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Verdun is still there, but all is not quiet on the Mense.

Next call will be for the spring clean-up eampaign.

A democratic congress rivals March in blowing hot and cold.

It ought not to take the robin long now to lure the ground-hog out of his hole.

Cheer up! The municipal court judges now read their title clear to the payroll check.

Talk about the battle of Verdun; just wait for the fight for the democratic governorship nomination in Nebraska

If the mission of Colonel House is not completely satisfactory, it might be proper next time to send ex-Governor Fort.

an approach to the depot, and a new depot should go with the new approach. In these days of large things the three-cent

The Missouri river bridge here is merely

fare exaction at noncompetitive points in Nebracks becomes conspicuous by its amazing littleness.

Another note is to go from the State department to Austria. No one can truthfully say, now or hereafter, that Uncle Sam neglected any of his way correspondents.

The political autograph collectors are getting on the home stretch and there will have to be speed in the signing from now on to the closing date for primary filings.

Bank clearings jump into the record breaking race of Omaha business. The test of endurance shifts from records to the percentage of gain, which makes the race a merry and pop-

It is all Omaha's increased hotel facilities have been able to do of late to take care of the strangers within our gates. The growing stream of visitors from far and near is another sure sign that the city is coming into its own.

A conclusive test of the smoke inspector's powers hardly can be assured unless the smoke producers inside the city hall are lined up before the bar of justice. The least that should be done in that direction is to enforce the use of a higher quality of fuel.

If the courts of Douglas could be induced to adopt and enforce the Atlantic City system of penalizing perjury at the rate of \$1 a word, the problems of good roads and other county projects will solve themselves. As a money-maker the system beats a shake-down seven ways.

In the old days the agitated teacher, before applying the ruler, usually searched the offender's clothes for defensive padding. Time and the uplift changed this. The State Board of Control exhibits the more humane system of providing a cushion to moderate the force of a

Thirty Years Ago This Day in Omaha

The Lenten pastorals were published by Rishop Wurthington of the Episcopal church and Bishop O'Conner of the Catholic church.

Rev. Mr. Savidge has received fifty-six members into the Seward Street Methodist Episcopal church

The rooms on Dodge street for the charity ball --lief fund will be closed for the reason that because of the crowds of applicants, the committee because of possible to go on. They are now asking for real cases of need to notify any of the following: re. P. I. Perine, Mrs. James, Mrs. W. T. Welchans, Mrs. Robert Mrs. W. V. Doolittle, Mrs. Dr. Moore, Mrs. J. J. Mc-Lain, Mrs. E. W. Nash, Mrs. Bolty, Mrs. Babcock, Mrg. Ben Gallagher, Miss Bruschert, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Pratt, Mrs. Jardine, Mrs. Boyce and Mrs. Grant.

Today finds the heaviest snowfall of the winter on the ground. In this city and contiguous territory snow has fallen to a depth of two feet.

The funeral of Mrs. Ernast Peycke was held from the family residence at Twentieth and Douglas, service being conducted by Rabbi Benson, with interment at

Rev. John Williams has been placed in temporary

charge of St. Thomas' congregation. The first cateson for the new bridge over the Miasouri between Council Bluffs and Omaha has finally reached rock bottom. It was to go down eighty-five feet below water mark.

The Pope's Plea for Peace.

Something of majestic pathos may be noted

in the figure of the pope, pleading with the maddened temporal monarchs of Europe against what he terms the "suicide of civilization." If these rulers could have been guided by the pope's suggestion, the war would never have commenced. Worldly ambition, just for power, and jealousy of nation against nation have never submitted to the leadership of one who pleads merely for justice between man and man, and equity in all human relations. Twenty months of futile struggle has brought no sign of change in Europe. Still the faith of many millions is being tested in intercession for the restoration of peace. Prayers go up from humble hearts as well as from lofty altars, in many tongues but with one trust. Human wisdom is yet unable to fathom the divine plan, and the struggle will probably go on to a more definite aspect before reason again takes sway over the affairs of mankind,

A New Secretary of War.

Word comes from Washington that Mr. Wilson has chosen for successor to Mr. Garrison the late mayor of Cleveland, Newton C. Baker, who achieved something of public attention as city solicitor under the late "Tom" Johnson. As mayor of Cleveland, Mr. Baker is reported to have been quite popular, and to have had much success in his management of the affairs of the growing "sixth city." He has also had experience that gives him some knowledge of the workings of the cabinet, having been private secretary to Postmaster General Wilson, under Cleveland's second administration. That the choice was announced by the president with the approval of Colonel House may be taken as indicating that Mr. Baker is politically satisfactory to the administration. His Ohio connections ought to be of service to the president, who is likely to yet need all the help he can get from his own

Two Noteworthy Decisions.

In upholding the municipal court law and the loan shark law against attack upon their constitutionality, the Nebraska supreme court has paved the way to put in force these two remedial measures designed more particularly to protect the poor man from oppressions. "Poor man's justice" as demonstrated in the justice courts with limited powers and jurisdiction have long been a source of constant complaint among us. The creation of a municipal court with more regular procedure and promise of higher standards together with the practical elimination of the old justice courts is looked to to put this petty litigation on a basis where the opposing parties are not at such unequal advantage.

The so-called "loan shark law," intended to limit the exactions of the chattel and personal loan agents, aims in the same direction. The rank abuses of the loan shark business have been shown up from time to time, but efforts to put on the brakes have never been entirely successful, so that even a partial cure of the evils will be that much gain.

These two laws fall within the class of what has been called "social justice legislation" and if in practice they come up to expectations, they should make easier the lot of the honest wage-earner and the person of small means, who happens to be overcome with misfortune or entangled in the law's meshes.

Another Wonderful Adventure.

The world still openly admires the daredevil who can bring off successfully his adventure, and so will not stint the applause that is due the captain of the Moewe and its crew. The spectacular dash of that vessel from a beleaguered port into the open sea, and back again with prisoners and loot to tell of its success. is another leaf added to the laurel wreath the German sailors are weaving. It is even more notable than the career of the Emden, hitherto the sensation of the sea campaign. The Moewe ran the blockade twice, flouted Johnny Bull and raided his commerce, and is again safe in port to enjoy its triumph. Something about this adventure recalls the famous swoop of Francis Drake on the Spanish fleet in the harbor of Cadiz. All the genius for the sea hasn't disappeared from Germany, and the method of that practical country seems tinctured with something of romance, else how are we to account for the gallant deeds of these men of action? British vigilance has for many months been expended on merchantmen, but the blockade can not be so efficient as has been reported, else how could a warship pass it twice without notice. The watch on the Channel certainly needs adjustment.

Bryan and the Administration.

Mr. Bryan is again demonstrating his democratic "regularity" by doing all he can to add to the embarrassment of the administration at a most critical time. His present course shows more plainly than ever his utter inability to follow any leader, no matter how serious the situation. He must impress his personal views on every act of the party, in or out of power, else he will be aligned with the opposition. The armed ship, which is really the submarine question in another form, has served one purpose. Mr. Bryan's secret hostility to Mr. Wilson is now open. The president's weakness was shown in his not accepting the chance he had in the senate, instead of allowing an act of avoidance to prevail. By permitting the Gore resolution to be tabled, the president allowed the fight to be transferred to the house, where Bryan is even more influential. No matter what action is taken there, the "great commoner" is looming up bigger than ever in his party, and if Mr. Wilson runs a second time it will be on terms satisfactory to Bryan.

The convention of mayors declared for a naval program "that would make the United States the first power of the world on the sea." The distance from declaration to achievement may be guessed by the fact that one contracting shippard requires thirty months to build a modern submarine. But such details have no effect on the resoluting talent of resolute mayors.

An advertising expert told Chicago ministers to turn the light of publicity on their goods so as to give the spectator "a punch in the eye." One minister promptly improved on the hint by supplementing free salvation with free bread. Tickling the stomach is a decided improvement over punching the eye.

Why We Have Our Winter When Earth Is Nearest Sun

Garrett P. Servies.

GO LEASE explain why the earth is nearer the sun in winter than in summer," is a question propounded often.

The earth is nearer the sun in winter than in summer in the northern hemisphere, but in the southern hemisphere, the earth is farther from the sun in winter than in summer. The reason is two-fold. First, because the orbit of the earth in which it travels once a year around the sun is not a circle, but an ellipse, and, second, because the axis round which the earth rotates once every day is not upright, but is inclined in such a direction that when the earth is on one side of the sun the northern end (which we will call the upper end) leans toward the sun, and when it is on the opposite side the same end leans away from the

It is summer in either hemisphere when that hemisphere leans toward the sun, and winter when it leans away. Now the sun is not situated in the center of the elliptical orbit of the earth, but in one of the two foci, which every ellipse has. The fecus occupied by the sun is about 1,500,000 miles from the center.

It so happens that the northern end of the earth's axis leans toward the sun when the earth is in the part of the ellipse which is farthest from the focus and away from the sun when the earth is in the part of the ellipse which is nearest. Thus summer, in the northern hemisphere, occurs when the earth is farthest from the sun and winter when it is nearest. In the southern hemisphere exactly the opposite state of things exists.

In order to illustrate this for yourself, take a rubber ball, or a ball of yarn, and pass a long needle directly through its center. The ball will represent the earth, and the needle the earth's axis. Stick one end of the needle in a flat piece of wood which can be moved about on the surface of a table, and let the needle lean about one-quarter of the way from a perpendicular position. Then set up in the middle of the table some

object, on a level with the ball, to represent the sun. Slide the ball on its little platform around the sun in an elliptical, or oval path, whose longest diameter extends lengthwise of the table. Keep the sloping needle always parallel to the longer sides of the table. You will then perceive that the two hemispheres of the earthball (north and south or upper and lower), alternately incline toward the sun. Now place the sun a little distance away from the center of the elliptical path, but keep it on the itne of the longest diameter of the ellipse, and you will find that the winter of one of the hemispheres will occur when the tall is at its greatest distance and the winter of the other hemisphere when the ball is at its least distance.

The difference between the greatest and least distances of the earth from the sun (which are called respectively aphelion and perihelion) is equal to twice the sun's distance from the center of the ellipse. It amounts to about 3,000,000 miles, the average distance between the earth and the sun being 55,000,000 miles. This makes about 6 per cent difference in the amount of heat received by the earth at the two extremes of

the northern, because its summer occurs in perihelion; but to compensate this, the southern summer is a week shorter than the northern, since the earth travels faster in its orbit when it is nearest the sun. On the other hand, the southern winter, occurring in aphelion, when the earth not only travels slower, but is farther from the sun, is both longer and colder than the northern winter.

This is one of the reasons why the accumulation of everlasting toe around the South Pole is greater than around the North Pole. Still, the southern lands, except the Antarctic continent, do not suffer more than the northern from the severities of winter because of another compensating circumstance, which is that there are much greater expanses of ocean in the southern half of the world, and they have the effect of moderating extreme heat and cold

of conditions for the benefit of the earth's inhabitants, but the adjustment is only temporary, or periodic, on account of the fact that the direction in which the earth's axis points is slowly changing. This change is produced by the precession of the equinoxes, which cause the earth's axis to swing round in space in such a manner that the North Pole, for instance, describes a circle in the sky about 47 degrees in diameter, the period of time required for one complete circuit being about 26,000 years.

This, combined with the effects of a gradual change in the direction of the longer diameter of the earth's orbit, or the "line of apsides," will bring about an entire reversal of the present state of affairs 10,000 years hence, and then the northern hemisphere will have its winter at aphelion and its summer at perihelion. The consequences are likely to be very serious, because the northen hemisphere has more land and less water than the southern, and thus there will be no compensation for the long, cold winters and the shortened, though hotter, summers. The olimate of New York may then be as severe as that of Labrador. One cannot expect the value of real estate to hold good for 10,000 years to come, and speculators in "futures" should establish relations with the procession of the equinoxes and the apsides of the earth's

Twice Told Tales

The Coming Storm.

The regular trombone player of the Scottish orchestra was ill with a cold, and the conductor reluctantly accepted the services of a man who played in an amateur brass band. He was naturally a little doubtful, however, of the technical ability of the sub-

After the first performance the new player asked the conductor how he had done.

The conductor replied that he had done fairly, but that perhaps he would do better the next night. The newcomer, eyeing him gratefully, answered "Mon, ye ken, the music is a strange tae me the nicht, and I'm no jist shair o't yet, but you wait tae the morn's nicht, and ye'll no hear ane of thae fiddless at a'!"-Pittsburgh Chronical-Telegraph.

No Hyphen in Bis.

The captain of the steamer Overland, chartered by the Belgian Relief commission, was asked for a job by a man who said he was a sailor. The vessel was loading at its dock in Brooklyn and needed a few extra hands.

"Are you an Englishman?" the captain asked of the applicant?

"I am not, decidedly not," replied the man. "I'm a Scotchman. My parents were both natives of Killicrankie. Unfortunately, I was born in London. But I'm Scotch, yes, str, Scotch. If a cat happens to have a litter of kittens in a stove oven, the kits are cats, not bread."-New herk Herald.

Secing, but Not Hearing.

A colonel on his round of inspection unexpectedly entered the drillroom, where he came across a couple of soldiers, one reading a letter aloud while the other was listening and at the same time stopping up the ears of the reader What are you doing there?" the puszled officer in-

"You see, colonel, I'm reading to Maguire, who can't read himself, a letter which arrived by this afternoon's

mail from his sweetheart." "And you, Maguire, what in the world are you do-

"Please, colonel, I am stopping up Murphy's ears with both hands, because I don't mind his reading my sweeheart's letter, but I don't want him to hear a single word of what she has written."-Pittsburgh Chron-



Wasting Taxpayers' Money, OMAHA, March 6 .- To the Editor of

The Bee: I wish to say a word in defense of the taxpayers of this city of Omaha, of which I am one. A short time since I wrote an article to your paper as to how we have been treated in reference to the street lighting in this vicinity, and I presume many parts of the city are in the same condition. So I wish to expose this method of squandering our money Now, anyone living along Lake street between the car line and Forty-second street and on Erskine and Grant east of the car line can verify what I say. The gas lamps are not lighted more than about half the time, and when lighted, if they have sound mantles, they are left to burn all day until some kid happens along, climbs the post and extinguishes the blaze. Now, what are we to do? The ofty authorities have been notified, but they seem to think we are in their slutches and we will have to grin and bear it. It don't seem right to be obliged to slip around on the slippery street when the light is paid for. G. F. EVANS. 4245 Lake Street.

Who Shall Have the Say!

UNIVERSITY PLACE, Neb., March 6. -To the Editor of The Bee: The effort of H. C. Carson et al. to force Mayor Madgett of Hastings out of the gubernatorial race should be resented by every man who has any regard for a square deal and by all who are opposed to doubl dealing, wire pulling, bluffing and intimdating methods in politics.

It was all right that an effort should be made to center the dry vote on one candidate. But when four men set themselves up as the infallible power from on high to say who the voters of this state shall support, they are biting off a whole lot more than they can comfortably masticate.

Mr. Carson questions Madgett's ability and attempts to belittle his campaign efforts, I would like to ask Mr. Carson where there is a man in this state who has shown greater business ability or dealt more squarely with the people while in office than William Madgett? It is true that Mr. Madgett is not an orator But we do not need oratory in the governor's chair. What we want is results. And if we get an administration at the state house such as Mayor Madgett has given the city of Hastings, the taxpayers and the law-abiding citizens of this state will have no complaint to make. W. R. TWIFORD.

Scarlet Fever or Grip. GLENWOOD, Is., March 6.-To the Editor of The Bee: Is there any scarlet fever in Omaha? Has there been When some doctor calls a condition a certain disease the other doctors do the same for one reason or another. They almost never keep posted. Scarlet fever is a child's disease, but grown-ups will occasionally take it. When persons have a high fever with flushed face it is no sign they have scarlet fever (or smallpox, either); it is a sign they are unwell and feverish. Anyone having a high fever will scale more or less. If the disease was scarlet fever it could be controlled by quarantine, but it is an influenza commonly called the grip (or la grippe), which some have light and others severe, running into pneumonia. Influenza is one of the most highly contagious diseases. Quarantine is no use against it. Why do the doctors use the word "scale" in scarlet fever (or scarleting; both are the same). The person peels on account of the burnt condition

The Key to Life.

of the skin from the disease and exces-

sive fever. The skin is a deep scarlet

OMAHA, March 6 .- To the Editor of The Bee: In an editorial a short time ago, entitled "Making Men Over Good as New," referring to the Germans, "mending the human wrecks sent in from battle carnage," you ask, "Why can't they go a little farther and by adapting Prof. Loeb's biological experiments produce the synthetic man?"

If it were not that it would exceed the limits of space allotted to contributors to the Letter Box I would tell you what is far superior to Prof. Loeb's biological experiments and how it can not only make the human wrecks whole without medical aid or mechanical contrivances, but emanicipate all oppressed mankind. MRS. A. BOWEN COOPER.

4628 Cuming Street.

Tips on Home Topics

Baltimore American: Nebraska is to pledge its convention delegation to Wilson, and put Bryan at the head of it. What could better illustrate consistent neutrality? Pittsburgh Dispatch: Just to show that

the women are playing fifty-fifty with the men these days, the warning against cheap perfume is coupled with one against

Cleveland Plain Dealer; A medical specialist says that there is no such thing as a normal woman. Fine! Now let's conduct an investigation to discover if there is any such thing as a normal medical specialist.

Indianapolis News: Certain congressmen might likewise reflect that if they had not been overshrewd in their political plays they would not now have the prospect of getting in bad whatever course they pursue. Honesty is not infrequently the hest policy, in the long run, even in politics.

Chicago Herald: A report from San Diego saya American naval gunners have made a world's record for accurate gunfire with six and three-inch guns. The news from Washington is that divers congressmen are making a world's record for inacouracy about national defense with fourteen and fifteen-inch mouths.

Chicago Herald: To the detached observer with a sense of humor a number of democratic members of the House of Representatives bear a striking resemblance to a group of small boys engaged in an impromptu game of 'playing circus." There is no recognized ringmaster; no order of feats or events; but there is plenty of running in circles.

Springfield Republican: At Princeton the name of the captain of the foot ball team leads all the rest in a protest against the introduction of military drill, published recently in the Princetonian. It says: "We think illindvised and entirely ineffectual the sort of preparedness brought into being by going about stirring up the military feelings of the young men of the country and by a haphazard drilling for a few weeks in the summer.

SMILING LINES.

"My dear, I just heard that the man Madge is engaged to is a poet."
"Oh! well, Madge has money of her own, so it doesn't matter."—Browning's Monthly.

"You men are not so amart," jeered the bachelor girl. "It takes you an hour to sew on a button."
"It does," acknowledged the widower, who had sewed and been sewed for. "But that button never comes off."—Judge.

DEAR MR. KABIBBLE MY FIANCE WAS WALKING WITH ANOTHER GIRL-SHOULD I TELL HIM ABOUT IT? 2000

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"I have just been reading the constitution of the United States." "Well."
"And I was surprised to find out how many rights a fellow really has."—Pitts-burgh Post.

"You can't improve on nature."
"That may be," said the druggist, "but you'd be surprised at the amount of complexion dores we sell."—Detroit Free

Departing Diner—I'd like to give you a tip, waiter, but I find I have only my taxi fare left.
Waiter—They do say, sir, that an after-dinner walk is very good for the 'ealth, sir.—Boston Transcript.

THE CHILDREN'S HOUR.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow Between the dark and the daylight.
When the night is beginning to lower,
Comes a pause in the day's occupations,
That is known as the children's hour.

I hear in the chamber above me
The patter of little feet;
The sound of the door that is opened,
And the voices soft and sweet.

From my study I see in the lamplight, Descending the broad hall stair. Grave Allos, and laughing Allegra, And Edith with golden hair.

A whisper, and then a silence; Yet I know by their merry eyes They are picting and planning together To take me by surprise. A sudden rush from the stairway, A sudden raid from the hall: By three doors left unguarded They enter my castle wall.

They clim up into my turret O'er the arms and the back of my chair;
If I try to escape, they surround me.
They seem to be everywhere.

They almost devour me with kisses.
Their arms about me entwine.
Till I think of the Bishop of Binges
In his Mouse-Tower on the Rhine:

Do you think, O blue-eyed banditti, Because you have scaled the wall, Such an old mustache as I am Is not a match for you all!

I have you fast in my fortress.

And will not let you depart.

But put you down into the dungeon
In the round tower of my heart. And there will I keep you forever, Yes, forever and a day, Till the walls shall crumble to ruin, And moulder in dust away:

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