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No complaint about harvest weather or corn growth in Nebraska these days.

Industrial peace at home.is a very important factor for the successful waging of war abroad.

And to think that the Russian retreat was or ganized in the name of liberty! Mme. Recamier was right.

The Bee still insists that the best way to smooth out inequalities in local tax assessments is through publicity.

A scarcity of wrist watches is reported, but that need not stand in the way of preparation for battle along other lines.

Perhaps some stricter rules governing cutting through pavements would help keep pavements in Omaha from going to ruin too fast.

With a new crop coming on and prices falling, looks as if the potato were about to be deposed as the great eye-yam of the vegetable garden.

America's work is laid out now and there must be no faltering over the job. It is the biggest we ever tackled, but we will see it through

As a matter of fact, the morals squad will not be seriously missed. The regular detective force ought to be able to do the job at least as well and with less grandstanding.

Jobbers of foods say the high prices are due to hysteria. Well, what do they think a mere man is going to do when he sees the bill for groceries-say a prayer or sing a psalm?

At any rate, if General Goethals gets his chance to serve in France as head of the army engineers he will not be overruled there in his decisions by a San Francisco admiralty lawyer.

Coal men are still talking of car shortage and railroad men are urging that cars be loaded heavwhile winter draws on apace and the house holder wonders where he will be at when the snow begins to fly again.

Concelling all the Omaha Democratic Hyphenated clains on behalf of the gallery playing of the senator at Washington, what will be accomplished if a minimum price be put by law on wheat at all the primary markets? Will that newspaper contend that this will cure existing inequalities, such as distance from seaboard, or from consumptive markets, or offset local demand, or any of the factors that legitimately enter into the calculation? On one and the same day the price at Omaha for wheat was \$2.40 per bushel, at Kansas City \$2.70, at St. Louis \$2.40, at Minneapolis \$2.70,

and at Chicago \$2.36. Is the law to prevent the farmer from getting 30 cents more for his wheat at Kansas City than he does at Omaha under the conditions? Is it possible that the senator is at this late date going to suspend the "normal laws of trade." for which he has contended all through his free trade career?

Congressman Dan Stephens, who also knows something about the raising and marketing of wheat, says in a speech he is distributing that the business of handling the crop is a limited monopoly. The \$2 price would be of great benefit to middlemen, who store the crop and peddle it out, but the Hitchcock amendment does not eliminate a single step in the long and tortuous route between the field and the table. Instead of doing away with the speculator, it would give him a new field to operate, and help to bear out the prophecy of the World-Herald, made on the 4th of July, when, while discussing the price of grain, it said: "There will be no decline in price if the speculators are to run things."

The Hitchcock amendment is just a bit of camouflage on part of the senator to conceal other portions of his record that do not shine with especial brilliance. It is not likely to be found in the bill when it becomes a law.

A Terrible Tribute to Treachery.

It is difficult to conceive of the blind folly that has wrought such terrible disaster to the Russian army. Foes of liberty and agents of disorder have poisoned the minds of simple peasants and the triumph of treachery is reached in a climax that will cost Russian's dearly. That the recalcitrant regiments have been deceived by specious lies and duped into throwing down their arms by unscrupulous or irresponsible countrymen is clear. Anarchists and German agents have practiced on the credulity of the mujik and, pleading "liberty, equality and fraternity," have led him to sacrifice all his future. Kerensky, Korniloff and their associates will yet be able to reorganize the shattered forces of the new republic, but weeks of time and millions of money will be needed. The Russian people is sound at the core, as reported by the Root commission, and its night is no darker than that weathered by the American colonies when Washington's men shivered and starved at Valley Forge. The help that then came to the Continentals was from just such sources as will come forth to save Russia. Treason and deceit may impede and delay, but they cannot always triumph over liberty.

Women on the Firing Line.

The presence of Russian "commands of death"

on the firing line is picturesque, but, as Napoleon once commented on a magnificent spectacle, "It is not war." The futility of their presence as an inspiration is shown by the retreat of demoralized regiments of men back of the lines held by women. Admitting their devotion and valor, being without preparation or training, they are in very truth commands of death because of the hopelessness of their effort. The civilization for which America strives puts woman in another sphere. We have men enough to do the fighting and while woman's help is fully appreciated it must be rendered at a safe distance behind the scene of flying bullets. The sodden indifference of the broken Russian regiments shows how wide is the divergence between the ideals of the races. Freedom's influence in time will lift up these people to a point where they will fight for, and not with or behind, their women.

American Cans By Frederic J. Haskin

Washington, July 24 .- This is the day of the can. The people of America are turning the country into one great cannery. From San Francisco to New York and back again, by any route you choose to take, you will find the womanhood of the nation, and a considerable portion of its manhood as well, working overtime to store the succulent summer vegetable against next winter's need. This is one part of America's response to the food-saving appeal and it is encouragingly enthusiastic and whole-hearted.

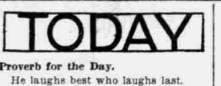
It is certain that hundreds of thousands of American households are learning an art that will be worth many dollars to them annually and many tens of millions of dollars to the nation, war or no war. And the way we are taking hold of this canning campaign is an encouraging sign for those who say that America is still too little awake to the needs of war. The nation is not going ahead to meet its trials and its tasks; it is taking them as they come.

The Department of Agriculture is at the head of the movement and at times the movement threatens to run away with the department. A booklet describing the new cold-pack canning process was issued by the government specialisti a few weeks ago. Ever since the report got out that such a book was in existence the department itself and every other agency that looked promising has been buried from view beneath a flood of requests for the canning book. The government printing office, which already had its troubles with the 50,000,000 or 60,000,000 pieces of printed matter called for to operate the selective draft, got an additional order for 1,000,000 copies of these illustrated canning volumes and with all its unrivaled facilities it has been about two jumps behind the demand ever since. The states relations service, which conducts the field campaign and the demonstration work through thousands of agents, wanted canning books-hundreds of thousands of them. Congressmen wanted them: senators wanted them; the great American public wanted them. The printing office for weeks was running a race against time, for the canning season doesn't last forever.

The states relations service, through its county agents, started the home-canning movement several years ago. Its canning clubs were organized all over the United States and some of them had already made remarkable records. But the war situation came along and expanded the canning campaign to a magnitude hitherto undreamed of and filled the city as well as the country with amateur canners. It was lucky that the states relations service had its movement under way; otherwise the country would have been caught totally unprepared. As it is, the need for canning finds us with several thousand trained demonstrators, with tested processes worked out and with a good practical knowledge of the difficulties and the possibilities of home canning. As a result we are canning food in American homes on a far larger scale than any nation has ever done before.

The war demand has taken the canning demonstrator into new fields. Ordinarily his work-or her work-is confined to the rural districts. Now the cities are probably canning more than the country. H. H. Benson, head of the work in the northern and eastern states, gave a dem-onstration on Broadway and "drew" better than a European star or a musical comedy. New York is enthusiastic over the campaign and so is practically every other big city in the country.

In the rural districts the thing is less of a novelty, but more of a proved success. The canning club idea has proven very popular, especially that of the so-called mother-daughter clubs, where families can in competition for quantity and quality. The champion mother-daughter club of Kansas, at Leavenworth, last year canned 9,838 quarts of vegetables. The average cost was 14 cents a quart. The experts of the Department of



One Year Ago Today in the War.

British blasted Delville wood with

3,000 shells a minute on 1,000-yard Captain James Fryatt of the British

a German submarine, was executed at Bruges.

Thirty Years Ago Today.

Mrs. Hanchett is reported as improving and the crisis is thought to have been passed.

Mrs. Langtry and company arrived in Omaha on the special car Mayflower, at 11:25 on the way to Council Bluffs. Dr. S. J. Chambers has returned from a visit to his brother in Fremont. While there he joined a little fishing party, but instead of catching flish, the oarsman "caught a crab" and upset the entire party into the water. The doctor is a large man and there were no clothes suitable to fit his corpulency in place of his wet garments. In the emergency he was fitted with a pair



of pantaloons improvised from some gunny sacks and with an unbolled shirt borrowed from a railroad grader. In this queer and ungainly uniform the doctor came home via the Sloux City & Pacific and the Chicago, St. Paul. Minneapolis & Omaha road to avoid meeting any acquaintances. He says he will do his fishing from the shore hereafter.

The Nebraska Loan and Building association held a meeting and elected the following officers: President, E. T. Duke; vice president, Charles L. Fritscher: secretary, Fred J. Borthweek treasurer, Charles P. Needham. J. W. Carr was re-elected attorney.

Observer George H. Hagen of the weather and signal office of this city has received notice from Washington that he is to be transferred to Escanaba, Mich. He will be succeeded here by Alfred F. Sims, who is transferred from Fort Smith, Ark.

This Day in History.

1762-General Samuel Smith, noted soldier of the Revolution and the War of 1812, for many years United States senator from Maryland, born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. Died in Baltimore, April 22, 1839.

1775-James Warren of Massachusetts was chosen by the Continental Congress to be first paymaster general of the American army.

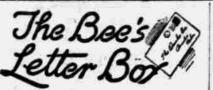
1794-Reign of Terror in Paris ended with the arrest and execution of Robespierre and twenty of his colleagues.

1812-A mob in Baltimore attacked adherents of the anti-war party. 1832-General Richard N. Batchel-

der, quartermaster general of the United States army, 1890-1896, born at Meredith, N. H. Died in Washington, D. C., January 4, 1901.

1883-Montgomery Blair, postmaster general in Lincoln's cabinet, died at Silver Springs, Md. Born in Kentucky, May 10, 1813.

1914-Armies of Austria, Russia and Serbia quickly mobilized in prepara-



Willing to Help Some

Loup City, Neb., July 19 .- To the Editor of The Bee: I see your appeal in The Bee for help to the free milk and ice fund. There are so many causes to help and give to, but none steamship Brussels, after a trial by court martial for attempting to ram more worthy than that. I think sometimes I have a hard time, as my fa-ther is dead and my mother, a helpless rheumatic sufferer, cannot even feed herself or stand, but it appealed to me that I might help your fund and at the same time be helped. I have to stay with my mother constantly and what little time I have I

make fancy articles to sell, such as aprons, pillow cases, towels, yokes, handbags, etc. Now if you want to take a few articles 10 per cent of the proceeds go to your milk and ice fund. You are under no obligation to take these goods. After you see them if you do not want them and they do not suit, just return them, but I wanted to get a few necessaries for my mother and thought that would

be a good way to help both. And I see you have looked into the homes where much good can be done, so if you want me to I will send you a few pieces. Trusting that this will meet with your approval, I beg to remain, yours respectfully, MISS MAUD REYNOLDS,

Loup City, R. F. D. No. 1. (The Bee cannot undertake to sell these articles, though it appreciates the spirit in which the offer is made.-

Editor.)

Advance of a Printer's Devil.

Omaha, July 25.-To the Editor of The Bee: It is something amazing and very unusual for a printer's devil and a former editor of a country news-paper published at Florence, Neb., to promoted to a \$35,000,000 job, but such is the fact. Starting out in life as a printer's devil at a salary of \$2 a week, back in New York state forty

years ago, to the present job with nothing much else to do except gaze upon \$35,000,000 every day, is indeed a fine occupation and something printers and editors seldom ever aspire to The first day I struck Omaha thirty years ago I subbed on The Bee and that day's pay was the first Omaha money I ever saw, but now I can see money from all over the United States -the money of the Woodmen of the World, which is piled up here in Omaha at the headquarters of the great order, with nearly 1,000,000 members and all of them boosters for Omaha, the home town of the order. FRED B. NICHOLS.

Thumbscrewing Our Old Folks.

Omaha, July 25 .- To the Editor of The Bee: We wish to lay before the people of this nation the tragic fact hat our old country, Sweden, a friendly neutral, is being subjected to an absolute embargo by the United States gov-ernment. This makes the suffering among our old folks even more intense than before, on account, not only of lack of oil and coal, etc., shutting down industries and making living expenses twice as high as here, which is at present the case, but also, and not the least, because of lack of food. Not intending to do any useless petitioning, as diplomats from our old country already did make representations to the American government, we simply

accentuate the circumstances that the s at present are not wanting in "their bit," according to their ers here, to supply volunieer sol-Also that the inventor's name helped to save this nation from Swedes at present are not wanting in doing "their bit," according to their numbers here, to supply volunteer sol-

About Reality of Evil.

that I undertake to answer Mr. Her-

ring's letter appearing in your issue of the 19th instant. He makes fun

true of Huss. To say that common sense blotted New England with the

mon sense be used in "the crude be-ginnings," and "only as the ultimate of philosophy?" To my mind it is

needed when you think about "things

spiritual" as well as in connection with "farm or stock yard," where I pre-sume Mr. Herring thinks I belong.

The reality of evil (not its prema-

nence) is before us daily. I saw a little

girl the other day who was cross-eyed.

My heart went out to her in sympathy.

unable to permit her little cherub out

of the house, into the grass and under

the shady trees, because of difficulty in

keeping track of her darling. The "Battle of the Ancre" has brought to

our attention the evils brought upon

millions of human beings, by the power of other human beings, wrong-

fully inclined. With S. Goldsmith

"The final conquest of evil could never

prove its nonexistence." However, the Christian Scientists believe that they

mony by the turning of a peg on my

can

evil."

"demonstrate the unreality of " I can change discord into har-

From my porch I see a blind mother

Omaha, July 24.-To the Editor of he Bee: It is with some diffidence

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turles."

terday's paper states that Belgians are being slowly starved to death, and as a result of their weak physical condition the catching of a cold or a similar ailment, means sure death, Remove the cause, insufficient food, and the effect ceases.

Mr. Herring hopes that his first letter "touching the unreality of evil may not be clouded by so-called com-mon sense objections." I am waiting to find out how the unreality of it can be demonstrated. I have tried both by reading "Science and Health" and by appealing to a regular practitioner, but have completely falled. DAVID OLSON.

TART TRIFLES.

"Please, sir," whined the beggar, "I'm a stranger here and—" "So am I." interrupted the accested man, "and I think we've both something to be thankful for."—Boston Transcript.

"This seems to be a very dangerous preci-blos," remarked the tourist. "I wonder that "I wonder that they have not put up a warning board." "Tes." answered the guide, "it is danger-ous. They kept a warning board up for two years, but no one fell over, so it was taken down."-Harper's Magazine.

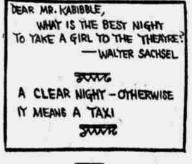
"When a congressman makes a monkey of imself he can have it stricken from the record.

"What about it?" "I was just thinking that would be use-ful in ordinary life."-Louisville Courier-Journal.

"Crimson Gulch has become a remarkably peaceful town," commented the visitor. "Sure," replied Bronco Bob. "With a world war on hand there's no chance for any little local fight. No true Crimson Gulcher wants to be a piker."-Washington

Star. First Child-My pa says we've got the best outlook of any house from our roof. Second Ditto-That's nothin'. We had a painter to fall offen ourn.-Baltimore Amer-

Bacon-I see women letter carriers in France receive five francs a day. Egbert-Nothing to it. What's the use of a woman reading other people's postals after they ve been censored --Yonkers Statesman.



Mr. Lynch and his friend were discussing amily names and their history. "How did your name originate?" asked

the friend. 'Oh, probably one of my ancestors was of the grasping kind that you hear about so often Somebody gave him an 'ynch' and he took an 'L'"-Christian Register.

Old Goirox-Let my daughter marry you when you can't support yourself? Why, she would starve. Suitor (with great dignity)-Well, sir, if you're the kind of man to let your daughter and hushand starve, I don't care to enter the family.-Boston Transcript.

"Where did Fibson get his early training

as a war correspondent?" "When he was an ordinary newspaper reporter he used to 'cover' a court of do-mestic relations."—Birmingham Age-Herald, "How is your wife making out with those onions she is raising in a flower pot?" "They're drooping. Stirring the soil with a hairpin was all very well, but I don't think perfume from an atomizer is the sort of irrigation they need."-Louisville Courier-Journal.

Formal declaration of democracy by the Greeks brings Venizelos more prominently to the fore as the real ruler of that country. The Hellenes can be of great service to the Allies in the Balkans and under the new government ought to be dependable.

The arrest of a German Lutheran pastor as an alien enemy in part supports the charges of the State Council of Defense. It disclaims charging that the church is disloyal, but only that some of its members are. It will devolve on the loyal Lutherans to discountenance the disloyal.

Whale meat is served at high-toned hotels on the Pacific coast, a sort of suggestion that the succulent porterhouse steak and the historic baron of beef may yet meet a rival worthy of notice. The Nebraska breeder shows little signs of disturbance as yet over the meat situation.

The laudable effort of the Hotel Men's association in behalf of the Red Cross produced a contribution, in round figures, of \$3,500. But how much had to be collected to realize this amount? The war pictures were probably a better device to raise money than most of them, but the question persists. Is the result commensurate with the outlay?

Before getting away from the effort of the local democratic organ to charge up police conditions to the republican end of our nonpartisan city government, don't overlook the fact that the county attorney is the officer responsible for prosecutions under the Albert law and other state laws and that the county attorney and all his numerous crews of deputies are good democrats.

Public Service Reserve Philadelphia Ledger.

Many who would be glad to serve their country at this time have found it difficult to do so. Age and physical limitations have shut them out from the fighting forces. Sometimes they have applied for work of another kind, only to be ignoted or rejected. This is discouraging to them: it makes them feel as if they were not wanted. Yet the desire to volunteer, the spirit of self-sac-rifice, is too valuable to be lost. The plan of the Department of Labor 's organize a public service reserve ought to conserve much patriotic energy that is now going to waste. Briefly, it is proposed to enroll all who apply as 'eserves to be drawn upon at need. A record will be kept of the qualifications and the experience of each applicant. Thus we shall have a national employment agency upon a large scale-not for those who "re seeking to benefit themselves, but for those who would give their best to their country There ould be no better way of recognizing the fact that this is a national war in which the whole nation must take part.

Furthern ore, it would co-ordinate patriotic energy as we'l as conserve it. Often there is more zeal than discretion in the anxiety to "do one's bit." If every offer of service were accepted the social and economic structure would be disorganized. Industry must have its supp'y of labor; commerce, trade and the professions must be carried on. The essential question is, who can be carried on. The essential question is, who can best be spared from his present occupation? The Department of Labor can answer that question intelligently if it has on file the facts about in-dividuals. In many cases the whole time of the applicant would not be required. There would be something he could do without interference with his usual activities. There has been an amazing exhibition of loyalty in the offers of men and women who have nothing to gain and much te lose by public service. Such loyalty ought not to be quenched by indifference or neglect This new plan promises well. new plan promises well.

America's Portion of the World War.

Washington authorities finally admit what has been plain for months, that we have entered upon the most stupendous task of our national existence in assuming responsibility for a portion of the world war. The gravity of the present situation cannot be overstated. Our share of the job is to take over the burden that has exhausted our European allies. If the German autocracy and Prussian military machine is to be defeated it must be done by Yankees.

With this plainly understood, the time has come for a more effective co-ordination of effort, that the great energy of this nation be not dissipated because of misdirection. So far our progress towards preparation has been a succession of changes of plan, an exhibition of inefficiency. indecision and lack of control. The one thing we have done well so far is to provide men tor an army.

Concentration of authority is imperatively needed now and must be had if we are to get about the business we have taken over. No longer is any one deluded with the thought of a short war. while it is now clear we must provide millions of men and billions of treasure to carry on the struggle. The tragedy of Russia is become the obligation of America.

Devotion of our people to the cause they have espoused is beyond question and it deserves a better reward and higher encouragement than yet given. Partisanship should give way to patriotism everywhere and personal ambition yield to public duty. Wrangles in congress and hesitancy in the cabinet will be paid for by lives lost in Europe, for we are in a war and the only way out of it is through it, but our Kitchener is yet to come.

Plunkett Chairman of Convention.

In selecting Sir Horace Plunkett as its chairman the Irish convention evinced a purpose to do whatever it may to solve the deeply involved question submitted to it. It is to the chairman's credit that he devised and carried into excellent effect the system under which "rack rents" were abolished and Irish farmers were enabled to become owners instead of tenants. His services as agricultural minister for Ireland, too, were of inestimable value, for he aided in bringing a real measure of prosperity to the people. Some idea may be gained of his hope in connection with the present convention from the remark accredited to him: "Let us form a constitution as for Ireland and let Ulster see what it faces before it objects." If the delegates approach the business before them in this spirit and permit themselves to be guided by Sir Horace's tact and experience they may come very near to clearing up the job.

The National Security league pleads with congress to stop talking and get down to business. but it evidently refuses to understand that not even a war emergency can speed up the solons when they get settled for a speechfest.

Agriculture fixed a market value for the product, which left a theoretical profit of \$2,420 The club included twenty-nine "mother-daughter" teams, each consisting of a mother and a daughter, either genuine or adopted for the occasion. In some cases the daughter was a son. Of course, the performance of this club is record rather than typical, for it is the prize organization of a farming state, where the women are experienced in canning and preserving, but nonetheless it shows that club canning can be carried on very profitably and has its attractions even without the stimulus of patriotic duty.

The canning club idea has been worked out in considerable detail and shown itself capable of numerous happy applications. Various forms of the community club are thriving; buying of raw materials in bulk has been found to work a great economy; the exchange of vegetables between different clubs has disposed of some of the problems of surplus and lack from the point of view of the bill of fare.

Meanwhile the agents of the states relations service continue to demonstrate and the canning movement continues to grow. It is too early yet to judge exactly what results the campaign has yielded. There has been so much canning by amateurs and beginners that only time can tell the percentage of success. But we know that immense quantities of food have been canned and priceless experience gained for the hard winters that may well lie ahead.

Our Fighting Men

Charles W. Kutz.

Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Kutz, U. S. A who has been relieved of his duties as engineer commissioner of the District of Columbia and assigned to active duty with the engineer corps, probably in France, is known as one of the brightest engineer officers of the army. He is 47 years old and a native of Pennsylvania. In 1893 he graduated from West Point, the second in a class of fifty-one. Since then he has been in charge of important fortification work and river and harbor improvements in many parts of the country. In 1906 he was praised very highly by William H. Taft, then secretary of war, for his work in connection with the Niagara Falls power plans. Colonel Kutz is a graduate of the Engineer School of Application and should prove a valuable officer in the work that is ahead of the engineer corps in France.

Samuel S. Robison.

Captain Samuel S. Robison, U. S. N., who has been in command of the battleship South Carolina since October, 1915, has been named to succeed Vice Admiral Grant in command of the sub marine force of the Atlantic fleet. Captain Robison is 50 years old. He was born in Pennsylvania in 1867 and was appointed to the United States naval academy at the age of 17. He received his commission as ensign after his graduation in 1888 and served in successively higher posts until 1914, when he was promoted to the rank of captain. His sea service covers a period of over eighteen years, in the course of which he has served on many ships and cruised to all parts of the world. Captain Robison is recognized in the navy as an eminent expert in electrical engi neering.

Adelbert Cronkhite.

Brigadier General Adelbert Cronkhite, U. S. A. one of the prominent officers who recently received promotion on recommendation of the president, has been designated to command the Pan-ama coast artillery district in the canal zone. Gen-eral Cronkhite is 56 years old and a native of New York. He was appointed to the United States military academy from Arizona and graduated in 1882. Four years later he graduated from the Artillery school. For more than twenty-five years he was attached to the field artillery. In 1909 he was transferred to the coast artillery corps and two years later attained the rank of colonel. General Cronkhite is regarded as an able authority on all matters relating to the coast artillery and his latest promotion is a recognition of service rendered and ability proved.

tion for war. 1916-United States senate passed

the \$313,970,447 army appropriation bill.

The Day We Celebrate.

Frank C. Best, former county commissioner, has just attained his fortyfourth year today. He is numbered among Iowa's native sons, is a graduate of the Omaha Commercial college and now conducts a real estate and insurance business.

George L. Campen was born upon a farm in Hillsdale county, Michigan, Juir 27, 1867. He served as superintendent of public works in the canal zone and is now contracting and consulting engineer in this city.

Dr. Elmer R. Porter is celebrating his forty-sixth birthday today. He hails fram Kankakee, Ill.

Andrew B. McConneil is 50 today. He was born in Springfield, Ill., and is vice president and secretary of the numerous Sherman & McConnell drug stores.

Edith Marion Patch, entomologist at the University of Maine, born at Worcester, Mass., forty-one years ago today

Charles M. Lavey, president of the Western Pacific railroad, born in Huron county, Ohio, fifty-nine years ago today.

George Foster Peabody, New York banker, prominent in numerous social and political movements, born at Co lumbus, Ga., sixty-five years ago today. Prince Oscar of Prussia, fifth son of the German emperor, born at Potsdam, twenty-nine years ago today.

Logan H. Roots, Episcopal bishop of Hankow, China, born in Perry county, Illinois, forty-seven years ago today. Ollie M. James, United States sena tor from Kentucky, born in Crittenden county, Kentucky, forty-six years ago today.

Timely Jottings and Reminders.

The annual meeting of the Montana State Bankers' association begins its sessions today at Great Falls.

Delegates from all over the middle west are expected at Lake Geneva, Wis., today for the annual conference of the missionary education movement.

Portland, Me., is to be the meeting place today and tomorrow of the annual outing of the New England Street Railway club.

Three negroes convicted last April of the murder of Harry Parker, also a negro, are under sentence to be exe cuted today at Wilmington, Del.

Hebrews the world over will gathe at temples and synagogues at sunse oday to usher in with prayers and all the impressive ceremonies of the Jew ish ritual the Tisha B'ab fast, which commemorates the fall of Jerusalem

Storyette of the Day.

There is an old woman living in small town in southern Pennsylvania vho makes a great effort to keep abreast of the times. Her opportu nities, however, are circumscribed and she is sometimes compelled to resort to her imagination. She went to a church sociable laetly and as she entered the room one of the attendants said

"Good evening, auntie, I am glad you came. We are going to have tableaux tonight."

"Yes, I know," replied the old "I smelt 'em when I first came woman, in."-Buffalo News.

HERE AND THERE.

In a recent air raid on London an enornous bomb which fell near the entrance to a railway station made a hole in the ground feet wide and 4 feet deep, and yet so limited was its destructive range that the woodwork of a covered footway a few yards distant was not shattered.

Contrary to the popular belief, the sub marines are the most expensive ships ever built, in proportion to their size. The displacement of the undersea craft used by the Germans ranges from 800 to 1,200 tons and the outlay for construction runs from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000 each.

who helped to save this nation from destruction in the last century was Maid (to guest late for dinner)-incy version of the sat down for some time, sir. Hostess' Little Daugher-Don't you care. H. MELL, You just sit on the stairs with Dicky and me and have things as they come out.--A member of the human family and a friend of all nations. Chicago Post. 706 South Sixteenth street.

THE GREAT GRAY SHIPS.

Will Allen Dromgoole. Will Allen Dromgoole. The gray ships softly steal to sea-Mild wind and soughing tide: The gray gulls rest along the wave, The weed-waifs soundless glide-And solemn as the still night's flow, The iron-breasted fighters go.

of my advice to use common sense in of my advice to use common sense in connection with philosophy regarding good and evil; but as he attempts to ridicule the idea by means of positive statements that are far from the truth I feel it akin to a slacker to fail to which is a state of the truth of the truth the tr

Nine out of ten readers of The Bee The bold moon woos the amorous surge, The sold moon woos the amorous surge, The still dark flees the dawn. The red sun climbs the old earth's knees-The great gray ships are gone. Where wounded Freedom calls her sons. will agree with me in denying that common sense made people believe the world flat for a great many cen-

Pure ignorance of facts The young lads muster at their guns (truth) was the cause. Ignorance and

No more they dream of clinging lips, common sense are not synonyms. Gali-No more they dream of chapped hands, Nor who shall sail back home again, Who sleep in foreign lands: But, stripped and cleared their souls, they walk leo was killed because of bigotry, hatred, ignorance and superstition, and not by common sense. This is equally

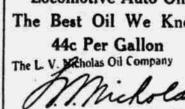
wait, Like those gray ships, a soldier's fate

witchcraft is such a jugglery with words as to be entirely unworthy of Mr. Carl E. Herring. He will never be O silent ships, with those who love Sail on to lands afar: There is no prouder thing afloat; Than you, gray ships of war: And safety resis, abides, endures found guilty of such egregious errors when be pleads before a court of jus-

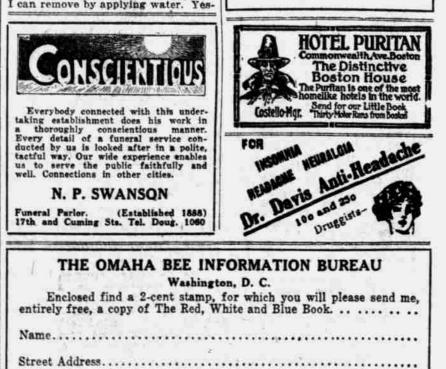
And safety rests, abides, endures In those brave sailors' hands, and yours tice or equity. To say that common sense "sits on the back end of a train

We do not charge you bring them back What'er the bitter price; But only that the victory Shall match the sacrifice; That Freedom live and sing aloud. Within the soldiers' throat—or shroud. and sees the rails close up" is so fantastic that it cannot cause anything but genuine surprise, coming from such a speaker. Why, Mr. Herring, should not com-





violin, or by calling the proper me-chanic when the plano produces dis-GRAIN EXCHANGE BLDL harmony. The evil of withered plants



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