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of Nebraska, County of Douglas, as: wight Williams, circulation manager of The Bee shing company, being duly sworn, says that the ge circulation for the month of June, 1915, was DWIGHT WILLIAMS. Circulation Manager. SubScribed in my presence and sworn to bet this id day of July, 1915. BORBERT HUNTER, Notary Public.

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Thought for the Day

"With fallering steps the sweet midsummer Upon the last step of worn July.

And saw one coming with his heated brows, Girt round with wheat-straws; old young August brown!"

One thing that never stands still-the moving picture business.

Sometimes a political pull proves unavailing -- witness Becker, the Tammany pet.

The only way to have good roads is to improve them and then keep them good.

Down in Haiti, the consent of the governed resolves itself simply into refusal to consent.

Those wheat operators are plainly quite confident that the Dardanelles will hold out a little while longer.

Please take note that the world's championship record for wrestling still reposes undimmed in the lap of Nebraska.

it looks as though the country will not be wholly safe until a few powder mills and gun factories smoke up around Oyster Bay.

an Francisco can stand considerable im ported hot air without undue perspiration.

A will filed in a Missouri probate court is attracting attention because it contains just thirty-five words. It took a Missourian to

Lucky the federal and municipal authorities did not begin quarreling over prior rights to litical procedure is quite edifying. access to the Eastland while there were lives of Innocent victims still possible of being saved.

California's law against alien land owners has been upheld not unexpected, though, since Nebraska's law was declared valid that forbids aliens to take and hold land in this state by in-

What we want to do most in this country about the European war," says Senator "Bill" Stone, "is to keep our heads." That's so, for if we lose our heads we will surely lose some other parts of our anatomy.

The output of war books seems to be again riencing a lull. The temptation for the author to volunteer predictions is too great and so hisny predictions have already gone wrong that the publishers must be rather wary.

Grain is succeeding tobacco as the chief farm product of Turkey and the Balkan states. The staff of life must have first call where powder burgs. A diminished supply of Turkish tobaces will not spoil the artistry of the label.

Once more the majesty of the courts rescues a wronged husband from his oppressor. A rich woman lured from the path of duty one of New York's "finest" with an offer of \$10,000 a year as her husband. He was shaken after taking, but the high court rules that the dissatisfied wife cannot shake the contract. The decision revives masculine confidence in courts hitherto disposed to give man the worst of it,



A party of peddlers are working the town seiling until they claimed to be "emugied lace" of beautiful quality. The amouthest worker is a very nice looking purporting to be from Devenshire, England, ea. up with her family to the northwest.

The Hastings ball team is so worked up over its into engagement with the Union Pacific that its friends are making up a purse of \$1,000 to put up spained a like amount for another series of sames. J. A. Munros, first assistant freight agent of the Posific at Kansas City, is in town

es Parnam street was graded it left the Chrisa lists have now been sold to New York parties 200, and the church is to be placed on wheels

committee in charge of the memorial services and Grant's death has definitely arranged a po far that the exercises will be held on the

envers by the police force for the month of July

Wall Street and the War.

Reports coming from Wall street tell of such activity as must give joy to the brokers. whose incomes depend upon the exchange of stocks. Just now the "war" stocks are leading in the wildest campaign of speculation known for years, iron and steel companies esrecially being the central figures in this unhealthy activity. This is due to the anxiety of speculators to share in the sudden profit coming from the extensive orders placed by the European governments, stimulated by the unsupported reports of even greater requisitions to be filled. Experienced critics of the game assert that a general "trimming" of the unwary is in progress and that professional dealers are reaping an unexpected harvest, more than making up for the time lost last winter, when the exchange was closed.

Legitimate orders for iron and steel for comestic use are reported to be increasing, United States Steel having unfilled orders of nearly 450,000 tons more than a month ago, while other companies are enjoying a similar prosperity. Railroads and other heavy consumers of the output of the steel mills are buying needed supplies, and this will support the present boom to some extent. Another factor is the growing agitation in favor of getting the United States ready for war, which process will necessitate the purchase of large quantities of munitions, and thus add to the prosperity of the "war" factories.

How much of the present agitation for "military preparedness" is due to pure patriotism, and how much of it is merely to stimulate speculation may never be known, but the Wall street murket is a busy place these days.

Points to Be Considered.

The former treasurer of Dundee, who decamped on the eve of the Greater Omaha merger without turning over the funds supposed to be in his possession, has come back without waiting to be brought back. That much is in his favor. He has also arranged in the interval to raise the money necessary to square his accounts so that the city will not suffer any financial loss through his stewardship. That likewise is in his favor. He has a family, too, entitled to our sincere sympathy, which we cannot help taking into consideration.

. But aside from all that the case should be treated just the same as would be any other custodian of public funds who might have run sway under similar suspicious circumstances. Because he has rich relatives or powerful friends, or belongs to a particular church, or has been active in party politics, should cut po figure with aworn officers charged with the enforcement of the law-it is up to them to decide whether or not they have a case calling for action-if they have, to act-if not, to say so and clear the man from odium.

Japan Is Making Progress.

The cabinet crisis in Japan suggests that in practical politics the empire of the Rising Sun is making progress, as well as in other ways of western civilization. Bribery in connection with the election of a member of the Japanese Parliament is the basis for the upheaval, one of the ministers of the government being accused of accepting a handsome bonus for sidetracking the opponent of a friend. This disclosure was nat-With the maximum temperature around the urally attended by something of a popular outcry, with a demand for the retirement of the offending cabinet officer. Enough of the samurai spirit prevails, however, to support Premier Okuma in the idea that what affects one member of the cabinet affects all, and so he and his associates laid down their offices in a body. For the present the outcome is undetermined, but the illustration of how happily the Japanese are blending oriental and occidental methods of po-

Get the Facts First.

A dispute between authority of the United States and the city of Chicago is developing in the proceedings in connection with the Eastland disaster, which can only serve to give color to the suspicion that some effort to gloss over responsibility is under way. The first effort ought to be to get at the exact facts. In doing this the federal and city government can easily co-operate. Nothing that is essential to the full disclosure of everything connected with the horror should be left under cover. After the facts are established, responsibility may be fixed. On the surface it looks as if there were blame enough for all, but the truth in connection with the circumstances of the wreck must be made known before culpability is finally determined.

Wiping Out the Ward.

The re-arrangement of the city into twelve 'wards," taking in the annexed area, reminds us that this redistricting is practically meaningless and almost unnecessary, because with the repeated changes in our machinery of government the ward has been wiped out so far as surving any purpose useful or otherwise.

There was a time when the ward was a distinct area of local government in Omaha as in most cities-when we had ward councilmen. ward assessors, six justice courts to correspond with the number of wards and later ward representation in the School board. The importance of the ward was further accentuated by the fact that, before the direct primaries, it was the unit of apportionment for convention delegates and party committees and telling the ward a man lived in was the most intelligible way to designate and identify him.

But the commission plan for cities has put the ward councilman off the map. Our new municipal court system soon to be inaugurated finishes the remnant of ward justices of the peace and constables. The ward assessors disappeared long ago and now the election of School board members at large and on petition nominations decreed by the last legislature eliminates the ward from public school management. So far as we are able to ascertain, the only place where the law still recognizes the ward as such is in the provision requiring the signatures of a specified number of freeholders of the ward on the license application of each liquor dealer or

The county commissioner district, the school district, the fire district, the legislative district. even the sewer district and paving district, have a valld reason for being, but the "ward"-presumably in its origin the territory for "watch and ward" in the days of self-policing-has now with us, lost its last excuse.

The War and the Jews

THERE is no luck for Israel," says the Talmud. Individual Jews are frequently shrowd and fortunate, but as a people Israel is, in his own expressive idiom, a Schlemihl, a hapless ne'er-do-well Iwenty centuries of wandering find him concentrated precisely in the valley of Armageodon. And here in hundred places he must again grasp the Wanderer's staff. Symbolic is the figure of the chief rabbi of Serbia wandering across Europe to beg for his pittful A workhouse and a hotel at London are conpoured their Ghettos into Warsaw. Prague, Vienna, Budapest, see the sullenly with refugees. A census taken of 4,653 Jews who fled into Alexandria showed subjects of England, France, Russia, Spain, America, Turkey, Persia, Roumania, Italy, Greece and Serbia while another thousand had already wandered farther -to other Egyptian cities, to America, Australia, South Africa, Russia. The only important section of Jewry that has escaped the war is that which has poured itself into the American melting pot. And not only are ten of the thirteen millions of Jewry in the European cockpit; nearly 3,000,000 are at the fiercest center of fighting-in Poland.

Poland-be it German, Russian or Austrian land-is pre-eminently the home of Jewry, and Poland even more than Belgium has been the heart of hell For two of the powers that combined to dismember it are now fighting the third across its fragments, and Jewish populations are at their thickest along those 600 miles of border country through which Russia invades east Prussian Poland or Galician Poland, Germany hacks its way toward Warsaw, or Austria huris its counter attacks,

The accident of a series of peculiarly wise and tolerant monarchs opened Poland to a large volume of Jewish immigration and even gave its Jews a measure of autonomy and dignity. They were the recognized providers of an urban and industrial population to a mainly agricultural people. Thus were they collected for the holocaust of today. For, of course, the partition of Poland left them still pullulating, whether in Prussian Danzig, Russian Warsaw or Austrian Lemberg. And not only have they duplicated the tragedy of the Poles in having to fight what is practically a civil war, not only have they suffered almost equally in the ruin of Poland so poignantly described by Paderewski, in the burnbombardings, pillagings, tramplings, not only have they shared in the miseries of towns taken and retaken by the rival armies, but they have been accused hysterically or craftily before both belligerents of espionage or treachery, and even of poisoning the wells, and crucified by both. Hundreds have been shot, knouted, hanged, imprisoned as hostages; women have been outraged, whole populations have fled, some before the enemy, many hounded out by their own military authorities, wandering-but not into the world. Into the towns outside the Pale they might not escape-these were not open even to the wounded soldier. In the long history of the martyrpeople there is no shaetlier chapter.

oman, hearing that the Cologne Gazette, said to he run by Jews, was abusing England, wrote to me, foaming at the quill, demanding that the Jews should stop the paper. That the Jews do not exist, or that an English Jew could not possibly interfere with the patriotic journalism of a German subject, nay, that the abuse in the Cologne Gezette was actually a proof of Jewish loyality, did not occur to the worthy woman. Yet the briefest examination of the facewould have shown her that the Jews merely reflect their environment, if with a stronger tinge of color due to their more vivid temperament, their gratitude and attachment to their havens and fatherlands, and their anxiety to prove themselves more patriotic than the patriots. It is but rarely that a Jew makes the faintest criticism of his country in war-fever, and when he does so, he is disavowed by his community and its press. For the Jew his country can do no

Wherever we turn, therefore, we find the Jew prominently patriotic. In England the late Lord Rothschild presided over the Red Cross fund, and financial situation not only for England, but for all its allies. In Germany Herr Ballin, the Jew who refused the baptismal path to preferment, the creator of the mercantile marine, and now the organizer of the national food-supply, stands as the kaiser's friend, interpreter and henchman, while Maximilian Harden brazenly voices the gospel of Prussianism, and Ernst Lissauer-a Jew converted to the religion of love-sings "The Song of Hate." In France, Dreyfus-a more Christian Jew albeit unbaptized-his charge of a battery to the north of Paris, while General Hey-mann, grand efficer of the Legion of Honor, commands an army corps. In Turkey, the racially Jewish Enver Bey is the ruling spirit, having defeated the Jewish Djavid Ber, who was for alliance with France. while Italy, on the contrary, has joined the allies, through the influence of Baron Sonnino, the son of a Jew. The military hospitals of Turkey are all under the direction of the Austrian Jew, Hecker. In Hungary it is the Jews who, with the Magyars, are the brains of the nation. Belgium has sent several thousand Jews to the colors and at a moment when Belgium's fate hangs upon England, has entrusted its interests at the Court of St. James to a Jewish minister, Mr. Hymans, Twenty thousand Jews are fighting for the British empire, 60,000 for the German, a 170,000 for the Austro-Hungarian, and 200,000 for the Two thousand five hundred Jews fight for Serbia. Even from Morocco and Tripoll come Jewish troops-they number 20 per cent of the Zouavea. From Australia, New Zealand, from Canada, South Africa, from every possession and dependency, stream Jewish soldiers or sailors. Even the little contingent from Rhodesia had Jews and the first British soldier to fall in German southwest Africa was Ben Rabinson, a famous athlete. In Buluwayo half a company of reserves is composed of Jews.

When Joseph Chamberlain offered the Zionists plateau in East Africa, the half-dozen local Britons held a "mass meeting" of protest. Yet today, though the offer was rejected of the Zionists, fifty Jewish volunteers-among them Captain Blumenthal, of the artitlery, and I toutspant Ecketein, of the Mounted Rifles-are serving in the defense force enlisted at Nairobi. Letters from British Jews published in a single number of the Jewish World, taken at random, reveal the writers as with the Australian fighting force in Egypt, with the Japanese at the taking of Taing-Tau, with the grand fleet in the North Sea, while the killed and wounded in the same issue range over almost every British regiment, from the historic Black Watch, Grenadler Guards or King's Own Scotch Borderers down to the latest Middlerex and Manchester creations. One distinguished family alonethe Spielmanns-boasts thirty-five members with the forces. A letter of thanks from the king has published the fact that an obscure Jew in a London suburb has five sons at the front.

"The Jewish bravery actonished us all." said the vice governor of Kovno, and, indeed, the heroism of the Russian Jew has become a household word. More than 300 privates-they cannot be officers-have been accorded the Order of St. George. One Jew, who brought down a German seroplane, was awarded all four degrees of the order at once. In England Lieutenant de Pass won the Victoria Cross for carrying a wounded man out of heavy fire, and perished a few sours later in trying to capture a German sap. Austria up to the end of the year the Jews had won 651 medals, crosses, etc. "I give my life for the victory of France and the peace of the world," wrote a young immigrant Jew who died on the battlefield. A collection of letters from German soldiers, published by the Jewish Bookshop of Berlin, reveals equal devotion to Germany. And to the question, "What shall it profit the Jew to fight for the whole world?" a Yidfish journalist, Morris Myer, has found a noble answer. There is a unity behind all this seeming self-con-tradiction, he points out. "All these Jews are dying for the same thing-for the honor of the Jewish name.

National Union of Railway Men in England, a notice to that effect having been sent out from London on June M. So many women are ascessarily employed on the railroads because of the shortage of men, it was deemed expedient to admit them to the union.

The Bees Con Letter Box

BAR HARBOR, Me., July 27.—To the Editor of The Bee: Please send to me at my summer address a copy of The Omaha Bee daily as long as the enclosed subscription will carry it.

I read your paper recently on a western trip and found it full of the right spirit and far more interesting by far than any of the western papers. R. A.

Why Not Consult the Artists? OMAHA, July 20.-To the Editor of The Bee. The object of the "Friends of Art" most commendable. We hope that it will be productive of good results, but what one of these men in their various lines knows intimately the subject they are tackling? If any of these estimable would they take implicitly the word of the plano dealer, or would they rather rely on the word of some musician?

In other words, it seems to me that the whole trouble in art affairs in this city is that the artists are not consulted. The average individual relies on his own likes and distikes. He can not see that the artist, who is making a life study of painting, is a far better judge of the lasting quality of paint and can tell the difference between good and bad art, and is perhaps better able to pass upon posalbie purchases. Take for example a painting that has a rough, porous surface as an investment it would be poor, because of the impossibility of cleansing or restoring it. It's value would be lost and in years to come the purchase would be nothing but dinginess. Then, too, the average art dealer knows practically nothing about painting except names and commercial values—also commissions.

suggestion I would make is-and make it feeling that every Omaha citizen should have the welfare of public purchases at heart-is that the "Friends appoint an advisory board of artists. Let these artists map out what artists it would be advisable to have paintings of, deal direct with the artist and save the art dealer's commiss DOANE POWELL.

Wherein Would We Gain! OMAHA, July 30 .- To the Editor of The Bed: I cannot agree with Mayor Dahlman in his determination to send Dundee Treasurer E. H. Westerfield "over the Wherein would the city of Omaha, or even the general principles of honor profit by such proceedings? I fail

Grant everything. For the sake of the question, grant that Mr. Westerfield's original intention was criminal. Grant that he stole the money with criminal intent, and that he deliberately tried to cover up his tracks. I am not inclined to believe that, but let us grant, and still what satisfaction would there be to any man or to this community in sending him to the penitentiary, were that even possible? I believe that would be making a mighty poor use of a man who, if rightly treated, could prove a good

I have a philosophy which makes me feel that whenever a man treads his weary way to prison, there is a sense in which we all go with him. None shall bear his punishment or his griefs alone. All of mankind is involved. That is why all the world, and every citizen of the world, is a sufferer through the European

When Mr. Westerfield pays over the money, let us wipe the slate clean. Then forget it. L. J. QUINBY.

ow Often Would We Buy Bel OMAHA, July 20,-To the Editor of The Wouldn't you think a man big enough to run a business like Wanamaker's would have a little common sense? Or at least have friends who would prevent his making an ass of himself in public.

Now, Germany doesn't own Belgium yet, and probably never will. But the idea of us paying Germany \$100,000,000 for Belgium and then turning the country back to Belgium! Who would prevent the Germans from taking it again? THOMAS MATHEWSON.

Wooster Talks Out in Meeting. SILVER CREEK, Neb., July 29.-To the Editor of The Bee: Instead of attempting to reply in a general way to my letters wherein I undertook to show that President Wilson was all wrong in his controversy with Germany or to any essential part of it, Mr. John Rutherford denies that England had "paralyzed American commerce," as I stated in effect, and indulges in invidious personal reflections. which, in my opinion, have no business whatever in a newspaper discussion of public questions. This thing of abusing an ent one feels himself unable to refute is a very old trick and a very unworthy thing to do, I am a private citizen, not seeking public preferment and whether I possess the qualities of statesmanship is none of the public's concern. But we have a perfect right to criticise the acts of our public officials and to consider their personal qualifications for the offices they may hold. And so I have been free in the expression of my opinion that Wilson in any proper sense is not a statesman, and I think I have given very substantial reasons therefor He is not only not himself a first class man, but has not the good sense to surround himself with such, not now having and never having had a first class man in his cabinet. But that makes little difference, since he is his own prime minister-his own sole counsellor, replenishing his store of wisdom and fortifying judgment from games of gotf, with the result that in our boasted free Amertes we now have a more despotic government than that of any other civilized Whether or not American commerce

has been actually paralysed by the British orders-in-council, is not pertinent to this discussion. The fact is that those orders-in-council were directed against commerce, either directly or indirectly. with Germany and Austria.

While in this war my sympathies are wholly with England and her allies, 1 believe in giving Germany and her allies a strictly square deal. This Wilson is not doing and while, perhaps, technically correct in his controversy with Germany, in all essential particulars, he is in reality absolutely in the wrong, and I will not unhold him in the wrong even as against a foreign people whom I wish to see brought to defeat.

Take the case of the Lusitante. It is much Germany as Wilson himself that is responsible for the death of all those Americans, for the reason that he did not warn them, as he should have lone, to keep away from those parts until his controversy with Germany was ended, or until such time as he could assure them of safe passage. And how does it lie in Wilson's mouth to talk those Americans in view of the fact that without any declaration of war, without any just provocation and without warn-

Cruz, with the result that nineteen Amer-

cans and 300 Mexicans were killed? While posing as an apostle of peace, Wilson, both as to Mexico and Europe, is needlessly doing the very things to drive is into war and is even now planning the building up of a great war establishment, the legitimate effect of which would be to keep us under the heel of militarism and more than ever under the heel of capitalism for generations to come.

It is high time that the great common people took matters into their own hands and refused to let a false sense of patriotism blind their eyes to the fact that a self-constituted "leader" is even now under specious pretenses leading them into the broad road to destruction CHARLES WOOSTER.

men are certainly making good their pre-election reputation of being conservative. This characteristic is sometimes so well developed that nothing is accomplished. If there was great need of additional school facilities, such as to endanger the lives of pupils and teachers, six months ago, we would like to inquire what our board of conservative business men have done to relieve the situation? men have done to relieve the situation? The have done to relieve the situation?

There seems to be nothing visible to the naked eye and the opening day of the school year is only six weeks away. Is the need any less than six months ago?

Do the new board members hesitate on account of the price of sites which have been offered or of the price of sites which have and tint the tree trunks red. been offered or of the price of building material and labor? Surely roal estate values will not go down, nor is there any prospect of decrease in the value of abor and material. Caution is commendable, but with expedition and progress is

more appreciated. If the task is too

burdensome, or the responsibility too great for our new board, perchance they might

be encouraged "to get a move" by con

ferring with the former members of the

board, who at least had the reputation

of doing things. The people who voted the \$1,000,000 in bonds would like to be taken into confidence, at least. BOND VOTER

Liberty Not a Mere Symbol. OMAHA, July 20 .- To the Editor of The See: The transcontinental passage of the Liberty Bell in these troublous times should incite a more comprehensive and defensive temper in our countrymen in the political development of modern libery. And, as we rejoice in the liberty we now possess, let us not be unmindful of those enemies of the republic within its very domain, eager to grasp the bell that tolls the death knell of all human freedom. Let us then seek to purge the nation of every political, religious and economic dogma which is contrary to the teachings of its established freedom, and hold in odious ostracism he who dares to proclaim them. The Liberty Bell is the emblem of how omnippotent is a people's power when deter mined to be free. To Americans it should be the sacred symbol of the political and religious freedom of yesterday, today and tomorrow of the nation. A freedom aiways to be guarded in the passion of its inherent historic utterance, "Give me liberty or give me death." To the stranger coming from other lands to receive the blessings it represents, it should cause American freedom to shine the brightest in contrast with the intolerable conditions of the down-trodden of those lands. To the world it should be the most potential vindication of the religion, morality and political and social order of the great American republic.

Because the significance of the greatess of the American republic, the il-

ing he himself ordered an attack on Vera lines, next year I am going to propose "You don't have to. It's leap year."-

Don't you get tired of having nothing

to do?"
"Nothing to do!" echoed Mr. Cunrox.
"I haven't had a real rest since I was doin' regular work. What I want is an eight-hour law to regulate this round of pleasue mother and the girls have got me into."—Washington Star. think Jack said to me last night? That if he had to choose either me or \$10,000, he wouldn't look at the money.

Marie-Dear, loyal fellow! Wouldn't like to risk the temptation, I suppose.—
Boston Transcript.

A BYWAY.

Margaret L. Ashley, in Harper's Magazine. School Congestion Then and Now.

OMAHA, July 30.—To the Editor of The
Bee: Our new school board of business

A little vagrant, woodland road, gray-rib-

where berry brambles bar the way and orchard elders lean.

The highway, the highway!-you follow where it calls:

I watch you through a leafy acreen from
crumbling orchard walls—

I wait and smile among the green and
know that by and by
We'll lure you back through dust and
dew—my little road and I!

AND SCRATCHED

Until Scale Came Off Eruption On Limbs. Gone in Two Weeks.

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child's legs and gradually grow larger until they were as large as a

They began to spread and look very bad. It was a sore eruption and had a thick scale on it. The pimples had water in to start. They itched and she would atch at them until the scale came This helped them to spread worse. I had heard of Cuticura Soap and Cintment so thought I would try them. It was not much ionger than a couple of weeks before the eruption was gone and she was healed." ecuption was gone and sub-was R. F. D. (Signed) Mrs. J. H. Jasperson, R. F. D. No. 1, Ogilvie, Minn., March 20, 1915.

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logical and natural is the course of
events in natural life when a people are
let along to work out a trimphant
destiny. J. BRAXTON GARLAND.

IINES TO A SMILE.

"Johnny, how sid you hurt your hand?
I hope you haven't been fighting again."
"Willie Jones called me a liar, mother, an' then he hit me on the fist with his teeth."—Jife.

"I have great influence with the feminine contingent, and as they are not conducting their campaign on proper What About Your Future

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