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## Omaha-Where the West is at its Best

OMAHANS, IT IS NOW UP TO YOU.

The American Legion has accepted the invitation of Omaha to hold its 1925 national convention in this city. Fort Worth pressed her claim so strongly that only a few votes separated the two rival bidders when the roll was called. Decision in favor of Omaha came, however, and the obligation is now on

We have no doubt that when the Legionnaires come hither, they will find the welcome that has made the word "west" a symbol for hospitality, so generous and open-handed that recipients sometimes marvel at the spirit. "Omaha, where the west is at its best." will redeem every pledge or promise made. Visitors here have ever found the measure of performance to exceed the prospectus.

However, the caring for such a gathering as that of the American Legion is not a venture to be lightly entered upon. It will require much careful planning, the organization of committees to handle details, the provision of money and other means for making good to the Legion. No time should be lost in making the start. Co-operation between the local League post, the Chamber of Commerce and Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben so far has been perfect and effective. Their real job is before them.

The year that will intervene before the coming of the hosts will give none too much time for preparation. In the name of Omaha the American egion has been asked to come here. For the name of Omaha, it is now up to everybody to see to it hat the Legionnaires have no cause to regret having preferred this city to Fort Worth as a place to neet,

### LET US FORGET IT.

A great many things have been done under the excitement of the war that would not have done in ordinary times. Nebraska unfortunately felt the effects of a situation that could not have been foreseen, maybe, but which it was impossible to avoid. Under stress of the times actions of men occasionally became oppressive, and those who were in authority at times showed a zeal that might well have been abated.

Whether mistaken or not, those acts were done with what was conceived to be a patriotic purpose. The war has passed, although it has left scars and some wounds scarcely healed. It will not contribute to the healing of these wounds to revive animosities that rest on war-time prejudices. Far better will it be for all to forget those pretty grievances, great though they may have seemed at the moment. Revenge should not be a controlling motive in men's relations with one another at this time. If we are ever going to get together on a common ground and work side by side to a common end, it will be when prejudice is laid aside, vengeance abandoned, and personal wrongs put away forever.

In Nebraska many races and nationalities are represented. All must unite if the destiny of the great state is to be realized. Such union requires that in politics at least we seek the least common multiple, and in that find opportunity to work for the good of all, and not the private vendetta of any. No graver mistake could possibly be made than to arouse issues of 1918 and parade them in the campaign of 1924. Let us forget the unpretty things that took place then, the mistakes made in the name of Liberty, and look ahead to a brighter and happler future, in which common citizens will enjoy the prosperity of a common country.

### LET US HOPE FOR THE BEST.

When we look for the worst, still we cherish the fond hope that it will all be for the best. Reference is made to the marriage of the Misses Emily and Kate Winthrop. The Winthrops of Lenox, Mass., are very rich and very exclusive. But it seems that Emily and Kate wearied of the fashionable round and became fed up with the young male scions of other wealthy and socially prominent families.

No blame may rightfully be attached to them for that. It is only what might be expected of redoded American girls who decline to worship at the shrine of Mammon and prefer the company of males who are something more than glided and animated he-dolls. So Emily and Kate decided to anwer the call of love, rather than the call of society, Emily marrying Corey Miles, the family chauffeur, and Kate marrying Darwin Morse, an electrician employed on the family estate.

Doubtless Papa Winthrop is running around in streles, while Mamma Winthrop is inhaling volatile alta. But, after tiring of the circling and the insaling, perhaps Papa and Mamma Winthrop will wake to a realization that money and society are not everything worth while. The worst that can open is that the two brides, reared in the lap of luxury, will discover that love in a cottage is not beer and skittles. If they are of the right sort they will adapt themselves to their new environment and help their husbands to build up that greatest of American institutions, a real home where mutual leve and mutual forbearance reign supreme.

The next worse thing that can happen is for Papa and Mamma Winthrop to forgive and take their sons-in-law into their embrace, and proceed to make a couple of gilded and animated he-dolls out

of a pair of stalwart American mechanics. Perhaps Emily and Kate have made a mistake. But somehow or other we think more of them than we do of the feminine contingent that is chasing the prince of Wales from pillar to post. And we rather suspect that the prince of Wales, who seems to be a sensible sort of young man, takes the same view of it.

#### SPIRIT OF THE LEGION.

Ten generals of the army marched in the parade of the American Legion at St. Paul. Neither they nor the organization itself will take any especial credit for this fact. It is an association of soldiers who served their country in a time of great emergency. Its object is to perpetuate the comradeship that was born under conditions that not only brought men closer together, but brought out their real qualities. To carry a buddy's pack is the great primal purpose of the Legion; its many other activities are incidental to this. What it may grow into will be determined by the future. Great projects will be presented to it from time to time. As it solidifies with the passing of years, its gathered and accumulating experience will make it ever a stronger and more beneficial influence on the life of the country.

In any great enterprise there must be direction. Of nothing is this more true than of an army. A single head contains the final authority, and this radiates down through the various gradations of rank until it comes to the great mass of the troops, the privates who obey and make effective the plans of the commander-in-chief. Thus with the American Legion. It has its president, and so on down, and when a general of the army steps into a Legion parade he is but one of the boys, and "takes it on the hoof" with the rest of them.

And that is the spirit of the Legion. Its leaders, like those of the army, are but chiefs among their equals. All are in harmony for the patriotic service of the nation, and through the nation to the world. While animated by this fine spirit there is no limit to what the Legion may accomplish.

#### UNCLE SAM A PROFITEER.

Slowly enough the business end of the war is being sifted down to facts, and the public is being told how much the whole thing cost. One of the unexpected accompaniments of the entrance into war was the plunge the federal government took Into business. Not only did the government operate the railroads and the steamship lines, but its activities went so far as to include the insurance of ships and cargoes.

When the British taxpayer found out how much he was being taxed to carry on commerce by water, he was amazed and indignant. Likewise, his American cousins had to put up with considerable in order to induce those who go down to the sea to keep on in the orderly pursuit of their vocation. It was too much disturbed by various agencies to induce any but the most venturesome to engage in traffic over-

Accordingly the United States government, together with that of Great Britain, took up the business of insuring cargoes and vessels. It turns out now that this business actually returned a profit.

The marine insurance business carried on by the federal government for war risks only totalled rather over \$2,000,000,000. Losses were paid amounting to \$29,000,000, and the balance sheet shows a net profit to the government of a little more than \$17,000,000. The \$50,000,000 appropriated by congress remains untouched.

A little windfall like \$67,000,000 is respectable at any time, and when it is contrasted alongside the billions that were charged off as "war cost," and the balance sheet shows a net profit to the government of a little constant of the problem at any time, and when it is contrasted alongside the billions that were charged off as "war cost," and the regaction of Mr. Davis' speech on me:

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billions that were charged off as "war cost," and really were waste, the sum is eloquent. Not many fied with that congress has accomof the government's business undertakings returned | plished to relieve our chief industry. When Davis, then announced that a profit; so this should be carefully remarked by all.

### HE'S AT IT AGAIN.

Marconed in a farm house in Nemaha county over night, Governor Bryan emerged next morning with the tale of catfish. To be more explicit, it is the story of a big catfish that the governor speared, skinned and prepared for breakfast. As time goes on the tale of this catfish will grow until the first thing you know the governor will be telling about capturing a school of whales.

The aforesaid catfish had been caught some time prior to the governor's arrival and kept in a tank stuff about lowering the tariff, a re on the farmstead. Spearing it was about as exciting as shooting a can of sardines on a grocer's shelf. The governor's fishing exploit is on a par with his claim of having reduced state expenditures by more millions than we are levied in taxes, and equally as interesting as his claim that he has saved gasoline users more money than they have spent for that

It is doubtless true that the governor speared that big catfish-after it had been captured and confined in a small tank. It is undoubtedly true that a republican legislature is responsible for saving the people money, for it refused to appropriate as much as Governor Bryan asked for.

Claiming credit for what others have done, as in the case of the confined catfish, is one of the best things the governor does.

One thing Charles Gates Dawes can do that neither of his opponents for the vice presidency can. He can march with the American Legion parade as a Legionnaire. And he meets the boys "on the hoof."

A German astronomer caught what he thinks is a signal from Mars. If somebody over there hadn't thing any one can do is to get singot the high sign from Mars about ten years ago, the world would have been saved a lot of trouble.

"Bunction" seems quite an appropriate place for the democratic candidate to start from in Missouri. He started with bunk.

Having been held up by bad roads, Governor Bryan is probably a convert to "Get Nebraska out of the mud."

What right has Chicago to thrust its lake front fogs in the path of folks out this far?

#### Homespun Verse -By Omaha's Own Poet-Robert Worthington Davie

### TWO MEN.

Two men there were.— One, yawning, died; One, laughing, climbed The mountain side.

Two men there were,-One, fearing, lost; One, hoping, braved The tide and crossed

Two men there are Where'er men go. And they are all The men we know

Two men will be As these were when The world's doors shut Before all men.

Doesn't Look as If They Were Going to Stop for the Little Man With the Bundles This Trip



### Letters From Our Readers All letters must be signed, but name will be withheld upon request. Communications of 200 words and less will be given preference.

while and which the democratic candidate would put through, I was all ears. Now, comes the heart of the speech, I said to myself. But when Mr. Davis got through, I was dumbfounded. How could he as a man of brains and judgment believe in his own speech? What were his remedies? Active assistance by the administration in the problem of applying real, nationwide co-operation among the farmers in both producion and distribution by some really practical and effective method? Not a word of it. Only the old canned lief which, if it is any at all, is as a drop in a bucket. He talked of "smellng the mothballs' already on that mmission which Dawes promised is. The suggestion fit his own prooosal like a glove. The other prescripon for our farmers was our joining the league of nations. But we are right now, under republican leadership, becoming the peacemakers and arbitrators of Europe; a change just

for that reason is uncalled for. Both the republican and the demo farmers' ills. Perhaps there is none within the power of our politicians; but Dawes was at least frank and plain in his statement of the sober facts as he sees them. Davis how-ever, only pretended to have a real program of positive relief. He is too ALBERT KUHN.

Sin and Sinners. Casper, Wyo.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: In your issue of Sep-tember 9, there is an article signed "E. M.," telling us that the greatest

Abe Martin



"Git away from them bill boards before you git t' smokin' cigarets," yelled Lib Pash at her little boy Wouldn't it be fine if a feller wuz only as ole as his wife dresses? (Copyright, 1974.)

Considering the Farmer.

Omaha—To the Editor of The Omala Bee: Here is the reaction of Mr. Ways' speech on me:

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he was now about to give a positive state bond of \$30,000,000. How would Santo Domingo formerly supplied the program which would be really worth he have a bond issue of \$30,000,000 choicest mahogany. Honduras, the low when our state constitution permits only an issue of \$100,000 in bonds, pestilence or calamity? 100 feet and diameter to whom would be grant the Capper's Weekly

privilege of going into debt for these 30,000,000 iron men? It is admitted that \$30,000,000 will build 1,000 miles of hard-surfaced roads, but is not admitted, by a jugfull, that two or more hard-surfaced roads across Nebraska both ways are either imperative or necessary, The possibility of building a hard-surfaced road from every man's door to every other man's door is admitted but is emphatically denied that such roads are within financial reach of this generation, or even the reach of

the several coming generations.

In the support of this necessity, I call good roads enthusiasts' attention to the one and one-fourth miles of gravel roads on the D. L. D. highway, just south of Ashland. This one and one-fourth miles cost less than \$4,000, was the seedling mile in the state, and is now five years old. In other heat or cold rate and in the state. Both the republican and the demo-cratic programs for the farmer hold out no really tangible remedy for the farmers' ills. Perhaps there is none within the power of our politicians; but Dawes was at least frank and the state has untable to graveling an the state has untold millions of tons of gravel, clays and gumbos ready to make road, surfaces, and we have the

The 5 per cent annual interest intelligent to believe that it will bring raised by taxation on Mr. Raitt's bond about that help which he suggests issue would be \$1,500,000, and if he the voters to believe it to hold forth. believes in matching dollars with the

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get the work under local supervision, he would have \$3,000,000, which will spill four inches of gravel 16 feet wide, on his 1,000 miles of road, all with his first annual interest pay men alone. Each successive year he

the timber of several unrelated trees, was in such a bad fix that sourness, among which are various species of gas and hearburn simply nagged the eucalyptus, native of Australia; being life out of me. Even a diet of bread known as valley probagant and hearburn simply nagged the life out of me. Even a diet of bread

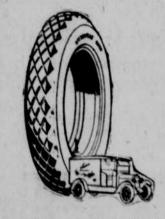
Mr. James E. Raitt would build 1,000 mountain region, they are native and miles of hard-surfaced roads with a are mainly used as fuel. Cuba and grades; now practically all from Central America. The sometimes attain heights exceeding 100 feet and diameter of six feet.—

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#### SEPTEMBER IN NEBRASKA.

September in Nebraska! Corn blades rustling in the breeze,

Pumpkins shining yellow 'tween the rows; Autumn tints in all their splendor painting pictures on the trees And the sumac when the sun near setting glows. Blackbirds flying to the southward and the wild geese honking

Purpling grapes in laughing bunches on the vine; Sliver moon high riding gaily 'cross the arches of the sky, And Nebraska in September suits me fine!

September in Nebraska! Lots of fodder in the shock, Cellars full of ev'ry kind of jam and jell. Popcorn drying in the attic, waiting for King Frost to knock,

While the autumn winds are singing, "All is well!"

Laughing children on the highways trudging off to school each

Singing homeward ere the ev'ning shadows fall. With her golden store fast flowing from the mouth of Plenty's

Old Nebraska in September beats them all!

September in Nebraska! Peace and Plenty holding sway; Smiles of God in harvest wrought from willing soil.

Rest and case rewards that cometh with the closing of the day

To the homeward marching ranks of honest toil. Home lights shining through the windows where the loved

ones watch and wait, Cheery welcome that awaits at home to greet— Gee, but life is worth the living, and I stand up here to state That Nebraska in September can't be beat!

see the name of the author of the novel displayed on the screen in larger type than the name of the photographer, or the name of the fellow who wrote alleged art titles, or the name of the bloke who directed the picture, or the name of the hack who butchered the story to make the scenario—and when it happens we will probably shriek loudly, tear our gray

By the way, have you ever noticed how much easier it is to get an audience with a busy man at the head of a big business than it is to get an audience with the man who merely puts up a big front within about 18 inches of his back door?

A little reunion, all too brief, with Colonel Nevin, newspaper correspondent with the Davis party. Colonel Nevin camped on the Fairview lawn during the campaign of 1908. and several interesting sessions were held in the newspaper tent after the lights were dimmed in the big house on the hill. Nor were all of them confined to the business of politics or newspaper work.

Speaking of optimists, there is the ex-liquor dispenser who Not all the geese will fly south. A lot of them will remain in Nebraska and vote for candidates who promise them prosperity without work.

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