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# Omaha-Where the West is at its Best

## BONUS BILL BACK TO CONGRESS.

"We owe no bonus to any able-bodied soldier of the World War," says President Coolidge in his veto message. He continues to the effect that if the sentiment back of the bill becomes effective, patriotism is at an end. Aside from this, the president discusses the cost of the bonus, which he estimates will be \$140,000,000 a year for the next 20 years, and then a lump sum of \$2,500,000,000. This, he contends, will lay too great a burden on the American people. It is not the wealthy, he argues, or the war profiteers who will pay this, but the people, who must create the wealth that will be needed to meet the cost of the bonus.

The government has no right to take property from the citizens, save in event of great national emergency. Payment of a bonus is no such an emergency. Moreover, it is the duty of congress to lighten the load imposed upon the people, and not increase it. Tax reduction and not a heavier load is. what has been promised. This is the president's position.

. . . Mr. Coolidge relies on much the same line of argument as that employed by Mr. Harding, when he vetoed the bonus measure passed by the last congress. One reason urged by Mr. Harding is not put forth by Mr. Coolidge. That was that the congress had made no provision to raise funds wherewith to pay the cost of the bonus. Mr. Coolidge does say, and pointedly, that congress has no right to take property from the people and give to a class.

In his message last December the president spoke: "But I do not favor the granting of a bonus." Here was the frank utterance of the man who had been called upon to administer the affairs of government. That he would be a candidate for the nomination of his party was then admitted, and he faced whatever issue is involved in the bonus in words so plain that there could be no mistake as to his attitude. On the other hand, we do no violence to anyone when we assume that much of the popularity attached to the bonus bill in congress grows out of the fact that its political importance is appreciated there. Congressmen are to be re-elected in November, and one-third of the senators. The influence of 4,000,-000 ex-service men is a big factor in their problem. Agreeing that many votes were cast for the measure without regard to the coming election, and that much of its support was from conviction as to its merits, it remains true that the president stands with increased stature because he has shown the courage to put his convictions before expediency. Members of congress, coming as they do from districts, may feel obligated by restricted conditions. The president has a broader and more comprehensive view of the entire country. He has been actuated by his sense of what is good for all, rather than what might make him popular with a part of the people. In his course he has risked the sincere displeasure of a considerable number of voters, but he rests on what he regards as the moral strength of his posi-

it has for the rest of the world. Two-score years ago Billy Sunday was chasing flies out in center field for the old Chicago White Stockings, or scurrying around the bases like a scared rabbit, carrying home runs to help win games. He left a record there that will stand for a long time. When he began his evangelical work, he carried into it the same vim and vigor that had marked him on the ball field. Critics have deplored his lack of dignity. That did not disturb Billy, for he was engaged in putting over something bigger than a ball game. He felt it took action as well as words, and he gave just what he thought would do the business.

Nature is presenting a bill, some part of which may be just a little bit overdue. He smiles, and says, "The Lord and I have been pals for 40 years, and He will not go back on me now!" Brave words. Rev. William Sunday will, we hope, emerge from the hospital, where he is now on his back, and come out the same old smiling Billy, who has endeared himself to millions, even to winning the favor of those who do not agree with his theology. The world needs his smile and his big-hearted optimism.

#### PRISONER TO BECOME PREMIER.

If Joseph Caillaux does come into power in France, it will denote an about-face on part of the people quite as significant as the election of Ebert to be president of Germany. Ebert was a cobbler, and as far removed from the scheme of things under imperial Germany as could possibly be. When he was made president, it was accepted by the world as a sign that Germany had moved to the opposite pole in the matter of government. Ebert has succeeded through storm and stress in at least maintaining a semblance of government, and now the skies show signs of clearing, with the republic, moving steadily on.

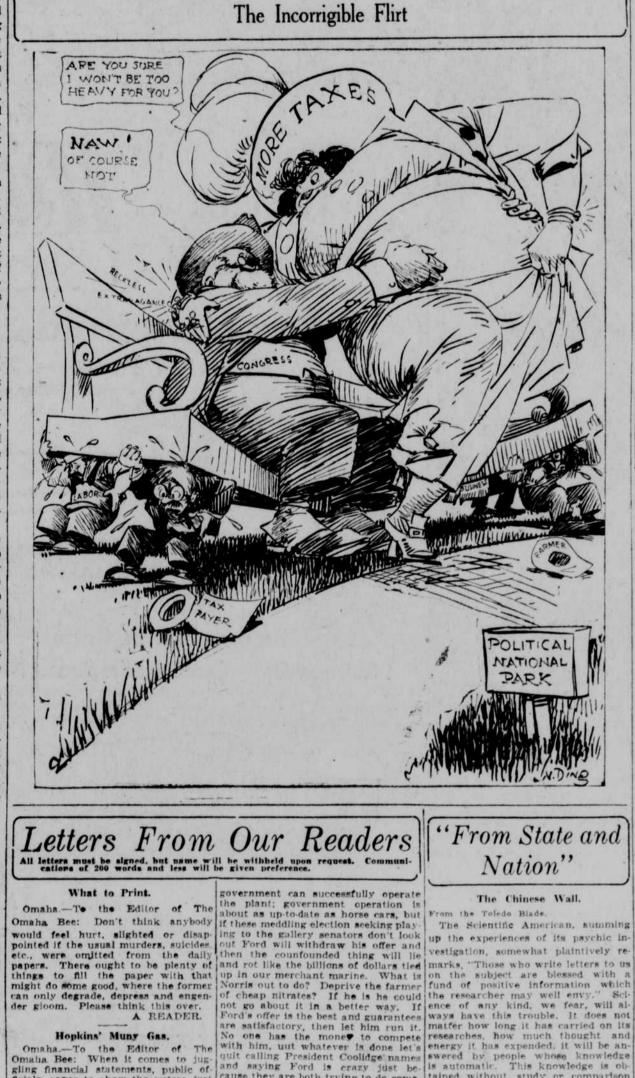
Caillaux was a big figure in France before the war. A leader of one group of socialists, he was heartily opposed by others, and yet he swept up very near to the position of premier. During the war he was charged with treason, and put on trial for his life. The utmost that was proved against him was that he was in correspondence with some of the enemy's nationals who were minded like himself. anxious to end the carnage and willing to accept peace without victory. For this he was sent to prison

Now, by the strange turn of fortune's wheel, he may be called to preside over the French government for a time at least. It is safe to assume that he will be the opposite of Poincare or even Briand in his attitude toward the world outside of France. He will set his country on a new tack. France is as weary of contention as any nation can be, and if Caillaux can show a way out, short of absolute abandonment of all that is due to France, he will have a chance to put it into operation.

### DAY NURSERY FOR COLORED MOTHERS.

One of the problems of city life has to do with mothers who work. A great many women find they must toil in order to live, and to some of these who have children is presented the question of what to do with the little ones while the mother is earning money to buy bread and clothing for them. Some provision has been made for these, in the Creche and other day nurseries, but the want is not entirely filled.

Rev. A. C. Blaine of the Cleaves Methodist church has set about to raise a fund for establishing a day nursery at Twenty-fifth and Decatur streets, which will serve colored mothers. These women feel the need of such a service very keenly, and it is to meet teir necessities that the work is being undertaken. THE OMAHA BEE: SATURDAY, MAY 17, 1924.





### GOING BACK.

I'm a-going back to Missoury To ramble around for a spell 'Midst scenes of my earliest boyhood Where often I raised merry thunder. I wonder if fish in the Nishne Still bite as they did long ago; I wonder if giant mosquitoes Still roam 'round the Big Tarkio.

Back to the Oregon print shop And stoking my favorite pipe. Grab some of the Deacon's clear copy And edge up a few ems of type. Then up to the schoolhouse of boyhood, The chums of old days to recall: To hear in my memory voices Sing songs when the night shadows\*fall.

I'm a going back to Missoury With plenty o' gray in my hair, But I'll feel like a colt in a pasture The whole blooming time I am there. Back to the state I was born in To visit a few days, and then, With never a stoop in my shoulders The daily grind tackle again.

"The Time to Store Coal" captions the Minneapolis Tribune. We did not read it, knowing full well that the time to store coal is when we can get the weekly pay check about one ton's worth ahead of the weekly rent, grocery and shoe bills,

John N. Willys, the auto manufacturer, is quoted as saying that conditions in the northwest "never were so had as pes-simists have painted them." They never have been so had anywhere. They never were so had as the political palaverers painted them. What the country needs is to tune out the lamentations of the selfish political Jeremians and tune in the industrious and far-seeing Nehemlahs.

The visitor patted the little 5greagold boy on the head and

"Bryce, I was going to bring you some candy this evening, but I did not go downtown before I came over." What did you do with the money you was going to buy it

with?" asked the youngster.

Job was a very patient gentleman, but then he never had his typewriter ribbon break just when the ideas were coming

## Gruesome as the spectacle must have been, we can not for-ear saying that the hanging of those six men in New Orleans last week reminds us somewhat of the Sextet from Lucia.

Attended a hilarious hanquet a few evenings since. Isn't it remarkable how a gaudy paper cap, a whistle and a few toy balloons can make a middle aged and usually staid and solemn gentleman as skittish as a yearling colt turned out to pasture? And the same goes for the ladies, too, God bless 'em. WILL M. MAUPIN.

he administration which has spoken This latest action adds to them in

to frankly through the secretary of grave measure. This country is not state. This is fool business and this is yet fully awake to the seriousness of



This quality was exhibited in his veto of the Bursum bill. That measure was to increase pensions horizontally to all old soldiers. In the view of the executive, it was not needed, for it was not shown that any of the veterans were uncared for, while to give them more was to do so at the expense of others who had a right to expect relief on their own account. The veto message accompanying the Bursum bill was a clear statement of the president's determination to reduce rather than increase the cost of government. If he is playing politics in this, it is the broader kind that takes a survey of the entire nation and considers what is good for everybody. In these veto messages may be noted the conscience of a man who has won the approval of the people because they can rely on his courage and his honesty, even when they do not wholly approve his actions.

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Test votes and polls taken in the house warrant the conclusion that the measure will be passed over the veto. What will happen in the senate is not so certain. The Bursum bill lacked but one vote of being passed against presidential disapproval, and that was achieved by the change of attitude of a senator from Oklahoma after the roll had once been called. Based on this, advocates of the bonus hope to see it become a law in spite of the president.

It will provide one of the most complete tests of strength yet afforded in the contest between the president and the congress. Coolidge is standing for a principle that squares with the best ideals of Americanism, his proposition being that patriotism is beyond money price. We will soon know if congress agrees with him on this point. Whether congress agrees, whether the American people agree with the president's conclusions, there is everywhere admiration for the man who follows principles as he sees them. Coolidge will be the stronger for his veto, even though congress may pass the bill over his veto.

### "BILLY" SUNDAY ON HIS BACK.

A lot of good people, not in Omaha alone, but all over the United States, are cheered by the news sent out from Chicago that Rev. William Sunday's physical condition is much improved. Of course, "Billy" is human, and subject to some of the ills that flesh is heir to. Yet folks have got so accustomed to thinking of him as active, alert, energetic, dynamic, that they have forgotten his heritage. He says himself the machinery is creaking a little, that some of the parts do not go as well as they did a few years

Time has not stood still for him, any more than

among them Rev. Clyde Clay Cissell, superintendent of this district of the Methodist church, and Dr. J. E. Wagner, pastor of the First Methodist church.

Drives as such have been greatly at a discount in maha for a long, long time, and the Community test was devised to replace the methods in vogue Omaha for a long, long time, and the Community chest was devised to replace the methods in vogue for raising funds. Such a venture as that of Mr. Blaine falls a little outside the scope of the chest, as he seeks to secure a building fund. That is the reason he will present his case to the citizens. The day nursery is needed, and \$12,000 will be required to erect and equip a building. Mr. Blaine hopes to have it ready for service before fall. It is a step forward, and deserves consideration.

Edward N. Hurley asserts that "American business has been so prosperous and self-satisfied that we have grown fat and are out of condition for a real fight.' That's what a certain misguided European ruler thought a few years ago, and just see what happened to him.

The Japanese ambassador says the Japanese do not object to exclusion, their objection being to the manner in which it was brought about. In other words. "It was all right to dissemble your love, but why did you kick me downstairs?"

"I would not be president if they handed it to " asserts former Vice President Thomas Marshall. Something about that remark recalls to mind the story of a certain animal and some clustered fruit.

The Swiss riding master who married John D. Rockefeller's granddaughter is now a father. Can this be considered as a "hoss on Jawn D.?"

New York's bobbed hair bandit says the world never gave her a chance. But she seems to have taken a lot of them lately.

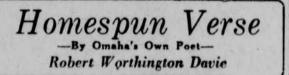
The announcement of New York undertakers that they "seek to make funerals attractive," intrigues us not at all.

Of course it would have been different had they been able to get the scalp of Police Commissioner Dunn.

It is to be hoped that Billy Sunday will not be touched out in his long slide for safety at Rochester.

The French left scored a great victory in the recent election and Poincare doesn't think it was right.

Mr. Bryan's silence concerning the Al Smith candidacy is growing really profane.



PRACTICE-THE FATHER OF WISDOM.

The fellows who sanction a dairy increase Are not idle dreamers or vain. We've need of upbuilders of nations like these As wheat is dependent on rain.

But let us be prudent and reckon the cost. And see with a vision of worth. Embark not on waters that can not be crossed. Nor sear without wings from the earth.

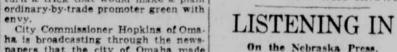
The men who will win in the dairying field-Who know well its merits and flaws-

Have passed the apprenticeship stage, and have dealed For years in the deep of their cause.

'Tis wear with its worry or woe with its fate-A science it is, we allow! And with the competitive needs of our state, Demand will take care of the cow.

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It has the endorsement of several prominent citizens, ficials, eager to show the voters just thing for the American farmer. It is voiced with overnow good they are, sometimes can turn a trick that would make a plain whelming positiveness. Sometimes, it seems, as after some great discovery. ONE WHO KNOWS.



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to marry are not in love.

There are too many people who know The Falls City News has explained what they know by inspiration and they are, almost all, highly antagonissomething that has long been a mys- tie and contemptuous of slow;plodfilling station, and sold gasoline at 3 tery. It says a man never really ding science. and 4 cents below the price the estabsleeps goes off.

The Excitable Senate. From the Worcester Telegram

world.

its the regular billing stations are received girls always alborat once sober in thought and careful making off the public," he concludes, bright," declares Adam Breede of the in deed, the United States senate of the Hastings Tribune. For an old bachelor newspaper gives it is correct, and an Adam keeps mighty close tab on the violence in speech and action. It is possible that a soberly thinking sen "If congress would pass bills as quickly as it does resolutions to ap-point committees of investigation, what a lot of work it could do." mourns Editor Sutherland of the Tekamah Herald. "The man who called them 'easy companiments of the senate proceed-

Miner at Muscle Snoals. Winnipeg.—To the Editor of The maha Bee: What a fine example bury News. Bayments' is the champion liar to date," wails Lew Shelley of the Fair-scathingly rebuked. That was unnecessary, undiplomatic, unwise, un Ole Buck asserts that a young gentlemanly. Outcry was made concouple who think they are too poor cerning our free and unterrified inde pendence, with its consequent endow

such stuff as coming from a United States senator. When American sen-ators lower themselves to the levelot common curs, snarling and snapping like this, then it is high time they were retired into private life. Good ness knows the people are not inter-ested in what some disgruntled re-porter had to say. If the Ford offer is a good one the president has every right to try to deliver it to the best bidder. When will these senators up

bidder. When will these senators understand the public is not interested in what they think of this man or that. Instead of investigating the president or the coming Senator Henry Ford, why do they not investigate the bitter and the senator Henry Ford, why do they not investigate the bitter bitt Editor Brunson of the Loup City nues of courtesy and consideration

Ford, why do they not investigate the nitrate plant, and if this man can produce nitrate cheaply and will put up sufficient guarantees, then for the love of common horse sense let's have it. No one can seriously believe the fiver and carry out the ashes.



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For 32 Years Bohon Has Tanlac. Fired Engine and Did "Five years ago, my stomach came mighty near going back on me en-Not Miss Day Until tirely. There was a pain there all Stomach Troubles Hit the time. I had awful dizzy spells. Him-Tanlac Overcame I had to lay off from work. "But Tanlac certainly did a jam Them All.

up job of knocking them out. It just suited my case to a "T" and by the

Thirty-two years of firing railroad time I finished my fifth bottle, I ocomotives of all types, coal burners felt so good I didn't need any more oil burners, 75-ton engines and 250- medicine. I have gone back to Tanlac ton engines, without once "giving every now and then just to keep up out" on the road, is a record of which my strength and I can go out right E. S. Bohon, popular M. K. & T. now and fire the largest engine on fireman, 520 East 11th St., Sedalia, the 'Katy.'

Mo., justly speaks with pride. "If everybody would take Tanlac "Many a time," says Mr. Bohon. especially in the spring, there would who is now assigned to "The Katy be a lot more healthy people in the Flyer" between Sedalia and Parsons, world. For keeping a man on the one of the fastest trains on the M. job feeling right, it can't be beat." K. & T., "I have fired an engine that | Tanlac is for sale by all good drugconsumed twenty tons of coal in 160 gists. Accept no substitute. Over 40

miles and I now make 320 miles million bottles sold. Miss Tawney Apple has a new every other day, so you can see what

futurist complexion. Remember every other day, so you can see what when you used t' have t' take th' strength I have to put out. But I Tanlac Vegetable Pills for constibed ticks t' th' livery stable t' have haven't had to worry about strength pation, made and recommended by the and endurance for the past five years manufacturers of Tanlac .- Advertise for I have a medicine that keeps me ment. (Copyright, 1914.)



lished oil companies were charging. "That record shows the immense profits the regular filling stations are making off the public," he concludes. "Redheaded girls always appear

V. B. G.

Omaha Bee: What a fine example bury News.

extra cipher or two has not crept onto girls. the end, you're hiding your light under a bushel, Mr. Hopkins. Give us the details as to just how it was done. Submit your balance sheet in full. you have a story there that every oil

man will sit up night to read.

Miller at Muscle Shoals.

James Martin Miller affords for young

Americans to witness. What a splen-

did thing it is for our children to read

such stuff as coming from a United

bidder. When will these senators un-

Abe Martin

'em filled?