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Efficiency means happiness, so be efficient.

Time to begin doing your early Christman shopping.

self-propelling.

Miss Indian Summer is invited to stay as long as she will.

That short, sharp, quickly finished war is only in the story books.

Przemysł ought to be sufficiently well fortified with its name alone.

But, of course, levying war indemnities is not always the same as collecting them.

Mary Garden may be depended on to hoe ber own row as a Red Cross nurse at the front.

It is not every country with a seat of government that can be moved about as easily as Bel-

Mr. McGinty has come to light at last-holding down a clerical job in a government bureau at Washington.

Sulzer is bantering the colone; for a debate. Better look a little out or he will not be "the same old Bill" very long.

Philadelphia just cannot get away from that cringy feeling of having a lot of Boston bookworms crawling all over it.

The Minneapolis Journal observes that some persons still say "tomahtoes." Yes, but no one can ever make them taste that way.

unpopular city official has failed out in Denver. Evidently, it is not so easy as it looks.

Still, if Mitchell and Pinchot are both elected instead of Penrose, as they and their followers say they will be, that will give Pennsylvania three senators.

The open season for auto touring is nearing its close, but that is no reason for autoists lapsing into carelessness, much less becoming reckless in their driving.

Chairman Thompson of the democratic state committee and Chairman George of the republican state committee are at least entertaining one another with their little joint debate.

Omaha gets the next National Farmers' congress, and the Farmers' congress gets a meeting place in the center of the most productive and grosperous agricultural area of the country.

The highest tribute to the honesty of professional base ball is in the winning of the world's series championship in four straight games instead of stringing them out to boost the gate receipts.

If President Wilson succeeds in landing Er'er Watterson back on the reservation as handily as he did Colonel Harvey, then let him have that Nobel peace prize without further watchful waiting.



A pleasant surprise party was given last evening at the residence of Thomas Price on Sherman avenue in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roberts, formerly Miss Lizzie Edwards, recently married.

The contract for grading down the court house lots has been let to James Duffy at his cent a yard, the dirt to go to the county, and the work to becom-pleted in thirty days. O. H. Down has the contract for grading Furnam street west of the city limits for fourteen cents a yard.

A number of the older employes of the Union Pacific shops went to the home of S. H. H. Clark to congratulate him on his forty-eighth birthday. Councilman Anderson made a speech which was responded

Rev. Dr. Harfeld delivered his inaugural sermon at Temale Israel on "The Triple Crown or the Glorious

Colored republicans held a mass meeting in Lytle's block J. Williams called the gathering to order. E. S. Clenlass presided. A. H. Willis served as secretary and Dr. W. H. C. Stevenson was endorsed for

A M. Gladstone has returned to Omaha after a

wo months absenc-

The Indispensable Human Factor.

Miss Ida Tarbell is quoted as saying that The secret of el'minating accidents is one-third safety devices and two-thirds organization and education." In other words, the human element is indispensable to the success of the most ingenius mechanical device. All of this is familiar experience, nevertheless bears repeating. The best laid safe and sane plans of men and mice gang aft aglee. This is true, as the Chicago Herald says, "not only in the special case Miss Tarbell has in mind. It is true of every device in politics, business, banking, commerce and social reform." Which is, after all, the best application to make of it.

Many cities and states have learned by bitter experience that model laws, methods and devices come to naught, or nearly so, without the proper human element back of them. Commission forms of city government, the commissionerships in various political relations, the city manager plan and all the other reforms and projects devised are as good, in the end, as the personnel back of them and no better. The fault is in trusting too much to these legislative cure-alls. Folks forget that the very device which, in the hands of a good man, will accomplish excellent results, will, correspondingly, cause just as much, or more, mischief if entrusted to bad men. Surely the outstanding lesson of our political experience in city, state and nation is that the human element is the most important of all: that it is, in truth, the indispensable factor.

Classifying Housewives.

Once more there comes the familiar protest against the census disposing of housewives as having "no occupation." a thing, we are reminded, against which thoughful women have remonstrated since the original counting of noses in this country. Thus far, however, this righteous indignation of our good womenwhoever they are that are protesting-has been more or less of a desultory character, assuming no concerted, well-aimed action. Hence it has come, as all such sporadic and unorganized ef-Looks as if that German war machine were | forts, to naught. But no, not to naught, for here is Mrs. Flora McDonald Thompson of Washington and Paris, a woman whose international identity gives a humanity-wide sweep to her sympathies and possibly her influence-here comes Mrs. Thompson indignant through and through, declaring that this injustice must cease; that the housewives of our fair land must no longer be classed by our federal census as loafers, which is the meaning given to "no occupation."

And she goes on to recount the multifarious duties of the housewife, with which we are all more or less familiar; of the never-ending nature of her work; of its demands upon her patience, love, time and strength. No normal person will attempt to minimize this. But now, after all, what real difference does it make how the census classifies the mother and the wife, the queen of the home What has she suffered these years by the failure of the census to give her a different status? And where is the great army of wives and mothers doing the protesting? Even if the census attempted to be just to them in classifying them, it would be impossible. It would not hurt, of course, to record them as housewives, but neither can that noblest of spheres be injured if the classification should be delayed yet a little while. No one will question Mrs. Thompson's ability to work up an agitation, though, for that can be done about almost anything nowadays.

The Boy and the Man.

"There is no such thing as 'the boy problem,' much as folks talk about it," said Fred S. Goodman of New York, a Young Men's Christian association expert, in addressing an Omaha Another attempted recall of a supposedly audience. "The problem is entirely in the kind of leadership the boy gets, and that rests, not with the boy, but the man."

> Mr. Goodman insists on a man's influence for the boy, especially from 14 years of age on, and the man ought to be his father. For the boy, he says, instinctively classifies himself then as a man and will respond sensitively to a man's leadership. To illustrate, he cites this incident: When the steamer The Republic was rammed by another ship some five years ago and imperilled and the transfer of passengers was under way with the rule of the sea, "women and children first," in force, a father standing near the edge of the deck, bade his wife, little daughter and son of 14 good-bye and stepped back. Presently the boy kissed his mother and sister and went to take his place beside his father. Instinctively he classified himself, preferring to dle with his father as a man than escape with his mother and sister as a child.

How typical this boy was no one knows, but the moral is plain. The father who succeeds in establishing and maintaining a close, confidential companionship between himself and his son has, as we all know, taken a vital step toward meeting his responsibility. From then on it is largely up to him what his boy becomes, depending on the kind of leadership the boy gets.

More American Influence.

Another call comes from the republic of China to the republic of the United States for more American influence. The Chinese have tried it in the missionary, the commercial drummer and his wares, the great "open door" policy, the specialist in finance, government and education. So now in asking the National Association of Manufacturers to nominate a commercial adviser to the Chinese republic, President Yuan Shi Kai proceeds like a man who knew exactly what he wanted.

No great elaboration should be needed to get the Americans to see the full, far-flung meaning of all this. It is simply that we are steadily expanding and deepening the influence of our institutions in this land, but lately cleared of the primeval forest of ancient pagan monarchy. If this seems banal to any of us, let us note that Dr. Hunter Corbett, the venerable missionary, is still living to relate the story of the peril he encountered in entering his field of labor in China some fifty years ago. More than that, only a decade ago American missionaries were being massacred in the great Shan Tung province. And there is still fresh in mind the atrocities of the

Boxer uprising. Other houtile outbreaks may come and go. prove that women think before voting. Mr. but the savage anti-occidental spirit will not be | Hewlit is doubtless far too circumspect to im-

twenty, ten, seem but so many days now in the span of China's development. Incredibly swift is its progress today toward the goal of actual representative government. The best evidence of this is these very appeals for additional experts, not only in the science of government, but the ways of industry and commerce as well. And every such appeal forms a new link in the chain of cause and effect binding constantly closer together the destinies of these two great

A Beautiful Utopia.

In our letterbox, to which we are giving space today specially for that purpose, will be found an interesting communication signed by Mr. C. H. Malchien in the nature of a plea to the newspapers of Omaha to agree on, and give united support to, the different candidates they consider best for election to office. Mr. Malthien, who is the office manager of our biggest department store, insists that whether a man is a republican, a democrat, a progressive or a socialist should make no difference if he is honest and conscientious and has the ability to fill the position he is striving for, and suggests further and quite truly that it is just as important to newspapers to have good, clean men in official places as to the public. "Let the newspapers get together, pick out the best men who desire to run for office and let them lay their findings before their readers" is his plan, with the inference, of course, that any slate so agreed upon will be cheerfully acquiesced in and approved by the voters.

Now, we appreciate the compliment and the well-intentioned purpose of these suggestions, and sincerely wish we could persuade ourselves that the people of Omaha would be willing to delegate their right of self-government to their newspapers, but we have to face the cold logic of facts and experience. The elder Carter Harrison was once elected mayor of Chicago not only without the support, but in the face of the opposition of every English language daily in the city. In Omaha more recently the proposition to buy the Auditorium, heartly supported by two newspapers and not vigorously opposed by the other, and endorsed by practically all the business and civic organizations of the city, was decisively beaten. Just now all of our daily newspapers are united behind most of the School board candidates selected for us by a so-called citizens' committee, and still it will hardly be safe for those of these candidates, who have competitors, to count on a unanimous election. In other words, unanimity of newspapers does not necessarily make unanimity a unanimous public sentiment any more than unanimity of doctors, lawyers or department store managers on any question would produce the same frame of mind among all their clients, patients or patrons.

So far as The Bee is concerned, it has been its policy, and will continue to be its policy, to support for public office the men who seem to be the best equipped, and the most dependable to carry out the policies which we believe will best promote the public good. . The Bee will not give, nor will it withhold, its support simply because some other newspaper is for or against a candidate or proposal. The support of other newspapers for candidates we favor will be welcomed, but their opposition will not deter us from advocating what we believe to be right, and it must be plain to all that no other course will command public respect and confidence. It | French name that sounds like a cabaret aust be plain, also, that there will always be disagreement, not constant, but occasional, between newspapers as between individuals, because they reflect the disagreements of the community among whom they have their readers. Just as competition is the life of trade, disagreement, discussion, rivalry and partisanship are the forces that propel city, state and nation along advancing lines of material, moral and political progress.

Worthy Servants.

The story is told of a poor woman who works twelve hours a day in this country, and with a mite that it takes to keep a person in some of the oriental countries, supports a woman missionary. Thus she proudly tells her friends how she works twenty-four hours a day-her money working for her in the distant land.

Something of this same feeling of just pride may be the part of those American children sending their gifts to the less fortunate children of war-smitten Europe when they awake on Christmas morning. The cheer that the American boy and girl get from their own well-filled stockings will be but half of their share of Santa Claus' cheer; the other and quite the better half will be working for them to make glad the hearts of thousands of little folks in those otherwise cheerless homes of the dreary lands across the sea.

Let us hope that this terrible war will be over before another Christmas time, and if it is these American children who participate in this grand enterprise will always have one special joy out of the good Yuletide season to feel good over and tell to other children in the years to come. But, of course, these young givers of good things are not going to be actuated in their giving by a selfish spirit, at all, nor one that seeks but to cheer the heart of the donor. The right spirit, we are sure will prevail, for the very enterprise, itself, will inspire it.

How all-pervading the war subject is may be gathered from the fact that military topics have broken into every literary magazine and periodical that we know of, with possibly one exception. The war is the one big universal humaninterest story that affects directly, or indirectly, every living person, and generations yet to come.

Score one for Brother Merriam in his protest against the action of the Commercial club playing favorites among legislative numinees. He should have said, however, that a club organized to promote the business interests of the city has no business to launch into partisan politics at

Well now, there is only one way for the mar- | melon, very heavy for its size and rough riage license burcau to make itself immune against charges of playing favorites. Let it list and number the ministers who are bidding for wedding ceremony privileges, and page them along in rotation.

Mr. Hewitt of the Chicago Herald offers to the prime motive back of them. Fifty years, agine that anyone is going to "call" his bet.

People and Events

Experts contend that the mighty chest oston has acquired couldn't be dented y the shells which shattered the forts Antwerp.

If a vote of the people of Helgium could be had on the question, it is fairly certain s majority would suree with what General Sherman said about way.

The attention of the weather man is respectfully but firmly called to the fact that his reputation as a maker of Indian ummer is yet to be established.

Texas is not at all anxious to swell the world's flow of tears, but the state has ,000 carloads of onlone ripe for the market, and the growers need the money.

"We might as well frankly acknowledge," says the Philadelphia Ledger, that we were defeated not by luck, but y the better team." Straight goods, Let. A railroad in South America is said to

mile, find pays 14 per cent on its common stock. A photograph of the rate the company charges would be a valuable addition to the museum of an American traffic manager. American millionaires who own castles in England are cheerily turning their possessions into war hospitals, but there is

no sign of a desire to swear off allegiance their own country. In times like the present, the United States looks mighty good to the tufthunter abroad. The British war office shatters another llusion by admitting that the graphic dispatches from the Eritish front were not written by General Sir John French, but

by a Colonel Swinton. All the felicitations showered on Sir John as a reporter are screwith switched to Colonel Swinton. 'May his tribe increase.' The once famous Culumet club, Chieagh's ploneer social organization, goes ipto the discard November 1. How have the mighty fallen! Among the charter members of the club were Marshall Field, George M. Pullman, P. D. Armour, Levi

Peck-all gathered in the great beyond. MUFFLED KNOCKS.

Z Lefter, N. K. Fairbanks and F. W.

The fad for anklet and garter watches died a swift death. Maybe the hands tickled the dear things.

Weather forecasters and doctors can get paid for guessing. But the rest of us have to be accurate.

The sort of girl who is chummy with er mother usually manages to take care of herself without the assistance of a baperone,

When a man has a wife and three grown daughters he can't see why his ife wants to spend good money on a phnograph.

When a man gets home late and his linner is cold, he knows that his wife will make it warm for him. You can play this both ways.

More material for the great American ovel. A California woman wants a diforce because she is her husband's fourth wife and he insists upon calling her by his first wife's name.

Let us be fair. If a man didn't hog all his change for his personal comforts, and went 50-50 with his wife, the joke about her frisking his pockets at might would soon die for want of nourishment. Father wants a divorce when mother has hash for dinner. But if mother puts some dope in the hash and calls it some dish, father compliments her on her high brow cooking.

When they do get the vote, and a woman candidate for office invites her constituents to a feed at her expense, could a reporter be arrested for announceing the fact that the candidate was fixing her supporters?

When two men are extremely polite to each other it is a sign that they don't like each other. But when they say "Hello, you onery old pup!" and "How" yourself, you parch-climbing old horse fhief:" they are good friends.-Cincinnat! Enquirer.

TABLOIDS OF SCIENCE.

The skin of the otter is dapable of manipulation which makes it extremely difficult to detect it from that of the seal

Platinum has advanced in price so rapidly in recent years that gold is being used to alloy it, to lessen the cost of electrical apparatus in which it is necessary. The beart of an average man makes about one 5,000th of a volt of electricity at every beat and an instrument sensitive enough to measure it has been invented.

The ancients credited the raven with nusual longevity, but modern investigation shows that it is not warranted. The aird rarely lives more than seventy years. A Japanese army surgeon has invented machine run by electricity that grinds

as many beans into flour in forty minutes as a man can grind by hand in a Two Italian chemists have perfected a process for depositing metals of any

harneter permanently upon almost any insoluble surface by electricity, zinc. lead and tin being used as casily as silver, nickel or copper. Many rare minerals exist in Tasmania, and lately a new addition has been made to the list by the discovery of molybden-

ite, which is used in the manufacture of molybdenum steel, to which it gives special hardness and toughness. As the present price of this mineral is about \$2.50 a ton, the discovery shoud! prove of considerable value.

ODD BITS OF LIFE.

Henry Hellstein of St. Leuis, Mo., wrote Miss Freds Schatt 2,000 love letters before she consented to become Mrs. Belistein. All were illustrated with pen and ink sketches and were written in verse.

Hundreds of people gathered the other day in Rome. Ga., to witness the unusual incident of a son haptizing his father. The occasion was the baptism of i. P. Mathis, aged 62, by his son, Elder D Mathis.

Colonel Eibridge J. Copp has in his possession a curious meteorite nicked up by his brother near Londonderry, N. H. The stone is about as large as a muskon every side except where it was flattened and emoothed by violent contact with the earth

Jacob Elsenhut, a farmer living near Alta Vista, Kan., is the possessor of an old shirt that he bought more than forty years ago in Switzerland. The shirt is of a soft material, cream colored, and although it has been worn much it is still good and is worn considerably by Mr. Eisenhut wore this shirt link wedding day

The Bee's Leffer Box

Let the Newspapers Get Together. OMAHA, Oct. 15.-To the Editor of The Bee: I note with pleasure that the three Omaha dally papers are united on a certain number of good candidates for the chool board to be elected this rail. Now it has occured to me, why cannot this same feeling between the three papers be manifested in rezard to other candidates, for instance candidates for the

legislature and other county offices? The newspapers to a large extent are the moulders of public opinion and if the three Omalia dally papers would inestigate the ability of the different candidates and agree on those they consider bem and advise the public to this effect and support them for election in my opinion this would be a great thing,

What difference does it make in city politics, county politics, and I might say earning money at the rate of \$100,000 a. state politics, whether a candidate is a republican, a democrat, a progressive or a socialist, if he has the ability to fill the office he is striving for and is an honest, conscientions man.

> If "Joan Jones" is labeled a republican, but is honest, fearless and has the ability to fill the office he is running for. why could not the World-Herald and the News aupport him as well as The Bee! And if "John Smith" is labeled a demo crat and is a man of good conlities, and is capable of filling the office for which te is running, why cannot The Bec and News support him for election? If the nonpartisan principle applies to the school beard, why can it not apply to our city commissioners and other city offices, and also county offices? Instead of baving a democratic, a republican or a progressive party in city and count police, let us have one "Cmaha party for city offices and one "Douglas county party for county offices. Let the news papers get together, pick out the best nen who desire to run for offices, and et them lay their findings and opinions before their readers through the newspa-

I think it is just as important to newspapers to have good, clean men in city and county offices because they naturally derive some benefit from a clean economical administration, as does the public, and we ought all to have the welfare of Omaha and Douglas county at

heart. If this principle would work out in elig and county politics, it might be extended to state politics, because I cannot see what the national politics has to do without city and county affairs, and to a certain extent in state affairs.

G. H. MALCHIEN.

AROUND THE CITIES.

Boston lays a heavy taxing hand on all advertising signs on buildings and

fences, Salt Lake ministers have organized a movement for the abolition of Sunday funerals.

Philadelphia has 9.568 factories, employing 358,218 persons, and paying \$10,900,650 in salaries and wager. Minneapolis is coming to the front as

an art center. A new museum of the Institute of Arts will be opened in De-During the year ending June 30, 1914, the elevated railroads of New York City

carried 311,473,568 passengers and the subway 340,419,703 passengers. Paterson, N. ..., bus opened an expurition of local industries, the chief feature f which is the largest display of silks

ever seen in this country, Boise, Idaho, reports the biggest prune crop ever gathered in that vicinity is

ready for shipment. Six hundred cars will be needed to move the crop. Houston, Tex., reports satisfactory resuits from its two-year-old policy of reduced taxation of buildings. Tientals

have been lowered and the building of homes stimulated. Springfield, Mass., boasts of the latest novelty in social service activity. It is called the Grandmothers' club, and its chief requirement for membership is a

status of grandmotherhood. Oklahoma City is moving for the establishment of a cotton mill, and cotton growers are invited to trade cotton for stock in the enterprise. Leading busi-

ness men are tacking it heavily. St. Louis is about to make another attempt to vote bonds for the completion of the municipal bridge over the Mississippi. The bridge proper is in place. but the means to acquire right of way

on land has been denied by voters. Kansas City kickers are jumping on city officials because they turned a few extra dollars by; hiring the city's sprinkling cars to a local brewery to transport beer. The kick has two mainsprings one against beer, the other against giving the city the money.

MUSINGS OF A CYNIC.

being sold

We should forgive out enemia curetally if they have us down

A new broom sweets clean, but only when it has some power behind it About the only taker in this life that a man can win in a walk is a mine of

The world he brightly because no man can have happeness and is climby

No man is thoroughly accomplished anless he has an ability to saind his own

Some people are constantly giving themselves away, and others are always

A fine higher education generally damonstrates that the more we knew, the less we believe

The only people who can afford to speer at look are those who never expeet to have any. Some people can throw bouquets at

themselves and then succeed in hanging up the florist, Some of us are so accustomed to looking out for number one that we get post-

tively near nighted. It isn't slways politeness that prompts the divorce lawyer to say to the min-

ister, "After you, kir." We are told that Eve was made from

Adan; rib, but some of us really have an idea Adam fost his backbone. Courtship demonstrates that a young man's arm goes to walst more fre-

quently than his opportunities do. Old age shouldn't deter us from keeping up with the fashions. We are never too old to acquire the latest wrinkle .-

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES

Mistress-Bridget, it always seems to ne that the cranklest mistresses get the best cooks. Cook-Ah, go on wid yer blarney -

"So you've brought me husband home in this condition at 3 o'clock in the morn-ing;" screamed the lady at the window to the conveying party. "Yes, madam. they agreed. "The bun is at the gate."—New York Press.

Ethel-Oh, Jack, be careful tonight. Pape's brought home a buildog.
Jack-That's all right: The dog used to belong to me and I got the dealer to sell him to your father."-Buffalo Ex-

"She told Percival never to speak to her again and he said, 'Oh, very well." and left her."
"And they don't speak."
"Oh, yes, they do. She saw to that. She went immediately and secured a light of the said secured and secured and secured and secured and secured as the said secured as th

situation as a telephone operator. Washington Star. "I'm certain he loves me." said the "How's that?"
"It is a four-"It is a four-mile walk to town. It misses the last car about (wice a week, but he still keeps calling."-Pitsborg

Mrs. Henpeck-Is there any different Theodore, do you know, between a lore and a fortees?

Mr. Henpeck-I should (magine a lore ress, my love, would be harder to all ence.-London Opinion.

"How do you know Mrs. Elinks is as bad as she is painted?" "My husband is a druggist and sells ouge and powder." -Boston Transcript.

Hicks-Have you joined this buy-a-baje-Wicks-No. sir. What I had to join was the buy-a-load-of-coal movement.-Indianapolis News.

"That rich Mrs. Stiggins doesn't speak to me now. Yet she used to be my next door neighbor—and they were awfully "Well, there are some things money can't do."

old-time neighbors forget the

OCTOBER.

Alfred Thorne in St. Louis Globe-Demo

Tis October, blithe October, 'tis the mellow time of year.

And the autumn smiles in beauty at the winter drawing near. The maple leaf is crimson and the woodbine's flaming right And the harvest moon wit the brisk Cerober night with glory fills

Tis October, rare October, and the apple boughs are red.
Where the springtime bloomed in frag-The harvest home is singing where the teeming earth has blessed.

And the woodland ways are wondrous in autumn splender dressed.

'Tis October, hale October, all the air is crisp and sweet.

And the breeze in darkling shadows runs and rippies in the wheat;

There's a sharper, prighter sparkle on the river's crystal stream.

And a frosty glitter twinkles in the even-ing starlight gleam.

'Tis October, fair October, 'tis the mellow time o year,
When we give a kindly Father praise for
earth's abundant cheer;
When with happy hearts we gather round
the hearthfire burning bright. Thanking God for home and dear ones in a land of love and light.

