

THE OMAHA BEE

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BE TELEPHONES

The Bee's Platform:

- 1. New Union Passenger Station.
2. Continued improvement of the Nebraska Highways...
3. A short, low-rate Waterway from the Corn Belt to the Atlantic Ocean.
4. Home Rule Charter for Omaha, with City Manager form of Government.

Helping With Reverse English.

A distinguished group of senators is preparing to do all it can to hinder the administration program for hitting the country out of the deep hole into which the democrats plunged it.

Another division of the army of opposition, made up chiefly of democrats, will attack the revenue measure, holding it back as long as they can.

Borah's group of implacables will air anew the arguments for splendid isolation, so impossible of realization.

Democratic opposition to the revenue bill arises chiefly from the mistaken idea that it is smoothing the way to a future return of the party to power.

Public Opinion and War.

Each day's developments heighten the evident importance of the international conference on Pacific policy and armament.

The November conference will be a show-down. The nations there represented will lay their cards on the table.

Practical Industrial Co-Operation.

An advertisement of one of the great packing companies sets out that more than 21,000 of its employees are stockholders in the concern.

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sale of shares, and these are not the least of the benefits that come from the plan.

Darwin's Son and the Eugenic Outlook.

It is particularly fitting that the son of Charles Darwin should be head of the eugenics conference which is holding its second international meeting in New York City.

Maj. Leonard Darwin believes that the public should realize more clearly what a potent influence heredity has on the fate of nations.

Two great forces influencing mankind are environment and heredity. Improvement of environment does not seem to have helped us very much, Major Darwin declares.

When It's Twins, Then What?

A judge of the district court at Minneapolis found himself confronted by a perplexing problem. One of a pair of twins had stolen an automobile, but neither the judge nor the court attaches could select the culprit, and so the matter was solved by dismissing both.

A Bow to the "Sand Stormers."

A group of healthy, husky youngsters has been going about the streets of Omaha this week, some in khaki, some in mufti, but all wearing neat little white-ribbed badges, on which was modestly printed a line that on close observation designated them as members of the former 34th division, A. E. F.

As to Information on Ireland.

The Bee prints this morning a very courteous letter from Mr. J. O'Sullivan of O'Neil, in which he discusses the Irish question from his viewpoint.

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Secretary Fall as a Cowboy. Secretary of the Interior Fall as a volunteer cowboy assisting in the checking of a stampede of buffaloes in Yellowstone park recalls the old Buffalo Bill days, and he is not very far from looking the part.

The Trend of Paternalism

Community Self-Reliance Being Swallowed Up at Washington.

(From the Philadelphia Ledger.)

For a long time President Harding has stood where he could watch the rise, growth and workings of the thing called paternalism in government.

Paternalism is one of the pet aversions of the president. He distrusts it as much as he does the drift toward "class" government.

There has been an inevitable tendency, because of the overwhelming important work which confronted the national government, to rely unduly upon it for the performance of many functions which can only be discharged properly by local administrative entities.

The president believes this "certain inefficiency" will be "corrected whenever the attention of the people is fully aroused."

All this is bound up with the dying of those once hotly debated rights of community, county and state that were generations ago political factors.

In 1860 the insistence on state's rights brought the nation to civil war. The pendulum had swung so far in that direction that the bayonet was needed to shove it back.

McAdoo's Supreme Impertinence

Upon receipt of a communication from Mr. McAdoo opposing the railroad settlement plan of the Harding administration it would have been a becoming thing if the competency in all railroad matters has been completely and thoroughly demonstrated.

If there is any one man in the country to whom the railroads are beholden for their existent problems and if there is any one man in the country whose ability in the management of all railroad matters has been completely and thoroughly demonstrated, that man is Mr. McAdoo.

In such circumstances, when a way out is at hand, it is proposed that the elements of feasibility, order and justice, it is an impertinence for the former director general of railroads to interpose his veto and dare advise senators of the United States not to sanction the proposal.

Straws in the Economic Wind

Selling jobless men at auction is a theatrical method of calling attention to the plight of the unemployed, yet no less effective for all that.

Governments have never known what to do for a man out of work and have conveniently turned the matter over to Providence.

Modern Girls Progress. Say what you want to about the modern girl, her costumes and her manners; she has at least emancipated herself from the clinging vine stage of development.

How to Keep Well

By Dr. W. A. Evans

Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee will be answered personally.

GERMANS AND THE FUTURE.

The Eugenic Review, a British publication, gives space to a report of an American eugenics meeting at Cold Springs Harbor in which the future of the German people was the subject of discussion.

The German birth rates and death rates always have been comparatively high. The birth rate, which always was well over 40, 50 years ago, had fallen to a little more than 20, that figure a few years before the world war.

Article 9 deals with community welfare. Articles 119 to 124 encourage fecundity and make for the health and welfare of children.

Article 120 says education of their offspring to physical, mental and social ability is the highest duty of the state.

In the eugenics meeting the fundamental contribution to human progress of the German people was frankly stated. The world finds fault with the policy of those who have tried to do the duty of the German government to retain their population in Germany and to otherwise build up a surpassing war machine for the purpose of imposing by force and right of conquest their superior civilization on others.

They conclude: The present (recent) war is the mandate that Germany continue its old service to humanity by continuing to do by force and immediately, and for advantage, things which should and would work out if left to work themselves out naturally.

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This Bee offers its columns freely to its readers who care to discuss any public question, its requests that letters be reasonably brief and not necessarily for publication, but that the editor may know with whom he is dealing.

This Ought to Free Ireland.

O'Neil, Neb. Sec. 19.—To the Editor of The Bee: The editorial in Saturday's issue of The Bee demonstrates one of two things: first, that the writer of that editorial is absolutely ignorant of the facts concerning Premier Lloyd George's offer to the Irish people, or, secondly, that he is a genuine British propagandist.

CENTER SHOTS

The disarmament conference will be a success if the men who attend it are as big as the idea.—Indianapolis Star.

A third dog for the White House. Now, has anyone else a dog he'd like to get rid of?—St. Paul Pioneer-Press.

Cooler breezes will soon be felt. So will hats.—Nashville Tennessean.

Senator France says Moscow is safer than New York. So is a morgue.—Stout Falls (S. D.) Argus Leader.

A physician says people are usually happy when the liver is working well. He probably means liver.—Hartford Times.

Woman Election Official Indicted.—Headline. Bless 'em, it doesn't take 'em long to learn all the tricks of the trade.—Buffalo Express.

800 Reported Killed In German Explosion

Mayence, Germany, Sept. 21.—(By The Associated Press.)—Eight hundred persons are reported to have been killed and many injured today by explosions in the Badische Anilin- und Fabrik works at Oppau, near Frankenthal, in the Rhine Palatinate.

The town of Oppau itself was entirely destroyed by the explosions, the advices state.

The force of the shocks were felt for a distance of nearly 15 miles around. In Mannheim one person was killed and about 50 injured.

The cause of the catastrophe is not known.



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