controls.

'It took us a year to enlist and drill armies such It took us a year to enlist and drill armies such as appeared in Germany and France within three days of the mobilization order. In the following twelve months the Army of the Potemac four times advanced, delivered its blow, and retired to the shelter of its forts; while the French arm has been fighting in line since September 7 and still holds its ground. It was three years before the eastern army found a general who could utilize it in General Grant; the German commanders were designated and proved in suvers years before the crash came.

"Both north and south had to make generals out of middle-aged civilians; there is not an officer in any one of the European armies holding an important nommand who has not had a lifetime of military experiences

Facing Possible Ruin.

"The United States might as well awake to the fact that we shall be ruined if we have nothing better than the organization of 1865, or the organization of 1898, when a nation of 80,000,005 were able after eight weeks' delay, to send a military force of 17,000 men to take Cuba, in a state of confusion and disharmony. Otherwise the day of our great democracy will pass i for either some centralized monarchy will descend upon us with his battalions of infantry will descend of ships, aeroplanes, and submarines, every detail thought out beforehand, every contingency considered, and teach us the cost of poor preparation: or else the American people will rise and create a dictator who may save them from destruction. "Whatever the American force, large or small,

whatever the warships and forts and resiments, we must learn the lesson that in way or in peace the great results are accomplished by those who think beforehand, make preparations, accumulate materials. develop commanders and submit to the guidance of experts in all technical matters.

#### The Swins System.

"This country is not likely to adopt the idea that it can afford to give or need give two or three years out or the most productive part of a young man's life to learn the art of war; but there is much to be and for the Swiss system of universal service for brief periods, counting together to about sis monthe, and more for the officers. The Swiss are very like the Americans in their individuality and democracy and neither of those qualities has been cut down by such service. In spite of the undesirable side of barrack life, which is a severe test on a young man's morals, such a universal service would do much to set up American youth, to push back their shoulders. inflate their lungs, train their leg muscles, teach them to do what they are told, make them aware that every manchild in the world is born to perform service at the beheat of older people. It will take the hoys out of the slums and the school and the farms and the shops for a few months, show them how farse their own country is, give them the feeling that they



state-trinted Yest Books.

OMAHA, Oct. 20 .- To the Editor of The Bee: In yasterday morning's correspondence from Lincoln, The Bee quotes State Printer N. J. Ludi as saying that a new method will be pursued in legislative printing at the next session, which, he says, will cost a little more money to the taxpayers of the state.

Now, isn't it about time for the state to do its own printing? Legislators who hope to sit in the next session of the Nebraska legislature are now making speeches and promises that, if elected, they will be on guard to protect the taxpayers' pocketbooks. Isn't that the truth? And, no doubt, they mean it, too.

Well, then, in a report of the state printer of California to the State Board of Education, October 6, 1913, it is shown that in the printing of text books a savhas been made to the taxpayers of \$365,477.89, for a period of only nine months. Just take one item-the Fifth reader. The state of California manufactured it for 18.2 cents and pays a royalty of 9 cents. The book trust sells this same book to dealers at 75 cents.

What's the matter with our new form local Board of Education taking this matter up, as it seems to be a foregone conclusion that the entire ticket will be elected, and also all prospective legislators and taxpayers of the state. For information on this subject write Friend William Richardson, department printing, Sacramento, Cal., and if the university is removed to the farm site the expense of a building could be saved by converting a part thereof into a state printing office, WILLIAM MAXWELL,

#### That School Board Trial.

OMAHA, Oct. 21 .- To the Editor of The Bas: Noting that those club women who were extended the courtesy of being present at the Rusmisel trial simply as spectators, have taken the verdict from the Board of Education and, after admitting that there was no evidence against Mr. Rusmisel, express their opinion that he be punished anyway.

It is also true that one of the club women on the first day of the trial took a witness to Courtney's for lunch, paid for her lunch and coached the witness as to what to testify against Mr. Rusmisel, and on other occasions was active in securing evidence against him. These statements are borne out by sworn testi-

What sort of women must these be to harass a man against whom there was not the slightest charge that could be substantiated, who try to wreck his home and the life and health of his family? If the searchlight was turned on others for the last twenty years as it was on Mr. Rusmisel, would they have as clean a record as he? One for fair play.

MRS. C. ROBBINS.

Wants New Deal in School Board, OMAHA, Oct. 21.-To the Editor of The Bee: Public affairs ofttimes become so contaminated and unbearable that the public are forced out of shear disgust to give vent to their pent up thoughts through the public press. Never having before burdened your columns with any of my articles. I now take the liberty of asking for space to express my sentiments on an all important and vital mention confronting the people, and particularly the parents of this city.

The call to justice-loving citizens has been sent out by your great daily paper. Through its columns it has exposed the high-handed corrupt and vicious actions of our autocratic school board, controlled

#### socialists brilliant copybook maxims when the time comes for confiscation. Force

Allee-Does Maud's new gown fit her only is to rule, therefore get the power and do just exactly as you please, ac-cording to the German theory. Hoch der thick is her figure.-- Boston Transcript. When Bismarch dissolved the chambers King William of Frussia said he would do his duty to his country re-gardless of "these pieces of paper called attractive than purple pasts."-Haltimore Issein

constitutions." The present chancelor of the empire calls them "scraps of paper." Mr. Fincher, after a long study, is sure that Germany is right. It is pleasant to find one man who. In the language of the street, has got it down fine, for ig most of us it seems to be what other is a

most of us it seems to be what other isa-suage of the street would call a devil of a mess, like a general dog fight. The only safe course for all who know "Never." replied the Grouch. "She knows I am lying."-Cincinnati Enquirer. suage of the street would call a devil of what American citizonship stands for is

to wish for meccas for the self-governing principle, and to hope that as soon as

theory, she is still in the dark ages.

**Editorial Snapshots** 

New York World: The commissione

sents the odd fact of being ruled by a

WILLIAM ARTHUR.

Edgar A. Guest in Detroit Free Press. possible the Russian principle, and the Who is it clears life's paths for me? The Missus: Who's blind to faults that others seaf The Missus. Who always greets the at the door When each day's bit of work is o'er? Who laughs at jests she's heard before? The Missus. German one that the kaiser abouts for. will bite the dust. In many things Germany has led of late years; in govern-

ment, according to the English-speaking

THE MISSUS.

GRINS AND GROANS.

Grataful Fatient-By the way, I should be glad if you would send in your bill

soon. Eminent Physician-Never mind about that, my dear madami: you must get quile strong first.-Philadolphia Record.

Who puts the buttons in my shirts? The Missus: Who smiles at disappointment's hurts? The Missus. Who when the children wake at night Gets up to see that they're all right And leaves me snugly sleeping tight? The Missus.

of pensions calls attention to a reduction of nearly \$2,000,000 in pension payments-from \$174,171,660 in 1913 to \$172,417,546 in 1914 -and says bight tide has been passed. So suid President Garfield ence. He died in 1881, when the pension bill was \$50,553,495. Baltimore American: Belgium now pre-sents the odd fact of being ruled by a

sents the odd fact of being ruled by a hostile government while its own govern-ment is continuing its functions in an-other country. Outside its enemies, the world wishes the plucky little kingdom a speedy return to its own rule in its own capital.



Again there are getting to be altogether too many auto accidents on our Omaha streets. Slow down, and be careful on the crowded thoroughtares.

Martyrs to great causes have served the world well, but the average everyday need is for the follow who does the best he can in everything that comes to his hand.

Those Missourians have had to be "shown" ever since the day a band of them followed an old prairie schooner clear to the coast in an effort to determine which wheel, front or rear, made the more revolutions.

The oath-subscribed official statements of campaign funds gathered in by the committees of the several political parties operating in Nebrasks have been duly filed according to the requirements of the law. Isn't it a joke?

The pending referendum measure that is attracting least attention is the \$20,000 appropriation for an armory at Nebraska City. The poor foundling seems to be almost altogether lost because it has no paid promoters boosting for it.

The increase of the expense of the coroner's office is not to be charged to the particular incumbent, but to the foolishness of the people in retaining an office that is not at all necessary, and at that, maintaining it on the fee basis. The way to reduce this drain is to abolish the office at the first opportunity.



Thomas H. Teylor, junior member of the firm of haugh & Taylor, was married to Mias Jesuie Hurburt, the ceremony being parformed by Rev. Sher-rill, with Miss Maud Kendall as bridesmaid and Mr. Charles 5. Hell as greemanau.

Mile. Louise Armanin, the champion long distance bicycle rider of the world, is in Omaha, where she is billed for a ten-mile race against two fast horses at the Athletic park Sunday. The rides a fifty-iwa-last the Athletic park Sunday, the rides a fifty-two-inch wheel, which weighs thirty-five pounds.

Mrs. Joseph Barker received word of the death in Sait Lake of her sister, Mrs. Mary Walker, who be-fors her marriage had also resided in Omaha.

A consolidation of a couple of bands has produced the Omaha Excelsion band, with the following uffi-tors; J. W. Earfield, president and sergeant; J. Lowis, incassiver; J. S. Sappington, secretary; Charles Wash-ington, assistant secretary; George Bolden, leader; P. Malson, drum major.

Coroner Maul has decided not to enter the race for mer on the republican ticket, but will trust to the marity of his partner, John Dresel, who has been sheated on the democratic ticket.

Mr. Cliff Shears of the Palace hotel, Checkmath is setting with his uncla. Bannucl Shears of the Millard, The Guiden Fleece society of St. Mary's Avenual convergational church has resumed its monthly ses-ons, the Dopt colortainment being given at the roti-unce of Mobaci Furvis.

## Capitulation of the Colonels.

But one was out on the hills away, Far off from the gates of gold. And as soon as the "ninety and nine were

safely laid in the shelter of the fold" the cry went up louder and shriller and the search became more persistent for the lone, lost colonel. straying somewhere in the bluegrass hills and valleys of old Kentucky.

Colonel Harvey's capitulation, of course, only increased the anxiety for the return of Marse Henry, the last of recalcitrants. No coubt the New York colonel joined heartily in the search, lifted his voice lustily in the chorus of beseeching appeals, for it was not long e'er the colonel that was lost is found.

Now, what rejoleing within the camp of the democratic shepherd. Colonel Watterson, as gentle and docile as any little lamb you ever saw, came right out of the briers and bramblebushes and walked straight up to the gate of the White House when he heard that last plaintive cry, and now all is joy and gladness. There will be no more naughty double-column editorials in the Courier-Journal making fun of a mere professor, who, by the shift of strange fortune, is lifted from the presidency of a collage to that of the nation. Another cold winter is ahead. All hands must turn in and help, Even the one-term plank is split up for fuel. It is only two years till another campaign rolls round. Lot it be said of every democratio colonel, "He seen his duty and done it."

The man voting the straight party circle ticket at the coming election here in Omaha will still, to express himself on all offices and measures on the ballot, have to make twelve crossmarks. And if he is not disposed to gulp down his party ticket whole, he will have to make sixty-nine crossmarks to record himself on each office or measure separately. Does anyone deny the need for a short ballot?

A contributor congratulates the democratic local organ "for the way you show the citizens of Douglas county how they are being held up by the republican county officials." Yes, but which hold-up, the \$50,000 jail feeding graft sought to be perpetrated by the democratic sheriff, or the insanity fee grab tried out by the inst democratic district court clark and imitated by his successor?

President Wilson excuses the failure of the democratic congress to complete action for rural credits, but does not undertake to explain the subterfuge of introducing prolonged discussion of the old Philippine government bill at an extra session of congress.

It may become necessary to have two sets of railway officials, one to run the railway and the other to attend hearings .- St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Well, in the old days there were two sets, one to run the road, the other to run its

fonne. If the opean way directs the United States toward that rse, it will not have been altogether evil."

# Twice Told Tales

#### Little Willie's Frankness.

They were speaking of the frankness of the rising generation at a social affair the other afternoon when this story was told by Edna Ferber; the authoresa: Some time ago Percy Claude called at the home of his heautiful beloved, and while waiting patiently for her to appear little brother Willie bulged into the

"Come here a minute, Willie," happily remarked the young man. 'I am going to tell you a very great RAUPHL.

"All right, Mr. Smith," responded the youngster, over to the caller. "Let her slide!"

"At the garden party last night." softly confided Percy Claude. "I proposed to your sister, and she has ited to marry me. Doesn't that amaze you?"

"Well, I should say not!" was the startling re-joinder of Willie. "That's what mamma gave the party for."-Philadelphia Telegraph.

#### A Troubled Conscience.

There flourishes in a Washington office building a colored janitor who is very conscientious. One day comeone passed him a counterfeit bill. When pro someone passed him a countertest bill. When pre-senting this bill to the superintendent he discovered that it was had and he became greatly excited. He would know, if he saw him again, the man who had swindled him, and day after day he would stand in When preront of the building in the hope of catching the rascal going by . The superintendent several weeks later happened

to think of the janitor's counterfeit and asked him if he had succeeded in finding the man who had cheated him

said the janitor, "de man dat give me de bill he ain't never come around no more. But the difference? Home days, suh, I thinks de bill is good and some days I think it's bad. So I am waitin' for one of dem days when I thinks it's good, and then I passes it out."Pittaburgh Chronicle-Telegraph,

## People and Events

The Angient and Honorable Artillery company of Boston, 277 years old, attacked Philadelphia last week and for three days bombarded the commissary denariment of the City Troop. The latter, on surrender, were accorded all the honors of generous hosts.

A new table syrup which the agricultural department is perfecting will be ready for business about the time buckwheat cakes are blooming. The govcomment experts will spare neither time nor calarie in inceasing the joy of living on the sunny side of the Atlantic

young telegraph operator, was able to build up a mail order business that made him worth finances The "man with an idea" which he knows how to carry out still has a big chance.

Health authorities of the port of New York regard disease epidemics as a certain outgrowth of the war in Europe, and are making every arrangement medical science suggests to prevent discase being brought to this country by immigrants. Other landing ports are expected to co-operate with New York.

"It is absolutely impossible to convict a s "It is absolutely impossible to convict a woman of murder in Cook county," says the assistant state's attorney of Chluage, commenting on the acquiital of sevenises women tried for capital crimes in the last five years. "Any kind of a woman can kill at her pleasure," he continued. "It doesn't matter whether she is a good woman or a bad woman, a bousewits or a vamples from the streets, jurors refuse to make her answer for her crime."

by the "knife man," with the unpronounceable name, who halls from the land of the canr. The proceedings of the Busmisel trial

evil forces as has been shown to exist

among the members of the "one-man controlled Board of Education?" MRS. T. W. SMITH.

The Issues of the Way. OMAHA, Oct. II.-To the Editor of The

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over the world-its economy, its reliab/lity, its continuous service, etc.

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try as long as they do not use its power to destroy another nation. The United States has no right to ask for a free passage of its troops through Canada or Mexico. This crime was committed or certain before filr Edward Grey moved. Why bring him in? And to show that it was not done on the impulse of the moment, in a gust of passion, we have since found that the Germans had lists

The original purchase of a dozen watches was the basis on which the into Richard W. Sears, then a