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It is all off now-Richard Harding Davis is at the front.

This A. B. C. diplomacy will pan out only if It delivers P. D. Q.

Same old story out in the Colorado mines-

"Nothing to arbitrate." Still, if it is a moral issue, an alliance with

the viffainous Villa will be hard to gulp down.

Omaha is said to have the worst city fail ever; also the biggest county jail-feeding graft.

Thanks, Mr. Weather Man, for making these spring rains fit in just right with our clean-up

Reports say that Billy Sunday refuses to go to Detroit. Maybe be thinks one Ty Cobb in enough for one town.

Fifty aviators volunteering for service in Mexico does not help us much. We are up in the air enough as it is. The Bee has been sys ematically agitating

for a workhouse for a long time, and we will have the workhouse in sight before the canipaign is abandoned

Having just exchanged ratifications of another five-year arbitration treaty with Switzerland, we should be able to count on continued peace with that little republic.

The American refusee who demands that the United States provide for the return of Americans to Mexico to protect their property puts the dollar above the man

Up to last accounts the members of the Houston Post crew were still engaged in getting out a newspaper, but we do not see how they can resist many more calls to arms.

Having naffed down the regional reserve bank, Kansus City wants Omaha to have the branch bank, for Nebranks. What has Lincoln to say of this exhibition of base ingratitude?

Someone objects to incorrect quotations from the Bible found in the newspapers. It's doilars to doughnuts that the average newspaper quotes the Bible more correctly than its average reader does.

Reckless auto driving that stops short of killing and maining is referred to by Edgar Howard as "near murder." Unfortunately, there is no such crime defined in the statute books, and no penalty for it.

A New York man is suing a woman for \$10,000 a year which he declares she promised to him on condition that he remain off the police force. There's evidence on what a job in

Every speaker at the Charities and Corrections meeting who emphasizes the responsibilities of the home and insists that they be not shirked elicits applause that rings a bull's-eye. If work of the home were done right the corpactional institutions would not have half the work now imposed on them.



The Union Pacific Pan ordered a meneral reduction of wages, effective May I, ranging from I to 15 per cent, against which The Dec protests as an ill-ad-

David Boyle and Moss Kate Hogan were married by Pather O'Copner at St. Philomena's cathedral. The parties were attended by Mr. Price and Miss Donahre and will catableh a home on Twelfth street, between Chas and California.

Evans, Breant & Horis meteors made a hit at the Academy of Music. With them were Hallen and Hart, and Charles Evans put in after-piece, "The Book Agent," promptinged "the funniest ever men

Plans are being fram's by Union Pacific engineers for the proposed Tenth atreet viaduct. E. L. Crewell Is wisting his sons and old ac-

W. H. Moran was been appointed argistant clerk of the district court to succeed Joseph Megeath, who has resigned.

Mr. and Mrs. Plemmon Brake are mourning the loss of a t-year-old daughter. Eessie, The resignation of F. O. Harding assistant mail clerk under Mr. Etacy, has been received by Post-

master Coutant A long petition headed by Charles Beindorf has been presented to the council naking that B. Hans by Mained as keep of Handson park. The Clergy and War.

It must be in the air, this yearning for forcible intervention in Mexico, for let us note that even the pulpit has begun to cry out for "speed; and vigorous action." These very words were employed by Chicago ministers preaching on the subject Sunday. Says the Rev. M. P. Boynton, the noted Baptist minister:

Let the blows that we now aim at the dictators and bandits, who are exploiting Mexico for their selfish advantage, be dealt so heavily and in such quick succession as to free Mexico of the great burden of bandit rule and selfish tyranny that have so oppressed her from the days of Maximilan.

Bishop Samuel Fallows, leading prelate of the Reformed Episcopal church, goes so far as to remind his people that "The Prince of Peace Himself said, 'It is impossible but that offenses will come, but woe unto him through whom they .ome," adding that one of the gravest internaional offenecs has come to the United States through the dictator of Mexico. Then this

There can be no mediation or arbitration in the

matter. The significance of such utterances from the pulpit, as the advocate and exponent of the doctrine of peace, and also as one of the vital med :ums of popular expression, is not to be overlooked. Undoubtedly the American people want peace more than all else, but if war comes. out of the Mexican cauldron there will be plenty of preachers to tell us it is a righteque war.

Cmaha's Population, Present and Prospective. The census bureau's estimate of Omaha's population as of date of July 1, next, is 133,274. We should bear in mind, however, that this is an estimate of what Omaha's population ought to be. On the basis of previous growth the census experts figure that our population should increase at the rate of about 2,300 each year. which would mean that the next census should give us a population of 147,000, without any additions through annexation of South Omaha or other suburbs. If South Omaha by that time counts 20,000 inhabitants, and Dundee, Benson, Florence and East Omaha a total of 20,000 more, Greater Omaha should show up close to-200,000 population when the 1920 enumerators

"We That Are Strong."

In denying the president's appeal for mediating the Colorado coal mine strike, young Mr. Rockefeller, if he cannot be moved by the beatitude of the peacemaker, might ponder Paul's injunction to the Romans:

We then that are strong ought to bear the innitles of the week, and not to pleane ourselves.

Owning a major portion of the property involved, and therefore being the employer of most of the strikers, Mr. Rockefeller tells the president's representative that he is in no position to arbitrate the differences between mine; and owner. Whether he thinks he is or is not, larger interests than those of any man are at stake—the interests of society, of law and order and, as events have shown, of life, itself.

It is unnecessary to charge Mr. Rockefeller or any other mine owner with full responsibility for the menacing conditions, though they must bear their share of the Blame, but the time is sure to come when no one man can say there is nothing to arbitrate while industrial warface colessus of the north, who in the sacred confronts a whole community.

Grand Opera Sense.

According to published reports, Grand Opera company returned from its recent. western tour with a deficit of \$60,000, not including depreciation on scenery and paraphernatia. It met with cool and indifferent receptions at various points, finding the atmosphere inhospitable and patronage small even in operaerazed San Francisco. Coming so quickly on the heels of the complete collapse of the Canadian Grand Opera company in the west, the exerience affords occasion to some for saying that the west has not as yet developed a grand opera sense or taste.

This conclusion, however, does not follow Take, for example, Omaha's experience. The opera enterprize had been heralded largely ou the strength of a single conspicuous star, but when the company appeared this star was absent. The same thing occurred elsewhere, and yet, on the company's arrival in Chicago, its manager complains because in California this bright, particular star was compelled to sing at three consecutive engagements, "and travel in the meantime." That strikes the impresario and his stellar performer as a gress imposition, although they perceive nothing wrong in soliciting patronage on account of the star and then not having her appear.

Perhaps when our grand opera caterers treat the public better, both as to hills and prices, they will find the "grand opers sense and taste" a metropolitan police department is worth-in | that they are yearning for and find it in the west as much as in the east.

In the Sweet, Fresh Soil.

It is the way of bumptious humanity to in-

sist on regulating the weather and the seasons along with the rest of life's temporal affairs. Most of us are as prone to criticise meteorological conditions over which we have no control, as the result of a local election. But surely we of this section have had small room for complaint as to the weather this spring. If we had been making the season ourselves we could not have improved on what has been done. There has been no premature bursts of mildness to coax out buds and blossoms before their time, and late froats to nip them off.

Thus far, we may say, conditions have been ideal. The foliage may be a little tardy, but that is a matter of no consequence, since it only takes a few days at most for foliage to come when it gets started. Whatever the future may have in store for us this year, the present is very propititious. The city gardener may thrust his hoe or spade into the rich, black soil with the joyful anticipation of an abundance of truck in a few weeks good things to cat and beat down the high cost of living with also. But aside from this, think of the pleasure of the office-worn townsman delving into the sweet, fresh earth-

Then the spring unlocks the flowers to paint the laughing soil.

Of all the four seasons, none brings such natural invigoration as this one. It is the season of youth and strength and new life.

Epring first, like infancy, shoots out her head. With milky juice, requiring to be fed. Looks as if Villa and Carranza might be re-

hearsing the quarrel scene of Brutus and Cassius out of the Julius Caesar play.



Preachers and War. UMAHA, April 27.-To the Editor of The Bee: Two Omaha ministers, accord-

ing to newspaper reports, advocate was with Mexico on the ground that it will advance Christianity and civilization in t am not an altogether familiar student of the Bible, but I have a vague concep-

tion of the Bible some place between its covers saying something to the effect that all races are the children of one God-'n other words that all men are brothers, and I quote, "Thou shalt not take thy brother's life."

Now, war implies murder, and murder murder whether made legal or not, and this causes me to inquire of the two ministers whether they agree with the B'ble or not?

Dropping that have of argument, may ask in what way the United States. not being itself in any real sense a Christianized nation, can expect to Christianize Mexico? I should like to have the two ministers above mentioned explain what their opinion of Christian-

Ity is It is not at all curious that the church stands so reverently by the acts of the existing order, for the church is really a mouthplece of the money powers. CLARENCE SJOBLOM.

A Decided Dissent.

SILVER CREEK, Neb., April M .- To the Editor of The Bee: In his late message to congress, Pres'dent Wilson, in stating bia ground of complaint against Mexico, or, as he would have it, against "a person calling himself the provisional president of Mexico, says a raymaster and some of our men were arrested by a subordinate officer at Tampico and de tained about an hour and a half, when they were released; that the commanding officer at Tampico apologized for the arrest, and that later General Huerta simself expressed his regrets.

I am of the opinion that those apologies and those regrets were sufficient. But President Wilson thought not and demanded that our flag be saluted, which being refused by President Huerta, Pres ident Wileon asks the approval of congreen that he should use the army and navy of the United States to "obtain from General Huerta and his adherents the fullest recognition of the rights and dignity of the United States." with the result that Vera Cruz has been attacked and bombarded by our navy and twelve Americans and 150 Mexicans now lie dead, to say nothing of noncombatantswomen and children-that must have been killed by our exploding shells among their adobe homes.

And all this because of the difference as to our dignity between an apology and a calute to the flag! A crime against humanity and a sister republic, and the beginning of the blackest page of American history! The blood of those men is on the hands of Woodrow Wilson, but the people of the United States and their children will pay the penalty in the hatred of all Latin America, whether porth or south of the coustor, and in other manifold ways. As Hannibal made his son, Hamilton, awear eternal enmity against Rome, so every Latin American will make his son swear eternal enmity against the United States-the great name of liberty made th's wanton and utterly unjustifiable attack on prostrate and bleeding Mexico.

Shades of Lexington and Bunker Hill today stand pointing their shortly finmers in score and contempt at the autocratic pedagogue who presides at Wash ington, and his subservient congress of moral cowards.

CHARLES WOOSTER.

## Hard Work Well Done

Indianapolis News: There is surely a word of praise due to Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American charge d'affaires in the Mexican capital. For months this representative of the United States government has been confronted by a situation that called for the utmost diplomacy. He has met one crisis after another and has acquitted himself and his country with credit and with honor. St. Louis Republic: With his safe ar-

rival within the American lines at Vera Crus. Nelson O'Shaughnessy concludes a mission that has been efficient and honcrable in the highest degree. As secretary of embassy in the City of Mexico, he became charge d'affaires upon the recall of Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson last July. In this capacity, with neither the rank nor the emolument of a diplomat, he has worthly represented the government and people of the United States in a situation which has involved prodigious labor and considerable danger. Sloux City Journal: The work has required not only good judgment and tact. but courage as well. O'Shaughnessy is well stocked with all of them. About the only criticism that has been heard against him was that he seemed a bit too friendly with Huerta, but it is hard to conceive what could have been gained any other sort of attitude. clarge d'affaires was in Mexico City to secure favors and protection for Americans in Mexico City, and it would have been poor business for him to insist on quarreling with Huerta. He simply conducted himself with an eye to securing results, at the same time being careful not to compromise his government

## Stories in Figures

There are 56,527,000 cattle on United Utable 1913 factory output was valued

Havana in to have a capital building to cost \$1,000,000. Greater New York spends \$35,295,406 on

public achools yearly.

United States last year bought \$44,000,-600 worth of laces from abroad. Over 160.000 persons make a living out

of flabing in British Columbian waters In the United States cities there was last year one bank to every \$,700 people. The silver alone stored in the United States treasury at New York weighs 2,160

One factory in Ohio makes 360,000,000 buugs yearly from 10,000,000 feet of poplar Democrats have named 15,36 new

fourth-class postmasters since coming English companies have been formed with aggregate capital of \$15,000,000 to exHuerta at Home

The Mexican Dictator Viewed at Short Range.

business man of standing, who has just returned

Regard Dictator as an Evil to Be Endured. E. D. Berry, vouched for by the Boston Herald as

from the City of Mexico, tells these incidents of life "Sunday is parade day in Mexico City. Dons with their families drive their carriages up and down the broad avenue. All officialdom is resplendent in gaudy uniform. Huerta in his automobile rides from palace to castle. Nervous, furtive, careworn, he rides without ercort, feigning a bravado belied by his restlessness. No cheers greet the dictator. Not a hat is lifted as he passes. His approach is the sig-

master of Mexico City. "The attitude of the citizens of Mexico City to the dictator is that of a people who endure an evil lest its abolition bring a greater one. peace' is the cry of the Mexican aristocracy, of the ommercial population, of the people who sell the

nal for a scattering of the brilliant paraders. Only

those on whom he forces his presence or officers

who address him in course of duty salute the present

little produce of their gardens in the capital. "A few nights ago an incident occurred in Bach's restaurant showing the unpopularity of Huerta. Bach's, the fashionable dining place of the city, was rowded. Every table was taken as the dictator entered and requested a seat. Informed by the head waiter no table was vacant, Huerta threaded his way among the tables. No one paid attention to him and he was compelled to leave the dining room. after arranging for the first vacant table. When a young don who had fought with Madero entered a few moments later a dozen seats were offered.

"Men with financial interests in Mexico assert the power of Huerta is fast crumbling. Outgeneraled and outfought by Villa and Carranza on the north, harassed by bandits and free lance rebels on the south, his soldiers, deserting at every opportunity. Huerta is doomed. Mexicans prominent in the affairs of the country declare his effort to unite the com batants against the United States on the question of a salute to the flag will fail. It is generally admitted that friendly intervention by a foreign power is the only salvation for Mexico. They declare if it ees not come soon an uprising in Mexico City may add to the present complications.

"Regarding the volunteers you can see a man volunteering almost any day in Mexico. He is usually struggling with a couple of policemen, who beat him insensible and drag him to the 'volunteering station.' A note sent by a recruiting officer to a general in the field sums up the spirit of the volunteers. It reads: 'I am sending you 207 volunteers under escort. Send back the ropes as we have but few left.' The 'volunteers' were sent bound neck and neck under an armed excort. Several were shot attempting to escape."

A Sainte that Failed.

One of the salutes of the American flag which the Mexican town of Acapuleo, on the Pacific side. attempted many years ago as a compliment to the incoming warship Philadelphia developed an amusing eituation. The Philadelphia, flagship of the Pacific squadron, boomed a salute of twenty-one guns. The Mexican fort started to return gun for gun, but when sixteen were fired there was a prolonged luli in the shooting. Officers on the Philadelphia began to wonder what happened. Presently they saw dingy whaleboat putting out from shore. When it drew alongside the Philadelphia it was found to contain a dozen ragged soldlers and a young lieutenant in a gorgeous uniform.

The lieutenant came up the gangway in great haste and salaamed to the American captain. Then he broke out in a flood of Spanish-American English.

to this effect:

"The commandant is very sorry. He offers you his apologies. He did not know you were coming. We have used up all our powder. But we have sent back to the mines to get some powder. I assure you that the salute will be completed as soon as possible." The American officers managed to keep their faces straight and bowed gravely in response to the explanation, after which the agitated lieutenant went ashore.

Naval Expansion.

The battleship New York, the latest addition to the American navy, which is being provisioned for service at the gulf ports of Mexico, represents a greater investment of money than the entire annual disbursements of the United States gov.rnment 100 years ago. In the year 1810 the government expended \$8,474,758 for all purposes, of which but \$1,654.-244 went for the American navy of that day. The cost of the battleship New York is \$12,000,000.

Twelve millions for one ship, and but \$1,500,000 for a navy which included the Constitution-old Ironsides. the captor of the Guerriere, the Java, the Cyane, the Levant and victor in many bloody fights; the Constellation, captor of the French Insurgent; the President, victor over the British ship Endymion; the United States, captor of the Macedonian; the Chesapeake, whose decks were soon to witness the heroic death of Lawrence and echo with his words. "Don't give up the ship!" the original New York, a thirty-six-gun frigate (then unseaworthy); the Essex, victor over the Alert, and upon whose deck walked a little middy named David Farragut; the sloop of war Hornet and the Congress.

# People and Events

Some of the Ford men in Detroit, who are pulling down from \$5 to \$9 a day, are indulging in the luxury of private bathtubs for family ducks to swim in. Nelson O'Shaughnessy comes out of the Mexican mess with reputation unstained and every section of his name unimpaired. By the way, can you pro-

nounce it right? Simon Steiner and his wife, Katherine, residents Bronx borough, Greater New York, last week celebrated the golden anniversary of their marriage and danced the tango for their guests. Simon is and Katherine 73.

Mrs. James Fello, in the presence of many of her woman friends, crossed the Calumet river at Chicago by walking over the new bridge on an aightinch steel beam. She is the wife of one of the engineers employed on the work.

Mrs. Harriet C. Adams is probably more versed Latin-American affairs than any other woman in the United States, she having covered over 40,000 miles in Central and South America, reaching every country and many points before unseen by a white woman. John Burns, laborite member of the British ministry who has become president of the Board of

Trade, leased a large brick house for a home and has been obliged to surround it with a police guard to chase away suffrage firebugs. Could you beat it? The president of the Nonsmokers' Association of New York, one Dr. Pease, puts out a hot protest against allowing prisoners in local jails the privilege of smoking. What a dreary old world this would be if the brigade of knockers attended to their private

Following a separation of forty-eight years, during which time neither sister nor brother heard from each other, Jasper Florey, aged 79 years, recently received word that his sister was alive. The message came in a box of navel oranges sent by his rister, now Mrs. E. A. Thompson of Santa Clars, Cal. Florey is a civil war veteran.

Considering a financier's knowledge of business values it will surprise men outside the guild to learn that the late D. O. Mills, California millionaire, was a quick as less favorable mortals in grabbing the speculative bait. The appraisers of the Mills' estate valued at \$36,000,000, were obliged to charge off as worthless 450,504 shares of stock in twenty-one defunct

companies. Stanley Kroloski, a Polish farmer living near Lor City. Nev., displayed wonderful endurance when his horse ran away, throwing him out of the wagon and breaking his leg. Although there was a blissard ruging at the time, he dragged himself to a thicket where he cut himself a pair of crutches on which he went to the nearest farm house. The mercury was below zero at the time.

#### JOLLIES FROM JUDGE.

"Do you like Miss Prattle?"
"Tes: she's so generous. Never keeps anything to herself, and is always ready to give away even her best friend."

Did you follow the thread of her dis-"No: I soon saw that she just wanted to string me."

His Chum-How well bred your siser in! Her Brother—Yes; you see, she spends nost of her time away from the rest of the family.

"Is Smithson an intelligent, well-in-formed man?"
"Unusually so. As a juror he is al-ways rejected by the attorneys on both sides!"

Mrs. Crabshaw—Haven't I taught you to put things in their right places? Willie—Yes, mamma; but you never taught me how to find them afterward. There was a wise farmer near Wooster, Who hitched up a cow and a rooster. "This dodgasted team," He remarked, "Is a scream, And I'll plow up more ground than I used ter."

in the good old days so dear to each heart On modesty women put stress; And they always showed it by dressing the part, Instead of parting the dress.

"I believe," said the beautiful heirers, that the happiest marriages are made "Just think how poor I am!" argued the young man.

Kent—Are you ever affected by the ling-ering notes of "My Old Kentucky Home?" Bent—No; but the lingering notes of my remodeled New England home fre-quently take a rise out of me.—Judge.

FISHIN'

Baltimore Sun.
Fishin' is somethin' that's more to me
Than bait and tackle and hook and bush and vine.

you take your wrigglin' old worm

Now, you take your wriggin on in hand.
And give him a bang with your palm, Then he goes on your hook, and you make your cast,
And then you sit down 'neath yer bread-brimmed hat.

and then while yer watchin' yer smokin', you know, And dreamin' and purrin' inside like a and feelin' the shine of the sun and the glow a spirit and vigor that puts you in

and that the conclusion of fishin', by Not the fish, ner just takin' 'em home to eat; But the bein' out there where the lovely things hum.
And the birds sing and all the wild flowers are so sweet.

Some fellers think fishin' is fillin' their With beauties all floppin' around in the light; and danglin' their buttons-how some

men do feel-When they fall to get even a nibble er bite. My flahin's the glory of bein' out there To hear the leaves talkin' and clappin'

And get my old heart full of beauty and And feelin' more love when I kneel down to pray.

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