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#### THE LONG ROAD OF MEMORY.

Memorials are of various sorts, some purely sentimental, others blessed with a touch of the practical. Both impulses are combined in the proposal of Congressman-elect Edgar Howard for two paved transcontinental highways. In an editorial in the Columbus Telegram he suggests that the national government take over complete charge of the Lincoln highway and the Lee highway, the one crossing the northern states and the other passing through the old south, and both extending now as dirt roads from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Thus would a lasting monument to the two great figures of the war be established. Millions of Americans, in generation after generation would bless the names of these two historic figures as they motored in comfort where but for the gracious act of congress the way would be beset with mud and ruts, washouts, detours and hazards of infinite va-

Writ ing on a visit to the south Mr. Howard remarks on the entthusiastic way in which the people have received the idea of this joint tribute to Lee and to Lincoln. He notes none of the post-bellum animosity and is convinced that congressional support will be forthcoming from both sections for the creation of these memorials.

"Both these great highways should be nationalized immediately," he writes. "By nationalizing them I mean that they should be taken under the wing of the American government and both should be immediately permanently paved so that a citizen may drive a Ford or a Packard from ocean to ocean by the Lincoln highway, and from ocean to ocean by the Lee highway, without having his equipment mired by mud."

It will be a long time, if indeed the day ever comes, when travel is by air and good roads are not needed. Nebraska, which is crossed from Omaha to Kimball by the Lincoln highway, has more than a small interest in this project, as have all the states along either route. Paved roads must be had, and this would indeed be a splendid beginning. Gradually, then, links north and south could be developed which would draw the states closer to each other and have a lasting effect on the relations of the two sec-

Some there will be to object to the initial cost of the proposed memorial. To them it may be pointed out that the government expends vast sums for less practical purposes than motor transportation. Internal improvements must be carried on, and it is time that some of them were being given a permanent character. A project so vast and important as this would fittingly bear the names of Lee and Lincoln.

### "HOME IS WHERE THE HEART IS."

The rover loves to sing that "any old place I hang my hat is home, sweet home, to me." He knows he is simply trying to deceive himself when he sings that line, for somwhere is a place to which his hungry heart turns whenever he hears the word. That sentimental attachment to a spot extends to dumb brutes. It is said of cats they become so attached to a place they can not be moved away, and thus are likened to men, who take root and flourish in a selected soil. Dogs, on the contrary, are likened to women, because they will content themselves wherever they are well treated. We have Mary Roberts Rinehart as authority for this, although she may not know much about either men or women.

Comes now a story from Denver, of how a dog walked 700 miles to get back there after being sold to an owner in St. Joseph, Mo. While this tends to confute the idea that a dog is devoid of home instincts, it also opens a question as to the intelligence of the dog. Men have praised the canine species for centuries because of its fidelity, its sagacity, and its devotedness. Those of us who shed childhood's tears over the tale of Gelert, Llewllyn's faithful hound, will trust the dog we

So, while it may appear on the surface that this dog loved his home in Denver beyond that offered him in St. Joseph, it will also come to mind that, exercising that faculty he possesses in lieu of reason, he preferred the Colorado capital as a place of residence, and walked back rather than to wait for chance conveyance. Look at it either way, and the dog is entitled to some modicum of admiration.

### FOR THE SAKE OF OTHERS.

This generation is quite generally accused of being so taken up with the problems that deal with worldly progress that human sympathy is almost obliterated. Things happen, sometimes, however, to force pessimists to admit that brotherly love is shown on every side in the everyday walks of life.

During the early fall months the fire department of a Nebraska town was called into service. An accident occurred in which two firemen were injured. One soon recovered, but the other, who had a crushed foot, suffered agonies for several weeks. The foot was amputated that the life of the patient might be saved. Weeks passed and infection again broke out, and since that time several young men, friends of the sufferer, have offered themselves for blood tests, hoping to be accepted, that they might be allowed to sacrifice some of their own healthy blood for a transfusion operation in order to give needed strength to the friend who is making such a

heroic fight for life. Friends and acquaintances who pass the little home, closed and deserted, think of the sacrifice made by the owner to save another little home, but the young wife alone can realize how great is that sacrifice as she waits day after day, wondering, yet fearful of what the last verdict may be. This case of Mr. J. L. Thompson of Albion, who has lain in an Omaha hospital during these long months near death's door, should give the people a greater appreciation of the work of a volunteer fireman. Through constant care, accidents are usually avoided, yet danger to life is there, and the risk is taken for others. This is brotherly love, for "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

#### BEHIND THE SCENES.

When "the priests, the sons of Levi," were dedicated to their holy service in Israel, it was set down in the law:

"And the Lord spake unto Aarou, Thou shalt have no inheritance in their land, neither shalt thou have any part among them: I am thy part and thy inheritance among the children of Israel. 'And behold I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in Israel for an inheritance, for their service which they serve, even the service of the tabernacle of the congregation.

Scriptural authority for the tithing, the taking of one-tenth of all for the use of those who serve in the tabernacle of the congregation. Its practice has fallen into neglect, although here and there may be found those who yet observe the requirement that was laid on the wanderers who followed Moses through the wilderness to the Promised Land.

People are not accustomed to associate deep piety with those whose lives are spent on the stage. It is generally accepted that one who is an athlete must be clean in his physical life at least, for he can not sacrifice his nerves and muscles to indulgence without destroying his ability to do the tricks that require strength and agility, and perfect co-ordination of mind and muscle. Fred Stone is 49 years old, yet those who saw him capering at the Brandeis a few nights ago would not have set his age at anywhere near that mark.

Now we get at his secret. Kneeling at prayer in he sanctuary of a Methodist minister at Butte. Mont., Mr. Stone solemnly dedicated the one-tenth of his all to the service of the church. He admitted his connection with the church years ago, and in a scene that must have transcended in beauty any of he wonderful views he has participated in on the stage, he knelt and prayed to God, with thanks for mercies bestowed and a plea for guidance.

Who will challenge Fred Stone's sincerity? He does not need advertising, for no name is better known than his in the world of the theater. He could have gone on as he was, secretly serving the Lord after his own fashion, and his standing in the eyes of the world would have been as good, perhaps, as it is today. Spiritually, he would have been different. Already he had reached a height attained by few in popularity and fame; now he has surmounted that height by a splendid climax

It is an inspiration to those who are given to the service of God to have such testimony. The Omaha Bee has many times censured those of the stage who have disgraced it; we have equally commended those who have honored it. And now we praise Fred Stone's example as showing that one may be a good actor, a clown if you please, but a man and a Christian. He has answered effectively one of the many charges against his calling; he will my conscience. He made my judgment as well as my conscience. He made my judgment become give courage to many of his associates, who have felt constraint, and he will prove to the youth of the land that clean, honest living, a walk in the narrow path, has its compensations, its rewards, that surpass any gifts the world can bestow.

Fred Stone's spiritual testimony is of more value to the cause of religion than his tithe will ever be.

#### A JOB FOR A WHALE.

Prejudice is a Jonah that Nebraska would be wise to cast overboard from its ship of state. There is a job for a whale or at least a whale of a job in the impending revision of the code system.

The recently announced proposals of Governor Bryan do not amount to outright repeal of the code. Page after page has been clipped out of the printed code and pasted up to be re-enacted as part of the

Bryan plan. To condemn his suggestions offhand merely because of partisan antagonism is no more fair nor wise than to endorse them as some have done purely on the grounds of party affiliation. The problem of what sort of government Nebraska shall have will best be solved by the earnest co-operation of all. It is true that a democratic governor was elected on a platform calling for the complete elimination of the code system; it is true also that a republican legislature was returned on a platform pledging the maintaining and perfection of the code system. In face of this divided verdict, Mr. Bryan has done well in not attempting to do more than readjust the state offices, changing a name here and consolidating duties there. Instead of secretaries he will call his assistants deputies, and instead of departments there will be com-

With what wisdom he has designed the new arrangement can only be determined by careful study of his 44 bills, which have not yet been printed. The legislature can be counted on to compare these with all due diligence with the various counter proposals. Foremost among these is the series of bills sponsored by T. B. Dysart, R. R Vance, C. F. Donnelly, J. M. Pollard and N. M. Nelson. These latter differ from the Bryan project by preserving the finance department, which constitutes the business management of the state and supervises the budget. They also differ from the Bryan modification by which an executive council would be set up. Instead of scattering authority the Dysart plan would center responsibility in the governor.

What the people want is the most economical and efficient administration possible. Governor Bryan has taken an injudicious position in announcing that he is against all compromise. As governor of the state he is expected to consult with the legislature, not dictate to it. This is the people's business, and neither a personal nor a party affair. His modification of the code is neither to be accepted nor rejected on political grounds.

It also appears that George Washington was a good housekeeper as well as a great general.

## Homespun Verse

By Robert Worthington Davie

OVER THE ROAD.

Over the road I often go When hills are green and flowers sweet. Viewing the scenes I treasure so, Feeling a charm complete;

Over the road in dreams I glide-Over the river fair, Scanning the country far and wide, Loving it everywhere,

Over the road when hills are brown, And grass and leaves are sere-Far away from the noisy town, Many a mile from here. Past the cornfields gold and still, Past the groves where squirrels play-Across the valley and over the hill-Over the road I sway.

Over the road in wintertime When the world has gone to sleep. And echoes out of the distance climb To the heavens blue and deep: Hills meet the sky like mountains white And gloaming is bright as day-Lost to dreams on a winter night Over the road I away,

# "The People's Voice"

Rev. Buckner Writes on Spiritual Aurora, Neb .- To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: Does God intend for me to be guided by the Bible, by my con-

of my church was telling me once with considerable enthusiasm how he and his wife and daughter had bought chances on a sewing machine, the prize to go to the one making the nearest guess on the number of white of my church was telling me once nearest guess on the number of white beans in a bottle. He asked me what And when these words above the fool are a form of lottery and a mild instance of gambling which, on the whole, I did not approve. He said: "What is your scripture on it?" He had me there because I could not retain the said and when these words above the fool are said. The others ranged about the room shall think: "The fool is dead."

The fool is dead." forgot there because I could not point to any scripture which said: "Thou shalt not guess on the number of white beans in a bottle for a sewing ma-

When a man says that the Bible is his infallible guide for all conduct, he means that he reads his Bible and nterprets it according to his judgment. Slaveholders were most in-sistent in citing the Bible as sanctioning slavery. When I used to be in the thick of prohibition fights, there was always someone to cite the Bible as supporting the liquor traffic, and to call my attention to the miracle of Christ turning water into wine a wedding. There are something like 270 different denominations of Christian religion and the leaders of each denomination claim the Bible as an infallible guide directing their particular creed

Many say that conscience is a safe guide. They declare that when their conscience approves, their action is right, and when their conscience condemns, their action is wrong. A mother in India took her baby to the Ganges river to sacrifice it to her god. crocodile, and, as she took a last look into the baby's face, and he smiled back to her its love, her motherly instincts overcame her religious devotion and, hugging the baby to her bosom, she ran home. Of course, she lid just right, but her conscience lashed her all night and she felt she had done a wicked thing. Conscience is not a guide. It was never intended for a guide. It is blind. It has no sense. It never strikes a blow until judgment decides such an act has been wrong, and it never hands a bouquet until judgment says that an act has been good.

ment for my guide. I have heard many a preacher say when beginning a sermon: "I worked all week on a sermon, but when I came into the breach another sermon and I always to some city where all these wonders why God didn't tell him a as a matter of course, and is quite week sooner so that he could have prepared and preached beter. I think that conditions suggested to his judg. way system of that state without a conditions suggested to his judgment that it was not the time to preach his prepared sermon, perhaps the folks were not there whom he incidentally wanted to hear it. He may have thought that the processes of judg. that state.

know more as the days go by.
J. D. M. BUCKNER.

### The Bright Side of Taxation.

this state and of the members of our present legislature with reference to house, with a kerosene lamp for light what a shock to the moralists. divisions thereof are suffering intense-ly from the burden of taxes. I find schools. no voice raised in defense of or to in the matter of our personal de-excuse those responsible for this con- mands, expenditures and ways of provided for, This means taxes. Ir-respective of party, provisions have been made in some way to meet such needs, and taxes have continued to mount. I have never seen the time when the great majority of the taxpayers did not honestly think that taxes were too high.

When my father used to pay from \$16 to \$20 per year taxes on a good quarter section of land, I used to wear a \$3 suit of clothes, a 75-cent pair of plow shoes, ride to town in a the horses in a straw shed, carry water in a pail for the stock and to termine what it is. the house, and go to school in that You dislike to be humiliated, you dear little "old red school house" for are averse to making this fact known eighth grade.

## Daily Prayer

He that hath My commandments and cepeth them, loveth Me. - John 14:21. Most gracious God Almighty, all buy it from those who know.

are indeed like little children, with ers what is wrong with your case al ltheir weakness and imperfections. but without their humility, purity, teachableness and trustfulness. Cleanse us from our sins. Grant us doy and peace in believing in Thee.
May we have the love that believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth

Il things. In our home, in our daily work and recreations, and in all our relations to others, make us strong and steadfast to do the right and shun the wrong. Bless us, that we may become a bless-

ing to others. Remember, we beseech Thee, all classes and conditions of men-the sick, the sorrowful, the poor and needy, the widows and orphans, the little children with their sweet faith and childlike joys, the young and vig-crous, bearing the responsibilities of

Bless the missionaries at home and abroad. Be pleased to make Thyself known in the labors of the faithful pastors and teachers, and let Thy truth and righteousness govern the nation of the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. RUFUS W. MILLER, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa.

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## Songs of Courage John G. Neihardt Nebraska's Poet Laureate

THE FOOL'S MOTHER.

Many a man says: "I always do hat the Bible says, and don't do hat the Bible forbids" And I shall hear her saying with her life. what the Bible forbids." A member "This fool I mothered sucked a bitter

is the value to society of the benefits received therefrom. Applying this rule and bringing it home to ourselves
—and selfishly if you please—just prive those unfortunates in our state institutions of needful care? Should we impair the efficiency of our state government by reducing the salaries of the officers thereof? thing to go on record against higher port our great university and our normal schools? Just what activities within our great state can we honestsurate to the cost thereof? In a lesser way, we are willing to go back o the old sod grown highway and the little one-room school house?

Since when has it become a sin and wrong for the small cities and vilprovide heat and light systems, water systems, or to pave the streets Robshereof? Why is it that a majority of the electors in school districts and municipalities cannot be trusted to ote upon those questions and subjects with which they are familiar? Why is the legislature permitted to is it necessary that propositions to vote bonds in such school districts and municipalities must be sanctioned a two-thirds majority, whereas, any law passed by the leislature may be submitted to the people and on a referendum vote thereon, and a ba majority is all that is necessary for the passage or repeal of such laws, even though the average elector may know nothing of the merits of such

become necessary to our welfare. Let us be fair with ourselves. We are not willing to do without them. This is shown by the fact that frequently the one who makes the most strenuous pulpit this morning. God told me to objecton to his taxes usually moves If that were true, one are to be had, pays his added taxes to murmur, and comes back periodically to collect his rents and profits, and incidentally to tell his old neighbors of the wonderful roads and schools of

ment were a direct revelation from this one subject. We are pretty good The best way to live is to do the sports until it comes to the matter of best you know how and to seek to taxes. Let us make an honest effort know more as the days go by. to make our personal habits and expenditures conform to our attitude on the matter of taxes, or let's face the by a new class of criminals—young men, the majority under 25, who music and pay our taxes as we pay our other bills and without a kick. Laurel, Neb-To the Editor of The Let's be good sports and quit riding of the Comaha Bee: I have observed with in high-priced automobiles unless we of the press of favor good roads to run them one. It seems to be assumed that and cobs for fuel and the other inthe people of our state and of the sub-divisions thereof are suffering intense-ly from the burden of taxes. I find schools. Let's go back 40 or 50 years It is true that our taxes are living, or let us stop criticising those and conditions which must be pending the taxes we pay, because of for. This means taxes. Ir-Every decade sees new de- charged with the responsibility of ex-

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### Common Sense

Ask Advice of Others.

Do you feel there is something plow shoes, ride to town in a about your work which is not as twagon, read by a kerosene should be—that your work lack lamp, keep warm by a cook stove punch to put it over in good shape?
with nothing but cobs for fuel, keep There is a certain element necessary and lacking, but you cannot de-

about 14 years to get through the to some other men in the same line who is a greater success, so you con-Yes, we do pay high taxes; but I tinue to grope in the dark.

lake bold to say that the fact of the It would be better for you to admit amount of taxes is not measured n your weakness, or lack of knowledge, whatever is needed to make you advance, and gain the desired instruc-

You never will improve to any great degrees until you get help.
You need outside advice and assistance, but you are arraid to ask it or wise, all loving, our Heavenly Fath-er, we rejoice that Thou hast called rather than admit your deficiency us to be Thy children. there is no hope for you. Overcome
We confess before Thee, that we your weakness and find out from oth-

## Dance To-night

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Here are two new dance hits with all the thrills-saxophones, chromatic scales, harps, the veiled trombone, the muted cornet-all on Brunswick Records, the world's truest reproductions, to put new life into the old phonograph to-night.

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WHEN IN NEED OF HELP

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## "From State and -Nation"-

Editorials from other newspapers.

"Taps" for a Theory.

Several million American soldiers demobilized from the military service in 1919 and returned to civil life. These millions of men had, in 1917 and 1918, left their peace time pursuits to take up arms against an Liberty bonds and bought "There's nothing too good for our

Then the war ended and the cheer ing was over. The promises were forgotten. It was 1919, not 1917. At while the flush of war time prosperity was still in evidence, the boys managed to get other jobs and other girls and other clothes, but in 1920 hard times hit the natio what particular thing does our tax self harboring an army of unemployed dispense with? Are we willing to de- lion human beings in its ranks, and men that numbered over half a mil fortunate men were the former solthe cheers and promises and had quit Is it a good their jobs and marched off to camp education by failing properly to support our great university and our There' and "The Stars and Stripes

And then came the crime wave. It

ly say is not giving results commen- rest should follow economic idleness and stagnation. Robberies, murders and other acts of violence were the and stagnation. order of the day. Life wasn't safe, order of the day. Life was to be a few orders of the day. Life was to be a few orders of the day. Like a fall out of society. Immediately the moralists began to bonds, canteen, clothing allowance, take a fall out of society. The veterans of the army and navy order to be a few orders of the army and navy order alongside the who served during the world was employed soldiers. Headlines such as the like were prominently displayed and read. The theorists immediately placed the blame on the boys who 'came back.' jects with which they are familiar?
Why is the legislature permitted to pass laws by a majority vote? Why is it necessary that propositions to vote bonds in such school districts.

Came back. They said the lads had been so long used to the care-free ury to him. When the munitions worker found himself out of a high ask of the American people now is priced job and forced to go back to lay off the idea that the returned to worker found himself out of a high priced job and forced to go back to lay off the idea that the returned soldiers are responsible for the crime worker found himself out of a high pass and priced job and forced to go back to lay off the idea that the returned soldiers are responsible for the crime worker found himself out of a high pass and just as a contradiction, said they and just as a contradiction, said they had been so long under the iron discipline of the army they had gone or a debauch of license and privilege.

It was further said that the wine and women of France had made degenerates of the boys, and that the aporary applause of the multitude had gone to their heads, and that the chance to see the world, mostly through a port hele or a box car win dow, had bred discontent toward their former environment. Of course they had won the war, but then the war was over!

-So much for the established and acepted theory of the moralists. Now for the heartless statistics.

The insurance companies had paid out cold cash for the acts of criminals and they investigated conditions with the result that it was discovered that their losses in 1922 were greater than in any previous year of their history. Robberies of mercantile establishments increased 62.7 per cent and holdups 18.3 per cent. "The unemployed soldiers!" cried

the moralists. But the insurance companies don't deal in theories, they look for facts, and as a result of the investigation the National Underwriter makes the following statement:

men, the majority under 25, who worked in shippards and munition plants during the war and were paid high wages. When the war endtook to bootlegging, falling into other

facts are revealed to us by intelligent investigators. young men of America worked on the same level with equal opportunities of salary and advancement. But dur-ing the war the soldler made \$30 a month and got about \$5, if he was

## Pop Switches a Viewpoint



soldier before the war went to a ship- have long since been disillusioned riotous living as fast as he made it. and new girls and new clothes. was getting a raw deal. Society was wave.

lucky, after his insurance, Liberty treating him wrong, so he decided to home who had worked alongside the who served during the world war "Soldier Kills-," "Ex-Service Man soldier before the war went to a snip nave long sand promises. "Thief in Uniform-," and yard or a munitions plant and made regard to the cheering and promises. They she made it and new girls and new clothes. They lame on the boys who When the soldier came home the have even despaired of ever getting. They said the lads had most simple kind of living was a lux- a partial financial reimbusement for

## Your Last Chance to Buy at My

# Drug Sale

But six days remain until the landlord forces me out. Stock up on your drug wants now. While the response to my sale has been wonderful, thrifty buyers can still find bargains in household remedies, cough preparations, insecticides, toilet accessories, etc., of many kinds.

J. H. GREEN, Druggist

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dine Breeches, \$4.75

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